

Healthy Watersheds GIT Chair

The <u>Maintain Healthy Watersheds Goal Implementation Team</u> (GIT) is looking for a Chair to lead the partnership's effort in sustaining high-quality waters and watersheds.

The HWGIT supports three outcomes in the Chesapeake Bay Agreement:

- Healthy Watersheds, One hundred percent of state-identified currently healthy waters and watersheds remain health
- Land Use Methods and Metrics
 Development, Continually improve our knowledge of land conversion and the associated impacts throughout the watershed
- <u>Land Use Options Evaluation</u>, support local government capacity to the reduce the rate of natural land conversion.



The Healthy Watershed GIT is a diverse group of Federal, State, NGOs, Local Government and Private Industry professionals with expertise in watershed management, land conservation, ecological sciences, land change science and related disciplines. The chair serves voluntarily without compensation. Due to the nature of the work and the time commitment, it is best if the chair is conducting related or complementary work through their professional position, as a part of their assigned duties. Recognizing limited capacity of ideal candidates, the time commitment can vary and be negotiated with the GIT Coordinator.

Responsibilities

- Healthy Watersheds meetings (2 hours bi-monthly)
- Management Board meetings (4 hours monthly)
- o GIT Chairs meetings (quarterly)- collaborate with other GIT Chairs to advance collective goals and outcomes.
- o Related project and Bay Program meetings as available

Who Should Apply? This leadership position provides opportunity to gain exposure to land use change, development pressure, watershed health science, resiliency, forest and urban tree canopy change and management. The chair will work alongside scientists and managers with strong support of GIT staff to guide developed resources, implement feedback and input and work toward shared goal of sustaining healthy watersheds. As stated in the Chesapeake Executive Council Statement of Support for DEIJ, CBP is committed to "promoting equal opportunities and expanding the diversity of the workforce and participants in restoration and conservation activities a culture of inclusion, respect and mutual learning within the Chesapeake Bay Program by leading organizational change and empowering new voices and perspectives in our outreach, engagement and internal decision-making." People from diverse backgrounds, perspectives, and stages in their careers are encouraged to apply.

Contact HWGIT Coordinator Renee Thompson, rthompso@chesapeakebay.net to express interest in joining our team.