

**Minutes
Coastal Committee
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, S. E.
Suite 1252 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334**

**Tuesday, October 22, 2024
9:00 a.m.**

Committee Members

Nancy Addison, Chair
Randy Dellinger
Charles DePriest
Mark Hennessy
Bill Jones
Brent Layton
Lesley Reynolds
Paul Shailendra
Bodine Sinyard
Harley Yancey
Joe Hatfield, Board Chair, Ex-officio

Board Members

Jeff Andrews
Patrick Denney
Dan Garcia
Steve Hufstetler
Duncan Johnson
Ray Lambert

Guests

Bryan Tolar, GA Urban Ag Council
Mark Woodall, Sierra Club
Anna Edmondson, Robbins Government Relations
Susan Salter, GA EPD
Maggie Lee, The Current
Dave Williams, Capitol Beat News Service
Kathleen Bowen, Impact Public Affairs

Staff Members

Walter Rabon, Commissioner
Thomas Barnard
Trevor Santos
Taylor Brown Fisher
Cathy Barnette
Kyle Pearson
Kate Iannuzzi
Artica Gaston
Mike England
Karl Burgess
Angie Johnson
Ted Will
Brent Womack
Chris Harper

Jeff Cown, Director
James Boylan
Chuck Mueller
Anna Truszczynski

The October 22, 2024 meeting of the Coastal Resources Committee was called to order by Joe Hatfield, Chairman of the Board of Natural Resources.

Chairman Hatfield called on Nancy Addison, Chair of the Coastal Resources Committee. Ms. Addison called on Karl Burgess, Assistant Director of the Coastal Resources Division.

Mr. Burgess stated that in August, the Coastal Resources Division presented a proposed amendment to the Rules of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Saltwater Fishing Regulations, Rule 391-2-4-.11. He further stated the amendment would increase the number of bait minnow traps that a licensed bait dealer may fish at any given time from 10 to 20 but does not increase the total allowable harvest. He added that currently licensed bait dealers are allowed to employ 10 or fewer traps at a given time; the requested change would increase the number of traps employed to 20 while not possessing more than 100 quarts of bait minnows at any time.

Mr. Burgess stated that CRD issued a public notice, press release, and Internet postings and no public comments were received. He further stated that if there no questions he requests favorable consideration.

A motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Yancey, and carried unanimously that the Committee recommends the Board adopt the resolution to approve the proposed amendment to the Rules of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Saltwater Fishing Regulations, Chapter 391-2-4-.11.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.