



**Chesapeake Bay Program**  
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## **Management Board Meeting Agenda**

October 9, 2025  
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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**Purpose:** The purpose of the Management Board (MB) meeting will be to continue discussions and make decisions on remaining unresolved topics to prepare for the December Executive Council meeting including outcomes/targets; Agreement time horizon; management strategy implementation, commitment updates, and evaluation and strategy updates; and full Watershed Agreement approval. The MB will also discuss and finalize the 1 pager that summarizes recommendations to address the two challenges as well as discuss the CBP strawman structure feedback.

### **I. Meeting Introductions**

**9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.**

Dan Coogan, MB Chair, will kick-off the meeting and introduce himself. Dan will review and discuss the timeline to make decisions and finalize materials in advance of the October 28<sup>th</sup> PSC meeting and Nov 6<sup>th</sup> MB/PSC meeting. Amy Handen, EPA, will administer roll call.

Requested Action: Non-decisional; Discussion and presentation only

*Presenters: Dan Coogan, EPA and Amy Handen, EPA*

Materials:

I. Timeline for Agreement Approval

### **II. Review MB Retreat Actions and Decisions**

**9:15 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.**

The purpose of this agenda topic is to review the actions and decisions from the Fall 2025 MB Retreat.

Requested Action: Non-decisional; Discussion and presentation only

*Facilitator: Dan Coogan, EPA and Lee McDonnell, EPA*

Materials:

II. Actions and Decisions: MB Fall 2025 Retreat

**III. Watershed Agreement: Time Horizon, Management Strategies, and Full Watershed Agreement Approval**

**9:20 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss the Agreement time horizon; management strategies placeholders for MS implementation, commitment updates, and evaluation and strategy updates; as well as full Watershed Agreement Approval. The signatory MB members will conduct a vote to register their decisions.

Requested Action: Decisional

*Facilitator: Anna Killius, CBC*

Materials:

III. Management Strategy Placeholders

**IV. Watershed Agreement: Outcomes and Targets**

**10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.**

The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss remaining pieces of the revised Agreement that were not resolved at the retreat including the Reducing Excess Nitrogen, Phosphorous and Sediment Target, the military readiness language and the Waterbirds Target. The signatory MB members will conduct a vote to register their decisions.

Requested Action: Decisional

*Facilitator: Lee McDonnell, EPA*

Materials:

IV. Agreement Remaining Outcome Decisions

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**10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

**V. Structure**

**11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.**

The purpose of this agenda topic is to discuss and consider the feedback shared during and following the MB Retreat on the strawman structure.

Requested Action: Non-decisional; Discussion and presentation only

*Facilitator: Anna Killius, CBC*

Materials:

V. Strawman Chesapeake Bay Program Structure

**VI. Governance**

**11:45 a.m. – 12:25 p.m.**

The purpose of this agenda item is to finalize the 1 pager that summarizes the first two challenges identified: Priority Setting and Decision-Making Recommendations and Role and

Responsibility Recommendations. MB will also discuss how best to couple recommendations (i.e., one-pagers) on governance and structure to the Executive Council.

Requested Action: Decisional; finalize the 1 pager.

*Facilitator: Adrienne Kotula, CBC*

Materials:

VI. Governance and Accountability Initial Recommendations

**VII. Near-Term Milestone Schedule 12:25 p.m. – 12:40 p.m.**

In Jan 2025, the PSC agreed to continue use two-year milestones during the interim period between 2026 and when new water quality targets are established by the partnership to maintain continuity and accountability toward meeting the interim targets and Phase III WIPs. The PSC requested that the MB define a schedule for this “near-term” period and for EPA to develop expectations. The purpose of this agenda item is to approve the Near-Term Milestones schedule and review EPA’s revised expectations.

Requested Action: Decisional. MB recommendation of the Near-Term Milestone schedule to the PSC for their consideration and approval.

*Facilitator: Lee McDonnell, EPA and Bo Williams, EPA*

Materials:

VII.a. Near Term Milestones

VII.b. Supporting Materials: Milestones Schedule

VII.c. Supporting Materials: Milestone Expectations EPA

**VIII. Announcements / Business Meeting 12:40 p.m. – 12:55 p.m.**

The purpose of this agenda item is to provide an opportunity for the MB members to offer any brief updates on items of interest to the MB.

Requested Action: Non-decisional; Discussion only.

*Facilitator: Dan Coogan, EPA*

Materials: N/A

**IX. Review of Actions and Decisions 12:55 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

The purpose of this agenda item is to recap the decisions and actions captured from the day’s discussions and deliberations.

Requested Action: Non-decisional; Discussion only.

*Facilitator: Amy Handen, EPA*

Materials: N/A

**X. Wrap Up and Adjourn 1:00 p.m.**