

EC Planning Meeting - September 21, 2022

Participants:

Carin Bisland, EPA CBPO (Chair)	Jennifer Walls, DE DNREC
Rachel Felver, ACB CBP (Chair)	Jutta Schneider, VA DEQ
Garrett Stewart, CRC CBP (Staffer)	Teresa Koon, WV DEP
Marisa Baldine, CRC CBP (Staffer)	Travis Voyles, VA DEQ
Amanda Davis, DE DNREC	Kristin Wolf, PA DCNR
Cassandra Davis, NY DEC	Jessica Blackburn, CAC
Dave Goshorn, MD DNR	Julia Wakeling
Greg Barranco, EPA CBPO	Matthew Rowe, MDE
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
- **EC Member RSVP:**
 - Carin Bisland: Official invitations have been sent to governor's offices
 - 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
 - Cassie Davis: No updates for this week.
 - DE - John C. Carney Jr., Governor
 - Amanda Davis: No update this week, we will confirm by 9/23
 - DC - Muriel Bowser, Mayor
 - Julia Wakeling: Still working with Tommy Wells and others to confirm.
- **Annotated Agenda Discussion**
 - Venue
 - Rachel Carson Room for Lunch
 - Map Room for Public Event
 - Instructions for navigation and moving through security are forthcoming.
 - Private Lunch

- **Advisory Committee Reports**
 - Reports that have been received will be posted soon, there was a delay in posting materials received in previous weeks due to web maintenance on chesapeakebay.net
 - Matthew Rowe: In the future, it would be nice to plan ahead so AC reports could be targeted to the theme.
 - Jessica Blackburn: Absolutely. CAC report has a lot to say about the theme and we can brief Julie Lawson to be prepared on those talking points.
 - Jennifer Starr: Even though the recommendation has already been sent, I can do the same and prepare Jasmine Gore to speak to the theme directly on behalf of LGAC.
- **Language Changes to the Watershed Agreement**
 - Carin Bisland: This item refers to proposed language changes to the 2014 Watershed agreement to make it more inclusive by removing words related to citizenship where not relevant.
 - Carin Bisland: Carin and Dave are working on a set of talking points for Regional Adm. Ortiz to kick off discussion of accepting or rejecting these edits.
- **Nomination and Election of 2023 Chair:**
 - Carin Bisland: Typically EC Chairs serve two terms, but we hold annual elections. Are there any concerns from other EC members with Adm. Regan holding the chair for another term?
 - Carin Bisland: Please let us know if there are any concerns with Adm. Regan serving another term as chair or is any EC Members wish to serve next years term. Also, please let us know if any EC members would like to nominate Adm. Regan for the next term.
- **Charge to the PSC on 2025 and Beyond**
 - *Specific language changes are available on updated charge.*
 - Carin Bisland: Do planning team members support a shortened charge with separate background materials or a longer charge with the background in the same document.
 - Kristin Wolf: I agree that we should go with the shortened version.
 - David Goshorn: I agree with this version. We should keep it to a page at most.
 - Jutta Schneider: I agree with the changes made for this version.
 - Cassie Davis: Sounds good.
 - Teresa Koon: Agreed.
 - Travis Voyles: Agreed.
 - Jess Blackburn: Agreed.
 - Carin Bisland: The major changes made to the charge were
 - Separating pre and post-2025 charges in order to emphasize continuing efforts toward our existing agreement deadline.

- Jessica Blackburn: Communications didn't stand out in this rewrite. Multiple members feel that we should communicate to the public how this agreement is different than previous ones in terms of guaranteeing accountability.
- Carin Bisland: Are we ok with sharing the single page provided today with the minor languages made today.
 - David Goshorn: I am comfortable with those changes. How will this be delivered to the PSC?
 - Carin Bisland: Send to the PSC members with the message that their jurisdiction representative on the planning team has approved the language of this charge and ask them if they approve it being sent to the EC.
- Carin Bisland: I will clean up this document and send it to Adam Ortiz to be shared with the PSC.
 - David Goshorn: I would make sure its clear that this is not a directive and will not require signatures.
- **Site Visit:**
 - Carin Bisland: Planned for some time next week or soon after.
- **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.
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 - 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.