

MEETING NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING

Virginia Recreational Fishing Advisory Board
Virginia Marine Resources Commission
Monday, September 9, 2013
7:00 p.m.

The Virginia Recreational Fishing Advisory Board (RFAB) will meet to review the projects currently under consideration for funding from the Virginia Saltwater Recreational Fishing Development Fund. The meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m., on Monday, September 9, 2013, at the Virginia Marine Resources Commission, 2600 Washington Avenue, 4th floor, Newport News. Written comments, on the proposals, should be mailed to: Alicia Nelson, VMRC Fisheries Management Division, 2600 Washington Avenue, 3rd Floor, Newport News, VA 23607 or E-mailed to: alicia.nelson@mrc.virginia.gov. Complete project proposals and additional information are available on the Internet at: <http://www.mrc.virginia.gov/vsrfdf/index.shtm>. The projects are listed below.

Tentative Agenda (7:00 p.m.)

- I. Introduction, Announcements, Comments.
- II. Status of Fund.
- III. Review of Minutes from the July 2013 RFAB Meeting.
- IV. Greenbackville Harbor Enhancements Project update.
- V. Multi-Year Projects for 2014 Renewal.
 - A) Virginia Game Fish Tagging (Year 20). S. Musick, L. Gillingham, VIMS and VMRC. **\$77,672.**
 - B) *2014 Estimating Relative Abundance of Young-of-Year American Eel in the Virginia Tributaries of Chesapeake Bay (Yr 12). M. Fabrizio, T. Tuckey, VIMS. **\$51,676.**
 - C) *Federal Assistance (Wallop-Breaux) Matching Funds, Federal FY 2014. R. O'Reilly, VMRC. **\$240,740.**
 - D) *Cooperative (VMRC, Virginia Tech, ASMFC) Efforts to Utilize Alternative Methods for the Upcoming Stock Assessment of Weakfish. R. O'Reilly, VMRC, Y. Jiao, VPI, P. Campfield, ASMFC. **\$20,000.**
- VI. New Projects for 2014
 - E) Town of Saxis Pier Enhancement Project. D. Nixon, Town of Saxis. **\$49,600.**

- F) Patterns in prey selectivity of key sportfishes in Chesapeake Bay. R. Latour, J. Graves, VIMS. **\$38,446.**
- G) Genetic investigation into the distinctiveness of Tautog, *Tautoga onitis*, off the coast of Virginia. J. McDowell, H. Small, J. Graves, K. Reece. **\$76,031.**
- H) Speckled trout, *Cynoscion nebulosus*, in Virginia: are these fish genetically distinct? J. McDowell, J. Graves, S. Musick, T. Murray. VIMS. **\$70,005.**

* Indicates funding is also planned, from the Marine Fishing Improvement Fund, pending availability of funds.

VII. Tentative Dates for Future 2013 RFAB Meetings.

Work Session (5:30 p.m.)/Final Recommendations (7 p.m.)	November 18
1 st Cycle 2014 applications due	December 15

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