



## Virginia Oyster Restoration Workgroup Meeting Notes

March 13 2024, 1-3pm

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- Welcome, and note that this is a public meeting.
  - Review draft 2023 oyster annual update document
    - content will be presented at the Fish GIT on 3/20 by Stephanie and Andrew Button
    - minor edits discussed for VA section
    - 2 sq miles changed to 2.5 sq miles
    - white arrow on the summary page missing
    - correcting spelling of “Seaward” (currently spelled Seward) in Piankatank trib write up
    - final page of VA - 2nd bullet under Challenges “restoration” misspelled
    - 2023 highlights - last bullet, extra space after “annually”
  - Update on Bay Program Strategy Review System
    - the final 2-year oyster workplan has been sent to the Bay Program
  - General announcements and reef construction updates.
    - USACE Lynnhaven reef construction expected to start in Fall 2024 (not spring 2024)
    - CBF - Jackie introduced Ryan Westpfahl
    - new CBF oyster team member; news: 5 acres of future reef restoration in the permitting phase in the Hampton River
    - VMRC - Mobjack Bay restoration work planning continuing
    - contractor solicitation went out; also starting expansion of a project in the Elizabeth River located in the main stem looking to expand site at Lambert’s Point coal terminal (20+ acres)
    - moving to every other month meeting schedule; next meeting planned for May