

MEETING NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING

Virginia Recreational Fishing Advisory Board
Virginia Marine Resources Commission
Monday, September 10, 2007
7:00 p.m.

The Virginia Recreational Fishing Advisory Board (RFAB) requests public comment on the projects, listed below, which are currently under consideration for funding from the Virginia Saltwater Recreational Fishing Development Fund (Saltwater Recreational Fishing License funds). A public hearing on these proposals will be held on Monday, September 10, 2007, at 7:00 p.m., at the Virginia Marine Resource Commission, 2600 Washington Avenue, Fourth Floor, Newport News. Any person may comment on these projects or any issue related to the license funds. Written comments on the proposals should be mailed to: Sonya Davis, VMRC Fisheries Management Division, 2600 Washington Avenue, 3rd Floor, Newport News, VA 23607 or E-mail to: sonya.davis@mrc.virginia.gov. In November, the Recreational Fishing Advisory Board recommendations on projects to be funded will be presented to the Commission. This meeting notice, as well as complete project proposals, are available on the Internet at <http://www.mrc.virginia.gov/vsrfdf/index.shtm>

Tentative Agenda

- I. Introduction, Announcements, Comments.
- II. Status of Fund.
- III. Review of Minutes from the July 2007 RFAB Meeting.
- IV. Multi-Year Projects for Renewal.
 - A) 2008 Children's Fishing Clinic (Year 11). Rob Cowling, Newport News Rotary Club and Coastal Conservation Association-Peninsula. **\$6,000**.
 - B) 2008 Kiwanis Club Children's Fishing Clinic (Year 7). Wesley Brown, Capital District Kiwanis Club. **\$6,000**.
 - C) 2008 Virginia Game Fish Tagging (Year 14). Jon Lucy, VIMS and Lewis Gillingham, VMRC. **\$73,093**.
 - D) Federal Assistance (Wallop-Breaux) Matching Funds FY 2008. Jack Travelstead, VMRC. **\$283,512**.
 - E) Sheepshead Population Dynamics in Chesapeake Bay, Virginia (Year 3). H. Liao, J. Ballenger, C. Jones, ODURF. **\$67,206**.
 - F) Wishart's Point Landing. Stewart Hall, County of Accomack. **\$275,000**. (RF# 03-05: \$25,000 Engineering Study)

V. New Projects.

- G) 2008 Youth Developmental "Hooked on Fishing" Adventure (Year 1). A. Fisher, R. Lockhart, Virginia Charter Boat Association. **\$6,780.**
- H) Saxis Fishing Pier Expansion. Charles Tull, Mayor, Town of Saxis. **\$173,151.**
- I) Pilot Study: Application of pop-up satellite archival tags (PSATs) to assess postrelease survival, habitat utilization and short term movement of striped bass in Virginia's winter recreational fishery. J. Graves, R. Latour, A. Horodysky, VIMS. **\$71,371.**
- J) Improving stock assessment of weakfish (*Cynoscion regalis*). Dr. Yan Jiao, Dr. Don Orth, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University and Rob O'Reilly, VMRC. **\$87,194.**
- K) Reef Monitoring Equipment Support for VMRC's Fisheries Management Division. M. Meier, J. Grist, VMRC. ~~\$42,964~~ **Amended to \$72,964.**
- L) Adult Red Drum Population Structure Study. Joe Grist, VMRC. **\$20,390.**

VI. Dates for Future Second Cycle 2007 RFAB Meetings.

Work Session (5:30 p.m.) & Final Recommendations (7 p.m.) - November 5

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