



# CAST19

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- Consensus could not be reached at the WQGIT for approving CAST19
  - \*Endorse CAST19: VA, MD, DC, NY, EPA, DoD, CBC, \*CBF
  - \*Stand-aside: PA, UD (at-large), DE MD Agribusiness \*Association (at-large)
  - **Hold: DE, WV, and PA Farm Bureau (at-large)**
- \*Some with reservations or needing final communications piece



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- Management Board meeting is Thursday, 6/9/20
- Decision to reverse Jan., 2016 Management Board decision to update the modeling tools every two years (in alignment with the Milestone periods) – or not





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- Beginning in 2014, the Milestone Workgroup conducted a year-long investigation and deliberation into how best to introduce new data and methods to the accounting tools.
- The impetus for the investigation was new data from the 2012 Agricultural Census, the 2011 National Land Cover Dataset, and human population projection data from states.
- The Milestone Workgroup recommended to the WQGIT that jurisdictions be evaluated with the same model over a two-year milestone period that they used to develop their 2-year plans.



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- In December, 2015 and January, 2016, the WQGIT and the MB, respectively, reached consensus on the Milestone Workgroup recommendations.
- Any changes to the decision to update the model every two years would need formal review and approval by the CBP partnership.



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- 2025 Phase III WIP planning targets do not change with updates to the model
- WIP or local action plans do not need to change.
- Two-year milestones are in place in order to make any necessary adjustments to planning and implementation efforts, as part of the partnership's adaptive management framework.



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- Updating the model helps ensure that it's more accurately measuring and capturing changes in the landscape over a two-year period, as well as historical progress.
- This leads to a better understanding of how those changes impact water quality and living resources at the regional and local levels.



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- Agricultural Data
- BMPs





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- The latest high-resolution land cover data that will be used to greatly improve forecasts of acres of dozens of land use categories across all source sectors – every two years; CAST 2021 and every model version thereafter
- County-level and/or Census zone population, housing, and employment projections – every two years; CAST 2019 and every model version thereafter
- US Census Bureau human population – every ten years from Bureau but more frequent from states; CAST 2023 and every model version thereafter
- Zoning – every two years; CAST 2019 and every model version thereafter



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- Land Use and Populations

- State-specific land use data, especially where it relates to land use by agency type – every two years; CAST 2019 and every model version thereafter
- AAPFCO fertilizer sales for non-farm – every two years; CAST 2019 and every model version thereafter
- Sewer service area boundaries – every two years; CAST 2019 and every model version thereafter
- MS4 area boundaries – every two years; CAST 2019 and every model version thereafter
- Septic system growth by county and/or model land-river segment – every two years; CAST 2019 and every model version thereafter



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- Agricultural Data

- Animal populations and crop acres by county from USDA-NASS 2017 and 2022 Census of Agriculture – incorporated every five years except some animal types where annual data are incorporated every two years; CAST 2019 and CAST 2025
- USDA- NASS annual poultry production data – incorporated every two years; CAST 2019 and every model version thereafter
- Nutrient concentrations for animal manure – every two years; minimum of three-year trend needed; CAST 2019 and every model version thereafter



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- Agricultural Data

- Manure or litter mass produced per animal – every two years; CAST 2019 and every model version thereafter
- AAPFCO fertilizer sales for farm – every two years; CAST 2019 and every model version thereafter
- USDA-NASS crop yield data – every two years; CAST 2019 and every model version thereafter
- Soil phosphorus data by crop type and county – updated as part of the calibration of the watershed model; currently using data through 2014





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What data sets will not be available for planning purposes and progress if CAST19 is not approved?

- BMPs

- Newer BMPs approved through the Partnership – added every two years
  - Agricultural Stormwater Management
  - Conservation Landscaping Practices
  - Septic Effluent - Advanced
  - Septic Secondary Treatment - Advanced
  - Septic Denitrification - Advanced



# Model Schedule

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## Model-Related Schedule 2019 Progress (CAST17)

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- Coordinating the release of “official” 2019 Progress (CAST17) model scenario with the Bay Program Reducing Pollution Indicator (<https://www.chesapeakeprogress.com/clean-water/watershed-implementation-plans>), Wed., July 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Access to the scenario now to WTWG<sup>+</sup> through CAST with scenario name “2019 Progress 20200211”





## 18-19 Milestone (CAST17) and 20-21 Milestone (CAST19)

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- EPA and jurisdictions have discussed draft versions of Milestone evaluations, both 18-19 Milestones (CAST17) and 20-21 Milestones (CAST19)
- EPA to post final evaluations to EPA website – no later than July 29





## Model-Related Schedule 2020 Progress

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- July 31, 2020 – BMP listing, descriptions, and mapping due from jurisdictions for any proposed BMPs that will be submitted for that year's progress assessment that are NOT included in the NEIEN Appendix.
- July 31, 2020 – Requests to modify the NEIEN Schema or Plug-In due.



# Model-Related Schedule

## 2020 Progress

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- August 31, 2020 – Final requests for changes to the NEIEN Appendix due to the Watershed Technical Workgroup. The WTWG is responsible for approving the NEIEN Appendix and codes list by August 31, 2020.
- August 31, 2020 – Data submissions and descriptions due for: 1) permitted forest harvest acres, 2) continually disturbed and permitted construction acres – including estimates of any unpermitted acres, 3) CAFO/AFO animal splits by county, 4) nutrient concentrations in manure for poultry and swine



## Model-Related Schedule 2020 Progress

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- September 1, 2020 – Jurisdictions are encouraged to begin submitting their BMP implementation to NEIEN for the progress assessment. Ongoing review of submissions will occur between September and December, with the expectation that December 1 submissions are final.
- No later than September 30, 2020 or – outstanding comments about the 2019 progress BMP data and/or the jurisdiction's BMP Verification Program Plan (QAPP) should be addressed.



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- December 1, 2020 – QA/QC'd final data to be submitted by jurisdictions, including any updates to BMP Verification Program Plans describing new data sources and changes to methods of tracking to CBPO – both wastewater data and non-wastewater BMPs.
  - Wastewater data includes the categories CSO, bio-solids, spray irrigation, large onsite systems, and rapid infiltration.
  - Additional revisions to the jurisdictions' QAPPs may be necessary after December 1 as a result of EPA's review of each jurisdictions 2020 Progress submission.





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- February 8, 2021 – Final progress run information for progress available to jurisdictions – needed for outside reporting of progress on commitments and to keep results relevant.