

AGENDA

Maintain Healthy Watersheds Goal Implementation Team Meeting Joe Macknis Memorial Conference Room (Fish Shack) 410 Severn Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21403 December 19th, 10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

Call-in#: 866-299-3188, Code: 4102675731
Adobe Connect link: https://epa.connectsolutions.com/git4/

10:00 Welcome, Introductions, and Updates

Mark Bryer

- New Chesapeake Bay Agreement Mark Bryer
- Recent cross-GIT collaboration efforts Mark Bryer
- Chesapeake Watershed Forum Donnelle Keech
- Maryland Water Monitoring Council Conference HW Session Christine Conn
- Other updates

10:30 West Virginia Watershed Assessment Pilot Project

Keith Fisher

The Nature Conservancy and West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection colleagues developed and tested a watershed assessment methodology in five watersheds within West Virginia. Funded by EPA Region 3's Wetland Program Development Grant, this project started in 2011 and will officially end in December 2013.

For more information:

 $\frac{http://www.conservationgateway.org/ConservationByGeography/NorthAmerica/UnitedStates/wv/wyfw/wapp/Pages/default.aspx}{}$

11:15 State Healthy Watersheds Strategies

States' Spokespersons

This time slot will provide an opportunity for the Chesapeake Watershed states' GIT4 representatives to discuss state-specific healthy watershed strategies and share their own state's progress towards protecting and maintaining healthy watersheds.

12:00 Lunch – Please prepare to bring or buy your own lunch.

12:45 GIT4 Collective Strategies

Mark Bryer

Reflection on GIT4's progress to date and the collective strategies that were laid out in the GIT4 2013 Strategy document.

For a copy of the 2013 strategy:

http://www.chesapeakebay.net/channel files/19391/git4 strategy 012213.pdf

Based on past discussions, three strategic themes have emerged:

- Communications
- Tracking
- Interface with local government

Expected outcome from this discussion:

Lay a foundation for 2014 GIT4 strategies:

- A general agreement on strategic themes.
- A framework for our future work.

1:45 Frederick County, MD Green Infrastructure Case Study

Shannon Moore

In recent years, Frederick County's Green Infrastructure work has contributed to the identification and protection of environmentally rich and valuable areas in the County. The County also plans to leverage regulatory programs to further protect green infrastructure.

2:30 Discussion on the Next Steps

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A dialogue among members to identify next steps for GIT4 to move forward, as well as the potential approaches to pursue and accomplish the next steps.

2:45 Closing Remarks

3:00 Adjourn