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Alaska Mariculture Task Force

AGENDA

Friday, March 26, 2021 @ 9am – 12pm AST

DUE TO COVID-19: ONLINE MEETING ONLY

Join via internet: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83269848925>

Join via phone: 1-669-900-6833

Meeting ID: 832-6984-8925

- 1) Roll call
- 2) Conflicts of interest declared
- 3) Review and approve agenda (5 mins)
- 4) Review and approve minutes: Jan. 21, 2021 (Feb. 18 – postponed) (5 mins)
- 5) Public introductions & comments (15 mins)
- 6) Updates by MTF members (20 mins):
 - a. AFDF updates (Decker): Public ed/social license/carrying capacity; USDA-NIFA-SAS proposal
 - b. COVID-19 updates (Rabung, Andersen)
 - c. Alaska Sea Grant updates (Eckert)
 - d. NOAA updates (Bishop, Hollarsmith)
 - e. Other updates
- 7) Workgroup Updates (5 mins):
 - a. Legislative Workgroup (McCarty, Rabung, Drobica, Decker, Hetrick) – old business
 - b. Regulatory Workgroup (Rabung, McCarty, Wyatt, Decker, Sullivan, Stryker) – none
 - c. AQUAA Act Workgroup (Decker, McCarty, Rabung, Pryor, Eckert, Bishop) – old business
 - d. AMA Workgroup (McCarty, Decker, Smith, Wyatt, Sheridan, Scheer, Marsh) – old business
 - e. Research Workgroup (Eckert, Stekoll, Wyatt, Foy, Decker, Bishop, Hetrick, Sternberg) – none
 - f. Alaska Native Workgroup (Douville, McCarty, Decker, Rabung, Marsh, Wyatt, J. Andersen, Gallegos, Andersen, Whissel, Hetrick-Price, Hayden, Lindoff, Booth, Medicine Crow, Blake, Edenshaw) – none
- 8) Old Business (45 mins):
 - a. AQUAA Act – updates (McCarty)
 - b. EVOS TC proposal - status report (Eckert)
 - c. AMA Workgroup report – implementation, logo survey results, membership

- application, timeline (McCarty, Decker)
- d. AOA update and next steps (Bishop, McCarty)
- e. Legislative Workgroup: Update on mariculture bills (SB 64 / HB 41; HB 115) (McCarty, Decker)

9) New Business (30 mins):

- a. American Rescue Act – potential for mariculture economic stimulus investments – DRAFT White Paper (McCarty, Decker)
- b. Final Report to the Governor – outline & extension (McCarty)
- c. Comments to NOAA – Making Fisheries, Aquaculture More Resilient to Climate Change, deadline April 2 (McCarty, Decker)

10) Tentative topics for next meeting (5 mins)

- a. Legislative Workgroup report
- b. Final Report to the Governor
- c. MRTC Workgroup report – white paper, implementation plan
- d. AMA Workgroup report – implementation
- e. Alaska Native Workgroup report
- f. AQUAA Act Workgroup report

11) Set next meeting date and time – April 27, 28, 29 (5 mins)

12) Closing Comments & Adjournment (5 mins)

Attachments/Links:

- [MTF Members](#)
- [MTF Five-Year Action Plan](#)
- Minutes – January 22, 2021 – DRAFT
- Minutes – February 18, 2021 – DRAFT (postponed)
- AQUAA Act – SATS (national advocacy group) position
- AQUAA Act – letter from MTF
- AMA Logo Survey Results
- AMA Membership Application - draft
- American Rescue Act – Mariculture Economic Stimulus Investments – DRAFT White Paper
- Final Report to the Governor - OUTLINE
- [Request for Comments by NOAA – Making Fisheries, Aquaculture More Resilient to Climate Change](#)
- AMA Bylaws – Adopted 10/29/20
- AMA Implementation Outline – DRAFT
- Aquatic Farm Permit Status, as of 2021-02-23, provided by ADF&G
- [Senate Bill 64, introduced by Senator Gary Stevens](#)
- [House Bill 41, introduced by Rep. Dan Ortiz](#)
- [House Bill 115, introduced by Rep. Andi Story](#)
- [AQUAA Act \(09/25/20\)](#)

Articles/Other:

- [In Alaska, interest in kelp farming is on the rise, but bureaucracy's still catching up](#)
- [Australian Seaweed Industry Blueprint, August, 2020](#)
- [Australian Seaweed Institute](#)
- [Q&A with NOAA Director of Aquaculture Danielle Blacklock on Why Aquaculture Expansion is Essential](#)