



Chesapeake Bay Program

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Habitat GIT Spring 2023 Meeting – Hybrid Meeting

April 25th, 09:00-12:20 ET & April 26th, 09:00-12:00 ET

DAY 1 MEETING INFORMATION: [Click here for Meeting Materials](#)

<u>In-Person Meeting Location:</u> U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service WS NY Ecological Services Field Office 3817 Luker Road, Cortland, NY 13045	<u>Virtual Meeting:</u> WebEx Meeting Link Meeting ID: 2621 653 5537 Meeting password: vUEHmFnp353 Join by phone: +1-408-418-9388 Access code: 2621 653 5537
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DAY 1 AGENDA: 09:00-12:20 ET, followed by lunch and a field trip for those attending in-person

09:03	Welcome, Introductions, Updates – <i>HGIT Co-chairs Gina Hunt (MDNR) & Bill Jenkins (EPA)</i> – 12 min <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>New members introductions:</u> Fish Passage Workgroup Co-Chairs, Wetland Workgroup Vice Co-chairs, New HGIT Staffer!• Updates on 2022 GIT Funded Projects• Other updates/shout outs incl. the completion of the 2022 Wetland Workshop Action Plan (finalized January 2023)
09:15	HGIT Management Strategy – <i>HGIT Coordinator Chris Guy (USFWS)</i> – 15 min <p>Presentation on the updated Management Strategy will be followed by a survey to solicit feedback on the Management Strategy. The survey link will be distributed during the meeting, and survey responses will be due by COB TODAY, 4/25.</p> <p>Potential survey questions include: What did we do well? What did we not do well? What do you like/dislike about the Management Strategy? What priorities should be added/taken away?</p> <p>The current Management Strategy can be found on the Habitat GIT webpage.</p>
09:30	Workgroup Updates – <i>Workgroup Chairs or Co-Chairs</i> – 1.5 hr <p><i>*Workgroups will have 15 minutes each to present updates/highlights and allow for questions.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">WETLANDSTREAM HEALTHSAVFISH PASSAGEBROOK TROUTBLACK DUCK
11:00	Break – 15 min
11:15	Very High-Resolution Land Use/Land Cover Data Project and Targeting Tools Portal – <i>John Wolf & Peter Claggett (USGS)</i> – 60 min
12:15	Summary and Wrap Up – <i>Gina Hunt & Bill Jenkins</i> – 5 min
12:20	Day 1 Meeting adjourned.

***Additional optional Day 1 events continued on next page**

****This meeting will be recorded for internal use to ensure the accuracy of notes****



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ADDITIONAL DAY 1 EVENTS FOR THOSE ATTENDING IN-PERSON:

**Those attending virtually are more than welcome to attend the pre-field trip presentation, as we will keep the virtual meeting platform live during this talk.*

12:30 Presentation on Field Site – Ian Drew (USFWS) – 20 min
After the Day 1 meeting concludes, USFWS will provide a presentation on the project site that those attending in-person will visit in the afternoon.

12:50 LUNCH – 60 min

1:50 Field Trip – several hours
Those attending in-person who are interested in participating will have the opportunity to go on a field trip to a USFWS fish passage project field site. We will be visiting 5 culverts along Wiley Brook in the Town of Coventry in Chenango County. Here, we will learn about aquatic organism passage, toe wood versus rip rap, and stream channel design to facilitate passage at the culverts.

Please make sure to dress appropriately as we will be outdoors. The field site is approximately one hour from the NY Field Office, and opportunities for carpooling to/from the field site will be discussed day-of.

DAY 2 MEETING INFORMATION: [Click here for Meeting Materials](#)

In-Person Meeting Location:

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DAY 2 AGENDA: 09:00-12:00 ET

09:00 Welcome & Summary of Day 1 – HGIT Co-chairs Gina Hunt (MDNR) & Bill Jenkins – 15 min

09:15 SRS Overview Presentation – Dede Lawal (Chesapeake Research Consortium) – 30 min
This presentation will provide an overview of the CBP's biannual Strategic Review System (SRS) process. What is SRS? What is required and what management documents are updated during this time? How can you receive the feedback you need? Discussion will focus on the role of workgroup members in this process.

09:45 CBP Indicators Presentation – Katheryn Barnhart (EPA, Indicators Coordinator) – 20 min
Presentation will offer an overview of CBP indicators specifically as they relate to the Habitat GIT Outcomes. What are they? How are they generated? And how are they used?

10:05 Chesapeake Bay Program Social Science Assessment and Integration Road Map Development – Amy Handen (EPA) – 20 min

10:25 Break – 15 min

10:40 Outcome Tracker Presentation & Demo of Wetlands Outcome – Olivia Devereux & Helen Golimowski (Devereux Consulting) – 30 min



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11:10	Presentation on Structured Decision-Making – Amy Jacobs (<i>The Nature Conservancy</i>) – 30 min Presentation will focus on the Structured Decision Making (SDM) model, and how this model was used during a recent marsh restoration project on the Eastern Shore. Discussion will be centered on how this model can be applied across habitats throughout the Watershed.
11:40	Summary of Management Strategy Survey – Gina Hunt & Bill Jenkins – 20 min
12:00	Meeting Adjourned.