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## **Potomac River Fisheries Commission Meeting**

Colonial Beach, VA —

Chairman AJ Erskine announced today the Potomac River Fisheries Commission will hold its regular meeting on Monday, March 20, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the John T. Parran Hearing Room of the Potomac River Fisheries Commission (The Carpenter Building), 222 Taylor Street, Colonial Beach, Virginia. Mr. Erskine expressed his desire to invite all interested persons to attend this open public meeting.

Items on the agenda include: reviewing crab, fish and oyster harvest reports, reports from the Finfish Advisory Committee, updates on the Oyster Management Reserve Program (OMR), Rotational Natural Oyster Harvest Program (RNOHP) and the Oyster Strategic Planning Panel (OSPP). The Commission will set the commercial quota and recreational limits for Summer flounder and Black sea bass as well as the 2017 crab season. There will be a presentation on Mallows Bay by Paul Orlando of NOAA.

Other items on the agenda include, but are not limited to: updates on the fall oyster survey regarding disease results, fish trot line revenue, striped bass tag exchange policy, online recreational sport license sales proposals and NRG Energy funding. The Commission will elect their Chairman, Vice-chairman and Secretary for 2017. The incoming Chairman will appoint members to the advisory committees and appoint a committee to develop the 2017-2018 budget.

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