### VIRGINIA MARINE RESOURCES COMMISSION

## CRAB MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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# VMRC COMMISSION ROOM, 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR

## THURSDAY MARCH 1, 2018 - 6:00 P.M.

# **AGENDA**

- I. CMAC Introductions; Announcements
- II. Approval of minutes from the April 19, 2016; February 21, 2017; and May 17, 2017 meetings
- III. New Business
  - 1. Blue Crab harvest update from the 2017 season
  - 2. Initiate a discussion of possible management responses to the late Aprilearly May results of the 2017 2018 Bay-wide Winter Crab Dredge Survey

### IV. Old Business

- 1. Continue discussion on sanctuary areas, including portions of Areas 3 or 4 where the sanctuaries could be trimmed and pushing back the closing date of Area 2 from May 9 to May 16.
- 2. Discussion of options to address ghost pot problem, including tending requirements and biodegradable panels for crab and peeler pots
- **3.** CMAC members input on additional items for this or a following meeting.
- V. Adjournment