



Management Board Meeting

February 8, 2024
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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Purpose: Advancing partnership priority issues stemming from the 2023 EC meeting including the responses to the 2023 advisory committee recommendations to the Executive Council.

- I. **Getting Started: Order of the Day and Introductions** (9:00 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.)
Martha Shimkin, MB Chair, will kick-off the meeting and facilitate agenda topics.
Materials:
I. MB Actions-Decisions, January 11, 2024
- II. **Beyond 2025: Steering Committee Updates** (9:10 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.)
This session is an update on the work being conducted by the Beyond 2025 Steering Committee and the small topical groups. This session will be a general update on activities in support of the Beyond 2025 effort, including planning for the February 28-29 Symposium in Harrisburg, PA.
Presenters: Anna Killius (CBC) and Martha Shimkin (EPA), Steering Committee Co-Chairs
Requested action: Feedback on the agenda for February Symposium.
Relevant Outcomes: All
Materials:
II.a. Draft Symposium Agenda
II.b. Presentation: Beyond 2025
- III. **Partnership Responses to Advisory Committee Recommendations to the Executive Council** (9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.)
The partnership's three advisory committees provided formal recommendations to the Executive Committee during its October 2023 meeting. Per CBP governance, the Management Board, on behalf of the partnership, provides written responses to those recommendations. Draft response letters were discussed during the January 11, 2023 MB meeting and emailed to the signatory members for review and comment. This session is an opportunity to ask any

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additional question, discuss the letter further and discussion and questions about the responses.

Presenters: Martha Shimkin (MB Chair), Greg Barranco (EPA), Kaylyn Gootman (EPA), Matt Robinson (EPA)

Relevant outcomes: multiple

Requested decision: Approval of the MB responses to the Advisory Committee recommendations to the Executive Committee.

Relevant Outcomes: All

Materials:

III.a. [2023 Local Government Advisory Committee Recommendations to the Executive Council](#)

III.b. Draft MB response to LGAC Recommendations

III.c. [2023 Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee Report to the Executive Council](#)

III.d. Draft MB response to LGAC Recommendations

III.e. [2023 Stakeholders Committee Report to the Executive Council](#)

III.f. Draft MB response to LGAC Recommendations

III.g. Presentation: Responses to Advisory Committees

IV. Bay Barometer Highlights (10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.)

On January 24, the Chesapeake Bay Program release the 2023 Bay Barometer, the partnership's annual update on the environmental health and restoration of the Chesapeake Bay watershed.

This year's Barometer includes an overview of the 18 Chesapeake Bay Watershed outcomes that were updated in 2023. This session is an overview of the report's key findings.

Presenter: Jake Solyst, CBP Web Content Manager

Requested action: none

Relevant Outcomes: All

Materials:

IV.a. *Bay Barometer Report:*

<https://d18lev1ok5leia.cloudfront.net/chesapeakebay/Bay-Barometer-2023.pdf>

IV.b. Press Release:

<https://www.chesapeakebay.net/news/pressrelease/chesapeake-bay-program-shares-latest-progress-on-watershed-restoration>

V. Business Meeting (10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.)

Discussion about future agenda items, key issues, and program updates.

Facilitator: Martha Shimkin (EPA), MB Chair

- March QPM/People Cohort: Citizen Stewardship, Public Access, Diversity, Student Env. Literacy
- The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) soliciting proposals for the Small Watershed Grants (SWG) Program
- Federal Milestones – once compiled and posted to the Fed Leadership website, the MB and FOD get a 15-day review and comment. Date of posting is TBD (still waiting for some fed agencies to submit)
- Job postings – (per LGAC 2023 EC recommendation response) Reminders to partners to regularly post job openings on the watershed-wide resources website (<http://chesapeakenetwork.org/>, hosted by the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay) and other list serves and websites as appropriate.
- **Partner Announcements/Updates**

VI. Wrap Up and Adjourn

(10:45 a.m.)