

SUMMARY
Trading and Offsets Workgroup (TOWG)
Conference Call
Wednesday, May 28th, 2014, 10:00AM – 11:00AM
<http://www.chesapeakebay.net/calendar/event/21191/>

Introductions & Updates

- Jeremy Hanson (CRC, CBPO; TOWG Staff) convened the call and reviewed the [agenda](#). He verified participants and noted the call had been rescheduled from the 21st.

Draft Technical Memorandum on Credit Permanence

- Pat Gleason (EPA Region 3) discussed the draft technical memorandum (TM) on credit permanence with participants. She explained that they are not always able to incorporate all feedback or comments, but all input helps stimulate discussion and generate ideas.
 - View [her presentation](#) for more details

Questions and discussion from the workgroup

- Rob Boos (PENNVEST): noticed there is terminology that is similar, but can be interpreted different ways. Permittee needs to secure, purchase, or obtain. Can be interpreted in different connotation. For example, registered with PennVest, would that be enough of a commitment or demonstration
 - Gleason: We tried to keep language flexible to not limit creativity for best ways to secure credits.
- Paul Emmart (MDE), asked for clarification on slide 4: Modeling and monitoring data that is “available and existing.”
 - Gleason: Does not mean additional monitoring or modeling data. Use what is available or exists. Whatever is used to support the issuance of that permit.
- Contact Pat Gleason (gleason.patricia@epa.gov) with questions or feedback on the draft TM. Have until June 13th to provide feedback on the TM.

Upcoming agenda topics and updates

- Bob Rose (EPA) explained the credit calculation memo was finalized within the last week. All final TMs are available on EPA’s Chesapeake Bay TMDL page here: <http://www.epa.gov/reg3wapd/tmdl/ChesapeakeBay/EnsuringResults.html>
 - Click “Trading and Offset Programs” tab
 - Below that, click “Bay Trading and Offset Activities” tab
 - Scroll down page.

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Participants

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