MEETING NOTICE Virginia Recreational Fishing Advisory Board Virginia Marine Resources Commission Monday, July 8, 2013 5:30 p.m. work session, 7:00 p.m. meeting

The Virginia Recreational Fishing Advisory Board (RFAB) will meet to review the projects, listed below, which are currently under consideration for funding from the Virginia Saltwater Recreational Fishing Development Fund (saltwater recreational fishing license fund). The meeting, on these proposals, will be held at 7:00 p.m., on Monday, July 8, 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: <u>alicia.nelson@mrc.virginia.gov</u>. Complete project proposals and additional information are available on the Internet at: <u>http://www.mrc.virginia.gov/vsrfdf/index.shtm</u>.

Tentative Agenda (7:00 p.m.)

- I. Introduction, Announcements, Comments.
- II. Status of Fund.
- III. Review of Minutes from the May 2013 RFAB Meeting.
- IV. Marine Sportfish Collection 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. **\$301,704.**
- VII. New Projects for 2014
 - D) Town of Saxis Pier Enhancement Project. D. Nixon, Town of Saxis. \$49,600.
 - E) *Cooperative (VMRC, Va 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.**
 - 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 the project is also under review by CFAB (Marine Fishing Improvement Fund)

IX. Tentative Dates for Future 2013 RFAB Meetings.

Public Hearing (7 p.m.) Work Session (5:30 p.m.)/Final Recommendations (7 p.m.)

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