

WATER RESOURCES TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (WRTC) MEETING

September 10, 2010
(10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.)

Board Room, 3rd Floor
Lunch will be provided

AGENDA

I. Welcome & Introductions – *Elaine Schaeffer, Chair*
(10:00 – 10:10 a.m.)

II. Overview of DC/MD/VA Draft Phase I Watershed Implementation Plans (WIPs)
(10:10 – 11:45 a.m.)

This meeting will provide highlights of the recently released District, Maryland, and Virginia draft Phase I WIPs; comparing and contrasting how the different documents address key issues that are of importance to the COG region. This briefing is intended to provide background for the WRTC's special work session on Monday, October 4th; where COG staff will make presentations on EPA's draft Bay TMDLs, and the WRTC will be asked to make recommendations to the CBPC on the draft Phase I WIPs and the draft TMDLs.

A. Status Updates and Schedule for Public Comment – *Ted Graham, COG Staff*

Dr. Graham will provide an overview of the status of the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia draft WIPs and opportunities for public comment.

B. Load and Wasteload Allocations – *Tanya Spano and Karl Berger, COG staff*

Ms. Spano and Mr. Berger will compare and contrast various elements of the District, Maryland, and Virginia draft WIPs, including: a) how source loads are allocated by sector (e.g., wastewater, CSOs, stormwater/MS-4, agriculture); b) how growth is accounted; c) how the required 5% Reserve load is dealt with; and d) if/what scale they've used to sub-allocate loads to a local level. Ms. Spano will focus on point source issues, and Mr. Berger will focus on nonpoint source issues; noting various assumptions, apparent gaps, and unresolved issues.

C. Urban Stormwater Issues – *Karl Berger, COG, Norm Goulet, NVRC, and Ted Graham, COG*

Mr. Berger, Mr. Goulet, and Dr. Graham will examine how the drafts WIPs (for Maryland, Virginia, and the District, respectively) address urban stormwater.

Feedback The WRTC will be asked to note any questions they have about these WIPs (and any related TMDL assumptions); and to identify any technical or policy issues that need to be conveyed to the CBPC at this time.

III. CBP Watershed Model Updates - *Karl Berger, COG Staff*
(11:45 - 12:15 p.m.)

Mr. Berger will provide an update on watershed model developments, including output on federal lands and MS4 coverage and the status of changes to methods used to estimate land use.

IV. Around the Room – *WRTC Members*
(12:15 - 12:30 p.m.)

The WRTC members will be asked to identify any issues or activities of potential interest to the other members.

V. Lunch and Adjourn
(12:30 p.m.)

GENERAL UPDATES

- **Phase I Draft WIPs:**

District of Columbia:

<http://ddoe.dc.gov/ddoe/cwp/view,a,1210,q,494609,ddoeNav,%7C31007%7C.asp>

Maryland:

<http://www.mde.state.md.us/>

Virginia:

<http://www.epa.gov/chesapeakebaytmdl/>

EPA's website for Chesapeake Bay TMDL and State WIPs:

<http://www.epa.gov/chesapeakebaytmdl/>

- **COG's Community Engagement Campaign:** A meeting with the bloggers will be held on **September 13th (9:00 am to 3:30 pm) at the Corbalis Treatment Plant**. Bloggers will have a chance to engage with area Public Information Officers to discuss key themes and messaging in the blogs.

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Links to the blogs:

Metro DC Mom Blog <http://www.metro-dc-mom-blog.com/>

Metro DC Lawn and Garden Blog <http://www.metro-dc-lawn-garden-blog.com/>

Metro DC Utilities Blog <http://www.metro-dc-utilities-blog.com/>

Northern Virginia Dog Blog <http://northern-virginia-dog-blog.com>

FUTURE MEETINGS / KEY EVENTS

~~Friday, September 17th~~ – CBPC Meeting **HAS BEEN CANCELLED**.

Saturday, September 25th - Drug Enforcement Agency National Drug Take-Back

Several jurisdictions in the COG region are participating in this effort.

Click on the link to search by zip code for participating take-back sites in the COG region. <http://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/takeback/>

October 4th – Special (back-to-back) WRTC and CBPC Work Sessions re: developing comments on EPA's Draft TMDLs and the DC/MD/VA WIPs.