

**CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM**  
**WATER QUALITY GOAL IMPLEMENTATION TEAM**

September 28, 2015 CONFERENCE CALL

**Conference Call Phone Number:** 866-299-3188 **Code:** 410-267-5731

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12:30 Welcome/Confirm Call Participants/Workgroup Updates – Jenn Volk, Chair

12:40 Water Quality Criteria Technical Addendum & STAC review – Peter Tango, USGS

1:10 FY16-17 Federal Water Quality Milestones Development – Jim Edward, EPA

Jim will walk through the process and schedule for developing federal water quality milestones and request jurisdiction feedback on how federal milestones can better support the jurisdictions' milestones.

1:20 Election of At-Large Members – James Davis-Martin, Vice-Chair

**Decision Requested:** The WQGIT's signatory members will confirm its 6 at-large members. Signatory members will be asked to submit their preferred 6 nominees in ranked order prior to the meeting. The top three at-large members will serve two year terms and the next three at-large members serving one year terms. Bios and resumes of the nominees have been posted to the September 28 WQGIT calendar page.

1:30 Phase 6 Tree Canopy Land Use Categories – Rebecca Hanmer, FWG Chair; and Neely Law, CWP

**Decision Requested:** WQGIT will be asked to make the final determination on the tree canopy land uses. Due to the time-sensitivity of this decision, if consensus is not reached, the land use proposal will be elevated to the Management Board for final decision.

1:50 Agriculture Land Use Loading Rates – Tom Jordan, SI; Gene Yagow, VT; and Jack Meisinger, USDA ARS

**Decision Requested:** WQGIT members will be asked to make the final determination on the agriculture land uses. Agriculture land use categories were conditionally approved by the WQGIT in October 2014, pending refinement of the land use loading rates. The final agricultural loading rates were approved by the Agriculture Workgroup on September 22.

2:10 Nutrient Management Task Force – Kristen Saacke-Blunk, AgWG Co-Chair

**Decision Requested:** In response to a WQGIT request during the September 14 conference call, the AgWG will present the formal charge and membership for the proposed Nutrient Management Task Force. The WQGIT will be asked to approve the charge and membership.

2:20 Agriculture Modeling Subcommittee Methodology – Curt Dell, AMS Chair

The Agriculture Workgroup recently approved the Agriculture Modeling Subcommittee's Phase 6.0 modeling tool recommendations. AMS Chair Curt Dell, from the USDA ARS, will provide an overview on the Phase 6.0 Scenario Builder modeling tool development, including a process timeline.

2:40 Phase III WIP stakeholder assessment – Frank Dukes, IEN

Frank will present the draft Phase III WIP stakeholder assessment to the WQGIT and officially kick off the 45-day review and comment period of the draft report.

3:25 BMP Verification Review Panel Initial Evaluation Findings – Dana York, Panel Chair

Dana will provide an overview of the BMP Verification Review Panel's evaluation of the draft BMP Verification Program Plans submitted by the jurisdictions on June 30, 2015. The Panel provided feedback to the jurisdictions via a report distributed on August 7, and through one-on-one follow-up meetings held on August 27-28.

4:10 Adjourn