



MARYLAND - VIRGINIA
"Potomac River Compact of 1958"

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PRFC Oyster/Clam Advisory Committee

Preliminary Agenda

August 27, 2026 @ 4:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order – 4:00 pm
2. Update on status of 2026 Oyster Projects
3. Discussion of Public Hearing Items
 - a) Amend Reg. III, Sec. 1(b) Resisting or Impeding Officers - to strike "curse" from language to comply with US Constitutional First Amendment Rights.
 - b) Repeal Reg. VIII Oyster Management Reserve Program and amend Reg. II, Sec. 2(g)(1) Identification Tags Required - to reflect the dissolution of the program
 - c) Amend Reg. II, Sec. 1(l) Oyster Basket – to include dimensions for all containers allowable in the storage of oysters
 - d) Amend Reg. II, Sec. 2(b) Season Dates, Days, and Times for taking of Landing Oysters – to include "in accordance with the NSSP Ordinances"
 - e) Amend Reg. II, Sec. 2(g) Concealment of Oysters – to strike "unless said person has a written permit from the commission" and replace with "as approved by the Commission by order."
 - f) Amend Reg. II, Sec 3(a) Measures Used for Oysters in Shell and Oysters Shells – to align with existing regulations
 - g) Amend Reg. II, Sec. 2(a)(4) Closed Areas for Hand Scraping / Hand Tonging - to strike #1 to allow hand scraping above the existing line from Cuckhold Creek to Rosier Creek.
 - h) Amend Reg. II, Sec. 4(a) Oyster Sanctuaries - to strike #2 and open Bluff Point Lumps to harvest
4. Draft 2026/2027 Oyster Season Orders
 - Order 2026-2027 Jones Shore Bar Oyster Season, Areas, Dates, Days and Time Limits
 - Order 2026-2027 Oyster Hand Tong Season Dates, Days, and Time Limits
 - Order River Wide Daily Oyster Bushel Limits
 - Order 2026-XX Rotational Natural Oyster Bar - Lower Cedar Point
5. Discussion of Rotational Hand Scape Harvest Areas
 - Order (Draft) 2026-2027 Rotational Hand Scape Harvest Areas Established
6. Discussion of 2027 Potential Projects
7. Old Business
8. New Business
 - Freshwater mussels
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