Agriculture Workgroup (AgWG)

Conference Call Agenda

December 8, 2011 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Conference Line: 866.299.3188 code: 517.628.4390

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01:00 Welcome and Introductions

Coale

01:10 Overview Meeting Objectives

Coale

Frank Coale, Workgroup Chair, will provide an overview of the objectives of the conference call in order to provide partnership discussion of the evaluation of agricultural nutrient management practices and the anticipated evaluation of additional practices through an expert review panel process.

ACTION REQUESTED: Workgroup Participation

01:20 Evaluation of Nutrient Management Practices

Dubin/Dressing

Mark Dubin, Workgroup Coordinator, will provide a brief overview of the project for evaluating agricultural nutrient management practices for representation in the Chesapeake Bay Program models. Mr. Steve Dressing with Tetra Tech will be supporting the workgroup evaluation and will introduce members of the project team.

ACTION REQUESTED: Workgroup Participation

01:40 Nutrient Management Expert Review Panel

Coale

Frank will review the proposed membership of the expert review panel for evaluating agricultural nutrient management practices. Following workgroup discussion and comment, a motion to endorse the panel membership will be requested.

ACTION REQUESTED: Workgroup Recommendation for Panel Membership

02:00 Tetra Tech Evaluation Support

Dubin/Sievers

Mark and Mr. Mark Sievers with Tetra Tech will provide an overview of how Tetra Tech will be providing technical support to the sector workgroups under the Water Quality Goal Implementation Team (WQGIT) for evaluating conservation practices. The discussion will specifically address the evaluation of other priority practices identified by the AgWG in January of this year.

02:30 Cover Crop/CNT Evaluations

Coale

The January 12, 2012 meeting of the workgroup is planned to focus on the evaluation of cover crops as the second highest priority agricultural practice identified by the members in 2011. Frank will lead a short discussion with the workgroup to prepare for the meeting. The nomination period of potential expert review panel members for the evaluation of cover crops and Continuous No-Till (CNT) will also be initiated.

ACTION REQUESTED: Workgroup Recommendations for Evaluation Project

02:50 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

03:00 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.