

PLANNING FOR 2025 AND BEYOND

Chesapeake Bay Program



Update on Management Board Outcome Reviews

LGAC Quarterly

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Executive Council Charge

The Executive Council's Charge for Phase 2 activities directs the Principal Staff Committee to complete *“[r]evisions to the 2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement with modifications to the existing vision, principles, preamble, goals, **and outcomes...**”*, and to do so by December 1, 2025.

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Outcome Review Meeting Purpose

Meeting Purpose: To take in GIT recommendations and discuss Management Board (MB) member preferences for the disposition of existing Outcomes from the 2014 Watershed Agreement.

- Utilize framework agreed to by the MB.



Pulse Check: Outcome Dispositions

- **Update:** Outcome intent is largely kept intact. Unique language may be necessary if it is more than just a SMART update. Key principle is maintaining the intent.
- **Consolidate:** Multiple Outcomes are combined in a single Outcome, or activities contributing to an Outcome are dispersed across others.
- **Remove:** The Outcome is removed from the 2014 Agreement.
- **Reclassify:** Outcome is changed to output or a different structure is adopted.
- **Replace:** This language suggests that a novel Outcome replaces a current one and that it relates in its intent or subject area.
- **Stand aside:** I am not registering agreement or disagreement but consciously determining not to influence the decision.



Pulse Check Disposition Results: Agreement

Outcome	Disposition	Majority %
Oysters	Update	100%
Blue Crab Abundance	Update	100%
Stewardship	Update	100%
Water Quality Standards Attainment and Monitoring	Update	100%
2025 Watershed Implementation Plans	Update	100%
Sustainable Schools	Reclassify	100%
Environmental Literacy Planning	Update	100%
Diversity	Replace	100%
Public Access Site Development	Update	100%
Protected Lands	Update	100%
Wetlands	Update	100%
Black Duck	Reclassify	100%



Pulse Check Disposition Results: Not Agreement

Outcome	Disposition	Majority %	Primary Dissenting Opinion
Tree Canopy	Update	96%	Consolidate
Forest Buffers	Update	96%	Consolidate
Blue Crab Management	Remove	95%	Reclassify
Land Use Methods and Metrics Development	Reclassify	95%	Consolidate
Submerged Aquatic Vegetation	Update	95%	Reclassify
Adaptation	Update	94%	Reclassify
Student	Update	90%	Reclassify
Fish Passage	Update	87%	Consolidate
Forage Fish	Reclassify	86%	Update
Local Leadership	Update	86%	Replace
Brook Trout	Update	85%	Reclassify
Stream Health	Update	83%	Consolidate
2017 Watershed Implementation Plans	Remove	83%	Update



Pulse Check Disposition Results: Not Agreement

Outcome	Disposition	Majority %	Primary Dissenting Opinion
Land Use Options Evaluation	Update	77%	Consolidate
Fish Habitat	Update	76%	Consolidate
Monitoring and Assessment	Reclassify	76%	Replace
Toxic Contaminants Policy and Prevention	Update	72%	Consolidate
Toxic Contaminants Research	Update	67%	Consolidate
Healthy Watersheds	Update	52%	Reclassify



Outcomes with Revised Advice

- **This information will be provided on
March 20th**



Outcome Disposition: Next Steps

- **March 27th:** MB completes disposition of existing outcomes, flagging gaps and possible novel outcomes



Outcome Disposition: Next Steps

- **March 28th PSC Meeting:** review MB Outcome recommendations and provide feedback, with special attention given to outcomes where MB signatory supermajority voting was utilized. Provide feedback for consideration by the MB.
- **April 10th MB Meeting:** Consider PSC input on recommended outcome dispositions. Approve final Outcome disposition list and novel Outcomes; begin updates to revise Outcome language.

THANK YOU

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