



Coordinator Updates

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An osprey carries a menhaden to its nest in Talbot County, Md., April 2023

Photo by Will Parson, Chesapeake Bay Program



Agenda at a glance

- Welcome & Intro
- Business, Workgroup & Phase 7 Updates
- Governance & Structure Update and Discussion
- Management Strategy Update and Discussion
- BREAK
- Discussion: What does 2040 mean for RENPS Target 2?
- Where do loads and trends come from?
- Wrap-Up & Adjourn

Happy Earth Month

Business, News & Reminders

ICYMI – CRC Roundtable on “Restoring Positivity: Chesapeake Bay Watershed Success Stories” recording [available online](#)

STAC topical meeting Thu. April 30th 1-4PM on “AI and Machine Learning for Chesapeake Bay Science and Management.”

Reminder to check agenda for more announcements or reminders you may not want to miss!

Management Board April 16th meeting to discuss governance and management framework and management strategy template

Other news

Clean Water Goal Team Office hours May 12 and June 9, 1:00-2:30PM

LUWG Office Hours tomorrow, 1:00-3:00PM (Sarah)



**Reminder:
Monday June 22
& Tue June 23**

WQGIT/CWGT hybrid
meeting @ MDE in
Baltimore

More details coming ASAP

Workgroup updates

Full workgroup updates provided in later slides; please consult posted slides at your convenience

Workgroup Updates (summary)

open to Chairs or Coordinators to add more

Wastewater

Canceled April meeting. Phase 7 sewer/septic data has been reviewed and a compilation of feedback was shared out and will be presented by Jackie Pickford at the May WWTWG meeting. **Next meeting: May 28th, 10am-12pm**

Watershed Technical

Met on April 2nd, topics included an overview of the Beyond Bean Counting Report published in January, and a group brainstorm of future meeting topics for upcoming WTWG meetings. The topic suggestions were summarized and distilled into five key themes, and the full list of suggestions is available on the [calendar page](#). **Next meeting: May 7, 10am-12pm**

Agriculture

Met on April 16th, topics included a deeper dive into the E3 scenario for the agricultural sector and continued discussion on a review of the latest ag BMPs evaluations, and feasibility for remote sensing. Additional topics included an overview of the NRCS Regenerative Pilot Program from NRCS Chesapeake Bay Coordinator, Vivian Dickson, and updates from the Agricultural Advisory Committee and Agricultural Modeling Team. . **Next Meeting: May 21, 10am-12pm**

Urban Stormwater

Met April 21 for an update on the Vulnerability Assessment Guide and Climate Decision Support Tool developed by RAND, a discussion on initial draft E3 Scenario recommendations, and a presentation and discussion on remote sensing of stormwater BMPs. **Next meeting: May 19, 10am - 12pm**

Workgroup updates – more details

Agriculture

- The AgWG met on April 16th. This meeting included a deeper dive into the E3 scenario for the agricultural sector and continued discussion on a spreadsheet that summarizes the last time ag BMPs were evaluated for credit and outlines feasibility for remote sensing. Additional topics included an overview of the NRCS Regenerative Pilot Program from NRCS Chesapeake Bay Coordinator, Vivian Dickson, and updates from the Agricultural Advisory Committee and Agricultural Modeling Team.
- Next meeting: May 21, 10am-12pm

Forestry

- The May Forestry Workgroup Meeting (Wednesday May 6th) is cancelled. Instead, the group will be taking part in the Healthy Landscapes Goal Team meeting on May 11th, from 10:00-3:00pm.
- The July 1st meeting of the Forestry Workgroup will be held in Goochland, Virginia. The meeting will be in the morning, with an afternoon session visiting a state lands property- a working cattle farm owned by the Department of Corrections. They have been managing issues on the property such as erosion and stream impairment, and the group will get to see a unique project underway. More details will be available soon.

Workgroup updates – more details

Urban Stormwater

- USWG met April 21 for an update on the Vulnerability Assessment Guide and Climate Decision Support Tool developed by RAND, a discussion on initial draft E3 Scenario recommendations, and a presentation and discussion on remote sensing of stormwater BMPs.
- Next meeting: May 19th, 10am-12pm

Wastewater Treatment

- WWTWG canceled the April meeting.
- Phase 7 sewer/septic data has been reviewed and a compilation of feedback was shared out and will be presented by Jackie at the May WWTWG meeting.
- Next Meeting: May 28th, 10am-12pm.

Workgroup updates – more details

Watershed Technical

- The WTWG met on April 2nd. Agenda topics included relevant announcements, an overview of the Beyond Bean Counting Report published back in January, and a group brainstorm of future meeting topics for upcoming WTWG meetings. The topic suggestions were summarized and distilled into five key themes, and the full list of topic suggestions for future WTWG meetings is available on the [calendar page](#).
- Next Meeting: May 7th, 10am-12pm

Toxic Contaminants

- TCW met April 8th and heard two technical presentations on recent PCB studies: long-term trends of PCBs in fish in Maryland and the impact of land use on PCB contamination in stormwater systems.
- Next Meeting: May 13th from 1-3pm which will include discussion on the scope of the group's work, management strategies, and indicator.

Workgroup updates – more details

Land Use

- The LUWG review of the [Phase 7 Land Use Back-cast time series data](#) (1985 – 2021) closed March 27th. Feedback has been reviewed and adjustments have been made to the viewer accordingly. The LUWG will be provided with the corrected data on the review app for final review/verification the week of 4/20/26. LUWG will host office hours on April 28th, from 1-3pm, to discuss the feedback received, the corrections made, and the impact of those corrections. Resources regarding this process are posted [here](#), and the web viewer can be found [here](#).
- LUWG is soliciting nominations for Chair, Co-Chair/Vice Chair, and members until April 27th.
- Please reach out to Jackie (jpickford@usgs.gov) if you are interested in contributing to the development of the land use management strategy.
- Next Meeting: April 28th, 1-3PM (office hours)

Workgroup updates – more details

CAP

- The April CAP WG meeting was cancelled.
- Next meeting: May 11th, 1:30-3:30pm

Milestones

- No update.
- Next meeting: TBD

Federal Facilities

- The FFWG met on April 14th. At this meeting, the group received an overview from David Wood, CSN, on the practice adjustments for urban nutrient management resulting from the Urban Nutrient Management Expert Panel Report. Additional agenda items included an update on the 2025 Annual Progress release timeline and associated communications, as well as a brainstorm of future topics and preferred meeting frequency.
- Next Meeting: June 9th, 10am-12pm