

Actions and Decisions
Management Board Retreat
January 15-16, 2015

Management Strategy development and timeline for Public Release

Timeline (summarized):

- Jan. 30 – Revised management strategy posters uploaded to the CBP website
 - Feb. 2 – MB and Advisory Committee deadline for providing comments on preliminary drafts (send to Greg Barranco)
 - Feb. 2- Mar. 2 – GITs/workgroups refine draft strategies
 - Mar. 2 – GITs/workgroups send revised strategies to the MB for sufficiency review
 - March 6 – MB deadline for submitting fatal flaw comments to GITs/workgroups
 - Mar. 16 – Post/release management strategies public input
 - Apr. 20 – Public input period closes
 - May 4 – GITs/workgroups revise strategies and provide to MB for final review
 - June 15 – Final management strategies completed
 - Dec. 15 – First Biennial workplan due
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- Action - Agreed to post all posters on the management strategy website by **January 30** (enlarge “% complete” and add dates to each poster). Posters should link to the GIT/workgroup website to encourage people to participate in the development process.
 - Action – The Management Board and Advisory Committees should provide comments on the draft strategies by February 2 to Greg Barranco. Comments should focus on management approaches.
 - Action - Agreed the Management Board will have another opportunity to review the strategies prior to their public release. All revised strategies should be sent to the MB by March 2 for a quick sufficiency review. The goal teams will have one week to respond to MB concerns before the strategies are released for public input.
 - Action - Management Strategy development teams should ensure that the factors are prioritized and that the management approaches are linked to the factors.
 - Action - MS Development Teams need to integrate climate resiliency, local engagement and diversity into all appropriate management strategies.
 - Decision – Agreed that all sections of the management strategies will be consistent with the agreed upon “key elements” of a management strategy.
 - Decision - Agreed to release all management strategies the week of March 16 (in whatever state they are in). If there is a concern about the “readiness” of a MS for public input, an explanation that recognizes this and describes what they are looking for from public input should be added.
 - Decision - Agreed to put strategies in “bins” (possibly people, fish, wildlife).
 - Request to consider developing a graphic to help visualize inter-connections in outcomes.
 - Request to identify key linkages between outcomes and management strategies

- Action – CBP will provide staffing and support for any public events relating to the management strategies. Anyone interested should send a request and specific needs to Greg Barranco and Carin Bisland.
 - o Virginia will look into options for doing a stakeholder poster session during the Environment Virginia Symposium in Lexington, VA (Mar 31-Apr 2)
 - o LGAC would like to consider a poster session at their meeting on March 5-6 in Winchester, VA

Communications

- Action - Agreed that the management strategies need an over-arching narrative to put them in the context of the Watershed Agreement and to explain the inter-relatedness of the strategies.
- Action – Agreed the CBP Communications office will work with the GITs to develop executive summary for each strategy.
- Action – Agreed the CBP Communications office will distribute a style guide to assist the drafters.
- Action - Agreed to revise the MS dashboard webpage with a single graphic showing where we are overall in the development process (i.e. under development > preliminary draft > public draft for comment > final draft)
- Action - Agreed to have an ad hoc workgroup work out options for a thematic release the week of March 16. (Committee includes: Mike Foreman, Kristin Wolf, Greg Barranco, Margaret Enloe, Charlie Stek, James Davis-Martin, Matt Fleming, Carin Bisland). The Communications Workgroup will also discuss options at their February 5 meeting and make a recommendation.
- Action - Kirk Havens (STAC chair) will explore doing an explanation of the adaptive management framework through the STAC article for the Bay Journal

Place-based work

- Action - Agreed that STAR should review the existing GIS/mapping tools available (LandScope, ChesapeakeStat, USACE's tool, SPARROW, etc.) and make a recommendation on which to use. The GIT Chairs will review and decide.

Miscellaneous

- Action – Need resolution and approach for bringing in key stakeholders, including DOT, Education, and funders. Request to invite secretaries of education and transportation to upcoming Management Board or Principals' Staff Committee meetings to give them a flavor of the work we are doing. Suggest inviting them to the next PSC meeting.
- Action - Request for MB/PSC assistance for finding a new chair for the SAV workgroup.
- Action – MB seeks assistance in getting signatory baseline information for diversity.
- Action – States need to engage with RFB taskforces.

Ideas for Further Consideration

- GIT chairs should consider adding a section on “coordination with other outcomes” under “Management Approaches”.
- Each MS might benefit by having a “prologue” to explain why that outcome is relevant.
- GITs/workgroups should consider targeting each strategies to different audiences.
- GITs/workgroups should continue to consider combining appropriate management strategies.
- Under “Management Approaches”, GITs/workgroups should consider dates for actions to be taken or sequencing of management approaches.