



## **Chesapeake Bay Watershed Technical Workgroup Meeting**

**Crediting NRCS 382 Fence for Annual Progress Reporting** 

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## NRCS 382 Fence

- NRCS data provides linear feet of fence no information on exclusion or riparian activities
- Study by Olivia Devereux provide VA information to estimate extent of 382 associated with riparian installations
- 29% of the reported NRCS 382 in VA associated with riparian installations



## **Proposal**

- Report 29% of the NRCS 382 Fence reported length as exclusion fencing with grass buffer starting PY2025
- Report entire history of NRCS reporting from 2007 through PY 2025
- Assume 35-foot\* width to convert reported lengths to an acreage
- VA would report length, assumed width, and acres of buffer created
- Default Riparian Exclusion credit would be applied



## **Discussion**

