

## WQGIT/WQGIT Workgroup Phase 7 Decisional Items Through February 2026

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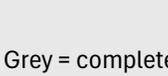
**Disclaimer:** The following topics and timeline reflect the workgroup leadership's best guess at when items will appear before a given workgroup. Dates, topics, and workgroups involved in the topic are subject to change.

Topic	October	November	December	January	February	Recent Materials	Notes
Broiler Population, Litter Generation, and Litter Concentrations					*AMT (2/13), <b>AMT (2/27)</b>	<a href="#">February AMT Presentation</a>	The AMT will consider adopting data from a broiler data collection project headed by the Delaware Department of Agriculture.
Inorganic Fertilizer	*AMT (10/10)	*AMT (11/14)	<b>AMT(12/12)</b>	*AMT (1/9)	*AMT (2/13), <b>AMT (2/27)</b>	<a href="#">December AMT Presentation</a>	In December, the group decided on the fertilizer smoothing process and a single method for interpolating sales data for nonreporting states. The application algorithm for how nutrients will work in Phase 7 will be decided in February.
Supplemental Nutrient Management Practices on Pasture and Hay					<b>AMT (2/13), WTWG (3/5)</b>		During the creation of Hay High and Pasture High Land Uses, nutrient management multipliers associated with Core Nutrient Management were decided. The AMT did not address the efficiencies of Supplemental Nutrient Management, Rate, Placement, and Timing. The AMT will review potential efficiency values for Phase 7 and provide those values to the WTWG for approval.

P7 NEIEN Appendix					<b>WTWG (3/5)</b>		This decision will take place once the previous mappings have been approved, in March 2026.
P6 NEIEN Appendix Additions for Historical BMP Reporting					<b>WTWG (3/5)</b>		
Methodology for Reporting Nutrient Management on Pasture/Hay					<b>WTWG (via email by February 19)</b>		
Animal Waste Management Systems Conversion Factor					*WTWG (2/5)		This was discussed at the February Watershed Technical Workgroup meeting. However, the requesting body did not wish to proceed with this item for 2025 Progress or the Phase 7 Calibration. As such, it was not discussed further by the WTWG.
Mapping P7 Load Sources to BMPs		*WTWG 11/6	*USWG (12/16), *AgWG (12/18)	*WTWG (1/8), <b>AgWG (1/29), USWG (via</b>	<b>WTWG (2/5)</b>	<a href="#">February WTWG Slides and Matrix for Approval</a>	The mapping matrix of Load Sources to BMPs was approved by the WTWG, including the AgWG and USWG recommendations, in Feb 2026.
<a href="#">CSS Data Layer</a>				<b>Additional data due 1/23</b>		<a href="#">Sept WWTWG Presentation</a>	Updated data was received for a final layer before model calibration.
<a href="#">MS4 Area Data Layer</a>				<b>Additional data due 1/23</b>		<a href="#">Sept USWG Presentation</a>	Updated data was received for a final layer before model calibration.

Updated Hydrologic and Critical Period for Phase 7			*WQGIT (12/15)	WQGIT (via email 1/7)		<a href="#">Dec WQGIT Presentation</a>	WQGIT approved the decision to pursue an update to the hydrologic and critical period for the Phase 7 model. WQGIT will be involved in multiple touchpoints through 2026. All technical and policy decisions need to be completed Dec 2026.
Methodology for Allocating Feed Space Acres for Phase 7			<b>WTWG</b> (*12/4 and <b>via email by 12/18</b> ), *AgWG (12/18)			<a href="#">Dec WTWG Presentation</a>	The WTWG approved via email the methodology for allocating feed space acres for Phase 7.
<a href="#">Compacted Pervious Land Use Class - MS4/Non-Regulated Division</a>			<b>USWG</b> (12/16)			<a href="#">Dec USWG Slides</a>	USWG approved the division of the Compacted Pervious land use class into regulated (within MS4s) and non-regulated, like all other classes in the developed sector, which was mistakenly omitted in the original decision.
<a href="#">Layer Population Data (Hillandale) and Application Concerns</a>		*AMT (11/14)	<b>AMT</b> (12/12)			<a href="#">December AMT Presentation</a>	In December, the AMT agreed to incorporate missing Hillandale Layers into the Phase 7 model based on a composite dataset utilizing Hillandale and CAFO reported populations.

Urban Nutrient Management Updates	*USWG 10/21 *WQGIT (via email recording) *WQGIT 10/27	<b>USWG (via email 11/12), WTWG (11/6), WQGIT (via email 11/24)</b>				<a href="#">Oct USWG Presentation Recording</a>	The UNM Panel Report was approved by USWG on 11/12, WQGIT on 11/24. The Technical appendix was approved by WTWG on 11/6.
BMP Excess	<b>WTWG 10/2</b>					<a href="#">October WTWG Presentation</a>	The AMT sent a recommendation on default buffer width for conversion calculations to the WTWG in September. The WTWG approved this decision at their October meeting.

Key: (\*)= Informational    **Agriculture**    **CAST Inputs**    **Other**     Grey = completed

**Bold** = **Land Use**    **Wastewater**    **BMP Updates**

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In addition to linked presentations and materials from meetings, reference Office Hour recordings linked here for relevant topics that were covered.	<a href="#">Aug 15 Office Hours Recording</a>
	<a href="#">Aug 18 Office Hours Recording</a>
	<a href="#">Sep 15 Office Hours Recording</a>