



CHESAPEAKE BAY COMMISSION

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Agenda Easton, MD November 5 & 6, 2015

Thursday, November 5th

Eastern Shore Conservation Center
130 South Washington Street
Easton, Maryland 21601

12:00 P.M. LUNCH & TOUR OF THE FACILITY

The Eastern Shore Conservation Center opened in October 2015 in a renovated dry cleaning facility in the heart of Easton. Championed by the Eastern Shore Land Conservancy, and occupied by conservation organizations working across Delmarva, the facility embodies the true spirit of downtown revitalization.

Welcome Remarks

Rob Etgen, Executive Director
Eastern Shore Land Conservancy

1:00 P.M. WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER

Delegate Scott Lingamfelter, Chair

ROLL CALL

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

ADOPTION/MODIFICATION OF AGENDA

ORIENTATION TO THE DAY

1:10 P.M. CHAIRMAN'S UPDATES

- **RCP & Livestock Stream Exclusion Update**
- **Valuing Open Space**
- **Coal Tar Sealants**

1:30 P.M. CHESAPEAKE BAY AGRICULTURE 101

Dana York

This is the third in a series to examine big picture watershed issues and frame them in the context of current actions. This presentation will review the demographics and economics of agriculture in the watershed.

**2:10 P.M. OUR STATE ANIMAL AGRICULTURE PROGRAMS
EPA REGION III's 2015 ASSESSMENT**

As part of the TMDL and the court-ordered settlement agreement, EPA reviewed the states' animal agriculture programs. These program evaluations highlight both strengths and opportunities for improvement.

Kelly Shenk

Agricultural Advisor, Region III, EPA

2:45 P.M. BREAK

**3:00 P.M. VIRGINIA'S AGRICULTURAL VOLUNTARY PROGRAMS:
A DISCUSSION OF THE COMMONWEALTH'S SUCCESSFUL TOOLS**

Virginia's most effective programs include livestock stream exclusion, the Resource Management Program, the Agriculture BMP Cost Share and Tax Credit and the land conservation tax credit program. States must evaluate how to continue successes through voluntary programs with limited funding.

Russ Baxter

Deputy Secretary of Natural Resources for Chesapeake Bay, Virginia

**3:45 P.M. CITIZENS' PERSPECTIVE ON AGRICULTURE:
RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OUR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The Citizens Advisory Committee is an advisor to the CBC in our role as an Executive Council member of the Chesapeake Bay Program. We heard from Local Government Advisory Committee in September.

Matthew Ehrhart

Member of the CAC & Director of Restoration, Stroud Water Research Center

4:15 P.M. ADJOURN

4:30 P.M. A RECEPTION CELEBRATING THE EASTERN SHORE'S BOUNTY
Linking the Chesapeake Bay land and water resources.

- **Farm to Table samplings**
- **Music by Lions of Bluegrass**

Sponsor: Town Creek Foundation

6:00 P.M. DEPART Reception & Check-in at Hotel

7:00 P.M. MEMBER'S DINNER AT MASON'S
22 S. Harrison Street
Easton, Maryland

Friday, November 6th

The Tidewater Inn
101 East Dover Street
Easton, MD 21601
Crystal Room

8:00 A.M. DELEGATION BREAKFAST MEETING
Oxford Room

9:15 A.M. ROLL CALL
Crystal Room

9:20 A.M. U.S. NAVY ACTIONS
SHARING RESPONSIBILITY TO MEET THE TMDL
Initiatives taken since 2010 and future plans to meet federal pollutant load allocations

Rear Admiral Rick Williamson, USN
Commander, Navy Region Mid-Atlantic

9:45 A.M. MARYLAND'S ENHANCED PHOSPHORUS MANAGEMENT TOOL
Managing risk and identifying hot spots where soil is saturated with phosphorus, requiring changes to manure fertilizer application.

Frank J. Coale, Ph.D.
University of Maryland, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

10:30 A.M. BREAK

10:45 A.M. PENNSYLVANIA'S STRATEGY TO DELIVER CLEAN WATER

Rebooting the Commonwealth's Effort

In 2014, Pennsylvania's agricultural nitrogen load accounted for almost 60 percent of the total agricultural nitrogen load Bay-wide. The Commonwealth has committed to achieving approximately 75% of its total nutrient and sediment TMDL reductions from agriculture, but progress is falling far short. How Pennsylvania advancing and what can the Chesapeake Bay Commission do to assist?

Russell Redding
Secretary of Agriculture, Pennsylvania

11:30 A.M. INCREASING OUR VISIBILITY

A round robin to showcase member activities throughout the watershed and engagement in the Chesapeake Bay Commission

12:00 A.M. NEW BUSINESS

12:15 P.M. ADJOURN

*The next meeting of the Chesapeake Bay Commission
will be held in Annapolis, Maryland
on January 7-8, 2016*