



Scientific, Technical Assessment and Reporting (STAR) Team Meeting
10AM – 12PM December 11th, 2012

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AGENDA

10:00 AM Welcome Introduction and Updates – Mark Bennett (STAR Co-Chair), Peter Tango (STAR Coordinator)

STAR Leadership will give an introduction and request updates from the Goal Implementation Teams.

10:10 AM Update on Toxic Contaminant Report – Scott Phillips

Scott Phillips will discuss the findings and release of the Toxic Contaminant report.

10:30 AM USGS Report: WRTDS – Mark Bennett

Mark Bennett will discuss the findings and release of the USGS WRTDS report.

10:50 AM Responding to Major Storm Impact: Hurricane Sandy Impacts on Chesapeake Bay & Delmarva Coastal Bays – Brianne Walsh (IAN Science Communicator)

Brianne Walsh will discuss the IAN/UMCES report. To better understand the impacts of Hurricane Sandy in 2012, a comparison with previous storms was made, in particular, Hurricane Agnes in 1972 and Tropical Storm Lee in 2011. The timing of Hurricane Sandy and the position of Chesapeake and Delmarva Coastal Bays ameliorated the impacts of the storm in this region.

11:30 AM Conowingo Dam Relicensing & LSRWA – Bruce Michael

Bruce Michael will discuss the relicensing schedule and issues in the Susquehanna and give an overview of the Lower Susquehanna River Watershed Assessment (LSRWA) goals, tools, progress, and next steps.

11:30 AM WQGIT response to Conowingo work plan – Scott Phillips

The WQGIT has identified STAR as the lead on priority “Trapping capacity behind dams, esp. Susquehanna, and greater capture of local impoundments and reservoirs.” Scott Phillips will present the work plan, which will be followed by a discussion of next steps.

12:00 PM Adjourn