**2016 - 2019 Calendar of the Key Midpoint Assessment Decisions to be Made by the Water Quality Goal Implementation Team, Management Board and**

**Principals’ Staff Committee**

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| **Developing and Finalizing the Phase III WIP Planning Targets** | | |
| **Action** | **Partnership Group** | **Date** |
| DECISION on the WQGIT’s recommendations to the Management Board regarding the proposed Phase III WIP planning targets methodology to be used for the development of draft planning targets. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| DECISION on the WQGIT’s recommendations to the Management Board regarding base year in the Phase III WIP planning targets. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| DECISION on the updated E3 and No Action scenario levels of implementation definitions as proposed by the WQGIT’s source sector workgroups. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on the needs, next steps, and respective timelines in addressing the issues identified by the Principals’ Staff Committee at their May 2016 meeting as part of preparing for development of the Phase III WIPs planning targets. | WQGIT | November 14, 2016 |
| **BRIEFING** by STAR Team’s Criteria Assessment Procedures Workgroup Chair on STAC Peer Review Panel’ findings and recommendations from the review of the 2016 Chesapeake Bay Water Quality Criteria Addendum and Criteria Assessment Procedures Workgroup’s recommended responses. | WQGIT | November 14, 2016 |
| DECISION on presenting the WQGIT’s proposed Phase III WIP planning targets methodology to the Principals’ Staff Committee at their December 2016 meeting for a final decision. | Management Board | November 17, 2016 |
| **DECISION:** Approval of publication of the 2016 Chesapeake Bay Water Quality Criteria Addendum by EPA on behalf of the Partnership with the expectation that the four jurisdictions will adopt the addendum by reference into their respective state’s water quality standards regulations. | WQGIT | December 12, 2016 |
| **BRIEFING:** Presentation by STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs of the regional scale explanation of observed trends to support upcoming Midpoint Assessment decisions and development of the Phase III WIPs. | WQGIT | December 12, 2016 |
| **PRESENTATION** of the outcomes of the James River Chlorophyll a Criteria Re-evaluation including: STAC peer review panel’s comments and recommendations, Virginia Department of Environmental Quality’s Regulatory Advisory Panel’s recommendations, and Virginia DEQ’s recommendations to the Virginia State Water Control Board. | WQGIT | December 12, 2016 |
| DECISION on the proposed Phase III WIP planning targets methodology. | Principals’ Staff Committee | December 13, 2016 |
| **PRESENTATION** of very preliminary scenario implications for the Phase III WIP planning targets, using the current Beta 4 version of the Phase 6 modeling tools. | WQGIT | January 9, 2016 |
| **PRESENTATION** of very preliminary model scenario findings and implications for the draft Phase III WIP planning targets. | Management Board | January 12, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** Presentation by STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs of the regional scale explanation of observed trends to support upcoming Midpoint Assessment decisions and development of the Phase III WIPs. | Management Board | January 12, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs present the results for the latest round of scenarios requested by the WQGIT on developing the draft Phase III WIP planning targets. | WQGIT | February 13, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs present the results for the latest round of scenarios requested by the WQGIT on developing the draft Phase III WIP planning targets. | WQGIT | February 27, 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** by STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs of the regional scale explanation of observed trends to support upcoming Midpoint Assessment decisions and development of the Phase III WIPs. | Principals’ Staff Committee | February TBD 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs present the results for the latest round of scenarios requested by the WQGIT on developing the draft Phase III WIP planning targets. | WQGIT | March 13, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on the preliminary draft Phase III WIP planning targets to recommend to the Management Board. | WQGIT | March 27, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on the preliminary draft Phase III WIP planning targets to recommend to the Principals’ Staff Committee. | Management Board | April 13, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on the Management Board’s proposed draft Phase III WIP planning targets. | Principals’ Staff Committee | May TBD 2017 Retreat |
| PRESENTATION by STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs of the regional scale explanation of observed trends to support upcoming Midpoint Assessment decisions and development of the Phase III WIPs. | WQGIT | June 12, 2017 |
| **DECISIONS** on how to proceed forward with what suite of scenarios and which parallel sets of programmatic analyses directed towards informing Partnership decisions on the final Phase III WIP planning targets by December 2017. | WQGIT | June 26, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs and Coordinators present the results of the initial round of requested scenarios to help inform the development of the final Phase III WIP planning targets. | WQGIT | July 11, 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** by STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs of the regional scale explanation of observed trends to support upcoming Midpoint Assessment decisions and development of the Phase III WIPs. | Management Board | July 13, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs and Coordinators present the results of the next round of requested scenarios to help inform the development of the final Phase III WIP planning targets. | WQGIT | August 14, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs and Coordinators present the results of the key scenarios to help inform the development of the final Phase III WIP planning targets. | Management Board | September 14, 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** by STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs of the regional scale explanation of observed trends to support upcoming Midpoint Assessment decisions and development of the Phase III WIPs. | Principals’ Staff Committee | September TBD 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs and Coordinators present the results of the key scenarios to help inform the development of the final Phase III WIP planning targets. | Principals’ Staff Committee | September TBD 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs and Coordinators present the results of the next round of requested scenarios to help inform the development of the final Phase III WIP planning targets. | WQGIT | September 11, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs and Coordinators present the results of the requested scenarios to help inform the development of the final Phase III WIP planning targets. | WQGIT | October 9, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on the proposed final Phase III WIP planning targets to recommend to the Management Board. | WQGIT | November 13, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on the final Phase III WIP planning targets to recommend to the Principals’ Staff Committee. | Management Board | November 16, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on the final Phase III WIP planning targets. | Principals’ Staff Committee | December TBD 2017 |

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| **Refining and Finalizing the Partnership’s Phase 6 Modeling Tools** | | |
| **Action** | **Partnership Group** | **Date** |
| **WEBINAR** by the WQGIT’s Land Use Workgroup Chair and Coordinator on the rolling review of the Phase 6 land use dataset, including the overall schedule of when state and local jurisdictions can expect to receive their specific datasets and the tools available to assist them in their review. | All Partnership Groups | September 20, 2016 |
| **BRIEFING** on the STAC Phase 6 Scenario Builder Peer Review Panel’s findings and recommendations. | Modeling Workgroup/WQGIT | September 26, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on follow through actions in response to findings from very initial ranging scenarios (e.g., E3, no action, Phase II WIPs). | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on proposed plans and schedule for better visualizing model scenario outputs from the full suite of Partnership models. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on theresponses to the STAC Phase 6 Scenario Builder Peer Review Panel’s findings and recommendations. | Modeling Workgroup/WQGIT | November 14, 2016 |
| **BRIEFING** on the STAC Phase 6 Watershed Model Peer Review Panel’s findings and recommendations. | Modeling Workgroup/WQGIT | TBD |
| **DECISION** on theresponses to the STAC Phase 6 Watershed Model Peer Review Panel’s findings and recommendations. | Modeling Workgroup/WQGIT | TBD |
| **BRIEFING** on the STAC Chesapeake Bay Water Quality/Sediment Transport Model Peer Review Panel’s findings and recommendations. | Modeling Workgroup/ WQGIT | TBD |
| **DECISION** on theresponses to the STAC Chesapeake Bay Water Quality/Sediment Transport Model Peer Review Panel’s findings and recommendations. | WQGIT/Modeling Workgroup | TBD |
| **BRIEFING** by the STAC Land Use Hind Cast Methodology Peer Review Panel Chair on the Panel’s findings and recommendations. | WQGIT/Land Use Workgroup | TBD |
| **DECISION** on theresponses to the STAC Land Use Hind Cast Methodology Peer Review Panel’s findings and recommendations. | WQGIT/Land Use Workgroup | TBD |
| **DEADLINE:** All data inputs (e.g., historical BMP data and BMP expert panel recommendations) due to the Modeling Workgroup. | Modeling Workgroup | December 31, 2016 |
| **BRIEFING and DECISION:** Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs present the proposed process for conducting the review of and criteria for determining fatal flaws in the suite of Phase 6 modeling tools. | WQGIT | January 9, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs present initial findings from the calibration of Beta 4 Phase 6 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Model. | WQGIT | January 23, 2017 |
| **WEBINAR** by the Modeling Workgroup on the Partnership’s full suite of Phase 6 models and other supporting decision support tools. | All Partnership Groups | January TBD 2017 |
| **WEBINAR** by the Modeling Workgroup on how the Partnership is simulating and assessing lag times related to nitrogen in groundwater and phosphorus storage in soils. | All Partnership Groups | February TBD 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs present initial findings from the calibration of final draft Phase 6 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Model. | WQGIT | March 27, 2017 |
| **WEBINAR** by the Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs on the fatal flaw review period of the Phase 6 suite of Partnership modeling tools. | All Partnership Groups | March TBD 2017 |
| **DISCUSSION** of any identified fatal flaws in the Phase 6 suite of modeling tools and possible resolutions of the identified flaws. | WQGIT | April 10, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** STAR Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs presentation of any identified fatal flaws in the Phase 6 suite of modeling tools and recommended resolutions of the identified flaws. | Management Board | April 13, 2017 |
| **DECISIONS** on the recommended resolution of any identified fatal flaws in the Phase 6 suite of modeling tools. | WQGIT | May 8, 2017 |
| **DECISIONS** on the WQGIT’s recommended resolution of any identified fatal flaws in the Phase 6 suite of modeling tools. | Management Board | May 11, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on approval of the Phase 6 suites of Partnership models and other decision support tools for management application by the Partnership and the individual partners based on resolution any identified fatal flaws in the Phase 6 suite of modeling tools. | Principals’ Staff Committee | May TBD 2017 Retreat |

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| **Partnership Approval of BMP Expert Panel Recommendations** | | |
| **Action** | **Partnership Group** | **Date** |
| **DECISIONS**: Forthcoming BMP expert panels’ recommendations. | WQGIT | August 22, 2016 |
| **DECISIONS**: Forthcoming BMP expert panels’ recommendations. | WQGIT | September 12, 2016 |
| **Placeholder DECISIONS:**  Approval of BMP Expert Panel recommendations in the event that consensus cannot be reached by the WQGIT on the Phase 6 BMP panel reports and/or approval of any policy issues associated with the BMP Expert Panels. | Management Board | September 15, 2016 |
| **DECISIONS**: Status of forthcoming BMP expert panels’ recommendations. | WQGIT | September 26, 2016 |
| **DECISIONS:** Forthcoming BMP expert panels’ recommendations. | WQGIT | October 11, 2016 |
| **DECISIONS:** Forthcoming BMP expert panels’ recommendations. | WQGIT | November 14, 2016 |
| **Placeholder DECISIONS:**  Approval of BMP Expert Panel recommendations in the event that consensus cannot be reached by the WQGIT on the Phase 6 BMP panel reports and/or approval of any policy issues associated with the BMP Expert Panels. | Management Board | November 17, 2016 |
| **DECISIONS**: Forthcoming BMP expert panels’ recommendations. | WQGIT | December 12, 2016 |
| **DECISIONS**: Forthcoming BMP expert panels’ recommendations. | WQGIT | December 19, 2016 |
| **DEADLINE:** All approved Phase 6 BMP expert panels’ recommendations due to the Modeling Workgroup. | Modeling Workgroup | December 31, 2016 |
| **WEBINAR:** Review of the BMPs approved by the Partnership during 2015-2016, the BMP expert panels scheduled for 2017, and the remaining Partnership proposed and prioritized BMPs waiting to be assigned to expert panels. | All Partnership Groups | January TBD 2017 |

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| **Recommendations on Local Area Planning Targets from the Task Force** | | |
| **Action** | **Partnership Group** | **Date** |
| **DECISION** on the next steps, timeline and upcoming Partnership decisions in regards to the work of and recommendations from the Partnership’s Local Area Planning Targets Task Force. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **PRESENTATION** of preliminary recommendations from the Partnership’s Local Planning Goals Task Force on options for expressing local planning goals in the jurisdictions’ Phase III WIPs. | Management Board | November 17, 2016 |
| **PRESENTATION** of preliminary recommendations from the Partnership’s Local Area Planning Targets Task Force on options for expressing local planning goals in the jurisdictions’ Phase III WIPs. | Principals’ Staff Committee | December 13, 2016 |
| **WEBINAR** by the Local Area Planning Targets Task Force Co-Chairs on the Task Force’s final recommendations on options for local planning goals in the Phase III WIPs. | All Partnership Groups | February TBD 2017 |
| **BRIEFING**: Local Area Planning Targets Task Force Co-Chairs present the Task Force’s final recommendations on options for developing local area targets in the Phase III WIPs. | WQGIT | February 27, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on the recommended responses to the Partnership’s Local Area Planning Targets Task Force recommendations on options for developing local area targets in the Phase III WIPs to present to the Management Board. | WQGIT | March 27, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on the recommended responses to the Partnership’s Local Area Planning Targets Task Force recommendations on options for developing local area targets in the Phase III WIPs to present to the Principals’ Staff Committee. | Management Board | April 13, 2017 |
| **DECISIONS** on the recommended Partnership’s Local Area Planning Targets Task Force recommendations on options for developing local area targets in the Phase III WIPs and what will be factored into the final Phase III WIP expectations. | Principals’ Staff Committee Retreat | May TBD 2017 Retreat |

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| **Addressing Pollutant Loads from the Conowingo Dam Infill** | | |
| **Action** | **Partnership Group** | **Date** |
| **PRESENTATION** by STAR Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs on understanding the effect of the Conowingo Dam and reservoir on Bay water quality in preparation for the October 24-25, 2016 WQGIT meeting. | WQGIT | October 11, 2016 |
| **WEBINAR** by a team of Conowingo experts, convened by the STAR Team and its Modeling Workgroup, on the lower Susquehanna River watershed and Conowingo Dam and Reservoir monitoring trends and early model scenario results to more fully understand the impacts to Chesapeake Bay water quality changes from the loss of the Dam’s trapping capacity. A presentation from the Modeling Workgroup on the proposed further assessment of Bay water quality impacts from Conowingo infill using the Partnership’s Phase 6 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Model and Chesapeake Bay Water Quality/Sediment Transport Model. This combination of enhanced modeling capability and explanation of long term monitoring trends will help inform upcoming Partnership decisions on Phase III WIP planning targets and expectations to offset additional loads from Conowingo Dam. This webinar is in preparation for the October 24-25, 2016 WQGIT meeting. | All Partnership Groups | October 20, 2016 |
| **DECISION** that we have an understandable story to tell about the effect of the Conowingo Dam and Reservoir on Bay water quality. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on the proposed Conowingo infill modeling approach to yield, by spring 2017, updated estimates of the additional nutrient and sediment loads which need to be offset. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on WQGIT’s recommendations to the Management Board regarding allocation of the additional nutrient and sediment loads coming over Conowingo Dam due to the Conowingo Reservoir reaching its capacity to trap nutrients and sediments. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on presenting the WQGIT’s recommendations on allocation of the additional nutrient and sediment loads coming over Conowingo Dam due to the Conowingo Reservoir reaching its capacity to trap nutrients and sediments to the Principals’ Staff Committee at their December 2016 meeting for a final decision. | Management Board | November 17, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on the recommended allocation of the additional nutrient and sediment loads coming over Conowingo Dam due to the Conowingo Reservoir reaching its capacity to trap nutrients and sediments. | Principals’ Staff Committee | December 13, 2016 |
| **PRESENTATION** by the STAR Team’s Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs on findings from the further analyses of the effects of lower Susquehanna River watershed, Conowingo Dam and reservoir nutrient and sediment loads on upper Chesapeake Bay water quality following the Partnership approved assessment procedures. | WQGIT | February 27, 2017 |
| **WEBINAR** by the STAR Modeling Workgroup Co-Chairs presenting the findings from the further analyses of the effects of lower Susquehanna River watershed, Conowingo Dam and reservoir nutrient and sediment loads on upper Chesapeake Bay water quality. | All Partnership Groups | March TBD 2017 |
| **DECISION** on recommendations for consideration by the Management Board on how to fully offset the additional nutrient and sediment loads coming over Conowingo Dam due to the Conowingo Reservoir reaching its capacity to trap nutrients and sediments. | WQGIT | April 10, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on recommendations for consideration by the Principals’ Staff Committee on how to fully offset the additional nutrient and sediment loads coming over Conowingo Dam due to the Conowingo Reservoir reaching its capacity to trap nutrients and sediments. | Management Board | April 13, 2017 |
| **DECISIONS** on how to fully offset the additional nutrient and sediment loads coming over Conowingo Dam due to the Conowingo Reservoir reaching its capacity to trap nutrients and sediments. | Principals’ Staff Committee | May TBD 2017 Retreat |

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| **Climate Change Implications for the Phase III WIPs** | | |
| **Action** | **Partnership Group** | **Date** |
| **PRESENTATION** by the STAR Climate Resiliency Workgroup Co-Chairs of the proposed climate change assessment methodology for review and feedback in advance of and in preparation for the October 24-25, 2016 WQGIT meeting. | WQGIT | August 22, 2016 |
| **WEBINAR** by the STAR Team’s Modeling Workgroup and Climate Resiliency Workgroup Co-Chairs and Coordinators on recent climate change analyses for sea level rise projections, projected changes in water column temperatures, estimates for tidal wetland inundation, and the changes in the climatology and hydrology in the watershed. These analyses will help inform future Partnership policy decisions on when and how to factor climate change considerations into the jurisdictions’ Phase III WIPs. This webinar is in preparation for the October 24-25, 2016 WQGIT meeting. | All Partnership Groups | October 18, 2016 |
| **DECISION** to present the proposed climate change assessment procedures, including whether to use a 2025 or 2050 climate change projection to guide the future work of the Climate Resiliency Workgroup, as the WQGIT’s recommendations to the Management Board. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on the ranges of options for when and how to factor climate change considerations into the Phase III WIPs with decisions in spring 2017 informed by the outcomes of the proposed climate change assessment procedures. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on the next steps, timeline and upcoming climate change related Partnership decisions. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on presenting the WQGIT’s proposed climate change assessment procedures to the Principals’ Staff Committee at their December 2016 meeting for a final decision. | Management Board | November 17, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on presenting the WQGIT’s proposed ranges of options for when and how to factor climate change considerations into the jurisdictions’ Phase III WIPs with final Partnership decisions in spring 2017 informed by the outcomes of the proposed climate change assessment procedures to the Principals’ Staff Committee at their December 2016 meeting for a final decision. | Management Board | November 17, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on the proposed climate change assessment procedures. | Principals’ Staff Committee | December 13, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on the proposed ranges of options for when and how to factor climate change considerations into the jurisdictions Phase III WIPs with decisions in spring 2017 informed by the outcomes of the proposed climate change assessment procedures. | Principals’ Staff Committee | December 13, 2016 |
| **BRIEFING** by the STAC Climate Change Peer Review Panel Chair on the Panel’s findings and recommendations. | WQGIT | January 9, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on theresponses to the STAC Climate Change Peer Review Panel’s findings and recommendations. | WQGIT | January 23, 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** by the STAR Climate Resiliency Workgroup Co-Chairs presenting the findings from the full suite of climate change scenarios run following the Partnership approved assessment procedures. | WQGIT | February 13, 2017 |
| **WEBINAR** by the STAR Climate Resiliency Workgroup Co-Chairs presenting the findings from the full suite of climate change scenarios run following the Partnership approved assessment procedures. | All Partnership Groups | March TBD 2017 |
| **DECISION** on recommendations for consideration by the Management Board on when and how to incorporate climate change considerations into the Phase III WIPs as the partners work on the draft Phase III WIP planning targets due in June 2017. | WQGIT | March 27, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on recommendations for consideration by the Principals’ Staff Committee on when and how to incorporate climate change considerations into the Phase III WIPs as the partners work on the draft Phase III WIP planning targets due in June 2017. | Management Board | April 13, 2017 |
| **DECISIONS** on when and how to incorporate climate change considerations into the Phase III WIPs as the partners work on the draft Phase III WIP planning targets due in June 2017. | Principals’ Staff Committee | May TBD 2017 Retreat |

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| **Monitoring and Explanation of Watershed and Tidal Water Trends** | | |
| **Action** | **Partnership Group** | **Date** |
| **DECISION** on the proposed process for incremental sharing of increasing more detailed explanation of observed watershed and tidal water monitoring trends through time at 6-month intervals through 2018. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on how to better meet the monitoring trend explanation expectations of the partners. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on plans and schedule for better visualizing watershed and Bay tidal water monitoring trends and the explanations of those observed trends. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **BRIEFING** by the STAC WRTDS/GAMs Applications in Support of Explanation of Trends Review Panel Chair on the Panel’s findings and recommendations. | WQGIT/STAR Integrated Trends and Analysis Team | November 14, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on theresponses to the STAC WRTDS/GAMs Applications in Support of Explanation of Trends Peer Review Panel’s findings and recommendations. | WQGIT/STAR Integrated Trends and Analysis Team | December 12, 2016 |
| **BRIEFING:** Presentation by STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs of the regional scale explanation of observed trends to support upcoming Midpoint Assessment decisions and development of the Phase III WIPs. | WQGIT | December 12, 2016 |
| **WEBINAR** by the STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs presenting the latest findings from the ongoing work on explaining the long terms water quality trends observed throughout the Bay’s watershed and the Bay’s tidal waters. | All Partnership Groups | January TBD 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** Presentation by STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs of the regional scale explanation of observed trends to support upcoming Midpoint Assessment decisions and development of the Phase III WIPs. | Management Board | January 12, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING:** Presentation by STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs of the regional scale explanation of observed trends to support upcoming Midpoint Assessment decisions and development of the Phase III WIPs. | Principals’ Staff Committee | February TBD 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** by the STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs of more regionally specific monitoring trends and explanations of those trends to support upcoming Midpoint Assessment decisions and development of the Phase III WIPs. | WQGIT | June 12, 2017 |
| **July TBD WEBINAR** by the STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs presenting the latest findings from the ongoing work on explaining the long terms water quality trends observed throughout the Bay’s watershed and the Bay’s tidal waters. | All Partnership Groups | July TBD 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** by the STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs of more regionally specific monitoring trends and explanations of those trends to support upcoming Midpoint Assessment decisions and development of the Phase III WIPs. | Management Board | August 10, 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** by the STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs of more regionally specific monitoring trends and explanations of those trends to support upcoming Midpoint Assessment decisions and development of the Phase III WIPs. | Principals’ Staff Committee | September TBD 2017 |
| **BRIEFING** by the STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs on station by station explanations of the observed long term water quality monitoring trends and SAV segment specific monitoring trends to support the jurisdictions’ and their local partners’ development of their Phase III WIPs during 2018. | WQGIT | December 8, 2017 |
| **WEBINAR** by the STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs presenting the latest findings from the ongoing work on explaining the long terms water quality trends observed throughout the Bay’s watershed and the Bay’s tidal waters. | All Partnership Groups | January TBD 2018 |
| **BRIEFING** by the STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs on station by station explanations of the observed long term water quality monitoring trends and SAV segment specific monitoring trends to support the jurisdictions’ and their local partners’ development of their Phase III WIPs during 2018. | Management Board | January TBD 2018 |
| **BRIEFING** by the STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs on station by station explanations of the observed long term water quality monitoring trends and SAV segment specific monitoring trends to support the jurisdictions’ and their local partners’ development of their Phase III WIPs during 2018. | Principals’ Staff Committee | February TBD 2018 |
| **BRIEFING** by the ITAT’s Watershed and Tidal Waters Explaining Trends teams on more in-depth station by station explanation of the observed trends along with more information of trends in local sources and local yields connections with the station specific trends to support finalizing the jurisdictions’ Phase III WIPs. | WQGIT | June 11, 2018 |
| **WEBINAR** by the STAR’s Integrated Trends Analysis Team Co-Chairs presenting the latest findings from the ongoing work on explaining the long terms water quality trends observed throughout the Bay’s watershed and the Bay’s tidal waters. | All Partnership Groups | July TBD 2018 |
| **BRIEFING** by the ITAT’s Watershed and Tidal Waters Explaining Trends teams on more in-depth station by station explanation of the observed trends along with more information of trends in local sources and local yields connections with the station specific trends to support finalizing the jurisdictions’ Phase III WIPs. | Management Board | August TBD 2018 |
| **BRIEFING** by the ITAT’s Watershed and Tidal Waters Explaining Trends teams on more in-depth station by station explanation of the observed trends along with more information of trends in local sources and local yields connections with the station specific trends to support finalizing the jurisdictions’ Phase III WIPs. | Principals’ Staff Committee | September TBD 2018 |

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| **Finalizing the Phase III WIP Expectations and Soliciting Partnership Feedback** | | |
| **Action** | **Partnership Group** | **Date** |
| **BRIEFING**: EPA presents the preliminary draft of the Phase III WIP expectations for Management Board feedback. | WQGIT | July 11, 2016 |
| **BRIEFING**: EPA presents the preliminary draft of the Phase III WIP expectations for Management Board feedback. | Management Board | July 14, 2016 |
| **BRIEFING**: EPA presents preliminary draft of the Phase III WIP expectations, as well as collective Partnership comments received to date, for Principals’ Staff Committee feedback. | Principals’ Staff Committee | August 10, 2016 |
| **WEBINAR** by EPA presenting the draft Phase III WIP expectations. | All Partnership Groups | January TBD 2017 |
| **BRIEFING**: EPA presents revised draft Phase III WIP expectations for continued Partnership feedback. | WQGIT | January 9, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING**: EPA presents revised draft Phase III WIP expectations for continued Partnership feedback. | Management Board | January 12, 2017 |
| **DISCUSSION**: WQGIT discussion of revised draft Phase III WIP expectations. | WQGIT | February 13, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING**: EPA presents revised draft Phase III WIP expectations for continued Partnership feedback. | Principals’ Staff Committee | February TBD 2017 |
| **DECISION** on final WQGIT feedback to EPA on draft Phase III WIP expectations for consideration by the Management Board. | WQGIT | March 27, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on final Management Board feedback to EPA on draft Phase III WIP expectations for consideration by the Principals’ Staff Committee. | Management Board | April 13, 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** of the Management Board’s recommended final feedback to EPA on the draft final Phase III WIP expectations and EPA’s proposed final Phase III WIP expectations. | Principals’ Staff Committee | May TBD 2017 Retreat |

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| **Supporting the Jurisdictions’ Phase III WIP Development** | | |
| **Action** | **Partnership Group** | **Date** |
| **DECISION** on presenting the proposed approach to ensuring all future new pollutant loads are offset to the Management Board at their November 2016 meeting. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **DECISION** on needs, next steps, and respective timelines for completing the development of tools in support of development of the jurisdictions’ Phase III WIPs. | WQGIT | October 24-25, 2016 |
| **BRIEFING** by the WQGIT’s Land Use Workgroup Chair and Coordinator on the results of state-specific 2025 forecasted projections. | WQGIT | January 9, 2016 |
| **WEBINAR** by the WQGIT’s Land Use Workgroup Chair and Coordinator on the potential use of 2025 forecasted conditions for use in development the Phase III WIPs to ensure new pollutant loads continue to be offset through 2025 and beyond. This also includes a discussion of the forecasting methodology that is currently in place for the two-year milestone process and that would be used for establishing the 2025 forecasted conditions. This webinar is in preparation for the October 24-25, 2016 WQGIT meeting. | All Partnership Groups | February TBD 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** on the preliminary “Midpoint Assessment Profiles” for each Bay jurisdiction. Profiles will identify the following elements likely needed to ensure the jurisdictions can achieve their respective 2025 goals: (1) programmatic capacity gaps and needs, such as changes to existing or new incentive based programs, funding priorities, and legislative and regulatory initiatives; (2) remaining challenges to be addressed in the agricultural and stormwater source sectors; and (3) findings on explaining trends observed in the watershed and tidal water quality monitoring data. | WQGIT | March 13, 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** by the WQGIT Land Use Workgroup Chair and Coordinator of the proposed approach to ensuring future new pollutant loads are offset through 2025 and beyond for review and feedback in advance of and in preparation for the October 24-25, 2016 WQGIT meeting. | WQGIT | March 13, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on presenting the WQGIT’s proposed approach to ensuring all future new pollutant loads are offset to the Principals’ Staff Committee at their December 2016 meeting for a final decision. | Management Board | April 13, 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** on the preliminary “Midpoint Assessment Profiles” for each Bay jurisdiction. Profiles will identify the following elements likely needed to ensure the jurisdictions can achieve their respective 2025 goals: (1) programmatic capacity gaps and needs, such as changes to existing or new incentive based programs, funding priorities, and legislative and regulatory initiatives; (2) remaining challenges to be addressed in the agricultural and stormwater source sectors; and (3) findings on explaining trends observed in the watershed and tidal water quality monitoring data. | Management Board | April 13, 2017 |
| **DECISION** on the proposed approach to ensuring all future new pollutant loads are offset. | Principals’ Staff Committee | May TBD 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** on a more refined set of the Midpoint Assessment Profiles and the capacity needs in each source sector. The focus of this discussion would be directed towards supporting the jurisdictions’ development of the Phase III WIPs – understanding the necessary capacity to meet the 2025 goals, preliminary outline for local engagement strategies, etc. | WQGIT | September 11, 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** on a more refined set of the Midpoint Assessment Profiles and the capacity needs in each source sector. The focus of this discussion would be directed towards supporting the jurisdictions’ development of the Phase III WIPs – understanding the necessary capacity to meet the 2025 goals, preliminary outline for local engagement strategies, etc. | Management Board | October 19, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING**: Each jurisdiction presents an overview of their progress in developing and conducting local engagement strategies as part of their jurisdictions’ Phase III WIP development. | WQGIT | November 13, 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** on the final set of Midpoint Assessment Profiles and the capacity needs in each source sector. | WQGIT | November 13, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING**: Each jurisdiction presents an overview of their progress in developing and conducting local engagement strategies as part of their jurisdictions’ Phase III WIP development. | Management Board | November 16, 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** on the final set of Midpoint Assessment Profiles and the capacity needs in each source sector. | Management Board | November 16, 2017 |
| **BRIEFING**: Each jurisdiction presents an overview of their progress in developing and conducting local engagement strategies as part of their jurisdictions’ Phase III WIP development. | Principals’ Staff Committee | December TBD 2017 |
| **PRESENTATION** on the final set of Midpoint Assessment Profiles and the capacity needs in each source sector. | Principals’ Staff Committee | December TBD 2017 |
| **BRIEFING**: EPA presentation the results of jurisdictions achievement of their 60% by 2017 interim targets. | WQGIT | March 12, 2018 |
| **DEADLINE:** The seven Bay watershed jurisdictions submit their draft Phase III WIPs to EPA. | EPA | April TBD 2018 |
| **BRIEFING**: The seven Bay watershed jurisdictions present their draft Phase III WIPs. | WQGIT | September 10, 2018 |
| **BRIEFING**: The seven Bay watershed jurisdictions present their draft Phase III WIPs. | Management Board | September TBD 2018 |
| **BRIEFING:** EPA presents its evaluation findings of the seven jurisdictions’ draft Phase III WIPs. | WQGIT | October 8, 2018 |
| **BRIEFING:** EPA presents its evaluation findings of the seven jurisdictions’ draft Phase III WIPs. | Management Board | October TBD 2018 |
| **DEADLINE:** The seven Bay watershed jurisdictions submit their final Phase III WIPs to EPA. | EPA | December TBD 2018 |
| **BRIEFING:** The seven Bay watershed jurisdictions present their final Phase III WIPs. | WQGIT | January 14, 2019 |
| **BRIEFING:** The seven Bay watershed jurisdictions present their final Phase III WIPs. | Management Board | January TBD 2019 |