

Sustainable Fisheries GIT Executive Committee Meeting

Agenda for August 31st, 2012 from 1:00pm-3:00pm

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

Materials: <http://www.chesapeakebay.net/calendar/event/18599>

Webinar: <https://epa.connectsolutions.com/sfgitexcomm/>

Presentation

1:10-1:30 Low Dissolved Oxygen - Direct and Indirect Effects on Fisheries Species

- Handout: TBA
- Denise Breitburg (SERC) will present her work on land use and its effects on fish and fisheries from reduced dissolved oxygen concentrations.

Decisional

1:30- 1:50 2012 GIT Workplan and June Full GIT Meeting Priorities

- Handout: *2012 Workplan & June Priorities (v2).pdf*
- GIT staff has compiled the workplan and June full GIT meeting priorities into the above spreadsheet for review.
- **Discussion:**
 - Does the Executive Committee agree with the prioritization scheme?
 - Does the Executive Committee agree that these are the right tasks and we should proceed developing methods to accomplishing these tasks?
- **Outcome:** The Executive Committee agrees on a process forward to accomplish the prioritized list of action items.

1:50-2:10 December Meeting Planning

- We plan to hold the meeting at Port Isobel of Tangier Island, VA on December 6th-8th.
- **Discussion:**
 - How should we tighten our membership for a more active and motivated GIT?
 - How can we best utilize this location for beneficial stakeholder engagement?
- **Outcome**
 - The Executive Committee provides GIT staff with guidance concerning December meeting objectives, outcomes, and purpose.
- **Decisional:**
 - Fisheries GIT staff have been considering reviving methods of stakeholder engagement for the Fisheries GIT. If you have any potential ideas on how we can better reach out and which fisheries stakeholders and organizations should be included please let us know by **COB 9/7/12**.

2:10-2:30 Chesapeake Bay Commission Meeting Preparation

- September 6th and 7th in Virginia
- **Discussion:** What should we ask for from the legislators in terms of fisheries management?
- **Outcome:** Fisheries GIT Executive Committee agrees on how to successfully engage the Commission's legislators

Fisheries Science Needs

- Executive Committee input on critical science to address management objectives. Please

submit recommendations by September 7th 2012.

Informational 2:30-3:00

New Chesapeake Bay Program Shad Indicator

- GIT staff has put together a team of Chesapeake Bay and Atlantic coast shad and habitat specific experts to develop the new indicator. This group met on August 29th for an initial meeting to establish the team and to plan next steps to take towards indicator development.

Blue Catfish Task Force

- Meeting scheduled in October. Updates and outcomes of the newly assembled task force should come at the October Executive Committee meeting.

Blue Crab Management Story

- Materials: <http://chesapeakebay.noaa.gov/fish-facts/blue-crab>
- Based on discussion at the June full GIT meeting, Emilie Franke with support from a number of staff members and partner organizations has put together a draft of the blue crab story summarizing the complex management story and highlighting the Fisheries GIT involvement.

Chesapeake Bay Program Management Board Meeting

- Materials: http://www.chesapeakebay.net/groups/group/management_board
- Handout: *MB_Harris Creek Case Study_GIT Collaboration 8_2_12.pdf*
- Hali Kerr (NOAA Summer Intern) put together the above presentation highlighting the work being done in Harris Creek oyster restoration and how the other GITs can collaborate on this issue as an example of future CBP large scale restoration approaches.

American Fisheries Society: August 19-23 in St. Paul Minnesota

- The symposium organized by Andrew Turner along with Derek Orner (NMFS/SF) and Karen Terry (U of Minn) focused on land use impacts on fisheries resources and habitats. This was an extension of previous discussions held during previous Goal Team meetings.
- The symposium organized by Derek Orner along with Joe Smith (NMFS/Beaufort) and Steve Meyers (NMFS/SF) examining the role of forage fish in the development of ecosystem approaches to fisheries management.

Next Meetings:

- Executive Committee Meeting September 17th, 2012 from 1:00-3:00pm

Executive Committee Meeting Schedule

- ***October – Need date***
- ***November – Need date***
- Full GIT – December 6th-8th?