

**Sustainable Fisheries GIT Executive Committee
Meeting Summary**

May 18th, 2015 from 1:00pm-2:00pm

Materials: <http://www.chesapeakebay.net/S=0/calendar/event/22471/>

Decisional

Call Participants: Peyton Robertson, Tom O'Connell, Marty Gary, Bryan King, Bob Beal, Joe Grist, Jack Frye, Karl Blankenship, Bruce Vogt, Emilie Franke

➤ **Management Strategy Update (1:00-1:15pm)**

- Ex Comm members reviewed the public comments received on the management strategies and staff presented how the teams are addressing the comments and finalizing the strategy drafts.
- Final drafts are due to the CBP this Friday, May 22nd.
- A more in-depth update will be discussed at the June full GIT meeting.
- Discussion:
 - Ex Comm members discussed the need to ensure that key stakeholders are present and participate at Fisheries GIT meetings. The commercial and recreational industries are represented in the Fisheries GIT membership. Ex Comm and staff should work to better engage them.

Action: GIT Staff and Ex Comm will be more proactive in engaging stakeholders and GIT members for invitations to meetings and participation in Fisheries GIT projects.

➤ **June Full GIT Meeting Agenda Review (1:00-1:40pm)**

- Handout: *June 2015 agenda_annotated*
- GIT staff and Ex Comm members reviewed the June full GIT meeting agenda.
- Discussion:
 - Peyton suggested that Ex Comm members switch off leading each agenda item. Ex Comm members agreed and each chose agenda items to lead. They will provide introductions to the presentations and help facilitate discussion.
 - Nancy suggested adding updates from the Habitat GIT for the GIT updates section. Many of the habitat outcomes are related to the fisheries outcomes and are of interest to Fisheries GIT members.

Action: Staff will send the final full GIT meeting materials next week.

➤ **Summer Ex Comm Call Dates (1:40-1:45pm)**

- Handout: *2015 Calendar*
- The draft management strategies are now posted on the Chesapeake Bay Program website and open for public input through the end of April.
- Decision: Ex Comm agreed to the following summer meeting dates: **July 20th, August 17th and September 28th.**

➤ **Ex Comm Updates**

- Executive Committee members' updates and discussion of management issues.
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➤ Recent Workgroup Meetings

- The Invasive Catfish Task Force met in-person on April 7th and discussed revisions to the Task Force Report based on STAC's comments. They are currently working to update the report.
- Maryland Oyster Restoration Interagency Workgroup just published their [2014 restoration update](#) for Harris Creek, Little Choptank and Tred Avon Rivers.
- CBSAC met in-person on May 15th to review the WDS results and draft the 2015 Advisory Report.

➤ STAC Forage Workshop Report

- A complete report is currently under review by STAC. A final report should be posted on the STAC website early this summer.

➤ Confirm upcoming meeting dates

Full GIT Meeting: June 1-2, 2015 in Virginia Beach, VA

Ex Comm Conference Calls (Mondays from 1:00-3:00pm)

- July 20th
- August 17th
- September 28th