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Toxic Contaminants Workgroup

Wednesday, January 14th, 2026
1:00 – 2:50 PM

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Purpose: This is the monthly meeting of the Toxic Contaminants Workgroup (TCW). Main agenda items include a presentation of an Accumulated Wastewater Map Viewer in the Potomac River watershed, a presentation of a 6ppd-q Heat Map Tool, and an update on Beyond 2025 and upcoming plans for TCW.

Agenda

I. Welcome and Announcements (1:00 – 1:05)

Tony will welcome meeting participants and call for the approval of the October 2025 TCW/LLWG joint meeting minutes.

Requested Action: Decisional.
Lead: Tony Timpano, TCW Co-Chair
Materials: October 2025 TCW/LLWG Joint Meeting Minutes

II. Co-Chair and At-Large Member Nominations (1:05 – 1:15)

A call for nominations was sent in November 2025 to fill the 5 vacant at-large member positions and 1 vacant co-chair position on the TCW. We received 2 nominations for at-large positions. The call for nominations will remain open for anyone who wishes to submit for a vacant position. Confirmation of nominees will occur at the next TCW meeting.

Requested Action: Informational.
Lead: Tony Timpano, TCW Co-Chair
Materials: Nominee Bios

III. Potomac Accumulated Wastewater Viewer (1:15 – 1:45)

Sam will present and demo a map viewer that shows accumulated wastewater in the Potomac River Watershed. This tool builds on USGS research on contaminants in surface waters across the watershed, particularly PFAS and pesticides.

Requested Action: Informational presentation and discussion.
Lead: Sam Miller, USGS
Materials: Presentation, Map Viewer, PFAS and Wastewater Paper, Pesticides and Wastewater Paper, Potomac Wastewater Mapper

IV. 6ppd-q Heat Map Tool (1:45 – 2:15)

Stephanie will present a web mapping tool recently released by the USGS that shows where likely sources of 6PPDQ exist across the US, including a map for the Chesapeake Bay watershed. This tool allows direct user interaction with the data, enabling closer examination of areas of concern, and prioritization of sampling areas. This work can help protect and recover priority fish species in the Chesapeake and support the outdoor recreation economy for generations to come.

Requested Action: Informational presentation and discussion.
Lead: Stephanie Gordon, USGS
Materials: Presentation, Mapping Tool, Sources and relative heat index of 6PPD-quinone

V. Beyond 2025 Updates and TCW Planning (2:15 – 2:45)

On December 2nd, the Chesapeake Executive Council convened for their annual meeting and committed to the revised *Watershed Agreement*, which includes a new, combined Toxic and

Emerging Contaminants Outcome. Tony and Keith will share updates on the Beyond 2025 process and current plans for changes to the CBP structure and governance. Tony will lead a discussion on potential planning for TCW and the work to implement this new outcome. Please come prepared to share ideas and discuss.

Requested Action: Informational, for discussion.
Lead: Tony Timpano, TCW Co-Chair
Materials: Revised *Watershed Agreement*, Presentation

VI. Wrap-Up (2:45 – 2:50)
Lead: Petra Baldwin, TCW Staffer

VII. Adjourn (2:50)

Next Meeting: February 11, 2026

Announcements & Recent Publications

- **Recent Publication:** Imidacloprid in United States Rivers, 2013–2022: Persistent Presence and Emerging Chronic Hazard | Environmental Science & Technology
- **Recent Publication:** Using Long-Term Trends of PCBs in Fish Caught in Maryland Waters to Assess the Effectiveness of Management Actions | ACS ES&T Water
- **The Chesapeake Executive Council held their annual meeting on December 2nd.** The revised *Watershed Agreement*, structure recommendations, and governance recommendations are all posted to the calendar page. View the Bay Program press release here.
- **The 2026 Chesapeake Community Research Symposium is accepting presentation and poster abstract submissions until Friday February 13, 2026, at 5pm.** Please consider submitting an abstract for one or more of the special sessions. The 2026 edition of the biennial symposium will be held June 1-3, 2026, in Annapolis, Maryland. The theme of the 2026 Symposium is Chesapeake Bay Research and Restoration: Next Generation Tools for a Dynamic Future. Learn more and submit an abstract here.