

Welcome!

Improving Modeling and Mitigation Strategies for Poultry Ammonia Emissions Across the Chesapeake Bay Watershed



2:10pm Group Discussion:

Defining priorities and considerations

- Producer operational efficiencies:
 - Bird health (maximize production/performance?)
 - Managing disease
 - Cost/ Cost-Efficiency
 - Managing for consumer interests (organic, etc.)
 - O Worker conditions?
 - Other operational efficiencies?
- Environmental consideration:
 - Minimizing ammonia transport to waterways
 - Offsetting the need for commercial fertilizer
 - o Freshwater impacts?
 - o Localized air quality, human health?
- Other?



2:25pm Group Discussion:

What management options are available and who are they available to?

- What are the management options?
- In-house controls:
 - o Diet
 - Bedding/design
 - Litter Amendments
 - Fans / Windrowing
 - o Bird Size?
- Exhaust treatment:
 - Vegetated Buffers
 - Biofilters
- Storage controls
- Litter application



2:40pm Breakout Groups:

What are the critical knowledge gaps?

- Do we have standardized evaluation of amendments?
 - Type? Amount? Etc.?
- Do we know which practices are most cost effective? For any priority?
- Do we understand current rates/modes of implementation?
 - O Will survey work fill this gap?
- Do we have clear quantification of vegetated buffers?
- Do we understand the fate of 'captured emissions' via biofilters/buffers?



5-minute Break

Return at 2:55 pm



3:00pm Group Brainstorm:

How can the partnership help?

- Could we support additional study of amendments? Could we clarify, study air benefits of vegetated buffers?
- Could the partnership help producers track ammonia by funding monitoring?
- Could we help incentivize opportunities to use captured N?



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Upcoming Sessions

May 4: Litter Surveys: examine critical knowledge gaps and obstacles to developing and integrating new poultry productions management and mitigation data.

Last Session (date TBD): Synthesis of all workshop sessions.

Past Sessions

April 21: Follow-up session on the outputs from March 31st. Define priorities and considerations and options available for decision-makers.

April 20: CMAQ apportionment deep dive: How can these new results inform out bay modeling/bay restoration efforts?

March 31: Summarize the effectiveness of various BMPs and incorporate stakeholder input on the practical implications of these BMPs.

November 19: Introduction: What are the key decision points related to this issue? Is the partnership supporting these decision points? How might they?