

**CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM  
WATER QUALITY GOAL IMPLEMENTATION TEAM  
OCTOBER 15, 2019 CONFERENCE CALL**

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

*Announcements:*

- Reminders:
  - 2020-2021 chair and vice- chair nominations coming up
  - Selecting new / renewing at- large members coming up
- Update on process to consider emerging technologies
- Management Board meeting on October 17<sup>th</sup>. Several WQGIT items are up for decisions: Cropland Irrigation Expert Panel recommendations; Final Sediment Planning Targets
- Next conference call: November 12<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 – 4:00 PM (this is a TUESDAY due to Veterans Day holiday)

1:20 MSWG recommendations for proposed timeline and product development – Dianne McNally, EPA (30 min)

Dianne McNally will give an overview of the proposed milestone timeline and product development to be presented for decision at the October 17<sup>th</sup> Management Board meeting. These materials have undergone WQGIT review and comment, with revisions made to address any WQGIT feedback.

**Decision from WQGIT on 9/30:** WQGIT approved the following recommendation to present to the MB for decision at their October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting:

*Recommendation:* State and federal agencies will be held accountable to their short-term (i.e., 2-year) numeric goals through a biennial evaluation of progress compared to the straight-line trajectory of necessary reductions to the 2025 Phase III planning targets or federal agency planning goals. If a state or federal agency so chooses, numeric 2-year milestones could be developed for the purpose of following an alternative (i.e., non-straight-line) trajectory to 2025. See Figure 7-1 of the TMDL document. Using this approach, the expectation for states and federal agencies to develop numeric 2-year milestones under the Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Accountability Framework could be eliminated. The expectation to develop programmatic milestones will remain. Sector-scale numeric progress information will continue to be made available by the CBP partnership.

**Decisions Requested Today:**

1. Should the draft milestone schedule and list of milestone products be provided to the Management Board, along with the recommendation to eliminate numeric milestones?
2. Are there any proposed changes?

3. Should the WQGIT recommend to the Management Board that the draft milestone guide be updated using the decision on numeric milestones and the attached draft schedule?

1:50 Outfall and Gully Stabilization Memo (tentative)– David Wood, CSN (20 min)

This memo provides a new method for calculating prevented sediment erosion in incised outfall and gully areas. It is a modification of the existing stream restoration BMP. This has been approved by Urban Stormwater Workgroup (USWG).

**Decision Requested:** WQGIT approval of the Outfall Stabilization Memo.

2:10 LUWG Recommendations for Land Use Updates to CAST– Peter Claggett, (50 min)

Peter Claggett will present the LUWG recommendations for land use updates to 2019 CAST.

Options:

1. Update Phase III WIP land use (2014 – 2025) with 2017 Ag Census only
2. Same as #1 with added updates to Sewer Service Areas (SSAs) and MS4s
3. Same as #2 with added updates to Population Projections and Population Estimates (Population Estimates will only be updated for counties with new projections)
  - a. Population estimates updated for all counties
  - b. Population estimates updated for counties with new projections
  - c. Population updated for all counties with 2025 projections adjusted:  $*(v_{2019} / v_{2017})$
4. Same as #3 with added update of land use based on NLCD everywhere
5. Same as #3 with added update of land use based on NLCD in Virginia and based on High-res Hot Spots elsewhere

**Decision from LUWG meeting 10/2:** The LUWG provisionally recommends option #3.c as the method for producing 2019 Milestone Land Use pending feedback from VA, PA, and MD by Friday, Oct 4.

**Decision Requested:** Approval of LUWG recommendations for land use updates to CAST.

3:00 Final Phase III WIP Sediment Targets – Gary Shenk, USGS and Lew Linker, USGS (30 min)

First Gary Shenk and Lew Linker will provide an informational update on final Phase III WIP Planning Targets.

*Description:* A presentation on slight revisions made to the PSC-approved Phase III WIP planning targets due to basin-to-basin and/or nutrient exchanges conducted during the Phase III WIP development process. The jurisdictions have the opportunity to conduct these exchanges to meet their state-wide and state-basin planning targets, provided that these exchanges still result in attainment of water quality standards.

They will also present and request a decision on the final Phase III WIP sediment targets, using the PSC-approved approach.

**Decision Requested:** WQGIT approval of final Phase III WIP sediment targets.

3:30 Adjourn