



# Coordinator updates

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Purple coneflower in a rain garden in Lancaster, Pa., on June 14, 2019.  
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# Agenda at a glance

- Announcements & Updates
  - **DECISION REQUESTED:** Approval of Tony Timpano, VA DEQ, as Co-Chair for Toxic Contaminants Workgroup
- Phase 7 Timeline
- Planning poll results and WQGIT schedule
- BREAK
- Agroforestry EPEG updates
- Phase 7 CAST Segmentation
  - **DECISION REQUESTED:** Which option presented (Option A or Option B) of the Land-River Segments should be used in Phase 7 CAST.

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**Business,  
News &  
Reminders**

TCW Co-Chair & WQGIT Decision

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CBPO Staff transitions

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PSC meeting on Friday 6/27 & Draft revised Watershed Agreement

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Reminder to check agenda – there were multiple webinars and announcements this month!

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One we missed: 6/25 webinar on upcoming high-resolution land use land cover data [[register here](#)]

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Modeling Quarterly, July 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>; Management Board, July 10<sup>th</sup>

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# Workgroup Updates (source sectors)

open to Chairs or Coordinators to add more

Wastewater	Joint meeting w/ USWG on May 20; Gearing up for multiple P7 decisions in coming months Next meeting: June 26, 10AM
Forestry	Hybrid meeting in Gettysburg on June 11, covering topics such as 2024 Chesapeake Bay Progress Data, Tree Canopy and Forest Buffer Indicators, and PCA DCNR's Conservation Landscape Program Next meeting July 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 9AM – 11 AM
Agriculture	Met June 12, multiple topics including the forthcoming AgroForestry EPEG recommendations Next meeting July 17 <sup>th</sup> 10AM – noon
Urban Stormwater	Joint meeting w/ WWTWG on May 20; June meeting canceled Next meeting: July 15 <sup>th</sup> , 10am – noon

# Workgroup Updates (others)

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## Watershed Technical

Met June 5, including a facilitated discussion and presentations from state partners on their communication of progress towards the Bay TMDL. **July meeting is canceled.**

Next meeting August 7<sup>th</sup>, 10am – noon

## Toxics

PFAS quarterly on May 14, on Passive Sampling Methods of PFAS. At June 11 meeting, confirmed co-chair nominee and one at-large member nominee.

**July meeting canceled.** Next meeting August 13<sup>th</sup> at 1PM

## Federal Facilities

finalizing updates on the CBP federal facilities boundaries layer for Phase 7

Next meeting August 12, 10AM – noon

## Land Use

Met on June 18<sup>th</sup>; a number of topics covered, including an overview of the back-cast methods, and a decision on the backcast methods will be solicited via email in the next week.

Next meeting September 17<sup>th</sup>, at 1PM

## Milestones

Met in May to discuss draft schedule (shifting to better align with release of numeric progress information) and factsheets for communicating progress.

Next meeting TBD in late July



# Workgroup updates – more details

## Agriculture

- The AgWG met on June 12th and discussed the following topics:
  - Agroforestry EPEG recommendations
  - A proposed change from VADEQ to the methodology for buffer upland credit application for Phase 7. This decision will return for a vote at the WTWG
  - The AgWG planning document, including results from the May Mentimeter activity, member feedback on the proposed objectives outlined in the document, and next steps for finalizing the planning document.
- Next Meeting: July 17 from 10-12

## Forestry

- The FWG held a hybrid meeting and field trip in Gettysburg, PA on June 11th
  - Heard updates on the 2024 Chesapeake Bay Progress Data and Tree Canopy and Forest Buffer Indicators, had presentations on the PA DCNR Conservation Landscape Program, and toured various sites including forest buffer restoration sited and a family owned orchard
  - With the newly launched Chesapeake Data page, check out the featured collection called Tree Canopy and Forests which has compiled all the FWG related tools, data, and story maps
    - <https://data.chesapeakebay.net/pages/tree-canopy-and-forests>
- Next Meeting: July 2nd from 9-11

# Workgroup updates – more details

## Urban Stormwater

- Met on May 20 in joint meeting with WWTWG.
  - Heard updates on construction land use aggregation; Vulnerability Assessment Tool being developed by RAND.
  - Review of the biochar BMP interpretation whitepaper external review team feedback (decided to take more time with SWMM model results so pushed decision to fall instead of June).
  - UNM Panel - lit review is being wrapped up.
  - STAC workshop proposal on Soil Health was not chosen.
- June meeting canceled, next meeting Tuesday July 15 from 10-12.

## Wastewater Treatment

- Exfiltration was presented to USWG at joint meeting on May 20 and is being finalized in June meeting to be voted on in July meeting.
- Progress happening on SSO and CSO load data, SSO Small Group met in May.
- Next meeting: Thursday June 26 from 10-12.
- Many P7 decisions on docket for July-Sept.

# Workgroup updates – more details

## Watershed Technical

- At the June 5th WTWG meeting, the WTWG:
  - Discussed Agroforestry EPEG status and recommendations
  - Had a facilitated conversation on state communication of progress towards the Bay TMDL including presentations from New York, Pennsylvania, and verbal updates from other partners.
- The July WTWG meeting is **canceled**.
- Next Meeting: August 7th from 10-12

## Toxic Contaminants

- PFAS quarterly occurred May 14th on Passive Sampling Methods of PFAS, featuring scientific presentations on a sorption-type sampler, an equilibrium-type sampler, as well as the use of bivalves for biomonitoring of PFAS.
- In June meeting on June 11th, TCW heard toxics-related legislative updates from CBC and confirmed nomination of Tony Timpano, VA DEQ for co-chair and Sushanth Gupta, MWCOG for an at-large voting member.
- July meeting canceled. Next meeting, a PFAS quarterly, is on Wednesday Aug 13 1-3pm.



# Workgroup updates – more details

## Federal Facilities

- The FFWG is finalizing updates on the CBP federal facilities boundaries layer for Phase 7 and continuing discussions on other land use issues in CAST for Phase 7.
- Next Meeting: August 12 from 10-12

## Milestones

- Met in May to discuss draft schedule (shifting to better align with release of numeric progress information) and factsheets for communicating progress.
- Draft Near Term Milestones Expectations document being worked on and will be shared with workgroup soon. Another meeting will be scheduled for late July.

# Workgroup updates – more details

## Land Use

- The LUWG met on June 18th and heard an update on the Land Use Decision Support outcome. The group also discussed the remaining Phase 7 land use decisions and made a decision on moving bare shore (adjacent to non-tidal water) to the Phase 7 water class. The LUWG received an overview of the back-cast methods, and a decision on the backcast methods will be solicited via email in the next week. Peter Claggett and Labeeb Ahmed gave presentations to the LUWG on the Chesapeake Bay Land Change Model (CBLCM). Peter discussed a project with the Delaware office of state planning coordination using the CBLCM and Labeeb gave an update on the CBLCM, including topics like documentation.
- Reminder: The Chesapeake Bay Program will be hosting a Webinar on the High-Resolution Land Use/Land Cover Data, which will take place on June 25 from 12-1:30. Note: The data is still to be released.
  - To register for the upcoming webinar, please use the following link:  
<https://www.chesapeakebay.net/what/event/webinar-mapping-change--new-data-for-land-use-and-hydrography-in-the-chesapeake-region>
- Next Meeting: September 17 from 1-3