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**Toxic Contaminants Workgroup**

**Full Workgroup Meeting**

Chesapeake Bay Program Office

Room 305A

410 Severn Avenue

Annapolis, MD 21403

April 8, 2015

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Conference Line**: (866) 299-3188

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**Actions and Decisions from March:**

* **Complete:** An introduction for the Policy and Prevention strategy will be written to clarify that the document is addressing only PCBs; however, in the future, other contaminants will be addressed.
* **In progress:** Scott will work with CBC and others to develop a table related to contaminants of emerging concern and policy implications.
* **In progress:** If you’re interested/able to volunteer to help restructure the Policy and Prevention strategy, please contact Greg Allen.

**Agenda**

1. **Welcome, Introductions** (1:00-1:10)

Greg Allen, EPA

* Update on workgroup activities since March meeting.

1. **USGS EDC Project Overview and Input on Project Plan** (1:10-1:40)

Kelly Smalling, USGS

* Overview of the USGS EDC Chesapeake Plan.

Materials:

II.a. - Presentation

1. **Discussion of Potential Projects for EPA FY15 Funding** (1:40-2:00)

Greg Allen

* Each year, EPA allocates funds to the Bay Program Goal Implementation Teams (GITs) to use for projects relevant to their current work. The process for distributing FY15 funds across the GITs will likely start soon.
* Brainstorming ideas for possible TCW projects.

1. **Discussion Fish Consumption and Diversity** (2:00-2:40)

Jim Edward, EPA and Diversity Action Team Co-Chair

* Discussion of potential collaboration opportunities between the TCW and the Diversity Action Team, including a joint project related to raising awareness of fish consumption advisories in diverse and underrepresented communities across the watershed.

1. **Overview of EPA Reassessment of PCB Use Authorizations – Tentative**  (2:40-3:15)

Speaker TBD

1. **Planning for PCB Reorganization** (3:15-3:35)

Greg Allen

* The Policy and Prevention management strategy will be reorganized. Call for workgroup volunteers to support the reorganization.

Materials:

VI.a. – Policy and Prevention management strategy (Public Input version)

1. **STAC Workshop Proposal Updates**  (3:35-3:50)

Greg Allen

* TCW submitted a proposal for a STAC funded workshop on techniques for high resolution PCB monitoring in March. Update on status of this proposed workshop.

1. **Next Steps and Planning for May Meeting** (3:50-4:00)

Scott Phillips, USGS