

## WQGIT Workgroup Updates for June 8

### Land Use Workgroup (LUWG)

- The LUWG has a face-to-face meeting scheduled for June 4th to focus on Phase 6 land use data.
- June 4<sup>th</sup> agenda items include: Phase 6 land use data gap filling method, local decision rules, and local review periods.

### Agriculture Workgroup (AgWG)

- The AgWG held a conference call May 21<sup>st</sup>, where they approved language to accompany the credit durations describing how credit durations relate to BMP verification.
- The AgWG's quarterly face-to-face meeting will be held June 17-18<sup>th</sup> in Petersburg, VA. RSVP to [egiese@chesapeakebay.net](mailto:egiese@chesapeakebay.net) if you would like lunch on 6/17.
- Agenda topics for the quarterly meeting include presentations on state specific Resource Management Plan programs, and detailed updates from the Agricultural Modeling Subcommittee and each of the BMP Expert Panels.

### Urban Stormwater Workgroup (USWG)

- The USWG held a face-to-face meeting in Annapolis on May 19<sup>th</sup>, where they approved the membership list for the Impervious Cover Disconnection Expert Panel.
- At their upcoming June 16<sup>th</sup> conference call, USWG members will review and discuss a revised scope of work for the Impervious Cover Disconnection Expert Panel at the June 16<sup>th</sup> conference call, and each state will provide an update on their fertilizer sales tracking.

### Forestry Workgroup (FWG)

- The June 3<sup>rd</sup> FWG meeting has been canceled due to the 1 PM to 4 PM Open Session hosted by the Urban Tree Canopy Expert Panel. For more information on this Open Session: <http://www.chesapeakebay.net/calendar/event/22656>
- After considering and responding to public comments, the FWG submitted final versions of the Urban Tree Canopy and Riparian Forest Buffer Management Strategies to the Management Board on May 22<sup>nd</sup> for fatal flaw review.

### Toxics Workgroup (TCW)

- The Toxics Workgroup has been working on the management strategies and plans to begin workplan development in the coming weeks.

### Watershed Technical Workgroup (WTWG)

- The WTWG held their last conference call on May 7<sup>th</sup>.
- The WTWG approved the proposed list of federal agency groupings for use in annual progress report outputs from the Phase 6.0 Watershed Model.
- The WTWG agreed to have the NEIEN team move forward with the changes outlined within the draft Historic BMP Submission Memo, which is posted on the meeting's calendar page.
- The WTWG discussed options for how to handle extractive lands in the Phase 5 and Phase 6 Watershed Models in order to make a recommendation during their June meeting.
- The next WTWG meeting is scheduled for June 4<sup>th</sup> to make a formal recommendation on extractive lands, to see a demonstration of BayTAS and to continue their work on historic data cleanup.

#### Trading and Offsets Workgroup (TOWG)

- The TOWG received the Baseline Technical Memorandum, and has until June 12<sup>th</sup> to submit comments to EPA.
- The next TOWG conference call is scheduled for June 17<sup>th</sup> to discuss comments on the Baseline TM.

#### Wastewater Treatment Workgroup (WWTWG)

- The WWTWG has not met since the last WQGIT meeting, but has been continuing to work on historic data cleanup and the collection of biosolids and spray irrigation data.
- The City of Virginia Beach has responded to the comments they received regarding their proposal to consider Boat Pump-Out Facilities in No Discharge Zones for nutrient reduction credit. The WWTWG will be making their final decision regarding an endorsement in early June.
- The next WWTWG conference call is currently scheduled for June 2<sup>nd</sup>.