

Management Board Meeting Notes

9/27/2011

Overview

- This was the first time GIT 1 has had scheduled time on a Management Board meeting
- Management Board membership was not only interested in this presentation and topic, but also interested in the rest of the work GIT 1 is accomplishing
 - i.e. Oyster Metric Report and Invasive Catfish
- Tom O'Connell presented on the connections between land-use practices and its effects on the living resources within the Chesapeake Bay
 - Opportunity to link the GITs and unite a path forward in making connections between the individual GITs goals
 - Key foreseen challenges are how to connect the watermen and various stakeholders with those involved in making the land-use decisions
 - Large group of people waiting to get their voices heard
 - Objectives:
 - Learn who the land-use decision makers are
 - Understand what the land-use decision making process is and how to get involved
 - Ensure the best available information on fisheries impacts is a part of the decision making process
 - Identify additional information needs, including improved socio-economic data, and prioritize our programs to obtain this information
- Pat Buckley (PA DEP): Consider having Fisheries GIT members attend the Healthy Watersheds (GIT 4) meetings
 - PA sends their land-use people to those meetings and they don't have time to attend additional meetings
- Scott Phillips (USGS): A toxics in the Bay report will be put together in near future
 - Will want to hear from the Fisheries GIT how toxics have impacted fisheries
 - Will work with GIT 1 for information
- Management Board would like to have a briefing on the implications of the Oyster Metric Report
- Management Board would like an update following the December Fisheries GIT meeting
- A GIT Chairs meeting is being proposed for next month. The purpose of the meeting is to build awareness among the GITs and discuss opportunities to address issues that cross-cut multiple GITs.
 - Date not yet set
 - Chairs → Expect to have a phone interview with the facilitator (Linda)