# BAY TMDL & WIPS SCHEDULE AND GENERAL UPDATES & EVENTS

(3/10/11 WRTC Meeting)

# **Bay TMDL & WIPs Schedule**

# <u>2010</u>

- July 1, 2010 EPA issued Draft TMDL Allocations
- September 1 States/District issued Phase I WIPs
- September 24 EPA issued Draft Bay TMDLs
- September 24 November 8 Public Comment Period (for TMDLs & WIPs) [COG Comments Submitted to EPA & MD/VA]
- Late November early December States/DC Submit Final Phase I WIPs
- December 29 EPA Issues Final Bay TMDLs in Federal Register

#### <u>2011</u>

June 1 – States/DC to submit Draft Phase II WIPs

[Deadline could be modified – Not Done Yet – Not likely to be more than by 3 months in response to delays in latest WSM data; EPA noted 'constraints' due to agreement reached with CBF]

- Loads to be sub-allocated to local (county) level MD plans to have county liaisons
- November 1 States/DC submit Final Phase II WIPs
- December EPA to potentially revised TMDLs Based on refined Watershed Model (WSM)
- December 31 Bay States must complete first set of 2-Year Milestones

#### <u>2017</u>

- Phase III WIPs to be Submitted Draft by June 1, Final by November 1
- EPA to assess implementation progress
  - 60% of WIP Implementation to be Achieved & Ensure practices in place to achieve 2025 goal
- EPA to determine whether to use WSM updates for WIPs & revised TMDL and Revise TMDL
  if necessary

#### 2020

• Maryland expects to achieve 100% WIP Implementation

#### <u>2025</u>

• 100% of WIP Implementation to be Achieved Bay-wide

# Next Steps / Additional Analysis (items noted from Jan 18, 2011 WRTC Meeting)

- Assist members in development of Phase II WIPs
  - Watershed Model analysis & evaluate data assumptions [Reference WSM presentation]
  - Develop data on regional costs (e.g., for retrofits) [Focus in SW work session & staff work]
  - Gather WWTP LOT costs for region (VA-DEQ request) [Focus in WW work session & staff work]
- Track legislative, regulatory and legal actions [Reference state legislative & federal updates]
  - Stormwater permitting for the Bay [Focus in SW work session & staff work]
  - Virginia's state stormwater management regulatory updates
  - Farm Bureau Bay TMDL litigation
  - WWTP permitting issues (e.g., request to go beyond ENR) [None noted so far]

# **GENERAL UPDATES**

# 1. COG's New Region Forward Coalition – WRTC Representative

At its January 12 meeting, the COG Board voted to establish a new Region Forward Coalition to replace the Metropolitan Development Policy Committee. The WRTC will be asked to designate a representative and an alternate to help implement the goals and next steps of *Region Forward*.

# 2. COG's Sustainability Grant from EPA 'Adaptation & Climate Change' – Water Sector Representatives

WRTC members who are interested in participating in this effort are being sought for a Water Sector meeting to help identify and prioritize key issues and impacts associated with current and future climate risks and vulnerabilities. The meeting is expected to occur in later Spring/Early Summer 2011.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### 1. March 18 – CBPC Meeting

#### **Agenda Topics:**

- Survey of Member Interest in Addressing Specific Topics
- Status of Bay TMDL & Development of Phase 2 WIP
- Agriculture's Perspective on Bay Restoration Tom Hebert, Agricultural Nutrients Policy Council
- Report on Local Progress with Watershed Implementation Planning and "Next Generation" Stormwater Permits Meo Curtis, Montgomery Co. DEP, and Kate Bennett, Fairfax Co. DPW
- Federal Budget Developments re Bay Restoration
- Collaborating with Other COG Policy Committees

# 2. April 6 – COG CAOs – Presentation of Stormwater Fees/Taxes Survey

- 3. May 12 WRTC Meeting (tentative agenda topics)
  - Status of Development of Phase II WIPs (due June 1st)
  - Review proposed updates for Potomac Water Quality Report & Sector Fact Sheets
  - Updates on Regional Wastewater Flow Forecast (data needs/maybe results)
  - FY 2012 Regional Water Fund Work Program & Budget Endorsement
  - Information on various FOG initiatives in the COG region WW work session
- 4. May 20 CBPC Meeting
  - FY 2012 Regional Water Fund Work Program & Budget Approval
- 5. Late Spring/Early Summer Adaptation & Climate Change Water Sector Meeting

#### 6. Fall/Early Winter 2011 - CBP Wastewater Workshop (proposed)

CBP's Wastewater Work Group hopes to hold a (one-day) wastewater workshop that focuses on operational issues – to help identify cost-effective nutrient reduction options/alternatives such as water reuse, use of water conservation techniques, source separation, using FOG to help with digestion/recycle and to reduce energy costs, etc. Not focused on research, but on case studies where people have piloted or are trying these things full-scale. A lessons-learned approach, that looks to find supplemental or alternative ways to achieve/enhance nutrient reduction in a more cost-effective and sustainable manner. If successful, CBP's STAC would be an official sponsor.

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