

Forestry Workgroup Nov. 2024 Meeting - Looking Ahead at 2025

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How can the FWG support efforts to better integrate forest management and forest habitat restoration into the Bay Program going beyond 2025?

Incorporate more
silviculturists into our fold

Presentations from the
states on what work is
already happening

Demonstrate Ecosystem
benefits of trees

Invest in invasive species
control

Move the Forestry WG
under the Habitat Goal
Team :)

Improve integration with
NAACC- North Atlantic
Aquatic Connectivity
Collaborative.

Dedicated, easy to use
funding for forestry bmps

Watershed wide mapping
of forest restoration
blocks

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What is the mechanism for changing the overarching agreement?

What is the barrier for adding it?

Advance consideration on how long-term forest health is represented/accounted for in long-term land use modeling

Ensure there are liaisons between forestry and other areas where trees can solve problems. Other GITs where trees play a key role (many/most?), agroforestry network, etc.

Watershed wide tools for identifying opportunity areas and areas of highest impact

Equal focus on protection not just restoration

Invest in Forest markets that support Forest restoration practices like wood energy and biochar.

Support by conducting high-level outreach (similar to what happened with the canopy fact sheets)

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Advance better highway management, i.e., promote MD Roadside Tree Law practices in other states.

Explore urban wildlife corridors for a whole watershed approach

Speaker series or STAC workshop topic

Seconding Judy's comment on forest land cover's benefits to aquatic habitat and other Menti ideas: advocate for forest ecosystem services to build a culture of trees solving problems.

Tie forest protection to Agriculture preservation

A homepage (or flow chart) connecting all the available funding/ agencies that are working together and providing services that's easy to navigate, use, and share with the public

Understory man/planting

Deer culling

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Focus more on hydrology,
water quantity benefits of
forests

support nursery trade
expansion of native seed
cultivation and demand

There are artificial silos
seperating aquatic system
health and forest health.
Watersheds need forests to be
healthy and to support aquatic
species. Need to integrate these
efforts.

What meeting topics or speakers should we prioritize for 2025?

State Forest Action plan links to Bay goals

A range of what active forest management can look like, to build out 'tools in the toolkit' for us forestry folks in different contexts (community forestry, agroforestry, NTFPs for TSI, timber, PES)

TEK/indigenous stewardship for forest preservation and restoration

TEK/indigenous consultation on priorities and approaches for what bio-cultural restoration looks like

Biocultural focus - what social dynamics contribute to forestry success? E.g. appreciation for wood products, tree benefits, forest livelihoods, nurseries

Forests role in stream water Quantity, maintain baseflow

Nurseries and public engagement in tree propagation and planting

Branches: Micro Forests for Macro Solutions: An Introduction to Miyawaki Forests by Presented by John Evangelista, Groundwork Elizabeth

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New forest data, - what are forest loss #'s on preserved lands

New policy models for Forest protection

Thank you!

If you have any other thoughts, questions, or concerns that come to mind after the meeting, please reach out to Katie and Marilyn!

