



**Local Government
Advisory Committee**
to the Chesapeake Executive Council

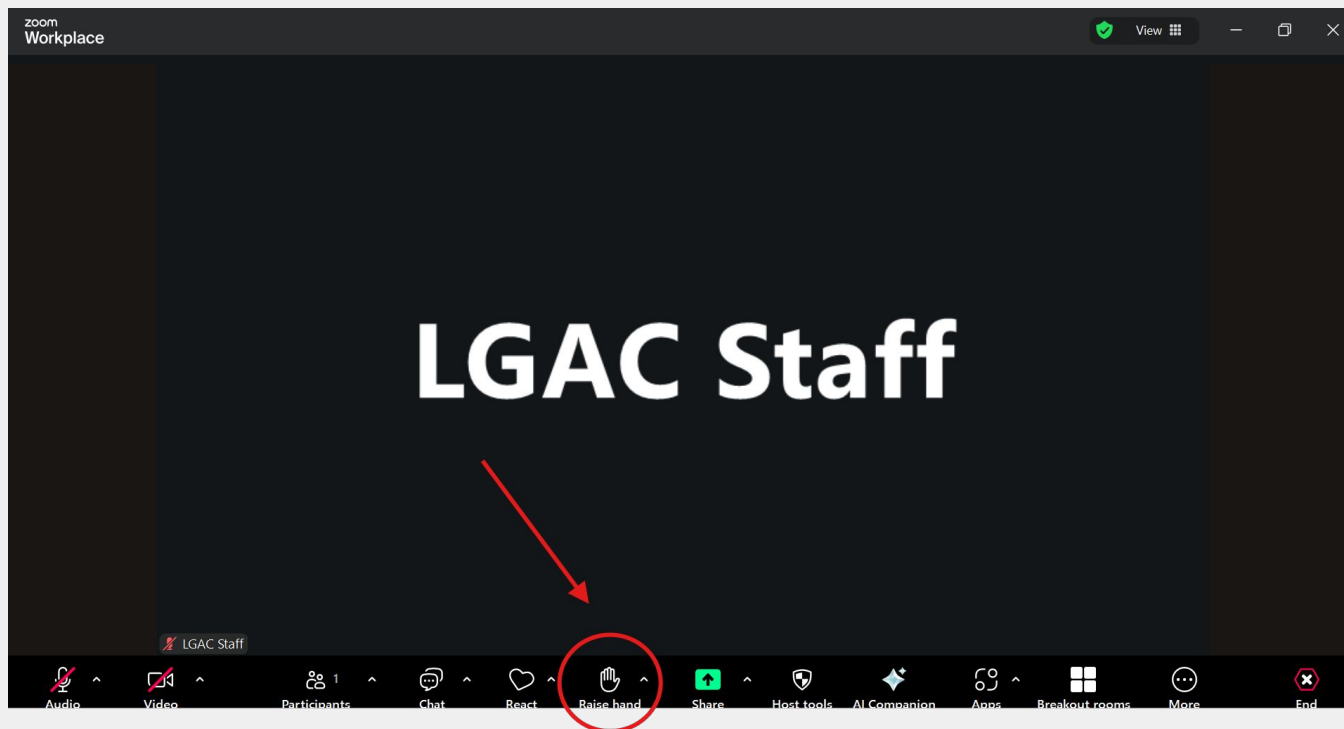
September LGAC Meeting

We will begin at 9:00 am

Meeting Objectives

- Explore the past, present and possible future impacts of wastewater treatment on the Chesapeake Bay
- Understand emerging challenges in wastewater treatment and costs to local governments
- Discuss LGAC's annual recommendations to the Chesapeake Executive Council

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The background of the slide is a photograph of an industrial facility, likely a water treatment plant. It features large, horizontal cylindrical tanks, a complex network of pipes in yellow and blue, and metal walkways with railings. The lighting is warm and industrial, with overhead fluorescent lights visible. The image is split vertically, with the left half being semi-transparent to allow the text to be read clearly.

Break

The meeting resumes at
10:20 am



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Plenary Discussions Questions

- What progress have you seen in your region related to wastewater treatment? Who is doing a good job managing their wastewater?
- What challenges have you seen related to wastewater treatment? What problems do we have?
- Are local governments connecting the dots between wastewater treatment and the Bay?
- What are the differences, especially related to funding, across states?
- How do we make this relevant to the public? How do we more effectively engage the public?

Plenary Discussions Questions

- What lessons learned can we glean from these case studies?
- What do local governments need to 'hold the line' on progress made to date?
- What do local governments need to address emerging challenges?
- What does LGAC want to say about wastewater in the annual recommendations?



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March LGAC Meeting: CBP Governance and Structure

Public Meetings vs. Private Meetings

- Draw from existing state and federal guidelines for public meetings, including those related to a quorum of members
- Be transparent about what topics are discussed in private meetings
 - Define ‘what should be closed?’ not ‘what should be open?’
 - Decisions should be made at public meetings
 - Private sessions should be rare
- Meeting agendas should be available in advance (1-2 weeks) for accessibility.
- Meeting notes should be available after the meeting
- Include public comment opportunities, best practice is at the beginning of the meeting
- Notification to the public when input is sought

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Role of Advisory Committees

- Two-way street of communication is an important part of the Advisory Committee's function
- Advisory Committee priorities should be both reactive to what the Partnership is working on and proactive based on local government issues related to the Agreement
- As advisors, LGAC members want to focus on providing advice, not making decisions (except LGAC specific decisions)
- Time requirements to participate as non-voting members in Goal Teams should be defined, LGAC may need to focus on just a few outcomes/goals
- Important for LGAC to coordinate with all levels of the partnership

June LGAC Meeting: Monitoring and Modeling

- Monitoring and modeling are complementary tools
- Policy should be informed by both monitoring data and modeling results
- Local governments need both monitoring data and modeling results translated into practical, accessible information

September LGAC Meeting: Wastewater



Breakout Discussions Questions

- What does LGAC want to say about this topic in our annual recommendations?
- What do local governments need to be partners in this effort?
- Are these recommendations timely? Are they actionable? How are they timely/actionable?

September 2026 Action Items

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September 2026 Discussion Notes

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September 2026 Shared Materials

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September 2026 Meeting Follow-Up Notes

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