

Chesapeake Bay Program Management Board
Meeting Actions and Decisions
September 13, 2012

Meeting Schedule

- Decision: Agreed to lengthen the October 10, 2012 meeting to a full day meeting (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.) **Done**
- Action: Members are asked to provide comments by Friday, September 28 on the draft 2013-14 MB meeting schedule. (attached) **Reminders sent to MB on Sept. 19 and 26.**
Comments were received from CBC and incorporated.

GIT Goal Statements and Progress on Proposed Alignment Workplan

- Action: CBP staff will resend the link for the MB Roles & Responsibilities survey. MB members are asked to continue to provide comments to the survey through October 3.
Reminders and link were sent to MB on Sept. 19 and 26.
- Decision: Agreed to move forward a revised Alignment Workplan with modified dates and other edits suggested by the MB.
- Action: MB members are asked to provide comments on the revised workplan which will be brought forward for final MB approval at the October MB meeting.
No comments received.
- Action: MB members noted several topics missing from the goal statements including: toxic contaminants, improving stream health so that 70 percent of streams rate fair, good or excellent (as measured by the Index of Biotic Integrity, by 2025), emerging contaminants, Conowingo Dam, climate change and sea level rise, and others. GIT Goals will be revised by GIT coordinators/staffers to reflect MB discussion and suggestions and the revised goals will be provided to the MB for further consideration at the October MB meeting.
In progress.

Harris Creek Case Study: Oyster Restoration and GIT Collaboration

- Action: A list of GIT commitments suggested during the August Harris Creek presentation will be provided to GIT Chairs for further analysis and consideration during their September 20 meeting.
In progress
- Action: CBP staff will set up a conference line for anyone interested in listening in on the GIT Chairs/Vice Chairs meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 20, 2012. **Done**

Mid-Point Assessment

- Action – MB members are asked to provide comments through their WQGIT representative on the Guiding Principles for the Mid-point Assessment by Thursday, September 27.
Reminders and document were sent to MB on Sept. 19 and 26.

Chesapeake Forest Restoration Strategy

- Action: The MB recommends the Chesapeake Forest Restoration Strategy to the PSC for adoption/endorsement.

The Strategy will be provided to the PSC for consideration at their next meeting.

Proposed BMP Verification Membership and Charge

- Decision: The MB approved for membership the nominees for the BMP Verification Review Panel (with one expression of concern by Virginia).
- Decision: The MB approved the revised BMP Verification Program schedule as presented and recommended that a flow chart be developed to help clarify the schedule.
- Decision: The MB approved the recommended BMP Verification Review Panel Charge and Operations.

STAC Reports on SAV and Climate Change

- Action: The SAV workgroup will revise the SAV Goal by the December MB meeting; it will then be submitted to the PSC for approval at its February meeting. **In progress.**
- (STAC Chair, Chris Pyke, indicated no response to the Climate Change report is needed from the MB at this time.)

Draft Public Access Plan

- Action: After comments are incorporated into the Draft Public Access Plan, the MB at its October meeting will consider recommending the final Plan to the PSC for adoption/endorsement.
GIT 5 is in the process of incorporating comments to the final document.
- Action: MB requested that the GIT Chairs, at their September meeting, discuss and make a recommendation about the role of the MB and PSC in adopting or endorsing policy documents developed by the GITs and/or federal agencies pursuant to Executive Order 13508 Strategy. **Done**

CAC Recommendations for PSC Approval

- Action: CBP staff will work with CAC to revise its current table of recommendations to the Executive Council (EC) to reflect new and ongoing activities by the CBP (to eliminate redundancies in requested actions). To help narrow the number of recommendations for PSC consideration, the revised table will identify both the “status” of its recommendations and any “action required.”

The revised table will be provided to the PSC for consideration at their next meeting.

Improvements to MB

- Action: As part of the transition to paperless meetings, the MB agreed to significantly limit the number of copies of meeting materials available during its meetings. Members are asked to refer to electronic materials or to bring their own hard copies. CBP staff will continue to provide copies of the final agenda and any materials not posted on line at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Implemented.