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CONOWINGO WATERSHED IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (CWIP) STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

Conference Call Agenda

March 6, 2023

1:00 – 3:00 PM

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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 December Meeting.
- Updates on Expert Panels and Expert Panel Exploratory Groups (EPEGs)
 - Dredging
 - Mussels
- Updates on Funding
 - MD & SRBC
 - PA & PennVEST
 - NY & USC
- **Next Meeting:** Monday, June 5th from 1 - 3 PM.

1:15 **Updates from Activity 1 (Center for Watershed Protection)** – Amanda Pollack, CWP (20 min).

Amanda will review the outreach strategy and CWIP funding opportunities one-pager developed by the Center for Watershed Protection, as well as the updates made to the CWIP Steering Committee website. She will also give an update on the partnership with the Octoraro watershed group and the Core Conowingo Implementation Team (CCIT).

1:35 **Updates from Activity 3 (Chesapeake Conservancy)** - Katie Walker, CC (20 min).

Katie will give an update on Activity 3 progress on tracking and reporting for the CWIP. Following the update there will be time for discussion. The goal of this discussion will be to identify any decisions that need to be made regarding how practices are reported for the CWIP.

1:55 **EPA Expectations on Conowingo Phased Approach** - Lucinda Power, EPA (1 hour).

In February 2023, EPA released draft expectations for the implementation of the Conowingo WIP Phased Approach. There will be a 30-day review period for comments from the partnership, after which EPA will release the final version of the expectations

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document. Lucinda will briefly review the document and give an overview of the upcoming process and timeline. **Deadline for feedback:** Friday, March 17th.

2:55 **Review of Next Steps** (5 min).

3:00 **Adjourn**

Acronym List

BMP - Best management practice

CBPO - Chesapeake Bay Program Office

CC - Chesapeake Conservancy (Activity 3 Grantee)

CCIT - Conowingo Core Implementation Team

CWIP - Conowingo Watershed Implementation Plan

CWP - Center for Watershed Protection (Activity 1 Grantee)

EPEG - Expert Panel Exploratory Group

EP - Expert panel

EPA - (U.S.) Environmental Protection Agency

MDE - Maryland Department of Environment

MOU - Memorandum of Understanding

PADEP - Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

SRBC - Susquehanna River Basin Commission