



Healthy Watersheds and Land Use Outcomes of the Chesapeake Bay  
Watershed Agreement:

**Work Session for Management Strategy Development**

Joe Macknis Memorial Conference Room (Fish Shack)

410 Severn Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21403

October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

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**10:00 Welcome, Introductions**

**Mark Bryer**

**10:10 Review of Our Task: Management Strategy Development**

**Mark Bryer**

The 2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement states that the Chesapeake Bay Program's Goal Implementation Teams will develop Management Strategies for the Outcomes that support the Agreement's goals by June 2015. The Healthy Watersheds GIT is responsible for the development of three management strategies: one for the Healthy Watersheds Outcome and two for the Land Use Outcomes in the Agreement.

**Purpose:** Mark will review the three outcomes, the management strategy development timeline and the key elements contained in a management strategy.

**Attachments:**

- [Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement](#)
  - Goals and Outcomes: Healthy Watersheds, Land Use Outcomes
- [Management Strategy Development Timeline](#)
- [Management Strategy Framework: Key Elements Document](#)

**10:15 Healthy Watersheds Outcome Management Strategy**

**Mark Bryer/John Wolf**

The Healthy Watersheds GIT has already done some work in the past toward the healthy watersheds goal and outcome in the Bay Agreement. This work has been captured in the 2013 Strategy and 2012 Decision Framework documents, and includes the map of State-identified healthy waters and watersheds.

**Purpose:** John will give a presentation on the status of the Healthy Watersheds Map Layer. Mark will discuss future actions needed to protect healthy watersheds (reaching out to stakeholders/advising local governments). John will present options for tracking healthy watersheds into the future. At the end of the discussion, we will have identified who will be the key players and their roles, as well as outlined the next steps and schedule until the March public input process.

**Attachments:**

- [Healthy Watersheds 2012 Decision Framework](#)
- [Healthy Watersheds GIT 2013 Strategy](#)
- [Map of State-identified Healthy Watersheds](#)
- [Healthy Watersheds Outcome Justification Document](#)

**11:45 Lunch – Please prepare to bring your own lunch!**

**12:30 Land Use Metrics and Methods Outcome Management Strategy Peter Claggett**

**Purpose:** Peter will provide an overview on the background for this outcome as well as present approaches for deriving a watershed-wide but locally relevant metric. Participants will also discuss the value of the metric and how it can be developed to meet expectations of partners. The outcome also discusses quantifying land use conversion impacts on water quality, healthy watersheds and communities, and a public outreach effort. At the end of the discussion, we will have identified who will be the key players and their roles, as well as outlined the next steps and schedule until the March public input process.

**2:00 Land Use Options Evaluation Outcome Management Strategy Jason Dubow**

**Purpose:** Jason will provide an overview of the Land Use Options Evaluation Outcome, which includes both an evaluation of policy options and implementation of strategies to reduce existing land conversion rates. Participants will discuss options for evaluating existing and potential policies/strategies (local, state, etc.). Once the metric is finalized (under the Land Use Metrics and Methods Outcome), these policy options can be prioritized. Jason will also lead a discussion to determine ways to ensure local governments are directly involved in evaluating policy options. At the end of the discussion, we will have identified who will be the key players and their roles, as well as outlined the next steps and schedule until the March public input process.

**Attachments:**

- [\*Tracking Healthy Waters Protections in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed, College of William and Mary study\*](#)
- [\*Maryland Sustainable Growth Commission's Reinvest Maryland: Accelerating Infill, Redevelopment & Community Revitalization Report\*](#)

**2:55 Next Steps and Closing Remarks**

**3:00 Adjourn**