

AGENDA Chesapeake Bay Forestry Workgroup

Conference Call November 5th, 2014, 9:00 AM – 10:45 AM

Conference Line: 888-844-9904, Code: 680-2405# Adobe Connect: https://epa.connectsolutions.com/fwg/

9:00 Welcome and Introductions

Rebecca Hanmer, Chair

9:10 Riparian Forest GIS Analysis

Rob Feldt, MDNR

Rob Feldt will present the riparian forest buffer GIS analysis he recently completed for the entire state of Maryland. This is a large dataset and the first of its kind using more accurate, higher-resolution imagery state-wide.

9:40 Updates on RFB and UTC Efforts

Sally Claggett

The Forestry Workgroup is in charge of developing multiyear plans or Management Strategies for each of the following outcomes in the Chesapeake Bay Agreement: Riparian Forest Buffer Outcome (900 miles/year) and Urban Tree Canopy Outcome (2400 acres by 2025). This will be an update on the ongoing efforts related to these two outcomes.

There will also be an update on the December FWG meeting, which will be a 2-day, face-to-face meeting Dec 3rd and 4th in Annapolis.

10:00 Riparian Forest Buffer Expert Panel Report

Sally Claggett

Sally will go over the recent changes to the Riparian Forest Buffer Expert Panel Report. This is the culmination of 2+ years of review by the Expert Panel on the credit allocated to the Buffer practice. It is necessary for the FWG to approve this report before it moves up the chain for approval by other groups.

10:20 Round Robin Announcements

All

10:45 Adjourn