Chesapeake Bay Program's Biennial Strategy Review System An Introduction

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What is the Biennial Strategy Review System?

A process to adaptively manage achievement of our 2014 Watershed Agreement Outcomes.

- Regular, transparent, and open review
- Opportunity to look at Outcome progress, scientific developments, policy changes, and finance issues
- Identification of obstacles and opportunities
- Workplan and Management Strategy modification as warranted

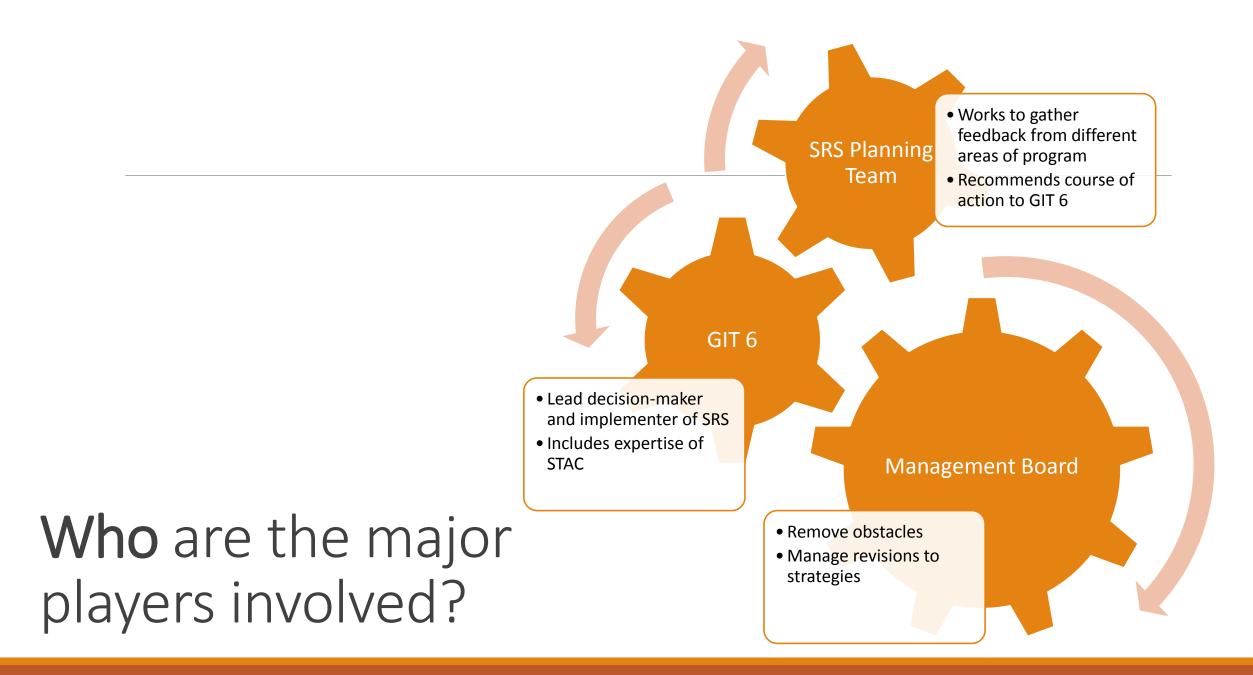
Why develop a process?

2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement:

- biennially re-evaluate and update management strategies
- Consistent method for adaptive management

Support **evolving partnership needs** for accountability, transparency, and decision-support

Promote **core values** such as flexibility, trust, open conversation, efficiency, predictability, collaboration, and solution-finding.



How does the process work?

- Planned two-year schedule
 - Groups related outcomes across Goal Implementation Teams (GITs)
 - Times Outcomes to present when fresh data is available
- Uses regularly scheduled Management Board meetings to accomplish specific objectives
- Explains the logic behind actions that workgroups are taking
- Provides opportunity for workgroups to request that Management Board members
 - Work with subject matter experts within their organization to remove a barrier
 - Provide direction to other parts of the Program
 - Provide resources (staff time or financial resources) to remove a barrier or fill a gap
 - Make a policy decision or recommend a decision to the PSC

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