

# Stewardship Goal / Outcome Overview

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# Conserve Lands Goal

Goal: Conserve landscapes treasured by citizens in order to maintain water quality and habitat; sustain working forests, farms and maritime communities; and conserve lands of cultural, indigenous and community value.



# Conserve Lands Outcomes

## Protected Lands Outcome:

By 2025, protect an additional two million acres of lands throughout the watershed—currently identified as high-conservation priorities at the federal, state or local level—including 225,000 acres of wetlands and 695,000 acres of forest land of highest value for maintaining water quality. (2010 baseline year)

## Land Use Methods and Metrics Development Outcome

## Land Use Options Evaluation Outcome





# Citizen Stewardship Goal

Goal: Increase the number and the diversity of local citizen stewards and local governments that actively support and carry out the conservation and restoration activities that achieve healthy local streams, rivers and a vibrant Chesapeake Bay.





# Citizen Stewardship Outcomes

- Citizen Stewardship Outcome: Increase the number and diversity of trained and mobilized citizen volunteers with the knowledge and skills needed to enhance the health of their local watersheds.
- Local Leadership Outcome: Continually increase the knowledge and capacity of local officials on issues related to water resources and in the implementation of economic and policy incentives that will support local conservation actions.
- Diversity Outcome: Identify minority stakeholder groups who that are not currently represented in the leadership, decision-making and implementation of the current conservation and restoration activities and create meaningful opportunities and programs to recruit and engage them in the Partnership's efforts.



# Public Access Goal

Goal: Expand public access to the Bay and its tributaries through existing and new local, state and federal parks, refuges, reserves, trails and partner sites.





# Public Access Outcome

## Public Access Site Development Outcome:

By 2025, add 300 new public access sites, with a strong emphasis on providing opportunities for boating, swimming and fishing, where feasible. (2010 baseline year)



# Environmental Literacy Goal

Goal: Enable every student in the region to graduate with the knowledge and skills to act responsibly to protect and restore their local watershed.





# Environmental Literacy Outcomes

**Student Outcome:** Continually increase students' age-appropriate understanding of the watershed through participation in teacher-supported, meaningful watershed educational experiences and rigorous, inquiry-based instruction, with a target of at least one meaningful watershed educational experience in elementary, middle and high school depending on available resources.

**Sustainable Schools Outcome:** Continually increase the number of schools in the region that reduce the watershed, environmental and human health impact of their buildings and grounds on their local watershed, environment and human health through best practices, including student-led protection and restoration projects.

**Environmental Literacy Planning Outcome:** Each participating Bay jurisdiction should develop a comprehensive and systemic approach to environmental literacy for all students in the region that includes policies, practices and voluntary metrics that support the environmental literacy Goals and Outcomes of this Agreement.

