



## **Integrated Monitoring Networks Workgroup (INWG) Conference Call**

**Wednesday, May 18, 2016**

**1:00- 3:00 PM**

**CBPO Location: 303 Conference Room**

**Conference Line: 1-866-299-3188 Code 267-985-6222**

**Adobe Connect:** <http://epawebconferencing.acms.com/inwg/> (enter as guest)

**Meeting Materials:** <http://www.chesapeakebay.net/calendar/event/23770>

### **AGENDA**

**1:00 Welcome, Introductions, Announcements –** *(Peter Tango – USGS@CBPO, Coordinator)*

**1:10 Chesapeake Monitoring Cooperative: Classification of Citizen-based Data-** *Lea Rubin (Izaak Walton League, Inc.) and Anne Dunkel (Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay).*

*Lea and Anne will present classification system where Citizen-based tidal and nontidal water quality and macroinvertebrate monitoring data are being classified as Tier I or Tier II in the three Tiered Framework as specified in the project QAPPs. Criteria for prioritization will be discussed with the INWG and feedback on the criteria from the INWG will be requested. Action Item: Chesapeake Monitoring Cooperative will revise the prioritization criteria based on the discussions and distribute to the INWG. Partners and the CBP monitoring team will be asked in June for initial input on identifying some priority areas in the watershed for focused citizen monitoring using the criteria. Input is requested prior to or provided at the June INWG meeting.*

**1:45 Historical Storm Sampling Hydrograph vs Sampling Times Analysis–** *(Doug Moyer, Mindy Ehrich, Joel Blomquist)*

**2:30 Non-tidal Monitoring Network Sampling Manual: Discuss final sampling procedures –** *(Mary Ellen Ley, USGS DIWG Coordinator)*

*Mary Ellen will update the work group on the final edition of the NTN sampling manual being completed this month that serves as the reference for program partners supporting network consistency in monitoring protocols. Final issues to discuss include the adequacy of the number of equal width increments (EWIs) and how to determine if and when additional increments are needed.*

**2:45 Status and Directions on Meeting Science Needs of the new Bay Agreement–**

*Science needs were highlighted in 2015 by the GITs and have been the topic of STAR, Management Board Meetings, and STAC workshops held in recent months. During this meeting we will review the feedback from the Management Board, as well as outputs of one or more of the STAC workshops that will update the list of sciences needs to those that are being met and those that will need additional focus by STAR and its workgroups in the near future.*

**3:00 Adjourn**