



OCEAN RESOURCES POLICY
Chair: Curt Melcher (OR)
Vice-Chair: Robert Boyles (SC)

Tuesday, September 24th, 2019
10:00 am –12:00 pm
TBD

109th Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies Annual Meeting

InterContinental Saint Paul Riverfront Hotel
Saint Paul, MN

Draft Agenda

- 10:00 am Call to Order/Introductions/Review Agenda – *Curt Melcher, OR*
- *Action: Approval of Draft Meeting Agenda/March 2019 minutes*
- 10:10 AFWA Strategic Plan Update – *Devin DeMario, AFWA*
- 10:15 Office of National Marine Sanctuaries: Update – *Grace Bottitta, ONMS*
- 10:30 NOAA/NMFS Updates - *Heidi Lovett, NOAA/Chris Wright, NOAA*
- 11:00 Discussion on Offshore Aquaculture - *All*
- Summary of NOAA Aquaculture 101 Webinar
 - State challenges and opportunities for engagement
 - Legislation
 - Potential next steps for committee/state involvement
- 11:35 Marine Legislation Update – *Devin DeMario, AFWA/All*
- 11:45 Forage Fish Conservation Act – *Mike Leonard, ASA (invited)*
- 11:55 Meeting wrap-up and adjourn – *Curt Melcher, OR*

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Committee Charge:

Discuss, develop, and recommend Association positions related to:

- *Federal laws, regulations, and policies concerning marine ecosystems, habitats, fisheries and other resources, and related funding for such programs.*
 - *Marine fisheries management programs, practices or considerations (e.g., Marine Recreational Information Program, catch shares) and emerging issues (e.g., climate change, coastal energy, marine aquaculture and marine spatial planning).*
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