

Forage Action Team Quarterly Meeting
Tuesday, September 20, 2016 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
National Park Service Large Conference Room (3rd floor),
410 Severn Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21403

Call-In: (877) 985-7304; Pass Code: 6899520

Webinar: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6762286059340958979>

Materials: <http://www.chesapeakebay.net/calendar/event/24303/>

I. Introduction (1:00-1:10pm)

- Bruce Vogt will provide an overview of the agenda, a summary of the information covered at the June Quarterly Forage Action Team meeting and an update on work plan progress.

II. Forage Research (1:10-2:10pm)

- *Presentation: 30 minutes, Discussion: 30 minutes*
- Ed Houde (UMCES-CBL), Tom Ihde (NOAA/ERT), and Ryan Woodland (UMCES-CBL) will review key information and findings from the [2014 STAC Forage Workshop](#), the 2014 GIT-funded study on [Forage Indicators and Predator Consumption Indices](#), and the 2015 GIT-funded study on Drivers of Forage Population Trends.
 - Discussion:
 - What applications do you see for this science?
 - What else is needed to continue progress?

III. Prioritization (2:10pm-2:40pm)

- *Handout: Forage Prioritization Chart and Forage Species List*
- Team members will discuss the need and options for further prioritizing the list of important forage species.
- Discussion:
 - What is the goal of prioritizing the list of species?
 - What options are there for further prioritization?
 - What will we do with the list?

IV. Progress Updates (2:40-3:00pm)

- Provide the status of in-progress actions:
 - Develop content on CBP website and explore a video
 - Identify which indicators are most useful for specific forage groups
 - Identify and evaluate population trends for priority forage species
 - Coordinate Fisheries GIT forage species science and management objectives with ASMFC and MAFMC, and state advisory groups
 - Develop a proposal for shallow-water monitoring surveys that address identified gaps