



Spring 2013 meeting agenda Washington, D.C.

May 20, 2013:

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**

- The Honorable Sally Jewell, Secretary of the Interior (*tentative*)
- Rachel Jacobson, Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks (*tentative*)
- Dan Ashe, Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

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

- Scott Kovarovics, 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)**
 - *United States Forest Service presenter TBD*
- 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. **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: National and regional perspectives**
Update on the National Ocean Policy
 - *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 Chair**
 - *Mike Nussman, Chair*
- FWS update on status of Fisheries 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

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*

8:50 a.m. **Boating Issues Committee**
- *John Sprague, 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 or Susan Wells (tentative)*
- Discussion: Ad Hoc team to options for increasing participation in both the Boating Infrastructure and Clean Vessel Act Grant Programs.
- *Ryck Lydecker*

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

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

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