

**Marine Fisheries Commission
Striped Bass Fishery Management Plan Advisory Committee Meeting
NCDENR Regional Field Office
943 Washington Square Mall – Washington, NC
July 29, 2010 at 5 p.m.**

AGENDA

- Call to Order
- Presentation and Discussion of the Draft “Environmental Status” Section of the Plan – Kevin Hart
- Modifications to the Agenda
- Public Comment Period
- Approval of July 8, 2010 Minutes
- Other Business
- Agenda Items and Location for the Next Meeting
- Adjourn

Role of Fishery Management Plan Advisory Committees

The Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF), through the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, is charged with the preparation and writing of proposed Fishery Management Plans (FMP) for adoption by the Marine Fisheries Commission (MFC). To assist the DMF in the development of FMPs, the chair of the MFC appoints a Fishery Management Plan Advisory Committee (AC) that is composed of commercial fishermen, recreational fishermen, scientists, and others, all with expertise in the fishery for which the FMP is being developed. The following are the specific roles of appointed advisors in assisting the DMF in the development of FMPs:

- *Assist DMF in identifying and evaluating management issues and options to be addressed in the FMP,*
- *Evaluate the impacts of management options on the resource and user groups,*
- *Review and provide comments on all sections of the draft FMP for completeness and accuracy,*
- *Assist the DMF in informing the public on the issues contained in the FMP,*
- *Attend public meetings held in advisors’ regional area,*
- *Solicit comments from peers and bring comments back to AC.*