Quarterly Progress Meeting - November 2018



Local Leadership Outcome

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Through the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement, the Chesapeake Bay Program has committed to...



Goal: Stewardship

Outcome:

Continually increase the knowledge and capacity of local officials on issues related to water resources and in the implementation of economic and policy incentives that will support local conservation actions.



Setting the Stage:

What are our assumptions?



Logic Behind Our Outcome

Following the Decision Framework:

Competing interests for resources and attention Easy access to

Factors

- understandable information
- 3. High turnover

Current Efforts & Gaps

Current Efforts:

Baseline EcoLogix

Gaps:

Access to resources
Curriculum

Management Approaches

- 0. Baseline
- 1. Training
- 2. Peer-to-Peer
- 3. Knowledge Transfer
- 4. Information Sources



Progress:

Are we doing what we said we would do?



What is our progress?

Which actions were most critical in progress thus far?

 Determining how to capture attention of local elected officials through community priorities

Which management actions will be the most critical to your progress in the future?

- Same as above
- Increase focus on peer-to-peer opportunities

Barriers to success:

- Curriculum does not exist
- Relationship building

How do we know if we're on track? What do we measure?

BASELINE!



Challenges:

Are our actions having the expected effect?



Challenges

Challenge: Inactive workgroup (~15 months) resulted in slower than anticipated progress on Management Strategy and Work Plan actions.

Solutions:

- 1. Bay Program support to hire a Coordinator for this workgroup
- 2. Refreshed workgroup membership and expectations
- 3. New leadership bringing new ideas

No additional action needed at this time.

Local Leadership Workgroup Members

Jurisdiction Representatives

Maryland

Virginia

West Virginia

Pennsylvania

Delaware Chesapeake Bay Commission

Trusted Sources

MD Association of Counties

UMD Harry Hughes Center

VA Association of Counties

VA Municipal League

VA Conservation Network

PA State Association of Township Supervisors

Metro Wash Council of Governments

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UMD Natl Center for Smart Growth

Mark Hoffman

Les Knapp

Nancy Nunn

Chris McDonald

Martha Narvaez **Andy Fellows**

Michelle Gowdy

James Wheeler

Heidi Bonnaffon

Pat Calvert

Phil Stafford

Joan Salvati

Jim Sullivan

Matt Pennington

Megan Lehman

Local Leadership Workgroup Membership

Local Officials **VA Essex County BOS** John Magruder Local Government Advisory Committee **Don Phillips** Liaison to LGAC **Mary Gattis** *Local Government* Michelle Edwards VA Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional Commission MD Frederick County **Shannon Moore** MD Prince George's County Joe Gill PA York County Planning Commission Pam Shellenberger *Technical Assistance/Funders* **UMD Environmental Finance Center** Jen Cotting Jake Reilly NFWF *At-Large* PA Community & Economic Development Rick Vilello

MD League of Conservation Voters

ers Ben Alexandro



Adaptations:

How should we adapt?

Based on what we've learned, we plan to...

- No changes to Management Approaches anticipated, because...
- Active workgroup → Further progress on management approaches → Analysis of needed adaptations

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Agreement Goals and Outcomes



Sustainable Fisheries

- Blue Crab Abundance
- Blue Crab Management
- Oyster
- Forage Fish
- Fish Habitat



Vital Habitats Goal

- Wetlands
- · Black Duck
- Stream Health
- Brook Trout
- Fish Passage
- Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV)
- Forest Buffer
- Tree Canopy



Water Quality Goal

- 2017 Watershed Implementation Plans (WIP)
- · 2025 WIP
- Water Quality Standards
 Attainment and Monitoring



Toxic Contaminants Goal

Toxic Contaminants Research
 Toxic Contaminants Policy and
 Prevention



Healthy Watersheds Goal

· Healthy Waters



Stewardship Goal

- Citizen Stewardship
- · Local Leadership
- Diversity



Land Conservation Goal

- · Protected Lands
- Land Use Methods and Metrics Development Land Use Options Evaluation



Public Access Goal

• Public Access Site Development



Environmental Literacy Goal

- Student
- Sustainable Schools
- Environmental Literacy Planning



Climate Resiliency Goal

- Monitoring and Assessment
- Adaptation Outcome



What We Want



We have no "new" requests of the Management Board today!!!

We want continued support in recognizing the enormous role that local governments play in meeting the Goals and Outcomes of the 2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement.

Discussion