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## CONOWINGO WATERSHED IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (CWIP) STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

Meeting Agenda  
December 2nd, 2024  
1:00 – 2:00 PM

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### Meeting Materials

#### 1:00 **Welcome and Announcements** – Matt Rowe, Co-Chair (10 min.)

- Roll Call - Please put your name and affiliation in the chat box. Thank you!
- Announcement: 2025 calendar invitations were sent in October. Please note the change from Zoom to Teams meetings in 2025.
- Announcement: The third round of [PENNVEST Clean Water Procurement Program funding](#) opened on November 7, 2024 and will close on March 5, 2025
- Announcement: SRBC has announced a [second round of RFP](#) for the Maryland Pay for Success Program. Proposals are due to SRBC by December 16.
- **Decision Requested:** Approval of [Actions & Decisions](#) from the September meeting
- **Next Meeting:** Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2025, from 1 - 3 PM.

#### 1:10 **CWIP Load Reduction and Progress Tracking Infographic** – Amanda Pollack, CWP (5 min.)

Amanda Pollack, CWP, will show the group a recently developed infographic that outlines total annual reductions, progress towards CWIP goals, and current funded projects. This infographic will serve as a communication tool clearly indicating CWIP progress.

#### 1:15 **Update on Restoration Coordinator Positions and Targeted Implementation** – Ashley Hullinger, PA DEP (10 min.)

Following the discussion at the last CWIP SC meeting, Ashley Hullinger, PA DEP, will update the group on efforts to develop restoration coordinator positions for the Susquehanna and Octoraro Watersheds. In particular, Ashley will discuss recent funding applications and watershed-wide outreach efforts regarding the potential development of these positions.

#### 1:25 **Discussion on the Draft Milestone Progress Report** – Amanda Pollack,

CWP (10 min.)

Amanda Pollack, CWP, will lead a discussion on the draft Milestone Progress Report, which is due to the EPA by January 15, 2025. The group will be asked to provide their feedback and approval of the document ahead of the January 2025 submission.

**Decision Requested:** The Steering Committee will be asked to approve the Milestone Progress Report document for submission to the EPA.

1:35 **Update on Conowingo Dredging Model** – Matt Rowe, Co-Chair (5 min.)

Matt Rowe, Co-Chair, will give the group a brief update on the Conowingo Dredging Model, including the initial scoping of the dredging, potential draft scenarios, and potential placements.

1:40 **Looking Ahead: Brainstorming for 2025** (15 min.)

The remaining meeting time will be left to discuss potential areas of focus going into 2025 and as the Beyond 2025 process takes place. The group will be asked to brainstorm innovative processes and potential topics of interest. Future outreach strategies, including a potential presentation at a PSC meeting in 2025, will also be discussed.

1:55 **Review of Next Steps** (5 min.)

2:00 **Adjourn**

**Acronym List**

BMP - Best management practice

CBPO - Chesapeake Bay Program Office

CC - Chesapeake Conservancy

CCIT - Conowingo Core Implementation Team

CWIP - Conowingo Watershed Implementation Plan

CWP - Center for Watershed Protection

EPEG - Expert Panel Exploratory Group

EPA - (U.S.) Environmental Protection Agency

MDE - Maryland Department of Environment

PADEP - Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

SRBC - Susquehanna River Basin Commission

WIP – Watershed Implementation Plan