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Potomac River Fisheries Commission
September 11, 2026
PRELIMINARY Quarterly Meeting Agenda

1. **Call to Order 8:30 a.m.**

- Pledge and Invocation
- Approval of Agenda
- Consideration of Minutes – June 5, 2026
- Public Comment (Items not on the Agenda)

2. **Public Hearing Items for Consideration**

- Proposed Amendments to the Regulations Advertisement
1. Amend **Reg. III, Sec. 1(b) Resisting or Impeding Officers** - to strike "curse" from language to comply with US Constitutional First Amendment Rights.
 2. Amend **Reg. III, Sec. 13(d) Individual Striped Bass Allocation Transfer from Gill Net to Hook and Line** - to clarify the dates for when such transfer may occur
 3. Repeal **Reg. VIII Oyster Management Reserve Program** and amend **Reg. II, Section 2(g)(1) Identification Tags Required** - to reflect the dissolution of the program
 4. Amend **Regulation II, Sec. 2(b) Season Dates, Days, and Times for taking of Landing Oysters** – to include "in accordance with the NSSP Ordinances"
 5. 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."
 6. Amend **Regulation II, Section 3(a) Measures Used for Oysters in Shell and Oysters Shells** – to align with existing regulations
 7. Amend **Reg. III, Sec. 9(a) Gear Specific Fishing Seasons** - to extend pound net season to Dec. 25
 8. 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
 9. Amend **Reg. II, Sec. 4(a) Oyster Sanctuaries** - to strike #2 and open Bluff Point Lumps to harvest
 10. Amend **Reg. II, Sec. 1(l) Oyster Basket** – to include dimensions for all containers allowable in the storage of oysters

11. Amend **Reg. VII, Sec. 1, Sec. 2(c), Sec. 6(a)** – to add definitions for crab containers such as bushels, barrels and lugs

3. **Crab Issues**

- Crab Harvest Report
- Summary of BCAC Meeting – August 18, 2026

4. **Oyster Issues**

- Summary of OCAC Meeting – August 27, 2026
- Order 2026-18 Oyster Hand Tong Season Dates
- Order 2026-19 Jones Shore Season
- Order 2026-20 Rotational Oyster Hand Scrape Areas
- Order 2026-21 RNOB – Lower Cedar Point
- Order 2026-22 Oyster Daily Bushel Limits
- Update on Current Oyster Projects (verbal)

*Break for Lunch

5. **ASMFC Issues**

- ASMFC Summary of the 2026 Summer Meeting

6. **Finfish Issues**

- Summary of FFAC Meeting – August 10, 2026
- Order 2026-17 Gill Net Season

7. **Delinquent Hearings**

8. **Financial Reports and Legal Matters**

9. **Old Business**

New Business

10. **Date of Next Meeting & Adjourn**

*A break for lunch will be determined at the discretion of the Chairman.