

**Water Quality Goal Implementation Team
Federal Facilities Workgroup
Meeting Agenda**

Date: August 12th, 2025

Time: 10 am – 12 noon

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Time	Agenda Item (Discussion Lead) and Desired Outcome	Materials, Notes, and Action Items
10:00 – 10:10	I. Welcome, Introductions, Announcements – Auston Smith (US EPA CBPO) <ul style="list-style-type: none">For roll call purposes, please enter your name & affiliation into the chat. Call-in participants are requested to identify themselves verbally.Staffer update, Marilyn Yang	
10:10 – 10:30	II. Call a Vote to Finalize the Federal Boundaries Data Layer for Phase 7 – Coral Howe (USGS), Sophie Waterman (USGS), and Auston Smith (US EPA CBPO) <p>Following months of data requests and review, the final draft federal facilities data layer was shared to the FFWG for review on 07/29/2025. Thank you to all the agencies for participating in this process!</p> <p>DECISIONAL ITEM: Auston Smith will call a vote to finalize and approve the updated federal facilities data layer for the Phase 7 Model.</p>	Materials: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Federal Facilities Review Viewer

10:30 – 10:45	<p>III. Update on CAST Baseline Year for Establishing Fixed Acreage Estimates for Federal Lands and Update on Procedure for Removing Cropland and Pasture from Federal Lands – Peter Claggett (USGS)</p> <p>Peter Claggett will present 2022 as the baseline year for Phase 7 CAST and used to establish the non-agricultural area of federal lands which will be held constant from 1984 - 2040 in CAST. For years prior to 2022, mapped cropland and pasture exceeding the acreage removed in 2022 will be reclassified to “compacted pervious” which will load similarly to the Phase 6 “mixed open” class.</p>	<p>Materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal Facility Estimates (Phase 7) Presentation
10:45 – 11:30	<p>IV. Finalizing the Discussion on Tracking and Crediting Federal Land Uses/BMP Types Unassigned in CAST – Auston Smith (US EPA CBPO) and Peter Claggett (USGS)</p> <p>Per the follow-up email from Peter Claggett to the FFWG on June 10th, the tracking and crediting alternative suggested for federal practices during the June meeting would be onerous for both jurisdictions and the CBPO and should likely not be explored. The workgroup has exhausted many avenues surrounding this topic, so conversations will be had regarding the proposed finalization of this agenda item.</p>	<p>Materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary of Status Quo Reporting Methods • Follow-up Email to the FFWG (6/10/2025) • Issue Paper: Tracking and Crediting Federal Land Uses/BMPs Currently Unassigned (5/6/2025)
11:30 – 11:45	<p>V. Beyond 2025 - Figuring out the Next Steps for the FFWG – Auston Smith (US EPA CBPO)</p> <p>With the Partnership undergoing the Beyond 2025 process to revise the Chesapeake Bay 2014 Watershed Agreement, the future of the goal teams and workgroups are currently in flux and many will experience changes and restructuring following the adoption of the revised Agreement. Given this, it’s timely to discuss with the FFWG what vision and role they see this workgroup playing after 2025, including what priorities and topics may be of interest to the members.</p>	
11:45 – 12:00	<p>VI. Wrap-up and Conclude</p> <p>Next FFWG Meeting: October 14th, 2025 (10:00am-12:00pm)</p>	