

Sustainable Fisheries Goal Implementation Team
Biannual Full GIT Meeting
December 2-3rd, 2014
Smithsonian Environmental Research Center, Schmidt Building
Edgewater, MD

Meeting Materials: <http://www.chesapeakebay.net/S=0/calendar/event/22157/>

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Day 1 Webinar:

Day 2 Webinar:

The Sustainable Fisheries Goal Implementation Team (Fisheries GIT) continues to provide a forum for connecting science and policy across jurisdictions and the Chesapeake Bay ecosystem. The diverse team meets bi-annually in June and December of each year.

For Day 1 of this December 2014 meeting, Fisheries GIT members will provide their expertise during breakout sessions to discuss the fisheries management strategies to support the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement signed in June 2014. Day 2 will be devoted to discussion of priorities including oyster restoration progress, CBSAC updates, and the invasive catfish.

Tuesday, December 2nd

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| 10:00 am | Welcome and Overview of Day 1 – Peyton Robertson, Fisheries GIT Chair
<i>Introductions</i> |
| 10:30 am | STAC Forage Workshop Outcomes and Summary
Presentation-20 min; Discussion-30 min
Objectives: Present the outcomes and summary of the November 2014 STAC Forage Workshop and how these outcomes will help inform the forage management strategy for the Watershed Agreement. |
| 11:20 am | Management Strategy and GIT Funding Overview
Presentation: 20-min; Discussion-20 min
Objectives: Discuss the current status of the fisheries management strategy and plans for the afternoon work session. Update the full GIT of the EPA Chesapeake Bay Program funding provided to the GITs to support projects related to management strategies. |
| 12:00pm | Lunch |
| 1:00 pm | Management Strategy Work Session
1 hour – Two 30-min sessions
Objectives: Work in small groups to review current drafts of the fisheries management strategies and discuss specific questions and issues for each strategy. Members can choose two strategies to work on. |
| 2:00 pm | Break |

2:20 pm	Summary and Full Group Discussion Objectives: Provide a summary of the major discussion points from the small-group work session for each strategy. Discuss any other issues and the next steps for each strategy and identify collaboration opportunities with other CBP GITs and workgroups.
3:20 pm	Public Comment Period
3:40 pm	Day 1 Recap
4:00 pm	SERC Activity/Tour
5:00 pm	Adjourn
5:30 pm	Dinner

Wednesday, December 3rd

9:00 am	Day 2 Overview – Peyton Robertson, Fisheries GIT Chair
9:15 am	VA Oyster Restoration Progress Presentation 20 min; Discussion 20 min Objective: Discuss the recent progress and next steps for oyster restoration in Virginia tributaries.
9:55 am	MD Oyster Restoration Progress Presentation 20 min; Discussion 20 min Objective: Discuss the recent progress and next steps for oyster restoration in Maryland tributaries.
10:35 am	Break
10:50 am	CBSAC Updates – Joe Grist (VMRC, CBSAC Chair) Presentation-30 min; Discussion 40 min Objective: Update on current CBSAC priorities and projects including developing Terms of Reference for the next blue crab benchmark stock assessment.
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Invasive Catfish Task Force Update Presentation-20 min; Discussion 15 min Objective: Discuss the comments received from the STAC peer review of the Task Force final report and the Task Force’s plans to address these comments and move forward.
1:35 pm	Potential Topics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telemetry Updates

- VA Sea Grant Post-doc Project introduction

2:30 pm	Public Comment Period
2:45 pm	Day 2 Recap; Next Steps
3:00 pm	Adjourn

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