



Coordinator updates

Jeremy Hanson, CRC, WQGIT Coordinator
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Dark-eyed junco in a silver maple tree, Anne Arundel county, MD. January 2024.

Photo by Will Parson, Chesapeake Bay Program



WQGIT

**Submersion
Series:**

***Technical
Assistance and
Capacity at the
Local Level
(Jan. 31)***

146 registered; 100 live participants

ICYMI: Recording available on YouTube
(<https://www.youtube.com/@SubmersionSeries>)

**March 12th
Principals' Staff
Committee
(PSC)**

March 12 10:00am-1:30pm meeting; materials will be posted soon if not already

“Success Sharing” by each signatory from past decade

USDA-EPA Task Force on Crediting Chesapeake Bay Conservation Investments

**Thank you,
Jackie!**



- This isn't her final WQGIT meeting
- Contact Jeremy if interested in details for her social send-off
 - TBD, Annapolis area, likely March 26

Other notes or reminders

CRC Environmental Management Career Development, WQGIT Staffer, [job description posted](#); March 20th deadline

Restore America's Estuaries 2024 Coastal & Estuarine Summit is [October 6-10](#) in Arlington, VA. Abstracts for presentations or sessions are due March 15.

Chesapeake Community Research Symposium is [June 10-12](#) in Annapolis. Early bird discount if registered by March 15 (saves \$50).

New STAC workshop report: **Using Ecosystem Services to Increase Progress Toward, and Quantify the Benefits of Multiple CBP Outcomes** [now available](#)

Thank you & welcome, new workgroup leadership & at-large members – Suzanne

“GIT-funding” update

- WQGIT Leadership has been working with workgroup Chairs/Coordinators to compile prospective ideas and needs for this year
- A more defined process is anticipated in subsequent years
- **Lists must be prioritized by the respective GIT**
- Guidance for what ideas/requests need to include →
- Context for our GIT
 - Short- and long-term priorities for funding/needs
 - Past relevant successes & funding efforts
- Individual projects or requests should include
 1. Brief description of project, including key tasks
 2. Targeted audience / user base
 3. GIT priorities that will be addressed through project funding and implementation
 4. Identification of (any) cross-GIT application(s)
 5. Intended results
 6. Projected budget
 7. What other funding sources have been pursued for the project

“GIT-funding” next steps for the WQGIT

- We will share summaries of prospective ideas or requests ~March 11 along with instructions for prioritization (either via online poll in advance or live poll at our March 25 meeting)
- We currently have several ideas from workgroups; additional suggestions welcome by March 11
- We will keep a running list of ideas; some may not be fully formed or ripe for this year and they can be retained for next year
- Prioritized list will be shared and discussed with CBPO Branch Chiefs
- We will update WQGIT from there

Workgroup Updates (optional)

2 minutes or less, open to Chairs or Coordinators

Wastewater

Watershed Technical

Toxics

Federal Facilities

Forestry

Agriculture

Urban

Land Use

Break

Will restart at 2:25