



## Scientific, Technical Assessment and Reporting (STAR) Meeting Theme: Shallow Waters

Thursday, January 26, 2022  
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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### AGENDA

**10:00 AM**      **Welcome, Introductions & Announcements – Bill Dennison (UMCES) and Scott Phillips (USGS)-STAR co-chairs, Breck Sullivan (USGS) STAR Coordinator, Peter Tango (USGS) CBP Monitoring Coordinator**

#### Announcements

**Strategic Engagement Team Update - Marisa Baldine (CRC)**

**Funding Opportunity:** [Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture RFP](#) - Deadline January 30th, 2023

**STAR Accessibility Survey:** [Link to the Survey](#) - Deadline February 9th, 2023

**Looking for a STAR Co-Chair**

**Re-cap of Monitoring Kick-Off Meeting - Breck Sullivan (USGS)**

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

- National Water Quality Monitoring Council's 13<sup>th</sup> [National Monitoring Conference](#) - April 24-28, 2023, Virginia Beach, VA.
- [Species on the Move](#) – May 15-19, 2023, Everglades National Park, FL.
- [Interagency Conference on Research in the Watersheds \(ICRW8\)](#) – June 5-8, 2023, Corvallis, Oregon.
- [Citizen Science Association conference, C\\*Sci 2023](#) - May 22-26, 2023, Arizona State University campus in Tempe/Phoenix, Arizona.

- [CERF 2023 Conference: Resilience & Recovery](#) – November 12-16, 2023, Portland, Oregon. [Abstracts](#) due May 10, 2023.

**10:10 AM      Diving Deeper in the Implications of the STAC Comprehensive Evaluation of System Response (CESR) Report**

Over the next few STAR meetings, lead authors from the CESR report will present different sections. STAR will continue the conversation started at the November 30th Goal Implementation Team (GIT) Chairs Leadership meeting on how to put the implications from the CESR report into practice.

**Today's Topic: Estuaries component of the CESR Report – Jeremy Testa (UMCES) and Bill Dennison (UMCES)**

Jeremy and Bill will present on the estuaries component of the CESR report. Following the presentation, STAR will brainstorm criteria for the top five important areas for shallow water habitat, as requested of the CESR team by the Chesapeake Bay Commission (CBC) at their November meeting.

**11:05 AM      Instructional Story Maps for Targeting Tools: A Pilot Approach – Alex Gunnerson (CRC) and Garrett Stewart (CRC)**

The USGS and CBP GIS team, under leadership of John Wolf, have developed a targeting portal so users can access multiple tools for decision making. Alex and Garrett will present a template for instructional story maps designed to teach potential users how to employ tools on the targeting portal. The goal of this template is to facilitate the rapid development of an instructional story map that is in demand by users of CBP generated web map viewers. The presentation will include a demonstration of the template's transferability to other tools. Please review the overview of the targeting effort and link to the portal prior to the STAR meeting: [A Science-Based Approach for Targeting Resources to Achieve Multiple Chesapeake Outcomes | U.S. Geological Survey \(usgs.gov\)](#).

Attendees will be asked to provide feedback and consider the following questions, among others:

- Do these story maps teach tool usage effectively?
- How can we improve the instructional function of these story maps?
- How can we better connect with the users of these tools?
- What additional functionality would you like to see added to this template? If you think you and stakeholders in your workgroups would benefit from an instructional story map following this template, please let us know which tool(s) are in demand.

**11:35 AM      Forest Buffer Science Needs – Katie Brownson (USFS)**

Katie Brownson will present the science needs of the Forest Buffers Outcome. A short discussion period will follow.

**12:00 PM      Adjourn**

**Next meeting: Thursday, February 23rd, 2023**