



Chesapeake Bay Program

Science. Restoration. Partnership.

Maintain Healthy Watersheds GIT Meeting

February 12, 2024

11:00 am-1:00 pm

[Meeting Materials](#)

[Meeting Link](#)

Meeting ID: 833 7474 7012 Passcode: HWGIT

Conference Line: 301-715-8592 Passcode: *845952#

This meeting will be recorded for internal use to ensure the meeting note accuracy.

11:00 AM **Welcome-** *Jeff Lerner, HWGIT Chair, Partnerships Program Branch Chief within EPA's Office of Wetlands Oceans and Watersheds'*

11:10 AM **Upcoming Items of Interest-** *Sophie Waterman, HWGIT Staffer, CRC*

Conferences

- [Watershed Steward Academy's Annual Conference](#)- March 9, 2024, Arundel Mills, Maryland.
- [Choose Clean Water Conference](#) – May 20-22, 2024, Ellicott City, Maryland. Proposals for presentations, workshops and field trips due January 12.
- [Chesapeake Community Research Symposium](#) – June 10-12, 2024, Annapolis, Maryland.
- [American Planning Association \(APA\) Virginia 2024 Conference](#) – July 21 – 24, 2024, Williamsburg, Virginia. Session Proposals due February 23rd.

Grants

- [Chesapeake Watershed Investments for Landscape Defense \(WILD\) Grants](#) – 2024 RFP is out. Full Proposal Due Date: April 10, 2024
- [Chesapeake Bay Small Watershed Grants](#)- Spring 2024 RFP is out. Full Proposal Due Date: Wednesday, April 3, 2024

11:15 AM **Jurisdictional Call Summaries-** *Peter Claggett, HWGIT Coordinator, USGS*

Peter will discuss the jurisdictional calls and talk about how they are impacting our direction.

11:35 AM **Beyond 2025 and Healthy Watersheds-** *Jeff Lerner, HWGIT Chair, EPA*

Jeff will share the recommendations and directions from the Healthy Watersheds small group.

12:10 PM **Feedback on the Healthy Watersheds Framework-** *Sarah McDonald, USGS*

Sarah will present on developing the healthy watersheds framework and solicit feedback from the GIT.

12:30 PM **Introduction to the Revised Strategy Review System-** *Sophie Waterman, HWGIT Staffer, CRC*

Sophie will introduce the GIT to the recent changes made to the Strategy Review System's Fourth Cycle and will discuss how that impacts the HWGIT.

1:00 PM **Adjourn**