



Principals' Staff Committee

Location: CBPO Office Conference room, 1750 Forest Drive, Annapolis Md. 21403.

****This meeting will be virtual, but some staff will be on-site if you'd like to attend in person.**

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September 17, 2024

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Meeting Purpose: To identify and agree upon top-tier PSC priorities and how to accomplish them in preparation for the 2024 Executive Council meeting.

AGENDA

- I. Welcome and Introductions** (9:00 a.m. – 9:05 a.m.)
Principals' Staff Committee Chair, Josh Kurtz, will open the meeting, welcome PSC members, and review the agenda and actions/decisions from the June 2024 PSC meeting.
Materials:
I. Actions/Decisions from June 2024 PSC meeting
- II. Executive Council Planning** (9:05 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.)
This session is an update on planning for the December 10, 2024 Chesapeake Executive Council meeting in Annapolis, Maryland. It will include updates on a draft agenda, a logistics overview, partner successes and proposed EC actions.
Relevant Outcomes: All
Requested action: seeking feedback on current plans for the meeting
Presenter: Rachel Felver, CBP Communications Director
Materials:
II. Presentation: EC Planning
- III. EC Directive to Establish an Agriculture Advisory Committee** (9:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.)
This session is an overview of the final draft Executive Council directive to establish an advisory committee for agriculture and an update on possible funding sources for the committee.
Relevant Outcomes: water quality and others
Requested action: seeking feedback on EC directive (final approval will be requested at Oct. PSC meeting)
Presenters: Secretary Kevin Atticks, Maryland Department of Agriculture and Ag Action Team Chair
Materials:

III. Draft Ag Advisory Committee Directive

- IV. Update on Beyond 2025 Efforts** (9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.)
This session is an update on the partnership's current efforts related to Beyond 2025, including: high level highlights of public comments on the Beyond 2025 Report and Recommendations; an overview of possible changes to the report; and a discussion with PSC members about the direction they would like to take on Beyond 2025 efforts.
Relevant Outcomes: All
Requested action: seeking feedback on the path forward for Beyond 2025 efforts and the Report and Recommendations; will seek agreement on EC charge to PSC on next steps (after comments are received, reviewed)
Presenters: Steering Committee Cochairs Anna Killius (CBC) and Martha Shimkin (EPA)
Materials:
IV.a. Presentation: Beyond 2025
IV.b. Beyond 2025 Report\
- V. Advisory Committee 2025 Check-In** (10:15 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.)
The PSC committed to periodic check-ins on progress toward addressing the Advisory Committees' annual letters to the Executive Council. This session is an early opportunity for the advisory committees to discuss their draft 2024 letters to the EC and other items of interest.
Relevant Outcomes: All
Requested action: none; informational only
Presenters: Secretary Josh Kurtz and advisory committee chairs
Materials: none
- VI. Interim Targets for CAST and Unaccounted Loads** (10:40 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.)
This session is an overview of how unaccounted additional loads will become part of the annual progress analysis. This update will discuss how UALs will be incorporated into the annual progress analysis and reported as part of the Modeled Load Reduction Indicator on Chesapeake Progress.
Relevant Outcomes: All
Requested action: none; informational only
Presenters: Lee McDonnell, EPA
Materials:
VI. Presentation: CAST Unaccounted Loads
- VII. Future Milestones** (11:05 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.)
This session is a briefing on possible options for future milestone development/reporting/evaluation, post 2025. The partnership has initiated discussion on how it will proceed with "near term" milestones between 2026 and when there are new nutrient and sediment targets established by the partnership using the Phase 7 modeling tools. The WQGIT recently agreed to hold discussions for the "near term" milestones. The WQGIT will develop recommendations for duration and piloting new ideas for the "near term" milestones. The WQGIT may also decide to delegate long-term follow-up items for milestones to the Milestones Workgroup.

Relevant Outcomes: All

Requested action: none; informational only

Presenter: Suzanne Trevena, Water Quality Goal Team Chair

Materials:

VII. Presentation: Future Milestones

VIII. Business Meeting

(11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)

PSC Chair Josh Kurtz will facilitate a discussion on the following topics:

- Review actions/decisions from today
- Planning for October PSC Meeting/All-day Retreat and agenda items
- Partnership Updates

IX. Concluding Remarks – Adjourn

(12:00 p.m.)