

Local Government Advisory Committee Quarterly Meeting Agenda

March 19 - 20, 2026

This meeting will be hybrid.
Hotel Gettysburg, 1 Lincoln Square, Gettysburg, PA 17325

<p>Day 1: March 19 10:00 am - 5:00 pm</p> <p>Meeting Link: Register for the Meeting via Zoom Meeting ID: 825 3238 3086</p>	<p>Day 2: March 20 8:00 am - 12:00 pm</p> <p>Meeting Link: Register for the Meeting via Zoom Meeting ID: 849 5344 0808</p>
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Materials Webpage: [Click here for all meeting materials](#)

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Purpose & Meeting Objectives:

- Explore proposed changes to the Chesapeake Bay Program (CBP) Governance/Structure and provide feedback
- Explore proposed Management Strategy Framework and provide feedback
- Discuss changes to LGAC operations to align with CBP changes

Agenda

Thursday March 19, 2026

- I. Call to Order**

Commissioner Qually will welcome LGAC members and review the meeting objectives.

Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Commissioner Marty Qually, Local Government Advisory Committee Chair
Materials: None

10:00 am – 10:10 am

- II. Discussion with Region 3 Administrator**

EPA’s Region 3 Administrator Amy Van Blarcom-Lackey will introduce herself to LGAC members, share her priorities for the Chesapeake Bay Program, and provide a high-level perspective on the need for updated Bay Program governance and structure.

Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Regional Administrator Amy Van Blarcom-Lackey, Environmental Protection Agency
Materials: None

10:10 am – 10:40 am

- III. Panel: Discussion about Streamlining the CBP Partnership**

Hear from a panel of CBP signatory leaders about how simplifying and streamlining the CBP’s Governance and Structure will more effectively meet the goals of the *Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement*.

Requested Action: Non-decisional

10:40 am – 11:30 am

Facilitator: LGAC Member

Panelists:

- Deputy Secretary Jill Whitcomb, PA Department of Environmental Protection
- Anna Killius, Chesapeake Bay Commission Executive Director
- Leila Duman, Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Materials: None

- IV. Plenary Discussion with LGAC Members** 11:30 am – 12:00 pm
- V. Lunch with Secretary Jessica Shirley, PA Department of Environmental Protection** 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
- VI. Presentation: Overview of Proposed Changes to CBP Governance and Structure** 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm
Over the last several months, a team of key representatives from state and federal partners has drafted proposed revisions to the CBP's Governance and Structure.
Requested Action: Non-decisional discussion
Lead: Doug Bell, Chesapeake Bay Program
Materials: Presentation
- VII. Plenary Discussion with LGAC Members** 1:30 pm – 2:00 pm
- VIII. Presentation: Overview of Proposed Changes to Management Strategies** 2:00 pm – 2:30 pm
Over the last several months, a team of key representatives from state and federal partners has drafted a new framework for Management Strategies including a template.
Requested Action: Non-decisional discussion
Lead: Sarah Brzezinski, Chesapeake Bay Program
Materials: Presentation
- IX. Breakout Discussions: Proposed Changes to Management Strategies** 2:30 pm – 3:00 pm
Discuss LGAC's perspective on the proposed Management Strategy Framework.
Requested Action: Non-decisional
Facilitator: LGAC Members
Materials: None
- X. Field Trip** 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm
- XI. Dinner** 6:00 pm

Friday March 20, 2026

- XII. Breakfast** 7:00 am – 8:00 am
- XIII. Welcome** 8:00 am – 8:10 am
Commissioner Qually will welcome LGAC members and review the meeting objectives.
Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: Commissioner Marty Qually, Local Government Advisory Committee Chair
Materials: None
- XIV. Jurisdiction Meeting Report-Outs and Member Updates** 8:10 am – 8:40 am
Requested Action: Non-decisional
Lead: LGAC Vice Chairs
Materials: None

- XV. Annual Business Meeting** **8:40 am – 9:30 am**
- Annual Elections for LGAC Chair and Vice Chairs
 - Executive Committee Report (Chair and First Vice Chair)
 - LGAC Coordinator’s Report (Coordinator)
 - Local Government Leadership Workgroup Report (Chair)
 - Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week (CBP Communications Office)
 - Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay Update (CEO)
- Requested Action: Decisional
 Lead: Commissioner Marty Qually, Local Government Advisory Committee Chair
 Materials: Presentations
- XVI. Presentation: Possible Changes to LGAC Operations and Priorities** **9:30 am – 10:00 am**
- Given the changes to the CBP’s Governance and Structure, LGAC has the opportunity to make possible changes to align LGAC operations and priorities.
- Requested Action: Non-decisional discussion
 Lead: Laura Cattell Noll, Local Government Advisory Committee Coordinator
 Materials: Presentation
- XVII. Small Group Discussions** **10:00 am – 10:30 am**
- XVIII. Plenary Discussion** **10:30 am – 11:15 am**
- Requested Action: Non-decisional discussion
 Lead: Commissioner Marty Qually, Local Government Advisory Committee Chair
 Materials: None
- XIX. Chesapeake Bay Program Updates** **11:15 am – 11:45 am**
- Update on Principals’ Staff Committee response to 2025 LGAC Recommendations Letter.
- Requested Action: Non-decisional
 Lead: Khesha Reed, Chesapeake Bay Program Deputy Director
 Materials: Presentation
- XX. Wrap-Up** **11:45 am – 12:00 pm**
- Review any new business, future agenda items, and action items from this meeting.
- Requested Action: Non-decisional
 Lead: Commissioner Marty Qually, Local Government Advisory Committee Chair
 Materials: Presentation
- XXI. Adjourn** **12:00 pm**
- Next Meeting:** Thursday June 4th - Friday June 5th, 2026 (Virtual)

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