

**CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM**  
**WATER QUALITY GOAL IMPLEMENTATION TEAM**  
**AUGUST 24, 2020 CONFERENCE CALL**

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**Meeting Materials:** [Link](#)

1:00 Welcome/Confirm Call Participants/Workgroup Updates –WQGIT Co-Chairs (20 min.)

*Announcements:*

- CAST 2021 Workplan Updates – Jeff Sweeney
- BMP Verification Ad- Hoc Action Team Updates – Vanessa Van Note
- [SRS](#) Updates, Upcoming Deadlines, and Next Steps – Ed Dunne
- Pay-for-Performance Finance Coaching Updates – James Martin
- Jurisdictions' monitoring snapshots – Emily Trentacoste
- Summer Hypoxia Update – Bruce Michael
- Kudos to Dianne! and new EPA WQGIT member – WQGIT Co-chairs
- Outcomes from GIT Funding Discussion – Ed Dunne
- **Next conference call:** September 28, 2020 from 1:00 – 4:00 PM

1:20 STAC Multi- Functional Buffers Workshop Outcomes – Lara Fowler, Steph Herbstritt, PSU (25 min.)

In November 2018, the Chesapeake Bay Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee (STAC) hosted a workshop on multi-functional buffers. Lara Fowler, Penn State, STAC member and Steph Herbstritt, both members of the leadership committee for [How do we accelerate riparian buffer plantings across the Chesapeake Bay with the greatest economic, social and environmental impacts?](#) will briefly describe the workshop, its findings, and the results of a post-workshop survey. Workshop participants focused on the opportunities and limitations for implementing multi-functional buffers that meet more than just water quality concerns and identified a number of potential paths forward.

1:45 PA Pilot Study to Develop and Use FieldDoc for BMP Planning, Tracking, and Reporting – Emily Trentacoste, EPA, Jordan Baker, SRBC and John Dawes, The Commons (1hr.)

Emily, Jordan, and John will give a presentation on a pilot study conducted over the last year and a half in PA to develop and use the FieldDoc platform for BMP planning, tracking and reporting. This presentation will discuss state and federal reporting mechanisms in PA and how they are integrated in with FieldDoc and NEIEN, how FieldDoc is currently being used in PA's BMP tracking and reporting structure, and the improved functionalities that have been developed in FieldDoc. The group would like to discuss how different components of FieldDoc may be beneficial to other jurisdictions and get feedback on future directions.

2:45 Climate Change Policy Discussion and Decisions on the Allocation Options – Gary Shenk, USGS and WQGIT Co-chairs (75 min.)

Gary Shenk will give an overview of the narrative document, which explains the climate modeling results, as well as decisions to date by the partnership on climate change. Then, James Martin and Ed Dunne will provide a brief overview of the partnership timeline for decision-making on climate change, review and discuss the survey results, and ask for final approval of the climate change allocation options.

***Decision Requested:*** WQGIT approval of the climate change allocation options. These recommended options will then be presented to the Management Board for their review and approval.

4:00 Adjourn