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## **Potomac River Fisheries Commission Meeting**

Colonial Beach, VA —

Chairman Joseph C. Palmer, Jr. announced today the Potomac River Fisheries Commission will hold its next regular meeting on Friday, November 30, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the John T. Parran Hearing Room of the Potomac River Fisheries Commission Building, 222 Taylor Street, Colonial Beach, Virginia. Mr. Palmer invites all interested persons to attend this open public meeting.

The Commission will continue an advertised public hearing from the August 30, 2012 Commission meeting. They will receive public comment on possibly converting Order 2011-06 to a Regulation dealing with two crab pots on one boat.

Items on the agenda include: reports on the fall oyster harvest, annual oyster survey and a crab harvest report. The Commission will revise Order 2012-08 updating the commercial gill net striped bass quota for the 2012-2013 season, establish the 2013 recreational and commercial striped bass seasons, gear and size limits as well as most other finfish species. There will be an update on the ASMFC annual meeting.

Other items on the agenda include but are not limited to: a report from the Oyster/Clam Advisory Committee, discussion on the rotational natural oyster harvest plan, appointment of the nominating committee and advisory committee vacancies. There will also be a delinquent seafood catch report hearing.

Michele Phillips will have artwork displayed through December 3<sup>rd</sup> in the John T. Parran Hearing Room. Visitors are welcome during normal business hours.

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