



Coordinator's Report

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LGAC Annual Recommendations Process

December Quarterly Meeting

- Federal/state updates
- Set priority topics for next year



September Quarterly Meeting

- Discuss priority topic #3
- Discuss annual recommendations



March Quarterly Meeting

- Discuss priority topic #1



June Quarterly Meeting

- Discuss priority topic #2

2026 LGAC Meeting Dates and Themes

Date	Theme	Location
March 19th - 20th	Chesapeake Bay Program updates to governance, structure and management strategies	Gettysburg, PA
June 4th - 5th 9am - 12pm	Watershed Modeling and Monitoring	Virtual
Sept 24th - 25th	Agriculture? Workshop Annual Recommendations	Virtual
December 5th 9am - 12pm	State and Federal Updates	Virtual

LGAC Communications

- Water Governance: A Local Look
 - Audience: state and federal government, watershed groups and others who want to understand more about how local government works
 - Timeline: came out of Dec LGAC meeting, draft presented in March, final version shared today ✓

Watershed Governance: A Local Look

The Chesapeake Bay watershed partially encompasses six states and the District of Columbia. Each jurisdiction has a unique local government structure, which impacts their role in watershed restoration and conservation.

Jurisdiction	Delaware	District of Columbia	Maryland	New York	Pennsylvania	Virginia	West Virginia
Jurisdiction Population	1.06 million	694,000	6.27 million	20.0 million	13.1 million	8.88 million	1.77 million
Total Number of Counties in Jurisdiction	3	1*	24	62	67	95	55
Number of Counties Fully or Partially in the Watershed	3	1*	24	20	43	70	14
Total Number of Municipalities in Jurisdiction	10 Cities 44 Towns 3 Villages	1*	28 Cities 1 Independent City 123 Towns 5 Villages	62 Cities 933 Towns 555 Villages	57 Cities 956 Boroughs 1,546 Townships	38 Independent Cities 190 Towns	77 Cities 148 Towns 6 Villages
Number of Municipalities Fully or Partially in the Watershed	2 Cities 11 Towns 0 Villages	1*	28 Cities 1 Independent City 115 Towns 5 Villages	7 Cities 187 Towns 58 Villages	16 Cities 379 Boroughs 796 Townships	32 Independent Cities 98 Towns	6 Cities 15 Towns

*DC performs the functions of a county/municipality.

Additional resources: [National Association of Counties – Counties 101](#), [National League of Cities – Cities 101](#).

Updated in February 2026.



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LGAC Communications

- Local Government Implementation Fact Sheets
 - Audience: local government officials
 - Timeline: LGAC recommendation from 2025, PSC response letter in early 2026, need to be completed by end of 2027

PSC Response to LGAC Letter

LGAC Recommendation #1: As the Chesapeake Bay Program begins to implement the revised Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement, two of LGAC's comments on the draft Agreement are worth reiterating:

- Local governments need clarity on what is expected of them and when. By early 2027, state-specific expectations should be communicated to local governments via tailored materials that are delivered in partnership with trusted local government liaisons.

PSC Response:

- The PSC commits to collaborating with LGAC members in their development of 1–2-page local government implementation fact sheets tailored for each of the seven jurisdictions in the Bay watershed.

Local Government Implementation Fact Sheets

- Brainstormed what should be included with jurisdiction groups ✓
- Staff will draft overarching content that will be the same across all jurisdictions ✓
- Staff will draft content that is specific to each jurisdiction
- LGAC members and jurisdiction representatives will have a chance to review and offer any edits/revisions
- Staff will turn finalized content into designed one-pagers
- LGAC members and jurisdiction representatives will have a chance to review and offer any edits/revisions
- Staff will finalize one-pagers

Proposed Leadership Roles and Responsibilities

Role	Responsibilities	Term
Chair	Present Annual Recommendations to Executive Council Run Quarterly LGAC meetings Run Quarterly LGAC Executive Committee Meetings Represent LGAC on Quarterly Policy Steering Committee	1 year
First Vice Chair	Fill in for chair as needed Serve on LGAC Executive Committee Liaison with other Advisory Committees and report out to LGAC	1 year
PA, MD, VA, DC and At-Large Vice Chairs	Fill in for chair as needed Serve on LGAC Executive Committee Run Quarterly Jurisdiction meetings and report out to LGAC Represent LGAC on one CBP Goal Team and report out to LGAC Liaison with jurisdiction leadership	1 year

Possible Changes to LGAC Operations and Priorities

- Changes to Leadership Roles and Responsibilities - discussed in March
 - Now that the CBP Governance and Management Framework is nearly final, staff can...
 - draft position descriptions for Chair, First Vice Chair and Jurisdiction Vice Chairs
 - review LGAC governance document to ensure alignment with CBP Governance and Management Framework
- Anticipated changes to LGAC staffer and coordinator support
- Anticipated changes to LGAC communications, outreach and engagement

Miscellaneous Reminders

- Volunteer Hours/Reimbursement Forms

Thank you!
