

### **Conowingo WIP Implementation and Financing Strategy Timeline**

This timeline reflects the development and implementation of the Conowingo WIP (CWIP) milestones and the financing strategy. Grantees\* plan to meet with CWIP Steering Committee (SC) on a monthly basis.

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<b>Deliverable / Action</b>	<b>Timeline</b>	<b>Input Needed from CWIP SC</b>
Final draft milestones to SC for approval and submission to PSC	November 2021	SC Review
Final milestones to PSC for approval and submission to EPA	December 2021	
Draft plan for the CWIP financing authority submitted to SC	December 2021	Draft plan for SC review and feedback. This plan will be an extension of the financing system business plan and will focus on institutional structure
Submit milestones to EPA for approval	January 15, 2022	
Updated QAPP detailing how BMP data will be collected and submitted annually to the CBP officer, assurance that the data is valid, and how the data will be interpreted for further use.	December 2021	The inclusion of a Verification Program Plan will extend beyond this date and require another revision to the QAPP in the next cycle. Conversations about this need to involve representatives from EPA/CBPO and each involved jurisdiction.
Updated draft of Audit Framework to SC for review and comment. The Audit Framework is the development guide for tracking and validating data through FieldDoc. It will be used to ensure that projects being tracked towards the Conowingo WIP are being implemented as reported and do not overlap with other BMPs being tracked for jurisdictions' WIPs. This framework will help CBP staff and CWIP steering committee members understand how	March 2022	SC Review and Comment

an automated and semi-automated series of audit steps can increase accountability and lower verification costs, as they will be compatible with existing CBP validation requirements. It will also align with BMP Verification programs through state offices/EPA		
Final Audit Framework to SC for approval and submission to PSC	April 2022	
Final Audit Framework to EPA for approval	May 2022	
Implementation of new features/services necessary for Audit Framework in Field Doc.	Summer-Fall 2022	
Begin launch of CWIP financing authority, which includes implementing the business plan: executing institutional structure, governance systems, staffing, etc.	Spring 2022	
Begin development of 2023-2024 numeric milestones.	Summer 2022	
Draft 2023-2024 milestones to SC for review and comment.	September 2022	SC Review and Comment
Final 2023-2024 milestones to SC for approval and submission to PSC	October 2022	
Final 2023-2024 milestones to PSC for approval and submission to EPA	December 2022	

Final 2023-2024 milestones to EPA for approval	January 15, 2023	
Launch and implementation of financing authority and restoration investments.	July 2022-July 2023	Once the authority leadership, staffing, and institutional structures are in place, financing activities will begin