

Federal Facilities Workgroup Agenda

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Time: 10:00 A.M. – 11:00 P.M.

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Introductions- John Maleri and Greg Allen	10:00 - 10:05	
EPA Federal BMP Data Request Report out and Two-Year Milestone Update - Greg Allen	10:05- 10:20	<p>Every year we put the call out for BMP progress data, this year we opened up the call to historical record BMPs to help get to a complete record of federal facilities. Brown and Caldwell have help us find the gaps in the collection progress and are helping fill those gaps.</p> <p>We are really trying to understand who owns what properties, what the land use is on said property, are there any BMPs, and are there any federal planning goals? Once all that information is collected scenarios can be played out in order to help understand how to get to those federal planning goals.</p> <p>The status of Federal Agency BMP Agency Data Requests chart was then discussed. It maps out who has responded to the request and has provided data, who has responded and not provide the data yet, and who has not responded. To see the chart in detail, click here.</p> <p>We have contacted agencies who have not responded to the data request. We have also gotten in touch with folks who are new to working on BMP data. Sophie and Greg have been meeting with agencies who have not responded to the original request and have met with people who are new to reporting BMPs.</p> <p><i>If you would like to set a conversation to ask questions and get clarification you can email Sophie at swaterman@chesapeakebay.net</i></p>

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		<p>We are on track to have one of the best data reporting years. Both the FFWG and Brown and Caldwell are working to make sure that the gaps are being addressed. One of the ways to address gaps is getting data from jurisdictions that hopefully include unique identifier code to show what jurisdictions have in terms of Federal BMP records. The FFWG coordination team attended the Watershed Technical Workgroup to check in with jurisdictions to see how complex it would be to get this data. The response was that it will take some work, but it is not a huge ask.</p> <p><u>Questions and Comments</u></p> <p>What is the timeline of the Federal Agency BMP Agency Data Requests chart? It is the 2021 progress year or July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021.</p> <p>If the progress collection has already passed, why are we still collecting data? We are trying to get a complete picture and have opened it back up to see if we can get any more BMP data.</p> <p>There are no major updates on Two-Year Milestone. Greg ran through what they are, and how they are used. However, there is nothing major regarding the milestones. Greg noted that members of the FFWG could do better about reporting on them and that we are all striving to do better.</p>
<p>CAST Conversation- Olivia Devereux Olivia will refresh the workgroup on how to use CAST for facilities BMP planning</p>	<p>10:20-10:40</p>	<p>Olivia walked the group through the CAST How to Guide. The first thing noted was that CAST can be used to look at the land use on federal agency properties. The guide is thorough and has a lot of information, along with helpful notes for folks who are not as familiar. The guide walks you through how you can look at what land is attributed to your agencies, how that land got assigned to your agency, and what BMPs are currently receiving credit in CAST. The second part of the guide is about knowing your agencies commitments on how much sediment, phosphorus, and nitrogen your agency is expected to reduce. There is guidance on how to get accurate pollutant loading rates for your specific facility. The last part of the guide is on targeting and how you can use CAST to experiment with BMPs.</p> <p>Olivia noted that she would be willing to do a webinar for the federal facilities to better show folks on how to use CAST. You can sign up for webinars here.</p>
<p>2022 Data Process- Greg Allen Preliminary discussion on 2022 progress data call</p>	<p>10:40-10:50</p>	<p>Greg took a moment to see if there are ways that the FFWG can help you be on top of the next data call. Is there an ideal date for EPA Data Request Letter? Would a calendar invite with the due dates be helpful on your calendar to help keep track? We want to streamline the timeline for the next data request to ensure that it is the most successful. If you have any thoughts, please email Sophie at swaterman@chesapeakebay.net</p>

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Update, Wrap-up, Next Meeting	10:50-11:00	Next Meeting: May 10 th At the end of the Meeting Dr Rick Turcotte made an announcement to inquire of any tree data on federal lands. He is mostly interested in data from DC but welcomes data from other states. If you have data and an issue, he and his team would be happy to look at it. You can contact him at richard.m.turcotte@usda.gov