



CHESAPEAKE BAY COMMISSION

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Agenda National Harbor, Maryland November 8 & 9, 2018

Thursday, November 8, 2018

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171 Waterfront Street
Oxon Hill, MD 20745

12:30 P.M. WELCOME
Senator Frank Wagner, Chair

ROLL CALL
ADOPTION OF MINUTES
ADOPTION/MODIFICATION OF AGENDA
ADOPTION OF BYLAWS AMENDMENT

12:45 P.M. SUSTAINING FEDERAL SUPPORT
After the Midterms
Jason Gleason
Executive Vice-President, Crossroads Strategies

Hunter Moorhead
Senior Partner, Crossroads Strategies

The sustainability of the Chesapeake Bay restoration depends on maintaining the mutualism of policies and funding among federal, state and local governments. This discussion will focus on Commission efforts to sustain and enhance Federal support through policy and appropriations.

1:30 P.M. CBC FY 2020 FEDERAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST
Priorities, Documents and Strategies
Crossroads Strategies and CBC Staff

1:45 P.M. MONITORING AND MODELS
The Latest Tools Used to Define Clean Water
Scott Phillips
Chesapeake Bay Coordinator, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS)

Gary Shenk
Chesapeake Bay Watershed Model Team Leader, USGS, Chesapeake Bay Program

Emily Trentacoste, Ph.D.
Biologist/Scientist, US EPA, Chesapeake Bay Program

Phase 6, the newest version of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Model, is calibrated to reflect in-water monitored conditions. A simplified structure and ten additional years of water quality monitoring, doubling the amount of real-time data, make the Model more accurate and easier to use. The result is a tool that provides more insight into how pollution loads change as BMPs are implemented or land use is converted. How is Phase 6 different from the previous version and how will it help us to prepare the next round of Watershed Implementation Plans?

2:45 P.M. BREAK

3:00 P.M. RIVERS IN FOCUS

The Potomac

Hedrick Belin
President, Potomac Conservancy

Phillip Musegaas
Legal Counsel, Potomac Riverkeepers Network

Martin Gary
Executive Secretary, Potomac River Fisheries Commission

Our "Nation's River" is 405 miles long, draining 23 percent of the Chesapeake Bay watershed. What can local experts tell us about the status of the Potomac – its natural resources, water quality and fisheries -- and what are the greatest opportunities for improvement? What are the top three issues to be aware of and how can the Commission help?

4:15 P.M. ADJOURN

Friday, November 9, 2018

8:00 A.M. DELEGATION MEETINGS

Westin – Potomac Room A

9:30 A.M. CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Senator Frank Wagner, Chair

9:35 A.M. CHAIRMAN'S LIGHTNING ROUND UPDATES

- PA Crab Feast/End of Session
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10:00 A.M. ENVIRONMENTAL LITERACY

***Meaningful Watershed Educational Experiences (MWEEs),
Sustainable Schools & Literacy Planning***

Across the Watershed

Shannon Sprague

Manager, Environmental Literacy & Partnerships, NOAA, Chesapeake Bay Office &
Co-Chair, Chesapeake Bay Program Education Workgroup

Tom Ackerman

CBF, Vice President for Education &

Co-Chair, Chesapeake Bay Program Education Workgroup

Across a School System

Ian Buter

Content Specialist for Science

"Bridging the Watershed," Charles County Public Schools

What makes one environmentally literate? Do we have the capacity to achieve the Environmental literacy goals of our 2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement? What are the greatest opportunities for improvement -- at the watershed, state, and district levels? What role can the Commission play to advance these efforts?

11:15 A.M. BREAK

11:30 A.M. FOSTERING SCIENTIFIC COORDINATION

Do we have what it takes?

Dr. Donald Boesch

Professor, University of Maryland

President Emeritus, University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science

Environmental research in the Chesapeake and its watershed has long informed policy decisions. Are there organizations strategically directing research to inform the goals of the Chesapeake Bay Program? Are research dollars being used cost-effectively? Do we have the science we need to sustain our restoration, especially in the face of changing climate, rising seas and projected growth?

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

12:30 P.M. ADJOURN

The next meeting of the Chesapeake Bay Commission
will be held in Annapolis, MD
on January 3-4, 2019