



Local Government Leadership Workgroup Quarterly Meeting
*Building Local Resilience: Innovative Approaches to Managing Stormwater, Mitigating
Flooding, and Reducing Pollution*

March 5, 2026
9:30-11:30 am

Meeting Link: [Join the meeting via Microsoft Teams](#)

Meeting ID: 243 348 510 735 65 **Passcode:** LC2Tf9iu

Call: +1 202-991-0477 **Conference ID:** 436011001#

[Visit the meeting webpage for meeting materials and additional information.](#)

This meeting may be recorded for internal use only to assure the accuracy of meeting notes. To turn on closed captioning, click on the three ellipses (More actions), then click on “Turn on live captions” (preview). To request accommodations, please contact Erin Sonnenburg at sonnenburge@chesapeake.org.

Please read the following information carefully, as our meeting policies have changed:

- All meeting attendees' cameras and microphones will be muted at the start of the meeting.
- To request access to the microphone and camera, all meeting participants will be required to use the raised hand feature on Teams. Once access has been granted by the meeting organizer, you will then be allowed to unmute your mic and turn on your camera. Unless instructed otherwise, once a participant has microphone or camera access, they will have this permission for the remainder of the meeting.
- Access to chat will be provided as well. Should it be necessary, the Q&A feature on Teams will be utilized to field participant questions.

Compromised Meeting Plan: If the meeting's privacy is compromised, the meeting staffer and coordinator will send an email to all Members, alternates, staffers, coordinators, and interested parties. Within the email, you will find a new meeting link, instructions on sharing this information with external partners, and any necessary adjustments to the meeting schedule. Please do NOT share this information publicly or post it to the Chesapeakebay.net webpage.

Purpose:

- Reorient the LGLW under its new name, outcome language, and targets within the revised Watershed Agreement.
- Explore real-world case studies in innovative stormwater management, flood mitigation, and pollution reduction.
- Collect and preview tools and resources that address stormwater, flooding, and pollution.
- Develop actionable strategies to share these tools and resources with local leaders to increase their knowledge and capacity, and meet shared Chesapeake Bay Watershed restoration goals.

Agenda

I. Welcome, Introductions, & Announcements (9:30 – 9:45)

With a new name, new target, new goal team, and a revised Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement, Maura Christian, LGLW Chair, will reorient our group and set the stage for 2026.

Requested Action: Non-decisional

Lead: Maura Christian, VA DEQ/LGLW Chair, Caitlin Bolton, MWCOG/LGLW Vice-Chair & Rick Mittler, LGLW Coordinator

Materials:

[Presentation: LGLW Administrative Slides](#)

II. Innovative Approaches: Managing Stormwater (9:45 – 10:00)

Chesapeake Stormwater Network (CSN) will highlight their project with [RAND](#) and [MARISA](#), where they are developing a series of tools to support implementation of more resilient stormwater practices and approaches. Attendees will tour the new [vulnerability assessment tool](#) and preview other tools and training programs that CSN will roll out over the next two-years.

Requested Action: Non-decisional

Lead: David Wood, [Chesapeake Stormwater Network](#)

Materials:

[Presentation: Innovative Approaches to Managing Stormwater](#)

[Report: A Practical Guide to Vulnerability Assessments for Stormwater Agencies](#)

III. Innovative Approaches: Mitigating Flooding (10:05 – 10:20)

Resilient Hampton is working to “envision, create, and empower Hampton to live and thrive with water and the impacts of climate change through approaches driven by data and values.” Learn about the innovative projects planned for Hampton, and how they’re utilizing creative funding, community engagement, and a scientific approach to address flooding.

Requested Action: Non-decisional

Lead: Scott Smith, Coastal Resilience Engineer, City of Hampton, VA

Materials:

[Presentation: Innovative Approaches to Mitigating Flooding](#)

IV. Innovative Approaches: Reducing Pollution (10:25 – 10:40)

Learn about Bladensburg Waterfront Park’s Algal Turf Scrubber (ATS) located in Prince George’s County, MD. The innovative ATS technology is designed to reduce nutrient pollutant loads in the Anacostia River. Attendees will learn how the system works, what is required for its installation and maintenance, and the measurable water quality benefits it provides.

Requested Action: Non-decisional

Lead: Dr. Peter May, University of Maryland

Materials:

[Presentation: Innovations Approaches to Reducing Pollution](#)

- V. Guided Discussion/Application Session (10:45 – 11:10)**
Developing actionable strategies to share resources and tools to increase the knowledge and capacity of local governments to meet shared Chesapeake Bay Watershed restoration goals.

Requested Action: Non-decisional

Lead: Maura Christian, VA DEQ/LGLW Chair & Rick Mittler, LGLW Coordinator

Materials:

[Presentation: LGLW Administrative Slides](#)

- VI. Chesapeake Bay Program Updates (11:10 – 11:25)**
What local government leaders need to know about the revised Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement and proposed Changes to CBP Governance and Structure.

Requested Action: Non-decisional

Lead: Keith Bollt, Environmental Protection Specialist, Chesapeake Bay Program, EPA

Materials:

[Presentation: CBP Updates to the LGLW March 2026](#)

- VII. Wrap-Up (11:25 – 11:30)**
Lead: Maura Christian, VA DEQ/LGLW Chair, Caitlin Bolton, MWCOG/LGLW Vice-Chair

- VIII. Adjourn (11:30)**

Next Meeting: Thursday May 21, 2026, 9:30-11:30am | Theme: *Strengthening Local Solutions: Communicating Successes and Tailored Technical Assistance*