

Fisheries GIT and Land Use Proposal on Next Steps

- Use upcoming Sustainable Fisheries GIT ExComm meeting in February or have a separate workshop to inform Fisheries and other GITs of the comprehensive land planning tools developed within DNR. We could also invite Virginia partners (Coastal Program and planning districts) to present their tools.
 - For Maryland presentations would include present the same information presented at the regional meetings DNR held last Nov/Dec. These included an overview of Plan MD – what it is and what it is meant to do, an overview of Green Print, what it is and what data are included for use, and then an overview of the Climate Adaptation tool – what it is and how it can be used.
- The meeting and/or workshop presentation would provide the basis for a discussion on establishing cross GIT vision and objectives (options below)
 - 1) Sustainable Fisheries GIT leads effort to promote cross GIT coordination in developing a cohesive communication message and strategy about the importance of sound land planning. This would be useful in assisting states to coordinate land planning and policy across jurisdictions.
 - a. Sustainable Fisheries GIT spearheads an effort to work across GITs to develop guiding principles and a strategy for implementation across the Bay Region.
 - b. Sustainable Fisheries GIT spearheads an effort to educate constituents on restoration science, and the limits of restoration. (No one is doing this to date – we envision this would be a cross-GIT effort that would help develop policy to guide projects, so that they have defined and achievable goals.)
- Once a cross GIT vision and objectives are established an agreed to they can be presented to the CBP Management Board for endorsement.