The Future of Water Quality Monitoring in Urban Watersheds

A Workshop on What's Happening with the Chesapeake Bay Program Tidal and Non-Tidal Monitoring Networks



In cooperation with the U.S. Geological Survey and state agencies, COG is hosting a workshop on Monday, December 2nd to review water quality monitoring efforts in the region that are designed to measure the impact of runoff from urban watersheds.

Budget pressures in the Bay Program threaten to result in cutbacks to existing monitoring efforts at the same time as COG's local governments are investing hundreds of millions of dollars in wastewater and stormwater improvement technology.

The workshop will:

- Educate participants on the status of the Bay Program's tidal and non-tidal monitoring networks, particularly in the Potomac watershed
- Explore plans for revising and refocusing the Bay Program's monitoring efforts
- Discuss ways in which local governments can collaborate to improve the usefulness of monitoring data

Date: Monday: December 2, 2013

> **Time**: 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Rooms 4&5, First Floor

Location:

Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments 777 North Capitol Street Washington, DC 20002

For questions, or to RSVP, please email: <u>choward@mwcog.org</u>



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AGENDA

- I. Welcome, Introductions, and Goals for the Day Karl Berger, COG Staff 10:00 10:15 a.m.
- II. Chesapeake Bay Program's Non-Tidal and Tidal Monitoring Network
 - I. Non-Tidal Network Joel Blomquist, USGS 10:15 11:00 a.m.
 - II. Tidal Monitoring Network Bruce Michael, MDDNR 11:00 11:45 a.m.
- III. Lunch 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

IV. Local Monitoring Programs

12:30 – 1:15 p.m. Participants will be asked to share information regarding their water quality monitoring programs and ways in which we can improve the usefulness of monitoring data.

- V. Wrap Up / Next Steps 1:15 – 1:25 p.m.
- VI. Adjourn 1:30 p.m.