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Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee

Date: Jan. 21, 2011
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12 noon\*
Place: Third Floor Board Room
777 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002

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\*Lunch will be available for committee members and alternates after the meeting.

Meeting Agenda

- 10:00 1. Introductions and Announcements .....Hon. Barbara Favola, Chair
Arlington County
\* Recognition of Ted Graham's retirement from COG
10:05 2. Approval of Meeting Summary for Nov 19, 2010 .....Chair Favola
Recommended action: Approve DRAFT Meeting Summary (Att. 2).
10:10 3. Discussion of Role of Residual Designation Authority
in Bay Restoration .....Jennifer Molloy, EPA's
Bay Program Office
Lisa Ochsenhirt, Aqualaw

\*Adjunct member

EPA has indicated it has the authority to extend its regulatory oversight of stormwater management to areas that are not currently subject to this federal regulation. One aspect of such an extension would be to regulate private property owners who own significant amounts of impervious area. Ms. Molloy, who works on stormwater issues for EPA's Bay Program Office, and Ms. Ochsenhirt, who advises the Virginia Association of Municipal Stormwater Agencies and the Stormwater Association of Maryland, will discuss whether exercising this type of residual designation authority could assist the Bay restoration effort.

Recommended Action: Provide preliminary feedback to EPA on use of this tool for helping to address water quality issues in urban streams.

- 10:50 4. Update on State, Federal Legislation .....COG staff

COG staff will update members on proposed Bay-related legislation for the upcoming general assembly sessions in Virginia and Maryland and on federal legislative developments (Att. 6).

Recommended Action: Determine whether COG should take any action in regard to these proposals and whether the committee wishes to recommend any action to the COG Board.

11:05 5. **Committee Focus for 2011**..... Chair Favola, members

In consultation with the Chair, COG staff has prepared recommended priorities for committee action in 2011 (*Att. 5*). Chair Favola will solicit input from members on these recommendations and other priorities in which members may be interested.

**Recommended action:** Establish a set of priorities for committee action in 2011.

11:25 6. **Update on Bay TMDL, State WIPs**..... Tanya Spano COG staff

Ms. Spano will summarize the contents of the final Bay Total Maximum Daily Load regulation issued by EPA on Dec. 29, 2010 (*Att. 6*), and the accompanying state/District Phase I watershed implementation plans. Ms. Spano will also note EPA's response to the comments that COG submitted on the TMDL.

**Recommended Action:** Receive briefing.

11:40 7. **Regional Stormwater Survey Results**..... Heidi Bonnaffon, COG staff

Ms. Bonaffon will discuss the results of a COG survey of its members regarding their use of special taxes or fees to pay for their stormwater management efforts.

**Recommended action:** Present survey results to COG's Chief Administrative Officers Committee.

11:55 8. **New Business** ..... Members

- Selection of committee vice chairs

12:00 9. **Adjourn**

*(The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 18, 2011, 10 a.m. - 12 noon.)*

Enclosures/Handouts:

- Item 2 DRAFT meeting summary of Nov. 19, 2010
- Item 3 EPA press releases: "Stormwater Pollution Tackled to Improve Water Quality in Charles River," "EPA and Maine Take Action to Reduce Stormwater Pollution in South Portland Ecosystem"
- Item 4 COG staff summary of state legislation regarding the Bay
- Item 5 COG staff proposed priorities for 2011
- Item 6 EPA Fact Sheet on Chesapeake Bay TMDL; more information available at:  
[http://www.mwco.org/environment/water/TMDL\\_WIP\\_Information.asp](http://www.mwco.org/environment/water/TMDL_WIP_Information.asp)