## CCMP Implementation Committee

Meeting Agenda & Notes

DATE & TIME: *17 Jun, 2019 9-11AM* LOCATION: CIB Conference Room *39375 Inlet Road Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971 Meeting called by: Chris Bason, Chair* 

## AGENDA ITEMS

- I. Call to order, Welcome and Introductions
- II. Meeting agenda review

III. Overview of CIB, Inland Bays, CCMP, and issues affecting the Bays

IV. Overview and discussion of purpose and objectives of Committee

The group discussed the importance of prioritizing legislative changes and thought that it should be included under the Objectives of the Committee.

Discussion surrounding the watershed nutrient loading model - is it necessary, how much will it cost, who would be responsible for maintaining? The watershed nutrient loading model would house the data we would use to track CCMP implementation and progress. Marianne updated the group on the work that the STAC Monitoring Subcommittee has been doing regarding models for the Inland Bays.

Bryan Jones with SCD brought up a concern about management practices being maintained after implementation. He finds that oftentimes the practices are not being maintained, so there is a question on who is responsible for that and how do we move forward to ensure we are seeing the benefits we want to see with these management practices.

Conversation about cover crop - harvest vs. burning and which is more beneficial? Could we incentivize harvesting cover crop for the nitrogen reduction benefits?

Discussion on nitrogen - many of the practices we implement are "nitrogen light" meaning that they do not remove significant sources of nitrogen. Particularly the DelDOT practices. The Committee should focus on advocating for practices that support nitrogen removal.

Group discussed the need to focus on the drainage system and the developed landscape because of the different pollutants that come from each landscape. Tax ditches are connected to the developed landscape, so it should be a priority to work on projects that link to the tax ditches.

DelDOT's potential role: Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) can be used as a funding source as long as there is a link to transportation. Long queue of applications so would have to get something in quickly. Could be used for green infrastructure projects.

It was noted that there is a lack of focus on heavy metals entering the Bays. They are the "unknown, unknown" but some of the water bodies on the 305b list are flagged for heavy metals.



Other partners who should be invited to participate on Committee: The Nature Conservancy - unsure who the DE rep is Open Space Council - John Schroeder Delaware Pesticides - contact? Ag Extension - Corey Whaley or Amy Shober University of DE - Jules Brock Developers? Home Builder Associations Consultants?

- V. Committee expectations
- VI. Schedule next meeting

Monday, August 19th

VII. Adjourn

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