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**CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM
WATER QUALITY GOAL IMPLEMENTATION TEAM
MARCH 28, 2022 CONFERENCE CALL**

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1:00 Welcome & Announcements – WQGIT Chair (30 min.)

A formal roll call will be taken for today's call. Participants who join late / have trouble with their audio are asked to enter their name and affiliation in the WebEx chat. Anyone participating by phone is requested to verbally identify themselves.

Announcements:

- Soliciting SWG Proposal Reviewers – Jake Reilly, NFWF
- Welcome to Tom Butler (EPA-CBPO)!
- FY22 STAC workshop update – Meg Cole, CRC
- LUWG recommendation for continued high resolution land use and land cover data – KC Filippino, HRPDC
- Chesapeake Bay Trust accepting proposals for FY21 GIT-funding projects, due April 18. Link: <https://cbtrust.org/grants/git/>
- **Next WQGIT conference call:** April 25, 2022

Prior Business/ Outstanding Action Items:

- Reminders:
 - See latest Log of WQGIT Actions & Decisions
 - First WQGIT Newsletter released on March 21, 2022
 - Feedback on CAST21 should be submitted by April 15, 2022
- Verbal updates:
 - BMPVAHAT update
 - CAST21 letter to Management Board: update and next steps – Ed Dunne, DC DOEE

1:40 Urban Fertilizer Data in CAST-21 – *Speaker TBD* (30 min.)

On March 15th USWG met to discuss turfgrass fertilizer application rates for CAST-21. They reviewed two methods for calculating turf grass nutrient application rates, the current method and a proposed method which removes outliers and smooths the raw fertilizer data from AAPFCO (Association of American Plant Food Control Officials). Changes in rates through time were presented for each

jurisdiction and the group was polled for consensus on a preferred method to be accommodated with CAST-21. Consensus was not reached at the time.

Action Requested: the WQGIT to recommend the revised methods be considered by the USWG for CAST-23. The WQGIT to begin discussion of decision-making procedures.

2:10 USWG Recommendations on Next Steps to Advance Efforts to Maintain Resilience of Stormwater BMPs – David Wood, CSN (30 min.)

Over the past two years, the Urban Stormwater Workgroup (USWG), in coordination with the Climate Resiliency Workgroup (CRWG) and other partners, have developed a series of reports and tools that help characterize the risks that climate change poses to stormwater infrastructure. Through this work, several needs and specific initiatives have emerged as next steps to help local watershed managers affectively address their restoration and public safety functions under future climate conditions. David will present the USWG's consensus recommendations on Next Steps to Advance Efforts to Maintain Resilience of Stormwater BMPs.

Decision Requested: The WQGIT will be asked to endorse the USWG's Recommended Next Steps to Advance Efforts to Maintain the Resilience of Stormwater BMPs.

2:40 BMP Protocol revisions: review of feedback, next steps – Lucinda Power, EPA- CBPO, and Jeremy Hanson, CRC (30 min.)

Lucinda and Jeremy to review feedback received from the WQGIT, with a focus on shared comments. They will present highlights of additional revisions to the Protocols based on feedback received to date as well as a proposed timeline for next steps to approve the revised CBP partnership's BMP Expert Panel Protocols.

3:10 Climate Synthesis Report – Jeremy Hanson, CRC and Zach Easton, VT (40 min.)

Jeremy and Zach will describe the final report and highlight some key recommendations for the WQGIT to consider for future discussion or action. The full report is available at bit.ly/BMP-CC-synth

Action Requested: WQGIT input and discussion to identify topics/recommendations for future discussion or action.

3:50 Recap of Actions and Decisions – Hilary Swartwood, CRC (10 min.)

Hilary Swartwood will recap the actions and decisions from today's meeting.

4:00 Adjourn