

Atlantic Coastal Fish Habitat Partnership

Interim Steering Committee (ISC)

April 21-22, 2009

Baltimore, MD

Agenda

Tuesday, April 21, 2009

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| Welcome, <i>G. Schuler</i> | 9:00 AM |
| ❖ Welcome and Introductions | |
| NFHAP Update, <i>E. Greene</i> | 9:10 AM |
| ❖ Status of Legislation | |
| ❖ Approved Partnerships | |
| ❖ FWS funded NFHAP projects | |
| ❖ NFHAP Brand Guidance | |
| ❖ One-Year-Out Workshop | |
| ❖ National Fish Habitat Award Winners | |
| Science and Data Working Group Update | 9:30 AM |
| ❖ NFHAP Data Sharing Policy, <i>E. Greene</i> | |
| ❖ National Coastal Assessment Update, <i>M. Nelson</i> | |
| ❖ SARP Science and Data Committee Update, <i>W. Laney</i> | |
| ❖ Species-Habitat Matrix Update, <i>E. Greene/J. Thomas-Blate</i> | |
| Break | 10:30 AM |
| Assessment of Existing Information Update | 10:40 PM |
| ❖ Presentation, <i>M. Nelson</i> | |
| ❖ Next Steps, <i>G. Schuler</i> | |
| Lunch | 12:00 PM |
| Applying for Board Recognition, <i>E. Greene</i> | 1:00 PM |
| ❖ Application Requirements | |
| ❖ Proposed Schedules A and B | |

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410.539.8400

Strategic Planning Meeting #1: Goals & Priority Threats, G. Schuler **1:30 PM**

❖ **Framing Questions**

- What are the predominate threats in each area?
- What are causing these threats (sources)?
- Which of these are due to human activity? What can we do and where?
- What do we need to accomplish and what needs to be done in terms of objectives?
- What do we need to do to meet those objectives (strategies and conservation actions)?

Time: 10 mins

Materials: screen

❖ **Identifying ACFHP Goals**

- **Full Group Walk-Through** **1:40 PM**
 1. ACFHP Primary Issue Areas
 2. NFHAP Goals

Time: 15 mins

Materials: screen

- **Regional Discussions** **1:55 PM**
 - New England • Mid-Atlantic • South Atlantic and South Florida
 1. Identify broad ACFHP goals within the region

Time: 20 mins

Materials: easels

- **Full Group Discussion** **2:15 PM**
 1. Showcase regional goals
 2. Identify coastwide goals

Time: 30 mins

Materials: screen

❖ **Identifying Priority Threats**

- **Regional Discussions** **2:45 PM**
 - ✓ Use the database to Identify Threats, but if there are threats that are not surfacing, please note them.
 - 1. List priority threats to habitats (generally) (15 mins)
 - 2. List specific habitats that are impacted by these threats (30 mins)
 - 3. Rank threats with respect to habitats (30 mins)
 - 4. Determine the top three threats to the region (15 mins)

Time: 1.5 hours, total

Materials: easels

Break **4:15 PM**

- **Full Group Discussion** **4:25 PM**
 1. Show case regional top three threats
 2. Determine which threats are coastwide

Time: 20 mins

Materials: screen

❖ **Situational Analysis**

- **Full Group Discussion** **4:45 PM**
 - ✓ Each individual has a region specific colored sticky pad. Each wall has a threat posted to it. Individuals attach stickies under each threat identifying the following:
 1. *Human drivers*
 2. *Opportunities* to take advantage of
 3. *Constraints* to work within

Time: 30 mins

Materials: sticky pads

- **Regional Discussion and Coastwide** **5:15 PM**
 1. Identify which drivers, opportunities, and constraints apply/are useful to the region.

Time: 30 mins

Materials: easels

❖ **Writing the Strategic Plan** **5:45 PM**

- **Full Group Discussion**
 - ✓ Identify individuals for a Strategic Plan Work Group to:
 1. Develop an outline
 2. Write portions of the plan

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Wednesday, April 22, 2009

❖ **Situational Analysis, G. Schuler**

▪ **Full Group Discussion**

8:30 PM

- ✓ Each individual has an issue specific colored sticky pad. Each wall has a threat posted to it. Individuals attach stickies under each threat identifying the following:
 - **Human drivers (yellow)**
 - economic incentive for more shipping
 - **Opportunities (blue) to take advantage of**
 - mitigation incentives
 - stimulus money
 - **Constraints (pink) to work within**
 - Physical or regulative, financial constraints, political

Time: 30 mins

Materials: sticky pads

Steering Committee Business, G. Schuler

9:30 AM

- ❖ Formalize Endorsement Criteria
 - Review Revisions and Vote
 - Next Steps Regarding Pending Requests

Break

10:00 AM

Communications Update, E. Greene

10:10 AM

- ❖ Website RFP

Upcoming Dates, G. Schuler

10:20 AM

- ❖ ASMFC Policy Board Presentation (August 17-20)

Funding Update, P. Campfield

10:45 AM

- ❖ Status of Existing Grant
- ❖ Future Funding
 - Upcoming MSCG RFP

NFWF Role in FHPs, J. Sedell

11:00 AM

- ❖ Presentation and Discussion

Other Business

11:45 AM

- ❖ New Member
 - Review Petition and Vote
 - Bylaws Discussion
- ❖ Formalize Annual MOU Additions Process
 - Revise Bylaws and Vote

Adjourn

12:00 PM

Upcoming 2009 Dates to Note:

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April 28: 65th Annual Northeast Fish and Wildlife Conference, Lancaster, PA: Presentation (M. Nelson)
May 4-7: ASMFC Spring Meeting
Third week of May: Invitation to Apply for FHP Board recognition (fourth round)
June 23-25: NFHAP One-Year-Out Workshop, near Washington, DC
July 6-10: ASMFC TC Meeting Week
July 20: Coastal Zone 09, Boston, MA: Presentation (E. Greene)
August 17-20: ASMFC Summer Meeting Week
August 21: FHP Applications due (fourth round)
September 14-18: ASMFC TC Meeting Week
October: Invitation to Apply for FHP Board recognition (fifth round)
November 2-5: ASMFC Annual Meeting
Late December: FHP applications due (fifth round)