

Timeline for finalizing Phase 6 agriculture land use loading rate estimates

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Recap: recent efforts for Phase 6 Ag land use loading rate

- Tetra Tech literature review
 - Included all sectors and land uses (completed early 2015)
- Supplemental Ag Land Use Loading Data
 - Sally Szydlowski, Water Stewardship, Inc. (completed 3/30/15)
- Ag Loading Rate Review Subgroup
 - 11 experts; Chair, Tom Jordan
 - Requested additional resources for development of improved estimates
 - CBP, through its cooperative agreement with Virginia Tech, is able to provide resources for this additional analysis

Current Status

- A draft scope of work for this project has need developed. Seeking buy-in from the Chair of the Ag Loading Rate Review Subgroup assembled by Mark Dubin. Anticipate hearing from the Chair in the next couple of days.
- Four tasks...
 - Evaluate citations/resources compiled through CBP literature reviews
 - Analysis of relevant data to develop loading estimates
 - Develop report
 - Present report to appropriate CBP Partnership workgroups for their review and consideration and finalize report
- The Ag Loading Rate Review Subgroup will serve as a Steering Committee for this project.

May	Start of project, which will include a conference call with the Steering Committee to discuss and agree on the criteria for evaluating the literature.
May – June	Conduct Task 1 and Task 2, and develop documentation as needed for Task 3. Meet with Steering Committee and CBP Staff in early June to discuss tentative results and draft report.
June – July	Continue to develop draft report. Meet with Steering Committee and CBP staff to discuss the draft final report in late June or early July. Make necessary adjustments to the draft report and distribute the report to the AMS, AgWG and MWG by July 6.
July – September	<p>Present the report to the AMS, AgWG and MWG for their consideration and approval of the recommended loading estimates. Participation in one meeting or call per group is expected, but additional participation may be requested. Dates and times may be subject to change, but the current meeting schedule is provided below, with the meeting/conference call targeted for the report presentation for approval highlighted in bold font.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AgWG meeting/call dates: July 16 conference call; August 20 conference call; September 16-17 meeting - MWG meeting/call dates: July 21-22 meeting; conference calls TBD - AMS meeting/call dates: July call TBD <p>Following approval by all three groups the report is considered final.</p>
October 15	Initial calibration of the test-version of the Phase 6 CBWM. The report and loading estimates must be vetted and approved by the appropriate workgroups before this date.

Questions?

Thank you!