



Oyster Restoration Workgroup Meeting - November 2026

November 18, 2026

1:00pm - 3:00pm

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Purpose: This meeting will serve as the kick-off for the new Oyster Restoration Workgroup and will provide updates on changes to previous workgroup structure, membership, meetings, and operations as well as updates on ongoing projects.

Agenda

- I. Welcome & Introductions** **1:00pm – 1:10pm**
Quick introductions of workgroup members
- Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Bruce Vogt (NOAA) & Keith Lockwood (USACE)
- II. Overview of Workgroup Operations** **1:10pm - 1:50pm**
Updates regarding structural and membership changes for the workgroup, operations and scheduling of future meetings, as well as overview of management strategy and workplans. Opportunity for Q&A Discussion.
- Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Bruce Vogt (NOAA)
Materials: N/A
- III. Communications Update** **1:50pm – 2:00pm**
Update on CBP article regarding ongoing oyster restoration projects.
- Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Kim Couranz (NOAA)
Materials: N/A
- IV. Fishery & Aquaculture Action Team Update** **2:00pm - 2:05pm**
Quick update on the Fishery & Aquaculture Action Team
- Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Ward Slacum (ORP)
Materials: N/A
- V. Update on Oyster Metric Review Project** **2:05pm - 2:15pm**
Overview of updates regarding the Oyster metric review project
- Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Bruce Vogt (NOAA)
Materials: N/A
- VI. Update on Tangier & Pocomoke Sound Oyster Recovery Plan** **2:15pm - 2:45pm**
Update from VA on the Tangier and Pocomoke Sound Oyster Recovery Plan
- Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Keith Lockwood (USACE) & Andrew Button (VMRC)
Materials: N/A
- VII. Wrap-Up & Next Steps** **2:45pm - 3:00pm**
Review the key takeaways from the meeting and discuss next steps for the workgroup

Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Bruce Vogt (NOAA) & Keith Lockwood (USACE)
Materials: N/A

VIII. Adjourn

3:00pm