

Choptank Tributary Team Meeting – Work Plan Summary – September 11, 2008

The Team discussed whether to work on Point Sources or Nonpoint Sources.
The team decided to focus on Nonpoint Sources:

- Septics
- Agricultural
- Stormwater
- Air Deposition

| Issue | Barrier/Opportunity | Team Action | Assignment |
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| <p>(New & old – pertains to both OSDS types) Get Maryland Environmental Health Reps to participate -more consistent participation on the county level from Environmental Health</p> | | <p>-Invite Jay Prager (MDE) and his counterpart at DHMH to give us an update on implementation of denitrification systems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Common standards • Best practices • Enforcement <p>-Also invite county environmental health reps to Trib Teams to update us</p> | <p>- Bill Wolinski will invite Jay Prager of MDE to 11//08 mtg - Bill W will be Talbot point person for issues - Allison Dungan will be Caroline point person - Fil Morrison & Gene Slear will draft the criteria we're seeking</p> |
| <p>(New & old) Process is underway to improve management of OSDS e.g. Talbot County program -Septic utility</p> | <p>Don't want to inadvertently promote sprawl-type growth</p> | <p>Incorporate into the larger conversation</p> | |
| <p>Better fund sanitarian positions</p> | <p>Adequate funding</p> | | <p>Lobby for additional funding to help Counties hire personnel that can enforce existing septic management requirements</p> |
| <p>(New) All new systems should have denitrifying technology</p> | | | <p>-Identify all septic systems in the watershed</p> |
| <p>(Old) Property transfer should force upgrade to denitrifying systems</p> | | | |
| <p>(New & old) Standardize rules from DHMH regarding septic performance and permitting</p> | | | <p>Get copies of county standards and determine which are the best - Research existing County</p> |

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| | | | <p>standards throughout the watershed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Develop a model standard - Recommend to Counties |
| <p>(Old) Consistent Enforcement of Health regulations to eliminate failed systems that are already under a State Consent Order</p> | | | |
| <p>Recruit strategy for the Team to deal with Nonpoint Sources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Eastern Shore Land Conservancy - Environmental Health Representative - Transportation Representative | | | |