

HGIT MANAGEMENT STRATEGY:

Survey Results



HGIT Spring Meeting

May 2, 2024

- Survey provided on Day 1 (5/1) and folks were asked to submit survey responses by 5pm
- Total of 8 responders:
 - 3 Maryland
 - 3 NGOs: 2 consultants, 1 academic
 - 1 Federal (NOAA)
- Survey Questions:
 - How has the HGIT helped your workgroups since the last meeting?
 - What more can the HGIT do to support your workgroups?
 - Has the Management Strategy informed your workgroup activities?
 - Has the Management Strategy and/or workgroup activities helped you with your job responsibilities?
 - What priorities should be added or removed from the Management Strategy?
 - General Feedback



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- *“I haven’t received help/ the HGIT isn’t helpful” – 3 responses*
- *Improved leadership/communication*
- *Identified other relevant work for follow-up efforts*
- *Keeps us focused*
- *Informs what others are doing*

How has the HGIT helped your workgroups since the last meeting (November 2023)?

- *“Not sure” – 2 responses*
- *Continue to provide funding connections*
- *Help support Habitat Tracker/data-submitters*
- *Continue to advocate for workgroup priorities (projects & activities)*
- *Facilitate coordination between groups*
- *Identify opportunities to increase capacity to advance workplan*
- *The HGIT Workgroups should go beyond species-only approaches (focusing only on specific populations) and should instead focus more on the ecology of the larger habitats/ecosystems.*

What more can the HGIT do to support your workgroups?

Has the HGIT
Management
Strategy
informed your
workgroup
activities?

■ *“Yes” – 2 responses*

- Needed to prioritize output and outcomes.
- Helped with the update of our workplan. Very helpful in encouraging us to think about how we make DEIJ part of our SOP.

■ *“No” – 1 response*

- It seems like the other way around – WG priorities inform the HGIT strategy

■ *“Not sure” – 4 responses*

- *“Yes” – 3 responses*
- *“No” – 2 responses*
- *“Sometimes” – 2 responses*

Has the HGIT
Management
Strategy and/or
workgroup
activities helped
you with your job
responsibilities?

- *“No change” – 1 response*
- *Be more clear definitions (e.g., difference between CBPO & “The Partnership”)*
- *Incorporate Accessibility into DEIJ practices*
- *Cross-GIT/Workgroup Coordination should be increased*
- *Move social science into near-term priorities*
- *Habitat effects on living resources should be a priority (e.g., how different living shoreline approaches affect multiple goals simultaneously)*

What priorities should be added to the HGIT Management Strategy?

- *“Not sure” – 2 responses*
- *“None” – 3 responses*
- *DEIJ – 2 responses*
 - *DEIJ doesn’t fit under all workgroup “priorities”*
 - *Concerns w/DEIJ being listed under “long-term” = when is it intended to be used?*
- *Warm water stressors (can be addressed through riparian buffers)*
- *Tool Support (reduce focus on supporting existing, specific tools and focus more on developing new tools that address questions we’ve yet to tackle)*

What priorities should be removed from the HGIT Management Strategy?

- *Request to keep biannual HGIT meetings to two half-day meetings (preferred over one long day)*
- *Requested additional time for workgroup updates & general Q&A*
- *Request for the HGIT Management Strategy to be restructured to include more specific action items with a definitive timeline*

General
Feedback:



Questions???