

## **Sustainable Fisheries GIT Executive Committee Meeting**

Minutes for August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 from 1:00-3:00pm

Call-In: 877-985-4165; PassCode: 5370599

Webinar: [http://chesapeake1.adobeconnect.com/fisheries\\_git\\_excomm/](http://chesapeake1.adobeconnect.com/fisheries_git_excomm/)

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**In Attendance:** Peyton Robertson, Tom O’Connell, Bryan King, Bob Beal, Joe Grist, Bruce Vogt, Nancy Butowski, Richard McEntee, Doreen Vetter, Karl Blankenship, Jack Frye, Daniel Ryan, Adam Davis

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### **Presentation:**

#### **ChesapeakeStat** (15 min; 5 min Q&A)

- Richard McEntee presented a PowerPoint on the utility of ChesapeakeStat.  
Following the PowerPoint, he walked through the live online version of the website.
    - Discussion began over the content that has been put into ChesapeakeStat. The fisheries content is misleading and needs to be fixed. If the information on each GITs section of the website is *their* content, then each GIT should have final say in what is published on their page.
    - Potential pages:
      - “Where are the crabs in the Bay?”
      - Oyster restoration by tributary
    - **Action:** Bruce and Adam with work with Doreen and Richard to improve the ChesapeakeStat content.
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### **Decisional**

#### **Chesapeake Bay Program (CBP) Blueprint:**

- Peyton walked through why the Chesapeake Bay Program is revising their indicators and framework for decision making and adaptive management.
  - **Handout:** *GIT Goals and Objectives Combined (v7).pdf*
    - Consensus was that the goals represent the GITs current focus, but need to have more foresight and specificity.
    - **Action:** Bruce and Adam will rework the Fisheries GIT’s goals and distribute around to the Executive Committee for approval.
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### **EBFM?**

- Discussion on what to do about the uncertainty of the FEW and their work on developing indicators of EBFM for the Chesapeake Bay
- **Action:**
  - Reach out to Jon Kramer to discuss situation
  - Try to identify a “champion” to continue EBFM efforts
  - Look for short term management applications (including analysis of FEP for ideas)
  - Look for more cross-GIT topics that will benefit fisheries

### **December Meeting Logistics:**

- Location Options:
  - DDOE Conference Room
  - Waterfront Location
  - DC Convention Center
  - National Harbor

- Agenda Topics?
  - Idea was to look for some broader topics to encourage increased attendance and participation from GIT members
    - Oysters, Brook Trout, River Herring, Land Use
- Field Trip Ideas:
  - Land Use → Wastewater Treatment Plant and/or Sewage Overflows
- **Action:** Set up a Steering Committee to help with meeting logistics (site selection, agenda preparation, communications, etc.)
  - Bryan King and Bob Beal offered staff help
  - Send staff support names to Adam and Bruce

### **Invasive Catfish Policy**

- Adam has developed a draft Invasive Catfish policy adoption statement
  - **Action:** Looking for examples to refine draft
- **Action:** Bruce and Bryan will discuss the Public Outreach Document on Thursday (8/25)
- **Action:** Adam will distribute the response letter to the American Sportfishing Association to the Executive Committee

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### **Informational**

#### **CBSAC Tasking:**

- Handout: *CBSAC Tasks and Charge (v7).pdf*
- **Action:** Send 'Tasks and Charge' document to CBSAC so they can begin work

#### **Next Fisheries GIT Executive Committee Meeting:**

- September 19<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00pm