

BEYOND 2025 TIMELINE FOR THE CHESAPEAKE BAY WATERSHED AGREEMENT REVISIONS (TENTATIVE)

January - March:

 Outcome Assessment - Management Board decides whether to recommend consolidating, reducing, updating, removing, replacing or adding new outcome. PSC reviews agreement for additional revisions



April - June:

 Outcome Revision - Management Board recommends any new/revised outcome language. PSC approves language and Agreement revisions for public review



July - September:

- Public feedback and revisions
- Clarification of targets under each outcome

End of 2025:

 Executive Council to review recommended revisions to the Agreement and its outcomes



LAND USE DECISION SUPPORT OUTCOME UPDATES

(TO REPLACE THE LAND USE OPTIONS EVALUATION (LUOE) OUTCOME):

The edits following the MB Retreat are highlighted in red.

FINAL DRAFT OUTCOME LANGUAGE:

Develop and disseminate relevant and actionable land use information to organizations and communities involved in local and regional land use planning on past, present, and future conditions and the potential environmental and socioeconomic consequences of changing conditions.

FINAL DRAFT TARGETS:

- Continually increase the number, variety, and/or geographic scope of use cases (e.g., watershed protection, aquatic connectivity, stormwater, tree canopy, stream health, or redevelopment) for landscape information.
- Highlight two use cases annually to showcase best practices and share this information with local planning officials and partners through Story Maps and/or other communication products.
- Promote land use data and tool applications that maintain the ecological integrity of watersheds supporting good stream health and address the needs of local communities.

BACKGROUND: CURRENT ORGANIZATION



1. Sustainable Fisheries



6. Stewardship



2. Vital Habitats



7. Land Conservation



3. Water Quality



8. Public Access



4. Toxic Contaminants



9. Environmental Literacy



5. Healthy Watersheds



10. Climate Resiliency

- 31 Outcomes
- 10 Goals
- 6 GITS
- 5 Themes
 - Abundant Life
 - Clean Water
 - Conserved Lands
 - Engaged Communities
 - Climate Change

PROPOSED REORGANIZATION

4 GOALS:

1. Conserved Lands

- Land Use Decision Support
- Protected Lands
- Healthy Forests and Trees
- Adaptation to Changing Environmental Conditions

2. Clean Water

- Water Quality Standards Attainment and Monitoring
- Reducing Excess Nitrogen, Phosphorus and Sediment
- Toxic Contaminants Mitigation

Relevant Documents:

Proposed Reorganization of the Goal Introductions and Statements (Link) Proposed Revisions to the Vision, Preamble, and Principles (Link)

3. Thriving Habitat and Wildlife

- Submerged Aquatic Vegetation
- Brook Trout
- Fish Habitat
- Wetlands
- Fish Passage
- Stream Health
- Blue Crab Sustainability; Oysters

4. Engaged Communities

- Public Access
- School District Planning
- Student Experiences; Stewardship
- Workforce
- Local Leadership

HOW DO WE SUPPORT EACH OTHER'S OUTCOMES?

Creates and communicates actionable information relevant to land use to organizations involved in the planning process.



NEXT STEPS

> Participate in CBP restructuring decisions surrounding the "Conserved Lands" goal.

➢ Review and respond to public comments following review period: July 1st − September 1st, 2025.