Louisiana Oyster Task Force Meeting

Mitch Jurisich, Chairman

Wednesday, September 23, 2020, 1 p.m.

LDWF Headquarters

2000 Quail Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70898

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I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll Call and Introduction of Guests

III. Approval of July 7, 2020 and August 2, 2020 Minutes and September 16, 2020 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 Discuss the Oyster Lease Acquisition & Compensation Program and CPRA’s Proposed Changes- OTF
2. To Discuss the Oyster Strategic Plan- OTF
3. To Discuss the Upcoming Oyster Lease Renewal Process and Potential Changes for the Year- LDWF
4. To Discuss and Consider Proposals to Hire a PR Firm to Represent the Task Force- OTF
5. To Hear an Update on the Approval of Funding and Hiring Legal Counsel to Represent the Oyster Task Force- OTF/LDW

VII. Public Comment

VIII. Set Next Meeting

IX. Adjourn

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