

2022 Restoring Wetlands of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Workshop

August 2-3, 2022, 10:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M (VIRTUAL ONLY)

The purpose of this workshop is to bring together key stakeholders to discuss restoration, review barriers, develop strategies and ultimately produce an action plan for accelerating progress towards the Wetlands Outcome identified in the *2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement*. The final action plan will be presented at the November 2022 Management Board meeting and inform plans from jurisdictions, federal agencies and non-government organizations.

Workshop goals

Review current efforts and barriers

Discuss current efforts to create, restore and enhance tidal and non-tidal wetlands across the watershed. We will identify the key barriers that prevent us from getting closer to the outcome expectations established in the *2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement*.

Discuss approaches and limitations

Discuss novel and innovative approaches in overcoming financial limitations to wetlands creation, restoration and enhancement; explore project successes; and discuss ideas for how we can emulate and do more of these projects in the Bay watershed.

Discuss funding and resources

Identify strategies to increase or redirect capacity and resources within the Bay Program partnership to efficiently use existing funding sources and programs. Explore and identify strategies targeting new funding sources including the Bipartisan Infrastructure Legislation; Americas Conservation Enhancement Act; Chesapeake Watershed Investments for Landscape Defense (WILD); America the Beautiful challenge grant; and Recovering America's Wildlife Act.

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