

## Coordinator updates



Jeremy Hanson, CRC, WQGIT Coordinator



### Remembering Nick DiPasquale (1951-2022)

#### Bay Journal

 https://www.bayjournal.com/news/peo ple/chesapeake-loses-a-champion-nickdipasquale/article\_73b53cb2-7015-11ed-8f7b-4746ea3f36cb.html

#### ShoreRivers staff

 https://www.shorerivers.org/news/shor erivers-fondly-remembers-nickdipasquale

#### Obituary

 https://www.fhnfuneralhome.com/obitu aries/Nicholas-Dipasquale/#!/Obituary



Nick with his dog, Mac, in 2021. Photo by Dave Harp

## Favorite getaway in the watershed that you're thankful for

- Inspiration: <u>https://www.chesapeakebay.net/news/blog/chesapeake-getaways-were-most-thankful-for</u>
- What is your favorite getaway in the watershed?
  - Tell us here before January 23: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XBPL85D
  - We'll share our favorite places with the WQGIT at a future meeting or newsletter

## Something else positive (for him)

- You may have heard, Scott Phillips (USGS) is retiring at the end of February after four decades in federal service
- Share your appreciation and well wishes in the chat or offline (swphilli@usgs.gov)

Thank you, Scott! The partnership will miss you



### **BMP Protocol**

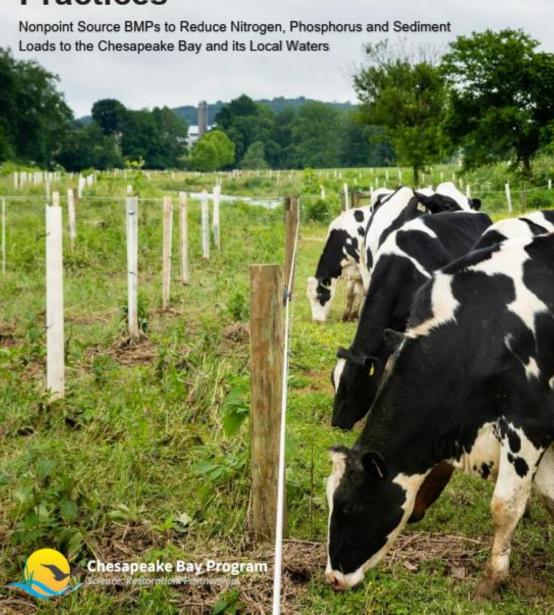
- No objections or new input received by Nov. 30 deadline
- Therefore → "Decision: The WQGIT approved the revisions to the "Protocols for the Development, Review, and Approval of Loading and Effectiveness Estimates for Nutrient and Sediment Controls in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Model" (also known as BMP Expert Panel Protocols) on December 1, 2022."

Will finalize and post new "WQGIT approved" version shortly

# Reminder: Call for WQGIT at-large nominations until Friday, Jan 6th

Please submit all nominations via email to Jackie
 Pickford (pickford.jacqueline@epa.gov) with name of nominee, email, and brief bio/resume/CV.

## Quick Reference Guide for Best Management Practices



THANK YOU and well done, Jackie! (& team)

Second Edition of the BMP Guide is now live

(link)

Numerous improvements!

- +Added BMPs missing from first edition (2018)
- +Version history

Existing links should automatically redirect to new version



#### **Advancing Priority WIP** Strategies for the **Agricultural Sector**

Tuesday, November 8, 2022 10am-12pm

Key Question: How can NFWF and its current and future grantees best support jurisdictions' priority WIP strategies for the agricultural sector as we advance towards 2025?

Recordings added as they go...

Miss a session?

Download Recording

#### Advancing Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Justice in Agricultural Sustainability Efforts

Tuesday, November 15, 2022 10am-12pm

Key Question: How can we better engage and support underserved, marginalized, and socially disadvantaged producers and communities in realizing goals and growing demand for sustainable agriculture and food systems?

#### Coordinating with Federal Infrastructure **Funding for Agricultural** Conservation

Thursday, November 17, 2022 1pm-3pm

Key Question: How can we unlock unprecedented federal infrastructure funding to advance on-farm conservation and sustainability efforts?

**Enhancing Agricultural Conservation Through** Collaboration and **Partnerships** 

Tuesday, December 13, 2022 10am-12pm

Key Question: What can we learn from, re-evaluate, and replicate regarding our efforts to support collaborative models as key drivers of accelerated agricultural conservation in the region?

Register

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#### NFWF Ag Networking Forum sessions:

https://sites.google.com/vie w/2022canf/home



Advancing Partnerships with Cooperatives, Aggregators, and Supply Chain Stakeholders

Thursday, December 15, 2022 1pm-3pm

Key Question: How can we better

#### Advancing Regenerative and Climate-Smart **Agriculture**

Tuesday, January 10, 2023 10am-12pm

Key Question: How can we leverage our collective knowledge and experience supporting agricultural

#### Integrating Wetlands in **Agricultural** Landscapes

Thursday, January 12, 2023 1pm-3pm

Key Question: What will it take to accelerate wetlands restoration. creation, and enhancement in the region's varied agricultural

#### Advancing Agricultural Conservation through a Social Science Lens

Tuesday, January 24, 2023 10am-12pm

Key Question: What recommendations and insights from the Chesapeake Bay Program Scientific and Technical Advisory

### Other late additions, ICYMI---

- Chesapeake Bay Accountability and Recovery Act (CBARA) spending crosscut report released by Office of Management and Budget (OMB)
  - https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/2022-Chesapeake-Bay-Crosscut.pdf
  - The data will be added to <u>funding page of Chesapeake Progress</u> (as quick view graphs and downloadable formats)
- Citizens Advisory Committee Report of Findings: September 2022 Panel Discussion on Equitable Access to Grant Awards and Administration Practices
  - https://d18lev1ok5leia.cloudfront.net/chesapeakebay/documents/Report-of-Findings-September-2022-Panel-Discussion-on-Equitable-Access-to-Grant-Awards-and-Administration-Practices.pdf

# Water Quality Goal Implementation Team's (WQGIT) Year-in-Review: 2022

Elected
THREE
new at-large

members

& TWO new leadership positions.



Buoys mark the underwater locations of reconstructed oyster reefs on the upper St. Mary's River near St. Mary's College in St. Mary's City, Md., on Oct. 21, 2022. (Photo by Will Parson, CBP). CBP Flickr.

Roughly 1,025 participants total in all monthly meetings.

Reached

consensus

on

7 of 10

decision items brought to the GIT.

Over 50 action items completed.

