

AGENDA
 January 20, 2021
 10:00 AM-12:00 PM
 Agriculture Workgroup Conference Call

Conference Call Information

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Workgroup Areas of Focus

Accounting & Reporting • Implementation • Innovation

Data & Modeling • CBP Assignments

10:00 **Welcome, introductions, roll-call, review meeting minutes**

Workgroup Chair

- Roll-call of the governance body
- Roll-call of the meeting participants- *Please enter name and affiliation under "Participants" or in "Chat" box*
- Approval of [meeting minutes](#) from the November AgWG call

CBP Assignments

10:05 **How Climate Change May Impact Agriculture in the CBW (30 min)**

Dennis Timlin

Dennis Timlin, USDA-ARS*, will discuss how climate change may impact agricultural management in coming years in the Chesapeake Bay watershed.

10:35 **Chesapeake Bay BMP Climate Synthesis Report (30 min)**

Jeremy Hanson

Jeremy Hanson, CRC*, will provide a brief summary of a synthesis report on the impacts of climate change on watershed processes and BMP performance of agriculture and nature-based BMPs based on a systematic literature review.

11:05 **BREAK (5 min)**

Data & Modeling/ Accounting & Reporting

11:10 AgWG Survey Review (30 min)

Loretta Collins

In December, AgWG governance members completed a survey to gather feedback on two questions: Inclusion of Hillandale industry data in the next version of CAST* and the BMP partial credit proposal being discussed in the BMPVAHAT*. Loretta Collins, AgWG Coordinator, will review the feedback received to begin a discussion on next steps.

11:40 Voting Process for AgWG At-Large & Leadership (10 min)

Chair

A modification had been made to the [AgWG governance document](#) in order to align with WQGIT* governance, as expected by the CBP partnership. This change modestly broadens the voting block for new at-large members. The call for nominations for at-large and vice-chair closes on January 21.

11:50 New Business & Announcements (5 min)

- **Animal Mortality Expert Panel Technical Appendix** will be reviewed during the February 3 WTWG* meeting, with a request for approval expected during the March 3 WTWG meeting.
 - Contact Jeremy Hanson (hansonj@chesapeake.org) with questions.
- **CAST 2021: Data Inputs, Results, and Next Steps**
 - Monday, February 14th from 1 -3 PM
 - Contact Hilary Swartwood (Swartwood.Hilary@epa.gov) with questions/request for calendar invite.
- **NRCS BMPs and NEIEN**
 - Thursday, February 17th AgWG meeting
 - Leon Tillman, NRCS, will present and lead discussion on improvements to associations of NRCS BMPs to available ag BMPs in the NEIEN* appendix.
- **Chesapeake Bay Foundation 2021 State of the Blueprint**
 - The Chesapeake Clean Water Blueprint is a historic federal/state plan established in 2010 to restore water quality in the region's rivers, streams, and Chesapeake Bay. It includes pollution limits allocated to each jurisdiction, specific plans to meet those limits with reasonable assurance of success, two-year milestones for accountability, and a commitment from EPA that there would be consequences for failure. The goal is to have programs and practices in place by 2025 that will result in a restored Bay.
 - Find the report [here](#).
- **Other Announcements?** - send to Jackie Pickford (Pickford.Jacqueline@epa.gov) for inclusion in "Recap" email

11:55 Review of Action and Decision Items (5 min)

12:00 Adjourn

Next Meeting:

Thursday, February 17: 10AM-12PM Conference Call

*Abbreviations

AgWG- [Agriculture Workgroup](#)

BMP- Best Management Practice

BMPVAHAT- [BMP Verification Ad Hoc Action Team](#)

CAST- [Chesapeake Assessment Scenario Tool](#) (user interface for the CBP Watershed Model)

CBP- [Chesapeake Bay Program](#)

CBW-Chesapeake Bay Watershed

CRC- [Chesapeake Research Consortium](#)

EPA- Environmental Protection Agency

NEIEN- National Environmental Information Exchange Network

WQGIT- [Water Quality Goal Implementation Team](#)

WTWG- [Watershed Technical Workgroup](#)

USDA-ARS- United States Department of Agriculture-Agricultural Research Service

USDA-NRCS- United States Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service