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## Marine Fisheries Commission seeks advisers

**MOREHEAD CITY** – The N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission is looking for commercial and recreational fishermen, scientists, and other interested parties to sit on various fisheries advisory committees.

Two regional advisory committees – Northern and Southern – and three standing advisory committees – Finfish, Habitat and Water Quality, and Shellfish/Crustacean – review matters referred to them by the commission, such as draft fishery management plans. Committees may also bring fisheries issues pertaining to their region or subject matter to the commission's attention.

The Marine Fisheries Commission chairman appoints members to these committees for three-year terms, and several terms will expire in January.

To qualify to serve on a committee, applicants must not have had a significant fisheries violation within the past three years.

Individuals interested in serving as an adviser should be willing to attend meetings at least once every two months and actively participate in the committee process, which includes reviewing scientific documents and issue papers to make recommendations on management strategies.

Advisers who complete the necessary paperwork will be reimbursed for travel and other expenses incurred in relation to their official duties.

Adviser applications are available online [here](#) or at Division of Marine Fisheries' offices or by calling 252-808-8022 or 800-682-2632. Applications should be returned by Oct. 15, 2021, by email to [Dana.Gillikin@ncdenr.gov](mailto:Dana.Gillikin@ncdenr.gov) or by mail to: N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries, P.O. Box 769, Morehead City, N.C. 28557, Attention: Dana Gillikin.

## Legislative Update: GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

The Senate and House conferees continue to meet to hammer out the difference between their respective budget proposals. House Speaker Tim Moore said he expects them to send the budget to the Governor next week. Then the negotiations begin between the Governor and General Assembly. There's only one fish provision in the Senate budget we're concerned about.

God bless,

Jerry

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