

## LOTF MEETING Agenda Monday February 10, 2010 1:00 p.m. UNO Advanced Technology Center 2021 Lakeshore Drive, Suite 200

- I. ROLL CALL
- II. APPROVAL of December 7, 2009 MINUTES
- III. OYSTER DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT INFORMATION
  - a. Oyster Tag Sales- (LSPMB Staff)
  - b. LOTF Financial Report-(LSPMB)

## IV. NEW BUSNESS

- a. Explanation of the proposed DWF-DNR MOU relative to authorizing Oil & Gas surface activities on Public Oyster Seed Grounds & Seed Reservations (DNR, & DWF Attorney's)
- b. Lousiana Recovery Authority Recovery Program Presentation (Kris Van Orsdel, LRA)
- c. National Wildlife Federation coastal restoration campaign- Maura Wood
- d. 2010 Oyster Task Force legislation package (Al Sunseri)
  - 1. A new law that would say that natural, raw oysters harvested within the State shall be allowed to sold and consumed raw within the State.
  - **2.** Repeal 56:435.1 and open Sabine Lake to all types of vessels 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday after Labor Day through April 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - **3.** Repeal 56:433 seed harvest only 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday after Labor Day through the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday in October and revert to old law opening public oyster reefs for all harvest on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday after Labor Day.
  - **4.** Amend 40:5.3.1 to say in DHH in consultation with the DWF and the LOTF, "**shall notify all licensed ovster harvesters and dealers**" that they may apply for an exemption from the V.p. and V.v. guidelines in the NSSP if they have not been epidemiologically linked to a V.p. or V.v. illness.
  - 5. Amend 56:303.4 & 56:303.7 requiring that the commercial "oyster" fisherman instead of the wholesale retail seafood dealer send the trip ticket information to the DWF because the dealer CANNOT attest to the fact where the fisherman caught the oysters or the duration of his trip
  - 6. RS 56:431.1-Devices to protect oysters from predation; use on leased acreage SUNSETS We need to allow this activity after 1/1/2011
    - D. The provisions of this Section shall become null and void and of no effect on January 1, 2011, and no permit shall be issued which would allow use after that date nor shall any device authorized under the provisions of this Section be used after that date.
  - 7. RS 56:436 Amend to allow for early morning harvest between April 1<sup>st</sup> and October 31<sup>st</sup> with a permit for the purpose of harvesting longer than 2 hours as set by oyster management guidelines.
  - **8.** Lift Oyster Leasing Moratorium- (PPOG Committee)
  - 9. New law to provide means to reissue of leases for certain reasons(PPOG Committee)
  - **10.** Amend law to allow a grace period for recording oyster leases(PPOG Committee)
  - 11. New law creating new leasable waterbottoms east of the Mississippi River(PPOG Committee)
  - .ISSC Board meeting March 9-11, 2010- (Al Sunseri)

## V.COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Department of Health and Hospitals (David Guilbeau)
- B. Governor's Office on Coastal Affairs (Jerome Zeringue)
  - 1. Operation of Davis Pond and Caernarvon Fresh Water Diversion Projects
- C. Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
- D. Public & Private Oyster Grounds Committee (Buddy Pausina)
- E. Research- (John Supan)
- F. Enforcement (Keith Lacaze)
- G. Legal (Buddy Pausina)
- H. Coastal Restoration Activity Impact Sub-Committee- (John Tesvich)
- I. ELECTION OF OFFICERS
- VI. Set Next Meeting
- VII. ADJOURN