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# **Management Strategy Placeholders**

## **Discussion**



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# DISCUSSION

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for initial MS development?

What timeframe does the MB want to set  
for MS implementation and evaluation?

DECISION anticipated Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>

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# Management Strategy (MS) Placeholders

- MS development period
  - Within **X timeframe** (*previously “one year”*) of the revision of the *Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement*, the Chesapeake Bay Program’s Goal Implementation Teams will update or develop Management Strategies for the Outcomes that support the Goals of this *Watershed Agreement*.

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# MS Placeholders

- MS implementation and evaluation period
  - Management Strategies, which are aimed at implementing Outcomes, identify participating signatories and other stakeholders, including local governments and nonprofit organizations, and will be implemented in **X-year (previously “2-year”) periods.**
  - The signatories and other partners shall thereafter update and/or modify such commitments every **X (previously “2”) years.**
  - Goal Implementation Teams will re-evaluate **with X frequency (previously “biennially”)** and update strategies as necessary, with attention to changing environmental and economic conditions.

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# MS Revisions Through the SRS:

- Commonly heard sentiment within CBP is that through the Strategy Review System (SRS) there is not enough time for implementation.
  - “There is also concern that the cycle for reviewing progress under the SRS is too short. Participants noted that a two-year cycle of plan, implement, and review ends up spending more time in the review and plan stages than in implementation.” [ERG’s Beyond 2025 Final Report](#)

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# Public Feedback: MS Placeholders

- Multiple suggestions were received in favor of maintaining a one-year development timeframe
  - “Suggest keeping the one year timeframe for updating/developing Management Strategies and prioritizing local participation in the process.”
- Multiple suggestions were received in favor of maintaining a two-year implementation timeframe.
  - “Suggest keeping the 2-year implementation periods and reevaluation...”
- A 5-year timeframe was also suggested



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# Thank you!

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