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

Conference Call Agenda

December 4, 2023

1:00 – 2:00 PM

Zoom Link: <https://umces-edu.zoom.us/j/85175672393>

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- 1:00 **Welcome and Announcements** – Matt Rowe, Co-Chair (15 min)
- Roll Call - Please put your name and affiliation in the chat box. Thank you!
  - **Decision Requested:** Approval of Actions & Decisions from the Sept meeting.
  - Welcome Auston Smith and Eric Hughes, EPA-CBPO!
  - Updates to website / calendar pages - Jackie Pickford, CRC
  - Updates on Expert Panels and Expert Panel Exploratory Groups (EPEGs)
    - Dredging – Matt Rowe, MDE
    - Mussels – SRBC
  - Update on Conowingo litigation / MD water quality certification - Matt Rowe, MDE
  - Updates on BMP Opportunity Analysis - Katie Walker, Chesapeake Conservancy
  - Update on Activity 3 - Katie Walker, Chesapeake Conservancy
  - **Next Meeting:** Monday, March 4th, 2024, from 1 - 3 PM.
- 1:15 **Updates on Pay for Success Programs and CWIP 2-level Implementation Framework** - Matt Rowe, MDE, and Jill Whitcomb, PA DEP (10 min).
- Matt and Jill will update the Steering Committee on Maryland's [Conowingo Pay for Success Program](#) and Pennsylvania's [Clean Water Procurement Program](#).
- 1:25 **Approval of Updated CWIP Milestones** - Amanda Pollack, Center for Watershed Protection (15 min).
- Amanda has revised the CWIP 2024-2025 Milestones document based on the feedback received from the CWIP Steering Committee and Core Conowingo Implementation Team. She will review the revisions and ask the Steering Committee for approval of the document before submitting to EPA in January 2024.
- Decision Requested:** The Steering Committee will be asked to approve the updated milestones document for submission to the EPA.
- 1:40 **Discussion: Upcoming PSC Meeting and Conowingo Successes** – All (15 min)

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The group will discuss the upcoming [Principals Staff Committee Meeting](#) on Friday, Dec 8<sup>th</sup> and coordinate on various PSC [agenda topics](#), such as the vision for the upcoming year and the creation of an Agricultural Advisory Committee.

We will also review Conowingo successes and coordination since the development of the WIP and how this effort may be used as a model for future work.

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