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Advisory Committees

Local Government Advisory Committee

Chair: Daniel Chao, Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner 2E07, District of Columbia

The Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC) was created by the Chesapeake Executive Council through the *1987 Chesapeake Bay Agreement*. The purpose of LGAC is to advise the Chesapeake Executive Council on how to effectively implement projects and engage the support of local governments to achieve the goals and outcomes of the *Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement*. LGAC's mission is to share the views and insights of local elected officials with state and federal decision-makers and to enhance the flow of information among local governments about the health and restoration of the Chesapeake Bay watershed.

Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee

Chair: Larry Sanford, PhD, Vice-President for Education and Professor, University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science Horn Point Laboratory

The Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee (STAC) provides scientific and technical guidance to the Chesapeake Bay Program on measures to restore and protect the Chesapeake Bay. Since its creation in December 1984, STAC has worked to enhance scientific communication and outreach throughout the Chesapeake Bay watershed and beyond. STAC provides independent scientific and technical advice in various ways, serves as a liaison between the region's scientific community and the Chesapeake Bay Program, and ensures close cooperation among and between the various research institutions and management agencies represented in the Bay watershed.

Stakeholders Advisory Committee

Chair: Chuck Herrick, PhD, Adjunct Professor, New York University

The Stakeholders' Advisory Committee represents a diversity of stakeholders across the Chesapeake Bay watershed, including: watershed organizations, funders, environmental justice advocate, agricultural and business interests, restoration specialists, educators and retired state and federal government. They advise the leadership of the Chesapeake Bay Program by advocating for accountability to the *Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement*, community engagement and protection of the watershed's vital habitats and resources. Since 1984, this Committee has provided a non-governmental perspective on the restoration effort, and on how Chesapeake Bay Program policies and programs impact people who live, work and recreate throughout the watershed.

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