

STAR (Science, Technical Assessment, and Reporting) Collaboration with the Habitat Goal Team

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Bay Agreement and STAR

- Watershed agreement
- Goal Teams
 - Management strategies
 - Work plans
 - CBP decision framework (STAC)
- STAR: Increase coordination among science providers to support Goal Teams
 - Technical expertise within Goal Teams
 - Identify additional science/monitoring needs
 - Opportunities to increase science capacity

CHESAPEAKE SCIENCE SUPPORT

GOAL IMPLEMENTATION TEAMS: SCIENCE NEEDS

FISHERIES

HABITAT

WATER
QUALITY

HEALTHY
WATERSHEDS

STEWARDSHIP

LEADERSHIP

STAC: Science Advisors

- GUIDANCE
- REVIEW
- ADVICE ON PROVIDERS

STAR: Science Coordination

- MONITORING
- DATA INTEGRITY
- STATUS AND TRENDS
- EXPLAIN AND PREDICT CHANGE
- MODELING
- CLIMATE CHANGE
- INFORMATION AND GIS SUPPORT
- SYNTHESIZE AND INFORM

Science Providers

CBP OFFICE

FEDERAL

STATE

LOCAL

ACADEMIC

NGOs

CONCEPTUAL DIAGRAM OF CHESAPEAKE BAY ECOSYSTEM

POPULATIONS

FISHERIES

- Crabs
- Oysters
- Finfish
- Freshwater (Brook Trout)

WILDLIFE

- Waterbirds (Black Ducks)

PEOPLE

- Stewardship
- Access
- Literacy
- Diversity



CONDITIONS

WATER QUALITY

- Oxygen/Clarity
- Nutrients
- Sediment
- Contaminants

HABITATS

- Wetlands
- SAV
- Streams
- Forests

LANDS

- Healthy Watersheds
- Protection
- Land Use



INTERVENTIONS

MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES/PRACTICES



DRIVERS OF ECOSYSTEM CHANGE

CLIMATE CHANGE AND VARIABILITY

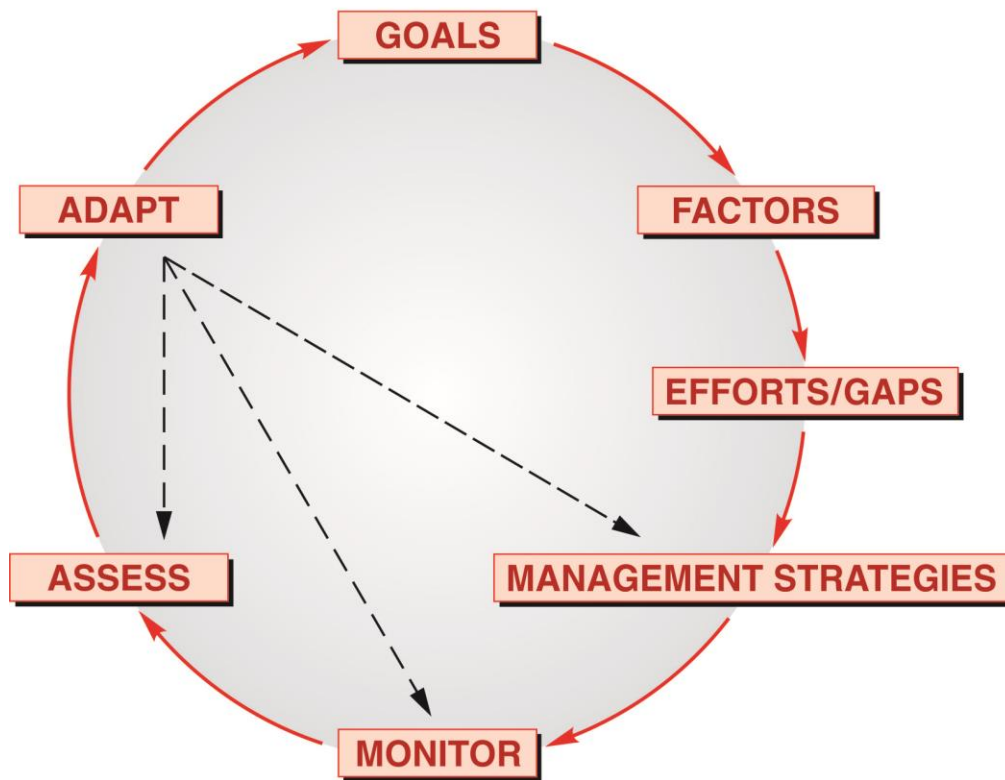
POPULATION GROWTH: CONSUMPTION AND LAND CHANGE

- Management Strategies
 - CBP decision framework
 - Monitoring to assess progress (indicators)
 - Cross outcome opportunities
- Work plans:
 - Science and monitoring activities
 - Limitations
- Build capacity over time
 - Decide on joint priorities

CBP decision framework

ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT FOR THE CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM

(CBP, 2011)



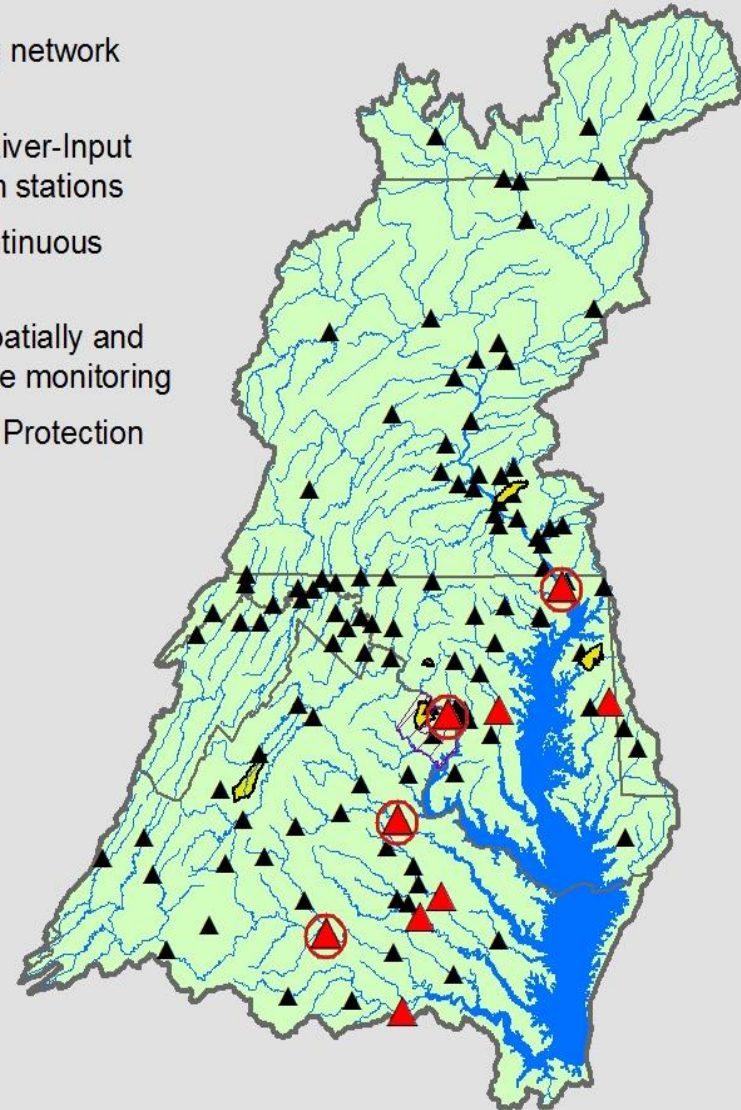
- Understanding factors
 - Land/climate change
- Management strategies
 - Models and decision tools to prioritize
- Monitor
 - Measuring outcomes
 - Indicators
 - Status and trends
- Assess
 - Explain change and relate to strategies
- Adapt
 - Synthesis and implications

Increasing Monitoring

- Integrating networks
- Example:
 - Water quality
 - Brook Trout
 - Stream health
- Building Environmental Intelligence

Explanation

- ▲ Nontidal monitoring network stations
- ▲ Chesapeake Bay River-Input Monitoring Program stations
- Tributaries with continuous monitoring
- Watersheds with spatially and temporally extensive monitoring
- Clarksburg Special Protection Area
- ▨ Fairfax County



Enhance Support for GITs

- STAR interaction with each Goal Team
 - Liaisons; STAR meetings
- Indicators and monitoring needs
 - Assessing status/needs of all outcomes
 - Identify monitoring support/gaps
 - Opportunities /partners (BEI) (STAC workshop)
- Filling needs
 - Set joint priorities; limitations and expectations
 - CBP STAR support (Monitoring/data, GIS, Climate)
 - GIT funding
 - More science providers/agency support