

# MEETING NOTICE

Virginia Recreational Fishing Advisory Board  
Virginia Marine Resources Commission  
Monday, May 11, 2009  
7:00 p.m.

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 funds). The meetings, on these proposals, will be held on Monday, May 11, 2009, 7:00 p.m., at the Virginia Marine Resources Commission, 2600 Washington Avenue, Fourth Floor, Newport News. Written comments, on the proposals, should be mailed to: Sonya Davis, VMRC Fisheries Management Division, 2600 Washington Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Newport News, VA 23607 or E-mailed to: [sonya.davis@mrc.virginia.gov](mailto:sonya.davis@mrc.virginia.gov). Complete project proposals and additional information 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 November 2008 RFAB Meeting.
- IV. Multi-Year Projects for 2009 Renewal.
  - A) 2009 Sunshine Children's Fishing Program. Denny Dobbins, Portsmouth Anglers Club. **\$7,194.**
  - B) 2009 Saxis Fishing Pier Youth Fishing Tournaments (Year 8). Allen Evans, Eastern Shore of Virginia Anglers Club. **\$1,325.**
  - C) 2009 Hope House & Oak Grove Nursing Home Fishing Excursions and Clinics. D. Hurst, C. Macin, Great Bridge Fisherman's Association. **\$4,000.**
  - D) 2009 Youth Developmental "Hooked on Fishing" Adventure (Year 2). A. Fisher, R. Lockhart, Virginia Charter Boat Association. **\$5,780.**
  - E) 2009 Virginia Marine Sportfish Collection (Year 3). J. Grist, J. Cimino, VMRC. **\$10,000.**
  - F) 2009 Deployment of Artificial Reef Structure. Mike Meier, VMRC. **\$100,000.**
  - G) 2009 Estimate and Assess Social and Economic Importance and Value of Menhaden to Chesapeake Bay Stakeholders and Region (3 Year Study) - Year 3. James Kirkley, VIMS. **\$154,452.**
  - H) 2009 Enhancing Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV) Habitat: Research and Education for Restoration (Year 15). Robert Orth, VIMS. **\$98,309.**

- I) Federal Assistance (Wallop-Breaux) Matching Funds, Federal FY 2010. Jack Travelstead, VMRC. **\$235,563.**
  - J) Jun - Dec 2009, Estimating Relative Abundance of Young-of-Year American Eel in the Virginia Tributaries of Chesapeake Bay. M. Fabrizio, T. Tuckey, VIMS. **\$24,544.**
- V. Multi-Year Projects for 2010 Renewal.
- K) 2010 Children's Fishing Clinic (Year 13). Rob Cowling, Newport News Rotary Club and Coastal Conservation Association-Peninsula. **\$6,500.**
  - L) 2010 Kiwanis Club Children's Fishing Clinic (Year 9). Wesley Brown, Capital District Kiwanis Club. **\$6,500.**
  - M) 2010 Virginia Game Fish Tagging (Year 16). J. Lucy, VIMS and L. Gillingham, VMRC. **\$87,800.**
  - N) 2010 Improving Stock Assessment of Weakfish - Year 3. Y. Jiao, D. Orth, VPI & SU, and R. O'Reilly, VMRC. **\$111,356.**
  - O) Jan-Dec 2010, Estimating Relative Abundance of Young-of-Year American Eel in the Virginia Tributaries of Chesapeake Bay (Yr 9). M. Fabrizio, T. Tuckey, VIMS. **\$46,574.**
- VI. New Projects for 2009.
- P) 2009 Virginia Fishing Line Recycling Program. A. Nelson, J. Grist, VMRC. **\$3,500.**
  - Q) 2009 Trophic Position and Ecological Function of Juvenile Menhaden in Chesapeake Bay. C. Jones, J. Schaffler, ODURF. **\$43,967.**
- VII. New Projects for 2010.
- R) 2010 Academic Anglers Children's Fishing Clinic. C. Roberts, A. Bracey, Academic Anglers Fishing Team. **\$1,000.**
  - S) 2010 Understanding the Impacts of Mycobacterial Disease on Striped Bass: When and Where does Mortality Occur in the Rappahannock River. J. Hoenig, W. Vogelbein, VIMS. **\$50,535.**
  - T) 2010 Connecting Productivity in Eelgrass Beds to Recreationally Important Finfishes in Chesapeake Bay: Forage Fishes as Trophic Conduits. R. Latour, K. Sobocinski, J. van Montfrans, J. E. Duffy, VIMS. **\$58,329.**
  - U) 2010 Blueline and Golden Tilefish Population Dynamics Along the Virginian Continental Shelf, Year 1. J. Ballenger, C. Jones, ODURF. **\$72,768.**

VIII. Tentative Dates for Future 2009 RFAB Meetings.

Public Hearing (7 p.m.)

July 13

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

September 14

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