



Scientific, Technical Assessment & Reporting Team Meeting TOPIC: Local Action-Dry Run of SRS Presentations

October 25, 2018

10:00AM – 12:30PM

Fish Shack, CBPO

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AGENDA

- 10:00** **Welcome, Introductions, and Announcements** - *Scott Phillips and Bill Dennison– STAR Co-Chairs, Peter Tango - STAR Coordinator*
- Upcoming Conferences, Meetings, Workshops, & Webinars-**
- [AWRA's 53rd Annual Water Resources Conference](#), November 4-8, 2018, Marriott Inner Harbor at Camden Yards, Baltimore's MD
 - [ACES 2018. A Community on Ecosystem Services](#). December 3-6, 2018. Washington DC area.
- Abstracts closed.**
- [American Geophysical Union](#), Washington, DC December 10-14, 2018.
 - [11th National Water Monitoring Conference](#), March 25-29, 2019. Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel, Denver, Colorado.
 - [Citizen Science Association Conference](#), March 13-17, 2019. Raleigh NC.
 - [Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation](#), November 3-7, 2019. Mobile, AL. Session proposals should be developed soon.
- Announcements:
- [Maryland Water Monitoring Council](#) is on December 7, 2018 and the theme is Science, Stewardship, and Citizen Involvement – Working Together for Clean Water.
 - [Habitat GIT Annual Meeting](#) is on November 8th-9th in Cacapon State Park.
 - [Sustainable Fisheries GIT Meeting](#) is on Dec 17-19th in the Mariner's Museum and the theme of this year will be focus on oyster restoration and monitoring.
 - Next Star meeting will be likely fall on Nov 29th and may combine with Coordinators and Staffers Meeting.
- 10:05** **Overview of 2017-18 Bay Barometer** - *Joan Smedinghoff, Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay*
- The CBP Communications Office will present an overview of what will be included in the 2017 – 18 Bay Barometer.
- What information will be brought forward by Climate Resiliency WG? Joan mentioned actions/project taken by CRWG under from the both outcomes. Laura Drescher added that indicators of other outcomes are being developed right now, and the bay barometer will be a good place to make the connections with other workgroup.
 - Renee Thompson asked if she will have access to review the graphics and background of the bay barometer. Joan will double check with the schedules.

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- Jennifer commented that right now there are seven indicators related climate which are ready to go, so how many indicators are enough and at what point is overloading people with information. Laura responded that climate is a different situation with other since monitoring and assessment is focused on the monitoring changes and progress, but we rely on the workgroup on prioritizing the indicators. Carin added that there are indicators for different purposes and for climate, we need to think about how to articulate the monitoring and assessment progress for the indicators framework.
- Bruce commented on the WQ standard attainment indicator which contains multiple parameters we reported in the past and recommended to Joan to include it in the Bay Barometer since this is a good story.

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Local Action SRS Outcome Presentations (Dry runs) - see below for presenters

A representative from each outcome will provide the presentation, incorporating cross-GIT mapping, planned for the November 15th Management Board meeting. Participants at the STAR meeting will provide constructive feedback on each presentation.

Presentations:

- Tree Canopy Outcome – Rebecca Hamner, *Forestry Workgroup chair*
16 minutes
- Joan asked the differences between *itree* and the *online tree tracking* tool. Rebecca responded that the tree tracking tool is within the Chesapeake Bay Program and come up with matrix and local stakeholders to enter their data which is to save on reporting efforts. Joan recommended Rebecca H communicate with Guy Stephens regarding this online tool, and Communication Workgroup lead Rachel Felver to get background work in the communication.
- Renee T has concerns with the second management board ask. Since there is template already available for the WIP, what are additional efforts Rebecca is requesting? Rebecca H responded that this is about active engagement for water policy managers. Scott P added that collaborating with the water quality GIT and have more responsibility spread within the Chesapeake bay program.
- Dave recommended replacing “action team” for “task force” on MB ask 1. MB may ask for a one pager proposal with details on the action team. Kristin added that action team is very palpable without management details.
- Dave recommended coordinating with LGAC to put together the proposed summit or bring together experts to help with this for the second management board ask.
- Scott recommended reaching out to Chesapeake Conservation Partnership on the increasing urban tree protection.
- Scott asked what the baseline was for the acreage of tree canopy and the progress of tree canopy. Carin pointed out that this shows the problem with tree canopy tracking matrix, and this is the reason why we needed the tool. Carin responded the workgroup using 2010 as the baseline.
- Local Leadership Outcome – Jennifer Starr, *Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay*
9 minutes
- Kristin S recommended providing the measurement of baseline since there is extra time.

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- Jennifer pointed out the slide of cross outcome impact is less helpful and recommended on which GIT to start with on the cross GIT impact.
- Dave Goshorn recommended emphasizing the slide of new chair and position and adding the names of this people considering the fact that the past of SRS presentations, many asks are related to short of staff.
- Dave G pointed out even though you don't have ask but you are available to take more suggestions.
- Scott Phillips recommended asking the MB to carry out the connections with other goal teams.
- Laurel Abowd pointed out that your presentation can provide advice to MB on how you engage local government since you have full participation on LGAC.
- Land Use Options Evaluations Outcome – Renee Thompson, *USGS*
15 minutes
- Brian pointed out that for red-green color-blind folks the text red text on the first slide is not readable.
- Kristin pointed out how the work you have done can be used by the members of MB and other WG chairs and coordinators. She added that do you need more members or insert yourself to other land use planning work, considering the success rate of asking more participation of the workgroup meeting. Scott recommended asking MB to build capacity to insert this information to other workgroup. Kristin delivery mechanism.
- Carin pointed out that it is important to communicate with LGAC in terms of how to connect with local leadership.
- Dave pointed out that this is the only outcome without any workgroup dedicated to it, however, is prepared to think about how to accomplish the outcome.
- Rebecca recommended bringing in cost effectiveness issue considering the expenses to restore the land and the expense of protecting the land from conserving it.
- Land Use Methods and Metrics – Allie Wagner, *Chesapeake Research Consortium*
11 minutes
- Brian asked about the Andrew Air Force comparisons and the consistent message of the 1-meter resolution data presents more noise. Peter Claggett responded the message is that we need both 30-meter and 1-meter resolution data.
- Dave asked who will be prioritizing the outcome relative to other GIS and TMDL related activities. Peter C responded that in the past is Rich Batiuk.
- Carin recommended combining the first two asks and delegating the data layers responsibilities back to the state.
- Scott asked what it means in terms of “full support”. Peter C responded that right now the present funding award is 10% short of what it needs.

Dave mentioned that all the materials are due to MB by November 1, 2018.

Meeting Participant:

Mark Bennet, Allie, Katherine Wares, Rebecca Chilrud, Peter Clagget, Peter Tango, Scott Philips, Margot Cunming, Melissa Merritt, Joan Smedinghoff, John Wolf, Dave Goshorn, Bruce Michaels, Peter Tango,

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Emily Trentacoste, Renee Tomphson, Carin Bisland, Laura Drescher, Brian Benham, Emily Bialowas, Rachel Dixon, Kristin Sanders, Angel Valdez, Rebecca Hamner, Angie Wei, Laurel Abowd, Emily Freeman, Jennifer Starr, Jennifer Greiner, Cuiyin Wu

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