

WATER RESOURCES TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (WRTC) - TECHNICAL WORK SESSION

Friday, October 9 2009
(10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.)

Rooms 4 and 5, First Floor
Lunch will be provided.

AGENDA

I. Welcome & Introductions – *Tanya Spano, COG staff*
(10:00 – 10:05 a.m.)

II. Chesapeake Bay Program Updates: Recent & Upcoming Activities – *Tanya Spano, COG staff*
(10:05 a.m. – 10:25 a.m.)

Ms. Spano will provide a brief overview of the current Bay TMDL schedule, milestones, and upcoming decisions – as well as several COG initiatives underway to address these issues.

III. Potomac and Chesapeake Bay Nutrient & Sediment Loads – *Steve Bieber, COG staff*
(10:25 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.)

Mr. Bieber will provide a broad overview of the various models being used by the Bay Program, including the one for air deposition, and review recent updates and improvements to these tools. This will include an overview of data that is used as inputs to the model and output processes. He will also provide an overview of nutrient and sediment loads (by sectors and sub-sectors for the Potomac) and the Bay as-a-whole – based on the latest information that is available; and outline the scheduled for additional updates and improvements.

Feedback WRTC members will be asked to identify any additional information or analysis they would like COG staff to address.

IV. Allocations & Implementation Plans: Working Target Loads & Allocations – *Tanya Spano*
(10:50 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.)

Ms. Spano will provide an overview of the overall philosophy and assumptions used to develop the initial target loads and allocation options, their intended use, and potential implications for the COG region. She will also discuss how the final allocations are to be developed, note key decision points and opportunities for COG region input.

Feedback: WRTC members will be asked to identify any technical or policy issues they wish COG staff to address during the development of the final allocations; or to alert the CBPC to for policy guidance.

V. Watershed Implementation Plans: Next Steps – *Ted Graham, COG staff*
(11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.)

Dr. Graham will summarize COG's next steps regarding the WIPs and efforts to obtain answers to the questions posed at the last WRTC meeting.

VI. General Updates & Around the Room – *COG staff and WRTC Members*
(11:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.)

VI. Adjourn/Lunch
(12:00 p.m.)

FUTURE MEETINGS / KEY EVENTS

October 10th – 14th – WEFTEC 2009, Orlando, Florida

November 4th -~~American Academy of Environmental Engineers Workshop: Chesapeake Bay, Progress to date and Future Efforts~~ **NOTE: Event has been cancelled. Will hopefully be rescheduled.**

November 5th - COG's Symposium: Innovative Stormwater Controls on Roads and Highways

November 9th – COG Workshop: Linking Conservation and Transportation Planning in Washington, DC

November 12th – WRTC meeting

November 13th – COG Wastewater Climate Change-Greenhouse Gas Inventory Workshop

November 20th – CBPC meeting

December (TBD) – RMS Webinar Meeting

GENERAL UPDATES

A. COG's Symposium: Innovative Stormwater Controls on Roads and Highways - November 5, 2009

While spaces are filling up, it's not too late to register for COG's [Symposium: Innovative Stormwater Controls on Roads & Highways](#).

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B. COG's Wastewater Climate Change Greenhouse Gas Inventory Workshop - November 13, 2009

A one-day workshop that will focus primarily on wastewater plants, to ensure that the COG region meets its 2012 / 2020 / 2050 reduction goals and that our local governments and agencies get credit for all of their efforts.

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C. COG Board of Directors Meeting – October 14

Maryland Sen. Ben Cardin is scheduled to brief the Board on his proposed federal legislation for reauthorizing the Chesapeake Bay Program. CBPC Chair Cathy Drzyzgula will present committee's recommendation for addressing plastic bag pollution of area waterways. Agenda available at: <http://www.mwkog.org/calendar/>

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D. Action on Virginia Stormwater Regulations

On October 5, Virginia's Soil and Water Conservation Board took action to amend draft regulations that it originally approved for public comment in June for the state's Stormwater Management Permit Program. Official public comment will open on October 26 regarding the amendments to the original proposal. The Board hopes to adopt final regulations at its December meeting.

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