

CBP Water Quality Goal Implementation Team
Toxic Contaminants Workgroup
Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, August 12, 2020
Time: 1:00 - 3:00 PM
Location: Conference Call (remote only)
Calendar Page: [Link](#).



Agenda Item and Desired Outcome	Time	Background Docs, Notes, and Action Items
1. Introductions and Announcements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of the July meeting minutes WQGIT Approved CBP's response to the STAC CEC Report TCW Membership List SRS Presentations to the MB on August 13th PCB Clean-up Makes Uneven Progress by Bay Journal 	1:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete the toxic contaminant indicator Update the PCB Story Map Update the TCW Membership List
2. Monsanto Settlement for Potomac/ Anacostia PCB Remediation - David Hoffman, OAG, and Gretchen Mikeska, DOEE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How can CBP add value to the application of these funds in the Anacostia clean-up? How does this contribute towards the implementation of the TMDL and other restoration efforts? 	1:10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation slides
3. Research Outcome: Overview of final materials and Presentation (dry- run) —Scott Phillips and Emily Majcher, USGS	1:55	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TCW SRS Review Schedule
4. Policy and Prevention Outcome: Overview of final materials and Presentation (dry- run) – Greg Allen, EPA	2:25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TCW SRS Review Schedule
5. Next steps to update the management strategies and logic and actions plans	2:55	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRS Timeline
6. Wrap Up and Adjourn	3:05	<i>Next meeting: September 9, 2020</i>

Summary of Actions and Decisions

Decision: TCW approved the July meeting minutes.

Action: Hilary Swartwood will send out the revised TCW membership for people to identify the lead contact for their jurisdiction/ organization.

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1. Introductions and Announcements

- a. **Decision:** TCW approved the July meeting minutes.
 - b. TCW Membership List: still working on updating, need POC or lead contact for jurisdiction/ organization(s). Will send back out to group for review again.
 - i. **Action:** Hilary Swartwood will send out the revised TCW membership for people to identify the lead contact for their jurisdiction/ organization.
 - c. USGS is constructing story map around mercury and fish. Separate from MSM because current map is based on impairments and this is whole separate effort based on data from fish.
- 2. Monsanto Settlement for Potomac / Anacostia PCB Remediation**
- a. *Greg Allen:* when you show the timeline it looks very CERCLA like, is the entire Anacostia viewed as a CERCLA site?
 - b. *David Hoffman:* It's not a CERCLA site but we used a similar framework because we have to follow similar procedural protocols that a CERCLA site would follow due to the Brown Fields Act.
 - c. *Emily Majcher:* did the interim ROD include these 11 early action areas?
 - d. *Gretchen Mikeska:* Yes, in the interim ROD those proposed actions for these early action areas was the draft, now we have the final action areas. Even though this proposed plan is a short document there are many documents behind it. I will send you the links to the Anacostia website and these documents.
 - e. *Greg Allen:* What about Lower Beaver Dam Creek? How does it fit in to this?
 - f. *Gretchen Mikeska:* we are still working with MD to characterize what is coming in from Little Beaverdam Creek (LBC). For example, there was a tributary study that showed LBC as the ongoing source of PCBs in the Anacostia (4% of the flow but 70% of the incoming PCBs).
 - g. *Greg Allen:* Is there any way that the Bay Program could help you in this endeavor? Social science needs? Data needs? Etc.
 - h. *Gretchen Mikeska:* I am also working on the natural resources damages assessment and currently we are working on developing a list of agencies/ organizations and if there are some that we haven't thought of, it would be helpful to know who they are.
- 3. Research Outcome**
- a. No comments at this time.
- 4. Policy and Prevention Outcome**
- a. *Scott Phillips:* suggestion from folks on where we could make some time up?
 - b. *Emily Majcher:* pick out specific success stories because once we were at the "what we learned" section it was already at 15 minutes.
 - c. *George Onyullo:* On slide titled "help needed" the bullets are important. Continued monitoring is an important item that is not addressed that perhaps should be added. Testing for PCBS is not cheap but we need to keep highlighting that continued monitoring is very important.
 - d. *Greg Allen:* I can think of two places where I can make that point.
 - e. George Onyullo and Scott Phillips both liked the intro because it strongly illustrated what this group is up against.
- 5. Next Steps to update the Management Strategies and Logic and Action Plans**
- a. TCW members should begin brainstorming if current items will continue and/or if new items should be added as we get ready to begin revisions on strategies and LAPs.
- 6. Wrap up and Adjourn**

Call Participants

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