

# Blue Crab Discussion

- Habitat interactions
- Current stock management and status
- Improving recreational and commercial harvest accountability
- Future vision of the blue crab fishery

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2. *What should the GIT do with this information?*

## *Outcomes & Next Steps*

# Science and Oyster Restoration Discussion

- Restoration success
- Oysters as BMPs
- Disease resistance
- Oysters as a mechanism for nutrient reduction

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# Oyster Restoration Discussion

- 20 tributaries by 2025
- Success metrics
- Tributary selection and prioritization
- Large scale restoration projects

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# Invasive Catfish Discussion

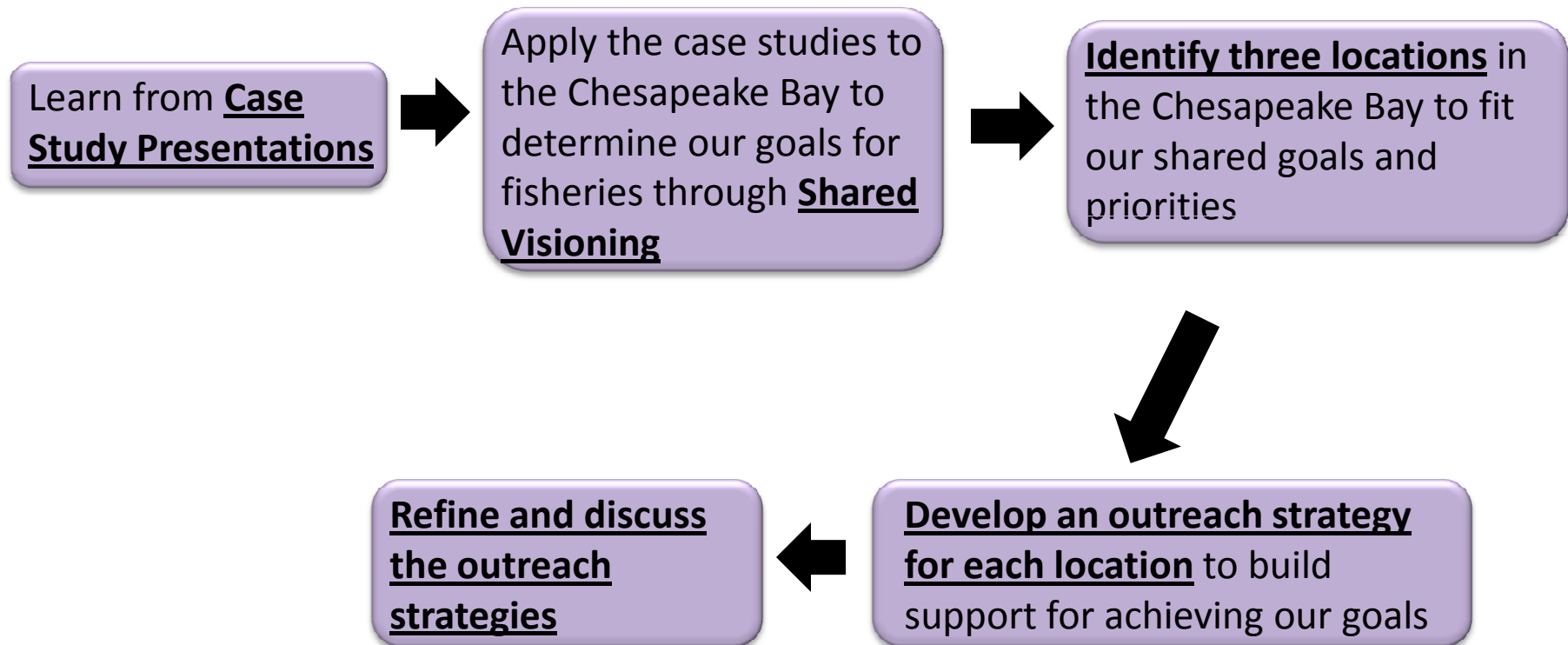
- Mitigating impacts of catfish spread
- Increasing commercial harvest
- Contaminants?
- Abundance?
- Recreational and community outreach
- Species specific landings reports

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# Day 2 Agenda



# Day 1: Outcomes, Actions, Next Steps

- Short and long-term goals

## Case Studies Discussion

- What were the factors that contributed most to success?
- What were the roadblocks faced in each case and how were they overcome?

# Shared Visioning

- What do we want to achieve as a GIT? What are our priorities and what do we value?
- How can we apply the previous case studies to our goals?
- What partnerships and collaboration are required to achieve our goals?



# Applicable Locations in the Chesapeake Bay

- VA: James River
  - Oyster sanctuary, work with Parks Service, blue catfish, sturgeon
- Potomac River
  - Urban focus, green infrastructure, stormwater management
- MD: Patuxent River
  - Land conservation, brook trout, striped bass spawning, aquaculture
- MD: Susquehanna River
  - freshwater, fish passage

# Applicable Locations in Chesapeake Bay: Ideas from Dec. GIT Meeting

- Pocomoke
  - Data rich, NRCS investment, monitoring restoration benefits, federal and NGO priority area
- Mattawoman
  - Successful local engagement to protect habitat and living resources, influence planners
- Lynnhaven
  - Heavily populated but measurable improvements from restoration, within one jurisdiction
- Tangier Sound
  - High habitat value, vocal community, sea level rise concerns
- Baltimore County
  - Urban area, successful brook trout restoration

# Outreach Strategies

- How can we build support from various organizations in achieving our goals?
- Who are the people we need to influence?

## Day 2: Outcomes, Actions, Next Steps