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#### **Action Items:**

- In preparation for facilitated SRS discussion, take a look at the current workplan and management strategy and be prepared to discuss gaps, factors and current efforts
- Receive an update from Amy re: TNC landowner outreach project
- Receive an update from Michelle Henicheck re: WetCAT
- Prepare for wetland expert panel report out / approval meetings to happen in early fall (September)
- Find the GIS overlap of black duck, marginally productive land, and hydric soils
- Prepare thank you note template for expert panel members (request to CBP?)
- Looking for DE rep for Social Marketing Shoreline study
- Send agenda updates or discussion topics for first quarterly meeting

#### 11:00 am Welcome and Introductions

### 11:05 am Overview and Background

- Wetlands has been a priority of CBP since the beginning of the partnership
- Scope of workgroup has varied over the years regulatory, restoration etc.
  - Most recently focusing on barriers to landowners agreeing to wetland restoration
  - Efforts to produce tools to address these barriers
- The chairs stepped down in late 2017 (Amy Jacobs, Erin McLaughlin)
  - Workgroup has been on a hiatus since then
- With revitalization we want to talk about goals, priorities and how to reinvigorate the efforts to keep moving forward

## 11:15 am Status: Goals, Strategies and Data

- Overview of outcome and management approaches
  - Highlighting connections between management strategy and workplan
- Data collection and reporting will be part of a larger CBP conversation
- There are a number of items on the current workplan that have been accomplished
- A few action items are timely for partnership opportunities
  - Cross jurisdictional prioritization
  - Local outreach
- Discussions:
  - Disconnect between water quality targeting and land conservation based on opportunities
  - Moist soil / prior converted leasing for waterfowl hunting
    - Mapping of this would be very important barriers from land parcel / ag land use info
    - A communications push could also be a useful tool to continue outreach connect soil conservation districts, watershed specialists, etc.
    - TNC is working on topics like this using GIT funding to bring together an advisory group (multi state and multi agency) and to map areas w/ salt water inundation
      - Potential to build on this "pilot" and extend it into other geographic areas
      - \*get update at next WWG meeting
  - More incorporation of co-benefits
  - Invasives
- Start thinking about gaps and factors for the upcoming facilitated discussion

## 11:30 am Identify Path forward

- Quarterly: 2 in person, 2 conference calls
  - Facilitated meeting over the summer
  - Start meeting schedule in September
  - Potential to coordinate with the HGIT in-person meeting
    - Could be a good way to prepare for or respond to HGIT conversations
  - Could also coordinate with GIT funding process & SRS timeline
- Timeline can shift if there is a need for more discussion time
- Tying up loose ends related to current projects, upcoming CBP needs, HGIT discussions etc.
- Potential to break out into sub-groups / "focus areas"
  - May be more organic as projects or interests emerge
  - Next meetings will still include process discussions and how to move forward
  - People have started to discuss how these groups will develop and starting to tee up questions for the forthcoming discussions
- General Time Commitments:
  - Regular meetings will probably be 3 hours
  - Intermittent communications via phone and email
- Wetland Condition Assessment Tool VA (Michelle Hennicheck)

- Present to WWG in the future
- Crosswalk into wetland restoration WIP process
- Find the GIS overlap of black duck, marginally productive land, and hydric soils
- Phase III WIPs Wetlands?
  - Acreage numbers are identified locations are not identified
  - Split up by watershed for VA; other states are just on the state scale
  - Encourage members to comment on WIP commitments
  - Should be efforts for state agencies to talk amongst each other to identify and target similar efforts but not currently happening to a large extent
  - Share phase III WIP link for review and comments
    - Keep an eye out for final WIPs

## 12:05 pm Update on Wetland Expert Panel

- 2nd expert panel
- Started in September 2017
- Convened to evaluate 3 wetland BMPs for nutrient and sediment reduction
  - Rehabilitation, enhancement, creation
  - Aiming to evaluate crediting amounts for more scientifically defensible effectiveness values
- Current Status:
  - Currently drafting / editing panel report
  - Using and supplementing former panel literature database
  - Investigating how to assign % reductions for pounds nitrogen and sediment
  - Connecting these 3 practices with "restoration" to keep it consistent with the effectiveness of those practices / the current understanding
  - Discussions on how many acres are being treated by BMPs and drainage basin information
- Next Steps:
  - Decide on TSS efficiencies for created and rehabilitated wetland BMPs
  - Upland treated acres
  - Draft released early / late July; comment period, webinar for detailed information transfer shortly after
    - Revisions will happen subsequently
  - Mid to late August seek wetland workgroup approval after release and public comment period
  - Final approval via WQGIT and HGIT in mid October
- Send thank you notes to panel members

### 12:10 pm Update on Shoreline Social Marketing Study

- 2018 GIT funding project "Social Marketing to Improve Shoreline Managment"
  - Community based social marketing strategy to increase implementation of living shorelines
- Contractor: Doug-MacKenzie Moore and Action Research
- Current Status:

- Initial meeting for scheduling has happened
- Steering committee has kick-off meeting in June
- Goals:
  - Contractor will start work on previous research/ lit review (June/July)
  - Audience research, behavior changes (late summer / early fall)
  - Surveys or focus groups to discuss barriers to implementation (late fall)
  - Finalizing barrier vs benefit research, creating social marketing strategy for use by the partnership, evaluating existing outreach materials (winter / early 2020)
- Looking for DE rep for the project

# 12:15 pm Next Steps

- Think about priorities and gaps in current workplan
- HGIT leadership will update management board and develop timeline for SRS materials

# 12:30 pm Adjourn