

2023 MWMC Carl Weber Award – Scott Phillips



Scott served as the USGS Chesapeake Bay Coordinator for 26 years. In his role, he planned and led the USGS efforts to provide critical science to the Chesapeake Bay Program. His tireless efforts to coordinate the monitoring and research needed to address gaps in knowledge and understanding helped to raise awareness of the Chesapeake Bay and its sub watersheds.

Scott communicated science about the Chesapeake with partner agencies, non-profit groups, and others. In public forums, he worked with scientists to translate and communicate water science to non-scientific audiences. He developed and strengthened partnerships with science organizations as well as with resource management agencies. Scott led many efforts to engage with stakeholders, to ensure that their perspectives were incorporated into the goals and priorities of Chesapeake Bay science activities.