

**Sustainable Fisheries GIT Executive Committee
Meeting Agenda**

March 28, 2016 from 1:00pm-3:00pm

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

Webinar: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6856483414469923586>

Materials: <http://www.chesapeakebay.net/calendar/event/23676/>

Science Presentation

➤ **Q&A Follow-Up on New Jersey Oyster Management Model (1:00-1:30pm)**

- Handout: *Oyster Stock Assessment Report*
 - 15 minute presentation, 15 minute discussion
 - Kathy Ashton-Alcox and David Bushek (Rutgers University) will provide a brief overview their presentation on wild oyster harvest management in New Jersey and field questions on their methods and development of their management model.
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Decisional

➤ **Oyster Summit Next Steps (1:30-1:50pm)**

- Handout: *Oyster Summit Report*
- Bruce/Emilie will review the proposed actions that were recommended from the Oyster Summit and the Oyster Summit Report. These proposed actions could provide a foundation to start to address the topics discussed at the Summit.
- Discussion:
 - What are the next steps in your organization to follow up on the Oyster Summit?
 - Comments on the Oyster Summit Report?
 - Interest in having an Oyster work session?

➤ **Workplan Progress and GIT Funding Updates (1:50-2:00pm)**

- Handouts: *Workplans, Public Input Responses*
- Kara will provide a summary of the comments received on the workplans during the public input period and open up a discussion on how to incorporate changes and finalize the plans.
- Kara will provide an update on the process for the FY2015 funded GIT project on forage trends.
- Discussion:
 - Does the Ex Comm approve the latest versions of the workplans? Any questions or changes before they are finalized in April?
 - Are there any major questions about the upcoming GIT forage project?

➤ **Blue Crab Activity Update (2:00-2:15pm)**

- Handout: *Blue Crab Activity Timeline 2016-17*
- Emilie will review the current and planned efforts related to the blue crab stock assessment, evaluation of an allocation-based management framework and CBSAC's Blue Crab Advisory Report. The purpose of this timeline is to help track and clarify the status of these blue crab efforts.
- Discussion:
 - Comments on the timeline or any of the activities mentioned?
 - What is the mechanism to coordinate the evaluation of an allocation framework among the jurisdictions? Should we use part of these Ex Comm monthly calls to share updates?

- **Sustainable Fisheries GIT Newsletter (2:15-2:25pm)**
 - Handout: *Draft March 2016 Sustainable Fisheries GIT Newsletter*
 - Kara will present the draft Sustainable Fisheries GIT newsletter to the Ex Comm for review and feedback. The final newsletter will be sent to the full GIT on March 31st.
 - Discussion:
 - Ex Comm will contribute comments on the Fish GIT newsletter contents and design by COB Wednesday March 30th.
- **June Full Sustainable Fisheries GIT Meeting (2:25-2:40pm)**
 - Handout: *Proposed topics and presentations for June 2016 Full GIT Meeting,*
 - Bruce will introduce the topics and presentations that we are preparing for the June 2016 Full GIT meeting and field questions and comments on the logistics including the proposed location and date(s).
 - Discussion:
 - Confirm date(s) and desired location for the June 2016 Full Sustainable Fisheries GIT Meeting.
 - Suggested dates are Wednesday, June 1st to Thursday, June 2nd, or
 - Thursday, June 2nd to Friday, June 3rd
 - Provide feedback on the proposed topics and presentations
- **April and May Ex Comm Call (2:40-2:45pm)**
 - Handout: *2016 calendar*
 - Confirm April Ex Comm Call – Monday, April 25th
 - Approve proposed May Ex Comm Call date – May 23rd
- **Ex Comm Updates**
 - Executive Committee members' updates and discussion of management issues.

Informational

- **Confirm upcoming Ex Comm meeting dates**
 - Monday, April 25th 1:00-3:00pm
 - Monday, May 23rd 1:00-3:00pm