



Chesapeake Bay Science Fully Supports Accountable Market-Based Solutions

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Got Science?

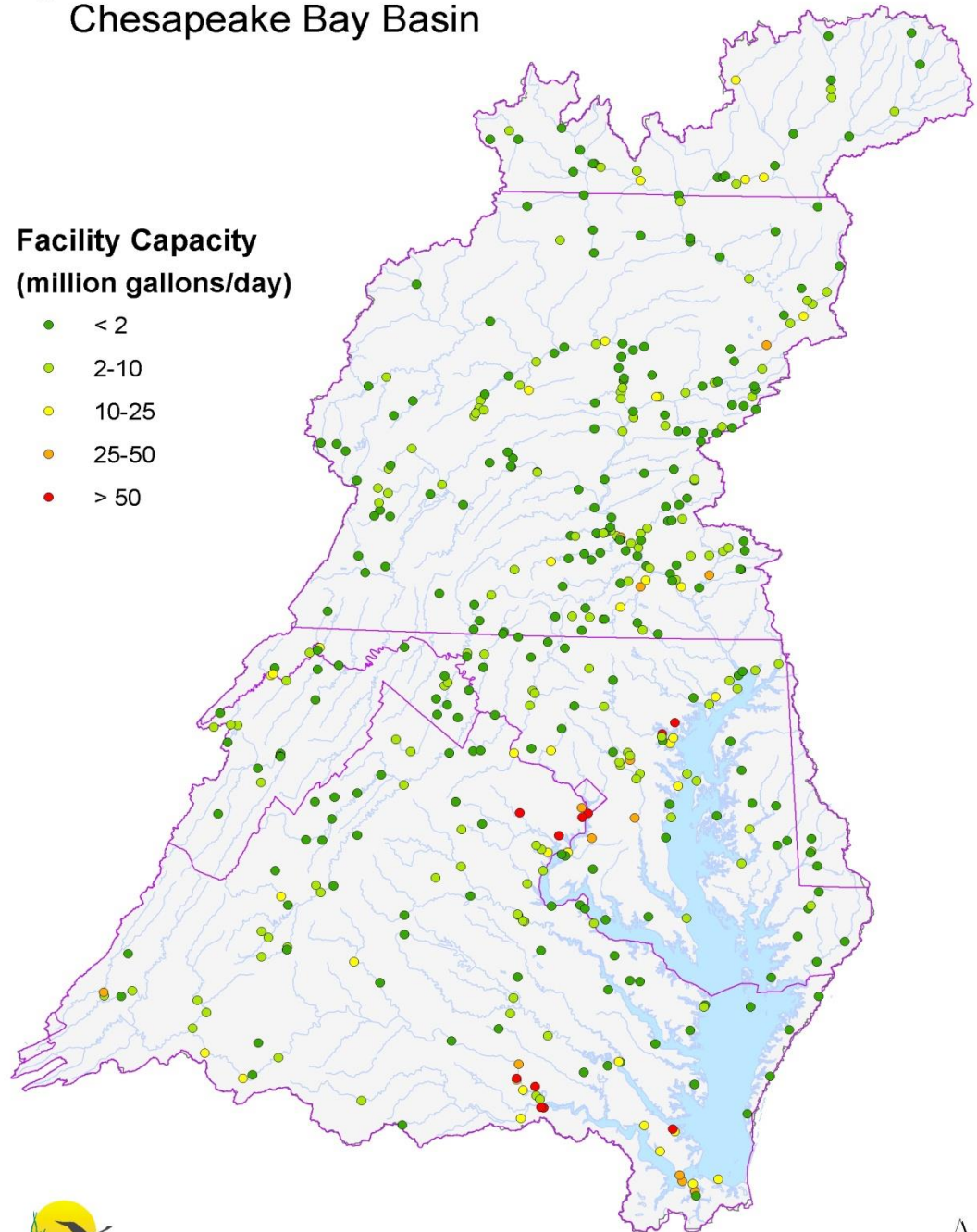
Key Science Elements Critical to Market-Based Solutions

- Sources, their location, loads
- Pollutant load reduction potential of practices
- Pollutant loads transportation to local waters and the Bay
- Relative influence of watershed loads on different tidal waters

Sources of Nutrient and Sediment Pollutants are Known

- 468 significant municipal and industrial wastewater facilities
- 5,215 non-significant municipal and industrial watershed facilities
- Each with measured or estimated loads at point of discharge and loads delivered to Bay tidal waters

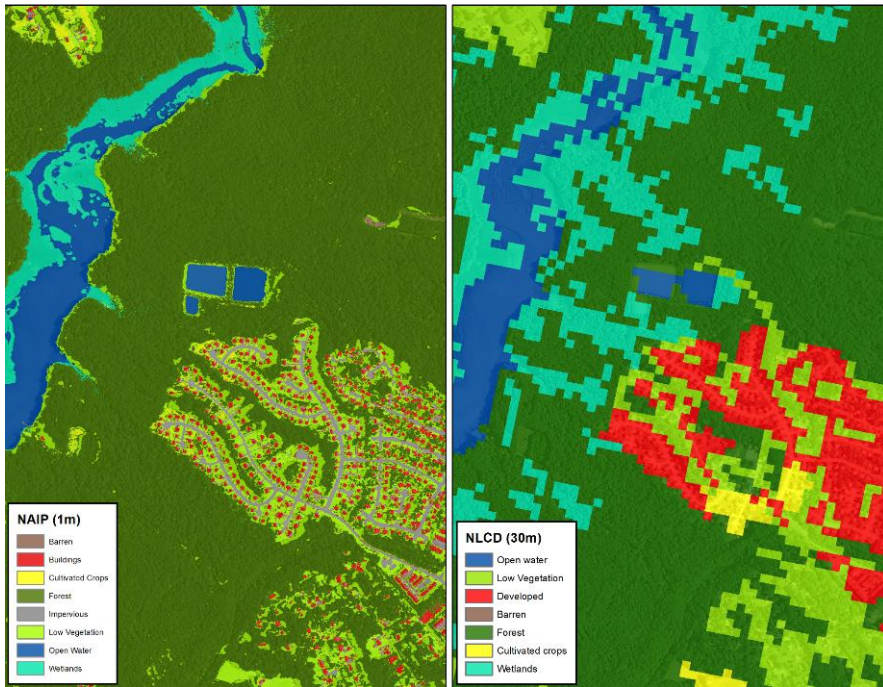
Significant Point Sources in the Chesapeake Bay Basin



High Resolution Land Cover Imagery is Changing How We View our Watershed...

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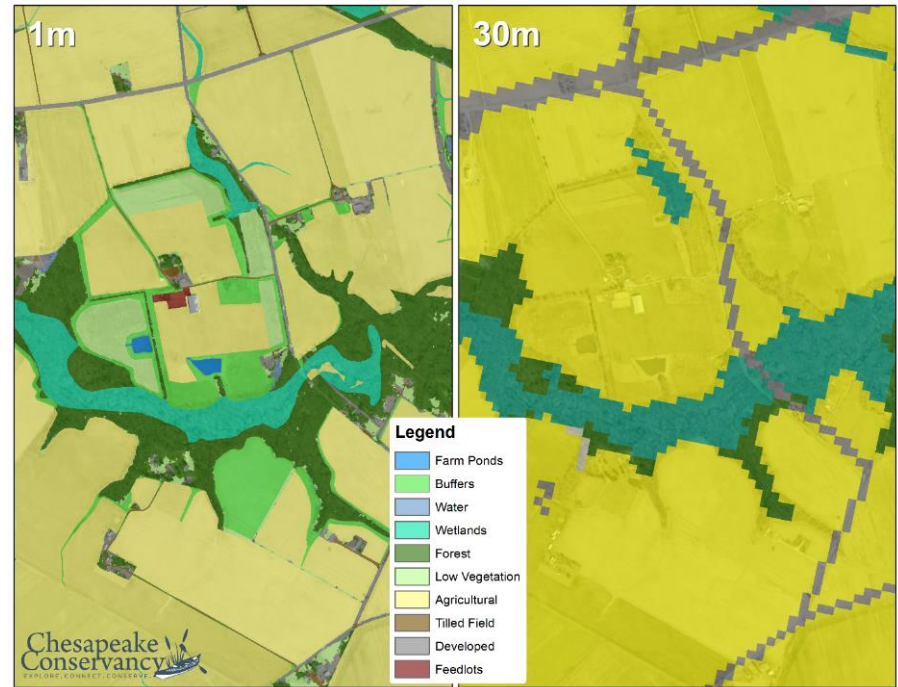
30 Meter



Urban/Suburban
Lands

1 Meter

30 Meter



Rural Lands

...and Greatly Improving Our Understanding of
the Location and Extent of Pollutant Sources

Partnership Has Approved 100's of BMPs

Alternative Crops	Land Retirement to pasture (HEL)	Abandoned Mine Reclamation	Permeable Pavement w/o Sand, Veg. - C/D soils, underdrain
Animal Waste Management System	Loafing Lot Management	Bioretention/raingardens - A/B soils, no underdrain	Shoreline Erosion Control
Barnyard Runoff Control	Manure Transport	Bioretention/raingardens - A/B soils, underdrain	Stormwater Management by Era 1985 to 2002 MD
Biofilters	Mortality Composters	Bioretention/raingardens - C/D soils, underdrain	Stormwater Management by Era 2002 to 2010 MD
Conservation Tillage - Additional Acres	Non Urban Stream Restoration		Street Sweeping 25 times a year-acres (formerly called Street Sweeping Mechanical Monthly)
Conservation Tillage - Total Acres	Off Stream Watering Without Fencing		
Continuous No Till	Poultry Litter Treatment (alum, for example)		
Continuous, High Residue, Minimum Soil Disturbance Tillage Management	Poultry Phytase	Bioswale	
Cover Crops (A LOT!)	Precision Intensive Rotational Grazing	Dirt & Gravel Road Erosion & Sediment Control - Driving Surface Aggregate + Raising the Roadbed	Street Sweeping 25 times a year-lbs
Dairy Precision Feeding and/or Forage Management	Prescribed Grazing	Dirt & Gravel Road Erosion & Sediment Control - Outlets only	Street Sweeping Pounds
Decision Agriculture Efficiency Version	Shoreline Erosion Control	Dirt & Gravel Road Erosion & Sediment Control - with Outlets	Urban Filtering Practices
Dirt & Gravel Road Erosion & Sediment Control - Driving Surface Aggregate + Raising the Roadbed	Soil Conservation and Water Quality Plans	Dry Detention Ponds and Hydrodynamic Structures	Urban Forest Buffers
Dirt & Gravel Road Erosion & Sediment Control - Outlets only	Stream Access Control with Fencing	Dry Extended Detention Ponds	Urban Grass Buffers
Dirt & Gravel Road Erosion & Sediment Control - with Outlets	Streamside Forest Buffers	Erosion and Sediment Control Level 1	Urban Growth Reduction
Enhanced Nutrient Application Management Efficiency Version	Streamside Grass Buffers	Erosion and Sediment Control Level 2	Urban Infiltration Practices w/ Sand, Veg. - A/B soils, no underdrain
Forest Buffers	Streamside Wetland Restoration	Erosion and Sediment Control Level 3	Urban Infiltration Practices w/o Sand, Veg. - A/B soils, no underdrain
Grass Buffers; Vegetated Open Channel – Agriculture	Tier 1 Crop Group Nutrient Application Management Efficiency Version	Forest Conservation	Urban Nutrient Management Plan
Horse Pasture Management	Tree Planting	Impervious Urban Surface Reduction	Urban Nutrient Management Plan High Risk Lawn
Lagoon Covers	Water Control Structures	MS4 Permit-Required Stormwater Retrofit	Urban Nutrient Management Plan Low Risk Lawn
Land Retirement to hay without nutrients (HEL)	Wetland Restoration	Permeable Pavement w/ Sand, Veg. - A/B soils, no underdrain	Urban Stream Restoration
		Permeable Pavement w/ Sand, Veg. - A/B soils, underdrain	Urban Tree Planting; Urban Tree Canopy
Dirt & Gravel Road Erosion & Sediment Control - Driving Surface Aggregate + Raising the Roadbed		Permeable Pavement w/ Sand, Veg. - C/D soils, underdrain	Vegetated Open Channels - A/B soils, no underdrain
Dirt & Gravel Road Erosion & Sediment Control - Outlets only		Permeable Pavement w/o Sand, Veg. - A/B soils, no underdrain	Vegetated Open Channels - C/D soils, no underdrain
Dirt & Gravel Road Erosion & Sediment Control - with Outlets		Permeable Pavement w/o Sand, Veg. - A/B soils, underdrain	Wet Ponds and Wetlands
Forest Harvesting Practices			
Non Urban Stream Restoration			
Shoreline Erosion Control			
Septic Connection			
Septic Denitrification			
Septic Pumping			

368 BMPs Available for Tracking, Verifying Reporting and Crediting by the Partners

State-Specific Practice Name for NEIEN Reporting	Bay Program Practice Name
Land Reclamation, Abandoned Mined Land	Abandoned Mine Reclamation
Advanced Grey Infrastructure Nutrient Discovery Program	Advanced Grey Infrastructure Nutrient Discovery Program
Alternative Crop/Switchgrass RI	Alternative Crops
Alternative Crops	Alternative Crops
Animal Waste Management Systems (All Types)	Animal Waste Management System
Dry Waste Storage Structure RI	Animal Waste Management System
Solid/Liquid Waste Separation Facility	Animal Waste Management System
Waste Control Facilities	Animal Waste Management System
Waste Control Facility	Animal Waste Management System
Waste Storage Facility	Animal Waste Management System
Waste Storage Pond	Animal Waste Management System
Waste Storage Structure	Animal Waste Management System
Waste Treatment - Beef	Animal Waste Management System
Waste Treatment - Dairy	Animal Waste Management System
Waste Treatment - Horse	Animal Waste Management System
Waste Treatment - Poultry	Animal Waste Management System
Waste Treatment - Swine	Animal Waste Management System
Waste Treatment - Turkey	Animal Waste Management System
Waste Treatment Lagoon	Animal Waste Management System
Animal Trails and Walkways	Barnyard Runoff Control
Barnyard Clean Water Diversion RI	Barnyard Runoff Control
Barnyard Runoff Controls	Barnyard Runoff Control
Barnyard Runoff Management	Barnyard Runoff Control
Roof runoff management	Barnyard Runoff Control
Roof Runoff Structure	Barnyard Runoff Control
Stormwater Runoff Control	Barnyard Runoff Control
Wastewater Treatment Strip	Barnyard Runoff Control
Bioretention	Bioretention/raingardens - A/B soils, no underdrain
Biofiltration	Bioretention/raingardens - A/B soils, underdrain

State-Specific Practice Name for NEIEN Reporting

Bay Program Practice Name

Green Parking Lot

Bioretention/raingardens - A/B soils, underdrain

Rain Garden

Bioretention/raingardens - A/B soils, underdrain

Green Roofs

Bioretention/raingardens - C/D soils, underdrain

Bioswale

Bioswale

Dry Swale

Bioswale

Commodity Cover Crop- Early

Commodity Cover Crop Early Other Wheat

Cover Crops - Harvestable

Commodity Cover Crop Early Other Wheat

Commodity Cover Crop- Standard

Commodity Cover Crop Standard Other Wheat

Harvestable Cover Crop

Commodity Cover Crop Standard Other Wheat

Conservation Tillage

Conservation Tillage - Additional Acres

Residue and Tillage Management, Mulch Till

Conservation Tillage - Additional Acres

Residue and Tillage Management, No-Till/Strip Till/Direct Seed

Conservation Tillage - Additional Acres

Residue and Tillage Management, Ridge Till

Conservation Tillage - Additional Acres

Residue Management -Direct Seed

Conservation Tillage - Additional Acres

Residue Management, Mulch Till

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Residue Management, No-Till/Strip Till

Conservation Tillage - Additional Acres

Residue Management, Ridge Till

Conservation Tillage - Additional Acres

Residue Management, Seasonal

Conservation Tillage - Additional Acres

High Residue Tillage Management

Continuous, High Residue, Minimum Soil Disturbance Tillage Management

Cover Crops- Early Planting

Cover Crop Early Arial Barley

Cover Crops - Early Planted Rye

Cover Crop Early Other Rye

Cover Crops - Early Planting

Cover Crop Early Other Wheat

Cover Crop

Cover Crop Late Other Wheat

Cover Crops - Wheat

Cover Crop Late Other Wheat

Plant an annual grass-type cover crop that will scavenge residual nitrogen

Cover Crop Late Other Wheat

Cover Crops - Rye

Cover Crop Late-Planting Other Rye

Cover Crops

Cover Crop Standard Other Barley

Cover Crops

Cover Crop Late Other Wheat

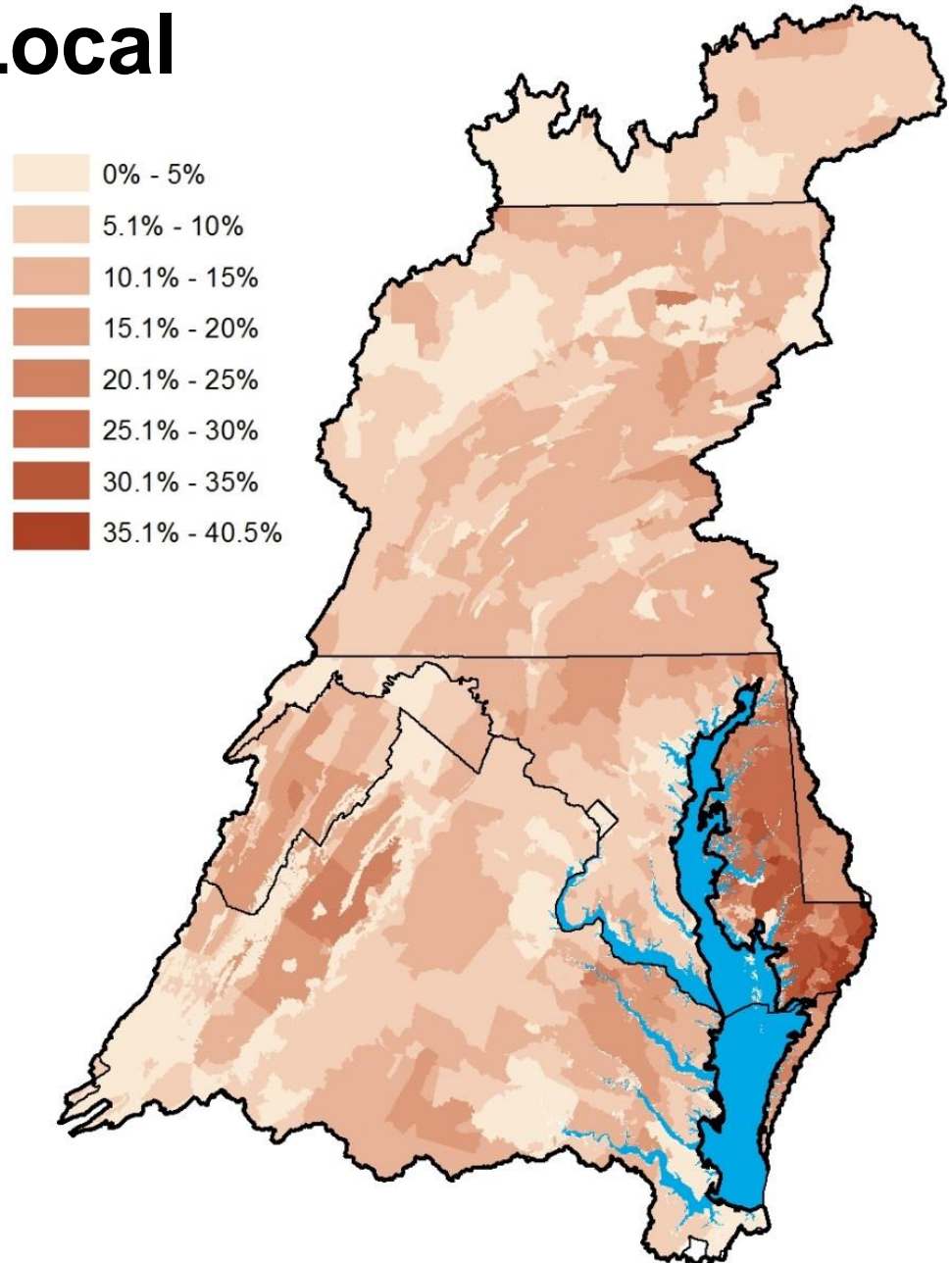
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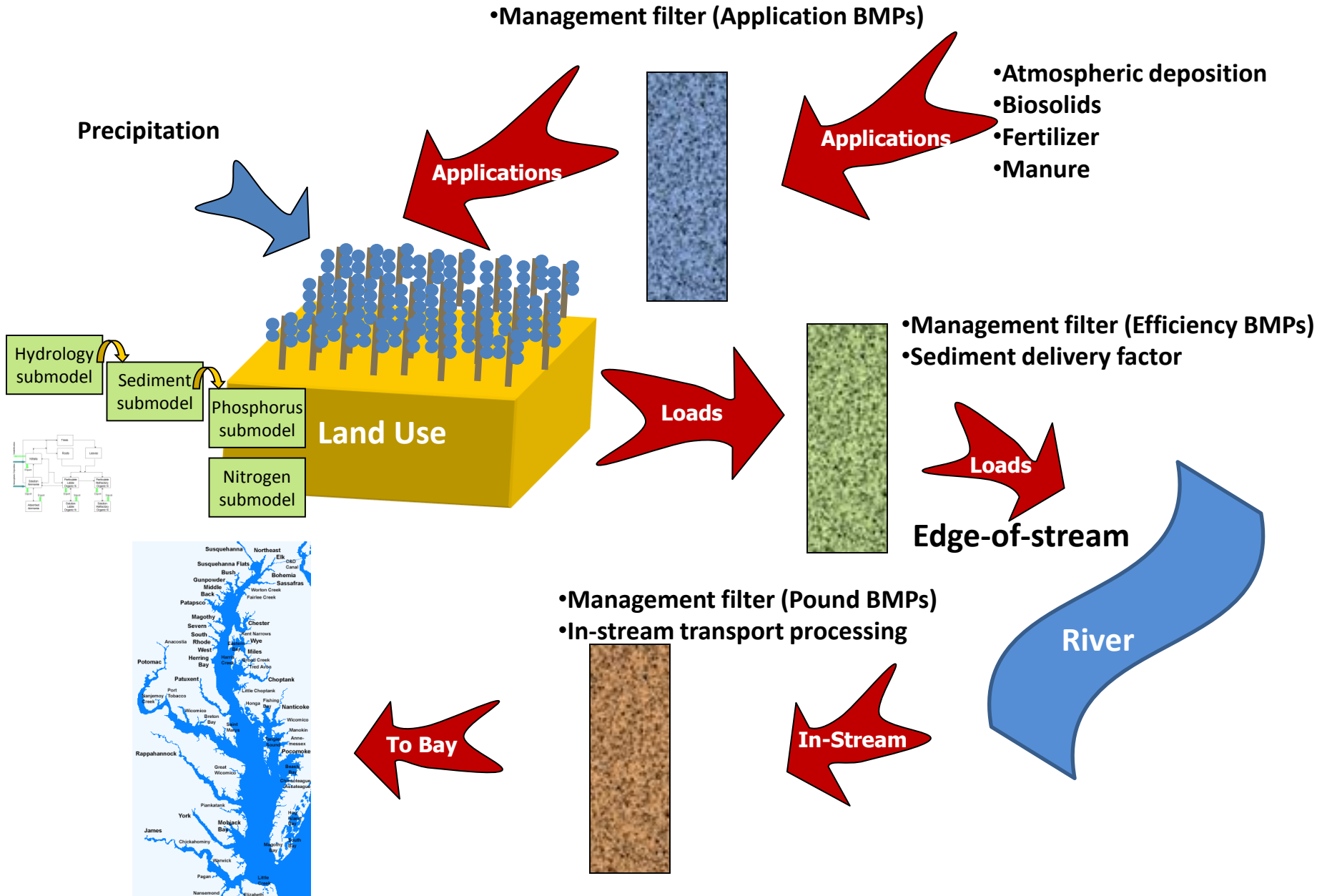
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We Have Tools to Transport Pollutant Loads to Local Streams...

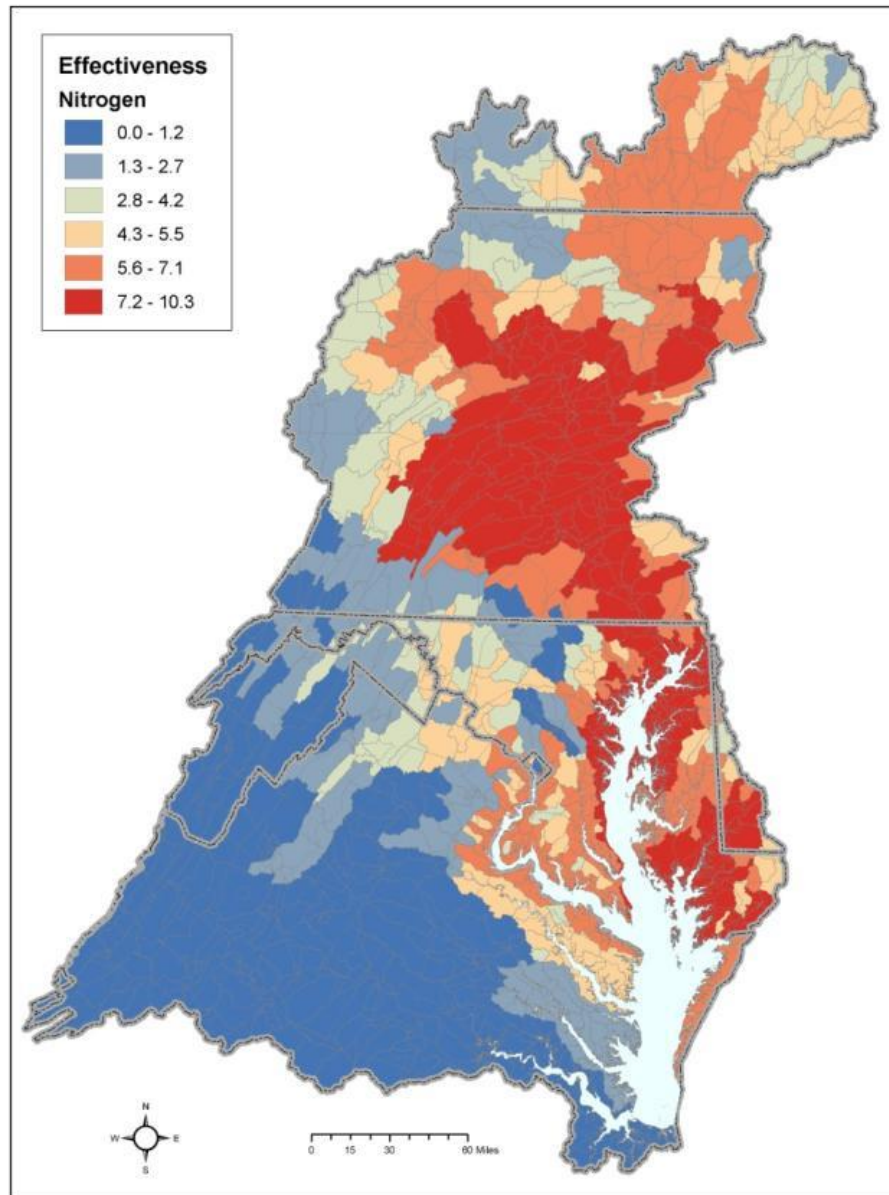
Chesapeake Bay
Watershed Model
Estimated Reduction in
2012 Total Nitrogen
Loads due to Best
Management Practices
Implementation



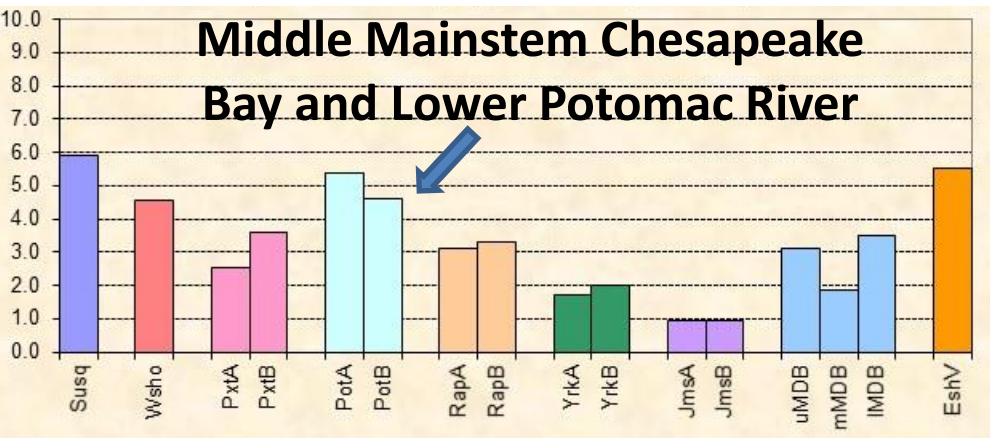
...Factoring in BMPs on the Way to the Bay



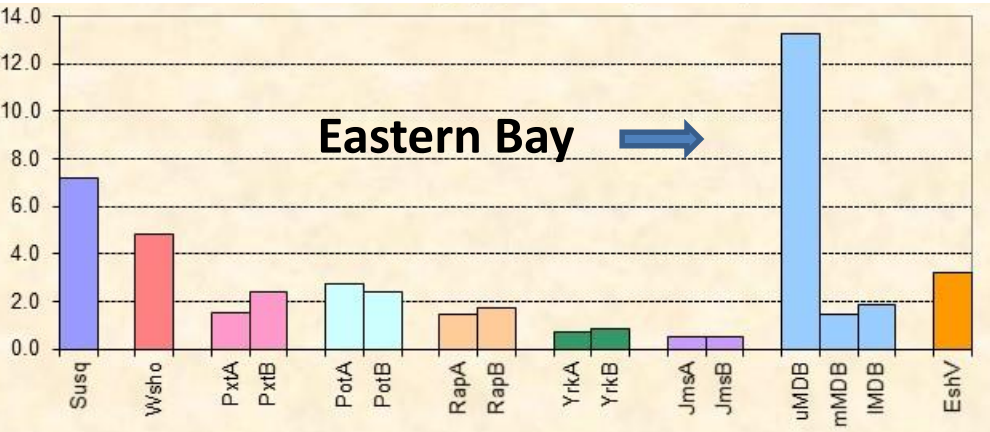
We can Quantify the Relative Effect of a Pound of Nutrient Pollution on Bay Water Quality...



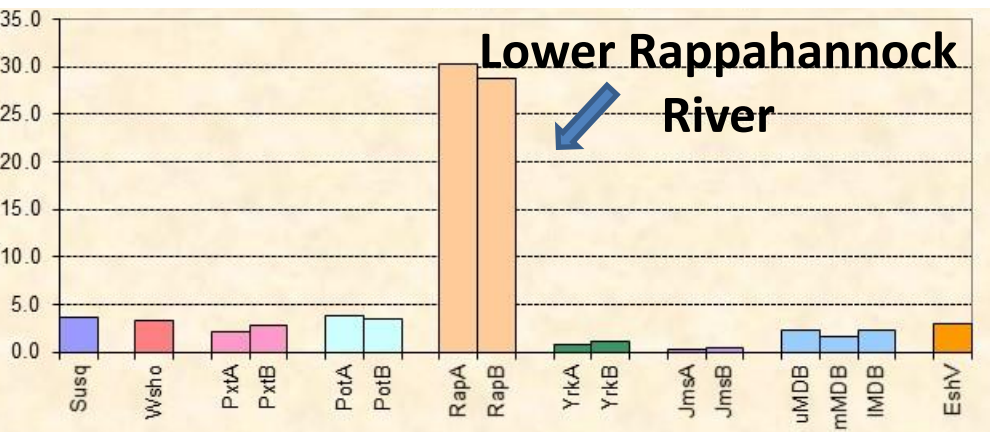
Middle Mainstem Chesapeake Bay and Lower Potomac River



Eastern Bay



Lower Rappahannock River



...and Determine Which Watersheds Pollutant Loads Most Influence Local Tidal Water Quality

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Accountability?

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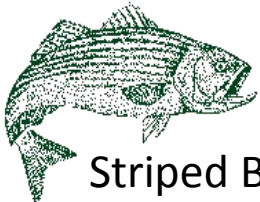
Our States' WQ Standards

Protect Bay Habitats

Minimum Amount of Oxygen (mg/L)
Needed to Survive by Species

Migratory Fish Spawning & Nursery Areas

6



Striped Bass: 5-6



American Shad: 5

Shallow and Open Water Areas

5



White Perch: 5



Yellow Perch: 5

4



Hard Clams: 5

Deep Water

3



Crabs: 3



Alewife: 3.6

2



Spot: 2



Bay Anchovy: 3

Deep Channel

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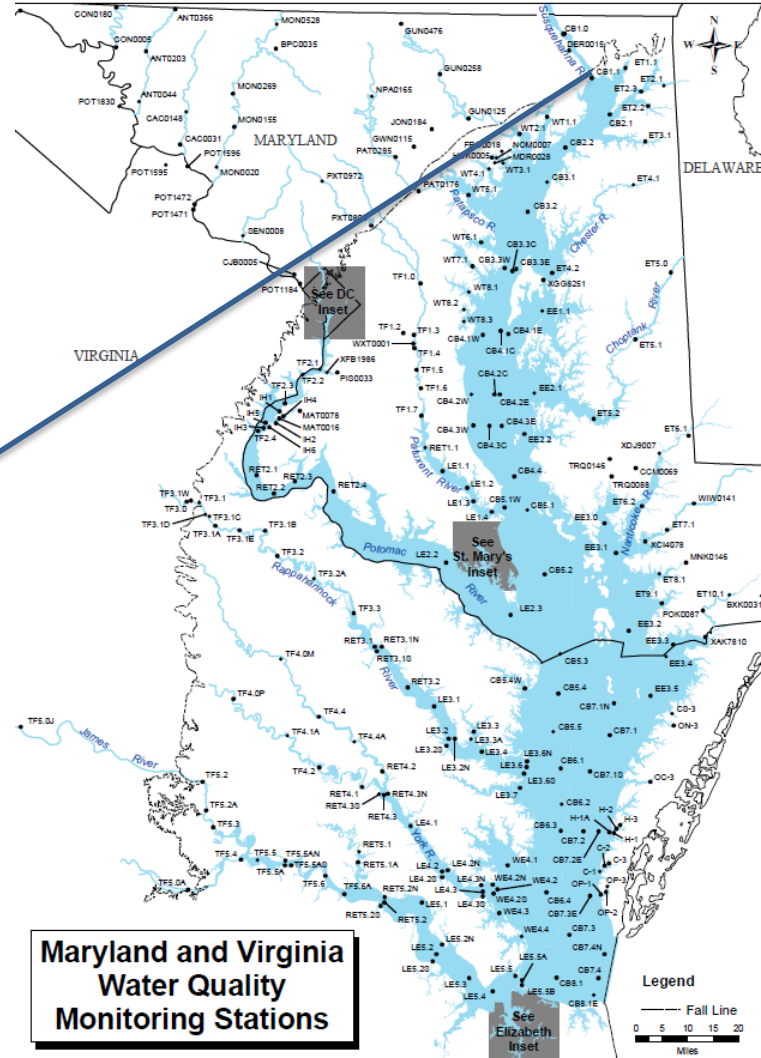
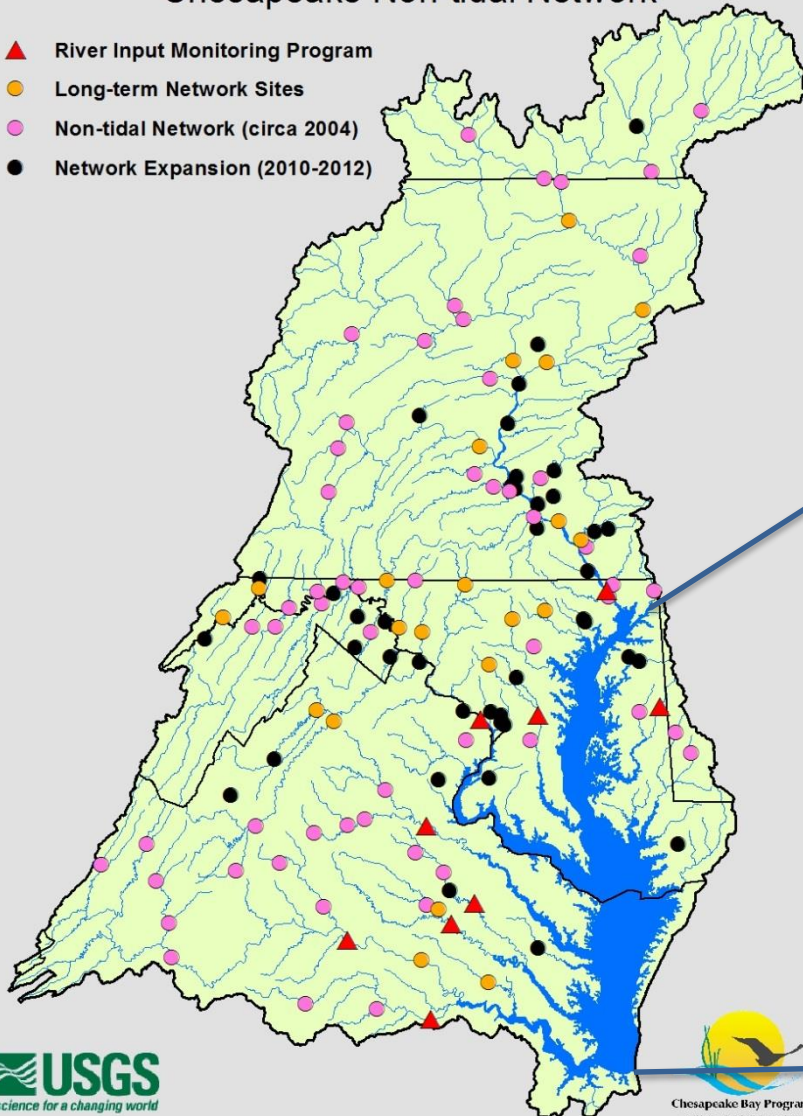
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Our Multi-State Monitoring Networks Generate Data Used as Ultimate Measures of Progress

Chesapeake Non-tidal Network

- ▲ River Input Monitoring Program
- Long-term Network Sites
- Non-tidal Network (circa 2004)
- Network Expansion (2010-2012)



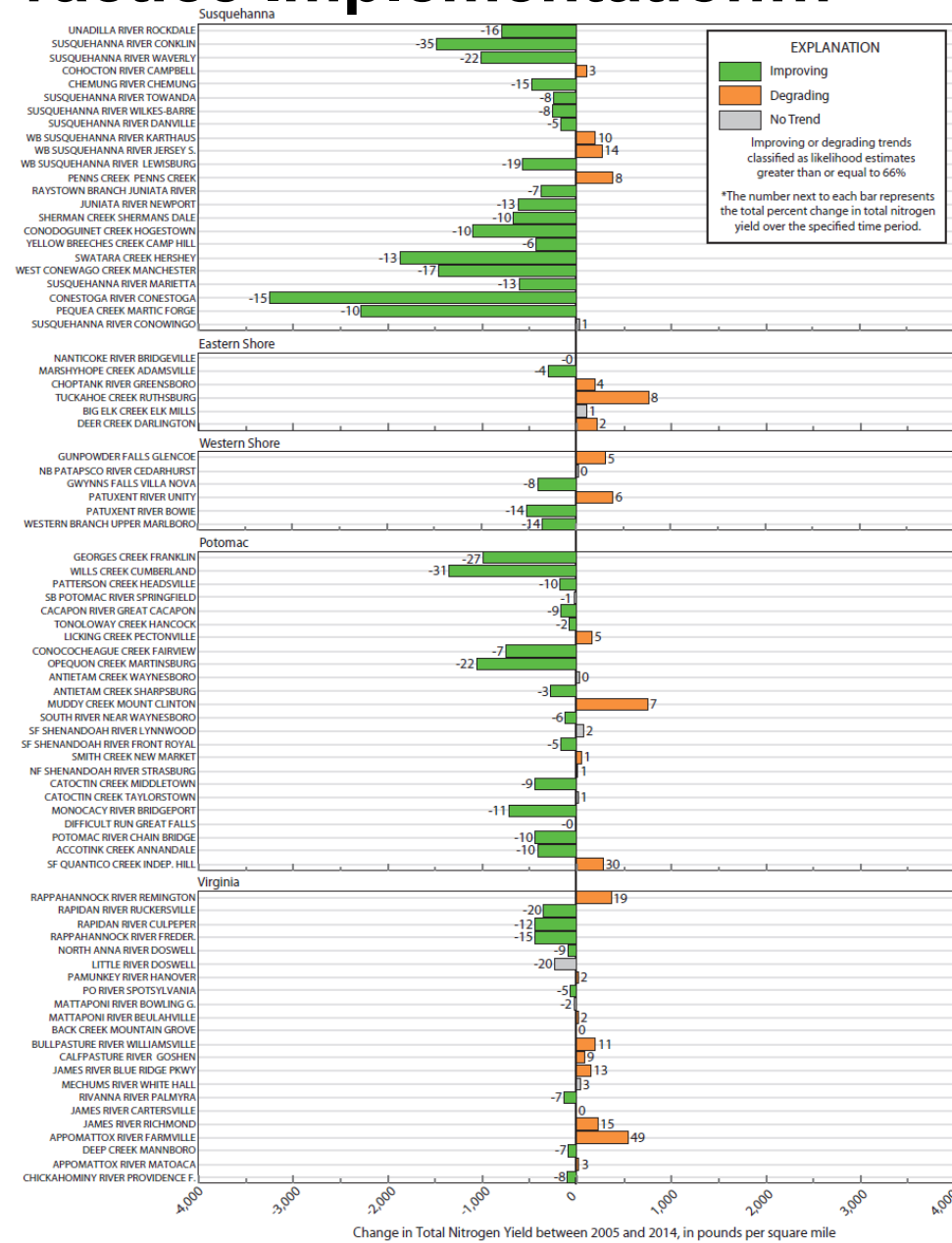
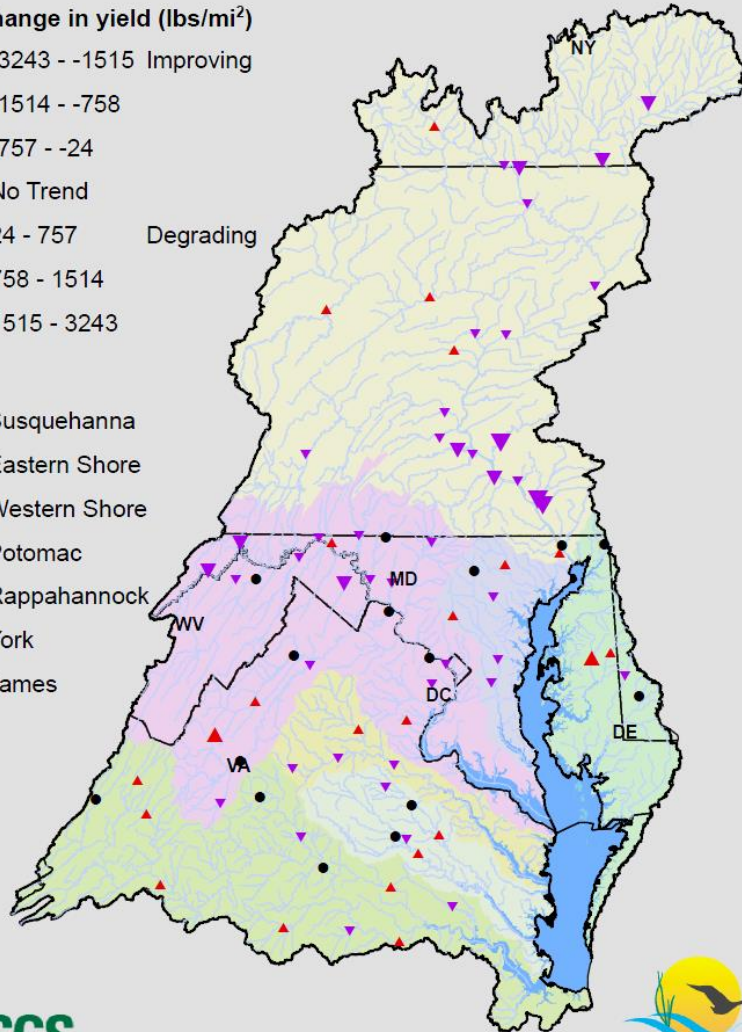
We Measure the Response of Watersheds and Local Streams and Rivers to Practice Implementation...

Trend in Total Nitrogen Flow-Normalized Yield, 2005-2014

Total change in yield (lbs/mi²)

- ▼ -3243 - -1515 Improving
- ▼ -1514 - -758
- ▼ -757 - -24
- No Trend
- ▲ 24 - 757 Degrading
- ▲ 758 - 1514
- ▲ 1515 - 3243

- Susquehanna
- Eastern Shore
- Western Shore
- Potomac
- Rappahannock
- York
- James



EXPLANATION

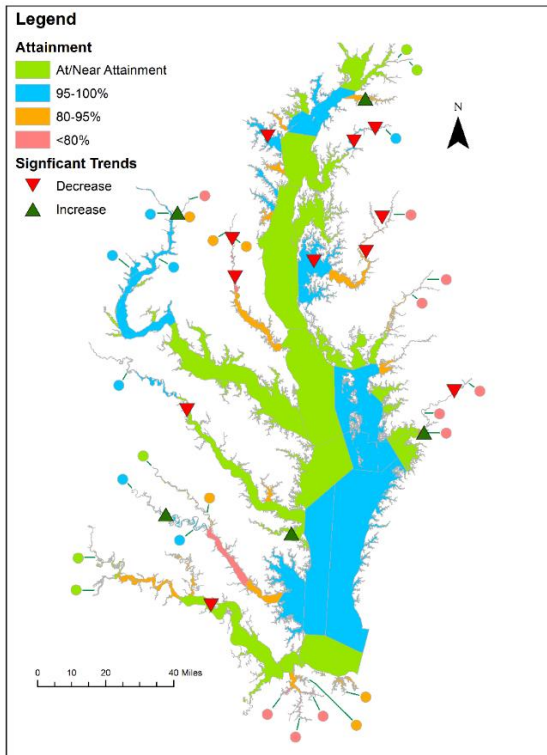
- Improving
- Degrading
- No Trend

Improving or degrading trends classified as likelihood estimates greater than or equal to 66%

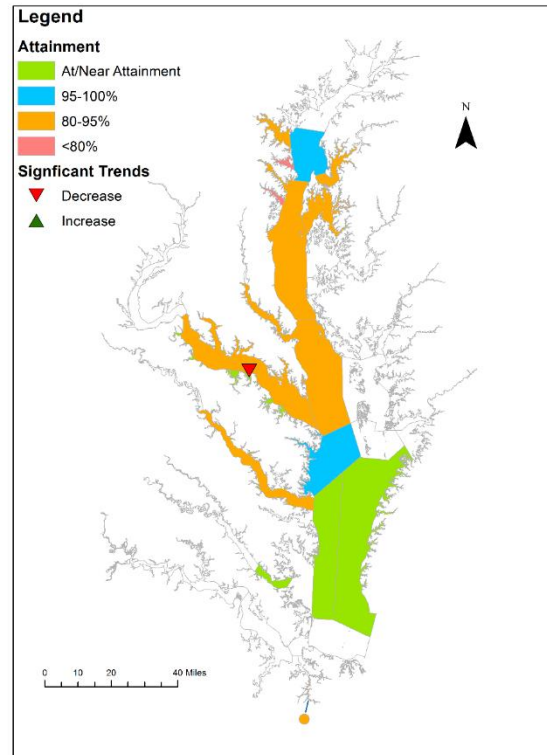
*The number next to each bar represents the total percent change in total nitrogen yield over the specified time period.

...and We Measure Progress Towards Attainment of States' Bay Water Quality Standards

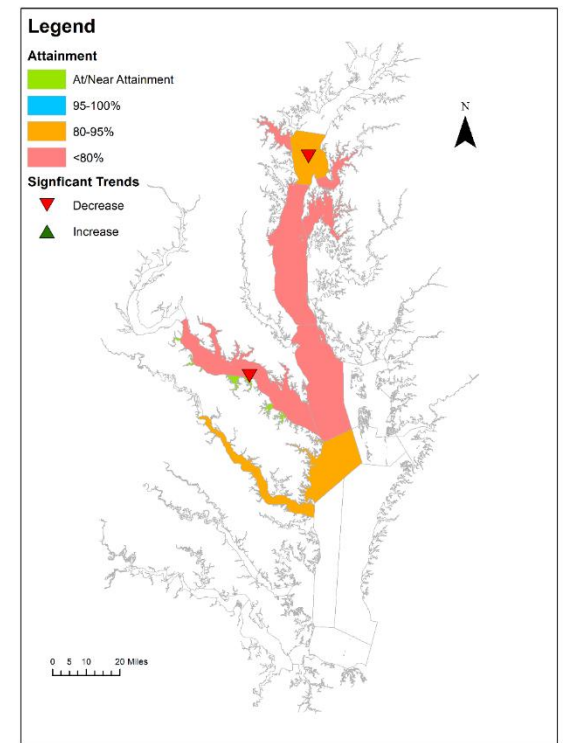
Open-Water Habitats



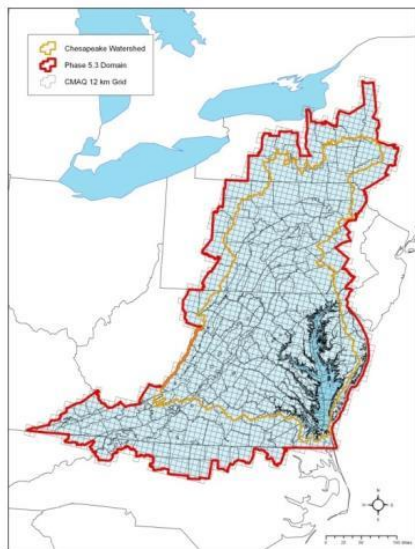
Deep-Water Habitats



Deep-Channel Habitats



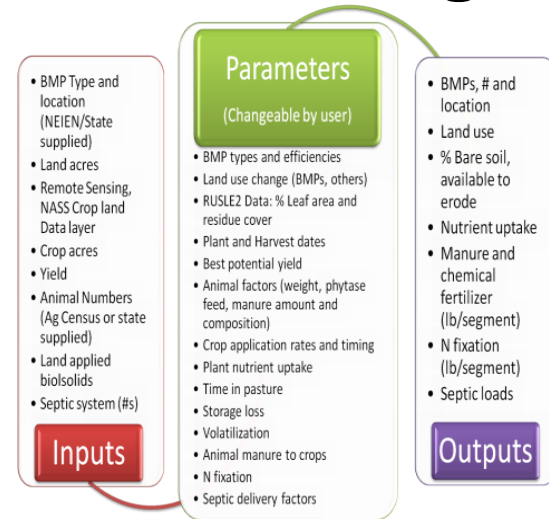
We Are Heading Towards our 6th Generation of Partnership Models Supporting Decision-making



Chesapeake Bay Airshed Model



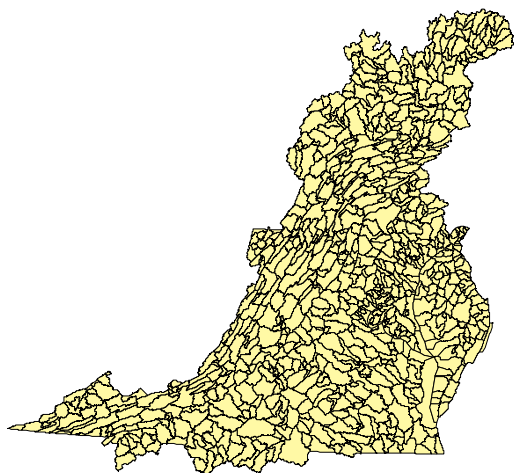
Chesapeake Bay Land Change Model



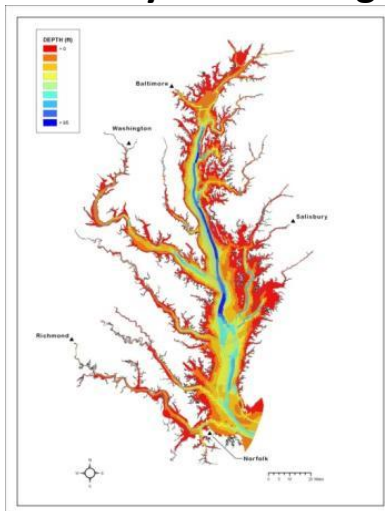
- Inputs**
- BMP Type and location (NEIEN/State supplied)
 - Land acres
 - Remote Sensing, NASS Crop land Data layer
 - Crop acres
 - Yield
 - Animal Numbers (Ag Census or state supplied)
 - Land applied biosolids
 - Septic system (#s)

- Parameters**
(Changeable by user)
- BMP types and efficiencies
 - Land use change (BMPs, others)
 - RUSLEZ Data: % Leaf area and residue cover
 - Plant and Harvest dates
 - Best potential yield
 - Animal factors (weight, phytase feed, manure amount and composition)
 - Crop application rates and timing
 - Plant nutrient uptake
 - Time in pasture
 - Storage loss
 - Volatilization
 - Animal manure to crops
 - N fixation
 - Septic delivery factors

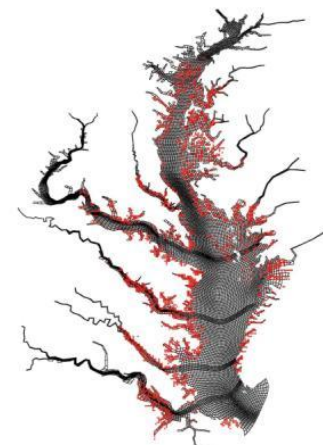
- Outputs**
- BMPs, # and location
 - Land use
 - % Bare soil, available to erode
 - Nutrient uptake
 - Manure and chemical fertilizer (lb/segment)
 - N fixation (lb/segment)
 - Septic loads



Chesapeake Bay Watershed Model



Chesapeake Bay Water Quality and Sediment Transport Model



Chesapeake Bay Filter Feeder Model

BMP Verification is a Partnership Priority...

Strengthening Verification of Best Management Practices

Implemented in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed:

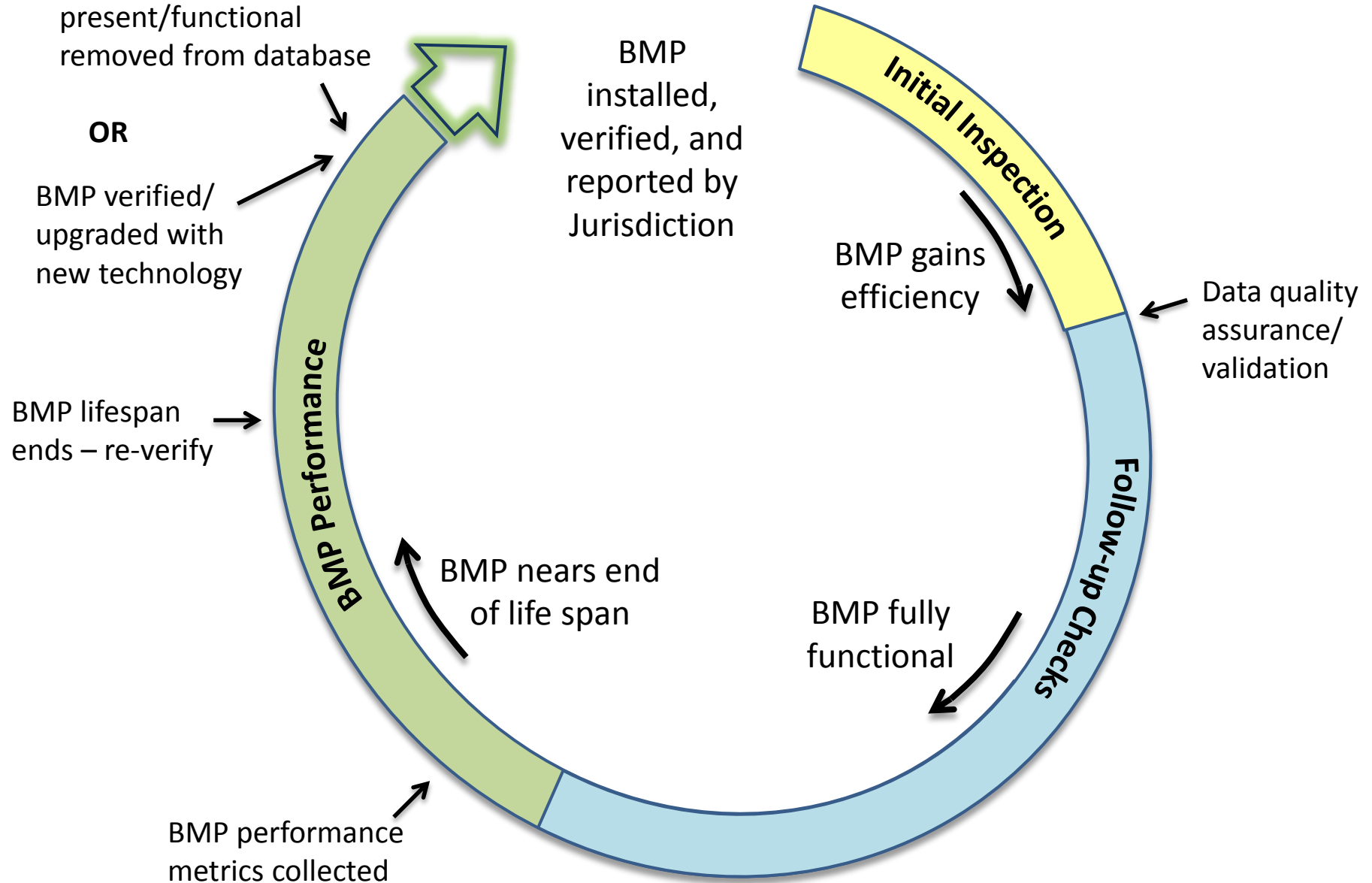
A Basinwide Framework

Report and Documentation from the Chesapeake Bay Program Water Quality Goal
Implementation Team's BMP Verification Committee

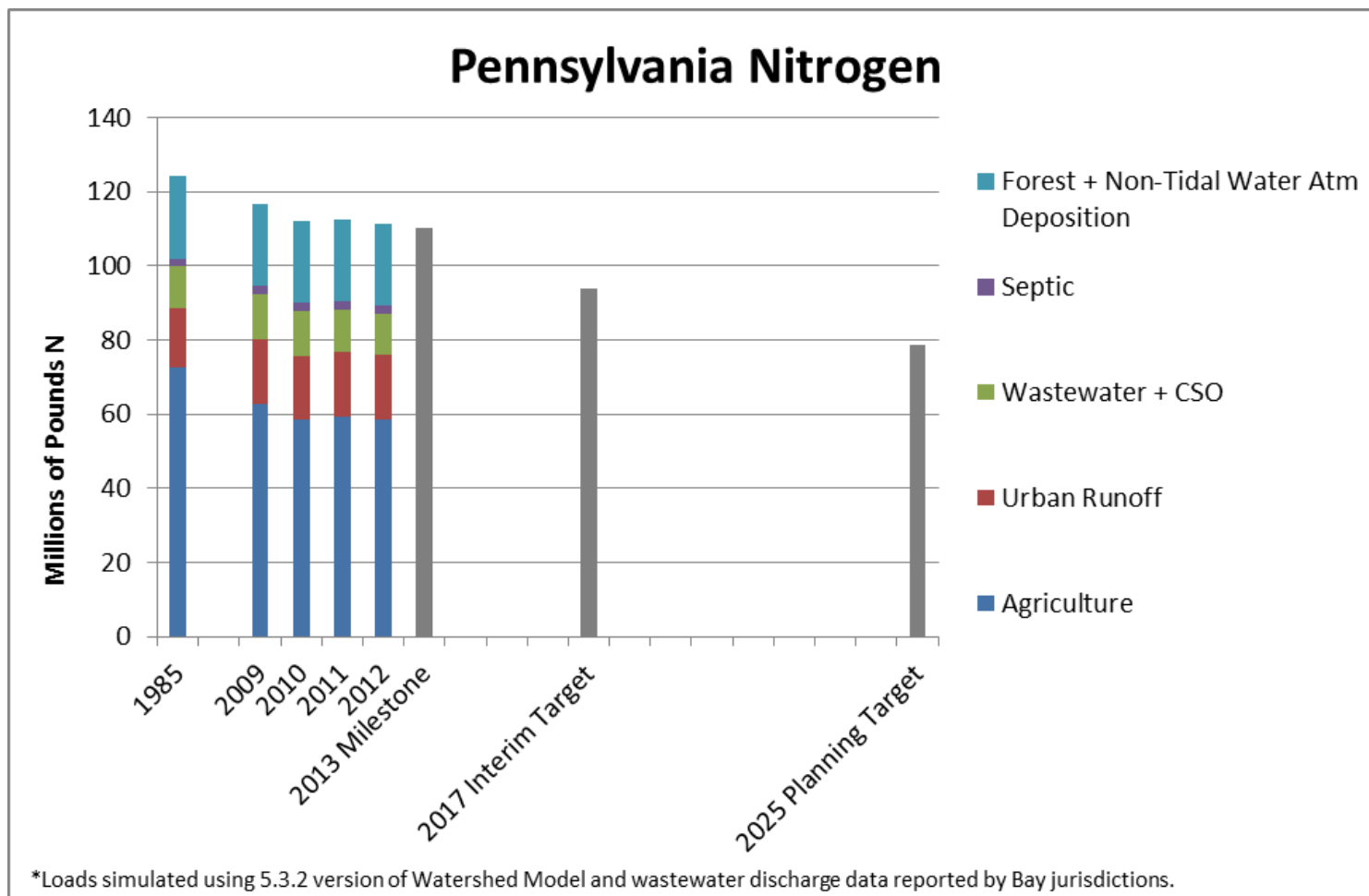
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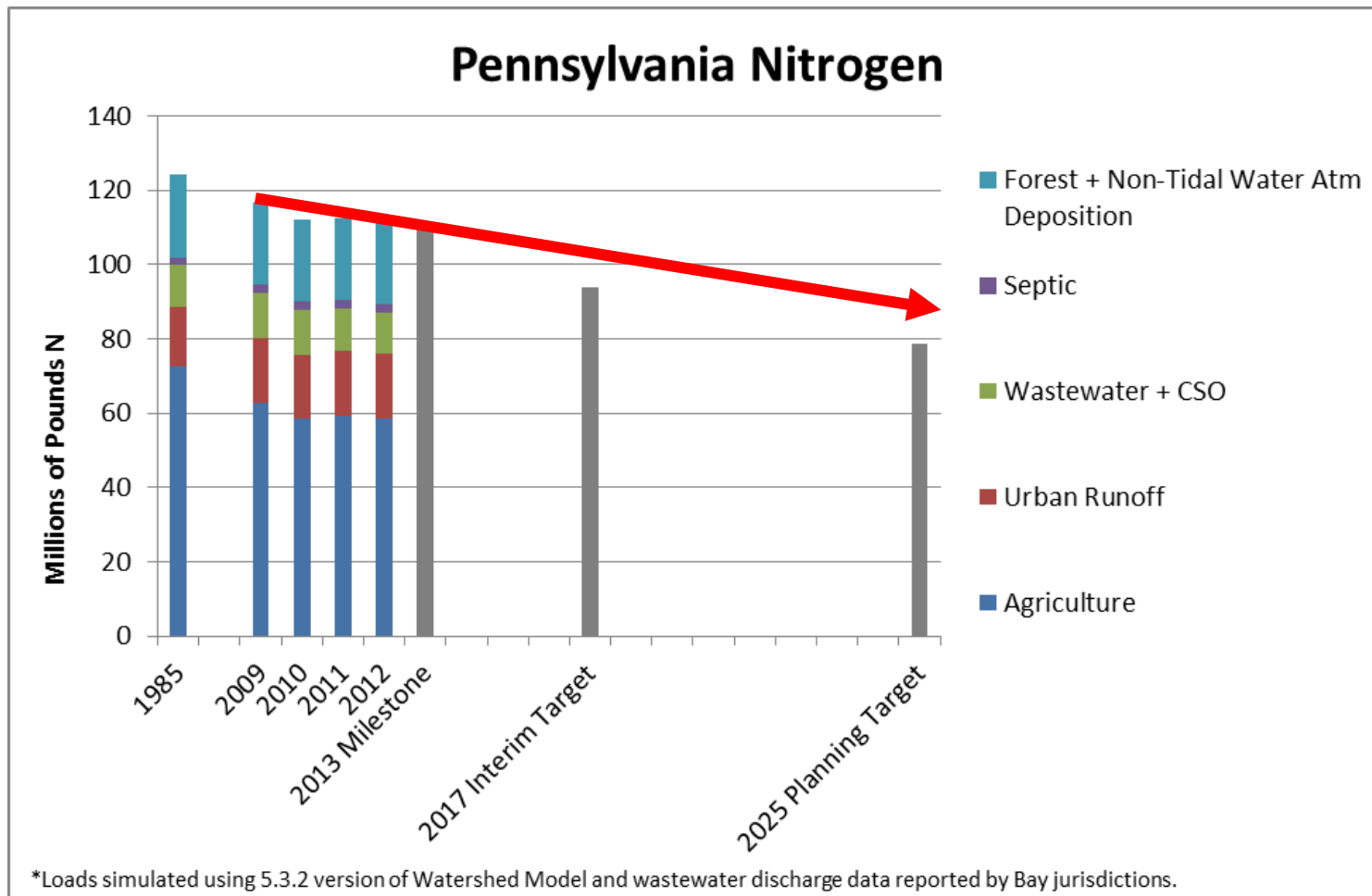
...and We Have Clear Expectations for Verification through a Practice's Life Cycle



EPA Evaluates Progress Towards Each States' 2-Year Milestones Annually...



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...and Reports Back to the Public

	Agriculture:	Urban/Suburban:	Wastewater:	Trading/Offsets:
DE	Ongoing Oversight	Ongoing Oversight	Enhanced Oversight	Ongoing Oversight
DC	Not Applicable	Ongoing Oversight	Ongoing Oversight	Ongoing Oversight
MD	Ongoing Oversight	Ongoing Oversight	Ongoing Oversight	Ongoing Oversight
NY	Ongoing Oversight	Ongoing Oversight	Enhanced Oversight	Ongoing Oversight
PA	Backstop Actions Level	Backstop Actions Level	Ongoing Oversight	Enhanced Oversight
VA	Ongoing Oversight	Enhanced Oversight	Ongoing Oversight	Ongoing Oversight
WV	Enhanced Oversight	Ongoing Oversight	Ongoing Oversight	Ongoing Oversight

* Green fading to yellow indicates potential downgrade at the end of the 2014-2015 milestone period if specific actions aren't taken.

Got Science?

- ✓ Sources, their location, loads **known**
- ✓ Pollutant load reduction potential of practices **estimated**
- ✓ Pollutant loads transportation to local waters and the Bay **understood**
- ✓ Relative influence of watershed loads on different tidal waters **simulated**

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