CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM WATER QUALITY GOAL IMPLEMENTATION TEAM SEPTEMBER 29-20, 2009 MEETING

Willow Valley Conference Center 2416 Willow Street Pike Lancaster, Pennsylvania (717) 464-2711

Meeting Logistics

Registration/Accommodations: Willow Valley conference center as many amenities available on site. Pictures of the Conference Center, information regarding amenities (e.g., indoor pool for exercise, great on-site bakery for calories to make up for those lost during exercise) and on-line registration are available at: www.willowvalley.com.

There is a group rate; the room block reservation is under EPA Chesapeake Bay Program. The rates are \$159.79 (1 person per room) or \$112.29 (2 people per room) per person, per night inclusive of taxes and gratuity. They include lunch, dinner, and the room on the night of the 29th and breakfast and lunch on the 30th. For those of you arriving on the night of the 28th, the rate will be \$95 for just the room.

Please note the Water Quality Team meeting will start on Tuesday, September 29 at 8:30 A.M. and adjourn on Wednesday, September 30 4:00 P.M. Please make your travel arrangements accordingly.

Check In and Baggage: Check in time is 4:00 P.M. Arrangements can be made in the **advance** to have your bags sent to your room if you are arriving the day of the meeting on September 29. If you are interested in this service, please contact Kim Scalia at 215-814-5421.

Meals, Snacks and Beverages: All breaks and lunch for both days, dinner for Tuesday and breakfast and on Wednesday are included in the Tuesday night room rate. On Tuesday morning, assorted juices, freshly baked pastries, coffee and tea service and hot chocolate will be available in the meeting room. Lunch on Tuesday will be served in the Family Restaurant. The usual fare of Bay watershed oriented liquid refreshments will be available at 5:01 PM followed by an informal celebrating and roasting of Bill Brannon (we are talking medium to well done here!). There will be a group dinner Wednesday night at 6:30 P.M. which will also be served in the Family Restaurant.

On Wednesday morning, breakfast is served in the Family Restaurant and assorted juices, freshly baked pastries, coffee and tea service and hot chocolate will be available in the meeting room. Wednesday lunch will be served in the Family Restaurant (where the serving will be carefully ALLOCATED depending on the jurisdiction you represent). An endless variety of snacks will be available throughout the meeting to maintain carefully controlled sugar and caffeine highs for 48 hours straight.

Golf: Reservations for golf is available by calling the Pro Shop at (717) 464-4448. Green fees are \$12 per person for 9 holes. Clubs are available for rental for \$8-\$12, pull carts for \$3 and power carts for \$8.

Bob "I Get a Free Hole in One Cause I am the Chair" Koroncai will be down in Florida for most of September prior to the meeting (can you say Mickey and golf in the same sentence?), so he has abandoned the one thing he can deliver on this year.

Current plans are for the 116th Annual Bob 'Tiger' Yowell Not Really Invitational But It Sounds Better than the WQGIT Golf Tournament to be held on the afternoon of Monday, September 28th. If you are interested in joining the hackers in messing up a few riparian forest buffers on the course, please contact Rich Batiuk directly at batiuk.richard@epa.gov or 410-267-5731. Once we hear back from the host of usual suspects (and others hopefully), we will set up a tee time.

Directions to Willow Valley:

From Long Island, Eastern NY, Northern NJ, North Philadelphia:

Take the NJ Turnpike (I-95) to Exit 6. Take the PA Turnpike W. to Exit 286 (Old exit 21). Turn Left onto Rt. 222 S. and Follow 222 S. approx. 15 miles to 30 W. Take 501 S. exit. Stay on 501 S. Follow signs for Prince Street (becomes Rt. 222 South). Take Prince Street through city of Lancaster. Willow Valley is 3 miles South (after leaving city) on the right side of the road.

From South Jersey, South Philadelphia, Wilmington:

Take 322 W. across the Commodore Barry Bridge. When 322 joins with I-95 S., stay in the right lane and watch the signs closely. Follow 322 W. to Rt. 1 S. Take Rt. 1 S. to Rt. 41 N. When you get into the town of Gap, PA, take Rt. 741 W. through the town of Strasburg until you reach Rt. 222 N. Willow Valley is on the left 1.5 miles ahead.

From Washington DC, Baltimore MD and South Western PA:

From the Baltimore Beltway: Take Rt. 83 N. to York, PA where you will take Rt. 30 E. Follow Rt. 30 E. Take 501 S. exit. Stay on 501 S. Follow signs for Prince Street (becomes Rt. 222 South) Take Prince Street through city of Lancaster. Willow Valley is 3 miles on the right side of the road.

From Harrisburg, North Western PA:

Take the PA Turnpike to Exit 247 (Old exit 19). Follow Rt. 283 E. Take 501 S. exit. Stay on the 501 S. Follow signs for Prince Street (becomes Rt. 222 South). Take Prince Street through city of Lancaster. Willow Valley is 3 miles South (after leaving city) on the right side of the road.

From Binghamton NY, Scranton PA area:

Take Rt. 81 S. to exit 90. Take Rt. 72S. Take 501 S. exit. Stay on 501 S. Follow signs for Prince Street (becomes Rt. 222 South). Take Prince Street though city of Lancaster. Willow Valley is 3 miles South (after leaving city) on the right side of the road.

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