

**WETLAND
WORKSHOPS
PSC
MARCH 3, 2022**

Highlights

- ▶ Bring key people together to overcome barriers to wetlands outcomes
- ▶ Understand major barriers
- ▶ Identify innovative approaches
- ▶ Develop an action plan

Nontidal Wetlands Barrier

- Financial constraints
 - New infrastructure bill
 - State and NGO match
 - New programs
- Other funding sources
 - Build Back Better
 - Farm Bill
 - State and private funding

Tidal Wetlands Barriers

- Financial constraints- Same as nontidal wetlands as described in the previous slide.
- Technical constraints
 - Understanding rate of tidal wetland loss due to sea level rise
 - Methods for restoration not well established
 - Capacity- few experts in the region, country, world

2022 WETLANDS WORKSHOP OVERVIEW

PURPOSE: BRING TOGETHER KEY PEOPLE TO IDENTIFY ACTIONS TO OVERCOME THE BARRIERS OF IMPLEMENTING NONTIDAL AND TIDAL WETLAND RESTORATION AND ACCELERATE PROGRESS TOWARDS THE WETLANDS OUTCOME IDENTIFIED IN THE 2014 CHESAPEAKE BAY WATERSHED AGREEMENT.

Session 1: Understanding the Barriers

Presentations: Wetlands Overview, Federal/State/Non-Federal Panels on Addressing Funding Challenges

Small Group Discussion: What are your needs to get more projects on the ground?

Session 2: Approaches & Action Plan to Accelerate Implementation

Presentations: Successful Case Studies and Projects

Small Group Discussion: What are the ideas that can put us on schedule to meet our Outcome? What governance changes are needed? What programs have the greatest amount of funding we can access?

Small Group Discussion: How do we incorporate these new approaches and ideas into our processes and efforts? How do we address them in the development of an action plan?

Session 3: Action Plan

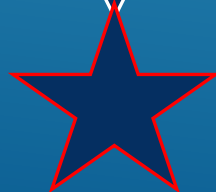
Presentation: Draft Action Plan

Jurisdiction Perspectives: What is your feedback? Do you have recommendations for consideration into the Action Plan? What will it take to get your jurisdiction's endorsement of the Action Plan that will be provided to the Management Board and PSC?

Core group takes small group discussions to prepare a draft Action Plan and sends to participants prior to Session 3

Core group refines the Action Plan based on discussions and works to prepare the final version 90-days post workshop for Management Board and PSC endorsement

Action Plan



Next Steps

Refine questions to be answered at the workshop and develop agenda (see reading materials)

Identify if this should be one workshop. Particularly important are Jurisdictional partners that direct or influence funding and Capacity.

Identify date for workshop(s)- July 2022
