



## **Joint Scientific Technical Assessment**

### **and Reporting (STAR) Team &**

### **Strategic Engagement Team (SET) Meeting**

Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024

9:30 AM – 11:30 PM

*Theme: Collaboration leading to social and environmental change.*

*Join by Webinar (Microsoft Teams)*

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## **AGENDA**

**9:30 – 9:35 AM Welcome, Introductions & Announcements – Ken Hyer (US Geological Survey) and Kimberly Van Meter (Penn State) - STAR chair and vice chair, Breck Sullivan (USGS) STAR Coordinator, Peter Tango (USGS) CBP Monitoring Coordinator**

### **Announcements:**

- Clean Water Cohort Dry Runs – October 17<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM – 12 PM. Please reach out to STAR coordinators for calendar invitation.

### **Upcoming Conferences, Meetings, Workshops and Webinars**

- [Restore America's Estuaries \(RAE\) 2024 Coastal & Estuarine Summit](#) – October 6-10, 2024, Washington, D.C.
- [Watershed Forum](#) – October 18-20, 2024, Shepherdstown, West Virginia. Integrated Trends Analysis Team (ITAT) session will show off the [Watershed Data Dashboard](#) and [ITAT's Tributary Summaries](#) (under "projects and Resources") for how it can help be used as a tool for those in different organizations.
- [American Planning Association \(APA\) Maryland 2024 Conference](#) – October 22-24, 2024, Ellicott City, Maryland.
- [American Geophysical Union \(AGU\) 2024 Fall Meeting](#) – December 9-13, 2024, Washington, D.C.

- [14<sup>th</sup> National Monitoring Conference](#) – March 10-12, 2025, Green Bay, Wisconsin.
- [The 35th Annual Environment Virginia Symposium](#) – April 8-10, 2025, Lexington, VA.

### **9:35 – 9:45 AM Debrief from the August STAR Meeting Menti Poll Results**

**Presenter(s):** Bianca Martinez Penn (SET Staffer, Chesapeake Research Consortium)

Description: In the STAR August Meeting, participants took a poll asking what challenges they were having with audiences they're trying to reach, and what topics around engagement they want to discuss. SET leaders will report on and debrief the responses of this poll and touch on the value of building capacity for communication and engagement to assist Goal Implementation Teams (GITs) in their goals.

### **9:45 - 10:05 AM [Impact Networks, The Documentary \(converge.net\)](#)**

**Presenter(s):** Converge

Description: This film explores the patterns impact networks follow to accelerate learning and collaboration leading to social and environmental change. We hear the voices of six accomplished network leaders behind some of the most successful large-scale collaborative efforts around the globe-from land stewardship to migrant rights. Their stories reveal that although every impact network is unique in its focus and composition, all are remarkable similar in their approach.

### **10:05 – 10:50 AM Documentary Guided Discussion**

**Presenter(s):** SET Leaders

Description: SET Leaders will help in facilitating a guided discussion on the topics covered in the Documentary. Discussion questions will be shared to assist in initiating conversations on network building.

Discussion Questions:

1. What stood out to you from this video? Was there anything in the video that surprised you?
2. Did this video change your idea of what a network is?
3. What would it mean to you to apply the network mindset shared in this video to our work? What would change? What would stay the same?
4. What type of networks are you currently working in? Are you applying any of the principles discussed in the video already?
5. If we were to think of ourselves as a network, how would we characterize the common purpose that would bring us together? What can't we do alone that we can do together?
6. Where have you seen the power of trusting relationships in your work? What ideas do you have for strengthening trust?

7. *Are there areas in the partnership that are better suited to this kind of approach versus others?*
8. *Are there examples of work you have done that adheres to the network mindset? (Adaptation – Julie; Stewardship Network – Britt, etc.).*
9. *What does this mean for us going forward? How can this affect our work?*

**10:50 – 11:30 AM Leveraging knowledge diversity toward more effective and equitable fisheries and biodiversity management.**

**Presenter(s):** *Kelsi Furman (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, NOAA)*

*Description: This project aims to understand how diverse marine resource users interact with and value marine biodiversity, to capture their diverse knowledge and perceptions of management approaches, and to examine the relationships between social-ecological system components. To do this, we use participatory modeling to combine expertise from managers, technical experts, and resource users and rights holders, including commercial and recreational fishermen, oyster farmers, ecotourism operators, waterfront homeowners, and local and Tribal leaders.*

**11:30 AM Adjourn**

**Next Meeting: Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024, from 10 AM – 12 PM**