**Budget and Finance Workgroup**

**2016-2017 Workplan**

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**1a. Coordinate and facilitate a process for distribution of discretionary GIT Funding (starting with FY2017).**

1. **Late 2016/Early 2017** 🡪 solicit input and determine what the final role of the workgroup will be in the GIT Funding process
2. **Q2 2017 🡪 (placeholder)** Screen for redundancies and complementary projects/proposals

**2a. Coordinate partnership response to recommendations coming out of symposiums and similar forums or financial analysis reports and evaluations (e.g., 2016 Environmental Finance Symposium Report and Recommendations).**

1. **November 30, 2016** 🡪 If requested, the workgroup will draft a response to the Environmental Finance Symposium Recommendations Report (Jim Edward will Chair); this will happen within 90 days of September 1, 2016

**2b. Participate in finance-related commitments in the Chesapeake Watershed Agreement (e.g., Local Leadership Outcome – “implementation of economic and policy incentives”)**

1. **Q2/Q3 2017 🡪** Use the 2-year biennial review timeline to identify gaps in/obstacles to implementation and possibilities to fill these gaps using GIT Funding process
2. **Q2 2017 🡪** Solicit input from the workgroup to determine the process for working with the Chesapeake Bay Partnerships to do financing strategies; this should build upon the defined routine/schedule of the biennial review process
3. **Q2/Q3 2017 🡪** Facilitate small groups of private finance experts to help identify solutions to needs identified thru the biennial review

**3a. Identify opportunities for including and improving funding information in other CBP products.**

1. **June 1, 2017** 🡪 Request from OMB to Federal agencies and jurisdictions for annual budget submission
2. **July 1, 2017** 🡪 Submissions due to OMB
3. **September 30** (annually) 🡪 OMB report to Congress
4. **Summer 2018 🡪 potential** revisions to CBIG/CBRAP allocation formulas

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**Other/Future Topics for Consideration**

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1. Standardization of budget data reporting templates for jurisdictional use
   1. Discuss the criteria for a standard reporting template and begin drafting a recommended format.
2. Potential revisions to CBIG/CBRAP allocation formulas for 2018
   1. Do we have members representing all jurisdictions on the WG? Do these revisions push jurisdictions with no member to elect one?
3. 2016-2017 Workplan development
   1. Have we made the connection with GIT6 (between Part 2 of the workplan and the Biennial Strategy Review System?)
4. Existing funding and/or financing source(s) – Master List
5. Unfunded projects
   1. Previous proposals put forward for GIT Funding or other $ pools
6. Impact Scoring Guidelines (TetraTech)
7. CBARA OMB report analysis