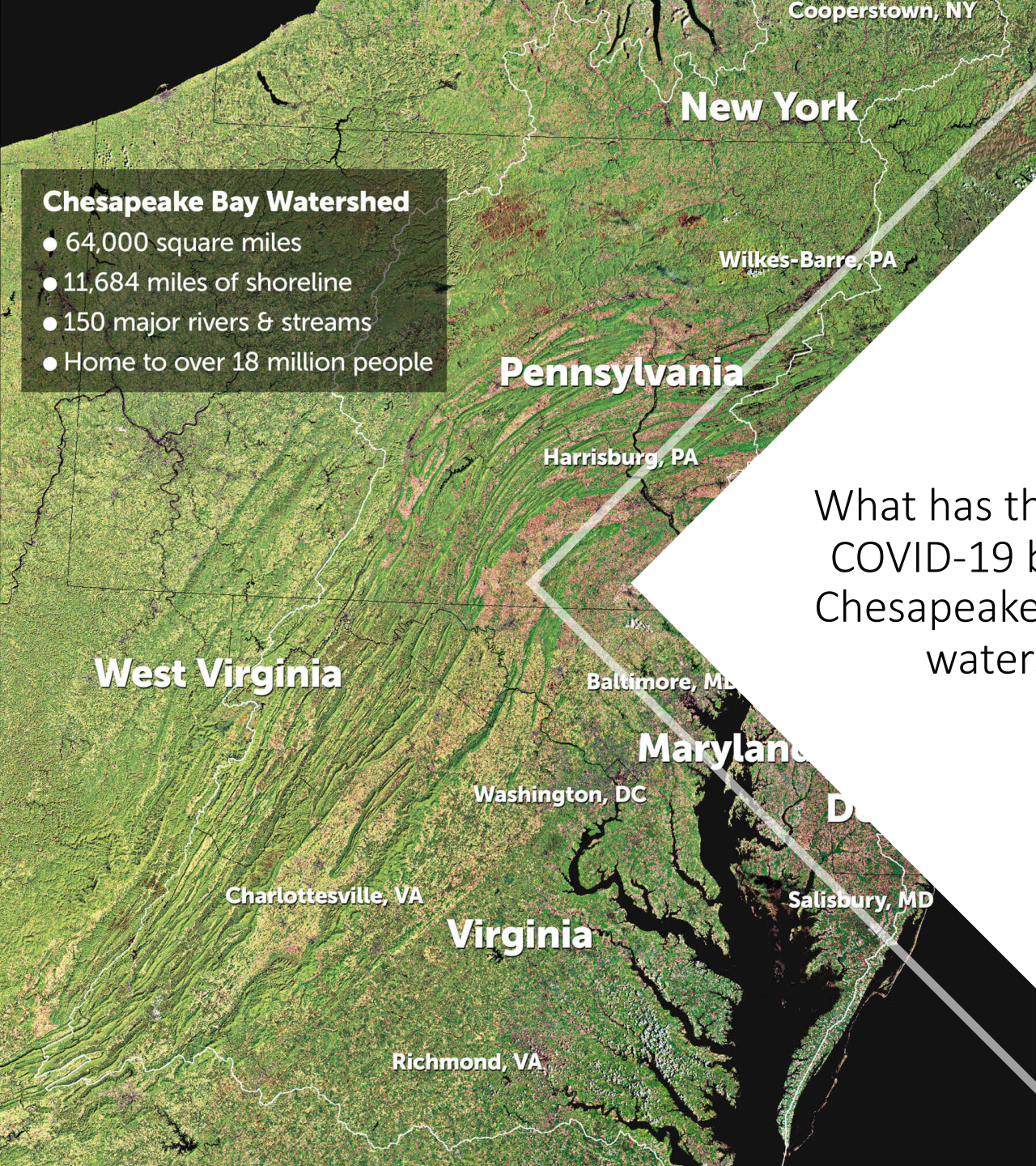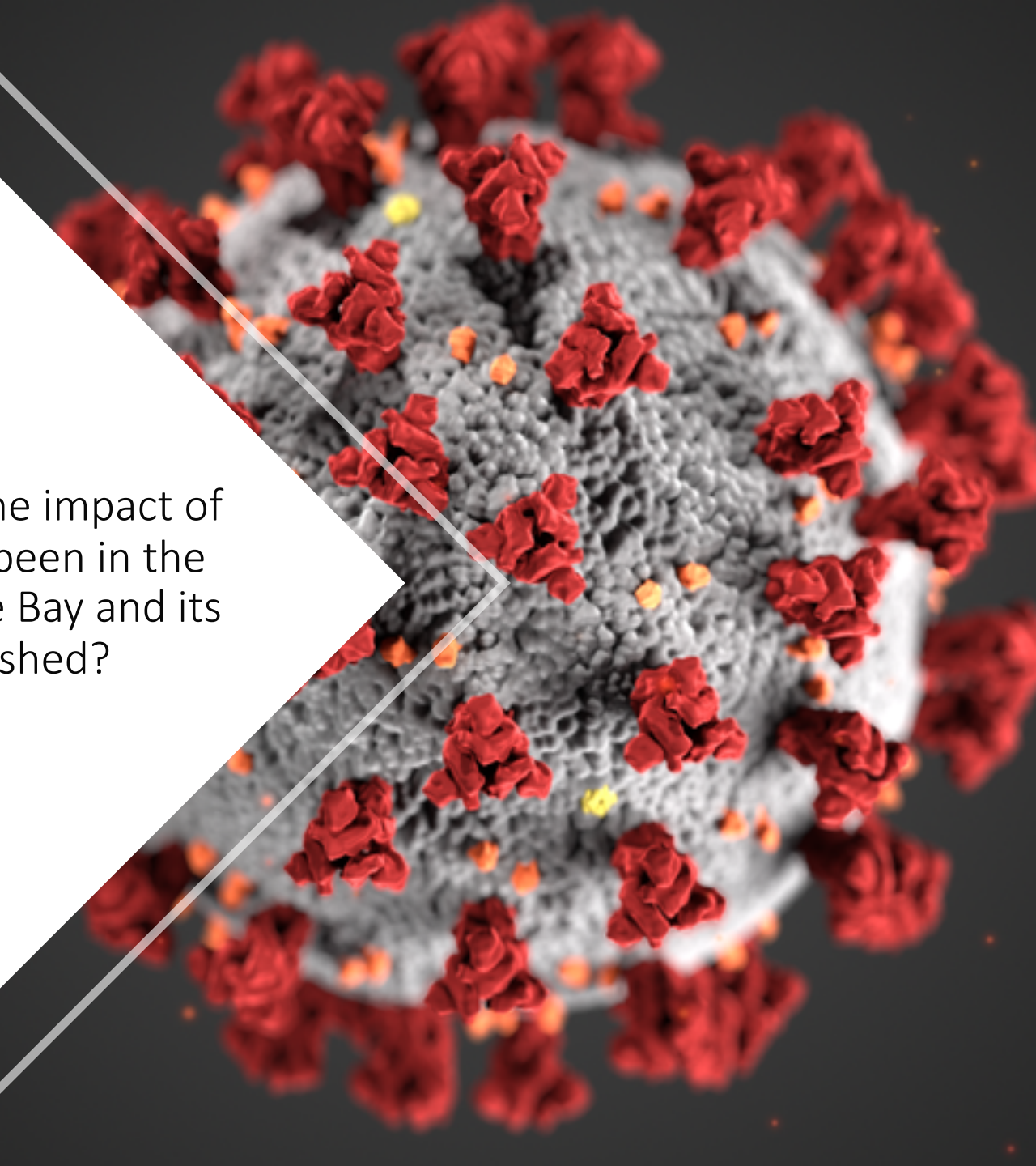# STAC COVID-19 Review + Workshop

Sept. 15, 2020 STAC Meeting Brainstorm Session

Chesapeake Bay Watershed
- 64,000 square miles
- 11,684 miles of shoreline
- 150 major rivers & streams
- Home to over 18 million people

Cooperstown, NY

New York

Wilkes-Barre, PA

Pennsylvania

Harrisburg, PA

West Virginia

Baltimore, MD

Maryland

Washington, DC

Charlottesville, VA

Salisbury, MD

Virginia

Richmond, VA

What has the impact of COVID-19 been in the Chesapeake Bay and its watershed?

STAC Review/Workshop Process (potential)

Initial review (now)
- All STAC Brainstorm: what issues do we see? Coordination with others?
- Strategic Gap Analysis- particular issues coming up?

Consultation (Sept/Oct)
- Coordinate with LGAC, CAC, GITs, etc. (outreach/survey)
- Management Board meeting in September

Deep dive (Nov/Dec)
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- Stress testing CBP model?

Plenty of COVID-19 impacts & changed dynamics showing up in the news...

BAY JOURNAL

About

COVID-19 disrupts local-level efforts to clean up Chesapeake Bay

https://www.bayjournal.com/news/local_government/covid-19-disrupts-local-level-efforts-to-clean-up-chesapeake-bay/article_0d9a2f2a-f202-11ea-9ad4-033bd56aadc3.html

Fisheries in Maryland, Virginia losing millions due to COVID-19 shutdowns

By Chris Chase
May 6, 2020

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Timothy B. Wheeler Bay Journal News Service

Pennsylvania: Some parks are too crowded, please go to these instead

by Frank Kummer, Posted: August 10, 2020

The Philadelphia Inquirer

Are there changes in patterns on how resources are being used by the public or in other watershed related dynamics?

What are you seeing or hearing about?

Brainstorm- type thoughts/ideas into chat function. Wait to hit enter until I say so.

Are there particular goals or outcomes being impacted by COVID-19? What happens if we look systematically at these?
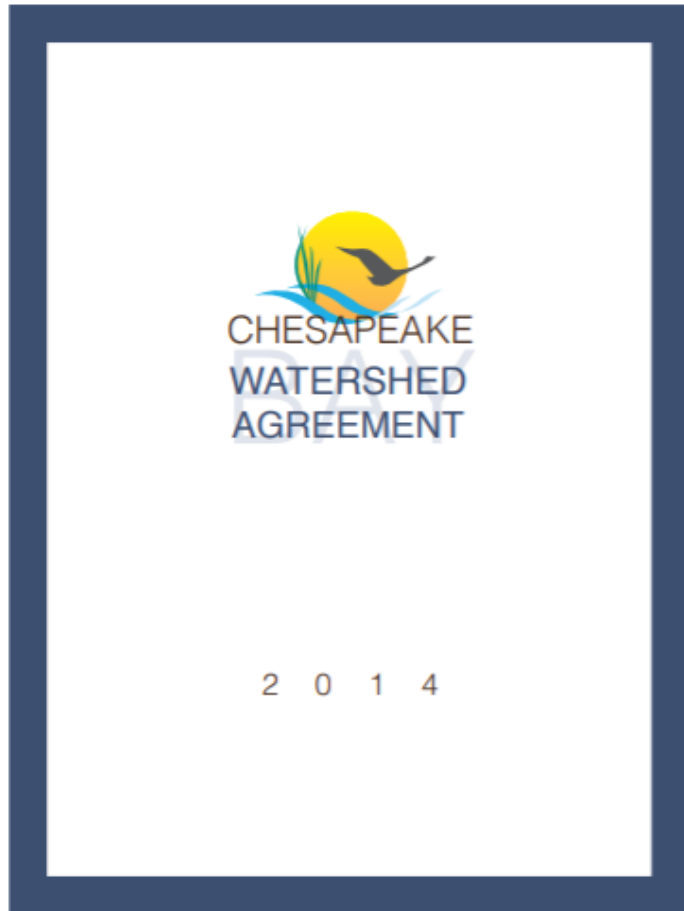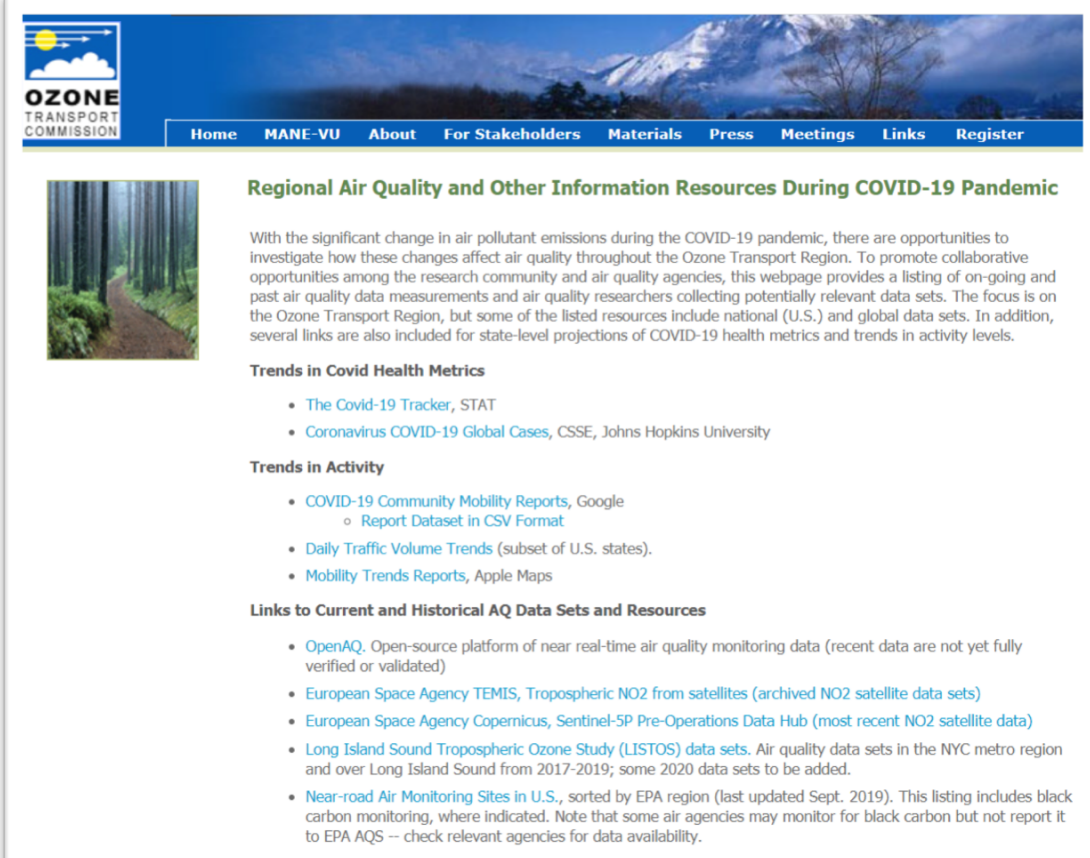

10 goals, multiple outcomes:

1. Sustainable fisheries
2. Vital habitats
3. Water quality
4. Toxic contaminants
5. Healthy watersheds
6. Stewardship (#s, diversity)
7. Land conservation
8. Public access
9. Environmental literacy
10. Climate resiliency

Are there data that has been collected or can be collected now to capture changes in the system?

- Are there time sensitive data that show up given current COVID-impacts?
- Does this information help provide novel insights or help resolve uncertainties that we might be seeing in the Bay/Watershed models?

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- Fisheries = key topic
- What else?

Part of the review:
what can we learn from other regions or discussions?

Other questions? Thoughts? Ideas?

Next step: review + outreach + management board

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