

Climate Resiliency Workgroup

June 15th, 2023 1:30-3:30 PM EST

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<u>Agenda</u>

1:30 PM

Welcome, Opening Remarks, and Announcements – Mark Bennett, Co-Chair (USGS), Jackie Specht, Co-Chair (The Nature Conservancy), Julie Reichert-Nguyen, Coordinator (NOAA), and Jamileh Soueidan, CRWG Management Staffer (CRC) [15 minutes]

Focus of meeting:

- Share recent partner efforts around climate change impacts on nontidal watershed regions of the Chesapeake Bay and recommendations to address these impacts.
- Provide Taylor Woods (USGS) and her team with input and feedback on their web application, which focuses summarizing their research on Chesapeake Bay stream fish vulnerability and land-use/land cover change.

Workgroup Announcements:

- Welcome to Emily O'Keefe, summer intern with the CRC/NOAA program.
 Emily will be working on a project that will help advance our workplan actions 1.2a and 1.6a related to evaluating water temperature change/marine heat wave with fish habitat metrics.
- Opportunity: Participate on cross-workgroup advisory committee to

assist with the conceptual development of a sea level rise-tidal wetland impact indicator for Chesapeake Progress. Status and Trends Workgroup will be organizing a special meeting with members from the Climate Resiliency Workgroup, Wetlands Workgroup, and Land Use Workgroup. Potential contractor support available to create the indicator.

• EPA-ORD recently published the <u>proceedings</u> for their May 2022 Resilient Coastal Wetlands and Communities Workshop. The workshop brought together USEPA researchers along with a host of other partners and stakeholders virtually, for a cross-organizational and cross-regional exploration of three scientific themes: characterizing and measuring wetlands resilience; adapting management to support wetlands resilience; and linking wetlands resilience to the health and resilience of coastal communities, including those that are overburdened and underserved.

1:45 PM Impacts of Climate and Land-use/Land Cover Change on Stream Fishes and Instream Habitat in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed (Taylor Woods, USGS) [35 Minutes]

Taylor will present an overview of her recently published research investigating Chesapeake Bay stream fish vulnerability to climate change and land-use/land cover change. Additionally, she will present on upcoming research modelling climate and land-use/land-cover change on streamflow characteristics throughout the Chesapeake Bay watershed. The presentation will be followed by a discussion to provide feedback to guide development of a stream fish vulnerability web application as a part of a USGS Community for Data Integration grant and to determine needs for upcoming instream habitat modelling efforts related to climate and land-use change drivers.

2:20 PM Raindrops and Rivers: Stacking Climate Resilient Practices Informed by River Flow Data (Olivia Devereux) [30 Minutes]

Olivia will present on her work utilizing river flow data to help inform climate resiliency strategies. This work aimed to: 1) discover where to access river flow data that can illustrate trends leading to nuisance flooding; 2) learn an approach for identifying and quantifying multiple benefits of climate resilient management practices; and 3) amass resources for and examples of community engagement successes that improve climate resiliency.

2:50 PM STAC Rising Water Temperature Workshop Watershed Management Implications, Recommendations and Associate Science and Research Needs (Rebecca Hanmer, Forestry Workgroup Chair/Retired EPA) [30 minutes]

Rebecca will present on the watershed findings from the STAC Rising Water Temperature Workshop. These findings include management implications, recommendations, and their associated science needs, which all aim to address

increasing water temperatures in the nontidal portions of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed.

3:20 PM Partner Announcements and Wrap Up [10 minutes]

3:30 PM Adjourn