

Workgroup Status

Workgroup: Legacy Sediment

Status Report Date: Legacy Sediment Workgroup Meeting February 27, 2006

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Issue (s) Addressed:

Revisions and comments on the Workgroup Issues Identified by the Steering Committee were discussed. Workgroup members have provided comments and reframed the issues based upon a fundamental understanding of the current scientific knowledge.

The working definition of legacy sediments has been advanced and revised. A final version of this definition will be developed at the next Workgroup Meeting.

The Workgroup added a short-term goal to compile the existing scientific knowledge for use in developing a new BMP that addresses legacy sediment issues. It is apparent that a considerable amount of scientific evidence is available for use in developing a new BMP, however, the evidence needs to be assembled into a data store. A technical advisory Subworkgroup was suggested to accomplish this short term goal.

A PENNDOT representative attended the meeting and identified additional data sources that may be useful in BMP development.

The Workgroup will contact the States of Virginia and Maryland to find out if there are any parallel efforts. An invitation to become involved in the Workgroup will be made to Virginia and Maryland stakeholders.

The next Workgroup Meeting is scheduled for March 27, 2006.