

Federal Facilities Workgroup Minutes

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Members in Attendance

Doug Austin, EPA	Liz Dawson, FWS	Michael Khalamayzer, Army	Peter Van Dyke, NASA
Sally Claggett, USFS	Olivia Devereux, Devereux Consulting	Tim Klingenberg	Katherine Wares, CRC, <i>Staffer</i>
Russell Clark, GSA	Sarah Diebel, DoD, <i>Co-Chair</i>	Lena Kofas, GSA	Aaron Waters, DC DOEE
Luke Cole, DC DOEE	Danny Filer, NPS	Jack Lady, Army	Bob Williams, Navy
Cassandra Davis, NYSDEC	Dana Jackson, USDA	Elisa Ortiz, Army	
James Davis-Martin, VDEQ, <i>Co-Chair</i>	Robin Jazxhi, USAR	Greg Sandi, MDE	

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Introductions (Discussion Lead: Sarah Diebel)	10:00-10:10	Summary of Action Items from April Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss the list of specific expectations for federal agencies and a federal agency timeline for WIP development at a future meeting. Complete Sarah and Russ will work on a first draft of the new member training PowerPoint. Members will assist by sending updated POC information. In Progress Chairs of FFWG will engage with chair of FOD, Sally Claggett, to determine how FOD can engage facilities and emphasize this as a priority in their agencies. In Progress Greg will work with the modelling team (Matt Johnson) to help with modeling and planning tools information. In Progress States to provide information on local planning goal implementation. Complete Find and obtain the Local Area Planning Goals Action Task Force final recommendations document. Complete

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Katherine will send out a request to members on who wants to participate in the protocol action team. At the next meeting, we will determine who is on the Protocol Update Action Team. Complete • Discuss integrating targets into CAST with Olivia Devereux. Complete • At the next meeting, determine where assembled federal facility information for jurisdiction WIPs will go. In Progress • Find WIP II documents and guide. Complete
<p>Federal Facility Target Goals and Protocol Methodology (Discussion Lead: James Davis-Martin)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Area Planning Goals Task Force Recommendations • Get an update on jurisdiction local planning goal implementation/review state processes for developing local goals • Discussion on preferred approach for federal facility targets goals • Federal agencies' desire for consistent process across jurisdictions • Determine who is on the Protocol Update Action Team • Timeline of process 	10:10-10:55	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Final Recommendations of the Local Planning Goals Task Force ○ Local Area Planning Goals to Federal Facility Targets Table ○ Protocol for Setting Targets, Planning BMPs and Reporting Progress for Federal Facilities and Lands ○ MPA Timeline approved by PSC April 2018 • Meeting Notes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Water Quality GIT charged the Local Planning Goals Task Force to determine whether Phase III WIPs should include local area planning goals, if so what are the options for the scale of the goals, and how these goals could be expressed in different jurisdictions. In the Task Force's final recommendations document, local area planning goals were defined and these three questions were answered. The Task Force recommends that local goals be established in partnership with their local and regional partners, stakeholders and federal and state facilities, at a scale below the state-major river basin, using the options they later provide for "local". Several further recommendations were made for jurisdictions to consider when developing goals, ten options were made for how "local" can be define for establishing the goals, and seven options were made for how goals should be expressed. The full document can be viewed here. ○ Jurisdictions provided an update on their local area planning goals and federal facility target development and implementation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Maryland intends to keep the same targets from Phase 2, since their methodology holds with respect to the new Phase 6 model. Target loads and reductions for federal agencies are based on a 20% retrofit of any untreated impervious surface at a facility. A 20% retrofit of MS4s provides a reasonable approximation of what restoration practices a facility could achieve in a relatively short time period. This

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		<p>approach for estimating loading targets is being applied to all federal facilities, but federal agencies can submit new targets if they'd like.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Based on CAST data, federal facilities in New York's portion of the Chesapeake Bay watershed account for 0.08% of the acres in the watershed and about 0.1% of the total load for nitrogen and phosphorus. Therefore, New York is not assigning federal facility targets. Federal facilities are welcome to create target and can participate in any of the events posted to the Phase III Watershed Implementation Plan page on NYSDEC website. ▪ Pennsylvania has created tiers (1-4) based on how much a county impacts water quality in the Bay. Tier 1 includes York, Lancaster, and Franklin counties so federal facilities in those three counties will need to do work. ▪ In Virginia, goals will be provided in loads and BMPs for 2017 Progress and 2025, and will be based on WIP II level of effort in the Phase 6 model on 2025 base conditions. Federal facility targets will be given at the federal department assignment level and that agency or group of agencies (for "OTHER") will be expected to meet all permit requirements and to achieve the reductions from their unregulated lands. Phase II WIP level effort was used in order to distinguish between WLA and LA. ▪ Washington DC is using MS4 permits to create goals and targets and working to determine how to assign non MS4 areas. There will be a review of how the targets are calculated for the federal agencies. ▪ Federal facility practices and strategies, if communicated to the West Virginia Trib Team, will be incorporated into the goals for each sector. West Virginia won't have specific federal targets. A summary of federal facility participation in WIP development and their anticipated participation in implementation will be included in the WIP. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ James asked if federal agencies would like to have one consistent target across the watershed or if they have a preferred approach. Sarah said there should be an approach of meeting permits as the first priority and meeting unregulated practices as a second priority. ○ Currently, the Protocol Update Action Team includes Sarah Diebel, James Davis-Martin, Greg Allen, Liz Dawson, Greg Sandi, Aaron Waters, and Sally Claggett. This group will make edits to the 2015 "Protocol for Setting

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		<p>Targets, Planning BMPs and Reporting Progress for Federal Facilities and Lands” document.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>ACTION:</u> The Protocol Update Action Team will set up a call before the next FFWG to start updating the document.
<p>EPA Expectations for Federal Facilities in Supporting Jurisdictions’ Phase 3 WIPs (Discussion Lead: Sarah Diebel)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review the EPA expectations document • Discussion on federal comments that were submitted for the expectations document • Determine where assembled federal facility information for jurisdiction WIPs will go (do we want it in a neutral space like CAST?) 	10:55-11:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Meeting Materials</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ EPA’s Expectation for Federal Lands and Facilities in Supporting Chesapeake Bay Jurisdiction’s Phase III WIPs • <u>Meeting Notes</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sarah ran through and reviewed the <i>EPA’s Expectation for Federal Lands and Facilities in Supporting Chesapeake Bay Jurisdiction’s Phase III WIPs</i> document. ○ Several agencies submitted comments to EPA about the Executive Order. Dana and Liz will work together to refine the bullet related to work that meets other Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement outcomes on page 4. They will specifically add language on work related to wildlife habitat and “riparian” forest buffers habitat and will send it to EPA as soon as possible. DOD made the following comments/suggestions to EPA for the expectation document: add additional language about the protocol, include target definition, add additional language about annual process reporting, rewording about resources through 2025 “to the extent possible” since budgets are decided by congress, add language on feedback loop related to the disconnect between federal data and state data reported into CAST, don’t use “CWA” for Chesapeake Watershed Agreement since it’s often used for Clean Water Act, and add language on where EPA can provide technical assistant (i.e. CAST assistance). EPA will send a revised version soon based on all the submitted comments.
<p>Decision Support Tools for Phase 3 WIP Development (Discussion Lead: Olivia Devereux)</p> <p>Additional capacity has been built into CAST since the last round of WIPs, and more capacity to facilitate Federal Phase 3 WIP development will be built in.</p>	11:30-11:55	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Meeting Notes</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Olivia showed the workgroup additional capacity that has been built into CAST and tools that can facilitate Federal Phase 3 WIP development. Since CAST includes the functionality necessary for WIP development, the Phase 5 model and BayFAST have been taken down. ○ Olivia will show additional capacity that will be built in at another meeting. ○ There is a federal facilities information page that could be updated. FFWG members should let Olivia know what information they want on this page.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>ACTION:</u> States will provide updated template for 2018 progress reporting.
Update, Wrap-up, Next Meeting (Discussion Lead: Sarah Diebel)	11:55-12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Looking Ahead</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Standardized template (DOD data collection template) ○ BMP crediting and gap analysis ○ Review jurisdiction systems for electronic reporting MS4 and nonMS4 BMPs ○ Verification ○ Other natural resource outcomes/co-benefits being added to WIPs • <u>Next Meeting:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Next meeting will be Tuesday July 10th, 10a.m. – 12p.m.