

**Water Quality Goal Implementation Team  
Federal Facilities Workgroup  
Meeting Agenda**

**Date:** October 8th, 2024

**Time:** 10 am – 12 noon

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**Chesapeake Bay Program**

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Agenda Item (Discussion Lead) and Desired Outcome	Materials, Notes, and <a href="#">Action Items</a>
<b>I. Welcome, Introductions, Announcements</b> - (Greg Allen, US EPA CBPO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>For roll call purposes, please ensure your name &amp; affiliation are accurately captured in your display name.</li><li>Federal BMP Data Call Reminder &amp; Opportunity for Questions (for BMPs installed July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024) – <i>The deadline to submit is October 15, 2024</i></li></ul>	<p>Templates for this year’s progress reporting are available here: <a href="#">CAST – TMDL Tracking</a> (Scroll down to the section labeled Annual Progress Reporting Templates)</p> <p>To review the instructions for submissions, please reference the <a href="#">BMP Data Call Letter to Federal Facilities</a></p>
<b>II. Success Story: Presentation on the US FWS and Fort Meade DoD Restoration Project</b> - (Mitch Keiler, Stormwater Program Manager for DoD Fort Meade, Department of Army)	<p>Mitch gave an in-depth presentation on the Fort Meade George G. Meade MS4 Restoration partnerships, highlighting the collaborative efforts between the US FWS and the Fort Meade DoD stream restoration projects at Severn Run Sites 1 and 2.</p> <p>In his reflection on the project’s successes and the lessons learned, Mitch emphasized the importance of a watershed approach while addressing the challenges related to funding, authorization, and the learning curve associated</p>

	<p>with implementation. He also underscored the vital role of partnerships, particularly with the US FWS and the Intergovernmental Service Agreement with Howard County.</p> <p>Looking ahead, he discussed future initiatives, including a study and design project for dam removal at the Little Patuxent Water Intake Dam.</p>
<p><b>III. Updates to Federal Boundaries, Land Uses, and Protection Status</b> - (Fred Irani, John Wolf, Peter Claggett, USGS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fred Irani: Federal Boundaries</li> <li>• John Wolf: Protection Status</li> <li>• Peter Claggett: Land Uses</li> </ul>	<p>Fred, John, and Peter from the Bay Program's GIS team gave a joint presentation discussing three issues that require attention and engagement from the FFWG. Fred discussed the need to update federal boundary layers, John discussed a potential data call to gather information on protected land status on federal facilities and their date of establishment, and Peter proposed attributing new load sources such as cropland and pasture, harvested forest, construction, and septic systems on federal facilities in CAST for Phase 7.</p> <p>During the meeting, members shared a variety of responses, with many expressing confusion and seeking clearer objectives. The discussion primarily focused on the presentation regarding additional load sources. Some members raised concerns about the challenges of data collection, while others noted that aligning with existing state reporting requirements could address equity issues.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Greg, Auston, and Marilyn will work with Fred, John, Peter, and other interested members to draft a paper that clearly explains each issue and proposes next</p>

	steps. Once that paper is distributed, we will request FFWG members provide thoughts and feedback.
<b>IV. Follow-up: Federal Agency Nutrient Credit Tracking and Reporting with the Jurisdictions and Crediting Through NEIEN and Into CAST</b> - (Kevin Du Bois, DoD CBPO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>During the August FFWG meeting, Kevin Du Bois discussed changes to the National Defense Authorization Act that provide the DoD new authorities to purchase nutrient credits. The DoD CBP would like to understand how to track and report the purchase nutrient credits to jurisdictions so that they can be credited and attributed to the DoD in the CAST Model.</li> <li>This follow-up discussion aims to recruit more volunteers from all jurisdictions to engage with this question. Currently, the volunteers from the August FFWG meeting are Kevin Du Bois, Scott Heidel, Tyler Trostle, Doug Austin, and Greg Allen.</li> </ul>	<p>Kevin sent out another call requesting jurisdictions to participate in a separate meeting, outside of the regular FFWG meeting time, to clarify reporting methods. Representatives from NY, VA, and WV who have not yet expressed interest are encouraged to engage.</p> <p>Alicia Ritzenthaler (DC DOE) said she would organize a discussion with DC DOE and Kevin (DoD).</p> <p><b>Action:</b> If you are interested in participating, please fill out this quick form to help us schedule a meeting time:  <a href="https://forms.gle/hQ1ZoK5aJUnvhTcE8">https://forms.gle/hQ1ZoK5aJUnvhTcE8</a></p>
<b>V. Wrap-up and Conclude</b> <b>Next Meeting:</b> <i>December 10<sup>th</sup> 10:00am-12:00pm</i>	