Approaching 2017

Chesapeake Bay TMDL Milestones, Progress, Mid-point Assessment

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Mid-Point Assessment

Phase 6 Model Development

- New Land Cover Classes and Data
- Conowingo Infill
- Climate Change

BMP Updates

- Agricultural Nutrient Management
- Manure Technologies
- Cropland Irrigation Management
- Oyster Restoration/Aquaculture
- Urban Tree Planting/Expanded Tree Canopy

2017 60% Target

Evaluated using 2017 progress in current model

Watershed Implementation Plan 3

 Expectations, local planning targets and schedule still being developed

Current Re-evaluation Schedule

All Phase 6 data inputs **September 30, 2016**

Rolling local review of the Phase 6 land use data 2016 **October-early Nov** 2016

Final Phase 6 land use dataset due **December 1, 2016**

EPA releases draft 3 expectations for Phase III WIPs January 2017

Final calibration of Phase 6 Model January - March 2017

Final recommendations on approaches for local area targets March 2017

Partnership fatal-flaw review of final Phase 6 Model March-May 2017

EPA releases final expectations for Phase III WIPs April 2017

Release of final Phase 6 Model June 2017

EPA releases draft Phase III WIP Planning Targets **June 2017**

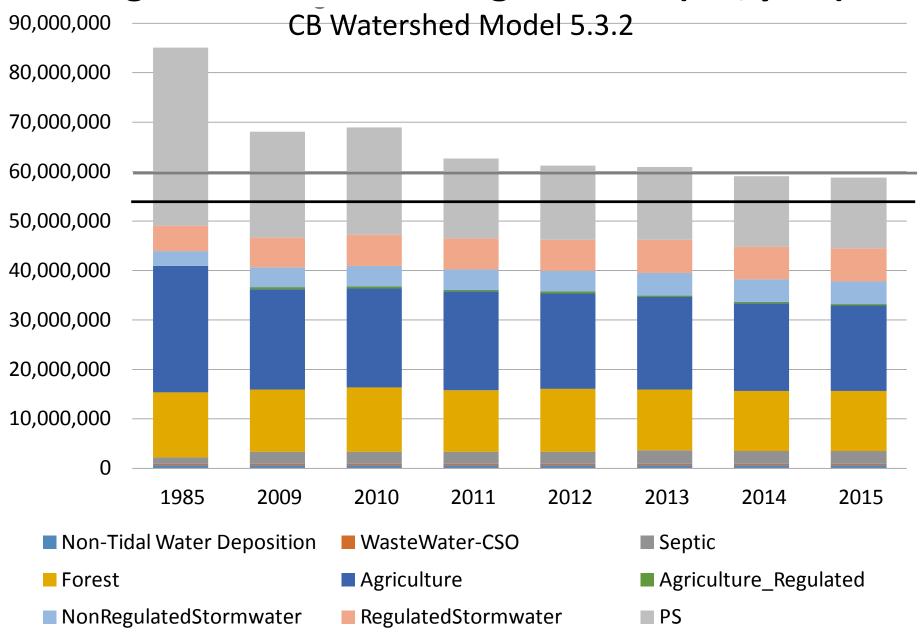
EPA releases final Phase III WIP Planning Targets <u>December 2017</u>

Draft Phase III WIPs due to EPA **August 2018**

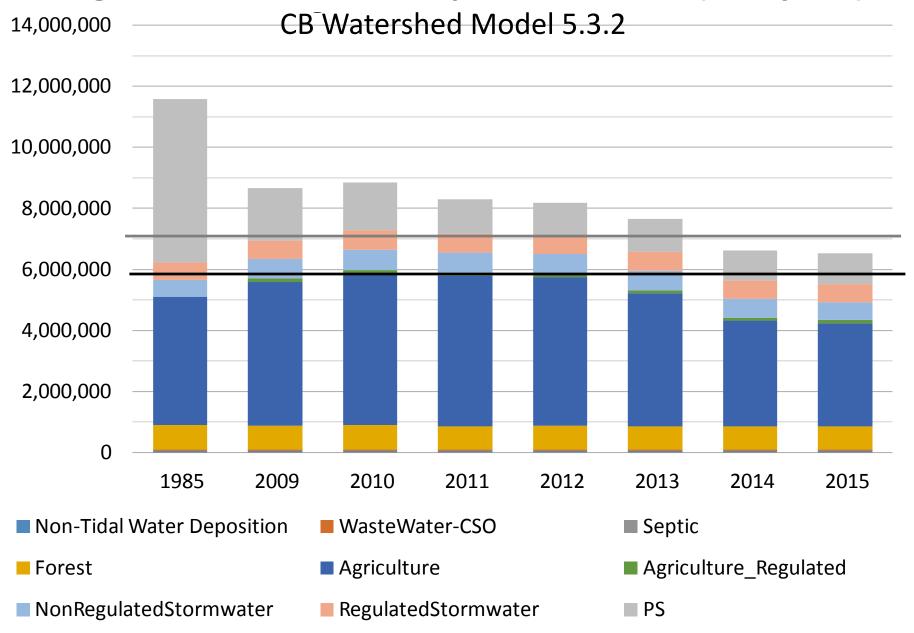
EPA feedback on draft Phase III WIPs October 2018

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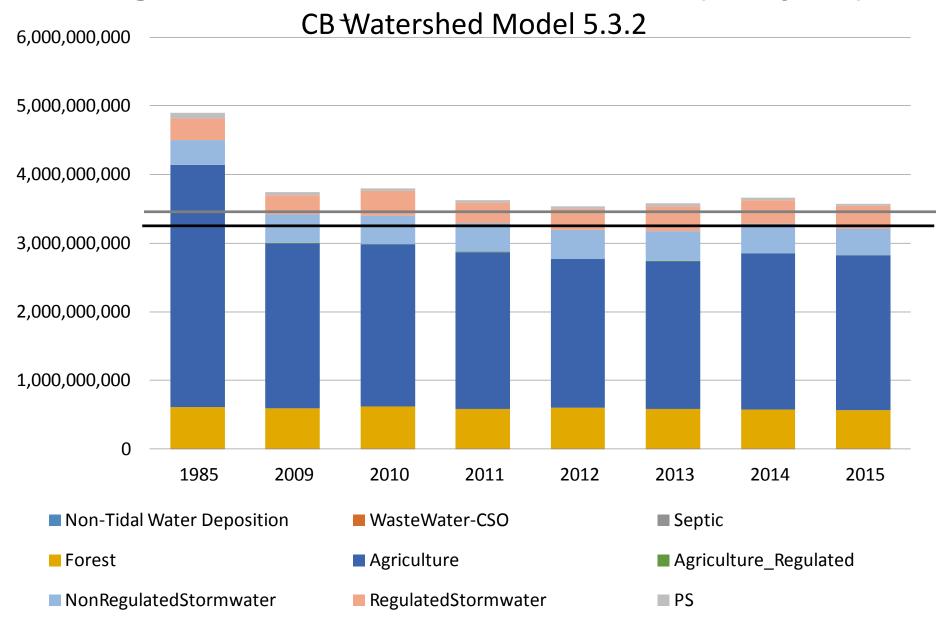
Virginia Delivered Nitrogen Loads (lbs/year)



Virginia Delivered Phosphorus Loads (lbs/year)



Virginia Delivered Sediment Loads (lbs/year)



2016-2017 Milestones Highlights

AGRICULTURE

- Continue Implementation of 100% livestock exclusion cost share
- Develop Resource Management Plans (RMPs) on at least 10,000 acres each year
- Continue production of Needs Assessment
- Increase number of nutrient management plans on small dairies

STORMWATER

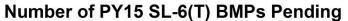
- Hampton Roads Phase I MS4 permits
- Roll out the new Virginia Conservation Assistance Program (VCAP) for residential scale best management practices and associated tracking systems
- Complete development of fertilizer sales data tracking system
- Begin reissuance of Phase 2 MS4 general permit
- Begin reissuance of Construction General Permit

OTHER PROGRAMS

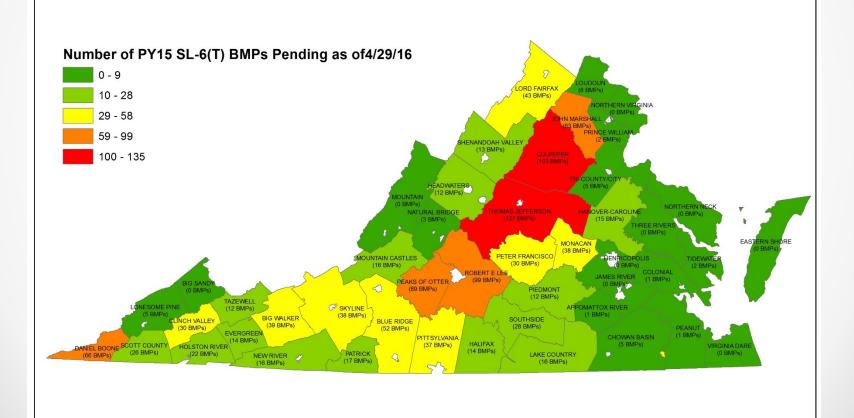
- Promulgate nonpoint source nutrient credit certification regulations
- Implement 1-meter resolution land cover data and implement
- Develop a strategy for engaging local governments in the final phase of restoration planning
- Verification program implementation

Status of Livestock Stream Exclusion

- As of April 29, 2016
- Approved (expended/obligated) \$60.6M
 - ChesBay \$36.2M
 - Includes \$3.4M from Bay Grants
 - Outside ChesBay/So. Rivers \$24.4M
- Benefits in Chesapeake Bay from \$24.8M in completed practices so far
 - ~2.9M linear feet of stream bank protected
 - ~35,000 animal units excluded



Includes SL-6 and SL-6T with status of Pending - SL-6 - Lack of Funding.



Reductions from SL-6 Initiative

- Estimated 2025 WIP benefit of \$63.2 M of SL-6 in Chesapeake Bay
- Gain 34% of the ag. Nitrogen gap
- Gain 13.6% of the ag. Sediment gap
- Plus considerable bacteria reductions to help local TMDLs

Total BMP Funding 1998-2015

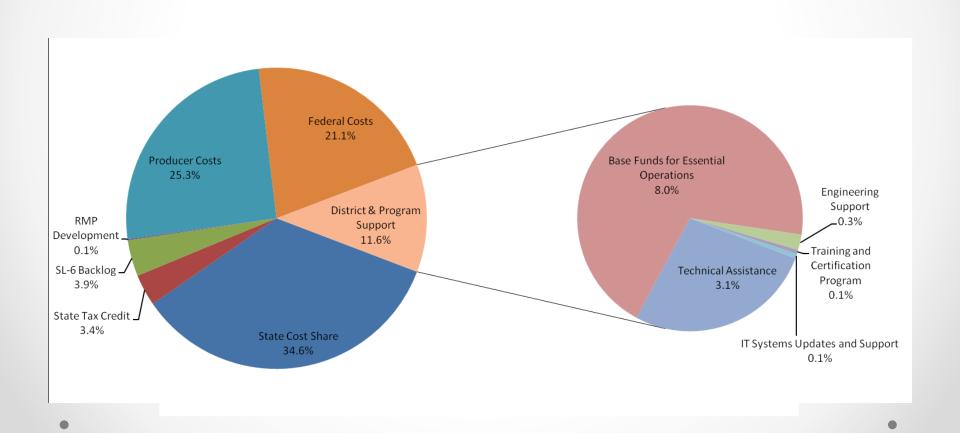
Actual BMP Cost	Paid	State Cost- Share Paid	Non-State Cost Share Paid	funding	Farmer Cost Before Tax Credit	Tax Credit Amount Issued
\$378,045,973	\$221,961,042	\$207,785,039	\$14,176,002	\$54,148,551	\$101,936,379	\$16,119,313

Agricultural Needs Assessment Process

- Calculated reduction benefit from SL-6
- Remaining 2025 reduction needs
- Evaluated projected funding needs
- Extended projections
- Made adjustments to funds needed as necessary

Agricultural BMP Needs Assessment

Estimate = \$1,740,118,697



POTW Funding

STATE TOTAL 1998-2017 = \$908,280,000 (matched 35% - 75% by treatment plant owners about 50% on average)

Stormwater

- SLAF Funding began in previous biennium
- MS4 authorized to use nutrient credits based on plans approved by DEQ, could allow for longer term upgrades to stormwater systems while meeting permit requirements
- Total Urban Stormwater needs unknown at this time.
 Likely on the scale of waste water expenditures
- "Chesapeake Bay Action Plans" required of MS4 permittees will refine understanding of proposed actions
- Working with localities to better refine and estimate costs

Added Emphasis on Local Capacity in the

2014 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement

"Continually increase the knowledge and capacity of local officials on issues related to water resources and in the implementation of economic and policy incentives that will support local conservation actions."

Management Strategy Elements include:

- Develop, enhance and expand training and leadership programs
- Increase peer to peer knowledge transfer for local officials
- 3. Improve transfer of knowledge to locals
- 4. Identify and improve key knowledge and information sources

Key Issues Moving Forward

- Conowingo Dam "dynamic equilibrium"
- Factoring Climate Change into the TMDL
- Expert Panels (16 now at work)
- The Phase 6 Model
- Verification
- Funding and innovations in financing
- Planning Targets and WIP III development including local planning goals

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