



# CHESAPEAKE BAY COMMISSION

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## Agenda Solomons Island, MD September 7 & 8, 2017

### Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup>

**(Field trip attire & shoes for a boat)**

Chesapeake Biological Laboratory (CBL)  
Bernie Fowler Building, Rm 1101  
146 Williams Street  
Solomons, MD 20688

**11:30 A.M. WELCOME**  
Representative Garth Everett, Chair

**ROLL CALL**  
**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**  
**ADOPTION/MODIFICATION OF AGENDA**

**11:45 P.M. WELCOME TO CHESAPEAKE BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY  
HISTORY AND PURPOSE OF CBL**  
Dr. Thomas Miller, Director

**12:00 P.M. WHERE HAVE WE BEEN, WHERE WE ARE, AND  
WHAT'S AHEAD FOR THE CHESAPEAKE BAY?**  
*A four-decade long retrospective*

Dr. Walter Boynton  
Professor Emeritus  
University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, CBL

*Informal lunch with invited CBL students followed by Q&A*

**1:30 P.M. STRATEGIES FOR MANAGING BLUE CRABS**  
Dr. Thomas Miller, Director  
Professor, Chesapeake Bay Laboratories

**2:00 P.M. OYSTER RESTORATION IN THE CHESAPEAKE BAY**

**How Many Oysters Are There in the Choptank River?**  
Dr. Mike Wilberg  
Associate Professor, CBL

**Are Aquaculture and Restoration Activities Compatible?**

JD Blackwell

Owner, 38 North Oyster Company

**2:30 P.M. BREAK – PREPARE FOR TOUR AND FIELD TRIP**

**Friday, September 8th**

**(Business casual attire)**

Holiday Inn Solomons Conference Center & Marina

155 Holiday Drive

Solomons, MD 20688

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

*Parkers Creek Room*

**MEETING LOCATION**

*Hunting Creek Room*

**9:00 A.M. CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**9:05 A.M. CHAIRMAN’S UPDATES**

- **EPA Administrator Pruitt Meeting**
- **Agricultural Technical Assistance Report**
- **STAC Boat Wake Report**

**9:30 A.M. STATE EFFORTS TO ENGAGE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**

*With the expectation that local area planning goals will be part of the Phase III WIPs, local engagement and acceptance is more important than ever.*

- **Pennsylvania** Secretary Patrick McDonnell
- **Maryland** Secretary Mark Belton
- **Virginia** Secretary Molly Ward

**10:00 A.M. STEERING THE MID-POINT ASSESSMENT:  
CRITICAL DECISION POINTS**

*Using the advanced (Phase 6) Model, the states and EPA will develop Phase III WIP planning targets to guide nutrient and sediment pollution reductions through 2025.*

**Collaboration, Consensus, and Progress**

Ben Grumbles

Secretary, Maryland Department of the Environment &  
Chair, Principals' Staff Committee

**How and when will these load allocations be decided?**

James Davis-Martin

VA DEQ Chesapeake Bay Program Manager &  
Chair, Water Quality Goal Implementation Team

**10:30 A.M. DECISION 1: CONOWINGO DAM**

*The TMDL did not take into account Conowingo reaching storage capacity. Now that it has, the revised allocations must take this load into account in order to achieve the clean water goals of 2025. How are the additional nutrient and sediment loads going to be allocated among the jurisdictions and at what cost?*

Bruce Michael

Director, Resource Assessment Service  
Maryland Department of Natural Resources

**11:00 A.M. Break**

**11:15 A.M. DECISION 2: ACCOUNTING FOR GROWTH**

*EPA guidance requests greater certainty in accounting for increases in nutrients and sediment that result from changing land use. How will the states ensure all new or increased loads are fully offset in the Phase III WIPs?*

Rich Batiuk, Associate Director for Science, Analysis and Implementation  
Chesapeake Bay Program Office, EPA

**11:35 A.M. GROUP DISCUSSION AND Q&A (with morning speakers)**

Moderator, Ann Swanson

**11:50 A.M. NEW BUSINESS  
MEETING FEEDBACK**

**12:00 P.M. ADJOURN**

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The next meeting of the Chesapeake Bay Commission  
will be held at Harrisburg, PA  
on November 9-10, 2017