

## EC Planning Meeting - September 14, 2022

### Participants:

Carin Bisland, EPA CBPO (Chair)	Jennifer Walls, DE DNREC
Rachel Felver, ACB CBP (Chair)	Julia Wakeling, DC DOEE
Garrett Stewart, CRC CBP (Staffer)	Jutta Schneider, VA DEQ
Marisa Baldine, CRC CBP (Staffer)	Marel King, CBC
Amanda Davis, DE DNREC	Shane Gutsie, PA DEP
Cassandra Davis, NY DEC	Teresa Koon, WV DEP
Dave Goshorn, MD DNR	
Greg Barranco, EPA CBPO	
Jennifer Starr, LGAC	

- **Briefing book**
  - The 2022 EC Briefing Book page can be accessed here:  
[https://www.chesapeakebay.net/ecbrief/2022\\_executive\\_council\\_meeting\\_briefing\\_book](https://www.chesapeakebay.net/ecbrief/2022_executive_council_meeting_briefing_book)
- **Meeting plans:**
  - Location: EPA Headquarters
    - 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20004
    - Easy to access for EC members, staff and members of the public.
  - PSC agreed the meeting should be in-person.
  - We will continue to offer a live-stream option for the public.
- **EC Member RSVP:**
  - Confirmed attendance:
    - EPA - Michael Regan, Administrator
    - CBC - MD Senator Sarah Elfreth, Chair
    - MD - Larry Hogan, Governor
    - VA - Glen Youngkin, Governor
    - LGAC Chair – Jasmine Gore
    - STAC Chair – Kathy Boomer
    - CAC Chair – Julie Lawson
  - Unavailable:
    - Tom Wolf, Governor
      - Cindy Adams Dunn, Secretary DCNR will attend in his place.
  - TBD:
    - NY - Kathy Hochul, Governor
    - DE - John C. Carney Jr., Governor
    - DC - Muriel Bowser, Mayor
      - Kandis Boyd will speak to the mayor about her attendance.
    - WV - Jim Justice, Governor
  - Only EC members and EC member representatives will be seated in the front of the room for the public meeting.
- **Plus-one RSVP:**

- VA - Andrew Wheeler, Senior Advisor
- CBC - Ann Swanson, Executive Director
- PA - Greg Hostetter, Executive Deputy Secretary, Department of Agriculture
- DE - Shawn Garvin, Secretary, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control
- MD - Jeannie Haddaway-Riccio, Secretary, Department of Natural Resources
- EPA - Adam Ortiz, Regional Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency Region 3
- DC - Tommy Wells, Director, Department of Energy and Environment
- If additional members of your team are attending the meeting, you will be able to go to the EPA Map room (public meeting room) during the private meeting. If you have additional staff attending, send Marisa Baldine an email at [mbaldine@chesapeakebay.net](mailto:mbaldine@chesapeakebay.net) so she can track attendance.
- **Logistics document**
  - Lodging and transportation information: [https://www.chesapeakebay.net/documents/ecbrief/45069/2022\\_ec\\_lodging\\_and\\_transportation\\_\(1\).pdf](https://www.chesapeakebay.net/documents/ecbrief/45069/2022_ec_lodging_and_transportation_(1).pdf)
  - Instructions for parking for EC members will be provided in the future.
- **Theme**
  - Roadmap to 2025 and Beyond: Maintaining Momentum for an Inclusive and Healthy Chesapeake Bay Watershed
- **Interactive activity**
  - Kandis recently attended a boat trip with DC DOEE and is interested in meeting with Anacostia High School students. Although we had discussed having students participate in the meeting, we don't think it will be an option for this year's meeting due to time constraints. Kandis is interested in a full day activity so she might meet with students before or after the meeting.
- **Deadlines**
  - Biographies, security contact information and press contact information are due by September 27.
  - Press release quotes are due by October 5.
  - The State of the Program will be available for EC members and the planning team on September 27.
- **Beyond 2025 document**
  - If we want to look to 2025, we should talk about continued progress and how we can position ourselves to recalibrate in 2025, rather than focusing on the recalibration.
  - We need to focus attention on 2025 first and mention that there are other things we can address at a later date.
  - We can separate the goals into two years. The first year can focus on how to stay focused and achieve our 2025 goals. The second year can focus on what to do beyond 2025.
  - With climate change and new science, we need to think about how we will move forward while also focusing on our 2025 goals.

- Looking beyond 2025 should focus on the full agreement and all of the goals and outcomes of the *2014 Watershed Agreement*.
- It will be important to focus on how to accelerate progress before 2025, but we can't completely lose focus on the need to step back and recalibrate.
- The plan will be to keep the beyond 2025 theme, but to bifurcate the charge to reach 2025 and to look beyond 2025. We should keep the beyond 2025 theme in the resolution, but the focus on accelerating change before 2025.
- There should be space to talk about successes as well as challenges.
- This document can be a backgrounder with talking points for the EC members or it can be a resolution, in which case it would be publicly available.
  - Given that we're less than a month away from the meeting, it might be difficult to get approval for this to be a publicly available document.
    - There's definitely not time for signatures, but a resolution doesn't need signatures.
    - Even though a resolution doesn't require signatures, it does require approval by EC members.
- Change the wording from "within a year" to "by the 2023 EC meeting" so that we're not stuck if the meeting is at a different time in the year in 2023 and 2024.
- Change "in all three areas" in the last sentence to "science, restoration and partnership."
- The information in this document can inform the press release.

**Next meeting: Wednesday, September 28, 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm**