

**Sustainable Fisheries GIT Executive Committee**  
**Meeting Agenda**

April 21, 2014 from 1:00pm-3:00pm

Call-In: 877-921-8911; Pass Code: 7762916

Webinar: <https://www4.gotomeeting.com/register/797875727>

Materials: <http://www.chesapeakebay.net/S=0/calendar/event/21533/>

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**Decisional**

- **Blue Crab Allocation Proposal – Matt Mullin (EDF) (1:00-1:25pm)**
  - *Presentation 10 min; Discussion 15 min*
  - Handout: EDF\_Fish GIT TAC Workgroup Concept Paper
  - Fisheries GIT member Matt Mullin will present EDF's proposed framework for how to move forward with blue crab allocation discussions.
  - Discussion: What is the Ex Comm's response to this proposed framework?
- **New Agreement Fisheries Outcomes (1:25-1:50pm)**
  - Handout: PSC Decisions\_4-15-14\_Ex Comm; FisheriesGIT possible Agreement changes 4-3-14
  - The CBP Principals' Staff Committee (PSC) met on April 13-14<sup>th</sup> to discuss the public comments and suggested changes to the Agreement outcomes.
  - The Ex Comm will review the PSC's comments and make any necessary refinements to the fisheries outcome language.
    - Blue Crab Management
    - Blue Crab Abundance
    - Oyster Restoration
    - Forage Fish
    - Fish Habitat/Freshwater
  - Decision: Ex Comm will make final refinements for each fisheries outcome to propose to CBP leadership.
- **CBSAC Charter and 2014 Timeline (1:50-2:20 pm)**
  - Handout: CBSAC Final Charter
  - Andrew T. will present the final charter for final Ex Comm review.
  - Updates:
    - CBSAC had a call on April 16<sup>th</sup> to discuss VMRC's proposed management triggers. CBSAC member were generally supportive but further discussion and development of CBSAC response will continue over the next few weeks.
    - CBSAC is finalizing their in-person meeting date in May to work on the Advisory Report
  - Discussion: Upcoming CBSAC meetings.
- **June Meeting (2:20-2:50pm)**
  - Handout: June meeting draft agenda
  - Staff will present the draft agenda developed with input from the Steering Committee.
  - June 4-5<sup>th</sup> at VIMS.
  - Discussion: Specific comments or discussion questions that the Ex Comm would like to include for the proposed agenda items? Additional topics to include? Other changes?

- **Future Meeting Dates (2:50-2:55pm)**
  - Typically, full GIT meetings occur in June and December
  - Because June seems to consistently be a busy month, the Ex Comm will consider shifting meeting dates (i.e. May and November; April and October)
  - Decision: Should the meeting dates be shifted to another timeframe?
- **Ex Comm Updates**
  - Executive Committee members' updates and discussion of management issues.

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### **Informational**

- **MD DNR Invasive Catfish Event/CBP Management Board Meeting**
  - MD DNR hosted an invasive catfish outreach event at Smallwood State Park on April 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - Speakers included Tom O'Connell, Peyton Robertson, and Steve Vilnit. Attendees included watermen and Chesapeake Bay Program leadership.
  - Two catfish tasting dishes were prepared by chefs from the Westin and Hellas local restaurants which carry catfish on their menu.
  - CBP Management Board met earlier that morning at Smallwood Park facilities where Bruce presented the Invasive Catfish Task Force's recommendations. MB members were very receptive to the report and endorsed the Fisheries GIT's and jurisdictions efforts to explore implementing the recommendations.
- **New Agreement Updates**
  - The PSC met on April 13-14<sup>th</sup> to discuss changes to the Agreement based on public and partner comments.
  - The **TENTATIVE** date for the Executive Council meeting and Agreement signing is Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup> in Annapolis.
- **Confirm upcoming meeting dates**

*(Mondays 1:00-3:00 pm)*

May 19, 2014

*Full GIT Meeting*

Wed-Thurs, June 4-5<sup>th</sup> at VIMS