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Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee

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Date: March 20, 2015
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00*
Place: Board Room
777 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002

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

MEETING AGENDA

1. INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS (10:00-10:05)

Hon. Craig Rice, Chair
Montgomery County

The 2015 Membership Roster was emailed out. Please let COG staff know of any needed updates.

2. COMMITTEE BUSINESS (10:05 – 10:15)

Approval of draft January 2015 Meeting Summary

Recommended Action: Approve the draft meeting summary.

3. WATER RESOURCES AND ADVOCACY - ISSUES REPORTING (10:15-11:00)

This agenda item is intended to provide background for the CBPC to aid in the agenda discussions that follow. See Ref. 3a for summary.

COG Staff

A. Legislation

- Overview of the CBPC's Advocacy Workgroup's work tracking Maryland and Virginia legislation (Heidi)
- Update on federal WIFIA efforts (Tanya)

B. Chesapeake Bay Program

- Highlights of Bay Agreement **Draft Management Strategies** – Potential Technical & Policy Implications and Local Government Implications (Tanya)

C. Water infrastructure

- COG Board's Infrastructure Report and recommendations (Tanya)
- COG's Community Engagement Campaign (CEC) plans for Drinking Water Week (May 4-8) (Heidi)

Recommended Action: Receive updates on state and federal legislation, Chesapeake Bay Program, and Water Infrastructure issues.

4. WATER RESOURCES AND ADVOCACY - PROPOSED ACTIONS

(11:00-11:45)

Please refer to Ref. 3a. which identifies ongoing or proposed activities.

Chair Rice and Members

Mary Gattis, Director, Local Government Programs at the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, and Head of the Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC)

Discussion by members regarding the activities and program areas. Ms. Gattis will share ways that LGAC is also working to strengthen the role/voice of local governments in the CBP process. Members will be asked to comment on the suite of proposed activities and actions, and identify ways to advance the CBPC's advocacy objectives and key role of local governments and utilities in addressing water resource issues.

- A. Legislation (state and federal)**
- B. Chesapeake Bay Program**
- C. Water Infrastructure**
- D. Other Potential Areas of Focus**

Recommended Actions:

- a) Identify any additional legislation of concern;
- b) Agree on process, schedule and general focus for preparing formal COG comments on CBP's Draft Management Strategies;
- c) Provide staff guidance on proposed Water Infrastructure efforts to address COG Board recommendations;
- d) Future CBPC Local Best Practices & Policies Inventory

5. STAFF UPDATES

(11:45-11:55)

Tanya Spano, Chief, Regional Water Quality Management, **and staff**

General Updates and Schedule of Upcoming Events (Ref. 5).

6. MEMBER UPDATES

(11:55-12:00)

7. Adjourn

(12:00)

The next CBPC meeting is scheduled for **Friday, May 15**, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

The agenda will include a public-private partnership presentation by Prince George's County and a review of the proposed FY '16 Work Program and Budget.

References/Handouts:

- Ref. 1 Chesapeake Bay Policy Committee Roster of 2015 Members
- Ref 2 January 2015 CBPC Business Meeting Summary (*Draft*)
- Ref. 3a. Water Resources Advocacy – Highlights & Proposed Activities/Actions
- Ref. 3b. Legislative Tracking Table
- Ref. 3c. CBP draft Management Strategies Handout
- Ref. 5 General Updates and Upcoming Events