

## **Sustainable Fisheries GIT Executive Committee Meeting**

Agenda for September 23, 2013 from 1:00pm-3:00pm

Call-In: 877-985-4165; Pass Code: 5370599

Materials: <http://www.chesapeakebay.net/S=0/calendar/event/19248/>

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### ➤ **Presentation (1:00-1:40)**

**Revised Shad Abundance Indicator** – Jim Cummins (ICPRB), Eric Brittle (VDGIF), Nita Sylvester (EPA)  
(25 min)

- Handout: *Revised Shad Abundance Indicator\_FishGIT*
- The co-chairs and coordinator of the Chesapeake Bay Program's American Shad Indicator Action Team will present a revised shad indicator for the Bay and selected tributaries based on their recent discussions including a revised tributary weighting scheme and updated data for VA tributaries.
- Discussion (15 min)

### ➤ **CBSAC Research Priorities (1:40-2:10)**

- Handout: *Prioritized section 8\_Critical Data and Analysis Needs*
- CBSAC has discussed and prioritized the critical data and analysis identified in the 2013 CBSAC Blue Crab Advisory Report
- Discussion: Do you concur with the prioritization?

### ➤ **Invasive Catfish Task Force Next Steps (2:10-2:30)**

- Handout: *Task Force fall 2013 teams*
- In conjunction with completing their report, the Task Force has been grouped into small teams to address tasks that will inform the Report, such as acquiring catfish landings data, public messaging, and prioritizing tribs for targeted removal.
- The Task Force plans to meet in person in October to discuss progress on these tasks and work to finalize the Report.
- Discussion: Are there additional issues you would like the Task Force to discuss?

### ➤ **September Full GIT Newsletter (2:30-2:40)**

- Handout: *Sept 2013 FishGIT newsletter*
- Staff has drafted the September newsletter to be sent out later this month to keep the full GIT informed between the June and December meetings.
- Discussion: Are there any major additions or changes to the content?
- Please email specific edits to Emilie by **COB Wednesday, September 25**

### ➤ **December full GIT Meeting Planning (2:40-2:50)**

- Handout: *Dec 2013 mtg planning*
- The handout lists potential topics to include on the December meeting agenda.
- Discussion: Are there additional topics or specific research you would like to see at the December meeting?

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## **Informational**

### ➤ **New Agreement Updates**

- Management Board 9/12 – fisheries outcomes were supported by the majority of jurisdictions
- PSC 9/24 – outcomes will be presented to PSC noting points of disagreement; PSC must approve outcomes to be included in the next full draft of the Agreement
- Public Comment Period – a full draft of the Agreement will be available for public comment for 30 days starting in late September or early October

### ➤ **Membership Additions**

- Handout: Fisheries GIT Membership 9-20-13
- All invited members have confirmed their participation on the GIT:
  - Jorge Holzer, Tom Murray, Robert T. Brown, Gibby Dean, Wayne France

### ➤ **Executive Order Programmatic Milestones**

- Handout: 2014-15 Draft Prog Milestones
- Draft EO milestones for 2014-2015 for oysters and blue crab
- Milestones for completion of reef construction and seed planting will be added to the current list

### ➤ **Confirm upcoming meeting dates**

#### Upcoming Meeting Schedule (1-3 pm)

Monday, October 21st

Monday, November 18th

Tuesday-Wednesday, December 3-4<sup>th</sup> (Full GIT Meeting)

*Location: Chesapeake Biological Lab in Solomons, MD*