MEETING NOTICE
Virginia Recreational Fishing Advisory Board
Virginia Marine Resources Commission
Monday, November 13, 2006
5:30 p.m. (Work Session) and 7:00 p.m. (Final Recommendations)

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, November 13, 2006, at 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., at the Virginia Marine Resource 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, 3rd Floor, Newport News, VA 23607 or E-mail to: sonya.davis@mrc.virginia.gov. On November 28 the Recreational Fishing Advisory Board recommendations, on projects to be funded, will be presented to the Commission. 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 September 2006 RFAB Meeting.

IV. Multi-Year Projects for Renewal.

   A) Federal Assistance (Wallop-Breaux) Matching Funds FY 2007. Jack Travelstead, VMRC. **$225,000**.

   B) 2007 Children's Fishing Clinic (Year 10). Rob Cowling, Newport News Rotary Club and Coastal Conservation Association. **$6,000**.

   C) 2007 Kiwanis Club Children's Fishing Clinic (Year 6). W. Brown, A. Nogiec, Capital District Kiwanis Club. **$6,000**.

   D) 2007 CCA Tidewater Youth Fishing Day (Year 10). T. Johnson, D. Hickman, B. Dieffenbach, Coastal Conservation Association, Tidewater Chapter. **$6,000**.


   F) Artificial Reef, Funding for Deployment of Structure 2006-2007. Mike Meier, VMRC. **$200,000**.

   G) 2007 Virginia Game Fish Tagging (Year 13). J. Lucy, VIMS and C. Bain, VMRC. **$64,787**.
V. New Projects.

H) Ocean View Recreational Fishing and Education Pier. Stanley Stein, Assistant City Manager, Norfolk. $215,850.


J) Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV) as essential fish habitat in lower Chesapeake Bay: Linking variation in SAV, forage animal production, and sportfish abundance. J. E. Duffy, R. Latour, J. van Montfrans, VIMS. $69,268.


L) Utility of Alternative Reefs to Simultaneously Enhance Recreational Fish Production and Oyster Restoration. Rom Lipcius, VIMS. $199,643 (- $43,572) $156,071*.

M) Prey Availability and Enhanced Production of Artificial Reefs for Recreational Fish and Native Oysters. Rochelle Seitz, VIMS. $45,944 (+ $18,486) $64,430*.

* Sharing resources between Items L & M will result in an overall reduction of $25,086.

VI. Discussion of Budget Amendments for a Previously Contracted Access Project: Conversion of a Protective Wavescreen into a Saltwater Fishing Pier. Michael Nealer, City of Newport News. The original 2004 request was for $170,250. The new request is for an additional $148,125, totaling $318,375.

VII. Proposed Dates for Future First Cycle 2007 RFAB Meetings.
(Project proposal applications due December 15, 2006)

Applicants (7 p.m.) - January 8
Public Hearing (7 p.m.) - March 12
Review Session (5:30 p.m.) & Final Recommendations (7 p.m.) - May 14

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