



# CHESAPEAKE BAY COMMISSION

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## **Agenda Bethesda, MD May 12-13, 2016**

### **Thursday, May 12th**

Hyatt Regency Bethesda  
One Bethesda Metro Center  
Bethesda, MD 20814

**1:00 P.M. WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER**  
Senator Mac Middleton, Chair

#### **ROLL CALL**

**1:05 P.M. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**  
**ADOPTION/MODIFICATION OF AGENDA**  
**ORIENTATION TO THE DAY**

**1:15 P.M. CHESAPEAKE BAY “MONITORING 201”**  
*Expanding on the brief introduction in January, we will dive deeper into the network of monitoring stations throughout the tidal Bay and its tributaries, and the story they have to tell.*

Scott Phillips  
Hydrologist  
Chesapeake Bay, U.S. Geological Survey

**2:10 PM FINANCING THE BAY RESTORATION**  
*The Results of the Chesapeake Executive Council’s April 2016 Finance Summit*

Dan Neese, Director  
Environmental Finance Center  
University of Maryland

**2:40 PM LOOKING FORWARD TO THE NEXT FARM BILL**  
*How can federal support for farm and forest conservation efforts be improved now and in the next Farm Bill?*

**Part I:**

**Administration Perspective: Now and the Future**

Ann Mills

Deputy Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment  
United States Department of Agriculture

**3:15 PM BREAK**

**3:30 PM Part II:**

**Stakeholders' Perspectives: Opportunities for Improvement**

*Panelists will describe their experiences with federal Farm Bill programs and offer recommendations for making good programs better.*

**Financial and Technical Assistance for Agricultural Conservation Priorities**

Russell Redding

Secretary

Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture

**Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP)**

Darryl M. Glover

Director, Division of Soil and Water Conservation

Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation

**Conservation Reserve Programs (CRP and CREP)**

Robert "Bobby" Whitescarver

Whitescarver Natural Resources Management, LLC

Commission discussion with panelists and meeting attendees.

**5:00 P.M. ADJOURN**

**Friday, May 13th**

**8:00 A.M. BREAKFAST DELEGATION MEETINGS**

*Location: Embassy/Patuxent Room*

**MEETING LOCATION: Move to Cabinet/Judiciary Room**

**9:15 A.M. CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**9:20 A.M. CBC ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS**

- **APPROVAL OF CBC FY2017 BUDGET**
- **APPROVAL OF CBC 2017 MEETING DATES**
- **COMMUNICATIONS INITIATIVES**

**9:40A.M. HALF WAY TO CLEAN WATER**

**The Mid-Point Assessment & Phase III WIPs**

**Part I: A Timeline of Actions and Decisions**

*The Chesapeake Bay TMDL requires that all practices are in place by 2025; thus, in 2018, following the mid-point assessment Bay jurisdictions will prepare the final Phase (III) of Watershed Implementation Plans (WIPs). Staff will provide an overview of the anticipated timeline. During 2016 and 2017, Commission staff will offer updates at each quarterly meeting on key actions and decisions leading up to the Phase III WIPs.*

**Part II: The Lead Clean Water Systems Integrator**

*By mid-2017, an updated computer model, designed to integrate the effects of climate change, Conowingo Dam, new land use and dozens of newly eligible or revised BMPs will be completed. In 2017, EPA will work with the jurisdictions to develop targets and expectations for the Phase III WIPs. The Commission asked Nick DiPasquale, Director of the Bay Program, “Who will serve as the lead systems integrator for the complex web of decisions, data and tools underway for the final phase of Bay restoration?” Staff will provide an overview of Mr. DiPasquale’s feedback.*

**Part III: Commission Engagement in the Final Phase of Restoration**

*Our Chairman will lead a discussion among Commission members of the specific aspects of the mid-point assessment and Phase III WIP development process that warrant its engagement.*

**10:30A.M. BREAK**

**10:45 A.M. BRINGING THE CORPS LOCAL**

*Improving upon the US Army Corps of Engineers’ efforts to serve local communities via Technical Service Programs, Beneficial Use of Dredged Material & Oyster Restoration*

Colonel Edward Chamberlayne  
Commander, Baltimore District, US Army Corps of Engineers

Colonel Jason Kelly  
Commander, Norfolk District, US Army Corps of Engineers

**[11:45] STATE COLLABORATION WITH THE CORPS: Priorities, Needs & Gaps**

Open Discussion

**Maryland:** David Goshorn, Assistant Secretary for Aquatic Resources, DNR

**Virginia:** Russ Baxter, Deputy Secretary of Natural Resources for Chesapeake Bay

**Pennsylvania:** Dana Aunkst, Deputy Secretary for Water Programs, DEP

**12:15 P.M. NEW BUSINESS  
MEETING FEEDBACK**

**12:30 P.M. ADJOURN**

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The next meeting of the Chesapeake Bay Commission  
will be held at Lancaster, PA  
on September 8-9, 2016