

Urban Stormwater Workgroup Teleconference Minutes

**Tuesday, March 17, 2015
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

ACTIONS & DECISIONS

DECISION: USWG members approved the March 3 meeting minutes.

ACTION: Members are requested to provide their comments on the [revised BMP protocol](#) to Norm Goulet. Norm will compile and forward USWG comments to the Water Quality GIT.

ACTION: USWG members will provide any concerns on the [BMP credit duration spreadsheet](#) directly to Matt (mjohnston@chesapeakebay.net) by COB Friday (3/20). If no comments are received, the spreadsheet will be considered approved at that time.

MINUTES

Welcome and Review of March 3 Meeting Minutes

- Norm reviewed the action items from March 3 and asked for any comments on the meeting minutes.
 - There were no corrections to the minutes.

DECISION: USWG members approved the March 3 meeting minutes.

Announcements

- Changes to the [WQGIT BMP protocol](#) are out for comment by April 30th.
 - Norm will be recommending that one of the panel members be a local government representative.
- Jeremy announced that the Impervious Disconnect RFP has been out, and the deadline is next Friday, March 27th. CBW-ROC will likely be seeking USWG confirmation of the membership and scope of work in the late April timeframe.

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Update on BMP Reporting in Virginia

- Fred Cunningham, VA DEQ, provided an overview of Virginia Construction General Permit (CGP) Coverage System, including plans for future enhancements.

Procedures for Addressing Discovered BMPs Built Prior to Model Calibration

- In response to a request by VA DEQ, Katherine has drafted a short memo clarifying the incremental credit provided for discovered BMPs as a retrofit ([Attach B](#)). After getting workgroup feedback, the policy will be included in the next edition of the frequently asked questions guidance for stormwater retrofits.
- MD: request clarification that this Q/A is for Phase 5, and that Phase 6.0 will involve a new calibration.

- VA: request clarifying the example of BMP conversion given in the panel report.
- VA: request sharing examples for multiple scenarios (before and during calibration for example).

Update: How Bay States Are Addressing the Historic Urban BMP Clean-up

- Each of the Bay states provided a short update on their short and midterm plans to clean up the historic BMPs submitted for credit
- NY was not on the call.
- PA is encountering some challenges finding data.
- WV had a dedicated person hired to clean up historic data in 2011. Sebastian Donner is now working on this back to the mid 2000s. Working on cleaning up the universe of forest in order to clean up harvested forest BMPs.
 - Matt Johnston: We have been collecting harvested forest and BMP acres based on permit data. Partnership will need to recommend whether compiling the entire history of these acres is worth pursuing.
- DE started shortly after Phase I WIP period inventorying BMPs. Most BMPs are through conservation districts and DNREC in the agricultural sector.
- VA issued request for applications to aggregate historic BMP data.

Action Item: Finalizing the BMP Duration Spreadsheet

- Matt Johnston, CBPO, presented the final draft of the [spreadsheet](#) on the duration of urban BMP credits that was originally shared with the workgroup on March 3.
- VA raised some concerns about the level of effort involved with submitting inspection dates.
- Provide any concerns directly to Matt by COB 3/20. The spreadsheet will be considered approved as a working document at that time.

ACTION: USWG members will provide any concerns on the BMP duration spreadsheet directly to Matt (mjohnston@chesapeakebay.net) by COB Friday (3/20). If no comments are received, the spreadsheet will be considered approved at that time.

April Agenda Item Planning

- Olivia's BayFAST presentation

Adjourned

Participants

Norm Goulet, Chair	NVRC
Tom Schueler, Coordinator	USGS
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Randy Greer	DE
Elaine Webb	DE
Beau Croll	DE

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Fred Cunningham	VADEQ
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