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AGRO-ECOLOGY, INC.

# Central Maryland WIP Workshop

September 21, 2016

## Agenda



### Purpose of the meeting:

- To communicate the 2-year milestone commitments, status of Bay restoration and also the progress made through our partnerships with local governments, conservation districts and private sector.
- To identify funding opportunities, explain ranking process, application process and use of restoration funds so as to maximize opportunities for restoration.
- To provide a summary of the upcoming midpoint assessment elements and timeline through the completion of the Phase III WIP, including Conowingo infill.
- To share EPA preliminary expectations and begin collaborating on the alignment of local and State priorities as we contemplate the Phase III WIP.

9:00 – 9:30 am	<b>Registration and Continental Breakfast</b>
9:30 am	<b>Welcome</b> <b>Dr. Suzanne Dorsey</b> <b>Executive Director, Harry R. Hughes Center for Agro-Ecology, Inc.</b>
9:35 – 10:00	<b>State and Local Progress</b> <b>Dr. Jim George</b> <b>Manager, Water Quality Restoration &amp; Accountability Program,</b> <b>Maryland Department of the Environment</b>  <b>Jason Keppler</b> <b>Watershed Implementation Program Manager, Office of Resource</b> <b>Conservation, Maryland Department of Agriculture</b>
10:00 – 10:20	<b>Overview of the Upcoming Midpoint Assessment and Phase III WIP –</b> <b>Lee Currey, Director, Science Services Administration,</b> <b>Maryland Department of the Environment</b>
10:20 – 10:30	<b>Q&amp;A</b>
10:30 – 10:45	<b>Break</b>
10:45 – 11:45	<b>Bay Restoration Funding and Financing - Jim George, Moderator</b>  <b>Financial Piece: Future Funding</b> <b>Bay Restoration Fund</b> <b>Jag Kuhman</b> <b>Director, Water Quality Financing Administration, Maryland</b> <b>Department of the Environment</b>

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| <b>11:45 – noon</b>      | <b>Q &amp; A</b>  |
| <b>12 pm – 12:45 pm</b>  | <b>Lunch</b>  |
| <b>12:45pm – 1:05 pm</b> | <b>Improving the Permit Process for Watershed Restoration Projects<br/>Lynn Buhl, Director, Water Management Administration,<br/>Maryland Department of the Environment</b>   |
| <b>1:05 – 1:20pm</b>     | <b>Q&amp;A</b>  |
| <b>1:20 – 2:30 pm</b>    | <b>Expectations for the Phase III WIP &amp; Local Engagement Process</b><br><br><b>State Perspective:<br/>Jim George (MDE) and Jason Keppler (MDA)</b><br><br><b>Local Perspective:<br/>Kimberly L. Grove, Chief, Office of Compliance &amp; Laboratories,<br/>Department of Public Works, Baltimore City</b> |
| <b>2:30 – 3:00 pm</b>    | <b>Q&amp;A with Panel: Jim George, Jason Keppler, Lee Currey and Kimberly<br/>Grove</b>   |
| <b>3:00 pm</b>           | <b>Wrap Up</b>  |

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