



Sustainable Fisheries Executive Committee Meeting

Monday, February 14 · 11:00am – 1:00pm

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/yis-hhdy-vpy>

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- **Introduction** (*Sean Corson & Marty Gary: 5 min*)
 - **Fisheries GIT Membership Meeting Takeaways** (*Sean Corson: 10 min*)
 - *Providing an open floor to discuss takeaways or questions that arose from the recent virtual meeting.*
 - *A summary document highlighting all presentations and discussions can be accessed [HERE](#)*
 - **Update on Two-Species Population Abundance Modeling** (*Bruce Vogt: 15 min*)
 - *After multiple months of contemplation surrounding the selection of a second species (to complement striped bass) for bay-wide abundance estimates, it is now time to revisit the proposed list, and move forward with a chosen species.*
 - *Recommendation is for Summer flounder to be second species*
 - i. *Federally managed, high recreational and commercial value*
 - ii. *May be experiencing climate and habitat impacts in the bay and coast*
 - iii. *Data is available in the Bay and on the coast*
 - iv. *Does not require development of a new modeling framework*
 - ***Decisional Item: Executive Committee consensus on second species of choice to bring forward to the project's principal investigators.***
 - **Review and Approve the Updated Chesapeake Bay Stock Assessment Committee Charter** (*Mandy Bromilow: 15 min*)
 - *The CBSAC team amended their workgroup charter to address questions surrounding a standardized process for membership criteria/admission. The updated charter can be reviewed [HERE](#) prior to the meeting.*
 - ***Decisional Item: Approve proposed CBSAC Charter***
 - **Sustainable Fisheries GIT Response to the Chesapeake Bay Commission's Request for a Blue Crab Science Workshop and Benchmark Stock Assessment** (*Bruce Vogt: 15 min*)

- *In response to these two requests, the GIT leadership team met with CBSAC technical experts to discuss the utility/priority level of a workshop and benchmark stock assessment. There was consensus that a workshop to explore science needs and questions surrounding low blue crab recruitment would be beneficial. This workshop would also serve as a starting point to discuss the near-term need/utility of a benchmark assessment. The draft, in its current form, can be reviewed [HERE](#).*
- **Decisional Item: Approve the response letter to be sent to the CBC**
- **Update on Invasive Catfish Presentation to the Chesapeake Bay Commission (Marty Gary: 15 min)**
 - *Marty will review the recent catfish update provided to the CBC and discuss potential follow-up actions that emerged from supplementary discussion.*
- **Member Updates**