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MEMORANDUM

TO: **Council Members:** D. Herb, J. Rizzo, E. Berg, B. Rush

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FROM: Brandon Muffley, Administrator
Marine Fisheries Administration

DATE: February 7, 2014

SUBJECT: *Artificial Reef Committee Meeting -- February 19, 2014*

The meeting of the Artificial Reef Committee has been scheduled for Wednesday, **February 19, 2014 at 7:00 PM at the Nacote Creek Law Enforcement Office.** Council members will meet at 6:30 for a pre-meeting.

The Committee, along with various constituent advisors, will meet to review the Department's draft rule proposal to address the existing conflicts on the two State water reef sites. The draft rule proposal was recently "launched" within the Department and is beginning the legal review process. This meeting will provide an overview of the draft regulatory language and staff will listen to any comments and suggested edits from advisors and the Reef Committee. These draft regulations are one aspect of the Department's compromise to resolve the various gear and user group conflicts on New Jersey's reef network.

ATTENDANCE IS LIMITED TO THE INVITEES ONLY. If you are representing a particular group or organization and are unable to attend, you may send someone else on the organization's behalf, however you need to notify us who will be attending in advance of the meeting.

Advisors should **confirm** their attendance by contacting the office at **609-292-7794**.

Enclosure

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