

Budget and Finance Workgroup
Fall 2022 Quarterly Meeting
Agenda



Date: October 26, 2022

Time: 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Location: Webex Webinar

Meeting Page: <https://www.chesapeakebay.net/what/event/budget-and-finance-workgroup-quarterly-meeting-fall-2022>

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Agenda Item, Discussion Lead, and Desired Outcome	Time	Materials, Notes, and Action Items
I. Introductions, Announcements, and Order of the Day <i>(Discussion Leads: Elliott Campbell, MD DNR and Martha Shimkin, EPA)</i>	1:00pm - 1:05pm	Announcements: Action: Martha Shimkin and Elliott Campbell will discuss with Chris Guy about developing an issue paper on the different forms of matching that can be used to assist with the Wetlands outcome. Share funding section from Wetlands Action Plan. Action: Katie Brownson will review the state funding plans in terms of financing support needed and determine the role BFWG can play in helping with the Forest Buffer need for long term funding and its capacity barrier. Action: Martha S. will follow-up with Rachel Felver to confirm that agencies should report grant opportunities to Rachel F. to be advertised, similar to the job opportunities advertisements. <i>Complete.</i>
II. Featured Funding Programs <i>(Discussion Lead: Elizabeth Kendrick, Booz Allen Hamilton)</i> REPI Challenge discussion on DoD leveraging funding. Review of previous projects (e.g., Choptank). Interest in aligning with 2023 REPI timeline. Invited outcome leads: Climate Resilience, Healthy Watersheds (land conservation), Habitat (living shorelines), Fisheries (oysters), Forest Buffers	1:05pm – 1:45pm	Materials: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.repi.mil/
III. Funding Opportunities <i>(Discussion Lead: Greg Allen, EPA)</i> Discuss next steps. IRA integration?	1:45pm – 2:00pm	Materials: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BIL Funding Table
IV. NCEE Proposal Update <i>(Discussion Lead: Greg Allen, EPA, Elliott Campbell, MD DNR)</i> Provide an update on the NCEE proposal. Next steps involve starting to write the preliminary design.	2:00pm – 2:15pm	Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Points of Contact Table Two-page initial projects description

V. BFWG Workplan Review <i>(Discussion Lead: Greg Allen, EPA)</i> <i>Workgroup discussion of the BFWG Workplan.</i>	2:15pm – 2:30pm	Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BFWG Workplan
VI. Wrap up and Adjourn <i>(Discussion Leads: Elliott Campbell, MD DNR)</i> <i>Next meeting date</i> - February 22, 2023	2:30pm – 2:40pm	Materials: 2023 Meeting Dates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February 22, 2023 • May 17, 2023 • August 16, 2023 • November 22, 2023 <i>Possible topic for next meeting:</i> <i>Role of CBP in SRF and non-point sources.</i> <i>LGAC webinar (Jennifer Starr)</i>

Completed Actions & Decisions

Action: **Martha Shimkin** will meet with project officers and states to discuss project opportunities under the Infrastructure Bill. *Completed.*

ACTION: **Martha Shimkin** will talk to EPA Headquarters and the National Center for Environmental Economics to learn more about inhouse work done related to restoration economy topic/inquire about what programs they have access to through contractors (to help move the CAC recommendation on restoration economy forward within the CBP). *Completed.*

ACTION: **Elliott Campbell and Martha Shimkin** will continue to investigate methods of assessing economic impact of CBP funds in watershed economy by looking to CBARA for guidance, asking the states if they have already developed estimates of jobs related to funds, how the workgroup can access this data and what resources are necessary to conduct a larger study. *Completed.*

ACTION: **Martha Shimkin and Elliott Campbell** will follow up with the National Center for Environmental Economics on how to initiate Phase 1 of the Environmental Justice proposal and will inform the BFWG when Phase 1 is initiated or as information is provided. *Completed.*

Action: **Martha Shimkin** will negotiate Phase 2 collaboration of the NCEE Environmental Justice Proposal and develop CBP partnership points of contact. *Completed.*

Action: **The GIT Funding Team** will work with the technical leads of the Wetlands Mowing project, which did not receive a bid in the GIT Funding process, to change the scope and/or targets in order to get bids on the project. *Completed.*

Action: **Megan Granato** will crosscheck the IIJA Funding Table with the MD Resiliency Partnership Table and determine if there are any funding opportunities missing from either table. *Completed.*

Action: **Greg A. and Bo W.** will organize upcoming meetings with NCEE to determine next steps following the generation of the Points of Contact list. *Completed.*

Action: **Martha S.** will follow-up with **Rachel Felver** to confirm that agencies should report grant opportunities to Rachel F. to be advertised, similar to the job opportunities advertisements. *Complete.*

