

# 2023 Road Ahead for the WQGIT

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#### 2023: Time to re-convene the WQGIT in person?

- The WQGIT has previously benefited from two-day face-to-face meetings on a biennial basis (virtual in October 2021).
- WQGIT Leadership strongly supports reconvening the group for an overnight face-to-face meeting sometime in 2023, date & venue TBD.
- Jackie will share a poll to help narrow options for timing.
  - Late July is earliest option; October is latest option
- Venue suggestions are welcome: email Jeremy (hansonj@chesapeake.org). Effective hybrid meeting technology must be available through the venue with space for ~35-60 in-person attendees.

## What we've heard & discussed over the past year (or longer)

"WQGIT meetings are too long with too many different topics"

Response--

- WQGIT Leadership has discussed possible solutions amongst ourselves. Some of our ideas are on the next slide.
- Timing for some Bay Program items is outside the WQGIT's control.
- We see semimonthly meetings for the WQGIT as a last resort.

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#### Things we will continually try to improve:

- Incorporating and enforcing at least one break unless the meeting is significantly shorter than usual
- Using email and written communications strategically, sometimes to confirm a decision (especially if it's something we've already discussed at length)
- New agenda format intended to be more informative for you while enabling us to track where & how we allocate our time

#### Other changes we will test this year:

- We will keep monthly meeting schedule (4<sup>th</sup> Monday) for regular business and decisional items. However, we will test additional themed meetings or webinars on a less frequent basis (perhaps quarterly).
- These themed meetings/webinars will always be for the purpose of peer-to-peer learning and exchange, meaning no decisions and therefore optional.



### We need your input!

What are the most critical topics for us in 2023?

