

Nontidal Water Quality Monitoring Network Workgroup Meeting August 21, 2013

Summary of Decisions by Jurisdiction to meet 25% funding reduction target

1. DC \$244,000 to 160,500

- a. Monitoring Actions
 - i. Drop any plans for startup of Broad Run Site, (Net change 0 from current 126)
 - ii. Eliminate High-flow sampling at Rock Creek (Net Change -1 from current 126)
- b. Funding Actions
 - i. 30K infrastructure savings, 25% reduction.
 - ii. Reduce annual funding requirement to \$160,500
- c. Data / Science loss
 - i. Loss of medium size urban Mont co/DC area.
 - ii. Loss of High Intensity Urban Site
 - iii. Less support for MS4 issues by the network.
- d. Manpower Issues etc.
 - i. Will be absorbed without immediate issues

2. Delaware

- a. Monitoring Actions
 - i. No Changes proposed,
- b. Funding Actions:
 - i. Must keep \$8,000 in MD grant to support Marshyhope gage.

3. Maryland

- a. Monitoring Actions
 - i. Proposed the reduction of 3 monitoring stations (TBD from a list of 4) Note all are longer term stations
 - 1. Gunpowder falls at Glencoe
 - 2. Patuxent at Unity
 - 3. Antietam nr Sharpsburg
 - 4. Catoctin near Middletown
- b. Funding Actions
 - i. 25% reduction

- c. Data / Science loss
 - i. Loss of 3 longer term monitoring stations
- d. Manpower Issues etc.
 - i. Not determined

4. New York (SRBC includes some PA) 199,140 to Approx 150,349

- a. Monitoring Actions
 - i. DROP Unadilla River at Rockdale, NY
 - ii. DROP Tioughnioga River at Itaska, NY
- b. Funding Actions
 - i. Recover funds for lost NY analysis support in the grant.
 - ii. Additional reductions shown in PA summary.
 - iii. Remove funding for Paxton Creek (picked up somewhere else?)
 - iv. Postpone/decrease data analysis \$3,825 to \$16,658 reduction.
- c. Data / Science loss
 - i. Loss of two forest / AG mixed stations
 - ii. Loss of analysis capability
- d. Manpower Issues etc.
 - i. Not determined

5. Pennsylvania

- a. Monitoring Actions
 - i. DEP and USGS Proposed the loss of two sites-
 - 1. Chillisquaque Creek (bridge Replacement)
 - 2. Spring Creek (Access problems)
 - ii. SRBC proposed the loss of three sites as a level II option
 - 1. East Mahantango (newest)
 - 2. Kishacoquillas Creek (newest
 - 3. Penns Creek (good coverage with other sites)
- b. Funding Actions
 - Moved Paxton gage funding from SRBC agreement to USGS agreement- no net change
 - ii. USGS will cover \$25,000 for Big Spring Run Gage through COOP program
 - iii. PA will absorb \$55,135 in Lab and supply costs.
- c. Data / Science loss
- d. Manpower Issues etc.

6. Virginia

- a. Monitoring Actions
 - i. Proposed the reduction of 3 monitoring stations (TBD from a list of 4)
 - 1. SF Quantico Cr (Northern Va. Reference station in Piedmont)

- 2. Mattaponi (upstream from RIM station in Urbanizing area)
- 3. Polecat Creek (Small watershed urbanizing Coastal Plain station)
- 4. Appomattox (added to measure upstream conditions relative to the RIM station)
- b. Funding Actions
 - i. Reduction of 25%
 - ii. Note each station cut also impacts stream gage.
- c. Data / Science loss
 - i. Loss of key sites added to meet MRAT monitoring goals
- d. Manpower Issues etc.
 - i. Loss of 1 full-time technician.

7. West Virginia (if implemented \$324,932 to \$232,449)

- a. Monitoring Actions
 - i. No Cuts Currently proposed
 - ii. If implemented, loss of 1-2 stations TDB
- b. Funding Actions
 - i. Non proposed at this time
- c. Data / Science loss
 - i. Likely loss of new smaller watershed monitoring stations supporting WV Ag implementation areas.
- d. Manpower Issues etc.
 - i. Not Determined