

## **Sustainable Fisheries GIT Executive Committee Meeting**

Minutes for September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 from 1:00-3:00pm

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**In Attendance:** Peyton Robertson, Tom O'Connell, A.C. Carpenter, Bryan King, Michael Wilberg, Nancy Butowski, Bruce Vogt, Peter Bergstrom, Derek Orner, Lynn Fegley, Doug Vaughn, Amy Scheuller, Andrew Turner, Karl Blankenship, Adam Davis

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### **Presentation:**

#### **Overfishing, disease, habitat loss, and potential extirpation of oysters in upper Chesapeake Bay** (20 min; 10 min Q&A)

- Presentation via webinar
  - Handout: *Wilberg et al. 2011 - Overfishing, disease, habitat loss, and potential extirpation of oysters in Upper Chesapeake Bay.pdf*
  - Michael J. Wilberg presented research findings indicating the oyster population in the Chesapeake Bay is down to 0.3%
    - He believes the oyster population would stabilize if a moratorium were put in place
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### **Decisional**

#### **DRAFT December GIT Meeting Agenda**

- Handout: *December 2011 - Full GIT Meeting - Agenda (v1).pdf*
  - The winter meeting will focus on land-use and its impacts on fisheries. We hope to bring a diverse group together including various fisheries and land-use stakeholders.
    - Day 1 → recap of Fisheries GIT accomplishments, look at future direction, and field trip
    - Day 2 → Land-Use
      - Case studies from within Chesapeake Bay and various other locations facing similar challenges
  - Oyster summit will not be a part of this meeting
    - Would still like to plan a summit for late winter or early spring
  - **Action Item:** Bryan King will forward paper on military land use's negative effects on water quality and fisheries.
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#### **DRAFT Newsletter:**

- Handout: *Fisheries GIT – Newsletter - 9 - 2011 (v2).pdf*
  - **Action Item:** Will sharpen up the “so what” portion of the newsletter and redistribute for final approval before release.
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#### **DRAFT Invasive Catfish Policy Statement**

- Handout: *DRAFT - Invasive Catfish Policy Adoption Statement (v4).pdf*
  - **Action Item:** Will add paragraph on why we are concerned about invasive catfish, make final edits, and redistribute to the Executive Committee.
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#### **Revised Goals/Objectives**

- Handout: *GIT Goals and Objectives Combined (v8).pdf*
  - Executive Committee agreed these goals and objectives are ready to move forward
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**Informational**

**ChesapeakeStat Revisions:**

- **Action Item:** Bruce and Adam will work with the ChesapeakeStat team to have a revised webpage by October 17<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee meeting

**Next Fisheries GIT Executive Committee Meeting:**

- October 17<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00pm