



Integrated Monitoring Networks Workgroup (INWG) Conference Call

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

1:00- 3:00 PM

CBPO Location: 303 Conference Room

Conference Line: 1-866-299-3188 Code 267-5715

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Meeting Materials: <http://www.chesapeakebay.net/calendar/event/24698/>

AGENDA

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

1:05 Citizen Monitoring Cooperative- *Liz Chudoba, Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay*

The CMC will review updates on current projects and events: Onboarding coordination webinar, applications for assistance from Monitoring Groups, and the plans for the upcoming Citizen monitoring workshop being held on the Eastern Shore of Maryland in June 2017 titled “Data to Decisions 2.0”.

1:20 Tidal Shallow Water Benthic Monitoring: A methodology in benthic sampling for citizen scientists – *Jeremy Carton, St. Mary’s College.*

Jeremy Carton completed his senior thesis at St. Mary’s College on an assessment of sampling techniques that would be suitable for citizen scientists to collect benthic macroinvertebrates. The work was coordinated and guided by CRC staffer Kara Skipper supporting the Fish Forage outcome of the Bay Agreement by piloting a study on obtaining fish forage data in the under-sampled shallow water habitats of Chesapeake Bay and its tidal tributaries.

2:00 Climate Indicator Project- *Chris Lamie, Zoe Johnson Climate Resiliency Workgroup Coordinator*

To help identify relevant data collection programs (e.g., CBIBS, Chesapeake Bay Monitoring Program, and Maryland DNR) and catalog and assess the variables that they measure. Ask the group for ideas of data collection program.

3:00 Adjourn

Next IMN Meeting: May 17, 1:00pm-3:00pm