

Southern Shrimp Alliance

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SSA Town Hall Meetings – Spring 2011

The Southern Shrimp Alliance is holding 2 town hall meetings in NORTH CAROLINA to report on SSA activity, update membership and review future funding to the domestic shrimp fishermen. Executive Director John Williams and Director of Field Operations, Richard Vendetti, will be presenting for SSA. Your two North Carolina Board Members, Nancy Edens and P.D. Mason, will be available at these meetings, as well.

A Question & Answer period will follow the presentation.

The meetings are scheduled for:

- 1.) 6:30 PM, Thursday, April 21, Varnamtown Town Hall at 100 Varnamtown Rd SW, Supply, NC 28462
- 2.) 6:30 PM, Friday, April 22, 2011 at The Sneads Ferry Community Center, 126 Park Lane, Sneads Ferry, NC 28460

For those attending the SSA meeting, you MAY be qualified to receive two credit hours towards the Trade Adjustment Assistance Intensive Training requirement.

Contact Richard Vendetti (912-222-8796) or Rachel at (727-934-5090) with any questions or for additional information)

SSA & Shrimp Industry Issues 2011

TRADE

- 1) TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE FOR THE SHRIMP INDUSTRY
- 2) INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION SUNSET REVIEW
- 3) SETTLEMENT OF TRADE CASE (Thailand)
- 4) TRADE CIRCUMVENTION LEGISLATION
- 5) CDSOA (Byrd) Distributions for 2011

BP DWH OIL SPILL

- 6) OIL SPILL
 - TAX RELIEF
 - OIL SPILL COMPENSATION

FOOD SAFETY & MARKETING

- 7) SEAFOOD SAFETY
- 8) NATIONAL MARKETING LEGISLATION & FUNDING

FISHERIES MANAGEMENT

- 9) FUNDING FOR SHRIMP FISHING EFFORT PROGRAM
- 10) SEA TURTLES - Skimmer Trawls
- 11) SAWFISH
- 12) BLACKNOSE SHARKS
- 13) ARTIFICIAL REEFS
- 14) COAST GUARD NEW FISHING VESSEL SAFETY REGULATIONS

ANNUAL WASHINGTON, DC FLY-IN

- 15) CAPITAL HILL MEETINGS & SHRIMP BOIL

FISHERMEN'S INPUT – THE VOICE OF THE INDUSTRY

We also want to hear what you have to say. **You'll have an OPEN FORUM with NO TIME LIMITS!**

- What do you think needs to be done to improve the shrimp industry?
- What should be the top priorities?
- What are your individual priorities?

There are many opportunities to get involved in the process.

- Do you want to be a part of SSA?
- Do you want to serve on a Committee?
- Do you want to get involved in another way?

PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION ON!!

POST THIS FLYER WHERE OTHER SHRIMPERS WILL SEE IT.

THESE MEETINGS ARE FOR EVERYONE INTERESTED IN THE SHRIMP INDUSTRY.