August 9, 2019

## APPENDIX B – Schedule for Development Conowingo Phase 3 Watershed Implementation Plan (WIP)

## **OPTION 1 --- CONCURRENT SUBMITTAL**

December 2017	Received PSC Approval on Conowingo WIP framework and the first cut of the Conowingo pollutant reduction targets to address this additional load.
March 2018 - March 2019	The Conowingo WIP Steering Committee, including a representative from each jurisdiction and the Chesapeake Bay Commission work collaboratively to begin development of the Conowingo WIP to include: 1) finalizing the Conowingo WIP framework, pollution reduction target(s), and resource sharing commitments; and, 2) working with EPA, other federal partners, and the third party to develop a financing strategy that leverages technical assistance, in-kind services, and federal, state, local and potential private sector funding sources.
September 2018	EPA prepares a draft RFP for an award of a cooperative agreement or contract to manage and oversee the pooled resources and to facilitate the development and implementation of the Conowingo WIP, as guided by the Conowingo WIP Steering Committee.
<u>Sept. 2018 – March 2019</u>	EPA selects the RFP awardee and, building on the decisions made to date, the Conowingo WIP Steering Committee continues drafting the Conowingo WIP with support of the awardee to include a finance strategy for the Conowingo WIP, additional local government and public engagement strategies, identifying specific reduction practices and a timeline, funding sources, the methodology for addressing any identified gaps and provisions for contingencies.
April 1, 2019	The Conowingo WIP Steering Committee submits a draft Conowingo WIP to the PSC for review and comment.
April 8, 2019	The PSC submits comments to the Conowingo WIP Steering Committee.
April 12, 2019	States will post their Draft Phase III WIPs on their respective websites for Partnership review and comment.
<u>April 12, 2019</u>	DRAFT Conowingo WIP posted on the CBP website for a 30-day public comment period ending May 13, 2019.
June 7, 2019	Partnership Comments Due on States' Draft Phase III WIPs.
July 5, 2019	The Conowingo WIP Steering Committee addresses all comments and submits a final draft to the PSC for final review and comment.
July 19, 2019	The PSC submits any final comments to the Conowingo WIP Steering Committee.

States will post their FINAL Phase III WIPs on their respective websites.

<u>2025</u>

August 9, 2019	The CBP partnership will post the FINAL Conowingo WIP on its website
October 1, 2019	The Conowingo Steering Committee and the third party will begin full plan implementation utilizing funding allocated to the plan for federal FY 2020.
??	Determine the role of Exelon in the implementation of the Conowingo WIP based on the outcome of Maryland's decisions regarding 401 certification and the resultant court cases.
<u>Biennially</u>	EPA to evaluate the effectiveness and progress of the Conowingo WIP, pursue additional funding sources to help with implementation, identify additional mitigation options and recommend options to the PSC, as necessary.
<u>Summer 2023</u>	The PSC will reevaluate and make any necessary corrections based on EPA's biennial evaluations of the Conowingo WIP implementation, recommendations from the

Conowingo WIP Steering Committee and any other factors.

reductions by 2025.

Consistent with the 2014 Watershed Agreement and the 2010 TMDL, a goal will be to have all practices in place to achieve the necessary nutrient and sediment

October 15, 2019

## APPENDIX B – Schedule for Development Conowingo Phase 3 Watershed Implementation Plan (WIP)

## **OPTION 2 --- SEQUENCED SUBMITTAL**

December 2017	Received PSC Approval on Conowingo WIP framework and the first cut of the Conowingo pollutant reduction targets to address this additional load.
March 2018 - March 2019	The Conowingo WIP Steering Committee, including a representative from each jurisdiction and the Chesapeake Bay Commission work collaboratively to begin development of the Conowingo WIP to include: 1) finalizing the Conowingo WIP framework, pollution reduction target(s), and resource sharing commitments; and, 2) working with EPA, other federal partners, and the third party to develop a financing strategy that leverages technical assistance, in-kind services, and federal, state, local and potential private sector funding sources.
September 2018	EPA prepares a draft RFP for an award of a cooperative agreement or contract to manage and oversee the pooled resources and to facilitate the development and implementation of the Conowingo WIP, as guided by the Conowingo WIP Steering Committee.
<u>Sept. 2018 – March 2019</u>	EPA selects the RFP awardee and, building on the decisions made to date, the Conowingo WIP Steering Committee continues drafting the Conowingo WIP with support of the awardee to include a finance strategy for the Conowingo WIP, additional local government and public engagement strategies, identifying specific reduction practices and a timeline, funding sources, the methodology for addressing any identified gaps and provisions for contingencies.
<u>April 12, 2019</u>	States will post their Draft Phase III WIPs on their respective websites for Partnership review and comment.
June 7, 2019	Partnership Comments Due on States' Draft Phase III WIPs
June 14, 2019	The Conowingo WIP Steering Committee submits a draft Conowingo WIP to the PSC for review and comment.
July 12, 2019	The PSC submits comments to the Conowingo WIP Steering Committee.
August 9, 2019	States will post their FINAL Phase III WIPs on their respective websites.
August 23, 2019	DRAFT Conowingo WIP posted on the CBP website for a 30-day public comment period ending September 23, 2019. This includes any additional Partnership comments.
October 1, 2019	The Conowingo WIP Steering Committee addresses all comments and submits a final draft to the PSC for final review and comment.

The PSC submits any final comments to the Conowingo WIP Steering Committee.

October 31, 2019 The CBP partnership will post the FINAL Conowingo WIP on its website

November 1, 2019 The Conowingo Steering Committee and the third party will begin full plan

implementation utilizing funding allocated to the plan for federal FY 2020.

?? Determine the role of Exelon in the implementation of the Conowingo WIP based on

the outcome of Maryland's decisions regarding 401 certification and the resultant

court cases.

<u>Biennially</u> EPA to evaluate the effectiveness and progress of the Conowingo WIP, pursue

additional funding sources to help with implementation, identify additional

mitigation options and recommend options to the PSC, as necessary.

<u>Summer 2023</u> The PSC will reevaluate and make any necessary corrections based on EPA's biennial

evaluations of the Conowingo WIP implementation, recommendations from the

Conowingo WIP Steering Committee and any other factors.

2025 Consistent with the 2014 Watershed Agreement and the 2010 TMDL, a goal will be

to have all practices in place to achieve the necessary nutrient and sediment

reductions by 2025.