

# Shrimpers Approach and Meeting Schedule

Goal: To ascertain the needs of the shrimping community and the Port's ability to accommodate those needs during restoration.

Research:

1. Understand the shrimper's needs:
  - a. How many boats are there?
  - b. What controlling depth do they require?
  - c. What are their expectations in terms of pricing, availability of fuel/ice, etc.?
  - d. What is their time frame?
  - e. How have they been solving the issue of dockage?
  - f. What have they been paying for dockage?
2. Understand the issues surrounding their resistance to use the Pass Christian facility.
3. Understand the cost and issues surrounding their temporary location in the Misco facility.
4. Understand the cost and issues surrounding their relocation somewhere within the Gulfport Bert Jones Yacht Basin.
5. Understand what options might be open within the Port, what the costs would be and what the realistic timing would be for such an option.
6. Understand the cost structure under which they operated before Katrina.
7. Identify options for their shrimping operations.
8. Understand what are the Port's legal obligations.
9. Identify what the Commission can do to assist them in addressing their needs.

Meeting Schedule:

October 28, 2009	Frankie Duggan, Biloxi Port Commission – Biloxi Harbor Options
October 28, 2009	Mayor George Scholegel – Gulfport Harbor Options
October 29, 2009	Mayor Chipper McDermott – Pass Christian Harbor Shrimper Plans
October 29, 2009	Lon Elledge – Port Restoration Alternatives
October 30, 2009	Bill Walker, DMR's support of the shrimpers in Pass Christian
November 2, 2009	Bill Dreher – Shrimpers Needs