

# CTIC Water Quality Credit Trading Workshop

March 4-5, 2009

Chesapeake College Higher Education Center, Wye Mills, MD

## DRAFT AGENDA

### Day 1

8:00 - 8:30 a.m.	Registration & Welcome	Roger Richardson (MD Secretary of Agriculture) (Pending confirmation)
8:30 - 9:10 a.m.	Overview of Water Quality Credit Trading (WQT) - National Perspective	USEPA or USDA representative (pending); Mark Kieser (Environmental Trading Network)
9:10 - 10:10 a.m.	Benefits and Obstacles in WQT- A Maryland Perspective	George Kelly (Environmental Banc & Exchange); Cy Jones (World Resources Institute)
10:10 - 10:20 a.m.	<b>BREAK</b>	
10:20 - 11:15 a.m.	WQT Program in Maryland - Point Source and Non Point Source Programs	Steve Luckman (Maryland Department of Env't.); John Rhoderick (Maryland Department of Ag.)
11:15 a.m. - noon	NutrientNet Briefing - Maryland's Web-Based Tools	Mindy Selman (World Resources Institute)
Noon - 1 p.m.	<b>LUNCH</b>	
1:00 - 2:30 p.m.	Targeted User Group Breakout/Q&A	
	-- Wastewater Community	Cy Jones; Steve Luckman; Jim Klang (Kieser & Associates, LLC)
	-- Potential Producers	Bob Ensor (Howard Soil Conservation District); Gerald Talbert (Maryland Association of Conservation Districts)
	-- Credit Aggregators and CCAs	Brian Brandt (American Farmland Trust); George Kelly
2:30 - 3:00 p.m.	<b>BREAK</b>	
3:00 - 4:15 p.m.	Group Questions and Answer Panel with Presenters	All Presenters
4:15 - 4:45 p.m.	"Are you ready to trade" (lead-in discussion for Day 2)	Mark Kieser
4:45 - 5:00 p.m.	Day 2 Preview	Mark Kieser
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.	<b>Social Hour</b>	<b>American Farmland Trust</b>

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### Day 2

8:30 - 8:45 a.m.	Welcome and Review of Day One	Mark Kieser
8:45 - 9:30 a.m.	Introduction to MD Water Quality Issues	Cy Jones
9:30 - 10:00 a.m.	Introduce MD “ready to trade” role- playing exercise (present 3 key questions for participation) <sup>1</sup>	Mark Kieser
10:00 - 10:15 a.m.	<b>BREAK</b>	
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Small groups convene to answer 3 key questions	Facilitated Discussions: Mark Kieser (Producers) Cy Jones & Jim Klang (WWTP) Brian Brandt & George Kelly (Aggregators)
11:15 a.m. - Noon	Group Discussion/Report out on group answers to 3 key questions	Facilitators
Noon - 1:00 p.m.	<b>LUNCH</b>	
1:00 - 1:45 p.m.	Small groups reconvene to answer the question “are you ready to trade as a group?”	Facilitated Discussions (same as above)
1:45 - 2:30 p.m.	Groups report out on whether they are ready to trade, explaining what barriers they have with trading	Facilitated Discussion (same as above)
2:30 - 2:45 p.m.	<b>BREAK</b>	
2:45 - 3:15 p.m.	Groups reconvene to finalize answers to “are you ready to trade (now)?”	Facilitated Discussions (same as above)
3:15 - 3:50 p.m.	Groups report out “yes” or “no”	Facilitated Discussion (Mark Kieser)
3:50 - 4:00 p.m.	Workshop wrap-up	Christa Jones

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<sup>1</sup> 1) At what price would you consider buying credits (WWTPs) or selling credits (farmers/aggregators)? 2) Who do you want to negotiate your trade? 3) What do you see as barriers or critical steps to pursue trading opportunities?