N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission
Shrimp Bycatch Reduction Industry Work Group
Workshop #4

New Bern Riverfront Convention Center
203 S. Front St, New Bern, NC 28560
January 22, 2018

Workshop Objectives:

(1) learn about 2017 testing of bycatch reduction gear technologies,
(2) discuss and develop criteria regarding recommendations to the Marine Fisheries Commission and future of the workgroup

AGENDA

10:30 - 10:45 a.m.	Welcome, Introductions, Meeting Overview - *Kevin Brown, gear development biologist, N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries* - *Brent Fulcher, owner/operator, B&J Seafood; chairman, N.C. Fisheries Assoc.*
10:45 – 11:30 a.m.	Presentation of 2017 Testing of Bycatch Reduction Gear Technologies - *Laura Lee, senior stock assessment scientist, N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries* - *Blake Price, research fishery biologist, NOAA Fisheries Harvesting Systems Unit*
11:30 – 12:00 a.m.	Open Forum with Work Group *facilitator: Scott Baker, fisheries extension specialist, N.C. Sea Grant* Opportunity for the public to ask questions.
noon – 1:15 p.m.	Lunch (on your own)
1:15 – 1:45 p.m.	Work Group Discussion and Development of Criteria Regarding Recommendations to Marine Fisheries Commission and future of the workgroup - *facilitator: Scott Baker, fisheries extension specialist, N.C. Sea Grant*
1:45 – 2:00 p.m.	Wrap Up
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