

CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM
WATER QUALITY GOAL IMPLEMENTATION TEAM

MAY 13, 2019 ACTIONS AND DECISIONS

Meeting Materials: [Link](#)

Action: The following modifications will be made to the briefing paper, “Proposed Process and Schedule for Developing Sediment Planning Targets in Phase III to Meet Water Clarity/SAV Water Quality Standards”:

- Emphasize that option 2a will result in interim sediment targets, and final sediment targets will be developed in 2022 to account for the effects of climate change on nutrient and sediment loads in the Chesapeake Bay;
- The WQGIT will consider modifying the terminology for sediment from “target” to “associated sediment reductions” or similar phrasing;
- The term “10% buffer” will be revised to “10% allowance” to more accurately represent the 10% addition to the sediment target calculations as an adjustment upwards, requiring less effort, rather than an additional reduction requiring more effort.

Action: The CBPO Modeling Team will develop a table to show each step of the calculation of the Phase III sediment targets. This will include the full understanding of the state-basin Phase III WIP calculations and basin-to-basin exchanges, adjustments for overshoot or undershoot, the proportional nutrient calculation, and the 10% buffer addition for each state-basin in the Chesapeake Bay watershed.