Chesapeake Bay Program
Grant Activities

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Chesapeake Bay Implementation Grant - BMPs

- Special Projects (2013) - $1.094 million
  - $839,000 being awarded for projects in March 2013.
  - $255,000 was awarded in November 2013.

- Special Projects (2014) - $1,049,802 million
  - $511,000 awarded for projects in May 2014.
  - $538,802 awarded for projects in Fall 2014.

- Priority practices include:
  - cover crops/no-till; riparian buffers, manure storage/AHUAs
Chesapeake Bay Implementation Grant - Staff

• 2014-15 Bay Technicians & Engineers
  – Requires Site Visits Priority
  – Ag Complaint Response Policy
  – Ag BMP “Counting?” ... Starting in 2015

• Site Visits / Education / Outreach
  – Manure Management Manual Mini-grants
  – 13,602 site visits by June 30, 2014
  – Statewide Mailing of Am I in Compliance brochure
  – Ag Ombudsman and Penn State Assistance
2013-14 Chesapeake Bay Implementation Grant
Chesapeake Bay Regulatory and Accountability Grant

- Improved Tracking and Accountability
  - CTIC Transect Survey
  - Penn State / Barry Evans
  - NRCS Remote Sensing
  - PA OneStop

- Education & Outreach
  - Ag Ombudsmen

- CAFO Program Assistance

- Poultry Data w/ Penn State

- Point Source Data Projects
Chesapeake Bay Regulatory and Accountability Grant

• CBRAP DEP Staff – 1094 Ag inspections; 457 Ag compliance actions

• Conservation District Staff – NM Techs
  – Delegation Agreements Address Manure Management

• CBRAP DEP Staff - Targeted Watershed Approach
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• Soft Run – Mifflin County

• Regional Ag Watershed Assessment Program Initiative
  – 2014: 6 watersheds
  – 2015: Additional watersheds
  – BMPs/Plans support with PA funds;
  – Some staff via Bay funds.
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