



Scientific, Technical Assessment and Reporting (STAR) Meeting
Theme: Local Action Science Needs

Thursday, April 27, 2022
9:30 AM – 12:00 PM

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AGENDA

9:30 AM **Welcome, Introductions & Announcements – Bill Dennison (UMCES), Ken Hyer (USGS) and Kimberly Van Meter (Penn State) - STAR co-chairs and vice chair, Breck Sullivan (USGS) STAR Coordinator, Peter Tango (USGS) CBP Monitoring Coordinator**

Announcements

Strategic Engagement Team Update - Marisa Baldine (CRC)

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Upcoming Conferences, Meetings, Workshops and Webinars

- Happening now: National Water Quality Monitoring Council's 13th [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.

9:35 AM **Introducing New STAR Co-Chair and Vice Chair, Ken Hyer and Kim Van Meter**

9:50 AM **Biennial Meeting Feedback – All**

The upcoming SRS Biennial Meeting comes at a unique and consequential time as we approach the 2025 deadline, and the partnership has recognized the need for planning on both how to accelerate towards achieving our current goals as well as the necessary reflection and strategizing for post-2025. In recognition of this, the theme has been structured around the [Executive Council Directive](#) and the conversations have been designed to contribute recommendations to the EC. One primary session covers the charge of identifying and providing recommendations for emerging science and challenges. In order to structure the discussion so that it can meet this charge, STAC and STAR have collaborated to identify ten overarching science challenges to structure the discussion. We would like your input on if there are any red flags to the 10 challenges or any critical items missing.

- *Are there any red flags to the 10 challenges or any critical items missing?*
 - *Please note the biennial meeting will cover other topics that we may not have listed in the 10 challenges, and the challenges are not ranked in any particular order.*
- *Is there someone who would be best to lead these topics?*

10:20 AM **Local Action Cohort Science Needs**

10:20-10:30 Local Leadership – *Laura Cattell Noll (Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay)*

10:30-10:55 Land Use Methods/Metrics – *Peter Claggett (USGS)*

10:55-11:20 Land Use Options – *Peter Claggett (USGS)*

11:20-11:45 Tree Canopy – *Julie Mawhorter (USDA)*

12:00 PM **Adjourn**