

Proposed Schedule Adjustments to the Midpoint Assessment Timeline

Line	Midpoint Assessment Deliverable	Previous Schedule	PSC-Approved Revised Schedule	Notes
1	<p>Draft Phase III WIP Planning Target Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Final calibration of Phase 6 Watershed Model and Phase 6 Water Quality Sediment Transport Model</li> <li>Re-running of geo-isolation scenarios</li> <li>Re-running of key scenarios, including No Action and E3</li> <li>Determine Bay’s assimilative capacity</li> <li>Calculation of draft planning targets</li> </ul>	August 1 – September 30, 2017	September 1, 2017 – November 30, 2017	
2	<p>Final quantification of Conowingo Infill and Climate Change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Running the PSC’s Conowingo options through the final calibrated Phase 6 suite of models</li> <li>Running additional climate change scenarios to further flesh out estimates of certainty through the final calibrated Phase 6 suite of models</li> </ul>	August 1 – September 30, 2017	November 20, 2017 – December 1, 2017	
3	Joint WQGIT and Modeling Workgroup 2-day Meeting	N/A	December 4-5, 2017 or December 5-6, 2017	Final recommendations to the PSC on draft planning targets, final Phase 6 modeling tools, and how to account for growth, Conowingo, and climate change in the Phase III WIPs
	<p>PSC 2-day retreat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval of the Phase 6 Modeling Tools</li> <li>Final policy decisions on Conowingo, climate change and accounting for growth</li> <li>Approval of draft Phase III WIP Planning Targets for distribution to other partners and stakeholders</li> </ul>	September 2017 and Late October 2017	December 19-20, 2017	Decisions: Approval of Phase 6 Modeling tools, accounting for growth, Conowingo and climate change in the Phase III WIPs, and release of draft Phase III WIP planning targets

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	Release of Draft Phase III WIP Planning Targets	October 31, 2017	December 22, 2017	7-week difference
	Partnership’s Review of Phase III WIP Planning Targets	October 31, 2017 – February 28, 2018	December 22, 2017 – April 20, 2018	WQGIT requested at least 4 months to review draft planning targets – <i>WQGIT-approved (March 13, 2017).</i>
	EPA releases final Phase III WIP expectations document	November 2017	Early January 2018	Reflects final policy decisions from the October and December PSC meeting on Conowingo, climate change, and accounting for growth
	Jurisdictions submit 2018-2019 milestones and final 2016-2017 milestones report	January 2018	January 15, 2018	No changes are recommended at this time. Jurisdictions are encouraged to solicit input from their local partners on milestone commitments in the September – October timeframe
	Jurisdictions have opportunity to update milestone commitments based on EPA feedback and 2017 Progress results	January 15, 2018 – March 2018	January 15, 2018 – March 2018	
	Any proposed changes to the draft Phase III WIP Planning Targets including special case requests due to the Chesapeake Bay Program Office	February 28, 2018	April 20, 2018	Identification of changes and special case requests will occur on a rolling basis throughout the 4-month review period. Final requests and changes should be submitted to the CBPO by no later than April 20, 2018
	PSC Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval of final Phase III WIP Planning Targets with special cases</li> </ul>	March 2018	Late April 2018	Allows for the 4-month review of the draft Phase III WIP planning targets.
	Release of Final Phase III WIP Planning Targets	December 2017	May 7, 2018	Jurisdictions are encouraged to engage their local partners in the

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				development of local planning goals, if not before
12	EPA completes assessment of “60% by 2017 goal” using the Phase 5.3.2 suite of modeling tools	Spring 2018	March/April 2018	Jurisdictions’ progress data due December 1, 2017
13	Jurisdictions work with local partners to develop local planning goals	April – June 2018	Throughout 2018	Timing may vary across the jurisdictions
14	Draft Phase III WIPs posted on jurisdictions’ websites for partner and public stakeholder review	December 14, 2018	February 8, 2019	Still maintains 9 months between final Phase III WIP planning targets and deadline for draft Phase III WIPs
15	Partners and public stakeholders’ feedback on draft Phase III WIPs due to jurisdictions	February 15, 2019	April 5, 2019	Still allows for a 2-month Partnership review of draft Phase III WIPs
16	Final Phase III WIPs posted on jurisdictions’ websites	April 15, 2019	June 7, 2019	Still follows Partnership recommendation to allow one year between when final Phase III WIP planning targets are released and when final Phase III WIPs are complete