



*Local governments working together for a better metropolitan region*

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Dear Director Tulou:

I am writing on behalf of the Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) to invite you or your representative to participate in a Bay TMDL/WIP planning workshop we are hosting on June 16 from 1 – 3 p.m. Jeff Corbin, EPA's Special Adviser on Bay restoration, has committed to attend this meeting. On June 16, we will hear EPA's perspectives on local governments' role in watershed implementation planning and state and local representatives, including COG members, will be given an opportunity to present their ideas for improving the TMDL-WIP process.

COG and its Bay Policy Committee have a long record of involvement in the Bay restoration effort that predates the development of the 2000 Chesapeake Bay Agreement. Over the years, COG has hosted a number of meetings with EPA and other Bay Partner representatives. The District of Columbia is both a Bay Program partner and a COG member; in fact, Hamid Karimi of your department serves as vice chair of the COG committee. The District's special role in the region and the Bay partnership provides a valuable perspective for the rest of COG's membership.

We look forward to your agency's participation in this workshop. Please contact Karl Berger of COG staff at 202-992-3350, [kberger@mwcog.org](mailto:kberger@mwcog.org), to indicate your participation.

Looking forward to a continuation of the fruitful dialogue that EPA, the other Bay Program partners and COG's members have had on Bay issues, I am...

Yours sincerely

Barbara Favola  
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Cc: CBPC members

(Invite letters also addressed to MDE Secretary Robert Summers, VA Secretary of Natural Resources Doug Domenech)