

AGENDA

North Branch Potomac Advisory Committee

June 6, 2017 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Location: Town Hall, 510 Grant Street, Luke, Maryland

6:00 -Welcome and Introductions

Please update contact sheet with current contact information and affiliation.

*At start, please introduce yourself and your affiliation

6:15 -Fisheries

1. MD DNR
 - o MD DNR Freshwater Fisheries management activities
 - o Planned management

6:45 -Reservoir Operations Report: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

1. Jennings Randolph and Savage:
 - a. Spring Review
 - b. Summer Plan
2. Jennings Randolph Hydropower Update

7:15 -New business / Topics of concern

Topic: Project management for recreation

Whitewater Concerns

1. Discussion on raising the NB scheduled releases from 1000 cfs to between 1500 and 2000 cfs when possible with the minimum remaining at 1000 cfs.
 - a. "Guides have noticed that at the 1000 cfs level the section right below Blue Hole and before the wall rapid becomes very technical paddling through the rocky areas. They also noticed that the big wave trains are nowhere to be seen. The last time our guides ran a trip at the 1500 cfs level was in early April 2017 on a non-release weekend. During that trip, they witnessed private boaters enjoying the bigger waves and fisherman fishing along the shore. Looking forward to the meeting, seeing you and having a lively discussion."

Angling Concerns

2. Outflow reduced to provide whitewater weekends but not floatable angling
 - a. "Outflow was reduced to provide whitewater weekends and even encroached on flood storage above lake elevation 1467'. "
 - b. Comment: "If flood storage can be encroached on for whitewater recreation, then it should be encroached on for guided float fishing and recreational angling as well."

8:00 - Close of Meeting

List of Attendees

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