

CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM
WATER QUALITY GOAL IMPLEMENTATION TEAM
ACTIONS AND DECISIONS
SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

Meeting Materials: [Link](#)

Action: CBF will send its concerns about eliminating the expectation for states and federal agencies to develop numeric two-year milestones to Dianne McNally and WQGIT leadership by the end of the week.

Action: Dianne McNally will edit the pro/con numeric two-year milestones document to include language that explains why removing the expectation for numeric milestones could be beneficial.

Decision: WQGIT approved the following recommendation to present to the MB for decision at their October 17th meeting:

Recommendation: State and federal agencies will be held accountable to their short-term (i.e., 2-year) numeric goals through a biennial evaluation of progress compared to the straight-line trajectory of necessary reductions to the 2025 Phase III planning targets or federal agency planning goals. If a state or federal agency so chooses, numeric 2-year milestones could be developed for the purpose of following an alternative (i.e., non-straight-line) trajectory to 2025. See Figure 7-1 of the TMDL document. Using this approach, the expectation for states and federal agencies to develop numeric 2-year milestones under the Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Accountability Framework could be eliminated. The expectation to develop programmatic milestones will remain. Sector-scale numeric progress information will continue to be made available by the CBP partnership.