

## Agriculture Workgroup (AgWG)

## Meeting Agenda

**June 14, 2012**

**9:30 AM to 3:30 PM**

**USDA-NRCS Maryland State Office Conference Room**

## Annapolis, Maryland

**Conference Call Number- 866.299.3188, Code- 410.267.5731**

**Virtual Meeting Room-** [https://epa.connectsolutions.com/ag\\_wg/](https://epa.connectsolutions.com/ag_wg/)

<b>09:30</b>	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	<b>Coale</b>
<b>09:40</b>	<u><a href="#">AgWG Meeting Minutes</a></u> Frank Coale, AgWG Chair, will lead a discussion on the review and approval of the minutes from the May10, 2012 workgroup meeting at the CBPO Fish Shack.	<b>Coale</b>

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Workgroup Participation

<b>09:45</b>	<b>BMP Verification Process</b>	<b>Coale</b>
	<p>The workgroup has been requested to develop a draft agricultural verification protocol for providing to the Water Quality Goal Implementation Team's (WQGIT) Verification Steering Committee on June 19th. To accomplish this task, Frank Coale will provide an overview of the desired approach to review the current verification concept and develop the protocol with the workgroup.</p>	

### **ACTION REQUESTED:** Workgroup Participation

09:50	<p><b>Agricultural Verification Concept</b></p> <p>Frank Coale and Mark Dubin will present the current concept for developing an agricultural verification protocol founded on the current draft BMP Verification Principles. The concept was presented during the May 10th workgroup meeting and subsequently modified based upon comments received. The modified concept was provided to the jurisdictional partners for review and comment as per the May 10th workgroup recommendations.</p>	Coale/Dubin
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**ACTION REQUESTED:** Workgroup Participation

<b>10:10</b>	<b>Agricultural BMP Verification Comments: Agencies</b>	<b>Coale</b>
	<p>Frank Coale will moderate an open discussion from the perspective of the state agency representatives on their jurisdictional reviews of the draft agricultural verification concept. Each of the jurisdictions was provided with a copy of the modified verification concept based on the recommendations of the May 10th workgroup meeting. The jurisdictions</p>	

were requested to provide their review comments to the workgroup for their consideration in developing the draft verification protocol. The discussion will encompass all forms of BMPs, cost shared as well as non-cost shared practices.

Order of Discussions:        Virginia  
   Maryland  
   Delaware  
   West Virginia  
   Pennsylvania  
   New York

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Workgroup Participation

**12:00            Luncheon Break**

**01:00            Agricultural BMP Verification Comments: Partners            Coale**  
Frank Coale will moderate an open discussion from the perspective of non-state agency representatives on their viewpoints of the draft agricultural verification concept and the jurisdictional review comments presented during the morning session. The discussion will encompass all forms of BMPs, cost shared as well as non-cost shared practices.

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Workgroup Participation

**02:00            Draft Agricultural Verification Protocol            Coale**  
Utilizing the comments received from the jurisdictions and non-jurisdictional partners, Frank Coale will lead an open work session to either modify the existing concept or draft a new concept for the verification of agricultural BMPs and data. The results of this session will be subsequently considered for recommendation by the workgroup and provided to the WQGIT Verification Steering Committee on June 19th.

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Workgroup Participation and Recommendations

**03:15            Review of AgWG Recommendations            Coale/Dubin**  
The members will review and finalize the workgroup's recommendations for endorsement and implementation.

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Finalized Workgroup Recommendations

**03:30            Adjourn**

**Project Updates:**

If sufficient time is available, short updates will be provided on the status of the workgroup sponsored and supported BMP expert review panels.

**Conference Call Materials:**

Participants are requested to review the materials posted on the AgWG webpage for the meeting. Some documents may be posted just prior to the meeting, so please check back.

**Agenda Schedule:**

The meeting agenda is reflective of known information at the time of publication and may be subject to change due to other circumstances. Additional agenda items may be added if time is available.

**Luncheon Information:**

Workgroup members may either bring their lunch to the meeting room, or utilize one of the food establishments nearby. Establishments close to the meeting location include WAWA; McDonalds; Highs; and Red, White and Blues.