



Stream Health Workgroup Meeting - October 2026

Friday, October 16, 2026
10:00am - 12:00pm EST

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Purpose: To hear presentations from partners in the watershed working on stream health-related topics, receive updates regarding the Management Strategy, and discuss the Stream Health Workgroup's upcoming Workplan development.

Agenda

I. Introduction and Announcements (10:00 – 10:10)

The Stream Health meeting will begin with announcements and updates. Time will be given for each member to introduce themselves. Please put your name and affiliation in the meeting chat.

Requested Action: Non-decisional

Lead: Alison Santoro (MDNR), Brock Reggi (VA DEQ)

Materials: N/A

II. Presentation: Effectiveness of agricultural stream restoration practices: Turtle Creek, Union County, Pennsylvania (10:10 – 10:40)

Despite widespread implementation of stream restoration there is limited research of its effectiveness in impaired agricultural settings. To quantify the effects of stream restoration on sediment load, we investigated erosion and deposition along 9 stream reach sites (4 restored, 4 unrestored, and 1 downstream) in Turtle Creek, Pennsylvania, United States - a representative agricultural subbasin of the Chesapeake Bay. Results indicate that stream restoration in agricultural watersheds using less-engineered designs can reduce sediment loading and improve stream habitat and health goals.

Requested Action: Non-decisional

Lead: Greg Noe, USGS

Materials: Presentation will be uploaded to the meeting webpage.

III. Presentation: Pooled Monitoring Initiative Science Syntheses for Restoration Decisions (10:40 – 11:10)

The Pooled Monitoring Initiative has spent more than a decade generating research to address priority questions about stream and stormwater restoration performance. This presentation will briefly revisit how the Initiative connects research with the needs of practitioners, regulators, and decision makers, and highlight key insights emerging from funded studies. The focus will be on new science synthesis products and decision-support tools that translate more than ten years of Pooled Monitoring research into accessible, actionable information.

Requested Action: Non-decisional

Lead: Sadie Drescher (Chesapeake Bay Trust)

Materials: Presentation will be uploaded to the meeting webpage.

IV. Discussion: Workplan Development (11:10 – 11:55)

The workgroup will be given updates on the Management Strategy and discussion will be based on building into the new Workplan.

Requested Action: Non-decisional

Lead: Introduction - Keith Bollt (EPA), Discussion - Alison Santoro (MDNR), Brock Reggi (VA DEQ)

Materials: Draft of Management Strategy and Workplan Template available on meeting page.

V. Wrap-Up and Adjourn (11:55 – 12:00)

Recap the decisions and actions captured from the day's discussions and deliberations.

Requested Action: Non-decisional

Lead: Alison Santoro (MDNR), Brock Reggi (VA DEQ)

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