

CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM
WATER QUALITY GOAL IMPLEMENTATION TEAM

JUNE 10, 2019 CONFERENCE CALL

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1:00 Welcome/Confirm Call Participants/Workgroup Updates –WQGIT Co-Chairs

Announcements:

- BMP Verification Needs and Priorities will be the main agenda item on the July 8 WQGIT conference call. Jurisdictional members will be asked to discuss specific issues and needs for improving verification processes and discuss concrete CBP partnership actions to address these needs.

1:10 FY19 GIT Funding Projects –WQGIT Co-Chairs

Project leads for proposed FY19 GIT funding projects will introduce their proposals. Project ideas that were not submitted for WQGIT review and prioritization may still be submitted for CBP partnership review and prioritization without discussion or endorsement from the WQGIT, but project leads are asked to copy co-chairs James Davis-Martin and Dinorah Dalmasy on their submission. Completed Table 1 should be sent to Greg Allen (allen.greg@epa.gov) and Laurel Abowd (abowd.laurel@epa.gov) by **COB June 14**, copying James Davis-Martin (james.davis-martin@deq.virginia.gov) and Dinorah Dalmasy (dinorah.dalmasy@maryland.gov). The Chesapeake Bay Trust has also developed an [online portal](#) which can be used to develop and submit Table 1. If project ideas are selected to move forward to the RFP phase, all project leads will be required to use the online portal for development and submission of Table 2.

1:20 Phase III Planning Targets for Sediment – Lew Linker, EPA CBPO

Lew will brief the WQGIT on the process and schedule for the calculation of the Phase III WIP sediment planning targets, including the results of the PSC discussion of the sediment targets process and timeline on May 9. Following the Phase II WIP precedent, the sediment planning targets will be calculated from the sediment loads in each jurisdiction's Phase III WIP, using sediment load reductions anticipated from the BMPs that were planned to achieve the nutrient targets, with an additional 10% of the Phase III WIP sediment load added as a buffer to account for uncertainty. The WQGIT will be asked to approve a path forward for sediment targets development at the June 10 WQGIT call.

Decision Requested: WQGIT to recommend options for draft Phase III sediment targets for Management Board and PSC approval.

2:00 Cropland Irrigation BMP Expert Panel Report – Jeremy Hanson, VT

The Agriculture Workgroup did not reach a consensus decision to approve the Cropland Irrigation BMP Expert Panel Report. The BMP Expert Panel determined that there is not enough scientific data and information at this time to recommend a pollutant load reduction efficiency for the practice and that further research is needed. The WQGIT is asked to make a decision on this item. If the WQGIT does not reach consensus, the decision will go before the Management Board on June 13.

Decision Requested: WQGIT decision to approve the Cropland Irrigation BMP Expert Panel Report.

Decision Requested: WQGIT decision for either the continuance or removal of the interim BMP efficiency for cropland irrigation.

2:45 Final Accounting for Growth for Phase III WIPs and Land Policy BMPs – Peter Claggett, USGS

The final documents have been distributed to the WQGIT via email. The WQGIT will be asked to approve the final accounting for growth expectations for Phase III WIPs and the final land policy BMPs.

Decision Requested: WQGIT approval of the final accounting for growth expectations for Phase III WIPs and land policy BMPs.

3:30 Adjourn