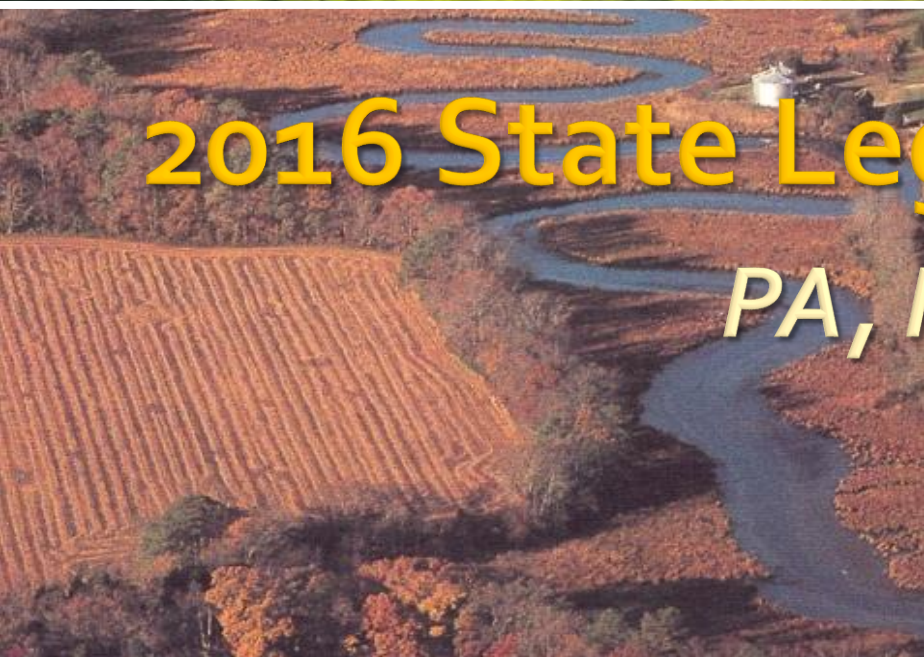




2016 State Legislative Action

PA, MD, VA



Chesapeake Bay Program
Management Board Briefing
March 10, 2016

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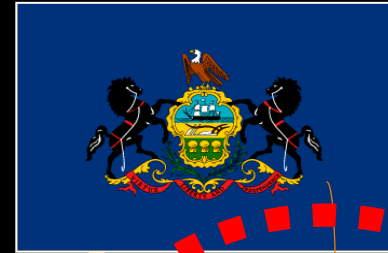
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EPA Administrator



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Chair of Chesapeake Bay Commission



Mayor of DC

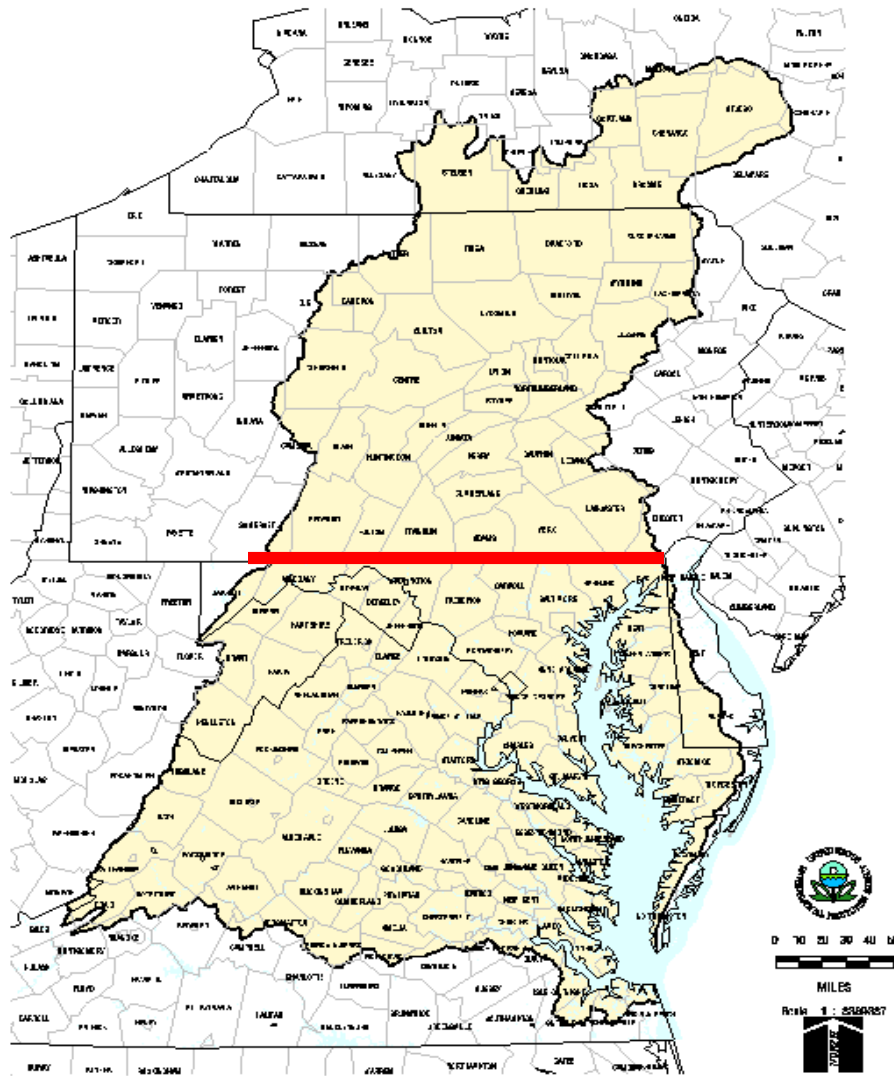


Chesapeake Bay Commission

- Tri-State Legislative Commission
 - Pennsylvania, Maryland, & Virginia
- Established by State Law
- 7-Member State Delegations (21 total)
 - 2 Senate
 - 3 House
 - 1 Administration (Cabinet-level)
 - 1 Citizen



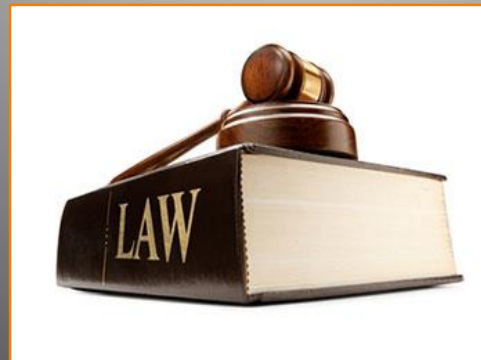
Counties Within the Chesapeake Bay Watershed



Celebrating Our Differences

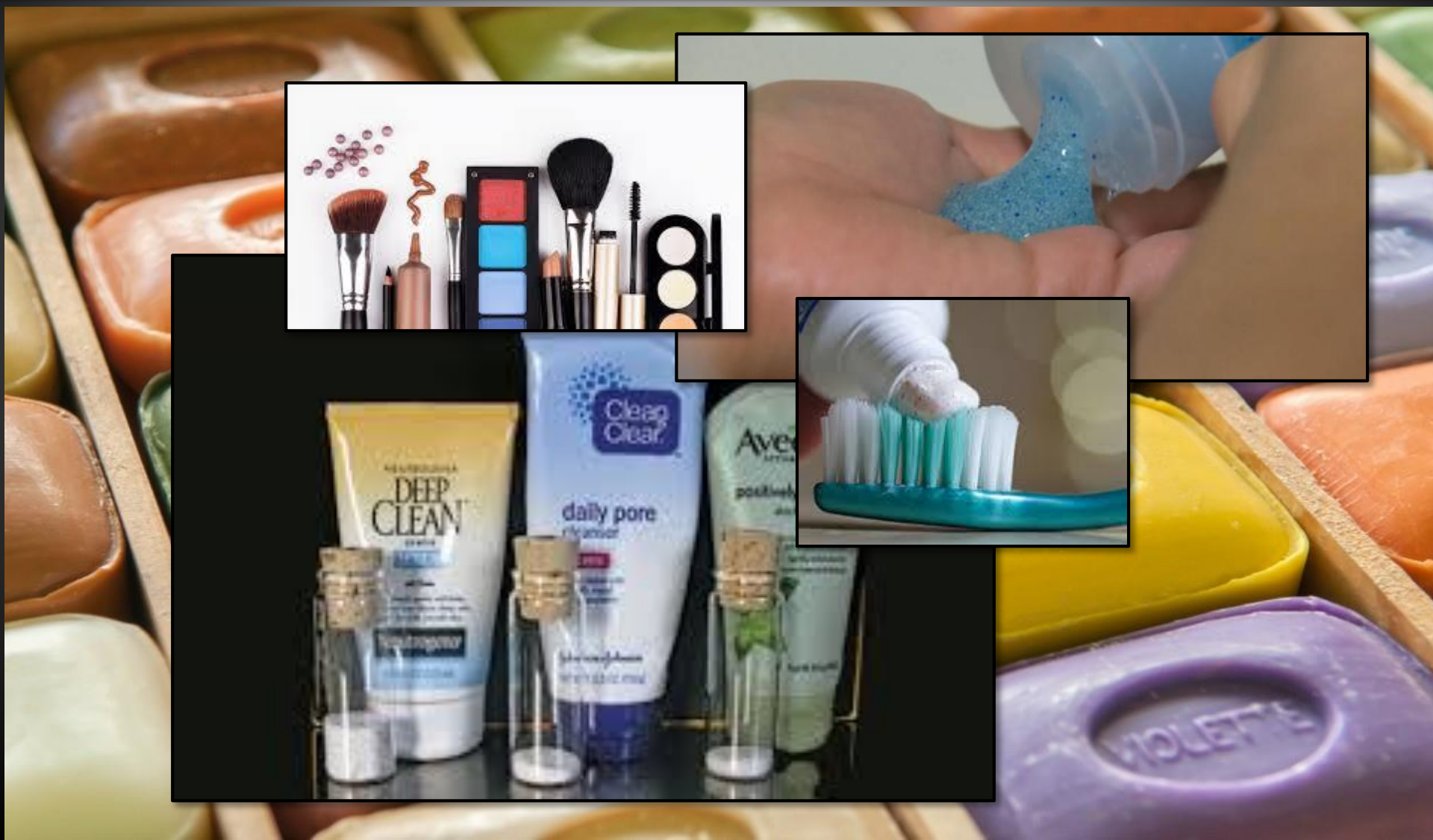
The Bay
watershed
government
structure is
complex!

2016 State Legislative Actions



Plastics: Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania

The very tiny troublemakers



Pennsylvania



COMPLIANCE

- Six-prong Administrative Reboot
- Compliance with environmental requirements to claim tax breaks



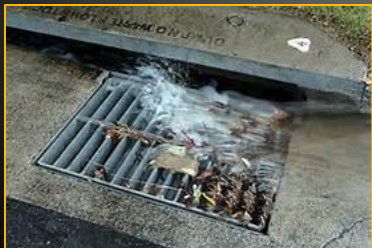
ENDOCRINE DISRUPTORS & HERBICIDES

- Promote the collection and proper disposal of pharmaceuticals



URBAN NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT

- Remove phosphorus out of maintenance fertilizers while reducing nitrogen amounts (PDA Amendments)

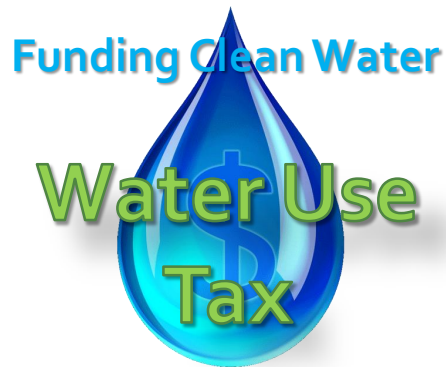


STORMWATER

- Provide local ability to assess stormwater fee

PA: Funding

- Estimated need in Bay Watershed (PA) \$378 M/y
- Current funding \$128 M/y statewide
- Need funding for BMPs, data mgmt., and people.



MD, PA & VA

Livestock Stream Exclusion



- ❖ **Legal and Regulatory Framework**
- ❖ **Cross-Policy Support**
- ❖ **Flexibility in Practices**
- ❖ **Technical Assistance**
 - Federal and State
 - English and Amish
 - Targeted Watersheds

Maryland



CLIMATE CHANGE

- Greenhouse Gas Reduction Act – 40% by 2030
- Renewable Portfolio Standard – 25% by 2020



MANURE

- Poultry Litter Management Act



OYSTERS

- Sustainable Oyster Harvest Act



AGRICULTURAL SUPPORT

- Next Generation Farmland Acquisition
- Conservation Districts – 2010 Trust Fund/Budget Language

Maryland- CBC Legislation

PROGRAM OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND



MD, PA & VA

Phosphorus Management Tools



❖ MD PMT Deployment

- Manure Matching
- Manure Transport
- Alternative Uses
- Byproducts

❖ Virginia PI Update

- Budget Amendments-\$100K for both budget years to study Virginia's Phosphorus Index

❖ Pennsylvania PI Update

Virginia



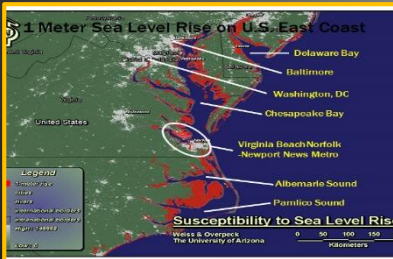
AGRICULTURE

- \$61 million for BMP cost-share



STORMWATER

- Consolidating stormwater programs
- Making Local Assistance Stormwater Fund permanent



CLIMATE RESILIENCY

- Establishment of the Commonwealth Center for Recurrent Flooding Resiliency.



WATER QUALITY FUNDING

- \$59 M in bonds for wastewater treatment plants
- \$0-20 Million (2 FYs) for Stormwater Local Assistance Funds

2016 Resolutions: MD, PA & VA

Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week 2ND week in June



Honoring Maryland Senator Bernie Fowler



Laws are about protecting home



QUESTIONS?



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