

Chesapeake Bay Program Partnership's SAV Aerial and Ground Surveys Design Workshop

March 29th, 2017 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Chesapeake Bay Foundation Philip Merrill Environmental Center 6 Herndon Ave, Annapolis, MD 21403

Conference Line: 866-299-3188 Code: 267-5715

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9:00 am: Welcome and introductions (Brooke Landry, Md DNR)

9:10 am: Workshop objectives and structure (Rich Batiuk, CBP)

9:15 am: Presentation of the current SAV aerial and ground surveys' design, operational logistics, and evolution of the resultant data and products. (Bob Orth, VIMS)

10:00 am: *First session*. Discuss results of questionnaire distributed prior to workshop, and any additional data and product needs. This session will also be structured to outline and ensure agreement on the exact survey design requirements of each of those identified management, regulatory and research uses. (Brooke Landry, Md DNR)

11:00 am: Second session. Presentation of options for alternative designs of both the aerial and ground surveys directed towards providing the data and products identified through the questionnaire. This session will be structured to align the exact survey design requirements with a series of potential alternative aerial and ground survey designs. (Dave Wilcox, VIMS)

12:00 pm: Lunch (provided, main conference room)

1:00 pm: Third session. Each user type— 1. Federal, 2. state and local, 3. scientific research, and 4. NGO/non-profit— will form breakout groups to discuss how to best align their specific user needs with different potential survey designs. Each breakout group will be charged with developing alternative, yet operationally realistic monitoring designs for both the aerial and ground survey that meet the user needs of the group. (Facilitators will include Becky Golden [Md DNR], Christine Conn [Md DNR], Peter Tango [USGS], and Mike Naylor [Md DNR].).

2:15 pm: Fourth session. Reconvene to examine each group's proposed alternative survey designs. Ideally a final set of designs for the SAV aerial and ground surveys will be created during this process which will meet with the consensus of the workshop participants. If consensus can't be reached, then the workshop participants will be asked to contribute to a list of any required further design evaluations or considerations to be followed up on by the Workshop Steering Committee. (Brooke Landry and Rich Batiuk with facilitators)

4:00 pm: Conclude