

# **Basinwide Chesapeake Bay BMP Verification Framework**

## **Proposed Next Steps and Overall Schedule**

**Updated: November 19, 2013**

**Distributed to:**

**CBP Water Quality Goal Implementation Team's BMP Verification Committee  
CBP Water Quality Goal Implementation Team's Workgroup Chairs and Coordinators**

### **Progress Since Last Spring**

- March 13 BMP Verification Committee meetings focused an in-depth review of all 8 components of the basinwide verification framework, with a focus on the workgroup's protocol
- July 1 delivery of complete draft BMP verification protocols by all six source sector workgroups
- July 15 delivery of a complete draft "Strengthening Verification of Best Management Practices in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed: A Basinwide Framework" report to the Panel and Committee
- August 28-29 BMP Verification Review Panel meeting focused on an in-depth review of all 8 components of the basinwide verification framework, with a focus on the workgroup's protocol
- September: Panel members working on suite of Panel products and recommendations
- October 31 and November 1 Panel conference calls<sup>1</sup>

### **Next Steps**

- Finalize the August 28-29 Panel meeting summary and post on-line (completed)
- Distribute Panel's products along with the August meeting summary to BMP Verification Committee members, workgroup chairs, and workgroup coordinators along with specific instructions/schedule to the workgroups for revising their current draft BMP verification protocols (completed).
- Schedule a conference call between Dana York, BMP Verification Review Panel chair, and the six source sector workgroup chairs and coordinators to discuss the Panel's feedback and recommendations.
- Schedule a meeting of the BMP Verification Committee where Dana York can walk the Committee members through the Panel's feedback and recommendations.

### **Completing Work on the Framework**

**November TBD, 2013:** BMP Verification Review Panel Chair conference call with Workgroup Chairs and Coordinators (Agriculture, Forestry, Urban Stormwater, Wastewater Treatment, Wetlands, and Streams)

**December 2013/January 2013 TBD:** BMP Verification Committee meeting

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<sup>1</sup> Federal government shut-down delayed the Panel's follow up conference calls originally scheduled for early and mid-October.

**February 3, 2014:** Request submission of revised BMP verification protocols/guidance from source sector workgroups

**March 3, 2014:** BMP Verification Review Panel members and BMP Verification Committee members complete their review of the workgroups' revised BMP verification guidance

**March/April 2014:** Joint meeting of the BMP Verification Review Panel and the BMP Verification Committee to finalize the basinwide BMP verification framework and all its components

### **Framework Review Process**

#### **April – August 2014**

- CBP Water Quality Goal Implementation Team
- CBP Habitat Goal Implementation Team
- CBP Fisheries Goal Implementation Team
- CBP Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee
- CBP Citizen Advisory Committee
- CBP Local Government Advisory Committee
- CBP Management Board

### **Framework Approval**

#### **September/October 2014**

- CBP Principals' Staff Committee

### **Review of Jurisdictions' Proposed Verification Programs**

**Fall/Winter 2014:** Jurisdictions complete development of their enhanced BMP tracking, verification, and reporting programs and provide expanded documentation through their existing quality assurance plans

**Spring/Summer 2015:** CBP BMP Verification Review Panel meets with the jurisdictions and review their proposed enhanced BMP tracking, verification, and reporting programs

### **Approval of Jurisdictions' Proposed Verification Programs**

**Fall/Winter 2015:** CBP BMP Verification Review Panel presents the Principals' Staff Committee with its recommendations on the jurisdictions' proposed enhanced BMP tracking, verification, and reporting programs