

## **Chesapeake Bay Program Office Most Effective Basins Funding Allocation**

**In the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 Appropriations Conference Report, \$7.25 million was targeted to the Chesapeake Bay Program (CBP) Budget for “state-based implementation in the most effective basins.”** This document describes the methodology EPA followed to establish the most effective use of these funds and the best locations for these practices to be implemented to make the greatest progress toward achieving water quality standards in the Chesapeake Bay. **EPA will use the same methodology and funding allocation that was used in FY 2021 for the \$6 million allocation targeting agriculture and for the remaining \$1.25 million supporting projects in underrepresented communities.**

### **Funding Priority 1: Agriculture**

The most effective basins to reduce the effects of excess nutrient loading to the Bay were determined considering two factors: cost effectiveness and load effectiveness. Cost effectiveness was considered as a factor to assure these additional funds result in state-based implementation of practices that achieve the greatest benefit to water quality overall. It was evaluated by looking at what the jurisdictions have reported in their Phase III Watershed Implementation Plans (WIPs) as the focus of their upcoming efforts, and by looking at the average cost per pound of reduction for best management practice (BMP) implementation by sector.

Past analyses of cost per pound of reduction have shown that reducing nitrogen is less costly by far than reducing phosphorus.<sup>1</sup> Based on that fact, EPA determined that the focus of this evaluation would be to target nitrogen reductions in the watershed. Evaluating the load reduction targets in all the jurisdictions’ Phase III WIPs shows that the agricultural sector is targeted for 86 percent of the overall reductions identified to meet the 2025 targets collectively set by the jurisdictions. This means that most of the BMPs to be implemented in the watershed in the coming years are focused on the agricultural sector.

On average, BMPs placed in the agricultural sector have been identified as the most cost effective BMPs. Data collected on BMP cost efficiency show the average cost per pound of nitrogen reduction for agricultural BMPs is approximately \$24. This is much more cost-effective than the practices of stream restoration, shoreline erosion and sedimentation control that have been shown to cost about \$354 per pound. Comparatively, the average cost of urban BMPs is roughly \$2,259 per pound of nitrogen reduction, nearly 100 times that for agriculture. Based on this information, agricultural BMPs for reduction of nitrogen are the most cost effective to implement.

Load effectiveness is a measure of the ability of management practices implemented in a given

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<sup>1</sup> The information, largely collected over a 15-year period by the Chesapeake Bay Program Office for use in the Partnership’s Watershed Models, includes 1) the cost per unit of Best Management Practices (BMP), for over 200 BMPs, from contracted economists, and 2) the effectiveness of each BMP (the pounds of nutrients and sediment reduced per unit of BMP), mostly from “Expert Panels” made up of academics, agronomists, and practitioners working in the source sectors, including agriculture. The estimates of nutrient loads reduced to the Chesapeake Bay are from the 6<sup>th</sup>-generation Chesapeake Bay Program Watershed Model [Chesapeake Bay Program, 2017. Chesapeake Assessment and Scenario Tool (CAST) Version 2017d. Chesapeake Bay Program Office, last accessed April 2020].

area (basin) to have a positive effect on dissolved oxygen in the Bay.<sup>2</sup> Load effectiveness is the combination of three factors: land to water, delivery, and dissolved oxygen response. Each of these factors is described below.

The land to water factor represents how nitrogen applied to the land moves through the soil and is transported to the water. It is a measure of the natural propensity of the landscape to deliver nitrogen to waterways. In the phase 6 model, this factor considers groundwater recharge rates, average available water capacity, and the fraction of land in the piedmont carbonate hydrogeomorphological region by basin to determine the average nitrogen load expected to reach the local streams and rivers. An area with a land-to-water factor of 1 will deliver twice as much nitrogen as an area with a land-to-water factor of 0.5, all else being equal. The land to water factor does not consider land management, which is a separate analysis of available reductions.

The delivery factor is an estimate of the fraction of load reaching a stream, in a given basin, that will eventually make it to tidal waters. In the phase 6 model, it is calculated as a combination of stream and river factors. Stream factors generally apply to streams and reservoirs included in the National Hydrography Dataset that have an average annual flow less than 100 cubic feet per second and are calculated empirically using the USGS's SPARROW (SPATIally Referenced Regression On Watershed attributes) model. River factors apply to rivers and reservoirs with an annual flow greater than 100 cubic feet per second and are simulated by the CBP's Phase 6 dynamic model using HSPF (Hydrologic Simulation Program - Fortran).

The final factor is a measure of the Bay's dissolved oxygen response to nutrient loads from different areas of the watershed. It is based on estuarine circulation patterns and biogeochemical transformations. In the 2017 estuarine Water Quality and Sediment Transport Model (this is the official title of the model used to evaluate dissolved oxygen response to nutrient input throughout the Bay), the oxygen response factor is calculated as the impact of a unit nitrogen load reduction on the critical segments or segments of the Bay. The critical segments were defined in the 2010 Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load (Bay TMDL) as the set of segments where, if dissolved oxygen criteria are met, the remaining segments of the Bay will all meet their dissolved oxygen goals. These critical segments are the estuarine monitoring segments CB3MH, CB4MH, CB5MH, and POTMH for deep water and CB3MH, CB4MH, and CB5MH for deep channel. Each area of the watershed (basins) has a different effect on these critical segments. As an example, the Susquehanna River, located at the northern end of the Bay, has a greater effect on the dissolved oxygen in the deep water/deep channel area of the Bay than the James River, which is in the lower portion of the Bay. Nitrogen from the Susquehanna has a relatively long residence time in the Bay and must pass through the critical monitoring segments, while much of the nitrogen from the James passes out to the ocean through the Bay mouth.

In order to evaluate the load effectiveness for a given basin, the phase 6 modeling suite was used to simulate the effect of nitrogen loading from agricultural lands in each identified basin. This evaluation included both the watershed model and the estuarine model. Through this evaluation a value of load effectiveness was assigned to each basin. This information was then used to

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<sup>2</sup> Load effectiveness is the same measure known as relative effectiveness used to calculate allocations as described in Section 6.3 of the 2010 Bay TMDL. It was also used to calculate Phase WIP III nitrogen planning targets in 2017.

determine which basins are the most effective at reducing the impact of nitrogen to the critical Bay segments identified in the previous paragraph.

### *Funding Allocation Methodology*

EPA will provide the most effective basins funding for nitrogen reduction from the most cost-effective BMPs in the agricultural sector to the Chesapeake Bay watershed jurisdictions that have committed to reducing the agricultural contribution of nitrogen in their Phase III WIPs, i.e. Delaware, Maryland, New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia. The District of Columbia does not have an agricultural commitment through 2025. Using the state Phase III WIPs, EPA identified each state's nitrogen reduction commitment between now and 2025. The total load of these obligations to reduce nitrogen from Agriculture was added and then a percentage for each of those jurisdictions was determined. The \$6 million Most Effective Basins (MEB) money will be allocated using the individual percentages for those jurisdictions to complete implementation work in the most effective basins identified within their boundaries. Table 1 shows, by jurisdiction, the percentage of agricultural sector implementation proposed in each WIP and the resulting MEB funding allocation.

**Table 1: MEB Funding Allocation by Jurisdiction**

| <b>Jurisdiction</b> | <b>Phase III WIP Ag Nitrogen Commitment (million pounds)</b> | <b>Percent of Total Nitrogen Commitment Proposed</b> | <b>MEB Funding Allocations (\$)</b> |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| DC                  | 0.0                                                          | 0.00%                                                | -                                   |
| DE                  | 2.2                                                          | 6.08%                                                | \$ 364,540                          |
| MD                  | 4.2                                                          | 11.60%                                               | \$ 695,940                          |
| NY                  | 0.5                                                          | 1.33%                                                | \$ 79,536                           |
| PA                  | 22.3                                                         | 61.59%                                               | \$ 3,695,112                        |
| VA                  | 6.7                                                          | 18.50%                                               | \$ 1,110,191                        |
| WV                  | 0.3                                                          | 0.91%                                                | \$ 54,681                           |
| Totals              | 36.2                                                         | 100.00%                                              | \$ 6,000,000                        |

Determining the best locations for use of the additional funding for MEB comes from the rigorous evaluation that has been explained above. The charge given by Congress was to spend this money in the most effective basins. The questions to be answered are, what size basins provide the best and most targeted use of these funds to get the maximum load reduction possible? Where are the most effective basins located?

Basins can be delineated in many shapes and sizes. For this evaluation, three different shape/size combinations were evaluated: Minor Basins, Hydrologic Unit Code<sup>3</sup> (HUC) size 8 (HUC8), and River Segments. Two additional hybrid options, one from the Minor Basins, and one from the

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<sup>3</sup> Hydrologic Unit Code: The United States is divided and sub-divided into successively smaller hydrologic units. These hydrologic units are also known as watersheds. Each hydrologic unit is identified by a unique hydrologic unit code (HUC) consisting of two to twelve digits. The two-digit HUCs represent very large watersheds and each additional set of digits added decreases the size of the watershed. This division of watersheds is created using the National Hydrography Dataset (NHD). The NHD represents the nation's drainage networks and related features, including rivers, streams, canals, lakes, ponds, glaciers, coastlines, dams, and stream gages.

River Segments were created to place jurisdictional boundary lines over top of the Minor Basins and River Segments.

There are 25 Minor Basins in the watershed, typically ranging in size from 680 square miles to 3,280 square miles. The basin sizes resulting from this method of segmentation vary greatly. An example of a Minor Basin is the Lower Potomac which covers approximately 2,580 square miles. These are very large tracts of land and may represent extremely varied land uses.

At the HUC 8 scale, there are 53 basins that typically range in size from 810 square miles to 1,580 square miles. The basins are much more homogenous in size compared to the Minor Basin scale mentioned above. Although this segmentation is more homogenous, it still represents extremely varied land use within a basin.

The third option is to divide the watershed by River Segments. The Phase 6 CBP Watershed Model divides the Chesapeake Bay watershed into 979 land-river segments, typically ranging from 10 to 100 square miles. These land-river segments were provided with attributes, including the name of the river. Segments with the same river name were combined to form 311 named rivers with a typical range of 70 to 250 square miles. Most named rivers are nested within river basins of different sizes. For example, Bobs Creek (170 square miles) is also part of the Juniata River (3,400 square miles) and Susquehanna River (27,500 square miles) but for this analysis carries the name attribute for Bobs Creek only. Segments designated as 'Juniata' are just the 770 square miles of river basin that are not part of any smaller system. This provides a much finer resolution scale and will have less varied land use in a basin.

Finally, there are two different options to account for jurisdiction boundaries. These hybrid options were developed to overlay those boundaries over the Minor Basins and River Segments identified above. The 26 Minor Basins, divided further by jurisdictional boundaries, result in 43 State Minor Basin Segments, with a typical size of 270 square miles to 1600 square miles. Using the example of the Lower Potomac, there are now four divisions of this minor basin when segmenting by jurisdiction. These are the DC Lower Potomac – 60 square miles, MD Lower Potomac – 1040 square miles, and VA Lower Potomac – 1480 square miles. The 311 named River Segments, divided further by jurisdictional boundaries, result in 383 State-River Segments, with a typical size-range of 50 to 200 square miles. Each State-River Segment may be comprised of several land-river segments. This further division of the State River Basins is the same as described with the State Minor Basins.

Based on our analysis, EPA has determined that the most appropriate scale or segmentation to be used in this allocation is the hybrid State-River segment scale. All the segmentation options were evaluated. The smaller scale provided much more focus than the larger scale segmentation which dampened the effectiveness of the smaller areas. This scale provides focus for the funds to be used in the most effective areas of the watershed. Each basin identified as being the most effective in each jurisdiction (except DC) has agricultural loading available to be reduced. This scale provides direction to the jurisdictions on where to target the funds they receive to reflect the intent of Congress most accurately in allocating this funding.

**The effect of nitrogen to the critical Bay segments as a ratio of pounds delivered to dissolved oxygen response for each of the 383 river segment basins identified can be found in the [Most Effective Basins Funding Allocations Rationale](#) (updated May 2021). The basins are shown in**

order of load effectiveness. The table also shows the amount of nitrogen reduced in that basin to date based on reporting by jurisdictions, remaining nitrogen load to be reduced in those basins (from modeling runs), and the size of the basin. At an average cost of \$24 per pound of reduction of nitrogen, \$6 million for implementation of BMPs in the MEBs should result in approximately 250,000 pounds of nitrogen reduction overall.

**Table 2 below shows the most effective basins in which implementation using these funds is to occur.**

**Table 2: Most Effective Basins Ranked by Total Nitrogen (TN) Reduction Effectiveness**

| Rank | Jurisdiction | State Rivers                             | TN Effectiveness |
|------|--------------|------------------------------------------|------------------|
| 1    | PA           | York Indian Rock Dam                     | 23.68            |
| 2    | PA           | Black Creek                              | 18.97            |
| 3    | PA           | Safe Harbor Dam                          | 18.83            |
| 4    | PA           | Codorus Creek                            | 18.27            |
| 5    | PA           | Little Swatara Creek                     | 17.67            |
| 6    | PA           | Chiques Creek                            | 17.08            |
| 7    | PA           | Conestoga Creek                          | 16.74            |
| 8    | PA           | Pequea Creek                             | 16.09            |
| 9    | PA           | Deer Creek                               | 15.55            |
| 10   | PA           | Catawissa Creek                          | 15.42            |
| 11   | PA           | Mill Creek                               | 15.30            |
| 12   | PA           | Shamokin Creek                           | 15.26            |
| 13   | PA           | Codorus Creek West Branch                | 15.16            |
| 14   | PA           | Mahanoy Creek                            | 15.12            |
| 15   | PA           | Nescopeck Creek                          | 15.04            |
| 16   | MD           | Jones Falls                              | 14.95            |
| 17   | PA           | Swatara Creek                            | 14.89            |
| 18   | PA           | Roaring Creek                            | 14.88            |
| 19   | PA           | Mahantango Creek                         | 14.74            |
| 20   | MD           | Little Pipe Creek                        | 14.74            |
| 21   | PA           | Octoraro Creek                           | 14.72            |
| 22   | WV           | Stony River                              | 14.51            |
| 23   | MD           | Deer Creek                               | 14.46            |
| 24   | PA           | Alvin R. Bush Dam                        | 14.28            |
| 25   | PA           | Sinnemahoning Creek                      | 14.18            |
| 26   | PA           | Middle Creek                             | 14.12            |
| 27   | PA           | Cocalico Creek                           | 14.04            |
| 28   | PA           | East Licking Creek                       | 13.96            |
| 29   | PA           | Buffalo Creek                            | 13.95            |
| 30   | PA           | Tuscarora Creek                          | 13.93            |
| 31   | WV           | Mt. Storm Power Station Dam/StoRiver Dam | 13.92            |

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|-----|----|-------------------------------------|-------|
| 32  | PA | Larrys Creek                        | 13.91 |
| 33  | PA | Wiconisco Creek                     | 13.87 |
| 34  | MD | Bloomington/Jennings Randolph       | 13.67 |
| 35  | PA | Codorus Creek South Branch          | 13.63 |
| 36  | PA | Wills Creek                         | 13.31 |
| 37  | PA | Fishing Creek                       | 13.31 |
| 38  | PA | Juniata River                       | 13.28 |
| 39  | MD | Tonoloway Creek                     | 13.17 |
| 42  | VA | Lower Eastern Shore Tidal Drainage  | 12.94 |
| 60  | WV | Potomac River North Branch          | 12.09 |
| 67  | VA | Pocomoke River                      | 11.73 |
| 83  | DE | Lower Eastern Shore Tidal Drainage  | 10.90 |
| 86  | NY | Owego Creek                         | 10.71 |
| 88  | DE | Nanticoke River                     | 10.66 |
| 103 | VA | Great Wicomico River                | 10.11 |
| 118 | DE | Middle Eastern Shore Tidal Drainage | 9.59  |
| 121 | NY | Tioughnioga Creek                   | 9.44  |
| 125 | NY | Tioughnioga River West Branch       | 9.26  |

## Funding Priority 2: Underrepresented Communities

In FY 2021, an additional \$1.25 million was appropriated for “state-based implementation in the most effective basins.” EPA and the Chesapeake Bay Partnership have renewed their commitment and focus on inclusion and equity with regard to historically underrepresented communities, including communities of color and communities of lower socioeconomic status. EPA is focusing this additional funding allocation on those areas that have been identified as being most effective for improving water quality while targeting underrepresented communities. The allocation for this funding will follow the same funding allocation used for the Chesapeake Bay Implementation Grants (CBIG). The CBIG allocation formula awards funds to the seven jurisdictional partners in the following manner: a 20% share goes to MD, PA, and VA, a 10% share goes to DC, DE, NY, and WV. The following table shows the breakdown for this \$1.25 million appropriation.

**Table 3: MEB Funding Allocation by Jurisdiction (Remaining \$1.25 Million)**

| <b>Jurisdiction</b> | <b>CBIG Percentage Split</b> | <b>MEB Funding Allocation (\$)</b> |
|---------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| DC                  | 10%                          | \$ 125,000                         |
| DE                  | 10%                          | \$ 125,000                         |
| MD                  | 20%                          | \$ 250,000                         |
| NY                  | 10%                          | \$ 125,000                         |
| PA                  | 20%                          | \$ 250,000                         |
| VA                  | 20%                          | \$ 250,000                         |

| Jurisdiction | CBIG<br>Percentage<br>Split | MEB<br>Funding<br>Allocation (\$) |
|--------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| WV           | 10%                         | \$ 125,000                        |
| Totals       | 100%                        | \$ 1,250,000                      |

The selection of MEBs for this funding allocation of 1.25 million dollars will look at two factors: underrepresented communities and load effectiveness. Underrepresented communities will be identified based on demographic metrics from the American Community Survey which are available on the [EPA Environmental Justice Screening and Mapping Tool](#). Low income is defined as ratio of income to cost of living that is less than two. Data is presented as a census block group with a percentage of population that is low income  $\geq 50\%$ . Communities of color are defined as all other ethnicities other than Caucasian. Data is presented as a census block group with a percentage of people of color population  $\geq 37\%$ . 37% is chosen to mirror the national percentage of people of color. These definitions come from work completed by the CBP Diversity Workgroup where they provided “best professional judgement” in terms of interpreting two of the metrics (communities of color and low income) to help rank areas for composite conservation and restoration benefits.

Load Effectiveness for this analysis was completed in the exact same manner as it was described on page 3 of this document with one exception. These MEBs are the result of evaluating the effect of all nonpoint source loads of nitrogen instead of just loads of nitrogen from agriculture. Additionally, the scale used to determine these MEBs is the State-River basin segmentation that was described in the earlier analysis. Table 4 shows the list of Most effective basins that overlay the areas that have been identified as underrepresented communities. **The most effective basins for focusing this funding are shown in gray highlight. This list has been expanded compared to the FY 2021 list of eligible basins to allow jurisdictions more flexibility in reaching underrepresented communities in their respective jurisdictions.**

**Table 4: Most Effective Basins that Overlay Areas Identified as Underrepresented Communities (As Represented by Gray Highlighted)**

| Rank | Jurisdiction | State-Rivers         | TN<br>Effectiveness | TN<br>Reductions<br>Made to<br>Date | TN Load<br>Remaining<br>to Reduce | Watershed<br>Size (sq. mi.) |
|------|--------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1    | PA           | York Indian Rock Dam | 22.87               | 14237                               | 218825                            | 21                          |
| 1    | PA           | Black Creek          | 19.39               | 27953                               | 63440                             | 62                          |
| 3    | PA           | Codorus Creek        | 19.11               | 9916                                | 367864                            | 66                          |
| 4    | PA           | Safe Harbor Dam      | 17.51               | 107726                              | 799160                            | 114                         |
| 5    | PA           | Chiques Creek        | 17.16               | 551740                              | 1857828                           | 126                         |
| 6    | PA           | Conestoga Creek      | 16.68               | 953008                              | 3007086                           | 278                         |
| 7    | PA           | Little Swatara Creek | 16.34               | 0                                   | 1110781                           | 99                          |
| 8    | PA           | Pequea Creek         | 16.12               | 403680                              | 1865801                           | 155                         |
| 9    | PA           | Shamokin Creek       | 16.08               | 12615                               | 332191                            | 137                         |
| 10   | PA           | Mahanoy Creek        | 15.96               | 17014                               | 382719                            | 157                         |
| 11   | PA           | Mill Creek           | 15.58               | 220956                              | 668640                            | 56                          |
| 12   | PA           | Octoraro Creek       | 15.11               | 259512                              | 1974658                           | 176                         |

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|----|----|---------------------------------------------|-------|---------|---------|------|
| 13 | PA | Deer Creek                                  | 15.06 | 25340   | 218681  | 25   |
| 14 | PA | Catawissa Creek                             | 14.86 | 21243   | 301544  | 153  |
| 15 | WV | Stony River                                 | 14.59 | 2004    | 10285   | 10   |
| 16 | PA | Codorus Creek West Branch                   | 14.58 | 31409   | 308201  | 50   |
| 17 | MD | Little Pipe Creek                           | 14.42 | 304558  | 517846  | 83   |
| 18 | PA | Swatara Creek                               | 14.32 | 219465  | 1600423 | 396  |
| 19 | MD | Deer Creek                                  | 14.11 | 201343  | 626682  | 146  |
| 20 | PA | Cocalico Creek                              | 14.1  | 303655  | 1094543 | 140  |
| 21 | PA | Mahantango Creek                            | 14.08 | 124321  | 793410  | 165  |
| 22 | PA | Roaring Creek                               | 13.84 | 27979   | 330495  | 88   |
| 23 | PA | Nescopeck Creek                             | 13.83 | 94098   | 167141  | 112  |
| 24 | PA | Wiconisco Creek                             | 13.8  | 181818  | 368808  | 116  |
| 25 | MD | Bloomington/Jennings Randolph               | 13.64 | 10882   | 41235   | 63   |
| 26 | PA | Middle Creek                                | 13.64 | 0       | 817242  | 177  |
| 27 | WV | Mt. Storm Power Station Dam/Stony River Dam | 13.53 | 9634    | 58170   | 49   |
| 28 | MD | Susquehanna River                           | 13.37 | 9581    | 65361   | 28   |
| 29 | PA | East Licking Creek                          | 13.37 | 10549   | 76561   | 46   |
| 30 | VA | Lower Eastern Shore Tidal Drainage          | 13.26 | 145008  | 1224541 | 219  |
| 31 | MD | Savage River Dam                            | 13.25 | 13567   | 30384   | 56   |
| 32 | PA | Tuscarora Creek                             | 13.08 | 38911   | 590526  | 224  |
| 33 | PA | Sherman Creek                               | 12.93 | 0       | 778438  | 276  |
| 34 | MD | Octoraro Creek                              | 12.84 | 51357   | 123333  | 35   |
| 35 | PA | Codorus Creek South Branch                  | 12.81 | 45232   | 703913  | 117  |
| 36 | PA | Buffalo Creek                               | 12.79 | 28828   | 859729  | 207  |
| 37 | PA | Alvin R. Bush Dam                           | 12.78 | 1196    | 18824   | 95   |
| 38 | PA | Juniata River                               | 12.71 | 207199  | 1992742 | 767  |
| 39 | PA | Larrys Creek                                | 12.69 | 32513   | 83963   | 89   |
| 40 | PA | Susquehanna River                           | 12.62 | 1360081 | 4779581 | 2262 |
| 41 | PA | Penns Creek                                 | 12.59 | 107376  | 1115206 | 377  |
| 42 | PA | Fishing Creek                               | 12.5  | 96073   | 653637  | 271  |
| 43 | MD | Potomac River North Branch                  | 12.36 | 62959   | 136977  | 157  |
| 44 | MD | Conowingo Dam                               | 12.24 | 13275   | 42727   | 23   |
| 45 | WV | Bloomington/Jennings Randolph               | 12.21 | 1663    | 70956   | 81   |
| 46 | MD | Muddy Creek                                 | 12.08 | 1003    | 4615    | 2    |
| 47 | WV | Potomac River North Branch                  | 12.06 | 18036   | 160819  | 162  |
| 48 | MD | Monocacy River                              | 11.99 | 1008035 | 1657042 | 448  |
| 49 | PA | Sinnemahoning Creek                         | 11.99 | 5284    | 11534   | 72   |

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| 50 | MD | Lingamore Creek                     | 11.88 | 212204 | 380907  | 89   |
| 51 | PA | Chillisquaque Creek                 | 11.87 | 77137  | 545406  | 112  |
| 52 | PA | Warrior Ridge Dam                   | 11.87 | 15990  | 129815  | 78   |
| 53 | PA | Susquehanna River West Branch       | 11.78 | 348229 | 2137577 | 1745 |
| 54 | PA | Holtwood Dam                        | 11.73 | 9014   | 242256  | 50   |
| 55 | PA | Bald Eagle Creek                    | 11.71 | 151794 | 600282  | 383  |
| 56 | PA | Aughwick Creek                      | 11.7  | 9009   | 94102   | 47   |
| 57 | VA | Pocomoke River                      | 11.67 | 5584   | 108298  | 24   |
| 58 | MD | Jones Falls                         | 11.66 | 5654   | 170604  | 58   |
| 59 | PA | Muddy Creek                         | 11.66 | 50272  | 855327  | 137  |
| 60 | MD | Lower Western Shore Tidal Drainage  | 11.64 | 27704  | 714109  | 275  |
| 61 | MD | Savage River                        | 11.64 | 17958  | 42274   | 60   |
| 62 | PA | White Deer Creek                    | 11.52 | 0      | 20073   | 45   |
| 63 | PA | Broad Creek                         | 11.51 | 99     | 2602    | 1    |
| 64 | MD | Big Pipe Creek                      | 11.48 | 281098 | 507253  | 109  |
| 65 | PA | Cush Creek                          | 11.46 | 94404  | 608556  | 191  |
| 66 | MD | Middle Western Shore Tidal Drainage | 11.42 | 7177   | 332988  | 118  |
| 67 | PA | Foster Joseph Sayers Dam            | 11.42 | 26444  | 120565  | 73   |
| 68 | MD | Broad Creek                         | 11.34 | 62779  | 140252  | 40   |
| 69 | PA | Beech Creek                         | 11.32 | 6483   | 72132   | 171  |
| 70 | PA | George B. Stevenson Dam             | 11.25 | 1764   | 2925    | 27   |
| 71 | PA | Little Juniatta River               | 11.1  | 68670  | 728326  | 343  |
| 72 | DE | Nanticoke River                     | 11    | 112513 | 1009792 | 91   |
| 73 | PA | Blacklog Creek                      | 10.98 | 6420   | 77292   | 73   |
| 74 | DE | Lower Eastern Shore Tidal Drainage  | 10.96 | 100031 | 2012862 | 232  |
| 75 | PA | Conowingo Dam                       | 10.9  | 109679 | 850259  | 102  |
| 76 | MD | Wills Creek                         | 10.88 | 14380  | 44297   | 61   |
| 77 | PA | Conogoguinet Creek                  | 10.84 | 0      | 2397677 | 458  |
| 78 | PA | Huntington Creek                    | 10.82 | 72545  | 114179  | 114  |
| 79 | PA | Big Elk Creek                       | 10.73 | 88005  | 349503  | 42   |
| 80 | PA | Wills Creek                         | 10.73 | 39775  | 283946  | 193  |
| 81 | PA | Bennette Branch                     | 10.54 | 24401  | 96810   | 377  |
| 82 | PA | Quittapahilla Creek                 | 10.39 | 23640  | 643461  | 77   |
| 83 | PA | Conococheague Creek West Branch     | 10.37 | 0      | 1212735 | 198  |
| 84 | PA | Texas Creek                         | 10.36 | 45659  | 117707  | 180  |
| 85 | PA | Muncy Creek                         | 10.32 | 119615 | 318205  | 204  |
| 86 | VA | Great Wicomico River                | 10.26 | 59620  | 370341  | 128  |
| 87 | PA | Meshoppen Creek                     | 10.15 | 126494 | 132856  | 115  |
| 88 | PA | Yellow Breeches Creek               | 10.05 | 0      | 744883  | 220  |

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| 89  | WV | Back Creek                          | 10   | 0      | 109425  | 106 |
| 90  | MD | Little Conococheague Creek          | 9.97 | 24013  | 57469   | 17  |
| 91  | PA | Kettle Creek                        | 9.97 | 3104   | 56482   | 152 |
| 92  | PA | Moshannon Creek                     | 9.95 | 16234  | 149836  | 274 |
| 93  | PA | Driftwood Branch                    | 9.94 | 34099  | 14962   | 95  |
| 94  | MD | Tonoloway Creek                     | 9.9  | 623    | 3070    | 2   |
| 95  | MD | Licking Creek                       | 9.87 | 7539   | 29706   | 27  |
| 96  | PA | Conococheague Creek                 | 9.84 | 891    | 1981838 | 304 |
| 97  | PA | Juniata River Frankstown Branch     | 9.81 | 1887   | 935455  | 396 |
| 98  | NY | Owego Creek                         | 9.72 | 14266  | 21236   | 13  |
| 99  | MD | Nanticoke River                     | 9.71 | 53543  | 120930  | 20  |
| 100 | MD | Winters Run                         | 9.7  | 18598  | 186226  | 58  |
| 101 | PA | Bowman Creek                        | 9.7  | 50820  | 60678   | 120 |
| 102 | MD | Conococheague Creek                 | 9.63 | 102907 | 282130  | 66  |
| 103 | WV | Sleepy Creek                        | 9.63 | 16944  | 86747   | 125 |
| 104 | DE | Middle Eastern Shore Tidal Drainage | 9.61 | 15869  | 124020  | 19  |
| 105 | PA | Lycoming Creek                      | 9.61 | 42472  | 199800  | 273 |
| 106 | MD | Potomac River                       | 9.6  | 320501 | 799081  | 373 |
| 107 | MD | Big Elk Creek                       | 9.56 | 4727   | 24146   | 11  |
| 108 | PA | Branch Creek                        | 9.56 | 0      | 214490  | 46  |
| 109 | PA | Wallis Run                          | 9.55 | 5586   | 19906   | 37  |
| 110 | PA | Cayuta Creek                        | 9.53 | 2067   | 5048    | 2   |
| 111 | MD | Great Seneca Creek                  | 9.35 | 122870 | 214447  | 102 |
| 112 | PA | Sinnemahoning Creek First Fork      | 9.33 | 7362   | 77126   | 240 |
| 113 | MD | Antietam Creek East Branch          | 9.32 | 9267   | 22410   | 8   |
| 114 | PA | Potomac River                       | 9.3  | 1140   | 12444   | 3   |
| 115 | PA | Wyalusing Creek                     | 9.3  | 222476 | 245752  | 220 |
| 116 | MD | Upper Western Shore Tidal Drainage  | 9.29 | 42521  | 264224  | 141 |
| 117 | PA | Pine Creek                          | 9.24 | 57915  | 219806  | 599 |
| 118 | PA | Sideling Hill Creek                 | 9.23 | 19918  | 384431  | 284 |
| 119 | MD | Middle Eastern Shore Tidal Drainage | 9.2  | 638248 | 1771391 | 348 |
| 120 | PA | Licking Creek                       | 9.19 | 27154  | 407836  | 186 |
| 121 | PA | Conewago Creek                      | 9.11 | 282392 | 1775750 | 510 |
| 122 | PA | Lackawanna River                    | 9.07 | 33808  | 206810  | 348 |
| 123 | DC | Bull Run                            | 8.93 | 0      | 4086    | 20  |
| 124 | MD | Gunpowder Falls                     | 8.92 | 84899  | 376374  | 175 |
| 125 | PA | Little Northeast Creek              | 8.9  | 2852   | 66473   | 8   |
| 126 | PA | Loyalsock Creek                     | 8.9  | 43639  | 204007  | 377 |

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| 127 | MD | Georges Creek                         | 8.75 | 14601  | 37387  | 75  |
| 128 | MD | Choptank River                        | 8.73 | 139913 | 551765 | 108 |
| 129 | MD | Lower Patuxent Tidal Drainage         | 8.65 | 75751  | 562738 | 300 |
| 130 | WV | Cacapon River                         | 8.63 | 3814   | 22942  | 61  |
| 131 | MD | Antietam Creek                        | 8.58 | 262951 | 641720 | 178 |
| 132 | MD | Marshyhope Creek                      | 8.52 | 221074 | 589651 | 119 |
| 133 | VA | Sleepy Creek                          | 8.52 | 0      | 15459  | 20  |
| 134 | MD | Loch Raven Dam                        | 8.43 | 3790   | 45168  | 31  |
| 135 | VA | South Branch Potomac                  | 8.39 | 0      | 69628  | 59  |
| 136 | MD | Seneca Creek                          | 8.38 | 38860  | 75753  | 27  |
| 137 | PA | Mehoopany Creek                       | 8.38 | 28506  | 41128  | 123 |
| 138 | DE | Deep Creek                            | 8.37 | 3913   | 233516 | 30  |
| 139 | WV | Potomac River                         | 8.37 | 53672  | 433956 | 320 |
| 140 | MD | Western Run                           | 8.32 | 83020  | 295407 | 118 |
| 141 | PA | Little Conococheague Creek            | 8.32 | 0      | 517    | 1   |
| 142 | PA | Spring Creek                          | 8.29 | 94318  | 363288 | 146 |
| 143 | WV | Potomac River South Branch            | 8.26 | 107838 | 573565 | 543 |
| 144 | MD | Evitts Creek                          | 8.2  | 5098   | 20560  | 31  |
| 145 | NY | Nanticoke Creek                       | 8.2  | 78095  | 106981 | 114 |
| 146 | MD | Little Northeast Creek                | 8.19 | 59312  | 161058 | 48  |
| 147 | PA | Curwensville Dam                      | 8.18 | 11604  | 27207  | 53  |
| 148 | MD | Hunting Creek                         | 8.16 | 203    | 44248  | 26  |
| 149 | NY | Tioughnioga River West Branch         | 8.15 | 192589 | 180026 | 104 |
| 150 | WV | Opequon Creek                         | 8.13 | 31496  | 403725 | 192 |
| 151 | VA | Potomac River South Branch North Fork | 8.11 | 577    | 7336   | 38  |
| 152 | DC | Potomac River                         | 8.09 | 401    | 30511  | 14  |
| 153 | MD | Marsh Run                             | 8.06 | 26001  | 78497  | 21  |
| 154 | MD | Lower Potomac Tidal Drainage          | 8.05 | 60460  | 716945 | 428 |
| 155 | PA | Antietam Creek East Branch            | 7.97 | 0      | 429574 | 86  |
| 156 | NY | Tioughnioga River                     | 7.95 | 243695 | 220389 | 208 |
| 157 | MD | Middle Patuxent River                 | 7.92 | 89327  | 148208 | 58  |
| 158 | WV | North River                           | 7.89 | 13878  | 198766 | 206 |
| 159 | NY | Tioughnioga Creek                     | 7.88 | 227968 | 239600 | 193 |
| 160 | VA | Lower Potomac Tidal Drainage          | 7.87 | 83589  | 563421 | 470 |
| 161 | MD | Marsh Creek                           | 7.83 | 22088  | 40985  | 11  |
| 162 | MD | Nassawango Creek                      | 7.82 | 129103 | 130002 | 68  |
| 163 | WV | Reeds Creek                           | 7.73 | 1563   | 18853  | 65  |

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| 164 | NY | Susquehanna River                     | 7.72 | 682455  | 751626  | 890 |
| 165 | DC | Anacostia River                       | 7.71 | 1380    | 37452   | 18  |
| 166 | MD | Lower Eastern Shore Tidal Drainage    | 7.67 | 805230  | 1713780 | 454 |
| 167 | PA | Tonoloway Creek                       | 7.67 | 13483   | 261108  | 112 |
| 168 | MD | North East Branch Anacostia River     | 7.61 | 7435    | 103822  | 75  |
| 169 | WV | Potomac River South Branch North Fork | 7.5  | 16538   | 113755  | 212 |
| 170 | MD | Chester River                         | 7.49 | 70737   | 161788  | 35  |
| 171 | PA | Chest Creek                           | 7.45 | 42823   | 152933  | 129 |
| 172 | MD | Patuxent River                        | 7.43 | 70154   | 259029  | 176 |
| 173 | PA | Fifteen Mile Creek                    | 7.43 | 788     | 8244    | 12  |
| 174 | MD | Tuckahoe River                        | 7.42 | 222241  | 657718  | 150 |
| 175 | NY | Owego Creek East Branch               | 7.4  | 88049   | 97821   | 101 |
| 176 | NY | Chenango River                        | 7.37 | 621464  | 577651  | 614 |
| 177 | NY | Catatonk Creek                        | 7.36 | 105054  | 135579  | 151 |
| 178 | MD | Patapsco River                        | 7.35 | 96286   | 355979  | 204 |
| 179 | PA | Antietam Creek                        | 7.33 | 0       | 155266  | 20  |
| 180 | PA | Monocacy River                        | 7.29 | 10592   | 116224  | 67  |
| 181 | PA | Little Tonoloway Creek                | 7.28 | 0       | 12888   | 10  |
| 182 | MD | Pocomoke River                        | 7.19 | 817630  | 915510  | 301 |
| 183 | MD | Upper Eastern Shore Tidal Drainage    | 7.19 | 1181710 | 2867947 | 748 |
| 184 | MD | Catoctin Creek                        | 7.16 | 178014  | 314785  | 120 |
| 185 | VA | Shenandoah River South Fork           | 7.14 | 38566   | 1299039 | 618 |
| 186 | DC | Rock Creek                            | 7.1  | 134     | 15957   | 10  |
| 187 | DE | Upper Eastern Shore Tidal Drainage    | 7.09 | 51447   | 148987  | 36  |
| 188 | PA | Little Loyalsock Creek                | 7.08 | 25054   | 85224   | 82  |
| 189 | WV | Shenandoah River                      | 7.08 | 12912   | 48460   | 103 |
| 190 | MD | Fifteen Mile Creek                    | 7.07 | 1606    | 15025   | 50  |
| 191 | PA | Marsh Creek                           | 7.06 | 86013   | 488599  | 161 |
| 192 | WV | South Branch Potomac                  | 7.06 | 43742   | 188358  | 208 |
| 193 | PA | Sugar Creek                           | 7.04 | 176783  | 262318  | 190 |
| 194 | MD | Conococheague Creek West Branch       | 7    | 0       | 98      | 0   |
| 195 | VA | Back Creek                            | 6.98 | 751     | 155817  | 309 |
| 196 | VA | Shenandoah River                      | 6.98 | 12912   | 48460   | 249 |
| 197 | MD | Little Tonoloway Creek                | 6.96 | 5857    | 18895   | 15  |
| 198 | NY | Owego Creek West Branch               | 6.95 | 49514   | 64209   | 77  |