BIENNIAL STRATEGY REVIEW SYSTEM Chesapeake Bay Program



Logic and Action Plan: Pre-Quarterly Progress Meeting

Fish Habitat – 2018-2019

[NOTE: make sure to edit **pre**- or **post**- in the text above, to tell the reader whether this logic and action plan is in preparation for your quarterly progress meeting or has been updated based on discussion at the quarterly progress meeting.]

Long-term Target: (the metric for success of Outcome) **Two-year Target:** (increment of metric for success)

Instructions: Before your quarterly progress meeting, provide the status of individual actions in the table below using this color key. Action has been completed or is moving forward as planned.

Action has encountered minor obstacles.

Action has not been taken or has encountered a serious barrier.

Additional instructions for completing or updating your logic and action plan can be found on <u>ChesapeakeDecisions</u>.

| Factor | Current Efforts | Gap | Actions | Metrics | Expected Response and Application | Learn/Adapt |
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| What is impacting our ability to achieve our outcome? | What current efforts are addressing this factor? | What further efforts or information are needed to fully address this factor? | What actions are essential (to help fill this gap) to achieve our outcome? | What will we measure or observe to determine progress in filling identified gap? | How and when do we expect these actions to address the identified gap? How might that affect our work going forward? | What did we learn from taking this action? How will this lesson impact our work? |
| Partner Coordination: Engaging partners, local organizations and government to develop and conduct a Fish Habitat | N/A | Coordination and planning meetings with the Fish Habitat Workshop Steering Committee and | 1.1 <u>Plan a fish</u> <u>habitat workshop</u> <u>to evaluate</u> <u>habitat conditions</u> <u>and stressors in</u> <u>the Chesapeake</u> <u>Bay.</u> | | | |

| Workshop to inform | | partner | 2.1 Convene the | | |
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| a potential | | coordination to | fish habitat | | |
| Chesapeake Bay fish | | reach out to these | workshop. Draft a | | |
| habitat assessment. | | audiences and | workshop report | | |
| | | analyze response. | and associated | | |
| | | | workshop | | |
| | | | deliverables. | | |
| | | | 4.1 Assess fish | | |
| | | | habitat data and | | |
| | | | tool needs from | | |
| | | | local communities | | |
| | | | and government | | |
| | | | <u>officials. Engage,</u> | | |
| | | | assess and | | |
| | | | <u>communicate fish</u> | | |
| | | | <u>habitat needs</u> | | |
| | | | with CBP partners | | |
| | | | and local | | |
| | | | communities. | | |
| Government | Large variety of | Feedback from | 1.2 <u>Complete the</u> | | |
| Agency, | tools and datasets | local community | Shoreline | | |
| Nongovernmental | exist. | members, | Threshold | | |
| organization, and | | organizations, | Condition study, | | |
| local engagement: | | and government | communicate the | | |
| Acquiring and | | officials are | results, and | | |
| analyzing feedback | | needed to inform | <u>identify</u> | | |
| and utility for fish habitat decision- | | the workshop | <u>management</u> implications. | | |
| making tools and | | approach and demonstrate what | * | | |
| datasets. Ensuring | | datasets and tools | 2.1 <u>Convene the</u> fish habitat | | |
| that fish habitat | | would be | workshop. Draft a | | |
| restoration and | | beneficial in | workshop report | | |
| conservation | | supporting | and associated | | |
| practitioners have | | restoration and | workshop | | |
| access to available | | conservation | deliverables. | | |
| resources. | | efforts. Need to | 4.1 Assess fish | | |
| | | communicate | habitat data and | | |
| | | these resources to | tool needs from | | |
| | | the practitioners | local communities | | |
| | | who could utilize | and government | | |
| | | them for the | officials. Engage, | | |

| | | protection, creation and enhancement of fish habitat | assess and communicate fish habitat needs with CBP partners and local communities. 4.2 Engage and communicate fish habitat with partners and stakeholders to communicate the value of habitat to people including | | |
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| Scientific and Technical Understanding: Compiling a comprehensive listing of available fish habitat datasets and tools. Conducting research to close data gaps on less data-rich areas. | A preliminary Fish Habitat Spatial and Data Tools Inventory exists through the Fish Habitat Action Team. Funding for a shoreline threshold study which will target nearshore areas that are often underrepresented in long-term fish and benthic species surveys. | Within the Chesapeake Bay, there are numerous tools and datasets that can be used to inform restoration and conservation efforts, however, finding the most relevant resource can be challenging for practitioners. Through researching and compiling this information into a single location | ecosystem services. 1.1 Plan a fish habitat workshop to evaluate habitat conditions and stressors in the Chesapeake Bay. 1.2 Complete the Shoreline Threshold Condition study, communicate the results, and identify management implications. 2.1 Convene the fish habitat workshop. Draft a | | |
| | | and incorporating practitioner needs, we can ensure that these | workshop report and associated workshop deliverables. | | |

| resources are | 3.1 Explore |
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| utilized to | options for |
| improve fish | overlaying fish |
| habitat efforts in | habitat |
| | |
| the Chesapeake | assessment |
| Bay. | datasets in a |
| | geospatial |
| | <u>context.</u> |
| | 5.1 <u>Research</u> |
| | existing fish |
| | habitat |
| | assessments and |
| | <u>incorporate</u> |
| | feasible elements |
| | into the planning |
| | and organization |
| | <u>of a Chesapeake</u> |
| | Bay regional fish |
| | habitat |
| | assessment. |

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| Action # | Description | Performance Target(s) | Responsible Party (or Parties) | Geographic Location | Expected Timeline |
| | ment Approach 1: Identify and J to manage the threats. | prioritize threats to fish habitat at the ju | risdictional and l | Baywide scale a | and propose |
| | Plan a fish habitat workshop to evaluate habitat conditions and | Fish Habitat Workshop Steering Committee will meet regularly to develop workshop structure, agenda, participant list, and refine expectations for deliverables. | Fish Habitat Workshop Steering Committee | Baywide | March 2018 |
| 1.1 | stressors in the Chesapeake Bay. | Compile fish habitat dataset metadata to identify stressors and assess fish habitat condition for a Chesapeake Bay regional fish habitat assessment. | USGS, NOAA, Fish Habitat Workshop Steering Committee, Fish | Baywide | March 2018 |

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| Action # | Description | Performance Target(s) | Responsible Party (or Parties) | Geographic Location | Expected Timeline |
| | | | Habitat Action Team | | |
| | Complete the Shoreline Threshold | Complete the Shoreline Threshold Condition study and consider how the results can be applied to shoreline management. | Winning bidder, Forage Action Team and Fish Habitat Action Teams | Baywide | February 2019 (study completion date) |
| 1.2 | Condition study, communicate the results, and identify management | Present results of study at the semi-annual Sustainable Fisheries GIT Meeting. | SFGIT | Baywide | June 2019 |
| 1.2 | implications. | Share results with the contacts for the Fish Habitat Watershed Implementation Plan Fact Sheet or create other tools for community planners/managers. | Fish Habitat Action Team, Forage Action Team, Habitat GIT | Baywide | Fall 2019 |
| | | identify available data on habitats, habit | tat vulnerabilitie | s and fish utili | zation at |
| differen | t life stages to develop a set of cr Convene the fish habitat | riteria for identifying areas of high-value Prepare pre-workshop materials to | e fish habitat. USGS, NOAA, | Baywide | April 2018 |
| 2.1 | workshop. Draft a workshop report and associated workshop deliverables. | facilitate discussions and provide examples of national and regional fish habitat assessments. | Fish Habitat Workshop Steering Committee | Daywide | April 2016 |
| | | Convene fish habitat workshop participants and use participant expertise to prioritize compiled datasets for use in a Chesapeake Bay regional fish habitat assessment and determine weighing and scaling of data needs. | Fish Habitat Workshop Steering Committee and Workshop Participants | Baywide | April 2018 |
| | | Draft a workshop report and workshop deliverables to capture discussion, actions, local fish habitat needs, and fish habitat assessment development and prioritization. | Fish Habitat Workshop Steering Committee | Baywide | August 2018 |

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| Action # | Description | Performance Target(s) | Party (or Parties) | Location | Timeline |
| • | | Develop a strategy for implementing recommendations from the Fish Habitat Workshop and the survey to local communities, agencies, and organizations. et high-value fish habitat for improved o | | | |
| | th the science and management ment decisions. | community to develop spatial tools for | priority habitats | and species to | inform |
| 3.1 | Explore options for overlaying fish habitat assessment datasets in a geospatial context. | Work with NOAA and USGS to collect and build a geodatabase from data selected and prioritized at the fish habitat workshop | NOAA, USGS, Fish Habitat Workshop Steering Committee | Baywide | February 2019 |
| - | | e importance of fish habitat to the gener deoffs associated with competing uses o | — | • | leaders by |
| 9 n 911 | Assess fish habitat data and tool needs from local communities and government officials. Engage, | Request input from local groups (including LGAC and CAC) to assess fish habitat data and tool needs to assist in on-the-ground restoration as well as communication needs. | LGAC, CAC, Fish Habitat Workshop Steering Committee | Baywide | February 2018 |
| 4.1 | assess and communicate fish habitat needs with CBP partners and local communities. | Utilize the local community and government agency fish habitat survey results to guide data acquisition and compilation for the fish habitat assessment. | LGAC, NOAA, USGS, Fish Habitat Workshop Steering Committee | Baywide | April 2018 |
| 4.2 | Engage and communicate fish habitat with partners and stakeholders to communicate the value of habitat to people | Develop Watershed Implementation Plan communication materials and other strategic communication materials to inform and engage with local partners such | Fish Habitat Action Team | Baywide | January 2018 (Complete WII Fact Sheet); July 2018 |

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| Action # | Description | Performance Target(s) | Responsible Party (or Parties) | Geographic Location | Expected Timeline |
| | | implementation planners, and restoration practitioners. | | | communication materials); ongoing |
| | | Develop options for a fish habitat communications strategy that seeks to inform stakeholders and other parties about fish habitat research, tools, and other resources. | Fish Habitat Action Team | Baywide | Ongoing |
| - | | s to enhance fish habitat protection by re ely engaging with the Atlantic Coast Fish | | | regions (e.g., |
| 5.1 | Research existing fish habitat assessments and incorporate feasible elements into the planning and organization of a Chesapeake Bay regional fish habitat assessment. | Collaborate with experts from the National, Northeast and Southeast regional assessments to determine how the steering committee can build off previous fish habitat assessments to identify needed datasets and develop an approach to conducting a regional Chesapeake Bay fish habitat assessment. | Fish Habitat Steering Committee, NFHP Fish Habitat Assessment experts | Baywide | Ongoing |