WETLAND WORKSHOPS PSC MAY 17, 2022

Management Board tasked Bay Program with:

 Bringing key people together to overcome barriers to ensure wetlands outcomes

- ▶ Understand major barriers
- Identify innovative approaches
- Develop an action plan

WETLANDS OUTCOME AND STATUS

85,000 acres created or restored 150,000 acres enhanced by 2025.

Approximately 9,000 restored, to date. 0 acres enhanced, so we are way off track.

2022 WETLANDS WORKSHOP OVERVIEW

Session 1Where Have We Been?

<u>Presentations</u>: Wetlands Outcome and status, historical barriers, and historical funding

Session 2: Where Do We Want To Go From here?

Looking at Innovative and creative projects in the watershed discussing strategy to recreate succuss

Session 3: How Do We Access funding?

Panel of federal and jurisdictional partners discuss how money flow to on the ground projects to support the Bay Program wetland Outcome.

Session 4: How Are We Going To Get There?

Action Plan



small group discussions to develop strategies for repeating success to feed into the action plan



small group discussion constraints and the best way to leverage funding to ensure capacity and resources to repeat the success in Session 2.



Groups by state to work on strategic actions from workshop

Action Plan



Presentation to Management Board November 22, PSC December meeting

Workshop scheduled for August 02 and 03, 2022

NEXT STEPS

Send out Save the Date (this week). Identify and secure presentations

PSC to identify key people from the Jurisdictions to participate in the Workshop by May 31, 2022 email:melanie.davenport@deq.virginia.gov

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