

# Local Government Advisory Committee 5 years in review + Looking into the future

## LGAC Members and Staff Accomplishments between 2014 and 2018

- Active participant in CBP GITs and workgroups (WQ, SW, Healthy Watersheds, Land Use)
- Active participant in STAC workshops
  - o Ditch
  - o Optimization (participant and follow up)
  - o Fish Habitat (Steering Committee)
- Convened Forums and Roundtables
  - o Annual NFWF Local Government Forum
    - Comm Training (2013)
    - Monitoring (2014)
    - GI Streamlining (2016)
    - Growth Management (2017)
    - Staffing Gaps (2018)
  - o Virginia (VEE) Roundtables (2018-2019)
  - o Pennsylvania (Growing Greener PA DEP) Roundtables (2014-2018)
  - o MML 2014
  - o VML 2014
- Coordinate panels at PSATS, PSATC, PSAB, MACo
- Published a number of articles in Bay Journal
- Helped launch Bay Journal Local Government Edition
- Environmental Finance Symposium; CLA Study (Pay for Success)
- Local Government Engagement Initiative (LGEI) (2016-2018)

#### Annual Recommendations to the Executive Council

(maybe provide summary of what has happened as a direct result of these recommendations; also consider how we include other recs that LGAC provides throughout the year)

2013	<ol> <li>Funding for watershed protection and restoration is inadequate.</li> <li>Communications with local governments must improve.</li> <li>Headwater states should be represented in Advisory Committees.</li> </ol>
2014	<ol> <li>Support local contractor training programs.</li> <li>Target job training dollars to emerging restoration and protection industries.</li> <li>Adequately staff environmental programs.</li> <li>Develop and communicate protocols for local governments, conservation districts, or other responsible parties to report, track and verify BMPs.</li> </ol>
2015	<ol> <li>Enhance communication.</li> <li>Align priorities strategically.</li> <li>Convene a Watershed-wide Symposium on Financing.</li> </ol>
2016	<ol> <li>Increase resources dedicated to implementation.</li> <li>Speak out on behalf of Clean Water.</li> <li>Ensure vertical alignment of priorities.</li> </ol>
2017	<ol> <li>Continue to support local government engagement efforts</li> <li>Increase the access to Technical Assistance</li> </ol>
2018	<ol> <li>Continue focus on better engaging local government</li> <li>Provide the tools and resources local governments need to succeed</li> </ol>

### Looking ahead into 2019 and beyond: Discussion with LGAC Members

#### Useful to think about LGAC's impact:

Does anything come from our recommendations?

How do we work with the PSC?

What's our leverage?

What's our sweet spot?

Do we need to focus more energy on LGAC engaging at the state level?