Nov. 13, 2023 Calendar Announcement

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Mallows Bay-Potomac River National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council to meet on December 4 Mallows Bay–Potomac River National Marine Sanctuary's advisory council will meet in person on December 4, 2023. The meeting is open to the public.

The meeting will include updates for council members and the public on the state of the sanctuary as well as a review of the accomplishments over the past year.

WHAT: Sanctuary Advisory Council Meeting
WHEN: Dec. 4, 6:00 pm to 7:30 p.m. Public comment period 7:20 to 7:30 pm
WHERE: College of Southern Maryland, Building BI, RM 103-104, 8730 Mitchell Rd, La Plata, MD 20646

The meeting agenda will be available for download from the Mallows Bay-Potomac River National Marine Sanctuary website, <u>https://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/mallows-potomac/</u>. For further information, please contact Shannon Ricles, sanctuary advisory council coordinator, by email at Shannon.Ricles@noaa.gov, or by phone at 757-591-7328.

Managed by NOAA's Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, Mallows Bay-Potomac River National Marine Sanctuary, designated in 2019, protects and interprets the remnants of more than 100 World War I-era wooden steamships – known as the "Ghost Fleet". At this synergy of history and nature, there's something for everyone, whether you prefer to walk the shore, view wildlife, fish, or paddle the waters. The ships emerge at low tide and provide habitat important to osprey, bald eagles, herons, and an array of fish, plants, and animals.

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