

Sustainable Fisheries GIT Executive Committee

Meeting Agenda

September 29th, 2014 from 1:00pm-3:00pm

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

Webinar: <https://www4.gotomeeting.com/register/184984111>

Materials: <http://www.chesapeakebay.net/S=0/calendar/event/21935/>

Decisional

- **Welcome (1:00-1:05)**
- **CBSAC Meeting Summary –Andrew Turner (Versar/NOAA)(1:05-1:20pm)**
 - Handout: CBSAC 2014 Sept 25th Meeting Outcomes
 - Andrew will report the major discussion points and outcomes from the in-person CBSAC meeting that took place September 25th to discuss major topics including summer survey data, the gear selectivity study, and the future stock assessment.
 - Review CBSAC action items and next steps.
 - Discussion: Questions and comments from Ex Comm members.
- **Blue Crab Allocation White Paper –Andrew Turner and Bruce Vogt (NCBO) (1:20-1:30pm)**
 - Handout:
 - NCBO staff will discuss the status of the draft blue crab allocation white paper based on discussions from the April and July Ex Comm calls.
 - The current draft white paper aims to:
 - 1) outline the current fishery status and structure
 - 2) identify general issues to consider when evaluating an allocation-based management framework (ABMF)
 - 3) highlight potential advantages and challenges of a Chesapeake Bay blue crab ABMF
 - Discussion: Next steps in white paper development.
- **December full GIT Meeting (1:30-1:50pm)**
 - Handout: Dec 2014 GIT Brainstorm
 - Staff will present options for dates and locations for the December full GIT meeting.
 - Based on usual pattern, December meeting targets a Maryland location. Recent meetings at academic institutions have been a great experience.
 - Horn Point Lab in Cambridge, MD?
 - First week of December? – Wed-Thurs Dec 3-4th?
 - Staff has compiled a list of potential full GIT meeting topics.
 - Discussion: Ex Comm decision on dates/location? Topics you would like on the December agenda?
- **Management Strategy Example (1:50-2:20pm)**
 - Handout: Oyster Draft Elements 9-29-14
 - Staff will present a DRAFT outline for the oyster mgmt strategy as an example of the type and sources of information to be included in these documents.
 - Discussion: Who will be participating in the development of each strategy?

- **September Newsletter (2:20-2:30pm)**
 - Handout: *Draft newsletter*
 - Staff will run through the highlights of the full GIT September newsletter.
 - Decision: Major changes to draft? Ex Comm members can send their comments on the newsletter to Emilie by COB Wednesday, October 1st.
 - **Ex Comm Updates**
 - Executive Committee members' updates and discussion of management issues.
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Informational

- **New VA Sea Grant/NCBO Post-doc**
 - The new EBFM post-doc has been selected for a two-year fellowship. Sea Grant and NCBO are currently outlining a few project options for the position.
 - Thanks to Ex Comm members for their input as the position was developed.
- **CBP Funding for GITs**
 - CBP is finalizing the details for the GIT funding. Fisheries GIT projects most likely receiving funding are forage metric development, CBSAC priorities, and striped bass health indicator development. Preliminary project proposals can be found [here](#).
- **Forage Workshop**
 - The Steering Committee for the STAC Forage Workshop is finalizing the workshop agenda and logistics.
 - The workshop is scheduled for November 12-13th, 2014 at the Chesapeake Biological Lab in Solomons, MD.
- **Invasive Catfish Updates**
 - The Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee (STAC) is currently reviewing the Catfish Task Force's final report. A few STAC members as well as experts from outside the region are conducting the review. The review will be complete by the end of October.
- **Restore America's Estuaries Summit Poster**
 - Andrew Turner (Versar/NOAA) and Emilie Franke (CRC) will be presenting a poster at the [Restore America's Estuaries Summit](#) at National Harbor on November 3rd. The poster is titled *Chesapeake Bay Fisheries Management: A Multi-jurisdictional Effort Applying Science to Management*.
 - The poster will give a general overview of the Fisheries GIT and use CBSAC/blue crab management as a specific example of multi-jurisdictional, coordinated management.
- **Confirm upcoming meeting dates**

Monday, October 20th from 1-3pm
Monday, November 17th from 1-3pm
Wednesday-Thursday, December 3-4th?? (*full GIT*)