



## Management Board Meeting

February 13, 2025  
9 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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**Meeting ID:** 294 390 628 013 **Passcode:** LJSPWx  
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**Purpose:** The purpose of this meeting is to hear Goal Implementation Team (GIT) recommendations and discuss Management Board member preferences for the disposition of existing Outcomes from the 2014 Watershed Agreement. This Outcome Review Meeting will be conducted in accordance with the [framework](#) agreed to by the Management Board. Outcome Review Meetings hosted on February 27th and March 13th will focus on existing Outcomes not covered during this first meeting.

**Outcome Review Structure:** As described in the [Outcome Review Meeting Framework](#), each Outcome Review agenda item below will be facilitated by Sherry Witt, GDIT, and will be comprised of:

- 3 minutes - Outcome Lead succinctly review GIT advice on Outcome disposition.
- 7 minutes - Signatory round-robin on Outcome disposition perspectives.
- 10 minutes - Facilitated discussion on voting and non-voting Management Board member perspectives, clarifying questions, and identification of additional work by or information needed from GITs.

## Agenda

### I. Meeting Introductions

**(9:00 – 9:35)**

Lee McDonnell, MB Acting Chair, will kick-off the meeting and facilitate agenda topics. Amy Handen, EPA, will administer roll call. Sarah Brzezinski, EPA, will provide an overview of the meeting purpose and framework. Meeting facilitator Sherry Witt, GDIT, will review ground rules and procedures for the meeting.

- a. Requested Action: Non decisional; Discussion and presentation only.
- b. *Presenters: Lee McDonnell, EPA; Amy Handen, EPA; Sarah Brzezinski, EPA; and Sherry Witt, GDIT*
- c. Materials:
  - i. Presentation: Outcome Review Meeting Administrative Slides – 2/13/25
  - ii. Actions and Decisions: January MB Meeting 2025

**II. Outcome Review: Oysters (9:35 – 9:55)**

- a. Requested Action: Non decisional; Discussion and presentation only.
- b. *Presenters: Kevin Schabow, NOAA*
- c. Materials:
  - i. Document: [Modified Outcome Review Document – Oysters](#)
  - ii. Presentation: Outcome Disposition Recommendation

**III. Outcome Review: Blue Crab Management & Blue Crab Abundance**

**(9:55- 10:15)**

- a. Requested Action: Non decisional; Discussion and presentation only.
- b. *Presenters: Bruce Vogt, NOAA, Fisheries GIT1 Chair and Coordinator*
- c. Materials:
  - i. Document: [Modified Outcome Review Document – Blue Crab Management](#)
  - ii. Document: [Modified Outcome Review Document – Blue Crab Abundance](#)
  - iii. Presentation: Outcome Disposition Recommendation

**IV. Outcome Review: Forage Fish**

**(10:15 – 10:35)**

- a. Requested Action: Non decisional; Discussion and presentation only.
- b. *Presenters: Bruce Vogt, NOAA, Fisheries GIT1 Chair and Coordinator*
- c. Materials:
  - i. Document: [Modified Outcome Review Document – Forage Fish](#)
  - ii. Presentation: Outcome Disposition Recommendation

**V. Break**

**(10:35 – 10:50)**

**VI. Outcome Review: Fish Habitat**

**(10:50 – 11:10)**

- a. Requested Action: Non decisional; Discussion and presentation only.
- b. *Presenters: Bruce Vogt, NOAA, Fisheries GIT1 Chair and Coordinator*
- c. Materials:
  - i. Document: [Modified Outcome Review Document – Fish Habitat](#)
  - ii. Presentation: Outcome Disposition Recommendation

**VII. Outcome Review: Fish Passage**

**(11:10 – 11:30)**

- a. Requested Action: Non decisional; Discussion and presentation only.
- b. *Presenters: Ray Li, USFWS, Fish Passage Workgroup Chair*

c. Materials:

- i. Document: [Modified Outcome Review Document – Fish Passage](#)
- ii. Presentation: Outcome Disposition Recommendation

**VIII. Outcomes Review: Local Leadership (11:30– 11:50)**

- a. Requested Action: Non decisional; Discussion and presentation only.
- b. *Presenters: Les Knapp, MDE, Local Leadership Workgroup Chair*
- c. Materials:
  - i. Document: [Modified Outcome Review Document – Local Leadership](#)
  - ii. Presentation: Outcome Disposition Recommendation

**IX. Lunch (11:50 – 12:20)**

**X. Open Comment Period (12:20 – 12:50)**

This session is intended to provide time for an open dialogue between Management Board members, Chesapeake Bay Program partners, and any interested public who may have questions or comments on material discussed today. Please limit comments to three-minutes maximum. It is not intended as an opportunity to read in written testimony for the record. If entities/individuals have written comments they want to provide to the Chesapeake Bay Program, please submit them to: [comments@chesapeakebay.net](mailto:comments@chesapeakebay.net).

- a. Requested Action: Non decisional; Discussion only.
- b. *Presenters: Sherry Witt, GDIT, and Lee McDonnell, EPA*
- c. Materials: None.

**XI. Pulse Check: Survey (12:50 – 1:00)**

- a. Requested Action: Voting and non-voting Management Board members complete a Pulse Check to record their Outcome disposition preferences.
- b. *Presenters: Sarah Brzezinski, EPA, and Sherry Witt, GDIT*
- c. Materials:
  - i. Spreadsheet: Outcome Disposition Pulse Check 2025 – editorial access will be provided only to individuals completing the Pulse Check on behalf of their organization or entity.

**XII. Break (1:00 – 1:15)**

**XIII. Pulse Check: Summary (1:15 – 1:25)**

Management Board member disposition preferences for each Outcome will be reviewed based on Pulse Check responses. Pulse check results for each Outcome will be presented to either confirm commonalities or identify discrepancies.

- a. Requested Action: Non decisional; Discussion only.
- b. *Presenters: Sarah Brzezinski, EPA, and Sherry Witt, GDIT*
- c. Materials:

i. Spreadsheet: Outcome Disposition Pulse Check 2025

**XIV. Discuss Discrepancies and Next Steps (1:25 – 2:15)**

Through a facilitated discussion, Management Board members will seek to understand sources of discrepancy and opportunity for reconciliation. Time will be devoted to determining what additional information and/or work is needed to adjust sentiments. Parties who need to be involved in follow-up conversations will be identified.

- a. Requested Action: Participation in follow-up conversations, as appropriate.
- b. Presenters: *Sherry Witt, GDIT, Lee McDonnell, EPA and Sarah Brzezinski, EPA,*
- c. Materials:

**XV. Reflection, Wrap Up and Adjourn (2:15 – 2:30)**

Management Board members will reflect on the pulse check process and share feedback for the next two MB pulse check meetings. Meeting actions and decisions will be summarized.