



## Agenda Chesapeake Bay Forestry Workgroup (FWG)

November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.  
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### 10:00 Welcome and Introductions

Rebecca Hanmer

### 10:10 Update from Water Quality GIT

Rebecca Hanmer

Rebecca represented forestry at the annual 2-day Water Quality Goal Team meeting October 24-25. She will give a brief update on the relevant discussions and decisions that came from the meeting. Nick DiPasquale was be invited to add to what Rebecca presents.

### 10:30 Healthy Watersheds Forest/TMDL Project Progress Report

Greg Evans

Greg will provide an update on this ongoing project to demonstrate to local governments the value of retaining forests. Since last year, the project has expanded from Virginia to Pennsylvania. Virginia team members have been discussing the potential tool box elements with localities in the Rappannock project area since April. Pennsylvania team members have focused on duplicating the Virginia Team Phase I modeling effort in their selected project area and have been working with localities there to collect the required data since June 2016. They expect to begin their dialogues with localities concerning tool box elements in the fourth quarter of 2016.

### 11:20 TetraTech BMP Scoring

Sally Claggett

At the August meeting, Aileen Molloy of TetraTech gave an overview of the BMP valuation project – scoring how valuable are water quality BMPs in achieving other (i.e., non-water quality) Bay goals. At this point, TetraTech has finalized the guidance and want input from the FWG in developing the **actual scores**. There is an Excel file (with *ReadMe* tab, lists of BMP groupings by sector, BMP descriptions, scoring sheet, and the narrative scoring guidelines) and a pdf file with descriptions of each management strategy and additional goal. A straw man score will be provided for the FWG to discuss.

### 11:45 Unveiling of Draft RFB Website

Jenny McGarvey/Sally Claggett

Two new draft websites – Chesapeake Riparian Forest Buffer Network and Chesapeake Tree Canopy Network—will be introduced for comment from the FWG. The intention is to have these sites live by the end of the 2016.

**12:30 Lunch**

Sally will bring veggie chili, otherwise bring your own lunch or potluck item

**1:00 Unveiling of Draft Tree Canopy Website**

**Jenny McGarvey/Julie Mawhorter**

See description above. Julie will also give a brief update on Tree Canopy actions and statuses.

**1:45 Rollout of Websites Discussion**

**Sally Claggett**

By way of a communication plan for the new networks coming online, this time is designated to brainstorm how to best connect audiences to the new websites. How will they learn about them? What products need to be developed? Who are the key people we need to have onboard when rollout begins?

**2:15 Goal to Incite Tree Planting in the Watershed**

**Craig Highfield**

At the Watershed Forum, the Alliance introduced the concept of getting grassroots support for a heightened level of tree planting. The idea for this project is still in the idea-collecting phase. Do you think this is a good idea? What will it take? How can we reach the masses with this effort?

**2:40 Round Robin**

**All**

**3:00 Adjourn**