

**Maryland Sustainable Forestry Council AGENDA**  
**Friday, October 27, 2023, 10:00am – 3:00 pm**  
**Virtual or C-1 Conference Room, 580 Taylor Ave., Annapolis, MD**  
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- 10:00 am**      **Welcome** to members and guests- Bryan Seipp, Interim Chair
- 10:05 am**      **Review and Approve Minutes** – Anne Hairston-Strang, Acting State Forester
- 10:10 am**      **DNR Update** – Anne Hairston-Strang  
Paul Peditto, appointed Land Resources Assistant Secretary  
Chesapeake Bay Executive Council- new leads from MD (Moore, Kurtz)  
Staffing update/hiring deadlines, budget, fire response and risk reduction  
Outreach with partners: SMADC, RMC, MCEC Summit, MPCA panel, JAC  
Service Year hire, DNR Science Week, Nov. 30 ESLC Forests and Forestry  
Kirk Rodgers Memorial at Fire Tower – display in design
- 10:40am**      **Stewardship & Utilization Program review – Dan Rider**  
Overview of State Forest Stewardship Committee meeting  
Woodland Incentive Fund core items – workforce and education  
Nov. Vermont Woody Biomass Tour, MCEC staff, Clean Heat Standard
- 11:00am**      **Disalignment Report from EPIC – Gary Allen**
- 11:20am**      **Discussion** on directions for Re-inventing Stewardship, Cost-share, Workforce  
WIF funding priorities incl. Urban Forestry Camp, WPIEI, career awareness, Stewardship  
incentives
- 11:45am**      **Member Issues and Discussion-** Round Robin  
**12 – 1pm**      **Working Lunch**
- 1 pm**          **Planting and Tree Canopy** – JT Bowers – Policy and External Relations  
5 Million Trees Update  
Urban and Community Forestry Inflation Reduction Act Grants  
Tree Canopy Fact Sheets available at <https://chesapeaketrees.net/understand-your-canopy/>  
State of the Chesapeake Forest 2.0  
<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/cb5b91c1c6fd43478f01cf8e8a7d6e9d>
- 1:30 pm**      **Community Managed Forests** – Katie Lautar, Baltimore Green Space
- 2 pm**          Forest Conservation Act, Incentives workgroup, local outreach suggestions -JT
- 2:30 pm**      **Future meeting planning - 2024** – All
- 3:00 pm**      **Adjourn** – Bryan Seipp