NC Marine Fisheries Commission

# **Chairman's Report**

**August 2025 Quarterly Business Meeting** 

# **Documents**

State Ethics Education Reminder

2025 Annual Meeting Calendar

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MFC Workplan



#### **EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC SERVANTS**

Public Servants must complete the Ethics and Lobbying Education program provided by the N.C. State Ethics Commission within **six months** of their election, appointment, or employment. We recommend that this be completed as soon as possible, but the training must be repeated every two years after the initial session.

Our new 90-minute on-demand online program is available on our website under the Education tab. For your convenience, here is the <u>link</u>. The new program is compatible with portable devices such as phones and tablets.

Live webinar presentations are also offered every month. These presentations are 90 minutes in length and give the opportunity to ask questions of the speaker. Registration information for those can be found here.

For questions or additional information concerning the Ethics Education requirements, please contact Tracey Powell at (919) 814-3600.

#### Marine Fisheries Commission 2025 Calendar

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#### **2025 MFC Meeting Dates**

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	MFC Business Meetings	<b>Northern Regional AC</b>	Southern Regional AC
	February 19-21	January 7	January 8
	May 21-23	March 18	March 19
	August 20-22	June 17	June 18
	November 19-21	September 23	September 24
	Shellfish/Crustacean	Finfish Standing AC	<b>Habitat and Water Quality</b>
Ī	January 9	March 25	January 15
	March 20	June 24	March 26
	June 19	September 30	June 25
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## **Calendar Key**

MFC		Shellfish/Crustacean Standing AC				
Northern Regional AC		Habitat and Water Quality Standing AC				
Southern Regional AC		State Holiday				
Finfish Standing AC		Federal Commission or Council Meeting				
Joint Meeting of ACs for MFC Review and Presentation of Action Items						
Joint Meeting of Northern, So	outher	n, and Finfish AC				

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# **Marine Fisheries Commission Workplan - August 2025**

Orange = Action Item	Green = No Action Necessary					
Topic	May 2025	Aug 2025	Nov 2025	Feb 2026	May 2026	August 2026
Active Management Plans						
Hard Clam FMP Amendment 3	Final Adoption					
Eastern Oyster FMP Amendment 5	Final Adoption					
Southern Flounder FMP Amendment 4	Select Preferred Options	Final Adoption				
Southern Flounder FMP Amendment 5	Scoping Period Overview	MFC Discussion	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
Blue Crab FMP Amendment 3 - Adaptive Management	Information Presented	Information Presented	Vote on Adaptive Management			
CSMA Amendment 2 Data Update	Information Presented	Information Presented	Information Presented			
Kingfish FMP Amendment 1			Preliminary Information Presented	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
Red Drum FMP			Preliminary Information Presented	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
Rulemaking					T	T
Permit-Related Rules	Notice of Text	In Progress	Final Approval			
Franchises and Shellfish Leases	Notice of Text	In Progress	Final Approval			
Commission Requests						
Atlantic Bonito Management	In Progress	Background Information Presented	In Progress	Select Preferred Option	Notice of Text	In Progress