FINFISH ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Statutorily required standing committee comprised of commissioners and advisers that considers matters related to finfish.
Commissioners: Tom Roller – chair, Sam Romano – vice chair
DMF Staff Lead: Lee Paramore - lee.paramore@ncdenr.gov
Meeting Frequency: Can meet quarterly, depending on assignments from MFC

HABITAT AND WATER QUALITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE & COASTAL HABITAT PROTECTION PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE
Statutorily required standing committee comprised of commissioners and advisers that considers matters concerning habitat and water quality that may affect coastal fisheries resources.
Commissioners: Pete Kornegay – chair, Dr. Martin Posey – vice chair
DMF Staff Lead: Anne Deaton - anne.deaton@ncdenr.gov
Meeting Frequency: Committee can meet quarterly, depending on assignments from MFC. CHPP Steering Committee can meet a couple of times a year.

SHELLFISH/CRUSTACEAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Statutorily required standing committee comprised of commissioners and advisers that considers matters concerning oysters, clams, scallops and other molluscan shellfish, shrimp and crabs.
Commissioners: Sam Romano – chair, Pete Kornegay – co-vice chair, Dr. Martin Posey – co-vice chair
DMF Staff Lead: Tina Moore - tina.moore@ncdenr.gov
Meeting Frequency: Can meet quarterly, depending on assignments from MFC

CONSERVATION FUND COMMITTEE
Committee comprised of commissioners that makes recommendations to the MFC for administering funds to be used for marine and estuarine resources management, including education about the importance of conservation.
Commissioners: Sam Romano - chair, Tom Hendrickson and Robert McNeill
DMF Staff Lead: Randy Gregory - randy.gregory@ncdenr.gov
Meeting Frequency: Meets as needed

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CIVIL PENALTY COMMITTEE
Statutorily required committee comprised of commissioners that makes final agency decisions on civil penalty remission requests.
Commissioners: Rob Bizzell - chair, Doug Cross and Tom Hendrickson
DMF Staff Lead: Col. Carter Witten – carter.witten@ncdenr.gov
Meeting Frequency: Meets as needed

COASTAL RECREATIONAL FISHING LICENSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Committee consisting of the three recreational seats and the science seat to provide the DMF advice on the projects and grants issued using Coastal Recreational Fishing License trust funds.
Commissioners: Pete Kornegay – chair, Rob Bizzell, Tom Roller, and Robert McNeill
DMF Staff Lead: Jamie Botinovch - jamie.botinovch@ncdenr.gov
Meeting Frequency: Meets as needed
NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Committee comprised of commissioners that makes recommendations to the MFC on at-large and obligatory nominees for the Mid- and South Atlantic Fishery Management Councils.
Commissioners: Robert McNeill – chair, Pete Kornegay, Tom Roller and Mike Blanton
DMF Staff Lead: Chris Batsavage - chris.batsavage@ncdenr.gov
Meeting Frequency: Typically meets once a year

STANDARD COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSE ELIGIBILITY BOARD
Statutorily required three-person board consisting of DEQ, DMF and MFC designees who apply eligibility criteria to determine whether an applicant is eligible for a SCFL.
Commission Designee: Mike Blanton
DMF Staff Lead: Marine Patrol Capt. Garland Yopp – garland.yopp@ncdenr.gov
Meeting Frequency: Meets two to three times a year, could need to meet more often depending on volume of applications

N.C. COMMERCIAL FISHING RESOURCE FUND COMMITTEE
Committee comprised of commissioners that the commission has given authority to make funding decisions on projects to develop and support sustainable commercial fishing in the state.
Commissioners: Doug Cross – chair, Mike Blanton and Sam Romano
DMF Staff Lead: William Brantley – william.brantley@ncdenr.gov
Meeting Frequency: Meets two to three times a year

WRC/MFC JOINT COMMITTEE ON DELINEATION OF FISHING WATERS
Committee formed to help integrate the work of the two commissions as they fulfill their statutory responsibilities to jointly determine the boundaries that define North Carolina’s Inland, Coastal and Joint Fishing Waters as the agencies go through a statutorily defined periodic review of existing rules.
MFC Commissioners: Rob Bizzell, Dr. Martin Posey and Pete Kornegay
DMF Staff Lead: Anne Deaton - anne.deaton@ncdenr.gov
Meeting Frequency: Meets as needed

SHELLFISH CULTIVATION LEASE REVIEW COMMITTEE
Three-member committee formed to hear appeals of decisions of the Secretary regarding shellfish cultivation leases issued under G.S. 113-202.
MFC Commissioners: Rob Bizzell
DMF Staff Lead: Jacob Boyd – jacob.boyd@ncdenr.gov
Meeting Frequency: Meets as needed

COASTAL HABITAT PROTECTION PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE
The CHPP Steering Committee, which consists of two commissioners from the Marine Fisheries, Coastal Management and Environmental Management commissions reviews and approves the plan, recommendations, and implementation actions.
MFC Commissioners: Dr. Martin Posey, Pete Kornegay
DMF Staff Lead: Anne Deaton – anne.deaton@ncdenr.gov
Meeting Frequency: Meets as needed