

**APALACHICOLA BAY SYSTEM INITIATIVE  
COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD**

**MEETING V – 18 OCTOBER 2022**

**MEETING OBJECTIVES**

**UPDATED WORKPLAN AND SCHEDULE**

**CAB PROCESS AND ROLE**

**MANAGEMENT AND RESTORATION STRATEGIES AND  
ASSUMPTIONS FOR MODELING SCENARIOS**



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# **CAB MEETING OBJECTIVES 28 SEPTEMBER 2022**

## **AGENDA ITEM #5**

- **APPROVAL OF PROCEDURAL ITEMS (AGENDA & REPORT)**
- **REVIEW OF UPDATED WORKPLAN AND MEETING SCHEDULE**
- **SCIENCE AND DATA COLLECTION UPDATE**
- **FWC (NFWF 2) RESTORATION PROJECT UPDATE**
- **CAB SUCCESSOR GROUP, RFWG, COMMUNITY OUTREACH UPDATES**
- **FISHERIES MODEL SIMULATION RESULTS DISCUSSION**
- **AGREEMENT ON NEXT SUITE OF SCENARIOS FOR FISHERIES MODEL SIMULATIONS**
- **PUBLIC COMMENT**
- **NEXT STEPS: ACTION & AGENDA ITEMS FOR 30 NOVEMBER 2022 MEETING**

# CAB MEETING PARTICIPATION

## GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- **FOUR PERSONAL GUIDING PRINCIPLES:** Be impeccable with your word, don't take things personally, don't make assumptions, and always do your best.
- **OVERARCHING GUIDING PRINCIPLE:** Seek first to understand, and then seek to be understood.

### **WE WILL BE SUCCESSFUL AND HAVE GOOD CONVERSATION WHEN:**

- All voices are invited, respected and heard.
- All experiences are treated as valid.
- We listen to each other actively, attentively, and respectfully.
- We observe time frames.
- We seek common ground and action.
- There is full and active attendance.
- We make the time and space to connect with each other.
- We participate actively and share opinions in the conversation—engage fully in this process.

# ABSI COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD TO DATE

- **PHASE I (2019). Standing up and Organization of the ABSI CAB —** *May 2019 – Dec. 2019 (Assessment, Questionnaire, and 2 CAB Meetings)* ***Complete***
- **PHASE II (2020). Scoping of Issues, Identification of Performance Measures & Strategies —** *Jan. 2020 – Dec. 2020 (7 CAB Meeting and 1 Oystermen's Workshop)* ***Complete***
- **PHASE III (2021). Building Consensus on CAB Recommendations for the ABS Ecosystem-Based Adaptive Management and Restoration Plan —** *Adoption of Final Draft Management and Restoration Plan Framework for Phase IV Evaluation — Jan. 2021 – Nov. 2021 (7 CAB Meeting and 2 Oystermen's Workshops)* ***Complete***

# ABSI COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD CURRENT

- **PHASE IV (2022).** Evaluation of Draft Adaptive Management and Restoration Plan Framework's Restoration and Management Strategies, Restoration Projects Selection and Implementation, and Funding Planning — *Dec. 2021 – Dec. 2022 (6 CAB Meetings, 2 Public Workshops)* — *Status Initiated*
- **PHASE V (2023).** Evaluation and Finalization of Recommendations for Inclusion in the *ABS Ecosystem-Based Adaptive Management and Restoration Plan*, Restoration Projects Selection and Implementation, and Funding Planning — *Jan. 2023 – Dec. 2023 (6 CAB Meetings, 3 Public Workshops)* — *Status Initiate January 2023*

# ABSI CAB PHASE IV SCHEDULE

## REMAINING PHASE IV MEETINGS – 2022

- **MEETING V – OCTOBER 18, 2022 (ANERR)**

Science and data update. FWC-NFWF 2 Restoration update. Committee reports. Community engagement initiative update. Fisheries Model simulation results & scenarios refinements. Agreement on next suite of scenarios for model simulations. Public comment.

- **MEETING VI – NOVEMBER 30, 2022 (ANERR)**

Science and data update. FWC-NFWF 2 Restoration update. Committee reports. Community engagement initiative update. Fisheries Model simulation results & scenarios refinements. Agreement on next suite of scenarios for model simulations. Public comment.

## COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS PHASE IV – 2022

- **OYSTERMEN'S WORKSHOP – OCTOBER 18, 2022 (ANERR)**

Oystermen's Feedback on ABSI Restoration Experiments, FWC Restoration Project, and Potential Management Scenarios for Modeling.

- **COMMUNITY WORKSHOP – OCTOBER 19, 2022 (EASTPOINT FIREHOUSE)**

Community Feedback on ABSI Restoration Experiments, FWC Restoration Project, and Potential Management Scenarios for Modeling.

# ABSI CAB PHASE V OVERVIEW

- **CAB PHASE V (2023)**. Evaluation and Finalization of Recommendations for Inclusion in the *ABS Ecosystem-Based Adaptive Management and Restoration Plan*, Restoration Projects Selection and Implementation, and Funding Planning.
- The CAB will evaluate the priority and efficacy of scenarios and associated actions and identify specific recommended restoration projects and management approaches for inclusion in the Apalachicola Bay System Ecosystem-Based Adaptive Management and Restoration Plan (Plan). The CAB will vote to approve their package of consensus recommendations during their November 2023 meeting. *Status – Initiate January 2023.*
- **RESTORATION FUNDING WORKING GROUP (RFWG)**. Initiated in late 2021 the Restoration Funding Working Group's role is to seek resources and political, governmental, and organizational support for the CAB's priority recommendations. *Initiated*



# ABSI CAB PHASE V OVERVIEW

- **CAB SUCCESSOR GROUP.** The CAB Successor Group will be ready to convene when the CAB completes their work on the Apalachicola Bay System Ecosystem-Based Adaptive Management and Restoration Plan. The Successor Group's role will be to organize a group of key stakeholders committed to working collaboratively for the long-term, once the CAB process is complete and to ensure that the Plan is implemented, monitored, and adaptively managed over time and has the support of the Community. The CAB Successor Group process will formally initiate January 2024. *Status – Organizing. Formal Initiation Pending Approval of Recommendations for Plan in November 2023.*
- **CAB ABSI COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.** 3 Community Workshops Planned.
- **COMMUNITY WORKSHOP 1.** April 2023. Community Feedback on ABSI Restoration Experiments, FWC Restoration Project, and Potential Management Scenarios for Modeling.
- **COMMUNITY WORKSHOP 2 (OYSTERMEN'S WORKSHOP).** Sept. 2023. Oystermen's Feedback on the CAB's recommendations for the Apalachicola Bay System Ecosystem-Based Adaptive Management and Restoration Plan.
- **COMMUNITY WORKSHOP 3.** October 2023. Community Feedback on the CAB's recommendations for the Apalachicola Bay System Ecosystem-Based Adaptive Management and Restoration Plan.



# ABSI CAB PHASE V SCHEDULE

- **MEETING I – FEBRUARY 1, 2023 (ANERR)**

Initiation of Phase V of ABSI. ABSI science and data collection and restoration project updates. Sub-committee reports and public engagement initiative update. Review and discussion of Fisheries Model simulation results for revised priority Habitat Restoration (Goal A) and Fisheries Management (Goal B) scenarios. Agreement on next suite of scenarios for model simulations. Public comment.

- **MEETING II – APRIL 12, 2023 (ANERR)**

ABSI science and data collection and restoration project updates. Sub-committee reports and public engagement initiative update. Review and discussion of Fisheries Model simulation results for revised priority Habitat Restoration (Goal A) and Fisheries Management (Goal B) scenarios. Agreement on next suite of scenarios for model simulations. Public comment.

- **MEETING III - MAY 31, 2023 (ANERR)**

ABSI science and data collection and restoration project updates. Sub-committee reports and public engagement initiative update. Finalize and adopt recommendations for strategies and actions (components) for inclusion in the Apalachicola Bay System Ecosystem-Based Adaptive Management and Restoration Plan (Plan) and submit to FSUCML. Public comment.

# ABSI CAB PHASE V SCHEDULE

- **MEETING IV – JULY 26, 2023 (ANERR)**

Initiation of Phase V of ABSI. ABSI science and data collection and restoration project updates. Sub-committee reports and public engagement initiative update. Review and discussion of Fisheries Model simulation results for revised priority Habitat Restoration (Goal A) and Fisheries Management (Goal B) scenarios. Agreement on next suite of scenarios for model simulations. Public comment.

- **MEETING V – SEPTEMBER 27, 2023 (ANERR)**

ABSI science and data collection and restoration project updates. Sub-committee reports and public engagement initiative update. Review and discussion of Fisheries Model simulation results for revised priority Habitat Restoration (Goal A) and Fisheries Management (Goal B) scenarios. Agreement on next suite of scenarios for model simulations. Public comment.

- **MEETING VI - NOVEMBER 29, 2023 (ANERR)**

ABSI science and data collection and restoration project updates. Sub-committee reports and public engagement initiative update. Finalize and adopt recommendations for strategies and actions (components) for inclusion in the Apalachicola Bay System Ecosystem-Based Adaptive Management and Restoration Plan (Plan) and submit to FSUCML. Public comment.

# QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON WORKPLAN, SCHEDULE, AND PROCESS

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