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## ***MACMR to meet Tuesday, May 16***

BILOXI, Miss. – The Mississippi Advisory Commission on Marine Resources will meet Tuesday, May 16, in Biloxi.

The meeting begins at 9 a.m. and will be held at the Bolton State Building in the first-floor auditorium. The meeting will broadcast live on the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources' YouTube channel at the following link:

<https://youtube.com/live/U0OV9xhwqxE?feature=share>. Please note that questions and public comments will not be answered through YouTube. The meeting is also archived for later viewing on the agency's YouTube page.

An agenda is attached.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the state by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes. Visit the DMR online at [dmr.ms.gov](http://dmr.ms.gov).

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**MISSISSIPPI ADVISORY COMMISSION ON MARINE RESOURCES**  
**Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.**  
**Bolton Building Auditorium**  
**1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, MS 39530**

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- A. Call to Order
  - 1. Pledge of Allegiance
  - 2. Moment of Silence
- B. Approval of Minutes
  - 1. Approval of Minutes – April 18, 2023 – Chairman – Action
- C. Approval of Agenda – Chairman
- D. Executive Director’s Report – Joe Spraggins
  - 1. Employment, Contracts and Procurement Updates
  - 2. Agency Update
  - 3. Actions Update from Prior Meeting
  - 4. Resolution to Rename Dantzler Tract to Secretary of State Eric Clark Coastal Preserve in the Pascagoula River Marshes in Jackson County, MS – Resolution No.: 051623-01 – Patrick Levine
  - 5. Resolution to Rename Big Island to Gollott Island and to name the breakwater improvement on the south side of the island be designated as Godfather Point on the Back Bay of Biloxi Harrison County, MS – Resolution No.: 051623-02 – Patrick Levine
  - 6. Resolution to Name the oyster reef constructed by The Nature Conservancy to Tony Trapani Reef in Bay St. Louis, MS – Resolution No.: 051623-03 – Patrick Levine
- E. Commissioners Report
- F. OFFICE OF MARINE PATROL – Chief Kyle Wilkerson
  - 1. Report on Citations
- G. OFFICE OF COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT – Jennifer Wittmann
  - 1. Bureau of Coastal Preserves
    - a. Giant Apple Snail Overview – Sierra Ortiz
  - 2. Bureau of Wetlands Permitting
    - a. Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission – Requesting a Special Management Area Designation for Port Bienville Industrial Park and Stennis International Airport and Airpark – Willa Brantley

- H. OFFICE OF COASTAL RESTORATION AND RESILIENCY – Rhonda Price
  - 1. No Presentation this Month
- I. OFFICE OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION – Leslie Brewer
  - 1. FY23 Monthly Report – Leslie Brewer
- J. Directorate
  - 1. Public Affairs – Charmaine Schmermund
- K. OFFICE OF MARINE FISHERIES – Traci Floyd
  - 1. 2023 Mississippi Shrimp Season Update – Jason Saucier
  - 2. Changes to Title 22 Part 1 Rules and Regulations for Molluscan Shellfish Related Activities to Conform with the Requirements of Senate Bill 2544 Leasing Requirements - Shellfish Bureau Staff
- L. Grand Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve – Ayesha Gray
  - 1. No Presentation this Month
- M. Other Business
- N. Public Comments