

AGENDA  
 February 17, 2022  
 10:00 AM-12:00 PM  
 Agriculture Workgroup Conference Call

Conference Call Information

**Zoom Link\*:** <https://umces-edu.zoom.us/j/94729390103>

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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 [minutes](#) from the January AgWG call

**10:05 At-large Confirmation and Election of Vice-Chair (20 min)**

Workgroup Chair

The AgWG will be asked to confirm new at-large members for the 2022-2023 term. Six nominations were received for six vacancies. Five of the nominations are current at-large members, one has served as an alternate at-large in the previous term. Current vice-chair Jeremy Daubert, VT Extension, will rise to AgWG chair for the 2022-2023 term. The AgWG will be asked to approve the nomination of a new vice-chair. The recommendations of the Workgroup will be submitted to the WQGIT for final partnership approval per the governance protocols.

**Decision:** The AgWG will be asked to approve the recommendation of a new vice-chair and endorse nominated at-large members for the 2022-2023 term.

**Accounting & Reporting**

**10:25 Proposed Changes to NEIEN Appendix (30 min)**

Leon Tillman

Leon Tillman, NRCS, will propose changes to the current NEIEN\* appendix to accommodate a broader array of NRCS practices that provide water quality benefit when implemented in the CBW.

10:55 **BREAK (5 min)**

## **Data & Modeling/ Accounting & Reporting**

11:00 **Moving Forward: Ag Data, Phase 7, and BMP Credit Durations (40 min)** Loretta Collins  
Loretta Collins, UMD- AgWG Coordinator, will provide updates on CBP discussion on Phase 7 scheduling, the partial credit proposal discussion in the BMPVAHAT\*, and proposed steps for addressing questions arising from the previous Hillandale data discussions.

11:40 **New Business & Announcements (15 min)**

### **A BIG THANK YOU to out-going AgWG chair Gary Felton & out-going at-large member Matt Kowalski & out-going MD alternate Bill Tharpe**

- **NFWF\* Small Watershed Grants Request for Proposals**
  - Full Proposal Due Date: **Thursday, April 21, 2022, by 11:59pm ET**
  - More Info [here](#).
- **NFWF Building Competitive Projects and Proposals – Grants Writing 101**
  - **Thursday, March 3, 2022**, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
  - Virtual Workshop (accessible via computer with internet connection).
  - Announcement flyer [here](#).
  - Register [here](#).
- **Now Available: [A Systematic Review of Chesapeake Bay Climate Change Impacts and Uncertainty: Watershed Processes, Pollutant Delivery, and BMP Performance](#)**
  - This report was summarized by Jeremy Hanson, CRC, on the January AgWG call.
- **Animal Mortality Expert Panel Technical Appendix** will be reviewed during the **March 3** WTWG\* meeting, with a request for approval expected during the **April 7** WTWG meeting.
  - Contact Jeremy Hanson ([hansonj@chesapeake.org](mailto:hansonj@chesapeake.org)) with questions.
- **USGS Publication: Nitrogen in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed—A Century of Change, 1950–2050**
  - Link to publication is [here](#).
  - YouTube video on the publication is [here](#).
- **Other Announcements?** - send to Jackie Pickford ([Pickford.Jacqueline@epa.gov](mailto: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, March 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  
NFWF- [National Fish and Wildlife Foundation](#)  
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