

AGENDA

Baltimore County Commission on Environmental Quality (CEQ)
March 22, 2023 at 7 pm on Webex

CEQ meeting dates, membership information, and reports are at
www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/ceq/index.html

I. Welcome. This is the 5th evening in the CEQ series on the expected increases in extreme weather and water-related challenges (coastal and non-coastal) in Baltimore County, their projected impacts, and the development of resiliency to protect essential infrastructure and public health. Goals of the series are to present information and to stimulate discussion, thus encouraging timely progress on climate change adaptation in our county.

II. Bob Shedlock will speak on “Addressing Urban Flooding Using an Interjurisdictional Watershed Approach—The Work of the Baltimore Urban Waters Partnership Flood Team”. Bob is Scientist Emeritus at the US Geological Survey, and Emeritus Director of the USGS MD-DE-DC Water Science Center.

A concise summary from the first of 2 major workshops by the Flood Team includes the disconnect between what the science tells us about urban flooding and the governing regulations: https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2021-09/baltimore-flood-report-9.27.21_508_1.pdf

A second, more recent workshop focused on Maidens Choice watershed as an interjurisdictional watershed, governed under multiple political structures with different rules, administrative structures, and funding mechanisms.

III. Minutes of 2/22/2023 meeting, correct and approve. Thank you, Andy.

IV. Award for a farmer who is using creative and effective measures to save soil from erosion due to extreme storms and flooding. Steve Malan, Dustin Shearer, Andy Miller

V. Update on Oregon Ridge Master Plan final report.

VI. Update on Forest Conservation code changes, after CEQ’s 5/1/2022 report that had been requested by the County Council.

VII. Updating CEQ reports on road salt and/or deer overpopulation?

VIII. Closing comments: Carol Newill

CEQ meeting dates: 4/26, 5/24, 9/27, 10/25, 12/6/2023.