



**Scientific, Technical Assessment and Reporting (STAR) Team Meeting**  
**1:00PM – 4:00PM September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

Joe Macknis Memorial Conference Room (Fish Shack)  
Chesapeake Bay Program Office  
410 Severn Ave Annapolis, MD

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**Event webpage** <http://www.chesapeakebay.net/S=0/calendar/event/18843/>

**AGENDA**

**1:00 PM Welcome, Introduction, Updates and Announcements – Bill Dennison (STAR Chair), Mark Bennett (STAR Vice Chair), Peter Tango (STAR Coordinator)**

STAR Leadership will give an introduction and update members on recent/near future STAR presentations to the STAC and Management Board. Goal Implementation Teams and STAR WGs will provide updates.

Announcements:

- [Chesapeake Watershed Forum, September 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013](#)
- [Mid-Atlantic Regional Association Coastal Ocean Observing System Annual Meeting October 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013](#)
- [Coastal Estuarine Research Federation Conference, November 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013](#)
- [Maryland Water Monitoring Council Conference, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013](#)
- [National Water Quality Monitoring Council Conference, April 28<sup>th</sup> – May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014](#)

**1:20 PM American Shad Indicator Update – Jim Cummins, Eric Brittle, and Nita Sylvester**

Jim Cummins, Eric Brittle, and Nita Sylvester will update STAR on the progress of the American Shad Indicator Action Team and request feedback related to the Action Team's plans for finalizing the revised American Shad Abundance Indicator.

**1:50 PM Communications Discussion – Nita Sylvester/All**

Nita Sylvester will present the Bay Barometer timeline and provide indicator updates including information about the new water quality standards indicator. STAR members will discuss communication ideas including upcoming reports, studies, and videos to recommend to the Communications Workgroup.

**2:20 PM Monitoring Budget Update and Next Steps – Mark Bennett and Peter Tango**

Peter Tango will give a status update of the monitoring budgets – Close Phase I Monitoring Review and budget, introduce the Phase II timeline/Phase III outlook BASIN Review: Building and Sustaining Integrated Networks.

**4:00 PM Adjourn**

**4:00 PM STAR planning session (STAR Leadership, Staffers)**