

Sustainable Fisheries GIT Executive Committee Meeting

Minutes for September 19th, 2011 from 1:00-3:00pm

In Attendance: Peyton Robertson, Tom O'Connell, A.C. Carpenter, Bryan King, Michael Wilberg, Nancy Butowski, Bruce Vogt, Peter Bergstrom, Derek Orner, Lynn Fegley, Doug Vaughn, Amy Scheuller, Andrew Turner, Karl Blankenship, Adam Davis

Presentation:

Overfishing, disease, habitat loss, and potential extirpation of oysters in upper

Chesapeake Bay (20 min; 10 min Q&A)

- Presentation via webinar
- Handout: Wilberg et al. 2011 - Overfishing, disease, habitat loss, and potential extirpation of oysters in Upper Chesapeake Bay.pdf
- Michael J. Wilberg presented research findings indicating the oyster population in the Chesapeake Bay is down to 0.3%
 - He believes the oyster population would stabilize if a moratorium were put in place

Decisional

DRAFT December GIT Meeting Agenda

- Handout: December 2011 - Full GIT Meeting - Agenda (v1).pdf
- The winter meeting will focus on land-use and its impacts on fisheries. We hope to bring a diverse group together including various fisheries and land-use stakeholders.
 - Day 1 → recap of Fisheries GIT accomplishments, look at future direction, and field trip
 - Day 2 → Land-Use
 - Case studies from within Chesapeake Bay and various other locations facing similar challenges
- Oyster summit will not be a part of this meeting
 - Would still like to plan a summit for late winter or early spring
- **Action Item:** Bryan King will forward paper on military land use's negative effects on water quality and fisheries.

DRAFT Newsletter:

- Handout: Fisheries GIT – Newsletter - 9 - 2011 (v2).pdf
- **Action Item:** Will sharpen up the “so what” portion of the newsletter and redistribute for final approval before release.

DRAFT Invasive Catfish Policy Statement

- Handout: DRAFT - Invasive Catfish Policy Adoption Statement (v4).pdf
- **Action Item:** Will add paragraph on why we are concerned about invasive catfish, make final edits, and redistribute to the Executive Committee.

Revised Goals/Objectives

- Handout: GIT Goals and Objectives Combined (v8).pdf
- Executive Committee agreed these goals and objectives are ready to move forward

Informational

ChesapeakeStat Revisions:

- **Action Item:** Bruce and Adam will work with the ChesapeakeStat team to have a revised webpage by October 17th Executive Committee meeting

Next Fisheries GIT Executive Committee Meeting:

- October 17th from 1:00-3:00pm