Public Access

* Add a column on the end of the potential sites to identify which have been change
* 2014 data call – early January
  + Not opening potential sites up for public comment this year
  + Web tool is going to be implemented again this year, people can turn in spreadsheets or web tool
  + Spreadsheet- will need to include coordinance in decimal degrees
  + Asking that you don’t do both the spreadsheet and the map tool
  + January 16th – data due
  + Data should be ready for CBP by the end of January
  + If there is facilities for different activities i.e. a boat ramp, and a fishing pier that can count as two different access sites
  + Is there an opportunity to track how the new development is being funded – there is a benefit from award processes for locations funding their own projects
    - Can add a optional column asking for funding source
  + Discussing whether to open potential access suggestions to the public on a biannual or every three year process
  + Julie Send out electronic spreadsheet and separate spreadsheet that has potential sheet for collecting data
  + Take off Larry and add James? VA Dept of game and inland fisheries
  + IDENTIFING BY RIVER SEGMENT
    - Find a way to plan by use- paddling use stretches will be shorter than Motorboat stretches
  + PA has been using stretches in their state public access plan
  + MD has been looking at the number of people in the population, how many of them are registered boaters – major gap or stretches will exist but may not ever be filled but
  + Option of doing stretches this year on the spreadsheet or the web tool – LOOK INTO NEW SPREADSHEETS FOR STRECHES
  + MD- drafted some language for MS – to include that there will be no net loss of public access site
  + May want to address climate change in the MS language
* Bob – funding for public access- in watershed, new or enhanced, heart of the matter has to be public access- but can also ask for facilities to support the access , strive to support - planning, design, and construction sites , **ask for factsheets to include in NOTES**
  + One to one match
  + 20,000~ for projects
  + NPS reviewed projects and deemed them eligible then reached out to the states to see if there is
  + Soliciting awards after the new year
  + Fund about 8 a year ~ 19 applications
  + Asks for fresh applications each year
  + Annocement available Grants.gov ?
* MANAGEMENT STRATAGY
  + John Davy walking through the Draft management strategy
  + Add climate change to factors influencing – look at Lisa’s text that she will send
  + Add at the of the factors influencing “some factors may be more important than others based on site conditions”
  + Current efforts and Gaps- shift in use in recreational use motor -> paddle, increased interest in rowing facilities
  + Management Approach- James – VA- working on a paragraph- Land ownership- discuss a little more about other options such as long term leases and easements , or change title to Land use / ownership.
  + Management approach- tracking and monitoring- add a redundant section from the tracking section to the Management Approach to make sure it gets included in the Work plan – John Davy
  + Under “incorporate identified proposed public access sites and action in key plans -
  + Tracking Trends… John Davy?
  + Work Plan –
    - Get
  + Look at the other Federal reporting forms - 306a 309 3016?
  + PUBLIC COMMENTS- Mike Anne Arundel
    - 2:29:30
    - Goals and Outcomes, baselines and current conditions
      * Engage local businesses
      * Acknowledge that we can go beyond the 300 hundred access site?
      * Live link to the access sites available
      * Increase the Local government involvement – there is a tremendous amount of low hanging fruit available owned by the local county
        + Franklin state park
      * Maybe develop a document of Best Practices on how to develop and utilize Public Access
      * Economic Study on how increased water access increases economic benefit
      * Trainings for how to navigate the permitting process
      * Non- traditional avenues of funding and management- 503c, marinas
      * Allow public to view potential public access sites? maybe they can champion it in their communities
      * Maybe have access to documents that could be available
      * Model legislation for engaging governments to prioritize public access
      * Tool kit for communities and local groups to develop more public access
      * Make available list of funders
      * Beverly traden beach?
      * Local engagement section!
      * Engaging federal properties / military properties (David Taylor) to allow public to use after TSZ type clearance