

**CBP Management Board Meeting  
Actions and Decisions  
October 23, 2013**

Attendees: Diane Davis (DC); John Schneider (DE); Frank Dawson, Paul Emmart (MD); Ben Sears (NY); Pat Buckley (PA); John Kennedy (VA); Jennifer Pauer (WV); Ann Swanson (CBC); Nick DiPasquale (EPA); Mary Gattis (LGAC); Kirk Havens, Lisa Wenger (STAC); Jessica Blackburn (CAC); Scott Phillips (USGS); Sally Claggett (FS); Heather Cisar (ACE); Pedro Ramos, Rich Simms (USDA/NRCS); Sarah Diebel (DOD); Mike Slattery (FWS and GIT 2); Jana Davis, Jennifer Greiner (GIT 2); James Davis-Martin, Jen Volk (GIT 3); Mark Bryer (GIT 4); Carin Bisland (GIT 6); Mark Bennett, Peter Tango (STAR); Margaret Enloe (Comm. Work Group); Karl Blankenship (Bay Journal); Natalie Gardner, Matt Ellis (STAC); Lauren Taneyhill (CRC); Jim Edward, Rich Batiuk, Greg Barranco, Lewis Linker, Nita Sylvester, Tim Roberts and Doreen Vetter (EPA); Amy Robins (Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay); Jim Cummins (ICPRB)  
Note: MB member Anthony Moore (VA) was not available for this call.

**Indicators**

Decision: The MB approved the proposed revision of shad indicator in the “track our progress” section of the chesapeakebay.net website. The new indicator:

- Adds Rappahannock River data; adds Lower James River data; revises York River data; revises weight of each river to calculate index; provides a static map on indicator webpage features status/trend charts for each component river; and presents a new dynamic map that incorporates and features additional data.

Decision: The MB agreed to keep the indicator web pages for “Striped Bass Abundance”, “Juvenile Menhaden Abundance”, “Native Oyster Abundance” and “Restoring Oyster Reefs” for the foreseeable future. CBP Communications Director Margaret Enloe will work with the Fisheries Goal Team to determine how to revise the indicator pages and provide suggestions to the MB at a future meeting.

- A recommendation will be discussed at 11/21/13 MB meeting.

Decision: The MB agreed to remove the phytoplankton indicator web page.

Decision: The MB agreed to remove the Wetland Enhancement and Rehabilitation indicator web page.

Decision: The MB agreed to maintain the Developing Watershed Management Plans page. Pennsylvania will provide new data to update the indicator in anticipation that it will show goal achievement. After that, the page will no longer be updated, but text will be added to explain that tracking has been discontinued since the goal was achieved.

- A recommendation will be discussed at 11/21/13 MB meeting.

Decision: The MB agreed to keep the Bay Gateways Designated and the Water Trails in the Bay Watershed indicator webpages and to show what has been achieved. The pages will no longer be updated, but text will be added to explain that tracking was discontinued since the goals were achieved. Text will also direct webpage visitors to the public access indicator webpage.

Decision: The MB agreed that the CBP indicators pages should generally show when goals are achieved rather than removing them from the internet.

### **CBP Responses to STAC Report Recommendations**

Action: The CBP will send to the MB the following three draft responses to STAC workshops/reports:

- CBP Response to the STAC Multiple Models Pilot Project
- CBP Response to the STAC Healthy Watershed Workshop
- CBP Response to the STAC Umbrella Criterion Workshop

Further, MB members are asked to respond with any comments, questions or changes to the reports.

- No comments were received on the Multiple Models or the Umbrella Criterion response letters; the final response was submitted to STAC on 11/13/13. Edits are being made to the response letter to the STAC Healthy Watershed CBP report and will be sent to the MB when complete.

### **Agreement Development Schedule**

Decision: The MB agreed to the revised timeline presented (with minor modifications). The modified version will be sent to the MB for approval before it is sent to the PSC for further consideration. The PSC will be presented with the current deadline modified to reflect the impact of the shutdown (i.e., elimination of the second public review and comment period) along with the MB's recommended revised alternative option (Plan B) for consideration by the PSC at their next scheduled meeting.

- Additional changes to the Agreement Development schedule and EC meeting date are under consideration and are on the MB agenda for 11/21/13.