



Upcoming Key CBP Partnership Decisions: When, How and What for STAC Involvement

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Bay TMDL Midpoint Assessment

- **August 2017:** decision on any fatal flaws in the suite of Phase 6 partnership models
- **October 2017:** decisions on: 1) accounting for growth, 2) allocation of responsibility for offsetting Conowingo infill loads, 3) factoring in climate change into the Phase III Watershed Implementation Plans (WIPs), and 4) draft Phase III WIP planning targets
- **March 2018:** decision on final Phase III WIP planning targets

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Phase III WIP Development/Implementation

- **Ongoing:** incremental decisions on how to best present the explanation of observed long term trends—watershed water quality, tidal water quality, SAV, and benthic infaunal
- **Ongoing:** decisions on how to best develop and building optimization functionality into the Partnership's suite of models (e.g., Phase 6 Watershed Model) and other decision support tools (e.g., CAST, BayFAST)
- **Ongoing:** decisions how to best: 1) determine programmatic capacity to deliver implementation at levels in the WIPs, 2) targeting the implementation of the most cost effective, pollutant load reduction efficient practices in the right locations

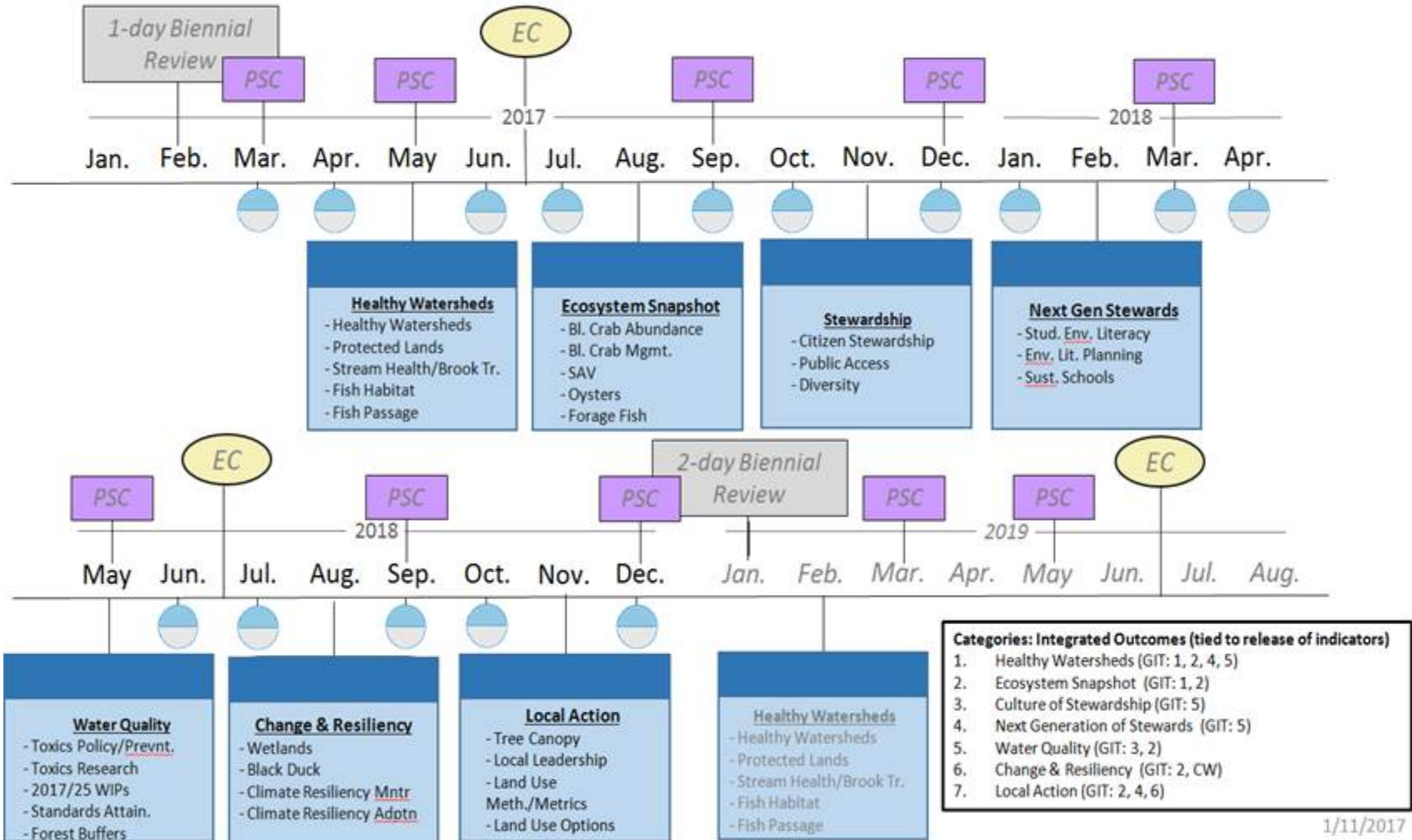
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Cross Goal Implementation Teams

- **Fall 2017:** Decision on re-designs of the SAV aerial and ground surveys
- **2017/2018:** decisions on how to proceed forward with quantifying and applying the co-benefits of BMPs and other pollutant load reducing practices, treatments and technologies in local decision making
- **Ongoing:** decisions on 1) establishing indicators for Bay Watershed Agreement goals and outcomes, 2) the best approaches to establishing new monitoring systems/networks or data reporting systems

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Strategic Review System





Questions



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