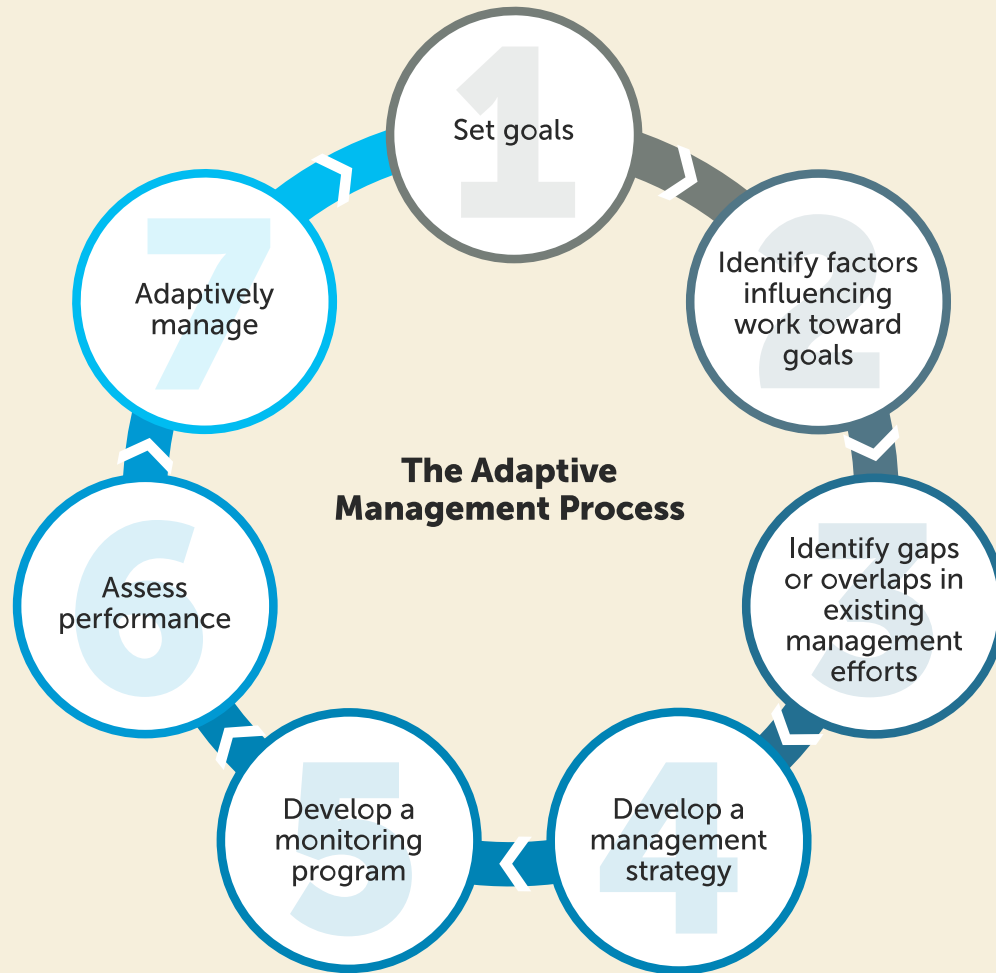# Overview of the Strategy Review System

Forestry Workgroup Meeting
October 5, 2022

# What is the Strategic Review System (SRS)?

The Chesapeake Bay Program's **adaptive management** process works towards achieving the outcomes of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement

The Adaptive Management Process

1. Set goals
2. Identify factors influencing work toward goals
3. Identify gaps or overlaps in existing management efforts
4. Develop a management strategy
5. Develop a monitoring program
6. Assess performance
7. Adaptively manage

# What is the Strategic Review System (SRS)?

- Runs on two-year cycles. Cycles start on a Management Board Quarterly Progress meeting.

- The point is for outcomes to report their **progress** to the Management Board, explain their **challenges** and **request action or assistance**. In turn, the <u>Management Board</u> reviews progress toward each of the outcomes of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement and supports necessary adaptations to the partnership's work.

# SRS Materials

# Logic & Action Plan

Illustrates the link between the factors that could impact the partnership's ability to achieve an outcome and the actions it is taking to manage them. It also articulates what the partnership expects to achieve by taking those actions.

# Logic & Action Plan (A Review)

**No New Actions!**

We are only **addressing the status** of the actions from the past two years. We are **not creating new actions** for the next two years (that comes later in the process).

On Track

Slight Delays

Major Delays/ offtrack

# Narrative Analysis

Indicates whether the partnership's assumptions about an outcome have changed and whether its actions are having their intended effect. It describes whether new information will impact what the partnership is doing to achieve an outcome and recommends adaptations or course corrections.

# Presentation

Summarizes the information in the Logic & Action Plan and Narrative Analysis, as well as any changes the workgroup anticipates making to its Management Strategy. It supports a GIT's request for action, support or assistance.

# Timeline

## November 17 — Draft Management Materials Due for Dry Run

- Draft Logic & Action Plan
- Draft Narrative Analysis
- Draft Presentation

## November 24 — Final Management Materials Due

- Final Logic & Action Plan
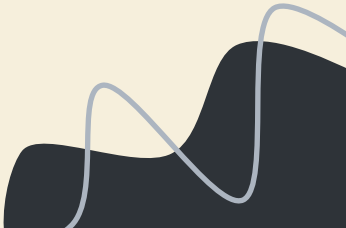- Final Narrative Analysis
- Final Presentation

## December 8 — Management Board Meeting

# After Management Board Meeting

# Revised Logic & Action Plan

- Update the factors, current efforts and to reflect any new understanding.
- Add new actions and any "carryover" actions from the previous two‑year period.
- Identify the metrics that will determine progress in filling the gap, and describe your expectations for how and when the actions will address the gaps
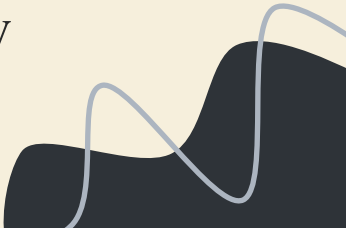
# Management Strategy

Update your Management Strategy if:
a) your workgroup is considering a direction not currently reflected in this document
b) the Management Board has provided direction that significantly changes its content (if neither of these conditions apply, the GIT should decide whether a strategy needs to be updated).

If a strategy is updated, use the "Lessons Learned" section to highlight the changes and save as a new version.

# Science Needs List

- Describe new science needs for any emerging science gaps added
- Update previously identified science needs that are still considered a priority for your outcome.