



Joint Integrated Trends Analysis Team (ITAT) and Factors Team Meeting

Wednesday, September 24th, 2025

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

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AGENDA

10:00 – 10:05 AM Welcome – Breck Sullivan (U.S. Geological Survey, USGS) and Kaylyn Gootman (Environmental Protection Agency, EPA)

Announcements:

- Newly published Potomac Tributary Summary Report! You can access the report on the ITAT Tributary Summaries Project [webpage here](#).

Conferences:

- [Coastal & Estuarine Research Federation \(CERF\) 28th Biennial Conference](#), November 9-13th, 2025. Richmond, VA. **Registration is now open!**
- [Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay – Chesapeake Watershed Forum](#), November 7-9, 2025. National Conservation Training Center, Shepherdstown, WV. **Proposal for Posters now open!**

10:05 – 10:45 AM *Evaluating Stream Restoration Tradeoffs in Water Quality across Watershed Scales*

Presenter(s): *Sujay Kaushal (University of Maryland, UMD).*

Description: *Significant amounts of time, money, and effort have been devoted to restoring streams and rivers but our monitoring scales over time and space can influence whether we consider a project a success or failure. We will explore some best practices for monitoring to accurately identify water quality benefits and potential tradeoffs. Read the full article [here](#).*

10:45 - 11:30 AM *Developing Numeric Chlorophyll a Criteria Through Science, Enhanced Monitoring, and a Collaborative Stakeholder Partnership*

Presenter(s): *Tish Robertson (Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, VA DEQ)*

Description: *This presentation will describe the novel approach taken by the Commonwealth of Virginia to rederive numeric water column chlorophyll a criteria specific to the James River estuary. This approach integrates continuous monitoring and underway (Dataflow) datasets with more conventional discrete datasets to characterize baseline conditions and to determine chlorophyll a concentrations that confer unacceptable levels of risk in both space and time. Read the full article [here](#).*

11:30 AM Adjourn

Next Meeting: Wednesday October 22nd, 2025, from 10 AM – 12 PM