

**Sustainable Fisheries Goal Implementation Team Member Update**  
**Chesapeake Bay Foundation**  
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The Chesapeake Bay Foundation will be continuing its efforts to restore oyster habitat and populations with various partners primarily in the targeted tributaries identified by the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement. In Maryland our efforts include the following:

- The planting of a 1 acre oyster reef at Ft. Carroll in the Patapsco River within view of the City of Baltimore. CBF partners include Maryland Environmental Service, the Maryland Port Administration, Waterfront Partnership, the Abell Foundation. CBF looks forward to learning more about how the oysters will fare in this less salty, polluted environment. Our partners at the University of Maryland's Paynter Laboratory will monitor the oysters' progress and report to CBF about 1 month and three years after planting.
- CBF is partnering with CCA, to deploy 140 reef balls (70 set with spat and 70 unset) at Tilghman Island Reef.
- CBF is growing and planting 7 million Spat on Shell in the Little Choptank River and 8 Million in the Tred Avon River.
- CBF will continue its partnership with watermen transitioning to aquaculture by offering one of our setting tanks to the state as part of the Remote Setting Training program(RST).
- CBF will continue its Oyster Gardening program which returns oysters to the South, Tred Avon, Patuxent, Severn and Patapsco Rivers. Expected returns will include approximately 100,000 oysters total.
- Patricia Campbell will ferry 313 reef balls from MD to VA and deploy in the Lafayette River.

In Virginia our efforts will include the following:

- CBF will grow and plant 400,000 spat on shell on existing sanctuary reef constructed by the Elizabeth River Project in the Lafayette River.
- CBF will grow and plant 600,000 spat on shell on new reef sanctuary reef constructed by the Elizabeth River Project in the Lafayette River.
- CBF will deploy 600 reef balls on existing sanctuary reef constructed by the Elizabeth River Project in the Lafayette River.
- CBF will plant 1.5 million spat on shell as part of a climate resiliency project in partnership with the city of Norfolk by the Hermitage Museum