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Potomac River Fisheries Commission Meeting and Building Dedication

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COLONIAL BEACH, VA — The Potomac River Fisheries Commission will hold its next regular meeting on Friday, September 17, 2004 at 9:00 a.m. in the hearing room of the new Potomac River Fisheries Commission Building, 222 Taylor Street, Colonial Beach, Virginia. All interested persons are invited to attend this open public meeting.

Items on the agenda include, but are not limited to: a crab harvest report; the oyster/clam advisory committee report, which will include the committee's recommendation for the upcoming 2004 - 2005 oyster season; an update of the summer small mesh gill net fishery study; and an update from the building committee.

At noon, the new Potomac River Fisheries Commission building will be formally dedicated. Maryland Secretary of Natural Resources, Ronald C. Franks and Virginia Secretary of Natural Resources, W. Tayloe Murphy, Jr. will be the featured speakers.

The Commission is also pleased to announce that it is hosting an art exhibition presented by the Mattawoman Creek Art Center at Smallwood State Park, Marbury, MD. The exhibition features artworks of ten local Southern Maryland artists and runs from now through October 21st. All visitors are welcomed Monday through Friday during normal business hours.

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