



Management Board Meeting

March 10, 2022
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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Agenda

- I. Getting Started: Order of the Day and Introductions** (10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.)
Michelle Price-Fay, CBPO Acting Director, Management Board (MB) Chair, will kick-off the meeting.
Materials:
I. MB Actions/Decisions, February 2022
- II. Funding Updates** (10:30 a.m. - 11:30a.m.)
Status of Chesapeake Bay funding, fiscal year 2022 grant guidance and update on the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2022.
Decision: None Requested
Presenters: Sally Claggett, RFB Coordinator, USFS and Martha Shimkin, CBPO Deputy Director
Relevant outcomes: All
Materials:
II. Infrastructure Investment Matrix
- III. Social Sciences Survey Update** (11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)
Last spring the Partnership began a GIT funded project with UMCES to help assess the social science capacity of the partnership and use this information to develop recommendations to advance our efforts in social science. In order to accomplish this, UMCES developed a survey to learn more about thoughts and ideas about the contributions that social science makes toward Watershed Agreement implementation across the partnership. A reminder to respond to the survey was sent out in December. Today, Lisa Wainger and Daniel Read will provide an update on the responses they have received.
Decision: None Requested
Presenters: Lisa Wainger and Daniel Read (UMCES)
Relevant outcomes: All

Materials:

III. Presentation

Lunch

(12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.)

IV. Acceptance of Final SRS Materials for Aquatic Life Cohort (12:30 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.)

The Aquatic Life Cohort prepared and submitted for review their final logic and action plans for public and Management Board feedback. The comment period ended on February 25 and the documents are being presented for Management Board acceptance.

Decision requested: Management Board acceptance of the logic and action plans for the Blue Crab Abundance, Forage Fish, Oysters, Submerged Aquatic Vegetation, and Brook Trout outcomes.

Relevant outcomes: Blue Crab Abundance, Forage Fish, Oysters, Submerged Aquatic Vegetation, and Brook Trout

Facilitator: Dave Goshorn (MD DNR), GIT 6 Chair

Materials:

IV.a. Blue Crab Abundance logic and action plan

IV.b. Blue Crab Abundance Management Strategy

IV.c. Forage Fish logic and action plan

IV.d. Oysters logic and action plan

IV.e. Submerged Aquatic Vegetation logic and action plan

IV.f. Submerged Aquatic Vegetation Management Strategy

IV.g. Brook Trout Logic and Action Plan

V. Blue Crab (12:45 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.)

During the November 2021 Aquatic Life cohort progress review, the Chesapeake Bay Stock Assessment Committee (CBSAC) asked the partners to “support science and research needs for the blue crab population assessment and management needs identified in the Strategic Science and Research Framework (SSRF).” Pursuant to that request, CBSAC was asked to report back to the Management Board on:

- a) their highest priority blue crab research, assessment, and workshop needs and timelines in order to achieve the Blue Crab Outcome (including CBSAC’s recommendation on the value of conducting a new blue crab benchmark stock assessment),
- b) estimated costs and recommended jurisdictional contributions for each of the above including a new blue crab benchmark stock assessment (if recommended).

Decision: None Requested

Discussion Lead: Sean Corson, Director, NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office

Relevant Outcomes: Blue Crab Abundance

Materials:

V. Sustainable Fisheries GIT Response to Management Board

VI. Communication Workgroup Restructuring and 2022 Activities Update (1:45 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.)

A brief overview of plans for restructuring the Communications Workgroup to better align its mission to meet the communications, outreach and engagement needs identified by the outcome workgroups in their quarterly progress Strategic Review System (SRS) meetings. In

addition, the CBP Communications Director will provide a brief outline of the Communications Office's plans for 2022, which includes the completion of a new five-year strategic communications plan.

Decision requested: MB feedback is requested on the new direction of the Communications Workgroup, as well as the correct communications professionals to connect with in meeting the communications needs of the CBP workgroups.

Presenter: Rachel Felver, CBP Communications Director

Materials:

VI.a 2022 Communications Activity

VI.b Example Communications Strategy

VII. Walkthrough of Changes between CAST-19 and CAST-21 (2:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.)

A high-level overview of potential changes between CAST-19 and CAST-21, including the overall effect of all changes, the incorporation of new fertilizer data, and data omissions that were found during the review period.

Decision requested: None Requested

Presenter: Lee McDonnell, Chief, Science, Analysis, and Implementation Branch

Materials:

VII. Cast 21 Update

VIII. Business Meeting (2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.)

Discussion about future agenda items, key issues, and program updates.

Facilitator: Michelle Price-Fay, CBPO Acting Director

- Special MB meeting on Climate Change
- Grant Guidance to Jurisdictions
- Any position openings?
- Organizational chart updates
- Program updates
- Other Partner issues/updates

Materials:

VIII. Program Update, March 2022

IX. Wrap Up and Adjourn (3:00 p.m.)