Louisiana Oyster Task Force Meeting

Mitch Jurisich, Chairman

Tuesday, March 9, 2021, 1 p.m.

Buras Auditorium 35619 Hwy 11, Buras, LA 70041

**Due to the public health emergency guidelines established in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, all members of the public will have to wear a mask to enter the building.**

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll Call and Introduction of Guests

III. Approval of December 1, 2020 meeting minutes and March 9, 2021 Agenda

IV. Treasury Report

A. LOTF Financial Report & Oyster Tag Sales

V. Committee Reports

A. Public and Private Oyster Grounds Committee (Mitch Jurisich)

B. Enforcement (Major Edward Skena)

C. Legislative (Jakov Jurisic)

D. Legal (Jakov Jurisic/ Brad Robin)

E. Research (Earl Melancon)

F. Coastal Restoration (Dan Coulon)

G. Marketing (LDWF)

H. Health (Justin Gremillion)

I. Aquaculture (Brandi Shelley)

J. Joint Task Force Working Group (Mitch Jurisich)

VI. New Business

1. To Hear a Presentation on Remote Setting Oyster Larvae- LA Sea Grant
2. To Discuss Outside Involvement Pertaining to the Oyster Lease Acquisition and Compensation Program changes and the Development of the Oyster Management and Rehabilitation Strategic Plan- OTF
3. To Discuss the Status of Hiring Joe Piacun as Oyster Task Force Legal Counsel- OTF
4. To Discuss Oyster Mortality Issues on the West Bank of Plaquemines- OTF
5. To Discuss the Proposed Commercial Licensing Restructure- OTF
6. To Discuss the FDA’s Proposed Traceability Rule, How it Will Affect Each Sector of the Oyster Community, Restaurant and Retail Trade, and the Comments that LDH Submitted to the FDA- OTF/ LDH
7. To Discuss the Oyster Task Force Adding a Seat to the Board for an Aquaculture Representative- OTF
8. Officer Elections- OTF

VII. Public Comment

VIII. Set Next Meeting

IX. Adjourn

The meeting will be held in compliance with Louisiana’s Open Meetings Law as defined by Louisiana R.S. 42:11, et seq. The public is invited to attend. To listen in to the meeting via webinar register at: <https://wlf-la.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_TwAGahvISZin0bUWwuI01Q>

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