



Local governments working together for a better metropolitan region

Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee

Date: Sept. 16, 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
10:05 2. Approval of Meeting Summary for May 20, 2011 .....Chair Favola
Recommended action: Approve DRAFT Meeting Summary (Att. 2).
10:10 3. Progress Report on Bay TMDL Phase II WIPs .....Karl Berger, COG staff
Mr. Berger will brief the committee on the efforts of local government in the region to meet state and EPA expectations for developing Phase II watershed implementation plans. He will note feedback from members of COG's Water Resources Technical Committee on issues that have arisen in the WIP development process (Att. 3a, 3b). He also will review the CBPC's June 16, 2011, forum on the Bay TMDL and note plans for following up with EPA Special Adviser Jeff Corbin (Att. 3.c).
Recommended Action: Provide comment, as appropriate, to state and EPA officials about local government concerns; invite EPA and the states to attend another Bay forum with COG's members.
10:45 4. Chesapeake Bay Restoration Coalition.....Chair Favola, members
The goal of the coalition -- as discussed at the May CBPC meeting by staff from the Alcade & Fay, the lobbying concern that has proposed it -- is to organize local governments to lobby for more federal funding for the Bay TMDL effort. A CBPC workgroup has recommended that COG provide a contribution of \$20,000 in existing COG funds to participate in a pilot project to launch this coalition of local governments (Att. 4). Chair Favola will lead a discussion of the workgroup's recommendation and seek consensus on whether or not to participate in the coalition.
Recommended Action: Provide guidance to COG staff regarding COG's participation in the Coalition pilot program.

\*Adjunct member

11:15 5. **Plans for COG Board Stormwater Webinar** .....Heidi Bonnaffon, COG Staff

At the request of COB Board Chair Andrea Harrison of the Prince George's County Council, COG staff will conduct a webinar on Oct. 14 to educate Board members on the issues and challenges facing local government stormwater management programs because of the Bay TMDL and other factors. Ms. Bonnaffon will present preliminary plans for the webinar (Att. 5) and note some of the issues COG staff hopes to highlight.

**Recommended Action:** Provide input on plans for webinar.

11:35 6. **COG Staff Updates** .....Tanya Spano, Chief, Regional Water Quality Management

- **FY 12 Regional Water Quality Management Annual Work Program and Budget**
- **Algal Bloom and Drought Monitoring**
- **Water Sector Workshop on Adaption to Climate Change in the Washington Region**

Ms. Spano will note several highlights from the FY 12 work program and budget (*Att. 6*) for COG's Regional Water Quality Management Program, including various water resource issues COG staff have been working on. She also will review the results of a recent workshop to gain water sector input into a study of the impacts of climate change on the Washington metropolitan region.

11:55 7. **New Business** .....Members

12:00 8. **Adjourn**

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

Enclosures/Handouts:

- Item 2 DRAFT meeting summary of May 20, 2011
- Item 3a COG staff summary of Bay TMDL/WIP Development Schedule
- Item 3b COG staff notes on Phase II WIP Development Status and Issues
- Item 3c COG staff summary of CBPC Bay Forum
- Item 4 CBPC subcommittee memo re Chesapeake Bay Restoration Coalition
- Item 5 COG staff DRAFT agenda for COG Board stormwater webinar
- Item 6 FY 12 Regional Water Quality Management Program Work Program and Budget