



**Management Board Meeting**  
**May 14, 2020**  
**Actions/Decisions**

**Actions from the “Next Generation Stewards” Quarterly Progress Meeting**

*Upcoming actions for Management Board members highlighted in blue.*

Request	Agreed Partner action	Due date
<b>Environmental Literacy (ELIT) Planning</b>		
<p>Better connect regional and state environmental literacy efforts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update a preliminary network analysis of state environmental education networks</li> <li>• Single point of contact from each jurisdiction at the leadership level (ex. VA’s MB member)</li> </ul>	<p>Two weeks before the June 11 Management Board (MB) meeting, the education workgroup will provide a description of their request for contacts and their current list of contacts. The workgroup is requesting a contact from both the state natural resource and education agencies at the Division Director or higher level. <b>Each MB member will identify one or two contacts at the leadership level in their jurisdiction who could potentially sponsor environmental literacy efforts and submit those names to Shannon Sprague prior to the June MB meeting at shannon.sprague@noaa.gov.</b></p> <p>Following the June MB meeting, the education workgroup will share their preliminary network analysis with the MB.</p>	<p>Education workgroup deadline: May 28</p> <p><b>MB deadline: June 11</b></p>
<p>Identify funding to support Meaningful Watershed Education Experiences (MWEEs)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support collection of district level data</li> <li>• Develop funding strategy using state funding</li> </ul>	<p>Two weeks before the June 11 MB meeting, the education workgroup will distribute the list of existing funding sources to MB members. <b>MB members will review the list, discuss with relevant partners and return to the June 11 MB meeting to discuss.</b></p> <p>The current list of existing funding sources is available at this link:  <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1k2HFaBqALXfkb2hQswHwg1Xkcn77zXJvrD_UGzTqVg">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1k2HFaBqALXfkb2hQswHwg1Xkcn77zXJvrD_UGzTqVg</a></p>	<p>Education workgroup deadline: May 28</p> <p><b>MB deadline: June 11</b></p>

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estimates and list of existing funding/programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure environmental literacy (ELIT) education providers are eligible for emergency/stimulus support</li> </ul>		
Use environmental literacy (ELIT) data to aid in decision making and increase participation in 2021	The MB will discuss using ELIT data to aid decision making after the list of ELIT contacts has been shared and updated.	
<b>Student</b>		
Promote School Administrator buy in at the school district and building level by making MWEEs a state education priority	The management challenge of making MWEEs a state education priority is dependent upon the actions detailed below.	
Increase in-service and pre-service teacher professional development by increasing funding opportunities and engaging partners	Britt Slattery (MD DNR) will share the results from her team’s meeting on teacher training with the MB in July. Based on this information, the MB will discuss whether it is appropriate to focus on a single school at this time or wait until the current crisis has subsided.  The education workgroup will add an action in their logic and action plan to draft a letter for the MB to send to land grant universities about increasing funding opportunities for in-service and pre-service teacher professional development.	July 9
Build strategic statewide efforts to reduce barriers to schools using public lands by convening ed. and natural resource leaders.	Two weeks before the July 9 MB meeting, the education workgroup will provide the MB with descriptions on potential actions for the MB, including details on current barriers to schools using public lands. MB will then identify actions during the July MB meeting.	Education workgroup: June 25  MB: July 9 MB meeting
<b>Sustainable Schools (SS)</b>		
Provide an updated list of appropriate contacts for SS	MB members will provide the education workgroup with one or two environmental education contacts as outlined in the table above.	MB: June 11 MB meeting

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Initiate conversations w. State Secretaries and Governors to increase recognition and visibility of SS programs	This management challenge is dependent upon an updated list of appropriate contacts for SS. The education workgroup will share with the MB a list of cleaning products that are both sustainable and approved by the EPA to be effective against the novel coronavirus. This list can then be shared with schools as a way to highlight sustainable schools.	
<b>Common themes</b>		
How to continue the momentum from the 2019 Environmental Literacy Summit?	There is interest in a 2021 Environmental Literacy Summit, which Pennsylvania may host.	
How to improve the connection btwn MB members and their education counterparts?	<i>See actions above.</i>	
COVID-19	The MB acknowledges that the impacts of COVID-19 on the environmental literacy, student, and sustainable schools outcomes are unprecedented and will be a significant factor over their two year logic and action plan period.	

#### **CBP Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Justice (DEIJ) Statement**

- **Decision:** The MB reviewed the CBP DEIJ Strategy, and an accompanying Strategy Endorsement Statement, and recommends the Principals' Staff Committee formally endorse the strategy at their May meeting. In addition, the MB approved a CBP DEIJ Statement and recommends it to the PSC for approval and recommendation for adoption by the Executive Council during its August 2020 meeting.

#### **Nutrient and Sediment Trends for the Chesapeake Bay Watershed**

- The nutrient and sediment trends presentation is rescheduled for the June 11 MB meeting.

#### **Business Meeting**

- **Decision:** The MB approves and recommends to the Principals' Staff Committee (PSC) the watershed's response to the COVID-19 pandemic as the 2020 Executive Council meeting theme.
- MB members shared the impacts of COVID-19 on their respective agencies and jurisdictions in preparation for a more in depth discussion at the May PSC meeting.