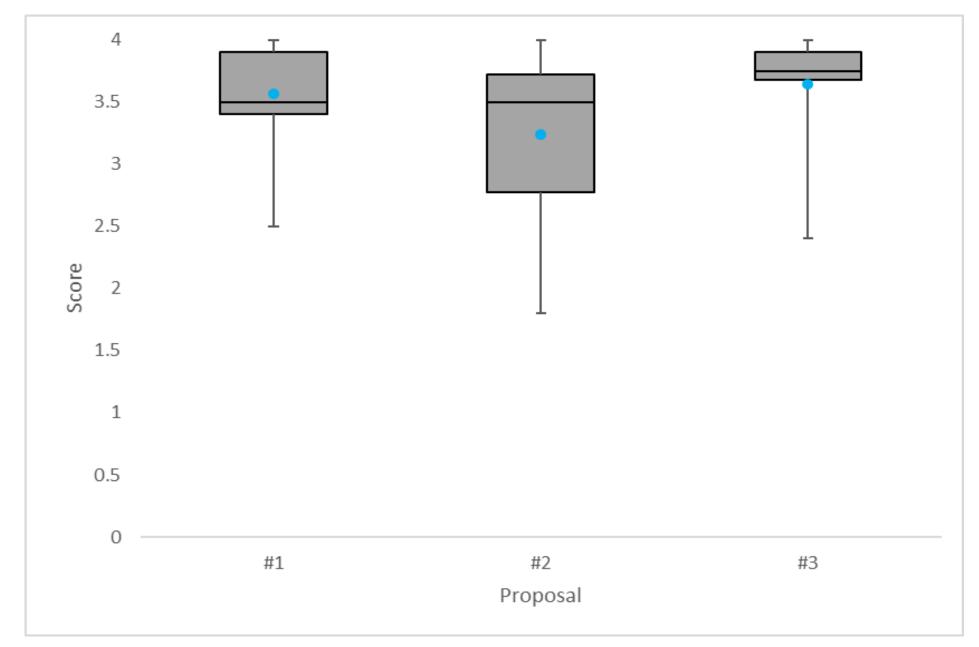
# FY20 Workshop Proposal Score Results

Workshop	<b>Requested Funds</b>	Estimated Timeframe
(#1) Understanding Genetics for Successful Conservation and Restoration of Resilient Chesapeake Bay Brook Trout Populations	\$10,000	December 2020 – January 2021 (flexible)
(#2) Advancing Regenerative Agriculture: Exploring Barriers and Incentives to BMP Adoption	\$10,000	September 2020
(#3) Overcoming the Hurdle: Addressing BMP Implementation Through a Social Science Lens	\$10,000	Spring 2021

Total Requested = \$30,000 Total Budget Available= \$50,000



21 STAC member scoring responses- Thank you for responding!

### Rankings based on total mean score:

Rank	RFP Title	Mean Score
1	(#3) Overcoming the Hurdle: Addressing BMP Implementation Through a Social Science Lens	3.64
2	(#1) Understanding Genetics for Successful Conservation and Restoration of Resilient Chesapeake Bay Brook Trout Populations	3.56
3	(#2) Advancing Regenerative Agriculture: Exploring Barriers and Incentives to BMP Adoption	3.24
	Total FY20 Workshop Budget= \$50,000 Fund all 3 Workshops= \$30,000	

#### Lowest Score

(#2) Advancing Regenerative Agriculture: Exploring Barriers and Incentives to BMP Adoption



- This is a critical and timely discussion. The workshop steering committee represents a good cross section of people and experience. I'd encourage involvement of representatives from the Chesapeake Bay Commission (Ann Swanson, Marel Raub) as well.
- I like the focus on stakeholders and how to bring them into the fold using their trusted advisors. I urge the organizations to connect with the SERA-46 Land Grant University Group advising the Mississippi River Hypoxia Task Force members on this topic, as they have done extensive research and outreach. I am currently working with them on these topics under an EPA Grant.



- Is it important to have a well-conceived, articulated, justified reasoning, proposal for STAC workshops? There is a fairly good structure to the workshop, but is the 'WHY' adequate? Are the outcomes to benefit the CBP clear? Should they be made more clear?
- Not enough information to evaluate steering committee's ability to achieve the goals. Few researchers identified. I would encourage more geographic diversity.
- little confused about "regenerative agriculture" in the title. I thought this was a specific land management tool, but the workshop is broadly based on BMPs. I was surprised that landowner stakeholders (farmers) were not included.

**Highest Score** 

(#3) Overcoming the Hurdle: Addressing BMP Implementation Through a Social Science Lens

- The breakout sessions are a good plan for the workshop
- This is a timely topic, one that I agree is in need of new knowledge. Is there room in this workshop for a presentation on case studies of ag-BMP effectiveness or successes?



- Many speakers are not confirmed and too many topics being covered, so not confident the outcomes will be achieved.
- The proposal has a specific target and goal. Some more involvement of implementation and economic experts/stakeholders may add important elements to the meeting/discussion. the meeting is expected to generate important knowledge on how to improve implementation of agricultural BMPs.
- A white paper would provide the same information.

(#1) Understanding Genetics for Successful Conservation and Restoration of Resilient Chesapeake Bay Brook Trout Populations



- A timely workshop in support of Brook Trout conservation and restoration. Genomics is "scary" to some folks, so this workshop should stress the trainign aspect of the event and ensure loval resource managers participate.
- The proposal has broad support, evidences by letters of support from a variety of stakeholders. The topic is timely and specific, and the meeting is expected to result in clear outcomes.
- It has a strong focus on educating managers about the importance of trouto genetics to conservation programs. The particiapnts will directly benefit from the workshop and will be able to use the information directly in their programs. Some description on how the workshop will be organized would be useful.



- Well thought out with appropriate scientific experts, but narrow topic compared to the scope of what we need to know to advance the bay clean-up objective
- Needs a detailed description of the expertise of the propsed steering committee. Timely topic. Ensure all partners are involved.
- This workshop seems more focused on communicating to practitioners what is currently known, as opposed to integrating and building on knowledge.

## Comments on RFP (#2) and RFP (#3) Overlap

- I suggest lead PIs from Proposal #2 and #3 meet and determine how best to integrate and/or develop complementary workshops to maximize STAC's workshop investments. Both workshops could benefit from a pre-workshop synthesis report on the role of social science in implementing BMPs.
- To what extent is this research to learn about/model how decisions are made, versus looking at how best to persuade or influence decisions for the public good? Proposals #2 and #3 are related. BMP adoption/implementation is critically important, and a big enough topic for 2 workshops in 2020. But if both go forward would be good to coordinate.
- Proposals 2 and 3 seem to have similar aims, though perhaps with slightly different perspective and participant pool(?). Conceivably they could be combined; if not, perhaps the boundaries between the two could be refined.
- There is another proposal for social science-based workshop and there should probably be some coordination between the two workshops to ensure their products are consistent at some level.

Mentimeter: Approval for Funding

# Funds remaining after workshop proposal acceptance

We will have an additional \$20,000 if all workshops are funded

**Options for Funding:** 

- Funds remain in workshop budget: accept additional proposals ad hoc. No indication that more proposals would come in.
- Move funds to use for something else: SGA activity? Facilitator? Extra meeting?