

**CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM**  
**WATER QUALITY GOAL IMPLEMENTATION TEAM**  
**LOG OF ACTIONS & DECISIONS**

*Last Updated: 03.02.2022*

**JANUARY 24, 2022**

*Meeting Materials: [Link](#)*

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**Action:** Jeremy Hanson, WQGIT Coordinator, will develop a brief orientation for new WQGIT at-large members.

**COMPLETE:** [Orientation Guide](#) posted under “WQGIT Governance Protocols, Membership and Orientation Materials” section of the WQGIT webpage, 2/18/2022.

**Decision:** The WQGIT approved three new at-large members (*Kevin DuBois - DoD, Mike LaSala - LandStudies, and Jeffrey Cornwell - UMCES*). The WQGIT also appointed a new Chair (*Ed Dunne - DOEE*) and Vice Chair (*Suzanne Trevena - EPA*), pending Management Board (MB) approval.

**Action:** WQGIT members are encouraged to brief their MB representatives on the discussion about Phase 7 model development in preparation for the [February MB meeting](#). **COMPLETE**

**Decision:** The WQGIT approved making a recommendation to the Management Board to elongate the current Phase 7 model development schedule to add two full years to the development timeline.

**Action:** Lee McDonnell, EPA/CBPO, will update the Phase 7 model development presentation with more detail regarding the proposed timeline and distribute it to the WQGIT for review prior to the Management Board meeting. **COMPLETE:** *Presentation and supporting materials sent via email to WQGIT on 02.03.2022*

**Action:** The WQGIT leadership and CBPO modeling team will develop a more detailed proposal on Phase 7 model development to outline what decisions must be made, when they need to be discussed, and by whom. This will be presented to the WQGIT at a future date. **COMPLETE:** *Gary Shenk gave an update at the February 28<sup>th</sup> WQGIT meeting. More to follow at subsequent meetings.*

**FEBRUARY 14, 2022**

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*Note: this was not a standard WQGIT meeting, but a special webinar titled “WQGIT Discussion of CAST 2021: Data Inputs, Results, and Next Steps.”*

**Action:** The CBPO CAST Team will brief the Management Board on updates to CAST-21 at their [March 10th meeting](#). **IN PROGRESS**

**Action:** The CBPO CAST Team will develop a fact sheet that documents the changes affecting CAST-21 and helpful messaging tools for jurisdictional partners to communicate these changes and their impacts. The fact sheet will be distributed to the WQGIT in early to mid-March. **IN PROGRESS**

**Action:** The Urban Stormwater Workgroup (USWG) will seek consensus on the Urban fertilizer data at their [March 15 meeting](#). Results of the decision will be presented to the WQGIT once confirmed. **IN PROGRESS**

**Action:** The upcoming CAST-21 timeline and release date will be reevaluated to incorporate additional time for review and decision-making at the USWG. The WQGIT will be notified of the new schedule once finalized. **COMPLETE:** *The WQGIT Chair, Ed Dunne, sent an email on 02.18.2022 announcing the release of CAST21. The review period was extended to 60 days with the final day to submit on April 15, 2022. The email was also forwarded to the WTWG.*

**Action:** Hilary Swartwood, Staffer, will consolidate the chat Q&A for inclusion in the Comment Response document. **COMPLETE:** *The chat was posted to the [calendar page](#).*

## **FEBRUARY 28, 2022**

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**Decision:** WQGIT reached concurrence on the approval of the Agriculture Workgroup's new Vice-Chair, Kathryn Brasier (Penn State).

**Action:** WQGIT members should contact Sally Claggett ([sclaggett@fs.fed.us](mailto:sclaggett@fs.fed.us)) with any questions or input (e.g. suggested invitees familiar with your jurisdictions relevant programs) on the proposed forest buffer outcome Workshop (see [March 2 PSC materials](#) for more information). **IN PROGRESS**

**Action:** WQGIT members should contact Chris Guy ([chris\\_guy@fws.gov](mailto:chris_guy@fws.gov)) with any questions or input (e.g. suggested invitees familiar with your jurisdictions relevant programs) on the proposed wetlands outcome Workshop (see [March 2 PSC materials](#) for more information). **IN PROGRESS**

**Action:** Once it is available, Hilary Swartwood will send the registration link for the PFAS STAC Workshop to the WQGIT. **IN PROGRESS**

**Action:** Olivia Devereux and Hilary Swartwood will notify the WQGIT and WTWG once the Tableau Data Visualization tools in CAST are updated and available. **COMPLETE:** *Email sent out on 03.03.2022. Additional Workgroups included: USWG and AgWG.*

**Action:** The WQGIT leadership will write a letter to the Management Board addressing their collective concerns (examples below) for CAST 2021 and recommendations for how to proceed. **IN PROGRESS**

- Release and use of CAST 2021
- Fertilizer data
- Impacts to jurisdictional loads and attainability
- EPA expectations for achieving jurisdictional goals

**Action:** The WQGIT leadership will reach out to the Management Board to schedule time to discuss CAST 2021 concerns at an upcoming meeting (aiming for April at the earliest). **IN PROGRESS**

**Action:** Hilary Swartwood will add urban fertilizer data to the WQGIT planning calendar for March, pending a USWG decision at their March 15 meeting. **COMPLETE**

**Action:** WQGIT Members are encouraged to reach out to Hilary Swartwood ([swartwood.hilary@epa.gov](mailto:swartwood.hilary@epa.gov)) and Jackie Pickford ([Pickford.Jacqueline@epa.gov](mailto:Pickford.Jacqueline@epa.gov)) with additional feedback on the WQGIT newsletter. **IN PROGRESS:** *the newsletter will be sent quarterly with the first quarter beginning in March.*

## **MARCH 28, 2022**

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## **APRIL 25, 2022**

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## **MAY 23, 2022**

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## **JUNE 27, 2022**

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## **JULY 25, 2022**

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**AUGUST 29, 2022**

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**SEPTEMBER 26, 2022**

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