

Chesapeake Bay Program

BIENNIAL STRATEGY REVIEW SYSTEM

Work Plan



NOTE: Review and revise your Management Strategy before developing your Work Plan. The Management Strategy includes the logic portion of the previously used Logic & Action Plan and will now serve to illustrate the link between the factors that could impact the partnership's ability to achieve an outcome and the actions it is taking to manage them. Update your Management Strategy to reflect key information from your Outcome Review Summary and feedback from your Quarterly Progress Meeting. This is not meant to be a full rewrite of your Management Strategy – just ensure the information is still accurate and reflects the current direction of the workgroup.

NOTE: The Work Plan replaces the Actions section of the previously used Logic & Action Plan. An example is provided on the next page of this document. Your Work Plan may have more or less detail than the example. Please delete the example before finalizing the document.

NOTE: Delete all notes in this blue color - these comments are intended to help you draft your Work Plan. Delete the Work Plan example. Replace all text highlighted in blue or yellow and remove all highlighting prior to finalizing your Outcome Review Summary. Keep one blank line (using Normal text formatting) of between each Management Approach.

NOTE: While this template is provided for your convenience, you have the flexibility to choose a different format, such as an Excel spreadsheet. If you choose a different format, you must ensure that it can be converted to a PDF and printed on standard letter (8.5 in x 11 inch) paper in either portrait or landscape orientation. All Work Plans must answer all questions below for each Management Approach. The first four listed questions provide the previously requested information. The remaining questions ensure you have the necessary information to assess and learn from the results of your actions and will help guide your future work.

- What are the steps needed for each Management Approach?
- Who are the responsible parties?
- What is the impacted geographic location?
- What is the expected timeline for completion?
- What are the goals or metrics you will use to determine the impact of your action?
- How will we collect and assess the data that we want to monitor and how will we use the data?
- How will we communicate the results?
- How do we expect the action to fill the priority factor or gap? What do you expect to happen when the action is completed?

TREE CANOPY

SRS 3RD CYCLE: 2024-2025 WORK PLAN

OUTCOME: Continually increase urban tree canopy capacity to provide air quality, water quality and habitat benefits throughout the watershed. Expand urban tree canopy by 2,400 acres by 2025.

Long-term Target: Expand urban tree canopy by 2,400 acres by 2025.

Two-year Target: Completion of the 2400 acre net gain.

MANAGEMENT APPROACH 1: Bolster funding and partnerships				
Action #	Description of Step	Responsible Party or Parties	Geographic Location	Expected Timeline
1.1	Implement funding strategies from state tree canopy action plans	1. DE FS, DNREC and partners 2. DDOT, DOEE and partners 3. MD FS, MDE and partners 4. NYSDEC, Upper Susquehanna Coalition and partners 5. PA DCNR and partners 6. VA DOF and partners 7. WVDEP, WVDOP, Cacapon Institute and partners	Bay-wide	2024-2025
1.2	Implement federal and state IRA grants supporting disadvantaged communities	USFS, DE FS, DDOT, MD FS, NYSDEC, PA DCNR, VA DOF, WVDOP	Bay-wide	2024-2028
1.3	Complete GIT-funded project on Addressing Regional Tree Supply Challenges and Opportunities	University of Florida (contractor), with input from USFS, Forestry Workgroup	Bay-wide	2024
How do we expect the action to fill the priority factor or gap? What do you expect to happen when the action is completed?		What are the goals or metrics you will use to determine the impact of your action?	How will we collect and assess the data that we want to	How will we communicate the results?

MANAGEMENT APPROACH 3: Increase technical capacity and knowledge

Action #	Description of Step	Responsible Party or Parties	Geographic Location	Expected Timeline
3.1	Convene annual virtual Tree Canopy Summit to engage urban forestry practitioners and cross-sector partners in best practices and innovative strategies	USFS, Forestry Workgroup, Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay	Bay-wide	2024-2025
3.2	Communicate Tree Canopy status & change (2013-2018) to stakeholders through updates to the State of Chesapeake Forests Storymap and new municipal factsheets	USFS, USGS, Chesapeake Conservancy, and Forestry Workgroup, with input from Land Use Workgroup, Local Leadership Workgroup	Bay-wide	2024-2025
3.3	Develop a trees & climate resilience strategy guide for local governments	Forestry Workgroup – new GIT funding proposal	Bay-wide	2024-2025
How do we expect the action to fill the priority factor or gap? What do you expect to happen when the action is completed?		What are the goals or metrics you will use to determine the impact of your action?	How will we collect and assess the data that we want to monitor and how will we use the data?	How will we communicate the results?

NOTE: Include additional Management Approaches by duplicating the template below.

MANAGEMENT APPROACH 4: Expand community outreach and education

Action #	Description of Step	Responsible Party or Parties	Geographic Location	Expected Timeline
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4.1	Host quarterly webinars: tree equity community of practice	USFS, Forestry Workgroup, CBP communications, with input from Diversity Workgroup	Bay-wide	2024-2025
4.2	Continue updating the Chesapeake Tree Canopy Network and e-newsletter as our primary hub for resources and sharing community stories	Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, USFS, Forestry Workgroup	Bay-wide	2024-2025
4.3	CB tree canopy outreach materials project?	TBD	Bay-wide	2024-2025
How do we expect the action to fill the priority factor or gap? What do you expect to happen when the action is completed?		What are the goals or metrics you will use to determine the impact of your action?	How will we collect and assess the data that we want to monitor and how will we use the data?	How will we communicate the results?