

**Harbor Porpoise Take Reduction Team Meeting
May 13-15, 2013
Providence, RI**

DRAFT PROPOSED AGENDA

MEETING PURPOSES:

The primary purpose of this meeting is to provide a forum for the Harbor Porpoise Take Reduction Team (Team) to further develop a potential amendment to the Harbor Porpoise Take Reduction Plan's Consequence Closure Strategy and identify strategies for moving forward. Specific objectives are:

- Discuss outcome of recent Work Group meetings, highlighting areas of general agreement and options for discussion
- Build on Work Group's progress with full Team; engage outstanding issues
- Work towards providing NMFS a consensus recommendation for proposed rulemaking
- Determine next steps

DAY 1 (MONDAY, MAY 13):

10:20-10:30AM ARRIVALS AND GREETINGS

10:30-11:00AM WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND GETTING ORGANIZED

- Review meeting purpose and round robin greeting (*NMFS*)
- Review and confirm agenda and ground rules (*CONCUR*)
- TRT Updates (*NMFS*)

11:00-3:30 PM REVIEW OF WORK GROUP PROGRESS AND CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS

(WITH BREAK)

Objective: Review progress made by work group since the last meeting and get full Team input

- Review action items to-date
 - Science Center data requests
 - Recent updates to bycatch numbers, other new data
 - Recap key information provided at April Work Group
 - April Work Group discussion summary
 - Points of general agreement and options under discussion
 - Opportunity for Team clarifying questions
- Consider sequence/approach to discussion of the following topics:
 - Mechanics of PBR trigger/ZMRG step down
 - Pinger usage requirements
 - "Other special measures" provision (§229.33(f))
 - As it relates to October/November 2013 closure
 - As it relates to longer-term considerations
 - Additional topics, as needed
- Continued discussions to refine Team recommendations to NMFS
 - Plenary, breakout group or caucus discussions, as needed

- 3:30 -3:45 PM** **OPPORTUNITY FOR NON-TRT MEMBERS TO COMMENT**
- 3:45-4:00 PM** **DISCUSSION SUMMARY AND PREVIEW OF DAY TWO**
- 4:00 P.M.** **ADJOURN, OPPORTUNITY FOR TEAM MEMBERS TO CAUCUS**

DAY 2 (TUESDAY, MAY 14):

- 8:30-8:45 AM** **WELCOME AND AGENDA REVIEW (CONCUR)**
- Review Day 2 agenda
 - Recap highlights of Day 1 discussion
- 8:45 AM-4:30 PM** **CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS¹**
(WITH BREAKS) *Objective: Continue to refine and develop areas of emerging agreement with aim of producing consensus recommendation for NMFS consideration*
- Continued discussions to refine Team recommendations to NMFS
 - Plenary, breakout group or caucus discussions, as needed
- 4:30 -4:45 PM** **OPPORTUNITY FOR NON-TRT MEMBERS TO COMMENT**
- 4:45 -5:00 PM** **DISCUSSION SUMMARY AND PREVIEW OF DAY TWO**
- 5:30 P.M.** **ADJOURN; OPTIONAL EVENING CAUCUS**

DAY 3 (WEDNESDAY, MAY 15):

- 8:30-8:45 AM** **WELCOME AND AGENDA REVIEW (CONCUR)**
- Review Day 3 agenda
 - Recap highlights of Day 3 discussion
- 8:45-9:15 AM** **REVIEW REQUEST FROM VIRGINIA MARINE RESOURCES COMMISSION**
- Present request from Commission
 - Discussion: Will the team consider changing the boundary of the Plan in Chesapeake Bay?
- 9:15-NOON** **CONCLUDING DISCUSSION: REVIEW PROPOSED TRP REVISIONS**
(WITH BREAK)
 - Opportunity for final discussion regarding Team recommendations to refine current TRP
 - Consider consensus recommendations
 - Identify next steps going forward
- 12:15 -12:30 PM** **OPPORTUNITY FOR NON-TRT MEMBERS TO COMMENT**

¹ Opportunity for small group discussions and caucuses - TBD at meeting.

- 12:30-1:00 PM** **NEXT STEPS** (*NMFS and CONCUR*)
- What will be done with the product from this meeting?
 - How close are we to an outline of a proposed rule?
 - Recap of meeting and review next steps
 - Consider need for follow-on work teams, updates

1:00 PM **ADJOURN**