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Alaska Mariculture Task Force

AGENDA

Thursday, October 29, 2020 @ 9:00am-12:00pm AST

DUE TO COVID-19: ONLINE MEETING ONLY

AFDF ZOOM conference info

Join via internet: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81850772290>

Join via phone: 1-669-900-6833

Meeting ID: 818 5077 2290

- 1) Roll call
- 2) Conflicts of Interest Declared
- 3) Review and approve agenda (5 mins)
- 4) Review and approve minutes: **September 23, 2020** (5 mins)
- 5) Public introductions & comments (5 mins)
- 6) Updates by MTF members (20 mins)
 - a. AFDF updates (Smith)
 - b. COVID-19 updates – Alaska Spend Plan - [\\$50 M](#) (Rabung)
 - c. October 26, 2020 Governor Mariculture Briefing (McCarty, Smith)
 - d. Alaska Sea Grant updates (Eckert)
 - e. NOAA updates (Bishop)
 - f. Other updates
- 7) Workgroup Updates (10 mins)
 - a. Legislative Workgroup – (McCarty, Rabung, Drobnica, Decker/Smith, Hetrick) - none
 - b. Regulatory Workgroup – (Rabung, McCarty, Wyatt, Decker/Smith, Sullivan, Stryker, Smith) – under old business
 - c. EVOS Proposal Workgroup (Drobnica, Douville, McCarty, Decker/Smith, Hetrick, Eckert, Stekoll) – Request for Invitation released, update and next steps and timeline (McCarty)
 - d. AQUAA Act Workgroup (Decker/Smith, McCarty, Rabung, Pryor, Eckert, Bishop) – latest draft released, update and next steps (McCarty, Smith)
 - e. AMA Workgroup (McCarty, Decker/Smith, Wyatt, Scheurer, Sheridan, Scheer, Marsh, Figus, Sternberg) – under old business
 - f. Research Workgroup (Eckert, Stekoll, Wyatt, Foy, Decker/Smith, Bishop, Hetrick, Sternberg) – under old business
- 8) Old Business (60 mins):
 - a. Mariculture Research & Training Center (MRTC) – next steps (Eckert)
 - b. Aquaculture Opportunity Areas – is Alaska interested?

- Presentation by Ken Riley – NOAA @ 10:00am AST
- Discussion of AK Letter of Support – working group? Due December 22
- c. Alaska Mariculture Alliance (AMA)
 - AMA draft bylaws – for discussion/approval, implementation plan

9) New Business (30 mins):

- Army Corps of Engineers Public Comment - Revised Standards for Finfish, Seaweed, & Shellfish Aquaculture – review of draft MTF comments (Rabung)
 - Andrew Gregory, USACE on for Q&A @ 11:30am
- Recent funding opportunities?
- Others?

10) Tentative topics for next meeting (5 mins)

- AQUAA Act Workgroup Report
- MTF AOA Letter of Support – discussion/approval
- U.S. State PSP Testing Overview (Sullivan)?
- EVOS TC Proposal, Partnerships, Next Steps and Timeline
- Mariculture Listening Session?
- Others?

11) Set next meeting date and time – November 20, 23, 24 (5 mins)

12) Closing Comments & Adjournment (5 mins)

Attachments/Links:

- Minutes – Draft – September 23, 2020
- [Army Corps of Engineers September Notice - Revised Standards for Finfish, Seaweed, & Shellfish Aquaculture](#)
- Army Corps of Engineers September Notice – outline
- USACE Email Response to MTF Comments
- USACE NWP MTF Draft Comments
- AQUAA Act, 2020-09-25
- [Executive Order on Promoting American Seafood Competitiveness and Economic Growth – May 7, 2020](#)
- AMA Bylaws – draft – 2020-10-25
- MRTC Whitepaper – final
- October 26, 2020 Governor Mariculture Briefing Agenda
- Draft SARDFA U.S. State Shellfish Authority Letter and Summaries
- EVOS Draft Invitation for Proposals FY22-31
- [October 22, 2020 NOAA Request for Information for AOA regions](#)

Articles/Other:

- [COVID-19 updates from AFDF as of September 25](#)
- [NOAA Request for Information for AOA regions – listening sessions \(Nov. 5, 12, 17, 19\)](#)
- [NOAA Funding Opportunity: Addressing the Impacts of Multiple Stressors on Shellfish Aquaculture through Research/Industry Partnership](#)
- [ASG “Meet Your Alaska Farmer” video series](#)
- [FAO Hosts Regional Aquaculture Webinar Series](#)