

# Request to Revise the Executive Order Brook Trout Outcome to Align with State Restoration Efforts

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# Objectives

- Inform the Management Board of the rationale for a revised Brook Trout Outcome
- Work with STAR on developing a revised Brook Trout Outcome by December 2012
- Create a STAR led Task Group to address the revised outcome including:

Peter Tango, Katie Foreman, Nita Sylvester, Scott Stranko, Doug Stang (Habitat GIT), Callie McMunigal (EBTJV), and reps from Healthy Watersheds GIT, Fisheries GIT and the Forestry Workgroup.

# Brook Trout Outcome

- Restore 58 subwatersheds from 'reduced' (10-50% habitat loss) to 'healthy' (less than 10% habitat loss) classification by 2025.
  - Crafted with input from Habitat GIT and EBTJV members in 2010
- February 24, 2012 the EBTJV recommended to the Habitat GIT that the outcome be revised to reflect new science conducted at a finer catchment-scale

# Streams Workshop

- “Call the Plumber: Fixing the Chesapeake’s Streams” Workshop held in winter 2013 and jointly sponsored by STAR, Habitat GIT and Healthy Watersheds GIT
- Key Topics:
  - Targeting Brook Trout Restoration in the Chesapeake (Hudy)
  - Stream Restoration as a BMP (Shuler)
  - Stream Function Pyramid (Starr)
  - Stream Health Index – Going Beyond Benthic (Stranko)
  - Climate Impacts on Streams and Aquatic Systems (Letcher)