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Potomac River Fisheries Commission Meeting

Colonial Beach, VA —

Chairman Phil L. Langley announced today the Potomac River Fisheries Commission will hold its next regular meeting on **Friday, March 6, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.** in the John T. Parran Hearing Room of the Potomac River Fisheries Commission (The Carpenter Building), 222 Taylor Street, Colonial Beach, Virginia. Chairman Bowman invites all interested persons to attend this open public meeting.

Items on the agenda include: The Commission will adopt Orders to establish the 2020 crab season and the 2020 recreational and commercial Cobia, and striped bass measures; as well as, the quota for the commercial Menhaden fishery. There will be an update on the ASMFC Winter meeting. Presentations will be presented on Microplastics in the Chesapeake Bay; Electronic harvest reporting; and text message options for commercial harvesters.

Other items on the agenda include, but are not limited to: reports on the 2019 Finfish harvest and the 19/20 Oyster harvest; updates on the Rotational Natural Oyster Harvest and OMR Programs; Summaries from the Oyster/Clam Advisory Committee and the Finfish Advisory Committee will be presented; a discussion of 2019 oyster plantings; discussion of the development of an Invasive Catfish Management plan The nominating committee will present options for the Commission to approve a new Chairman and Vice Chairman. There will also be a delinquent seafood catch report hearing.

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