

Agriculture Workgroup (AgWG)

Meeting Agenda

September 26, 2013

9:30 AM to 3:30 PM

Log Lodge Main Conference Room

USDA Beltsville Agricultural Research Center

Powder Mill Road and Log Lodge Road (Building 302)

Beltsville, Maryland 20705

Conference Call Number: 866.299.3188, Code: 267.5715

Virtual Meeting Room: <https://epa.connectsolutions.com/agwg/>

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09:30 Welcome and Introductions Coale

09:35 AgWG Meeting Minutes Coale
Frank Coale, Agriculture Workgroup Chair, will introduce the draft minutes from the August 8, 2013 workgroup meeting held at the USDA BARC Log Lodge for review and approval.

ACTION REQUESTED: Workgroup Participation and Recommendation

09:40 Meeting Management Coale
Frank will discuss the management and purpose of the meeting, as well as recognize the members of the Watershed Technical Workgroup (WTWG) and representatives of other WQGIT workgroups invited to the meeting.

ACTION REQUESTED: Workgroup Participation

09:45 Expert Review Panel Report Review Process Dubin
Mark Dubin, Agriculture Workgroup Coordinator, will provide an overview of the partnership review process for the initial Phase 5.3.2 panel report recommendations.

ACTION REQUESTED: Workgroup Participation

09:55 Panel Report Presentations Panel Chairs, et al
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- Cover Crops Panel
- Conservation Tillage Panel
- Nutrient Management Panel

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12:00

Working Lunch

Panel Report Presentations Cont.

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02:40

Poultry Litter Subcommittee Update

Glancey

Jim Glancey, subcommittee chair, will provide a brief update on the development of poultry production data recommendations for consideration by the workgroup in late October.

ACTION REQUESTED: Workgroup Participation

02:50

Maryland Agricultural BMP Assessment Update

York

Dana York, Green Earth Connection, LLC, will present an update of the technical review of Maryland Department of Agriculture's functional equivalents as introduced during the July and August meetings.

ACTION REQUESTED: Workgroup Participation

03:00

BMP Verification Management BMP Subgroup

Coale

Frank will announce the members forming an Agriculture Workgroup subgroup to begin developing BMP verification protocols for the "Management BMPs: Plans" category included in the Verification Matrix. The workgroup voted to adopt the draft version of the matrix presented during the July 11th meeting, which does not currently provide information on management plan type BMPs.

ACTION REQUESTED: Workgroup Participation and Recommendation

- 03:10 Manure Treatment Technology Panel Coale**
Frank will announce the members forming an ad hoc subgroup to develop a scope of work prior to the formation of a new panel addressing manure treatment technologies. According to the current workgroup prioritized list of BMP evaluations, the new BMP representing manure treatment technologies is next in line to be evaluated through an expert review panel.

ACTION REQUESTED: Workgroup Participation and Recommendation

- 03:20 Review of AgWG Recommendations Giese**
Emma Giese, CRC Staffer, will review the draft notes from the meeting for comment.

ACTION REQUESTED: Workgroup Participation

- 03:30 Adjourn**

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 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.