Finfish Advisory Committee Meeting

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The Potomac River Finfish Advisory Committee, which is comprised of private citizens and industry representatives, will meet at **6:30 p.m.** on **Wednesday, November 6, 2013** in the John T. Parran Hearing Room at the PRFC Office, Colonial Beach, Virginia.

Items on the agenda will include, but may not be limited to: a review of striped bass performance metrics, discussion of future striped bass quotas and tag allocations, and consideration of increasing the minimum size limit. Developing recommendations for the 2014 seasons, size and creel limits for the recreational and commercial fisheries. A review of the ASMFC Addendum III restrictions for American eels and developing recommendations for the 2014 seasons, size and creel limits for the commercial and recreational fisheries. Discussion of the ASMFC Addendum I allowance for states to seasonally adjust the Spanish mackerel size limit in 2014. Updates will be provided by staff on the menhaden quota, invasive blue catfish and artificial reef activity in the Potomac River. Final discussion item is consideration of increasing sport fishing license fees. The committee will also solicit nominations for committee membership vacancies.

This meeting is open to the public and all interested persons are invited to attend. PRFC does not discriminate against individuals with disabilities; therefore, if you are in need of reasonable accommodations due to a disability, please call (804) 224-7148 or (800) 266-3904 no later than three workdays prior to the meeting date and identify your needs.