BIENNIAL STRATEGY REVIEW SYSTEM Chesapeake Bay Program



Climate Monitoring & Assessment and Climate Adaptation - 2021-2022

[NOTE: make sure to edit **pre**- or **post**- in the text above, to tell the reader whether this logic and action plan is in preparation for your quarterly progress meeting or has been updated based on discussion at the quarterly progress meeting.]

Long-term Target: (the metric for success of Outcome) **Two-year Target:** (increment of metric for success)

Instructions: Before your quarterly progress meeting, provide the status of individual actions in the table below using this color key.

Action has been completed or is moving forward as planned.

Action has encountered minor obstacles.

Action has not been taken or has encountered a serious barrier.

Additional instructions for completing or updating your logic and action plan can be found on ChesapeakeDecisions.

| Factor | Current Efforts | Gap | Actions | Metrics | Expected Response and Application | Learn/Adapt |
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| What is impacting our ability to achieve our outcome? | What current efforts are addressing this factor? | What further efforts or information are needed to fully address this factor? | What actions are essential (to help fill this gap) to achieve our outcome? | What will we measure or observe to determine progress in filling identified gap? | How and when do we expect these actions to address the identified gap? How might that affect our work going forward? | What did we learn from taking this action? How will this lesson impact our work? |
| | | Outcom | e: Monitoring & | Assessment | | |
| Monitoring & | Development | Need scientific | 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, | | Development of | - Important to |
| Assessment: Scientific | of climate | capability to monitor | 1.4, 1.5 | | climate change | establish end |
| Capabilities. The | change | climate and other | | | indicators will | purpose of indicator |
| scientific capabilities to | indicators on | stressors | | | depend on the | with potential users |
| estimate, project, model | | simultaneously; need | | | quality of | |

| and monitor ecosystem changes and impacts as a result of climate change are complex and resource intensive. Additionally, impacts are exacerbated by non-climate stressors (e.g., land-subsidence, land use change, growth and development). Appropriate science and modeling of climate and non-climate related stressors are necessary for Chesapeake Bay Program partners to properly address climate impacts during policy planning and adaptation efforts. | Chesapeake Progress. Development of the climate change TMDL model. | to ensure that long-term monitoring networks include key parameters to assess climate change impacts and coincide with monitoring other stressors when feasible; need to sustain and support long-term monitoring networks (e.g., CBP Monitoring Network, Sediment Elevation Table Marsh Studies); need adequate downscaled climate modeling data and data to develop and test models; need continued efforts to understand thresholds of climate stressors on water quality, fisheries, and habitats, interaction of multiple stressors, and quantification of co-benefits. | | supporting data, the added value of the indicators for helping to understand and explain management successes, and the priorities and resources of the CBP Partnership. CRWG is planning to develop 1-2 new climate change indicators during 2021-2022. | to make effort worthwhile. - Need other workgroups' support in connecting climate change indicators with relevant ecological impacts to natural resource outcomes. |
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| Monitoring & Assessment: Geographic Extent/Variability of the Watershed. The impacts of climate change will be varied across the Watershed. It is important to not limit the focus of the | Scientific data collection at DE, MD, VA NERRS sites to gain a better understanding of what is happening at the reserve | Need methods aimed to improve data consistency and comparability among regions and sectors. | 1.6, 1.7 | Currently, the CRWG does not have adequate resources to tackle both Bay and watershed climate change assessment needs across workgroups | - Need dedicated funding to support BMP climate change performance research/mechanistic modeling to further knowledge for Phase 7 Watershed Model and WIP strategies. |

| management strategy to coastal issues alone but to recognize the wide range of monitoring, assessment and adaptation needs throughout the region. However, the variability of the ecosystem within the Bay proper and the larger watershed presents challenges in data consistency and comparability among regions and sectors. | level and how that can be applied to the Bay as a whole. Healthy Watersheds is incorporating climate metrics and vulnerability into their Healthy Watersheds Assessment. Data collected | Need to identify and | 23 27 | simultaneously. Need partner support. CRWG has the | |
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| Monitoring & Assessment: Complexity | by NOAA | Need to identify and connect climate | 2.3, 2.7 | capacity to provide | |
| of the Monitoring | Chesapeake | resilience science | | information on | |
| Program. A monitoring | Bay Sentinel | needs for adaptation | | science needs | |
| program to detect | Site | decision-making with | | related to climate | |
| ecosystem change and | Cooperative | monitoring needs; | | stressors that can | |
| inform program and | (CBSSC) and | need institution | | be considered and | |
| project response is a | satellite office, | capacity to develop | | integrated in | |
| complex undertaking. | CBP | and perform | | monitoring | |
| Developing an | Monitoring | long-term monitoring | | networks by the | |
| acceptable monitoring | Network. | to detect ecosystem | | Integrated | |
| approach for the watershed will be | The Integrated | change and a steady funding source for | | Monitoring Network | |
| complex, and there are | The Integrated Monitoring | such efforts; need to | | Workgroup. | |
| clear budgetary | Network | evaluate alternative | | workgroup. | |
| challenges associated | Workgroup is | monitoring strategies, | | | |
| with such long-term | looking into | such as use of | | | |
| monitoring. | developing a | satellite data. | | | |
| | STAC proposal | | | | |
| | to evaluate | | | | |
| | new | | | | |
| | technologies | | | | |

| | and new partners to enhance monitoring capacity—key climate parameters in connection with climate change indicators should be considered. | | | | | |
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| | | C | outcome: Adapta | tion | | |
| Adaptation: Stakeholder Engagement. Although there is acknowledgement that climate change and adaptation need to be addressed, there is a lack of understanding or agreement from stakeholders on what it means to be resilient or what constitutes resiliency, including what kind of actions support an adaptive management approach. Lack of appropriate stakeholder engagement jeopardizes acceptance of choices made about action plans and implementation strategies, introducing additional levels of social | Worked with Local Government Advisory Committee on forum that developed recommendati ons for local governments on what they can do to act more deliberately in addressing flooding issues from changing climate conditions. Collaborating with CBP Local Engagement | Need collective agreement; need better understanding of stakeholder climate resilience and adaptation decision-making needs; need facilitation in connecting the science across the different stakeholder groups to support decision-making; need stakeholder support in implementing recommendations; need willingness to discuss managed retreat as an option | 2.1, 2.4, 2.5 | | Limited CRWG staff resources makes it difficult to make progress on this factor. | Actions taken to address this factor resulted in key lessons to carry forward in future workplans: - Narrowing focus on priority adaptation strategies (e.g., marsh migration) increased success in making progress on adaptation outcome solicit input from stakeholders and end-users as project development is occurring to ensure that the deliverables will be beneficial |

| discord in an already complex environmental-economic -social landscape. There are also different types of stakeholders, and in many cases, they have different goals making it challenging to have adequate resources to facilitate meaningful connections across all stakeholder groups. | Team on identifying climate change-related local engagement needs and resources. | | | | |
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| Adaptation: Capacity. There is a general lack of capacity to fill research gaps and translate the science and incorporate meaningful change into plans, programs, processes or projects across the entire CBP partnership. Although building that capacity is paramount, it can be time consuming and costly, considering the resource constraints faced by governments and organizations and the variability in adaptation approaches. | Development of a Chesapeake Bay climate resilience implementation progress tracker for tidal and non-tidal areas. | Knowledge of types of technical assistance/expertise needed by jurisdictions. | 2.2, 2.3, 2.6 | | The 2021-2022 workplan included actions that were outside of the expertise of our workgroup members. The workgroup needs to narrow the scope of future workplans based on the interest and expertise of workgroup members. Connect with established networks - e.g., Mid-Atlantic Coastal Acidification Network Blue carbon financing science and monitoring needs are resource-intensive requiring long-term investments with |

| | | | | uncertain returns - what is the CBP role? |
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| Adaptation: Authority. Governments' and institutions' ability to respond to climate change is also limited by legislative, policy, regulatory and other authorities. | Individual jurisdictional incorporation of climate narrative (or voluntary numerical target) into WIPs III. | Need knowledge of institutional/regulato ry barriers; need incorporation of climate change considerations across programs. | 1.5, 2.9 | Addressing this factor is outside of the current workgroup capacity. |
| | States and communities around the Chesapeake Bay are taking steps to prepare or maintain their climate change adaptation or sustainability plans. | | | |
| Adaptation: Guidance. There is a need to translate existing science into guidance for the CBP, as well as stakeholders, to use to develop adaptation plans and to measure efficacy of response to climate change impacts. The nature of on-the-ground implementation often requires a level of certainty or methods to | Ongoing research and models, tools and metric development by CBP partners. | Need development of clear tools and guidance to develop plans and efficacy of response; lack of extensive information (or information dissemination) on the costs of climate change impacts in specific areas, or the cost savings and ecosystem benefits represented by | 2.1, 2.2, 1.5, 1.6 | Actions taken to address this factor resulted in key lessons to carry forward in future workplans: - Ensure that projects have a narrowed, focused scope to make them manageable - solicit input from stakeholders and end-users as project development is occurring to ensure |

| address uncertainty | | specific mitigation or | | | that the deliverable |
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| related to climate change | | adaptation measures. | | | will be beneficial |
| effects on key factors | | | | | |
| (e.g., hydrology, water | | | | | |
| quality, temperature, | | | | | |
| precipitation, sea level | | | | | |
| rise, coastal erosion | | | | | |
| rates). Additionally, there | | | | | |
| is variability in | | | | | |
| institutional responses | | | | | |
| on how to address | | | | | |
| climate change impacts | | | | | |
| making it challenging to | | | | | |
| develop guidance that | | | | | |
| can be applied | | | | | |
| consistently across all | | | | | |
| watershed jurisdictions. | | | | | |
| Adaptation: | The Climate | Need to achieve | 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, | | |
| Collaboration. The many | Resiliency | strategic | 2.9 | | |
| and diverse stakeholders | Workgroup | collaboration across | | | |
| and organizations that | meets monthly | the other goals in the | | | |
| make up the Bay | to discuss a | Chesapeake Bay | | | |
| Program are a strength, | variety of | Watershed | | | |
| but it also causes | climate topics | Agreement that | | | |
| collaboration challenges | and provide a | maximizes resources | | | |
| that must be addressed | forum for | and connects science | | | |
| in order to maximize | information-sh | to inform | | | |
| resources and provide | aring to | decision-making; | | | |
| strategic adaptation | encourage | need consensus on | | | |
| approaches across the | collaboration. | strategic adaptation | | | |
| watershed. | | approaches that fit | | | |
| | | the impact and area | | | |
| | | of concern | | | |
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Key: Rows shaded in blue have been identified as primary actions for the Climate Resiliency Workgroup (CRWG) for the next 2 years and includes a mix of Chesapeake Bay Program and CRWG member priorities. Actions with bolded text indicate the primary actions that the core CRWG members identified that they are most interested in making progress on during the next two years. Rows shaded in white are secondary actions and progress will be dependent on the availability of staff and workgroup members.

| | | Monitoring & Assessme | nt Actions – 2021 - 2022 | 2 | | |
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| Action | | _ | Responsible Party | Geographic | Expected | Progress Status |
| # | Description | Performance Target(s) | (or Parties)/ Point of | Location | Timeline | |
| 20 | | | Contacts | l D | | |
| _ | • • | ess past and future trends of climate | | аке вау апо w | atersned in | |
| 1.1 | Assess utility of climate change indicators in tracking climate resilience for water quality, living resources, habitats, and public infrastructure and determine strategy for updating prioritized indicators | a. Evaluate the usefulness of existing (on Chesapeake Progress) and proposed climate change indicators with corresponding workgroups, STAR, and the Management Board to prioritize development and updates. Archive indicators that are not included in prioritization decisions. b. Develop a climate change | a. Julie Reichert-Nguyen (NOAA/CRWG), STAR staffer, Kathryn Barnhart (U.S. EPA/Status and Trends Workgroup), and relevant workgroups b. Julie Reichert-Nguyen | Bay/ watershed- wide or place-based | CRWG does not have the capacity to maintain all existing and proposed climate change indicators. Updating indicators will rely on available data and assistance from other workgroups/ | a. Worked with STAR and other workgroups and met with the Management Board in prioritizing which climate change indicators for the CBP Partnership to focus on in connection with other outcomes. Currently, revising the web text on Chesapeake Progress to better reflect the prioritized climate change indicator work that is being done. |
| | | indicator framework document that outlines implementation strategies for the prioritized indicators. Identify prospective cross-workgroup pathways connecting physical change (e.g., sea level rise, increased precipitation, warming temperatures) with ecological and community impacts to inform adaptation/resilience strategies related to the | (NOAA/CRWG), STAR staffer, and summer intern (NOAA) | | agencies. | b. Developed a descriptive list for the prioritized climate change indicators with preliminary information on timeframes and potential responsible parties. Will need increased resources and capacity to complete a revised implementation plan for prioritized indicators. |

| | Coordinate the | Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement outcomes. Include considerations for DEIJ application. Determine time periods for updating. a. Coordinate the development | a. Julie | Bay/ | CRWG plans to | Day Water Towns and the Charles |
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| 1.2 | development of climate change indicators in connection with clear management objectives with corresponding workgroups to inform climate resilience activities related to ecological and community impacts | of a Bay Water Temperature Change Indicator (previously identified as a cross-workgroup priority) in connection with fisheries management. b. Continue exploring collaboration with USGS to connect their stream temperature compilation project with updating the stream temperature indicator for use in the Healthy Watersheds Assessment involving brook trout habitat and the identification of potential resilience factors. c. Support the proposed 2021 STAC Workshop, "Rising Watershed and Bay Water Temperatures—Ecological Implications for Ecosystem Processes Influencing Stream, River, and Estuarine Health." Compile water temperature data sources and host | Reichert-Nguyen (NOAA/CRWG) and Bruce Vogt (NOAA/Fisheries GIT), Collaborator(s): Peter Tango (USGS/STAR), Rebecca Murphy (UMCES/ITAT) b. Renee Thompson (USGS/Healthy Watersheds) and Julie Reichert-Nguyen (NOAA/CRWG) Collaborator(s): John Clune (USGS) c. Lead(s): Rebecca Hanmer (Forestry WG), Rich Batiuk, (CoastWise Partners), and Nora Jackson (CRC/Forestry WG) | watershed- wide or place-based | assist with the development 1-2 new climate change indicators (2021-2022). Development of new indicators will depend on the quality of supporting data, cross-workgroup involvement, and the priorities and resources of the CBP Partnership. | a. Bay Water Temperature Change Indicator related to Fish and SAV: - Developed synthesis paper identifying data sources and conceptual ideas. - Assisted the Rising Water Temperature STAC Workshop—hosted special meeting with multiple workgroups to discuss rising water temperature effects on living resources and habitats, facilitated tidal workshop discussions, completed draft of tidal chapter for STAC report (Action C). - Initiating discussions with Integrated Trends Analysis Team (ITAT) as potential data provider and Fisheries GIT to help link with living resource thresholds. b. Stream Temperature Change Indicator related to Brook Trout: - ~Fall 2022 USGS data release of multi-agency |

| | | cross-workgroup discussion on | CRWG Support: Julie | | | stream temperature |
|-----|----------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| | | the utility of water temperature | Reichert-Nguyen | | | compilation database. |
| | | change indicators in connection | (NOAA), STAR staffer, | | | - Healthy Watersheds |
| | | to fisheries and habitats. | Katie Brownson | | | GIT–developed "proxies" |
| | | | (USFS/CRWG) | | | for stream temp by |
| | | d. Explore data needs for | Other Workgroup | | | expanding the use of a |
| | | developing a wetland loss and/or | Support: Scott | | | dataset related to brook |
| | | marsh migration indicator(s) | Phillips (USGS/STAR), | | | trout and rising stream |
| | | related to sea level rise (see | Bruce Vogt | | | temps. |
| | | action 1.3). | (NOAA/Fisheries | | | c. Support STAC Workshop: |
| | | | GIT), Renee | | | - Completed draft of Tidal |
| | | | Thompson | | | chapter for final report. Full |
| | | | (USGS/Healthy | | | report under participant |
| | | | Watersheds), and Bill | | | review. |
| | | | Dennison | | | d. Sea Level Rise Indicator Related |
| | | | (UMCES/STAC) | | | to Marshed: |
| | | | | | | - Wetland WG- soon |
| | | | d. See action 1.3 | | | completion of GIT-Funded |
| | | | | | | Marsh Data Synthesis |
| | | | | | | project, which includes |
| | | | | | | compassion of marsh |
| | | | | | | migration models and |
| | | | | | | recommendations of data |
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| _ | | ritical data and research gaps and in | • | of climate char | nge impacts and | |
| 1.3 | Increase capacity to | mes in the Chesapeake Bay Watersh a. Support the Habitat | a. Technical Lead: | Placed-base | 2021-2022 | a. Deliverables from the Wetland |
| 1.3 | better understand | GIT's FY20 GIT-funding | Kevin DuBois | d (target | 2021-2022 | Workgroup's GIT-Funded Marsh |
| | sea level rise | project, "Synthesizing | (DOD/Wetland | area – | | Data Synthesis project soon |
| | impacts to coastal | shoreline, sea level rise, | WG/CRWG) | Middle | | available (Sept.): marsh metric data |
| | marsh habitats and | and marsh migration data | Co-lead: Julie | Peninsula, | | review (e.g., sea level rise, shoreline |
| | their ecosystem | to inform wetland | Reichert-Nguyen | VA) | | condition, migration corridors), |
| | services | restoration targeting" and | (NOAA/CRWG) | -7.1 | | marsh migration model |
| | | explore use of the | (,, | | | |

| synth | esis product to | Support: STAR | comparison, and data synthesis |
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| infor | m decision-making | staffer, Taryn Sudol | methodology: |
| | oastal adaptation | (MD Sea | - Aid in selecting regional |
| (see a | action 2.2). | Grant/CRWG), | focus areas for outreach |
| | | Jackie Specht | and identification of marsh |
| h Ider | ntify and invite subject | (TNC/CRWG), Nicole | adaptation projects for |
| | experts and project leads | Carlozo | CRWG's GIT-funded Marsh |
| | JSGS Coastal Habitat | (MDNR/CRWG), | Adaptation project. |
| | NOAA Sea Level Rise | Peter Claggett | - Help identify data and |
| | r Team, Delaware Bay | (USGS/ LUWG), | method for sea level rise |
| | ech team, VIMS), to | Labeeb Ahmed (GIS | indicator related to |
| | nt information on | Team), Megan | marshes. |
| • | sting approaches to assess | Ossmann | b. Subject matter experts presented |
| | vel rise impacts to coastal | (CRC/Wetland WG) | relevant research and efforts |
| | ts and relevant ecosystem | Contractor: VIMS | during: |
| | es research. Discuss | | - CRWG's Mar, Sep, and Dec |
| | le connections and | b. Julie | 2021 meetings: i.e., USGS |
| | ation to inform climate | Reichert-Nguyen | Risk to Coastal Habitats, |
| | nce decision-making. | (NOAA/CRWG), | MD GreenPrint, |
| | | STAR staffers, | ConserveVA, Delaware |
| | | Collaborator(s): Joel | Estuary Bay Project, |
| | | Carr (USGS) | AdaptVA. |
| | | | - Resilient Coastal Wetlands |
| | | | and Communities |
| | | | Multi-Regional Workshop: |
| | | | focused on decision |
| | | | frameworks and tools |
| | | | related to assessing sea |
| | | | level rise and storm surge |
| | | | impacts to marshes and |
| | | | communities. CRWG |

members participated in workshop and CRWG

| | | | | | | efforts were highlighted |
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| | | | | | | during Mid-Atlantic Panel. |
| 1.4 | Increase capacity to better understand increased precipitation and warming temperature on submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV) | a. Provide advisory support for the FY20 STAR GIT-funded project, "Modeling climate impacts on submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV) in the Chesapeake Bay," when needed. Explore use of model results in supporting climate adaptation decisions (see action 2.2). | a. Technical Lead: Becky Golden (MDNR/SAV Workgroup) Support: Brooke Landry (MDNR/SAV WG) and Julie Reichert-Nguyen (CRWG), Joel Carr (USGS) Contractor: VIMS | | 2021-2022 | a. SAV Workgroup GIT-Funded Project through STAR: "Modeling climate impacts on on SAV Project is evaluating model outcomes and potential SAV recovery trajectories under various climate change scenarios" - VIMS team is finalizing climate scenarios and results – final report to be submitted in late December. |
| 1.5 | Coordinate with the Modeling Workgroup and the Water Quality Goal Implementation Team (WQGIT) to support the application of TMDL climate change projections | a. Review climate model narrative language and provide suggestions on the language for easier interpretation. b. Meet with Modeling Workgroup and WQGIT to identify where assistance from CRWG will be needed to prepare the application of the TMDL climate change model projections for 2025. | CRWG: Mark Bennett (USGS), STAR staffer, Julie Reichert-Nguyen (NOAA) Modeling Workgroup: Dave Montali (TetraTech), Lew Linker (U.S. EPA) WQGIT: Lucinda Power (U.S. EPA), Ed Dunne (DOEE) | Bay/ watershed- wide | a. Needed before September 2021 b. 2021-2022 | a. The CRWG April 2021 meeting focused on reviewing the climate model narrative language presented by the Modeling Workgroup and providing suggestions on language for clearer interpretation. b. Meet with Modeling Workgroup and WQGIT to identify where assistance from CRWG will be needed to prepare the application of the TMDL climate change model projections for 2025. - WQGIT decided to hold off on applying projections for 2025. |

| 1.6 | Support the WQGIT | a. Coordinate with WQGIT in | CRWG: Julie | All | 2021-2022 | a. The CRWG coordinated with |
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| | on BMP climate | identifying BMPs where climate | Reichert-Nguyen | jurisdictions | | WQGIT who provided a list from |
| | resilience | change research is most needed. | (NOAA), STAR staffer, | | | their jurisdictions on priority BMPs |
| | assessments needed | | and Mark Bennett | | | in their Watershed Implementation |
| | to update Watershed | b. Review Virginia Tech BMP | (USGS) | | | Plans to share with Virginia Tech to |
| | Implementation | Climate Resilience Assessment | | | | include in their climate change BMP |
| | Plans | Report (STAC and NOAA-funded; | STAC: Kurt | | | performance review. These were |
| | | focuses on urban, ag, and natural | Stephenson (Virginia | | | discussed during the CRWG April |
| | | BMPs) and Chesapeake | Tech) | | | 2021 meeting. |
| | | Stormwater Network/Urban | | | | |
| | | Stormwater Workgroup's urban | WQGIT: | | | b. Completion of the climate |
| | | stormwater BMP climate | Ed Dunne (DOEE), | | | change BMP performance review |
| | | resilience assessments. | Lucinda Power (U.S. | | | report by Virginia Tech (January |
| | | | EPA), and David | | | 2022). |
| | | c. Host cross-workgroup meeting | Wood (CSN/Urban | | | |
| | | to present and discuss findings | Stormwater | | | c/d. Follow-up meetings in |
| | | from above assessments (b) and | Workgroup) | | | developing a research agenda |
| | | identify next steps related to | | | | related to climate change effects on |
| | | developing a research agenda | Modeling | | | BMPs on hold until the U.S. EPA |
| | | framework for climate change | Workgroup: Lew | | | Request for Applications (RFA) on |
| | | BMPs where there are | Linker (U.S. EPA) and | | | this topic is released. Details of the |
| | | information gaps and adaptation | Dave Montali | | | RFA were shared during the WQGIT |
| | | strategies for Watershed | (TetraTech) | | | June 2022 meeting and will include |
| | | Implementation Plans where | | | | applicants consider findings from |
| | | information exists. | Contractor: Zach | | | the climate change BMP |
| | | | Easton and Jeremy | | | performance review report. |
| | | d. Work with the Management | Hanson (Virginia | | | |
| | | Board to identify alternative | Tech) | | | |
| | | options (e.g., jurisdictional help) | | | | |
| | | in supporting a BMP climate | | | | |
| . = | | change research agenda. | | | | |
| 1.7 | Support efforts of | a. Explore collaborative | a. Bill Jenkins and Bo | | Limited CRWG | a. CRWG meeting presentations: |
| | STAR to promote use | opportunities with existing tools, | Williams (U.S. | | staff resources to | - October 2021: The |
| | of climate science | such as EnviroAtlas and EJ | | | support this | etad June 8, 2021 Page 19 of 29 |

| data in e | existing tools | screening, to use climate | EPA/Ecosystem | action in 2-year | their tool and relevant |
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| and build | ding | resilience-related data from the | Services Team), | timeframe | climate resilience metrics |
| collabora | ative data | Chesapeake Bay Data and | STAR staffer | | and ecosystem services. |
| partners | ships | Mapping Portal to inform actions | | | - April 2022: John Wolf |
| (EnviroAt | itlas/ | involving the Chesapeake Bay | | | presented on the |
| Ecosyste | em Services) | Program priorities, including | | | Chesapeake Bay |
| | | ecosystem services, diversity, | | | Environmental Justice and |
| | | equity, inclusion, and justice | | | Equity Dashboard and the |
| | | (DEIJ). Data available at: at | | | CBP targeting tool that is |
| | | https://data-chesbay.opendata.a | | | under development |
| | | rcgis.com/search?tags=Climate% | | | highlighting potential user |
| | | 20Resiliency | | | case studies pertaining to |
| | | | | | climate and environmental |
| | | | | | justice in story map. |
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| Action | Description | Performance Target(s) | Responsible Party | Geographic | Expected | Progress Status |
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| # | Description | renormance ranger(s) | (or Parties) | Location | Timeline | |
| Manage | ment Approach 1: Imp | rove knowledge and capacity to imp | lement and track prior | rity adaptation a | actions in | |
| connect | ion with the goals in th | e Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agree | ement | | | |
| 2.1 | Develop an | a. Rescope STAR FY19 | a. GIT-Funded | Coastal and | 2021 | a. Jurisdictional members |
| | approach to track | GIT-Funded project, "Bay-wide | Technical Lead: | Inland | | expressed that a scorecard is not |
| | climate resilience | Climate Resilience Scorecard for | Julie | locations in | | what they need. Need to sort out |
| | progress | Watershed Communities." | Reichert-Nguyen | Bay/ | | what is meant by "tracking |
| | | Connect with adaptation-related | (NOAA/CRWG) | watershed | | resilience" related to the outcome |
| | | implementation case studies and | Support: STAR | | | and feasibility and capacity of |
| | | identify successes and barriers. | Staffer, Elizabeth | | | workgroup to accomplish this. |
| | | | Andrews (William | | | |
| | | | & Mary/CRWG), | | | |
| | | | Jim George | | | |

| | | | (MDE/CRWG), Tuana Phillips (DEIJ Workgroup) Contractor: RAND Corp./MARISA | | | |
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| 2.2 | Assist with capacity-building activities that support the implementation of priority climate adaptation actions | a. Identify and convene discussions on priority adaptation actions, successful resilient designs, obstacles, gaps in information, lessons learned, and innovative solutions (e.g., flood mitigation using natural infrastructure). Connect scientific information from research partners with decision-making needs of natural resource managers and CBP workgroups. b. Identify federal, state and nongovernmental partners who are providing technical and financial assistance for adaptation projects and connect these groups to local governments and communities pursuing climate adaptation planning and implementation. c. Explore funding avenue to create a citable document/decision matrix that consolidates guidance on best practices for siting, selecting, | CRWG: Nicole Carlozo (MDNR), Jason Dubow (MDP), Jim George (MDE), Kevin DuBois (DOD), Jackie Specht (TNC), Katie Brownson (USFS/CRWG), Taryn Sudol (MD Sea Grant) Julie Reichert-Nguyen (NOAA), STAR staffers | TBD | 2021-2022 | a.Discussions on priority adaptation actions: - CRWG members leading ongoing GIT-funded Marsh Adaptation project to make progress on identifying common resilience and social vulnerability metrics for targeting marsh restoration projects and identifying jurisdictional and other partner marsh restoration priorities to align with resilience research CRWG supported the Habitat GIT with the GIT-funded Marsh Migration Data Synthesis project. b. Funding opportunities shared through email announcements. Still need to sort out an effective strategy in connecting technical grant assistance with groups pursuing climate adaptation projects |

| 2.3 Identify bl science an monitoring apply exist carbon creprotocols to climate researching activities | internships, STAC workshop, g needs to GIT-funding, etc.) to assess available blue carbon information diting and identify science gaps in applying existing blue carbon | a. Mentors: Molly Mitchell (VIMS/CRWG) and | 2021 | c. Supporting GIT-funded projects and STAC workshops that could support adaptation guidance. Still need to sort out how to best consolidate information and funding avenue. d. CRWG members participated in the, "Resilient Coastal Wetlands and Communities Multi-Regional Workshop," including CRWG representation on the Mid-Atlantic Panel. Joint meetings with Urban Stormwater and Wetlands workgroups related to stormwater management adaptation and living shorelines, respectively a. Utilized the 2021 NOAA Climate Internship Position, in partnership with VIMS, to complete a review of existing blue carbon crediting protocols from VERRA and identify data and science needs to implement protocols. b. The CRWG shared blue carbon science needs with the Monitoring Workgroup to include in the monitoring program review requested by the Principals' Staff Committee. The CRWG has not had the capacity to connect this information with groups exploring the implementation of blue carbon financing projects. |
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| _ | ement Approach 2: Und to inform and support | ertake public and stakeholder engag adaptation | gement to increase under | rstanding of climate change | |
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| 2.4 | Coordinate with the CBP Communications and Local Engagement Team to help with the climate resiliency outcome actions related to communications/ outreach and/or local engagement | a. Identify CRWG communication and local engagement needs and incorporate them into the Local Engagement Needs and Resources spreadsheet. b. Work with Communications and Local Engagement Team on developing strategies to facilitate and connect the science with communication and local stakeholder needs related to the priority adaptation actions identified in Action 2.2 and past forums (e.g., LGAC Workforce Development and Flood forums). | CBP Communications: Rachel Felver (Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay) and Marisa Baldine (CRC) Local Engagement Team: Laura Cattell Noll (Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay) LGAC: Jennifer Starr (Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay) CRWG: Katie Matta (U.S. EPA Region 3), STAR staffers | Limited CRWG staff resources to support local engagement needs | a/b. CRWG participated in Local Engagement Team's questionnaire on identifying climate resilience local engagement needs. Currently, communications and local engagement at CBP is being restructured as the Strategic Engagement Team. Need to sort out how to collaborate with this team on connecting adaptation projects with community and local government efforts. The CRWG provided resources to the Local Engagement Team supporting the following efforts: - Local Leadership meeting on resilience information to climate related flooding (Aug 2021). - Maryland Municipal League Panel on Equity in Climate Resilience (June 2021) and Magazine Article 'Seeking Solutions for Addressing Stormwater-related Flooding Challenges' (Dec 2021). |
| 2.5 | Provide climate resilience content for educational modules and local | a. Work with existing Chesapeake Bay educational network to provide data, information, and topical experts in support of | Local Leadership Workgroup (Lead): Laura Cattell Noll | 2021-2022 | a. See Action 2.4.b. CRWG staff reviewed and provided recommendations on the |

| | government | targeted engagement related to | (Alliance for the | | | educational modules developed by |
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| | workshops | climate change impacts. | Chesapeake Bay) | | | the Local Leadership team. Each |
| | | | | | | module included callouts on |
| | | b. Provide information for the | CRWG (Review | | | climate change related to |
| | | educational modules being | Support): Katie | | | stormwater, wetlands, land-use, |
| | | developed by the Local | Matta (EPA Region | | | etc: A Local Government Guide to |
| | | Leadership Workgroup. | 3), Julie | | | the Chesapeake Bay |
| | | , , , | Reichert-Nguyen | | | |
| | | c. Provide support to the GIT | (NOAA), STAR | | | c. CRWG staff participated in the |
| | | Funded Project "Planning for | staffer | | | steering committee for the |
| | | Clean Water: Local Government | | | | GIT-funded project "Planning for |
| | | Workshops." Incorporate climate | | | | Clean Water: Local Government |
| | | resilience considerations. | | | | Workshops:" 1) Plan Integration |
| | | | | | | for Resilience AND Equity and 2) |
| | | | | | | Leveraging Hazard Mitigation for |
| | | | | | | Water Quality Benefits. |
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| Manage | ment Approach 3: Add | ress the institutional capacity of the | Chesapeake Bay Prog | ram to prepare f | or and respond to | |
| climate | change | | | | | |
| 2.6 | Consult on cross-GIT | a. Provide advisory support for | a. Technical Lead | a. Cambridge, | a. 2021 | a. Habitat GIT–Targeted Local |
| | climate change | the Habitat GIT's FY19 GIT-Funded | (Habitat GIT): Chris | MD, West | | Outreach for Green Infrastructure |
| | projects | project, "Targeted Local Outreach | Guy and Dan | Point, VA, | b-d. 2022 | in Vulnerable Areas (TOGI): Project |
| | | for Green Infrastructure in | Murphy (FWS) | and | | Completed - worked with 4 |
| | | Vulnerable Areas." | Coordinating: | Williamsport, | | communities resulting in |
| | | | Briana Yancy | PA | | conceptual designs for green |
| | | b. Provide advisory support for | (CRC/Diversity | | | infrastructure options for their area |
| | | the Fisheries GIT's FY20 | Workgroup | b. Bay-wide | | of interest. |
| | | GIT-funded project, "Forage | Support: Julie | | | |
| | | Indicator Development – Using | Reichert-Nguyen | c. NA | | b. Fisheries GIT–Forage Indicator |
| | | Environmental Drivers to Assess | (NOAA/CRWG), | | | Development: In progress - CRWG |
| | | Forage Statues." Connect with | Lauren Taneyhill | d. | | coordinator provided input on |
| 1 | | efforts to develop a Bay water | (NOAA) and STAR | Watershed- | | climate related aspects of the |
| | | chorts to develop a bay water | (110) buy and buy an | Materanica | | indicator. |

| related to warming temperature | | |
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| effects on abundance. | b. Mandy Bromilow | c. Stewardship GIT–Chesapeake Bay |
| | (NOAA/Fisheries | Program Social Science Assessment |
| c. Provide advisory support for | GIT) | and Integration Road Map |
| the Stewardship GIT's FY20 | | Development: In progress - CRWG |
| GIT-funded project, | c. Amy Hayden | members participated in interview |
| "Chesapeake Bay Program | (UMCES) | process |
| Social Science Assessment and | | |
| Integration Road Map | d. Norm Goulet (VA | d. Urban Stormwater–Intensity, |
| Development." | Northern Regional | Duration, Frequency (IDF) Curves |
| | Commission/USWG) | Project: Project completed - joint |
| d. Provide support to the Urban | , | meeting with CRWG and Urban |
| Stormwater Workgroup where | Lew Linker (EPA, | Stormwater Workgroup to share |
| needed from an advisory capacity | Modeling | results |
| involving the application of | Workgroup), STAR | |
| information from the Intensity, | staffer | e. Forestry Workgroup: Initial |
| Duration, Frequency (IDF) curve | | conversations on how to build |
| FY19 GIT-funded project to | e. Sally Claggett and | climate resilience considerations in |
| address climate impacts due to | Julie Mawhorter | GIT-funding proposals. |
| precipitation changes. | (USFS), Katie | |
| presipitation shanges | Brownson | f. Additional Requests: EPA-ORD |
| e. Explore opportunities with the | (USFS/CRWG), and | engagement on addressing climate |
| Forestry Workgroup and DEIJ | Julie | resilience science needs |
| Team to connect the change in | Reichert-Nguyen | |
| high temperature extremes | (NOAA/CRWG) | |
| indicator with the tree canopy | | |
| indicator with the tree campy | a-f. CRWG subject | |
| DEIJ component related to | matter experts | |
| building resilience for | when available | |
| underserved communities. | | |
| anderserved communities. | | |
| f. Review additional | | |
| climate-related requests by CBP | | |
| Simulate related requests by CDI | | |

| an | orkgroups for CRWG assistance nd re-prioritize actions where eeded. | | | |
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| Chesapeake Bay Program's SRS process to conduct a biennial review of the Climate Resiliency Workgroup and assess priorities b. Re log ma de ap tw c. pri dis W sci ne Int Wi d. | Develop a workgroup charter hat describes workgroup's role, nembership contributions, articipation benefits, and perating principles — how best he workgroup can support limate resilience outcomes and ther workgroup outcomes and within the watershed and nember organizations. SRS Support — Develop Climate esiliency Workgroup work plan, ogic table and update hanagement strategies to etermine the workgroup pproach and actions for the next wo years. Prepare document of high riority science needs to isseminate among groups. Where applicable, connect cience needs with monitoring eeds in coordination with the integrated Monitoring Network Workgroup. Work with the Management oard to identify opportunities | Julie Reichert-Nguyen (NOAA/CRWG), Mark Bennett (USGS/CRWG), and STAR staffers | 2021-2022 | a. The workgroup began developing a charter that would describe the workgroup's role, membership contributions, participation benefits, and operating principles. This effort was started, but never completed—waiting until there is better understanding of needs from the Climate Change Executive Directive. b. The workgroup is beginning the process of developing their next workplan, logic & action table, and updating their management strategies to guide the workgroup for the next two years. c. Workgroup provided science needs for Strategic Science and Research Framework and monitoring science needs for PSC monitoring report d. There is regional coordination on marsh resilience projects (Wetland Workgroup, EPA, MD DNR, MD Sea Grant, TNC). Still need to identify coordination process where |

| | | with their organizations and other government agencies to support CBP climate-related activities outside the current CRWG capacity. e. Develop approach to prioritize climate-related requests from CBP workgroups for CRWG assistance. | | | Management Board identifies how their organizations can assist. e. Began developing a process for prioritizing climate-related requests from CBP workgroups for CRWG assistance, but have not formalized it yet. Will be incorporated into the charter later on. |
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| 2.8 | CRWG membership and meetings | a. Distribute survey to workgroup members to understand their climate related interests and expertise to identify opportunities and gaps in membership to support Monitoring and Assessment and Adaptation Outcomes and cross-workgroup climate-related projects. b. Seek to expand workgroup membership to include more federal partners where there are likely to be more funding opportunities. c. Organize and facilitate CRWG meetings. Work with members to identify the best structure for meetings to effectively make progress on CRWG actions. | Julie Reichert-Nguyen (NOAA/CRWG), Mark Bennett (USGS/CRWG), and STAR staffers | 2021 | a. Distributed survey to the CRWG and interested parties, which led to updating workgroup membership and connecting expertise with CRWG and cross-workgroup activities. Will be sending a survey again this SRS. b. Expanding workgroup membership to include more federal partners where their agencies provide resilience funding was put on hold until we had a better understanding on the influx of funding from passed laws. Will need to revisit this idea. c. CRWG hosted 15 meetings, including special themed collaborative meetings to support the Rising Water Temperature STAC workshop, information exchange on stormwater resilience, living |

| | | | | | shoreline and marsh research, and marsh resilience targeting tools. |
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| 2.9 | Prepare for new | a. Support PSC Climate Action | a. Mark Bennett | 2021-2022 | a. CRWG leadership provided input |
| | federal and state | Team to draft climate activities | (USGS/CRWG) | | on the Executive Council Climate |
| | climate initiatives | for EC Directive. | | | Change Directive and draft |
| | and emerging issues | | b. FOD: Lee | | workplan. |
| | related to the | b. Federal Office Directors (FOD) | McDonnell (U.S. | | |
| | Chesapeake Bay | communicate with CRWG on new | EPA), Scott Phillips | | b. The Federal Office Directors |
| | climate resilience | administration climate policy and | (USGS), and Sean | | (FOD) was briefed on the new EC |
| | needs | direction. | Corson (NOAA) | | Climate Change Directive, but no |
| | | | | | broader discussions on |
| | | c. Develop process to document | c. Mark Bennett | | Administration climate policy and |
| | | emerging climate change issues | (USGS/CRWG), Julie | | direction. |
| | | provided by FOD and state | Reichert-Nguyen | | |
| | | partners. | (NOAA/CRWG), and | | c. FOD and state partners are at |
| | | | STAR staffers | | capacity sorting out how to |
| | | | | | distribute influx of funding. When |
| | | | | | folks are more available, we could |
| | | | | | reach out to determine the best |
| | | | | | process to document emerging |
| | | | | | climate change issues from the FOD |
| | | | | | and state partners. |