

**Sustainable Fisheries Goal Implementation Team**

Semiannual Full GIT Meeting

June 1-2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015

Virginia

Meeting Materials:

Call-In: 866-917-0618; Pass Code: 1613714

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 biannually in June and December.

For this June 2015 meeting, a significant portion is focused on blue crabs, as CBSAC has been working on their annual Blue Crab Advisory Report in addition to other CBSAC research priorities. The agenda will also stimulate discussion on recent striped bass management through ASMFC and climate change impacts on fisheries.

Venue Options (for Ex Comm discussion 3/16)

- Chesapeake Bay Foundation Brock Environmental Center-Virginia Beach, VA
  - Pleasure House Point on the Lynnhaven
  - Monday-Tuesday June 1-2<sup>nd</sup>
- Tides Inn-Irvington, VA
  - Rappahannock River (Carters Creek)
  - Monday-Tuesday June 1-2<sup>nd</sup>
- Mariner's Museum-Newport News, VA
  - Monday-Thursday June 1-4<sup>th</sup>

Meeting Overview (DRAFT)

Day 1 AM – meeting begins at 11:00am; climate change vulnerability assessment

Day 1 PM – CBP funding project updates (forage and striped bass), ASMFC and jurisdictions update on new striped bass regulations

Day 2 AM – blue crab summer trawl data analysis; CBSAC 2015 Advisory Report

Day 2 PM – MD E-reporting pilot project; blue crab stock assessment; meeting adjourns at 3:00pm

**Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**

**11:00 am**      **Welcome and Overview of Day 1** – Peyton Robertson, Fisheries GIT Chair  
*Introductions*

**11:30 am**      **NOAA Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment Results**  
Presentation-25 min; Discussion-25 min  
**Objectives:** Present the findings of the NOAA Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment tool for Chesapeake Bay fish species.

**12:20 pm**      **LUNCH**

<b>1:15 pm</b>	<b>CBP Funding: Forage: Nutritional Profiles for Major Predators</b> – Ed Houde (CBL) and Andre Buchheister Presentation: 20 min; Discussion-15 min
<b>1:50 pm</b>	<b>CBP Funding: Striped Bass Health Indicator</b> – Rebecca Scott (Ecoanalytics) and Howard Townsend (NCBO) Presentation-20 min; Discussion 15 min
<b>2:25 pm</b>	<b>ASMFC Update: Striped Bass and Menhaden</b> <b>Objective:</b> Discuss the new striped bass regulations and harvest reduction in place starting for the 2015 season. Review outcomes of Menhaden Board from May 2015 ASMFC meeting.
<b>2:55 pm</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>3:10 pm</b>	<b>Telemetry Presentation/Discussion/Panel</b>
<b>4:10 pm</b>	<b>Public Comment Period</b>
<b>4:20 pm</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>4:30 pm</b>	<b>On-site Activity</b>
<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Dinner</b>

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**Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Day 2 Overview</b> – Peyton Robertson, Fisheries GIT Chair
<b>9:15 am</b>	<b>Fisheries GIT Member Updates</b> <b>Objective:</b> Fisheries GIT members submitted written updates from their organization regarding fisheries-related projects/initiatives. Members will give a brief overview of each update. Meeting attendees will then have time to ask questions and discuss the updates presented. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Include discussion on work plan development for management strategies.</li></ul>

**Blue Crabs**

<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Blue Crab Summer Survey Data Analysis</b> – Tom Miller (UMCES-CBL) Presentation-20 min; Discussion 20 min
<b>10:40 am</b>	<b>2015 Blue Crab Advisory Report – Joe Grist (VMRC)</b> Presentation-20 min; Discussion 20 min <b>Objective:</b> Review the results of the Winter Dredge Survey, blue crab population status, and CBSAC's recommendations.
<b>11:20 am</b>	<b>Break</b>

- 11:30 am**      **Maryland Electronic Reporting Pilot Project Update – DNR**  
Presentation-20 min; Discussion 15 min  
**Objective:** Update the full GIT on the status of the electronic reporting pilot project and plans for the future.
- 12:15 pm**      **Lunch**
- 1:00 pm**      **Blue Crab Benchmark Stock Assessment Planning - CBSAC**  
*Presentation-30 min; Discussion-30 min*  
**Objective:** Discuss the final terms of reference (TORs) that will guide the upcoming benchmark stock assessment and the major research questions that managers and scientists hope to address.
- 2:00 pm**      **Public Comment Period**
- 2:30 pm**      **Day 2 Recap; Next Steps**
- 3:00 pm**      **Adjourn**
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