VIRGINIA MARINE RESOURCES COMMISSION FINFISH MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2600 WASHINGTON AVENUE, NEWPORT NEWS, VA VMRC COMMISSION ROOM, 4TH FLOOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2014 – 6:00 P.M.

AGENDA

- I. FMAC Introductions; Announcements
- II. Approval of FMAC minutes from October 20, 2014 meeting
- III. Discussion: Addendum IV to Amendment 6 to the Atlantic Striped Bass Interstate Fishery Management Plan:
 - a. Update on commercial fishery quotas
 - i. 25% Coastal fishery reduction as presented in Table 1.
 - ii. 20.5% Chesapeake Bay reduction from 2012 harvest of 1,339,619 pounds. The 2014 allowable harvest (quota) would be 1,064,997 pounds..
 - b. Coastal recreational management options
 - i. 25% reduction options presented in Table 2.
 - c. Chesapeake Bay recreational management option
 - i. 20.5% reduction options presented in Table 3.
- IV. New business
- V. Adjournment

	For Reference	Option B16	For Reference
State	Am6 Quota (lbs)	25% reduction from Am6 Quota (lbs)	2013 Harvest (lbs)
Maine	250*	188	0
New Hampshire	5,750*	4,313	0
Massachusetts	1,159,750	869,813	1,002,519
Rhode Island	243,625†	182,719	231,280
Connecticut	23,750**	17,813	1,479
New York	1,061,060†	795,795	823,801
New Jersey	321,750**	241,313	6,096
Delaware	193,447	145,085	191,424
Maryland	131,560†	98,670	93,532
Virginia	184,853	138,640	182,427
North Carolina	480,480	360,360	0
Coastal Total	3,806,275	2,854,706	2,532,558
% Diff from 2013 harvest	+50	+13	0

Table 1: Coastal Commercial Fishery Option B16 from draft Addendum IV. This was the only option available to the Striped Bass Management Board from the draft Addendum and has been adopted by ASMFC for implementation by January 1, 2015.

Table 2: Coastal Recreational Fishery Options from draft Addendum IV. These options meeting the minimum 25% reduction and can be implemented on a state-by-state basis.

Option	DecLimit			Coastal Recreational Fishery (All jurisdictions would implement)							
D 4	Bag Limit	Size limit	Trophy fish	% reduction from 2013 harvest							
B1	1	28" min	n/a	31%							
B2	1	30" min	n/a	greater than 31% ³							
B3	1	32" min	n/a	greater than 31% ³							
B4	1	28-40" slot	n/a	greater than 31% ³							
B5	2	33" min	n/a	29%							
B6	2	28-34" slot	n/a	28%							
B7 2	2 (1 slot, 1 trophy)	1 fish 28-34" slot	1 fish 36" min	28% ³							
B8 2	2 (1 slot, 1 trophy)	1 fish 28-36" slot	1 fish 38" min	26% ³							
B9 2	2 (1 slot, 1 trophy)	1 fish 28-37" slot	1 fish 40" min	26% ³							

Table 3: Chesapeake Recreational Fishery Baywide Options from draft Addendum IV. Only Options C4 and C8 meet the requirement of a 20.5% reduction for the Chesapeake Bay recreational fishery. Options C5, C6, and C7 will not meet the requirements of Addendum IV.

Chesapeake Bay Management Area Recreational Fishery (MD, PRFC and VA would implement)						
Option	Bag Limit	Size limit	Trophy fish	% reduction from		
_	-			2013 harvest		
C4	2	20" min	n/a	22%		
C5	2	18-26" slot	n/a	18%		
C6	2 (1 slot, 1 trophy or 2 slot)	1 or both 18-23" slot	1 fish 36" min	19%		
C7	Chesapeake Bay Recrea	17%				
	established bag lin					
	Chesapeake Bay Recrea					
C8	established bag lin	25%				
	Quota is based on a					