

MEETING NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING

Virginia Recreational Fishing Advisory Board
Virginia Marine Resources Commission
Monday, September 8, 2014
7:00 p.m.

The Virginia Recreational Fishing Advisory Board (RFAB) will hold a public hearing on the projects currently proposed for funding from the Virginia Saltwater Recreational Fishing Development Fund. The public hearing will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 8, 2014, 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. Copies of the proposals can be found at <http://mrc.virginia.gov/vsrfd/index.shtm>. Public comments must be received by 12:00 p.m. Friday, September 5, 2014. Additional information can be found at <http://mrc.virginia.gov/vsrfd/index.shtm>. The projects are listed below.

Tentative Agenda

- I. Introduction and Announcements
- II. Status of Fund
- III. Review of Minutes from the July 2014 RFAB Meeting
- IV. Multi-Year Fishing Events for 2015 Renewal
 - A) 28th Annual Knights of Columbus Annual Kids Fishing Day. Greg Brown, **\$8,037.01**
 - B) 2015 Hope House & Oak Grove Nursing Home Fishing Excursions and Clinics. Joseph Stephenson; George Reich, Great Bridge Fisherman's Association. **\$3,825.**
 - C) "Take a Kid Fishing Day" 2015. Charlie Koski, Chincoteague Island Charter Boat Association **\$1,469.**
 - D) Seventh Annual Youth Fishing Adventure Day. Bob Hewlett, Bob Pride, Virginia Charter Boat Association. **\$13,210.**
 - E) 2015 ESVAC Children's Fishing Conservation and Educational Outings (Saxis and Morley's Wharf Fishing Piers). David Page, Eastern Shore of Virginia Anglers Club. **\$2,000.**
 - F) 2015 Sunshine Children's Fishing Program (Year 13). Denny Dobbins, Portsmouth Angler Club/Sunshine Program. **\$8,450.**
 - G) 2015 Norfolk Youth Head Boat Fishing Trip (Year 4). Ned Smith, Norfolk Anglers Club. **\$1,160.**

- H) 2015 Children's Fishing Clinic (Year 18). Rob Cowling, Newport News Rotary Club and Coastal Conservation Association-Peninsula. **\$7,500.**
 - I) 2015 Kiwanis Club Children's Fishing Clinic (Year 14). Wesley Brown, Capital District Kiwanis Club. **\$7,500.**
 - J) 2015 Virginia Beach Anglers Club/Seton Youth Shelter Children's Fishing Trip. Robert Burstein, Virginia Beach Anglers Club. **\$2,300.**
- V. Access Projects
- K) King and Queen County Recreational Fishing Pier and Non-power Boat Access (Mattaponi River). Thomas Swartzwelder, King & Queen County. **\$136,853.25.**
 - L) ***withdrawn by applicant*** Mathews County East River Boat Yard Fishing Pier. Mindy Moran, Mathews County. **\$33,000.**
- VI. Research Projects for 2015 Renewal (* indicates joint funding from the commercial fund)
- M) Virginia Game Fish Tagging (Year 21). S. Musick, L. Gillingham, VIMS and VMRC. **\$78,536.**
 - N) *2015 Estimating Relative Abundance of Young-of-Year American Eel in the Virginia Tributaries of Chesapeake Bay (Yr 13). M. Fabrizio, T. Tuckey, VIMS. **\$59,530.** (\$29,765 from VSRFDF, and \$29,765 from MFIF)
 - O) *Federal Assistance (Wallop-Breaux) Matching Funds, Federal FY 2015. R. O'Reilly, VMRC. **\$338,925.** (\$290,507 from VSRFDF, and \$48,418 from MFIF)
- VII. New Research Projects for 2015
- P) Speckled trout, *Cynoscion nebulosus*, in Virginia: are genetic differences temporally stable? J. McDowell, S. Musick, VIMS. **\$62,791.**
 - Q) Virginia Fishing Pier Partner Program: A Pilot Project. S. Barco, Virginia Aquarium and Marine Science Center Foundation. **\$38,095.**
- VIII. Tentative Dates for Future 2014 RFAB Meetings
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| November 17, 2014 | — | RFAB Recommendations |
| December 15, 2014 | — | 1 st Cycle 2015 Applications Due (Research and Access) |

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