



Coordinator updates

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June 16, 2014 Agreement signed by the EC: <https://flic.kr/p/nJdtXQ>

Photos by Steve Droter, Chesapeake Bay Program

Water quality making a splash!

Yesterday: Baltimore
Harbor Splash by the
Waterfront Partnership
yesterday

Tomorrow: Katie Pumphrey
23-mile swim from Bay
Bridge to Baltimore Harbor

Photo by Jerry Jackson, Staff Baltimore Sun.
More Harbor Splash photos – Baltimore Sun:
<https://www.baltimoresun.com/2024/06/23/harbor-splash-photos/>



Welcome, Caroline Kleis!



Dead zone forecast released: greater flows, average load, only slightly greater hypoxic volume

WQGIT Newsletter coming soon!

Thriving Ag workshop: July 23rd in Stevensville, MD

**Quick
overview:**

**June 13
Management
Board**

Management Board: [Healthy Watersheds Quarterly Progress meeting](#)

View posted cohort materials for Stream Health, Tree Canopy and Riparian Forest Buffers

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**Tomorrow's
(June 25)
Principals' Staff
Committee**

Agenda includes: Beyond 2025; Ag Advisory Committee recommendation to the EC; Conowingo; Monitoring; TMDL Indicator + METRIC tool

View posted materials [on the calendar](#)

GIT funding results * -- WQGIT

Altogether, 9 projects selected by EPA CBPO Management for total of \$920,000 (FY2024 for this cycle)

WQGIT's top priorities:

1. "Beyond bean counting" (Selected - \$100k)
2. Advancing conservation for RFBs and Urban Tree Canopy (Not selected)
3. Assessment of BMPs as heaters and coolers (Selected - \$300k)
4. Guidance on selecting PFAS analytical approaches (Not selected)

Other (7) selections:

- Hypoxia Collaborative: Sampling Strategy and Design (STAR)
- ITAT's Cluster Analysis Code Development (STAR)
- Shallow water habitat sentinel site program development (Habitat GIT)
- Data review and development of multi-metric stream health indicators (Habitat GIT)
- increasing effectiveness of landowner engagement to accelerate wetland restoration (Habitat GIT)
- network science (SET)
- local gov't technical assistance inventory and gap analysis (GIT6 – LLWG)

* These are the results as understood based on verbal communications, some details may be in flux

Workgroup Updates (optional)

2 minutes or less, open to Chairs or Coordinators

Wastewater: sub-groups forming on Phase 7 issues (exfiltration; CSO data; etc.)

Watershed Technical

Toxics

Federal Facilities

Forestry: Forest Harvesting

Agriculture: Joint “EPEG” w/ FWG on Agroforestry Practices

Urban Stormwater

Land Use

Break

We will restart at 2:18