

Good Morning Federal Facilities Workgroup Members and Interested Parties,

This is a notice that our FFWG meeting on Tuesday, October 14th is **CANCELED** due to the lapse in federal government funding that impacts many of our participants and presenters. Our next meeting will take place on December 9th, 2025, from 10:00AM-12:00PM.

In lieu of our meeting, we would like to provide you with some announcements that would have been made at our October meeting:

- **Reminder of August Decisions**

- At the August meeting, the FFWG voted to approve the updated federal facilities data layer for the Phase 7 Watershed Model. It was also decided that in Phase 7, federal agencies will not be assigned land uses from these specific categories—septic, construction, harvested forest, and agriculture—but they can still report BMPs to the states.

- **2025 Annual Progress Submissions**

- BMP progress reporting is underway. Please continue to submit annual Best Management Practices (BMP) data (for BMPs installed July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025), to your respective jurisdictional contacts by October 15th. Additional information is available in the email sent by Khesha Reed, Deputy Director of the Chesapeake Bay Program Office, on 9/26.

- **Federal Harvested Forest Reporting**

- As a reminder, agricultural and septic practices are assigned to jurisdictions even when they are occurring on a federal land. However, harvested forest is not reassigned to jurisdictions. In future submissions, harvested forest that is on a federal land, should be reported as such.

- **Federal Facility CAST Report Overview Resources**

- For those interested in learning more about how to run CAST reports at the agency scale, please view the [CAST Webinar](#) titled "Federal Agencies" (Accessible under "additional resources").

Please reach out with any questions.

Thank you!