SCIENTIFIC & TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Agenda



DATE & TIME:August 1, 2025 -- 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.LOCATION:Virtual and 39375 Inlet Road, Rehoboth Beach
Virtual is preferred as there is limited seating. Please RSVP to
mnoefellows@inlandbays.org if planning to attend in person.

Join Zoom Meeting

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AGENDA ITEMS

Call to order, Welcome, Introductions - Andrew Wozniak, Chair

Announcements - Christophe Tulou, Center Center Staffing Updates and STAC Membership

Old Business

Update on James Farm - Meghan Noe Fellows, Center

STAC meet at James Farm and tour? - October 24, 2025

Coast Forward Findings - Meghan Noe Fellows Education, education https://inlandbays.org/projects_issues/southern-delaware-coastal-resilience-plan/

Required Update ByLaws - Christophe Tulou

The current bylaw: " "B. Public Attendance

All regular business meetings shall be open to the public, and all regular business meeting announcements shall be posted in advance by the Executive Director. Visitors are welcome to attend and listen, and shall be allowed to participate in discussions at the discretion of the Presiding Officer. Visitors may not vote."

The term "at the discretion of the Presiding Officer" indicates that there may be instances where the public are not allowed to comment. This is inconsistent with the Freedom of Information Act that the public must be allowed to address the STAC.

"§ 10004. Open meetings.

(a) (1) Every meeting of all public bodies shall be open to the public except when closed under subsections (b), (c), (d), and (h) of this section.

(2) A meeting that is open to the public under paragraph (a)(1) of this section must include time for public comment, unless the meeting is of a public body within the General Assembly which is governed by the rules of proceedings adopted under \S 9 of Art. If of the Delaware Constitution.

a. The time for public comment must provide a meaningful opportunity for the public to engage with the public body.

b. A public body may impose reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions on the length of the public comment period and the amount of time allotted for each public comment."

Alternate 1: remove "at the discretion of the Presiding Officer"

Alternate 2: set a time limit for the public comment, "public comments will be limited to 5 minutes, at the discretion of the Presiding Officer" (for reference the CAC says 15 minutes)

New Business

State of the Bays 2026, How and what impact does STAC want? A facilitated discussion with Chris Petrone, Delaware Sea Grant and Andrew Wozniak, University of Delaware

Outline so far, Meghan Noe Fellows, Center

Templates

Areas Center has covered

Case Study of SOB Contribution: Prohibited Shellfish Areas, Andrew Bell, DNREC

Inland Bays STAC Summit 2026, Andrew Wozniak

Announcements:

Delaware Wetlands Conference, January 27 & 28.

Future Meeting Themes Discussion

Public Comment

Adjourn

Next Meeting:

October 24, 2025, 9:00 - 12:00 noon, Hybrid - Lewes? James Farm?