

WATER RESOURCES TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (WRTC) MEETING

Friday March 12, 2010
(10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.)

Rooms 4/5

Lunch will be provided at 12:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Work Session on Watershed Implementation Plans (WIPs)

Note: WRTC Members' Meeting will be immediately following

I. Call to Order, Welcome & Introductions – *Elaine Schaeffer, WRTC Chair*
(10:00– 10:05 a.m.)

II. Facilitated Discussion – *Ted Graham, COG staff, and EPA and State Representatives*
(10:05 – 12:00 p.m.)

This is a follow-up to the September 2009 Roundtable Discussion, designed to provide an opportunity for local jurisdictions in the COG region to engage with their federal and state counterparts regarding the development of the Watershed Implementation Plans (WIPs). Specifically, it's to get a better understanding of the implications of the WIPs and to identify opportunities for helping to shape the WIP development.

Federal and State Representatives include:

- **EPA**- Katherine Antos
- **District of Columbia** – Sarah Sand, DDOE
- **Maryland** – Rich Eskin (or designee), MDE
- **Virginia** – Russ Perkinson, DCR

WIP Evaluation State Leads:

- **District of Columbia**-Reggie Parrish
- **Maryland**-Michael Fritz

A. Bay TMDL & WIPs Development Schedule: Updates – Katherine Antos, USEPA (~10 minutes)
As a precursor to the roundtable discussion, Ms. Antos will provide a brief update on the Chesapeake Bay TMDLs, Basin sub-allocations, Watershed Implementation Plans (WIPs), and overall schedule. She will highlight areas and timing where local input will be most timely and helpful.

B. Facilitated Discussion of Prepared Questions – *Ted Graham, COG staff*

Ted Graham will facilitate the roundtable discussion based on the “Questions and Issues” paper prepared by COG staff and distributed as a part of the agenda.

- Part 1 (~15 minutes) - Each of the state and EPA representatives will be invited to share their perspective and indicate where and when they feel local input will be most timely and helpful.
- Part 2 (remainder of the time) – The Questions and Issues paper contains six topics (and several questions related to each) relevant to the development of the Watershed Implementation Plans. The facilitated discussion will be structured to get a much clarity as possible for each of these and provide an opportunity for COG's members to share their perspective, concerns and recommendations. It is envisioned that this will help sustain the federal-state-local dialog.