



# Chesapeake Bay Program

## 2018 Executive Council Meeting

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## 2018 Planning Committee Co-Chairs

- Lee Currey  
Maryland Department of the Environment
- Rachel Felver  
Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay
- Dave Goshorn  
Maryland Department of Natural Resources



Frederick Douglass – Isaac Myers Maritime Park  
Baltimore, Maryland  
August 7, 2018  
11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



## Participant Update:

- Maryland Governor Larry Hogan – Confirmed
- Chesapeake Bay Commission Chair Frank Wagner – Confirmed
- Delaware Governor John Carney – Calendar checked.
- District of Columbia Mayor Muriel Bowser – Unavailable.
- EPA Acting Administrator Andrew Wheeler - Unknown.
- New York Governor Andrew Cuomo – Unknown.
- Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf – Unknown.
- Virginia Governor Ralph Northam – Confirmed
- West Virginia Governor Jim Justice – Unknown.
- Advisory committee chairs – Confirmed.

*Invites sent June 20, 2018*





**Celebrate  
successes....acknowledge  
challenges....and move forward.**



## Celebrate Successes:

- Partnership as a convener.
- Measurable signs of progress - Bay is responding.
- Record underwater grasses.
- Wastewater reductions.
- Nutrient reduction from air deposition.
- Progress on Conowingo.
- Understanding of climate change impacts.
- Oyster restoration.
- Smaller dead zone.
- Understanding and responding to agricultural reduction.



## Acknowledge Challenges:

- Partners need to remain engaged in Watershed Agreement goals.
- Continued accountability and oversight.
- Accelerating implementation – need to do more, faster.
- Technical assistance.
- Adapting to new science.
- Factoring in new growth, climate change, new model.
- Funding and finance.





## Move forward:

- Stormwater Directive.
- Agricultural Directive.
- Environmental Literacy Directive.





## Stormwater Directive

- *Purpose:* Enhance education on the importance of managing stormwater through green infrastructure, pursue market based approaches and create enabling conditions for public-private partnerships.
- *Challenge:* Directive needs to be more robust.
- *Move forward:* Management Board recommends that this directive does not move forward this year.





# Environmental Literacy Directive

- *Purpose:* Increase student environmental literacy by strengthening partnerships with state departments of education and school districts.
- *Challenge:* Some jurisdictions unwilling to sign.
- *Move forward?*







# Agricultural Directive

- *Purpose:* Ensure technical assistance, and pursue consistent and stable levels of funding, to help farmers implement conservation practices necessary to meet the Bay TMDL.
- *Move forward?*





## Draft Agenda – Private Lunch

*11:15-11:30 EC members arrive (Lunch will be plated, on table upon arrival)*

### **11:30-12:30 Private Lunch**

11:30 – 11:35 Welcome and Introductions

11:35 – 12:15 General Discussion

Discussion Lead: Governor Hogan (MD), EC Chair

*Discussion includes agriculture technical assistance directive*

12:15 – 12:20 Nomination and Election of Executive Council Chair

12:20 – 12:22 Briefing on Press Event

Rachel Felver, CBP Communications Director

12:22 – 12:25 EC Members and plus ones exit the private lunch; EC members **only** will sign agricultural technical assistance directive.

12:25 – 12:30 Group Photo with Advisory Committee Chairs

Will Parson, CBP Photographer





## Draft Agenda – Public Meeting & Press Conference

**12:35 – 2:00**

### **Public Meeting with Press Conference**

12:35 - 12:45

Call to Order & Welcome

*Remarks from Governor Hogan (MD), EC Chair*

12:45-12:50

Opening Presentation - *TBD*

12:50 – 1:00

Ag presentation - *TBD*

1:00 – 1:32

Governor Hogan will ask council if they'd like to make remarks

1:32 – 1:47

Advisory Committee Reports

1:47 - 1:50

Concluding Remarks

*Governor Hogan (MD)*

1:50 - 2:00

Press Availability

**2:00 p.m.**

**EC Chair gavels event to a close**

**Questions?**  
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