

## Chesapeake Bay Program Integrated Monitoring Networks Workgroup (INWG) Conference Call

Wednesday, April 18, 2018 1:00- 3:00 PM

CBPO Location: 303 Conference Room
Conference Line: 202-991-0477 code: 2832221

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**Meeting Materials:** 

https://www.chesapeakebay.net/what/event/integrated monitoring networks meeting april 2018

## **AGENDA**

## 1:00 Welcome, Introductions, Announcements – Peter Tango, USGS@CBPO, Coordinator

April 5-6. Completed! Establishing the baseline assessment for the watershed (Chessie) BIBI.
Workshop supporting the Stream Health Outcome. Cacapon State Park, WV
April 25-26. Upcoming: STAC Fish Habitat Workshop. Richmond, VA.

**1:10** Chesapeake Monitoring Cooperative (CMC) Updates – Liz Chudoba, Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay and Emily Bialowas, Izaak Walton League.

Liz and Emily will highlight updates on the Citizen Science and Nontraditional Partner MOU targeting the summer Management Board meeting and autumn Principal Staff Committee Meeting.

1:25 Cross Programming Opportunities for CMC and Stewardship GIT collaboration on information needs – ALL

Through trainings, teaching, webinars, and data collections, the CMC is interacting with many citizen groups. Accounting for spatial context of these interactions, the diversity of groups and within groups, leadership development with new groups making new data collections and more, there are opportunities for supporting CBP accounting of these activities towards achieving Stewardship goals across the watershed. We invite everyone into this discussion of crossprogram opportunities to assess what information needs may filled and what collaborative work may be planned between these programs.

## 1:50 IMN WG Agenda's Planning discussion – A//

Peter will review the series of topics gathered in the February meeting and highlight a schedule of themed monitoring discussions for meetings the rest of the year. We are looking for workgroup insight into any missing topics and recommendations for contacts on specific subjects. We are targeting a community understanding over 2018 of the near term challenges to sustaining and growing the monitoring efforts as well as options and opportunities for

expanding program abilities or filling existing or envisioned gaps in program needs. Findings of the yearlong review will provide a basis for any necessary updating on scopes of work in 2019 and beyond.

2:20 Climate Indicators Project – Status of selection, understanding of ongoing support - Laura Free Indicators Coordinator, EPA, Laurel Abowd Climate WG Staffer, and Peter Tango, USGS@CBPO, IMN WG Coordinator.

The Climate Resiliency WG has had a yearlong Climate Indicators project. The project gathered a list of over 200 potential indicators of interest that would potentially help serve the partnership in tracking key parameters of physical climate stressors, impacts on ecosystems and society, and measures of resilience to climate change. Through research and coordination of priority indicators for development, the focus now rests on a suite of 21 indicators with implementation plans for further development. 7 of these indicators were targeted for full development by September 2018. Input on prioritization and insights about monitoring and analyses support will be welcomed.

3:00 Adjourn