



Chesapeake Bay Large Scale
Watershed Implementation Plans
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Outline – Chesapeake Bay Large-Scale Watershed Implementation

- Chesapeake Bay and TMDL
- Impacts on Large Scale Watershed Imp Plans
- TMDL Driven Subwatershed Restoration Plans
- Management Approach
- Q&A

Chesapeake Bay

Largest Estuary in the US

- Watershed reaches Six States
- 64,000 SQM watershed
- 30 x 200 Miles
- Bay and Tribs. 4500 SQM
- 12 Miles of Shoreline
- Two Major Ports



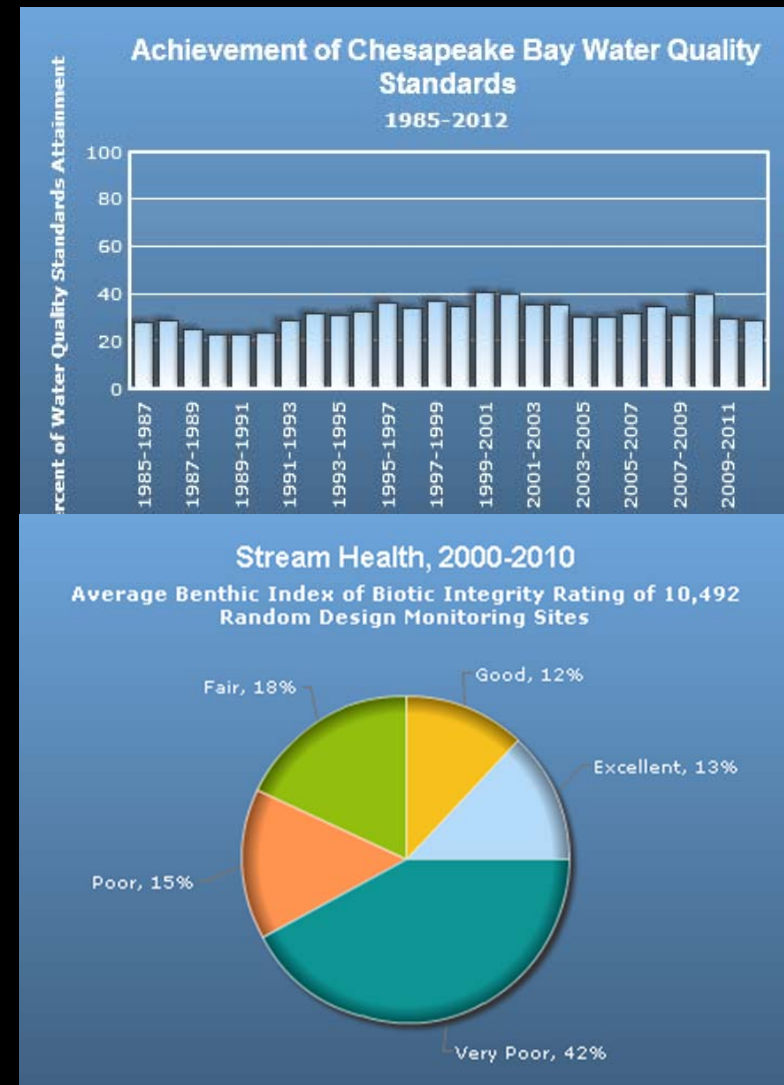
Why is the Chesapeake Bay Important to MD and VA

- 500M lbs. of Seafood Harvested in MD and VA each year
- \$3.39 Billion in Sales
- \$900M Income
- 34000 Local Jobs



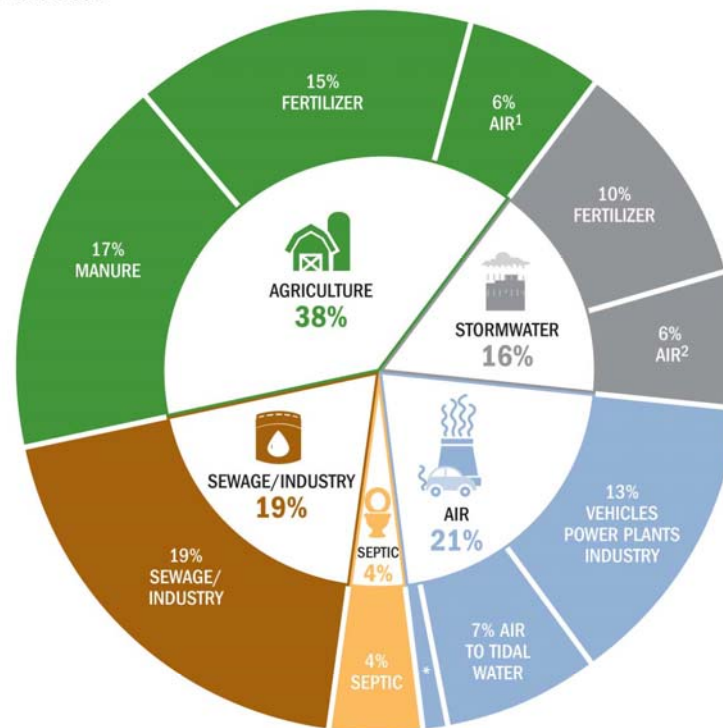
Health of the Chesapeake Bay

- Limited attainment of water quality standards
- Parameters:
 - Dissolved oxygen
 - Water clarity
 - Chlorophyll a.
- 57% of streams rated poor to very poor



Bay Pollution Contributing Sectors

Nitrogen Pollution to the Chesapeake Bay By Sector



SOURCE: CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM

* 1% NATURAL AIR POLLUTION

¹ AGRICULTURAL EMISSIONS OF AIR POLLUTION

² ASSUMING THAT ROUGHLY 40% OF TOTAL STORMWATER NITROGEN COMES FROM THE AIR

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Chesapeake Bay TMDL

Chesapeake Bay TMDL

- Chesapeake Bay Foundation Law Suit
- 2010 Settlement
USEPA agreed to set rigorous goals for the amount of nutrients and sediment that can enter the Bay



What is a TMDL?

- Maximum amount of a pollutant that a body of water can receive while still meeting water quality standards

A TMDL is the pie, load allocations are the pieces of the pie.



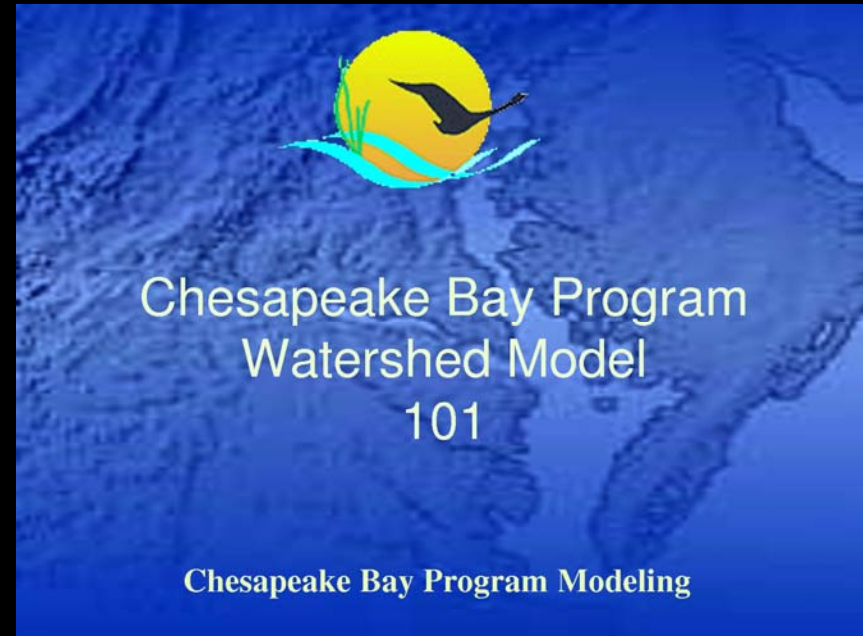
- $$\text{TMDL} = \text{WLA} + \text{LA} + \text{MOS}$$

Where:

- WLA = Point Source Wasteload Allocations
- LA = Nonpoint Load Allocations
- MOS = Margin of Safety

USEPA Chesapeake Bay TMDL Model

- Simulates scenarios, pollution loads and flow
- Predicts how various changes or pollution-reduction actions could affect the Bay ecosystem
- Withstood legal challenges so far



TMDL Pollutant Reduction Allocations

- Numerical reduction goals on the amount of nutrients and sediment
- Watershed Implementation Plans (WIP) by State and Counties
- Milestone and accountability framework

	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Sediment
Delaware	13.1%	12.3%	5.1%
District of Columbia	12.8%	21.9%	16%
Virginia	13%	21.5%	29.6%
West Virginia	NNI	NNI	NNI
Maryland	24.2%	28.2%	29.3%
Pennsylvania	41.1%	44.8%	50.4%

9.48 M
lbs/yr.



7.55 M
lbs/yr.

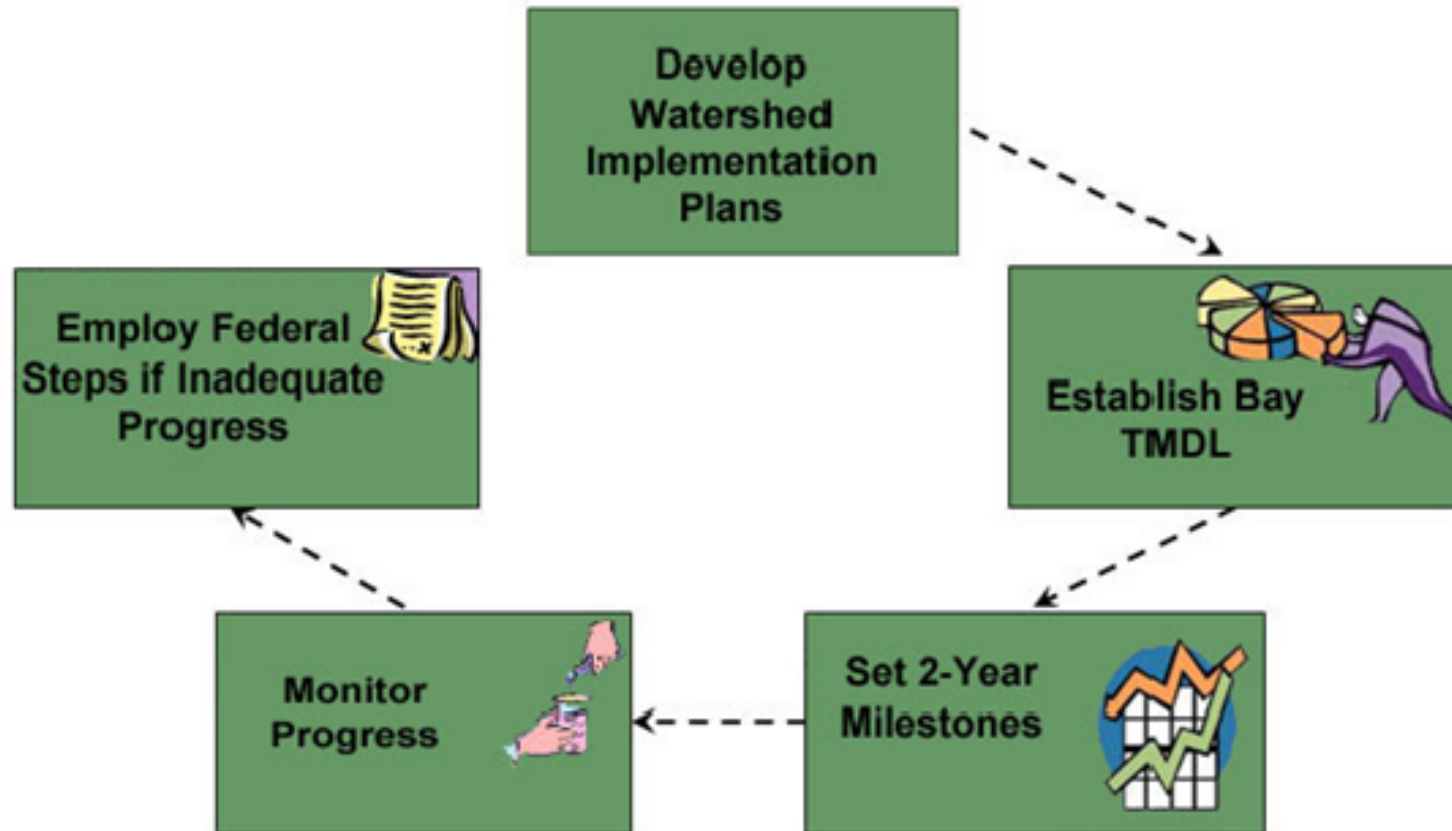
0.7 M
lbs./yr.



0.5 M
lbs/yr.

Tracking and Reporting Milestone

Ensuring Results



Impact of Large Scale WIP

New MS4/ NPDES and TMDL Regulatory Requirements

- MS4 NPDES Phase I Stormwater Permits - Retrofit of 30% of untreated impervious surface by 2017
- County-wide Load Reductions Restoration Plans
 - Structural &
 - Non Structural BMPs
- Tracking & Reporting Requirements



Prince George's County, MD

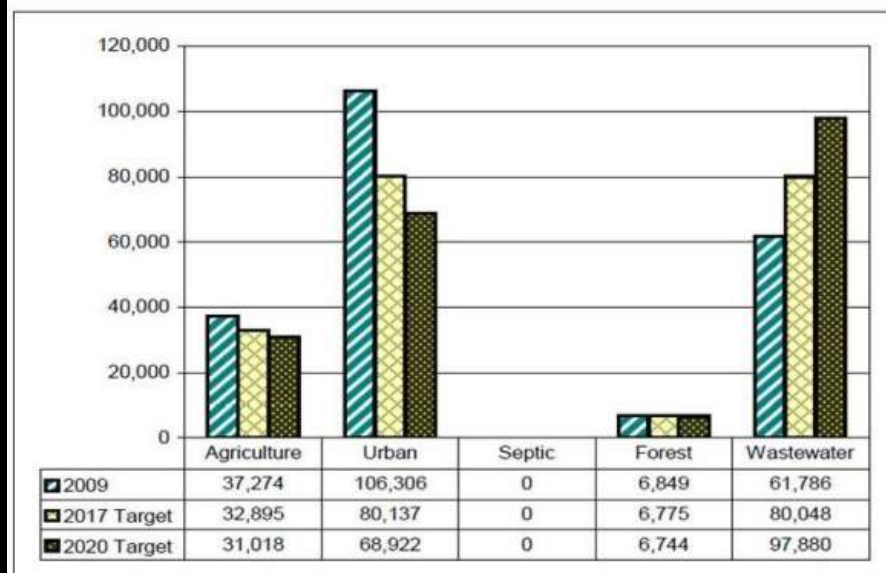
- Area: 500 SQ. Miles
- Population: 900K
- Major Watersheds:
 - Potomac
 - Anacostia River Trib.



Prince George's County's TMDL Implementation Plan

- Achieve 70% load reductions by 2017; 100% by 2025.
- Retrofit 7,109 acres of untreated impervious area
- Implementation Challenges
 - Program Cost
 - Implementation Capacity
 - Permitting

Figure 4: Prince George's County Phase II
Total Phosphorus 2017 and Final Target Loads by Sector

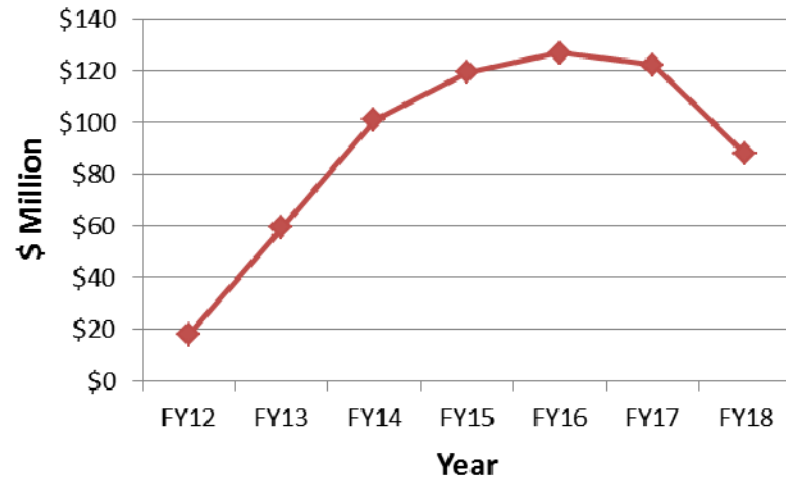


Prince George's County, MD WIP

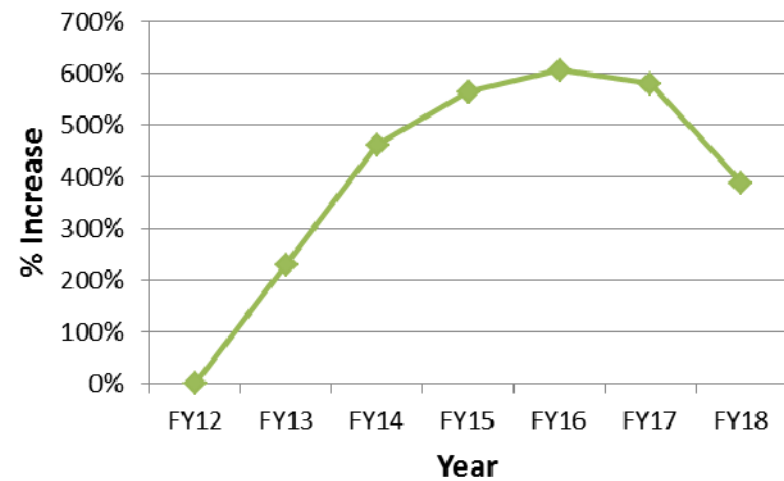
BMP Type	Impervious area (acres)	Estimated pervious area (acres)	Cost per Imp acre (\$/acre)	Estimated cost
County				
Bioretention area	305	1,728	\$100,000	\$30,500,000
Filtering practices	379	2,148	\$100,000	\$37,900,000
Infiltration practices	1,124	6,369	\$100,000	\$112,400,000
Filtration ponds	725	4,108	\$35,000	\$25,375,000
Wetland restoration	251	199	\$82,669	\$20,750,000
Stream restoration	645	3,655	\$55,764	\$35,968,000
Forest buffer	484	939	\$11,763	\$5,693,273
Pond retrofit	1,222	3,477	\$15,712	\$19,200,000
Urban nutrient management	1,000	11,108	Minimal	\$100,000
Impervious disconnect	975	0	\$30,000	\$29,235,000
Sum for County	7,109	33,732	\$44,610	\$317,121,273
Target (30% Untreated Impervious Areas)	7,109			

CIP Build Up, Prince George's County, MD

DER CIP Ramp Up in \$

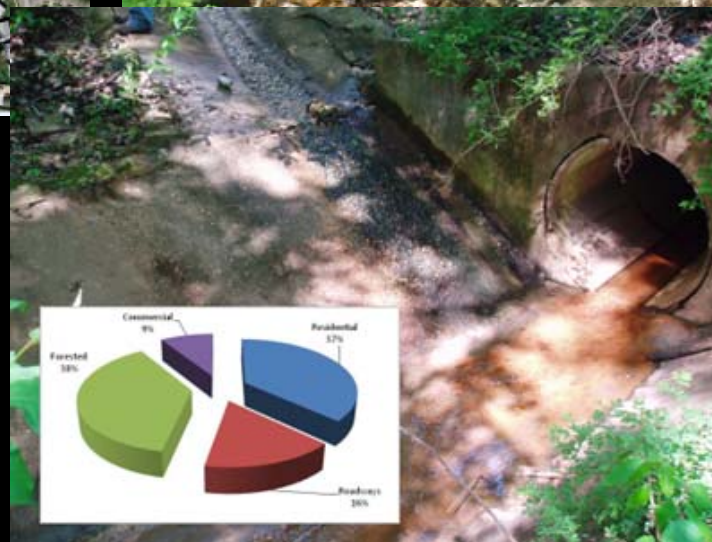


DER CIP Ramp Up in %



Subwatershed Restoration Plans

Subwatershed Restoration Plans, Anacostia River

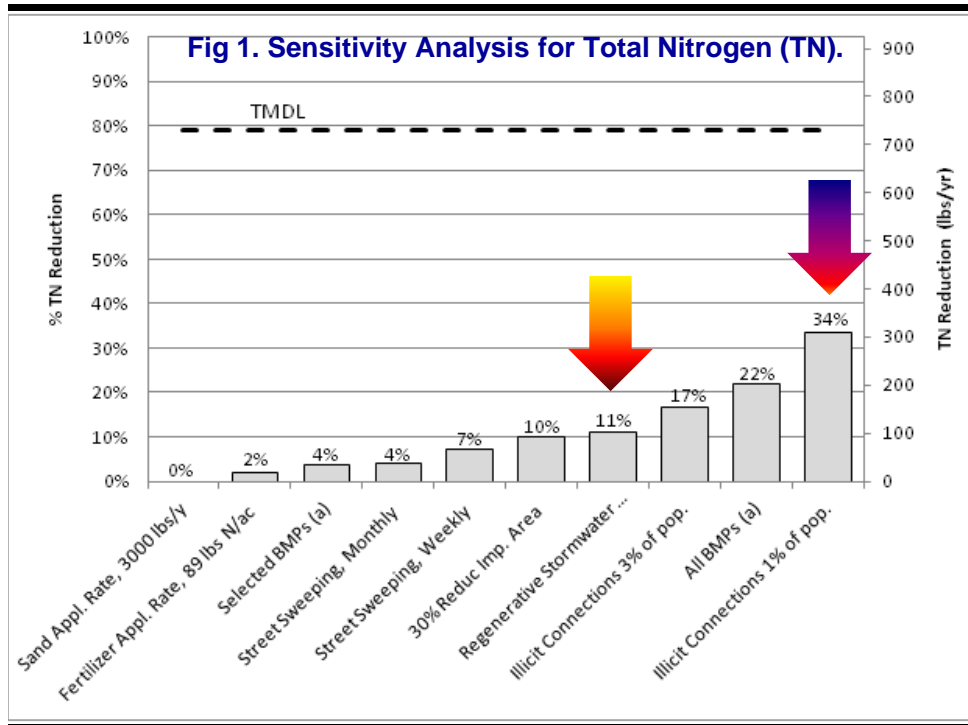


Beaverdam Creek, Anacostia River

BMP #	Description	Type	Modeled As
CI-1	Tree planting area	Non-structural	Increase in forested area
64S-1	Rooftop disconnection	Non-structural	Rooftop disconnection
	Rain barrels	Non-structural	Rain tanks & cisterns
CA-4	Trash removal	Non-structural	Not modeled
CCX-2	Curb removal	Non-structural	sheetflow to open space
	Tree boxes	Non-structural	Other ¹
CCX-3	Trash removal	Non-structural	Not modeled
CCX-4	Rooftop disconnection	Non-structural	Rooftop disconnection
	Rain barrels	Non-structural	Rain tanks & cisterns
CCX-5	Tree planting area	Non-structural	Increase in forested area
TH-1	Curb removal	Non-structural	sheetflow to open space
TH-2	Curb removal	Non-structural	sheetflow to open space
	Tree boxes	Non-structural	Other ¹
US-1	Rooftop disconnection	Non-structural	Rooftop disconnection
	Rain barrels	Non-structural	Rain tanks & cisterns
US-2	Tree planting area	Non-structural	Increase in forested area
	Curb & gutter removal	Non-structural	Sheetflow to open space
BK-1	Tree planting area	Non-structural	Increase in forested area
BK-2	Flow diversion	Non-structural	Not modeled
BK-3	Bioretention	Structural	Bioretention
ER-1	Bioretention	Structural	Bioretention
CCX-1	Bioretention	Structural	Bioretention
CC-1	Infiltration trench	Structural	Infiltration practices

Proposed BMP Type	
Tier I Non-structural: Rooftop disconnection Tree planting area Curb removal Rain barrels Tree boxes	Tier II Structural: Infiltration berm/trench Bioretention SWM facility retrofit
Preliminary cost estimate: Roughly \$3000 Source: N/A	
Proposed BMP Site Information	
Location in watershed: <input type="checkbox"/> Riparian <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upland	
Site land ownership: <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Name: Townhomes off Pogonia Ct by Address: various	
BMP site area: about 50 feet	
Proposed BMP Impacts	
Potential impacts to tree cover/vegetation? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Potential impacts to wetlands? <input type="checkbox"/> None <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Slight	
If applicable, distance to nearest wetland: 20 feet	
Potential impacts to utilities? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
If applicable, describe:	
Other impacts? Potential impact to parking for townhomes	
Estimated Benefits of Proposed BMP	
Water Quality Benefits:	
Variable	Source: N/A
Drainage area treated: Approx. 0.5 acres	
Impervious cover in drainage area: 100%	
BMP Risks and Maintenance	
Potential risks of proposed BMP? none	
Describe maintenance needed: none	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Light maintenance <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate maintenance <input type="checkbox"/> Lots of maintenance	

- BMP Inventory Criteria:
 - BMP Opportunity Sites
 - Right-of-Way/Ownership
 - Construction Access
 - Drainage Area
 - Outfalls



- Ranking Factors:
 - Type of BMP
 - Pollutant Addressed
 - Pollutants Reduced
 - Impervious Area Treated
 - Cost

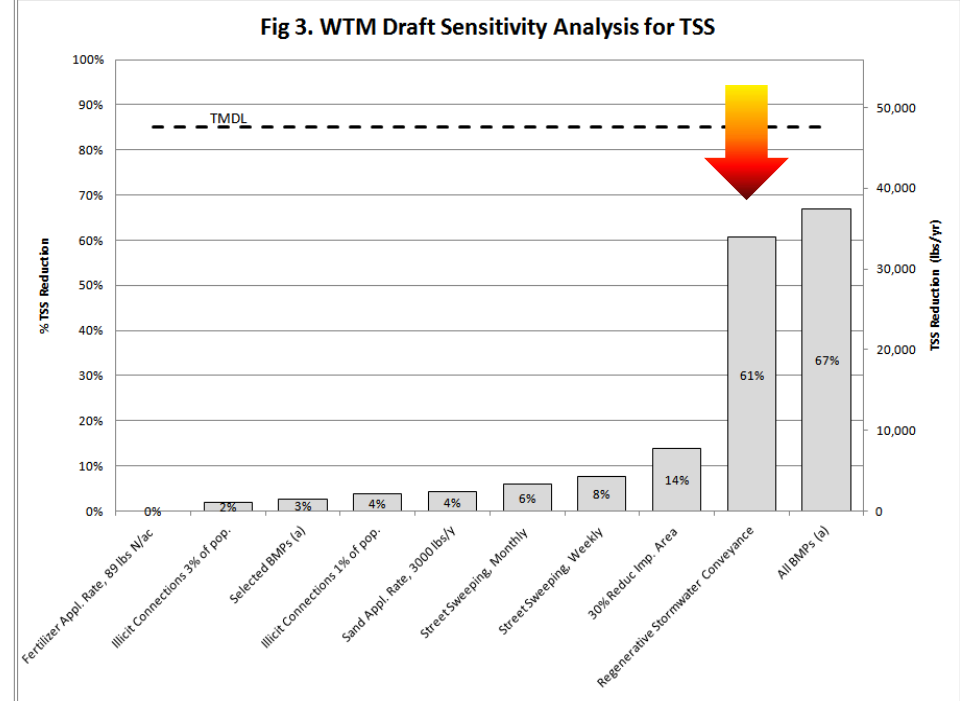
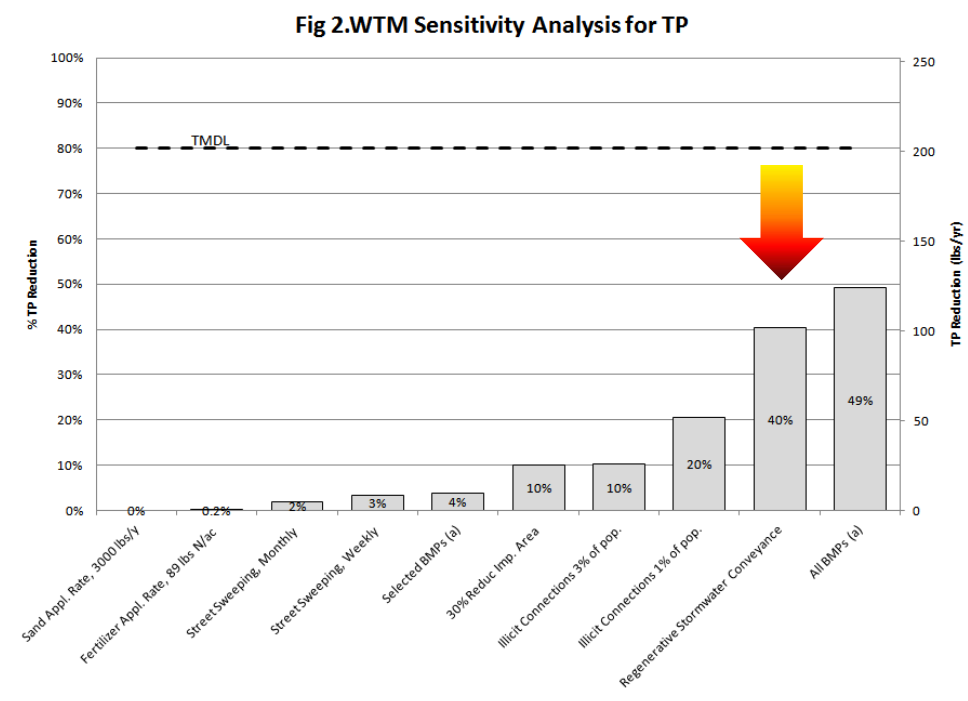
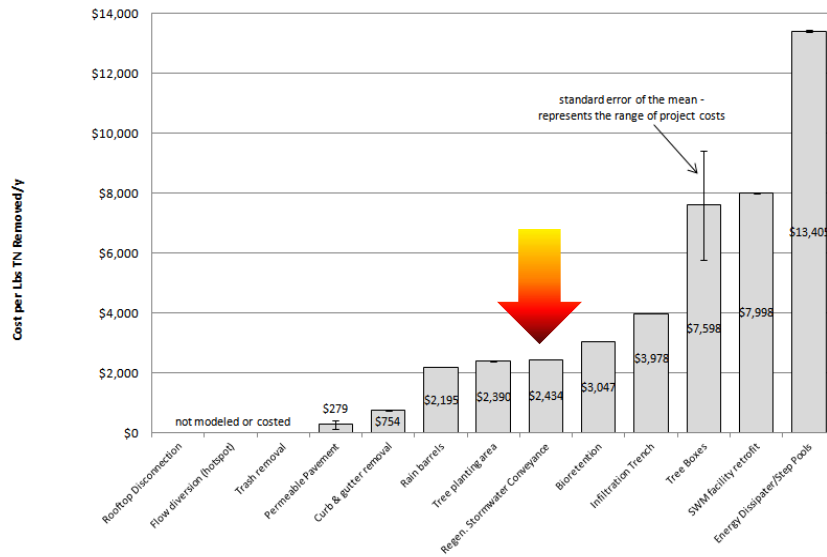


Fig 4. Cost Benefit Analysis for TN



- Benefit/Cost Analysis
- Site Conditions
- Type of Pollutants

Fig 5. Cost Benefit Analysis for TP

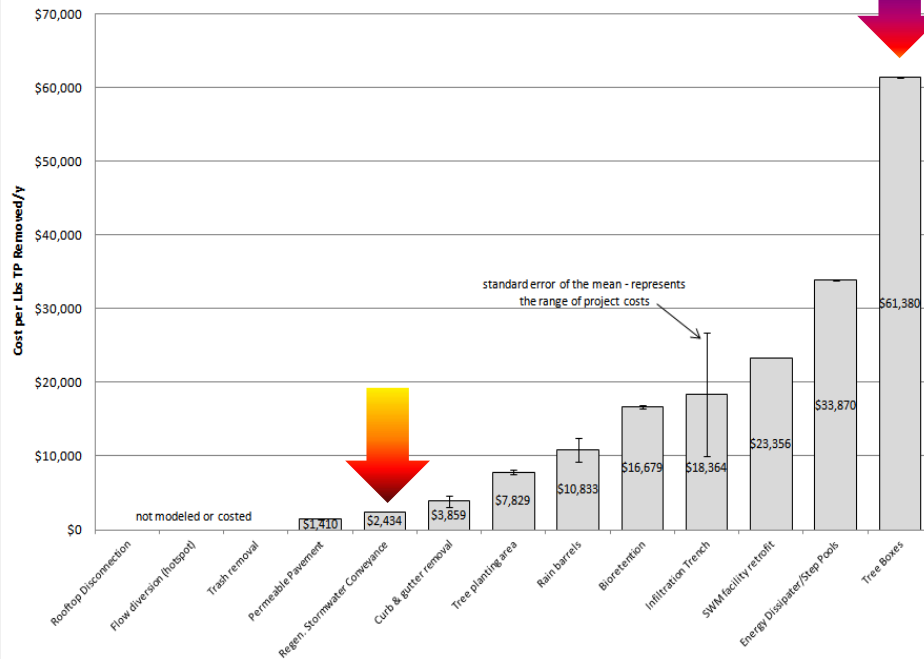
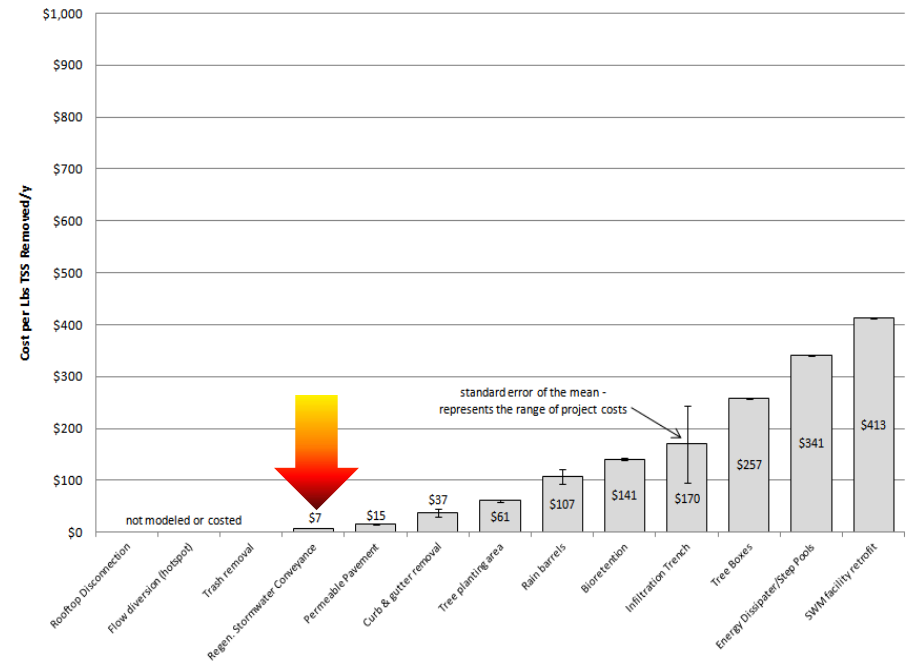
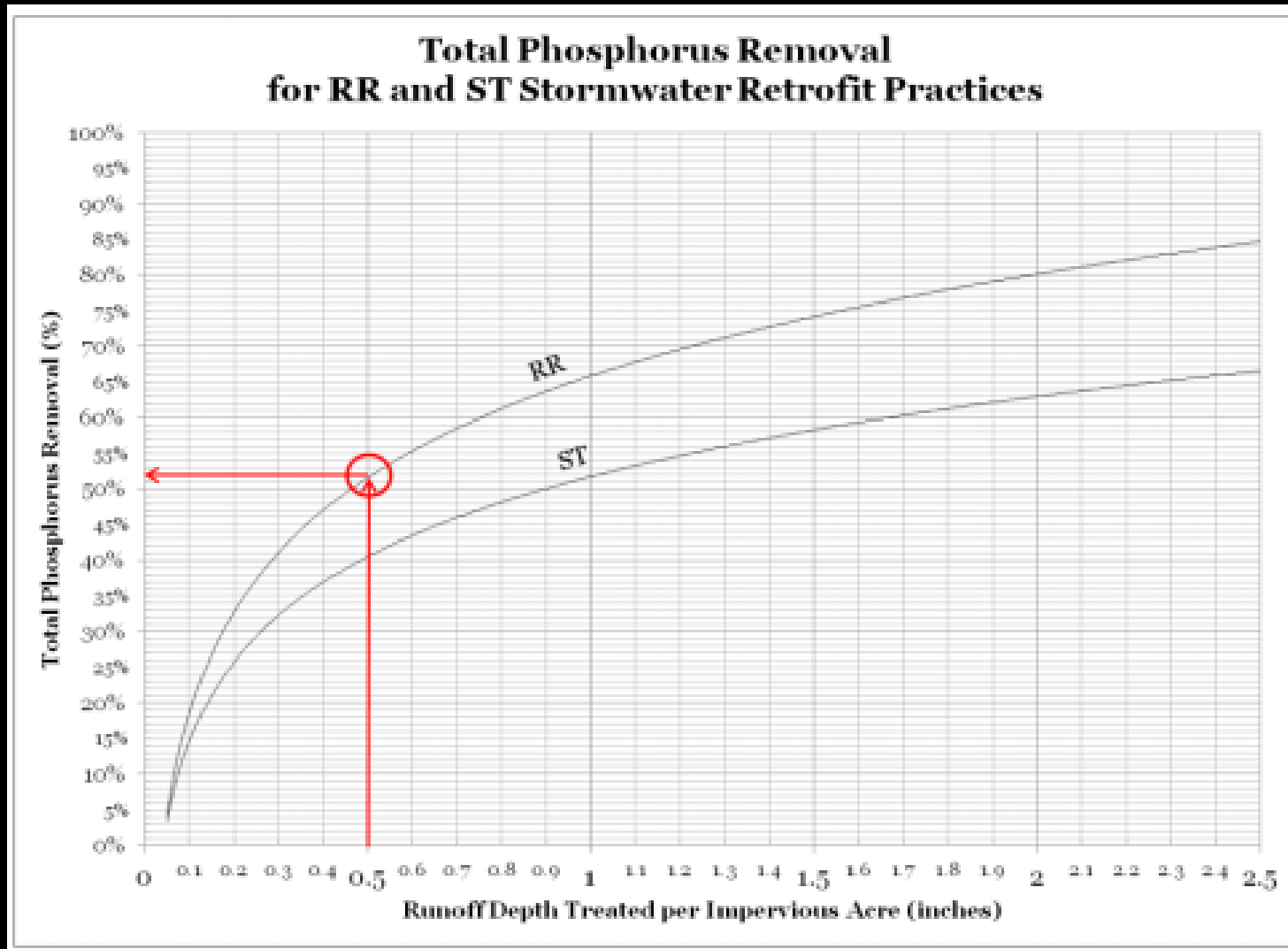


Fig 6. Cost Benefit Analysis for TSS



BMP Efficiency



Source: http://www.chesapeakebay.net/groups/group/urban_stormwater_workgroup

BMP Effectiveness

	TSS	TKN	Nitrate	TP	Total Zinc	Fecal Coliform
Sand Filters:						
Austin Sand Filter	High	Medium	Low	Medium	Medium	Medium
Delaware Sand Filter	High	Medium	Low	Medium	High	High
Extended Detention Basin	Medium	Low	Low	Medium	High	Low
Wet Basin	High	Low	Medium	Low	High	High
Infiltration Basin	High	High	High	High	High	High
Infiltration Trenches	High	High	High	High	High	High
Vegetated Swales	Low	Medium	Low	Low	High	Low
Vegetated Buffer Strips	Medium	Low	Low	Low	High	Varied

Source: BMPs for TMDL, Abbasi & Koskelo, NCHRP 2012

Maryland BMP Cost Data

BMP Type	Lo	Hi	Lo	Hi
	x 1000 per Imp Ac		per gallon	
Traditional	\$ 15	\$ 70	\$ 0.55	\$ 2.58
ESD	\$ 50	\$ 300	\$ 1.84	\$ 11.04

Source: Cost of Stormwater Management Practices
In Maryland Counties, MD Dept. of Environment (King and Hagan, 2011)

Management Approach

County Wide TMDL Implementation Plans

PROJECT: Frederick County, MD MS4 NPDES Program Support

- MS4 Permit Requirements
 - Watershed Assessment Plans
 - TMDL Implementation Plans
 - CIP Planning and Prioritization
 - GIS Data Management
 - BMP Optimization
 - Milestone Schedules



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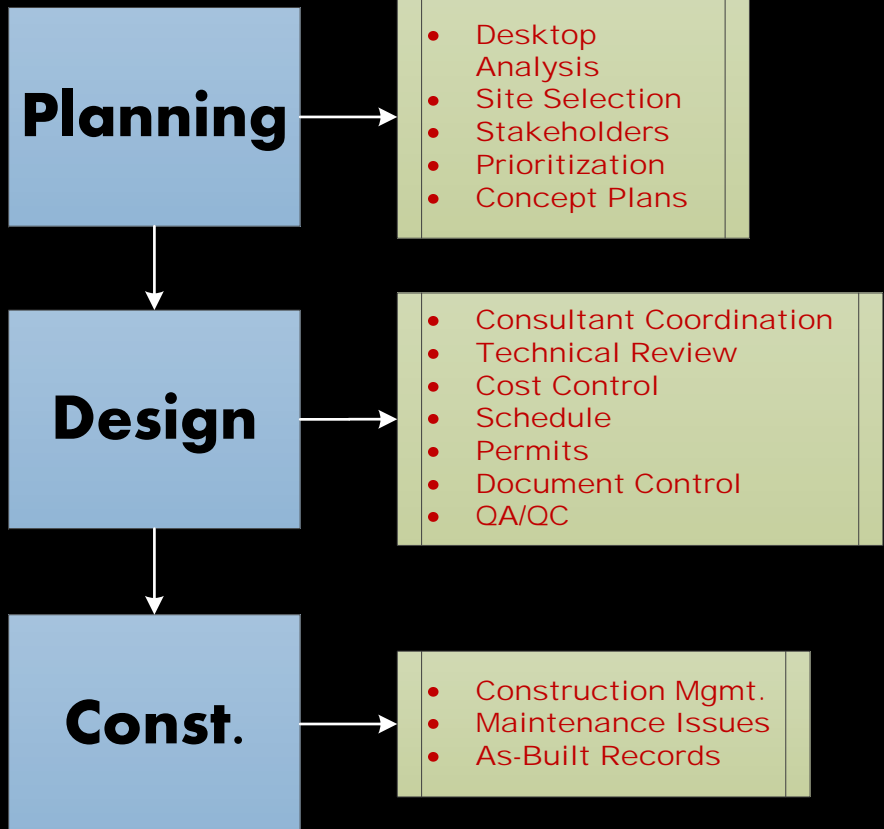
PROJECT: Dept. of Environment, Prince George's County, MD

- 30% imp. Area ~ 7,000 acres
- \$300 Million Program

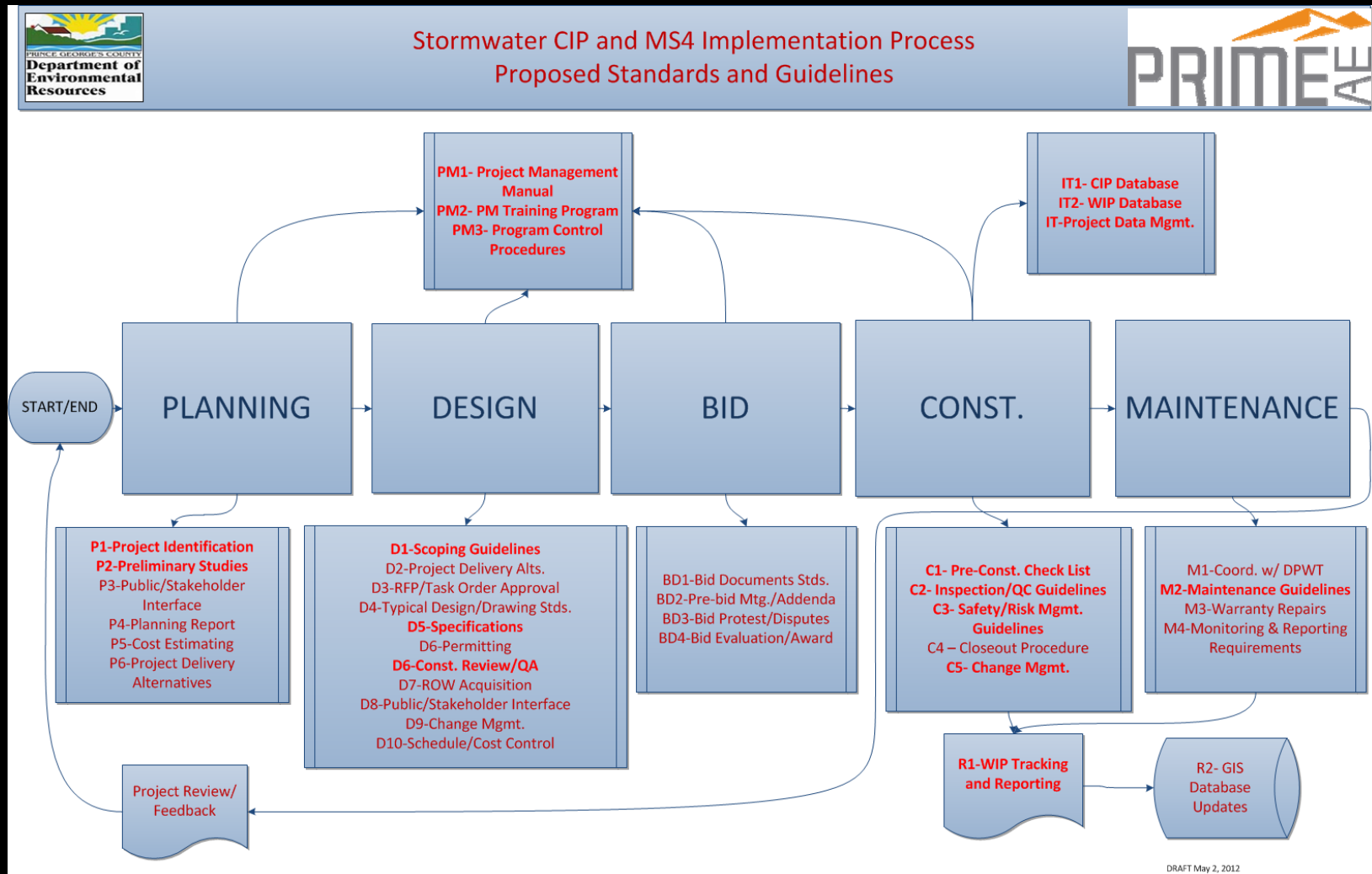


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PROJECT: Stakeholder Partnerships, Prince George's County, MD

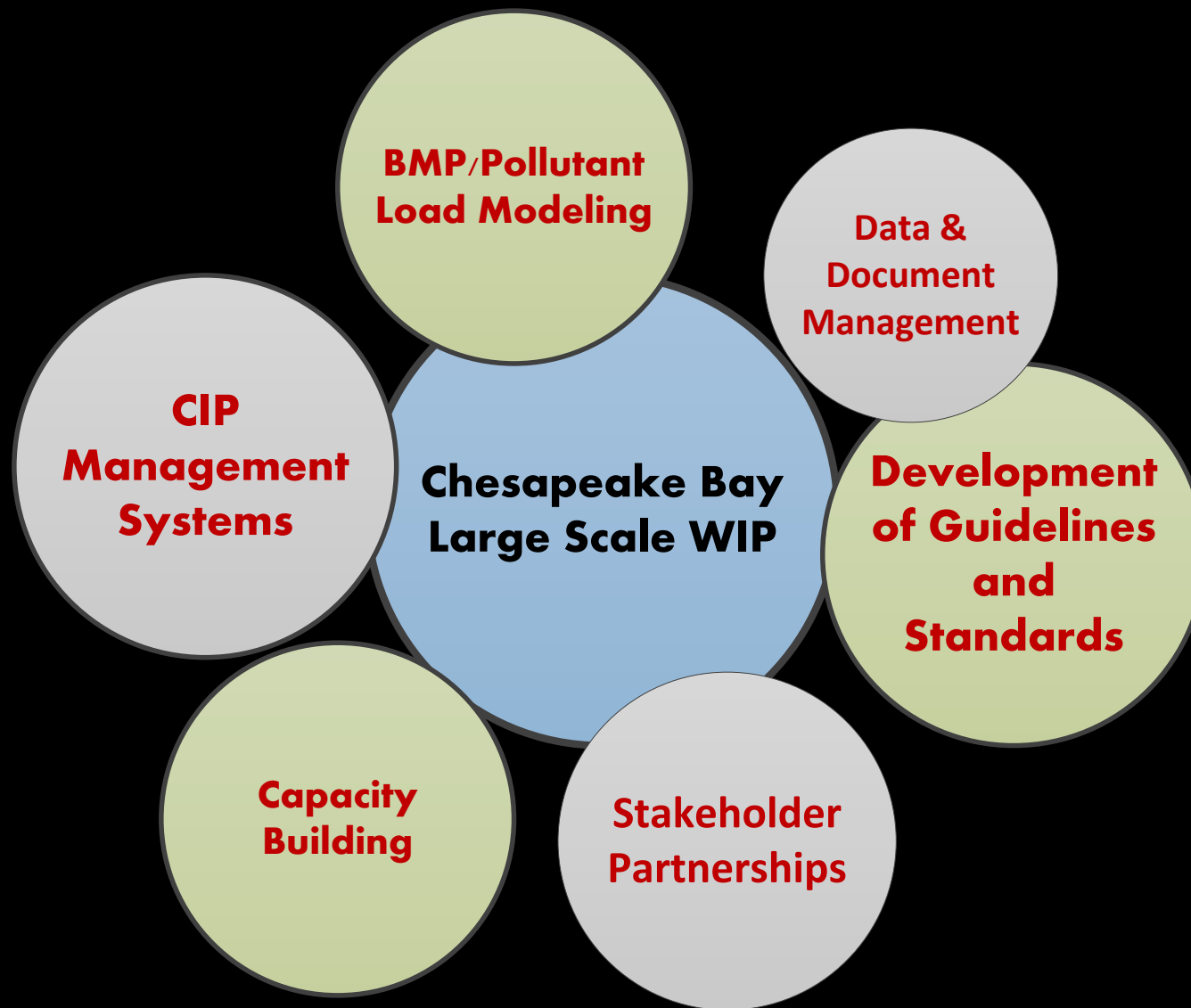


Project Management Standards and Guidelines



Summary

Large Scale Watershed Implementation



Large Scale Watershed Implementation

- BMP Body of Knowledge
- Pollutant Modeling Tools
- GIS Data Management
- On Site PM Staff Augmentation
- Development of PM SOPs
- CIP Budget Forecasting
- Document Management
- Performance Tracking and Reporting



Summary

- MS4 NPDES Permits changing from voluntary approaches to specific numerical WLA targets
- Watershed implementation plan milestones
- Significant infrastructure expansion of storm water assets
- Paradigm shift in how jurisdictions develop, build and maintain storm water assets
- Innovation in technology and management approaches

Q&A

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