## **CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM**

Water Quality Goal Implementation Team (WQGIT) Meeting Agenda

Date: Monday November 18, 2024
Time: 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM Eastern Time

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## **Agenda**

Topic	Start time (duration)	Item Title Item description	Speaker(s) or presenter(s) Materials
	1:00	Welcome and Introduction  We will use Webex for roll call purposes, so please ensure your name and affiliation are accurately captured in the WebEx participants list. If not, please enter your correct name & affiliation in the chat box. If multiple participants are joining through the same location, please enter your names in the chat box. Call-in participants are requested to identify themselves verbally.	Suzanne Trevena, EPA, WQGIT Chair
	(30 min)	Announcements & Verbal Updates	
		<ul> <li>Coordinator Updates (Staffer Takeover) – Caroline Kleis, CRC</li> <li>WQGIT call for at-large nominations</li> <li>Upcoming WQGIT topics and decisions, e.g., river segmentation for Phase 7</li> <li>Workgroup Updates</li> </ul>	Materials: Presentation

Planning	<b>1:30</b> (15 min)	Report out from Nov. 7th Clean Water Quarterly Progress Meeting	Suzanne Trevena, EPA, WQGIT Chair & Bryant Thomas, VA DEQ, WQGIT Vice-Chair
		Bryant & Suzanne will summarize key themes and take-aways from the Management Board meeting.	
		Informational.	vice-criair
Phase 7 model	<b>1:45</b> (20 min)	Sanitary sewers and exfiltration in Phase 7	Jamie Mitchell, HRSD (WWTWG Co-Chair) & Joseph Delasantro, EPA
development		Jamie and Joseph will describe how the small ad hoc group for the Wastewater Treatment Workgroup (WWTWG) is approaching possible estimates of nutrient loss from sanitary sewer systems. They will describe	
		available information and how the loads are implicitly represented in Phase 6. They will summarize the efforts and progress so far and the general timeline for approval.	Materials: Presentation
		Informational. Questions and feedback welcome.	
Phase 7 model	<b>2:05</b> (10 min)	Flex time; open floor for Phase 7 questions, future agenda requests	
development		Raise or share your questions and we'll work to follow-up or bring them to a future agenda.	
	2:15	10-minute Break	
Milestones	<b>2:25</b> (60 min)	Near term milestones	Suzanne Trevena, EPA, WQGIT Chair
		"Near term" milestones are those milestones that span 2026 through when there are new targets established by the partnership using the Phase 7 modeling tools (approximately 2028 or 2029).	
		Suzanne will build on previous WQGIT discussions and input to begin narrowing options and preferences for near term milestones.	Materials: Presentation
		Active discussion and conversation is desired so please bring your ideas, examples, questions and comments!	See also: Materials from January 2009 PSC meeting
		Advance Action requested: Thoughts and input in advance of the meeting is always welcome.	
		Any additional actions will be determined based on discussion.	
	3:25	Recap of Actions and Decisions	Sushanth Gupta, CRC
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## Written announcements or reminders

- Announcements or opportunities
  - The next <u>CRC Roundtable</u> is Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> from 12-1pm is titled "Eat Your Invasives: The Bay's Battle with Blue Catfish." Register to join this free session and join the speakers Bruce Vogt (Ecosystem Science Manager, NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office & Chair, Chesapeake Bay Program's Invasive Catfish Workgroup) and Mike Hutt (Executive Director, Virginia Marine Products Board) to learn about the blue catfish invasion and what we can do about it. heir environmental and community impacts, and possible paths forward.
  - November's CAST webinar is Wednesday November 20<sup>th</sup> at noon and will highlight Monitoring Trends. Three guest speakers will join us to share resources that can be used to track water quality and living resource progress in the nontidal and tidal Chesapeake Bay. Breck Sullivan will kick things off by sharing the information available in the Tributary Summaries and Storymaps, which summarize the short- and long- term trends in the nontidal and tidal water quality for major Chesapeake Bay tributaries. Then, Dr. Rebecca Murphy will share the findings available in the recently updated tidal trends, which are based on data collected from more than 130 monitoring stations throughout the mainstem and tidal portions of the Bay. Dr. Qian Zhang will then take us home with a demonstration of shiny apps for the Water Quality Standards Attainment Indicator, which house the data used to update the Water Quality Standards Attainment and Monitoring Outcome on Chesapeake Progress.
    - Topic: Monitoring Trends
    - Time: November 20, 2024 at noon EST
    - Join Zoom Meeting
    - Meeting ID: 886 5874 4443
    - One tap mobile +13017158592,,88658744443#
    - Reminder to check the CAST 'Free Training Videos' page for past sessions.
  - o The Pooled Monitoring Initiative's Restoration Research Award program RFP is out!
    - RFP and program details here: <a href="https://cbtrust.org/grants/restoration-research/">https://cbtrust.org/grants/restoration-research/</a>
    - Due date: January 23rd, 2025
    - Information session: January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025 from 12pm-1pm EST. Register <u>here</u>.
  - New! STAC workshop report on <u>The State of the Science and Practice of Stream Restoration in the Chesapeake: Lessons</u> Learned to Inform Better Implementation, Assessment and Outcomes.
  - The <u>TMDL Indicator</u> has been updated to include 2022 data. ICYMI: <u>Chesapeake Bay sees slight improvement in water quality (October 31)</u>.

This meeting will be recorded for internal purposes. Current EPA policy does not allow for distribution of the recordings.

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If you have any other accessibility concerns, please contact Sushanth Gupta (gupta.sushanth@epa.gov).

## **Acronyms**

CAST: Chesapeake Assessment

Scenario Tool

CBPO: Chesapeake Bay Program

Office

CRC: Chesapeake Research

Consortium

DEQ: [VA] Department of Environmental Quality

EPA: Environmental Protection

Agency

GIT: Goal Implementation Team HRSD: Hampton Roads Sanitation

District

MB: Management Board

PSC: <u>Principals' Staff Committee</u> RFA: Request for Applications RFP: Request for Proposal

**USFS: United States Forest Service** 

WQGIT: Water Quality Goal Implementation Team

WWTWG: Wastewater Treatment

Workgroup