



# 2015 Chesapeake Executive Council

Chesapeake Bay Stakeholder  
Advisory Group  
September 3, 2015

# Management Strategies

- Completed June 30, 2015
- Presented to the Executive Council on July 23, 2015
- Work plan Development now underway

[http://www.chesapeakebay.net/management strategies](http://www.chesapeakebay.net/management_strategies)



# Work plan Timeline

- November 1: Initial Drafts
- January 2016: Public Review Drafts available
- Public Comment Period January 22 – March 8, 2016
- Final drafts April 2016

The work plans are expected to include key actions along with the associated performance target, responsible partners, the geographic area of focus (if applicable), a timeline for completion, estimated costs, available funding, and the identification of factors/gaps that will influence success.

# Additional EC Actions 2015



# Riparian Forest Buffers

- Riparian Forest Buffer Resolution expressed EC support for the following:
  - Convey reports to USDA and incorporate into Management Strategy Workplans
  - Develop multi-year strategies to achieve goals
  - Support for USDA conservation programs that develop, restore or maintain riparian forest buffers
  - Support robust outreach to the agricultural community
  - Support enhanced technical assistance to ensure success

# Financing

- Resolution directing the Program to conduct a symposium on financing including issues related to PPP, nutrient trading , risk and rewards for private investors, among other related topics

# Livestock Exclusion: Letter to Secretary Vilsack

- Improve coordination of CREP and EQIP
- Increase technical assistance, education and outreach
- Include a temporary fencing option under EQIP to allow for experience in determining flood damage before permanent fencing is installed
- Improve reporting
- Develop criteria or evaluation protocols to allow for succession without penalty or loss of program benefits
- Provide maintenance of buffers earlier in contracts so plant competition can be kept in check and invasives eliminated



# LWCF – “Rivers of the Chesapeake”

- Federal side of the LWCF
- Support additional land conservation through the LWCF Collaborative proposal in FY 16 and 17
- Letters to congressional delegations FY 16
- Letters of support to Sec. Jewell and Sec. Vilsack for FY 17

# Advisory Committee Reports

- Citizens Advisory Committee
- Local Government Advisory Committee
- Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee

Available at:

[http://www.chesapeakebay.net/about/ecmeeting/2015\\_executive\\_council\\_meeting](http://www.chesapeakebay.net/about/ecmeeting/2015_executive_council_meeting)



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