

CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM
WATER QUALITY GOAL IMPLEMENTATION TEAM

February 8, 2016 CONFERENCE CALL

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1:00 Welcome/Confirm Call Participants/Workgroup Updates – James Davis-Martin, Chair

1:10 Proposed Change to Tree Canopy Mapping Protocol – Peter Claggett, USGS and Rebecca Hanmer, FWG

Peter and Rebecca will give a presentation on a proposed new mapping protocol to differentiate between forest and tree canopy classes. This new process would also involve eliminating the 'tree canopy over scrub shrub' land cover class from the Phase 6.0 land cover.

Decision Requested: The WQGIT will be asked to approval the mapping protocol and the elimination of the 'tree canopy over scrub shrub' land cover class in the Phase 6.0 land cover.

1:40 Point Source Data Project – Laura Free, EPA and Megan Thyng, EPA

Laura and Megan will update the WQGIT on a project on documenting the current process for receiving and correcting point source data that is fed into the Bay Watershed Model. They will refer to an approach proposed on the November 3rd WWTWG call, which outlines a pilot project to pull and review data directly from ICIS-NPDES for significant facilities and other facilities with data available in ICIS-NPDES. Laura and Megan will present this approach along with a description of expected Level of Effort and a tentative schedule for development for the pilot project.

Decision Requested: The WQGIT will review the approach and determine whether to move forward with the proposed pilot project.

2:10 Phase 6 Review: Schedule, Roles and Responsibilities – Dave Montali, WV DEP and Lee Currey, MDE

Following a request from the WQGIT face-to-face Dave and Lee will provide a more detailed schedule and process for the Phase 6 Review. The focus will be on providing clear roles and responsibilities for the WQGIT's Workgroups. Lee and Dave will also provide a brief update from the January Modeling Workgroup Quarterly meeting.

2:50 Oyster BMP Crediting Framework Update – Jeff Cornwell, UMCES and Julie Reichert, ORP

Jeff and Julie will provide an update from the Oyster BMP expert panel on a potential crediting framework for oyster practices.

3:20 Toxics Reports – Tom Schueler, CSN

Tom will present two reports that were developed as part of an FY14 GIT funding project to review the existing literature on the potential toxic reduction benefits from traditional nutrient and sediment BMPs. The first report examines the urban sector, while the second report addresses the agricultural and wastewater sectors.

3:50 Adjourn