



Spring 2013 meeting agenda Washington, D.C.

Meeting Logistics:

We will be meeting both days at the Department of the Interior building in Room 5160. The Interior Department is located at 1849 C Street, NW. Please enter through the C Street side of the building as you will have to pass through security to enter. I have placed your name on a visitor list at the Security desk. Have a driver's license or other form of identification available so that you can clear security. Let the agent know the name of the meeting and room number. Contact me on my mobile phone (202-413-7107) if there are issues with your entry.

May 20, 2013:

Breakfast is on your own. Breakfast is available at the Interior Cafeteria, The Bison Bistro.

Meeting of the Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council

Location: Department of the Interior
Room 5160
1849 C Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20240

8:30 a.m. **CONVENE**

Welcome & Introductions

- Thom Dammrich, SFBPC Chair

8:45 a.m. **Welcome and comments of Department of the Interior and Fish & Wildlife Service leadership**

- Rachel Jacobson, Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks
- Dan Ashe, Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

9:45 a.m. **Outreach and Communications Committee**

- Scott Kovarovics, Committee Chair

- ACTION: Discussion and approval of SFBPC informational briefing and issue priorities to Interior Secretary Jewell

- 10:15 a.m. **Update on the Implementation of the DOI Idle Iron policy and the Rigs to Reefs Program**
 - James Watson, Director, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Department of the Interior
- 10:45 a.m. **BREAK**
- 11:00 a.m. **Update on the activities of the Federal Interagency Council on Outdoor Recreation (FICOR)**
 - Leslie Weldon, Associate Deputy Chief for National Forest System, United States Forest Service, Department of Agriculture
- 11:30 a.m. **Briefing on the Fiscal Year 2014 FWS Budget request**
 - Chris Nolin, Chief, Office of Budget, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
 - Mike Weimer, Mike Weimer, Chief, Division of Fish and Aquatic Conservation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- 12:00 p.m. **Informational Briefing on the Chesapeake Bay Public Access Plan**
 - John Davy, National Park Service
- 12:30 p.m. **Lunch (at Bison Bistro in DOI basement)**
- 1:30 p.m. **National Ocean Policy implementation Update**
 - Deerin Babb-Brott, Director, National Ocean Council
- 2:00 p.m. **Update on the activities of the Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation (RBFF)**
 - Leslie Nagao, Vice President of Marketing, RBFF
- 2:20 p.m. **Fisheries Issues Committee**
 - Mike Nussman, Committee Chair
- FWS update on status of Fish and Aquatic Conservation Program (15 minutes)
 - Mike Weimer, Chief, Division of Fish and Aquatic Conservation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
 - Update on the activities of the National Fish Habitat Partnership (10 minutes)
 - Ron Regan, Executive Director, AFWA
 - Update on NOAA Fisheries activities & issues (15 minutes)
 - Russell Dunn, National Policy Advisor for Recreational Fisheries, NOAA Fisheries
 - Briefing on the National Fisheries Friends Partnership (NFFP) (10 minutes)
 - Kirk Otey, Board member, NFFP

- SFBPC Fish & Aquatic Resource Conservation Strategic Vision and Needs Assessment: Briefing on draft Steering Committee Technical Report
- Mike Nussman, Whitney Tilt and Doug Hobbs

4:30 p.m. **ADJOURN (Dinner plans TBD)**

May 21, 2013

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8:30 a.m. **CONVENE** – Thom Dammrich, SFBPC Chair
- Welcome and introductions

8:35 a.m. **Refuge Vision Implementation Plan update**
- Anna Harris, Division of Visitor Services & Communications,
National Wildlife Refuge System, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

9:00 a.m. **Welcome and comments of The Honorable Sally Jewell, Secretary of the Interior**

9:30 a.m. **Boating Issues Committee**
- John Sprague, Committee Chair

- Boating Access in Everglades National Park
- National Park Service presenter TBD
- Wildlife & Sport Fish Restoration program Update (15 minutes)
- Lisa Van Alstyne Acting Chief, Division of Policy and Programs, Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- National Blueways System brief (30 minutes)
- Rebecca Wodder, Senior Advisor to the Secretary, Department of the Interior
- Susan Wells, National Blueways Team, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Discussion: Ad Hoc team to options for increasing participation in both the Boating Infrastructure and Clean Vessel Act Grant Programs.
- Ryck Lydecker, Ad Hoc Team Chair

10:00 a.m. **SFBPC Fisheries Issues / fish and aquatic conservation vision, cont.**

12:00 p.m. **ADJOURN**

****NOTE: Meeting minutes will be made available 90 days after the meeting date.**