



Chesapeake Bay Program
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Stakeholders' Advisory Committee

LGAC Briefing: What, Who, How

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Stakeholders' Advisory Committee
TO THE CHESAPEAKE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Purpose

- To provide the CBP with informed, broad based stakeholders' perspective on restoration progress, programs, and policy

Primary Function

- Serve as advisors to the leadership of the Chesapeake Bay Program
 - Executive Council
 - Principals' Staff Committee (non-voting member)
 - Management Board (non-voting member)
 - *Some CBP Action Teams, GITs, workgroups*
 - *Beyond 2025, Stewardship and Diversity workgroups*

28 Members - 2 Pathways of Appointment

- 16 Gubernatorial/Mayoral (4 each from VA, DC, MD, PA)
- Board of Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay
 - 3 Headwater States (1 each from NY, DE, and WV)
 - 9 At-Large (balance geography, diversity, perspectives)

Term

- 4 years
- No term limits
- Serve at the pleasure of their appointing authority or until resign

Member Affiliations include:

Agriculture

Development Contractors

Environmental Justice and DEI Advocates

Environmental Philanthropy

Formal Education

Land Conservation

Policy Researchers and Program Auditors

Restoration Practitioners

Retired Government

- Congressional Staff, State and Federal Officials

Watershed Organizations

Wealth Management

Structure

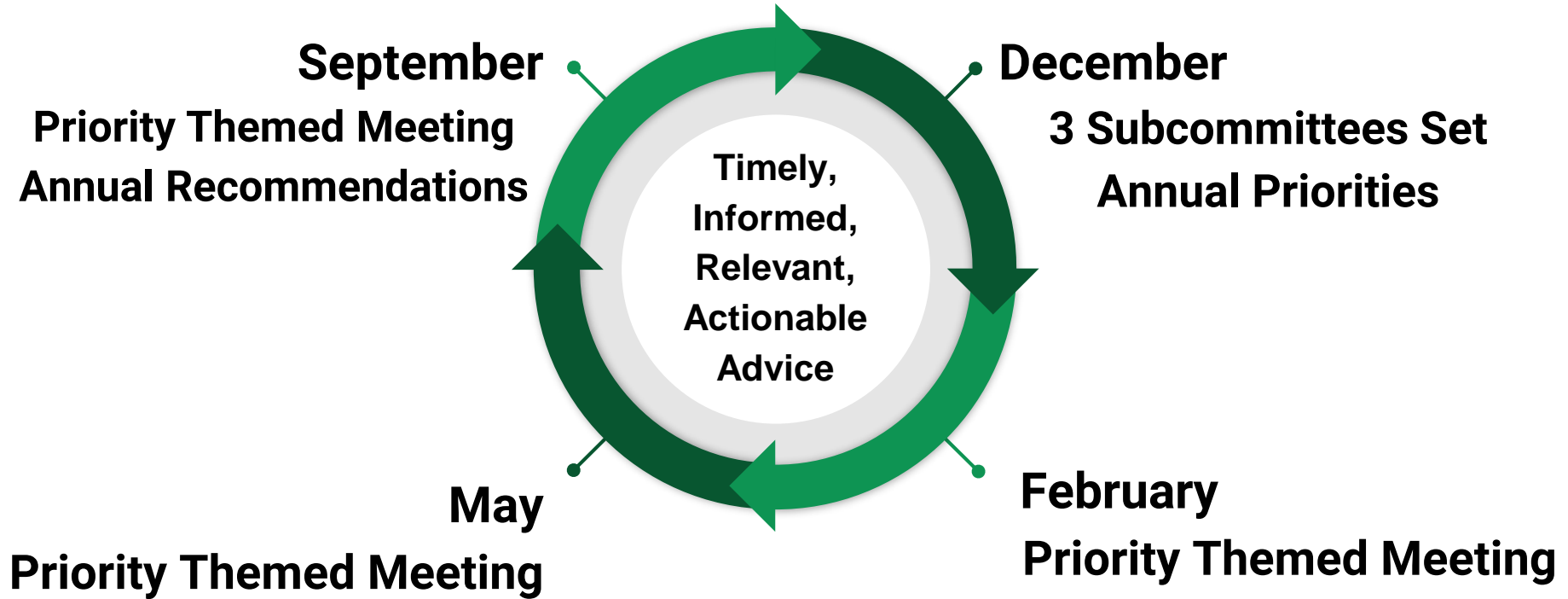
Subcommittees

- **Water Quality**
- **Stewardship & Engagement**
- **Conservation and Land Use**
- Governance and Membership
- Nominations
- Action Teams that sunset after task

Executive Committee

- Chair
- Vice Chair
- Immediate Past Chair
- Chairs of the Subcommittee

Annual Quarterly Meeting Cycle



Recent Topics and Recommendations

Water Quality

- 2022/23: Accountability for TMDL and Agreement Outcomes
 - *Lens of Getting to 2025 and Beyond*

Stewardship & Engagement

- 2021/22/23: Equitable Access to Grants
 - *Lowering Barriers for frontline community organizations*
 - *Building Capacity for those smaller groups*
 - *Guiding internal discussions on equity and inclusion*

Conservation & Land Use

- 2021/22/23: Impacts of Land Conversion
 - *Large-scale Solar Development- watershed-wide guidance*
 - *Forest and Wetlands loss- implementing the recent state action plans*



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Thank you!



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