



## 2022-2023 CHESAPEAKE AGRICULTURAL NETWORKING FORUM AND LISTENING SESSIONS

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation is happy to announce plans for the **2022-2023 Chesapeake Agricultural Networking Forum and Listening Sessions**. The Forum brings together NFWF grantees, partners, and practitioners in agricultural conservation from across the region to discuss emerging trends and topics, network and share ideas, and inform what's next in our collective efforts towards greater agricultural sustainability.

This year's Forum will be delivered virtually through a series of focused, crowd sourced sessions. We've identified several important, emerging topics related to our shared work, framed around key questions that we're seeking your help in answering. For each session, NFWF will be accepting proposals for 5–15-minute flash talks that help answer, at least in part, each of these key questions. After hearing from selected presentations, participants will then have the opportunity for loosely structured networking and discussion on each topic, with the goal of leaving each session with new understanding, ideas, and partners to help tackle these shared challenges.

Please see below for information on each session. **All participants must register by October 13 and proposed presentations must be submitted by October 1, 2022**, using this form: <https://forms.gle/hc1YUyfpqdmTkAad7>. Selected abstracts will be notified and provided further instructions by mid-October 2022. No abstract will be collected for session 1 at this time.

**SESSION 1:** Advancing priority WIP strategies for the agricultural sector

**Key Question:** How can NFWF and its current and future grantees best support jurisdictions' priority WIP strategies for the agricultural sector as we advance towards 2025?

**Date/Time:** 10:00AM-12:00PM, Tuesday, November 8, 2022

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**SESSION 2:** Advancing diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice in agricultural sustainability efforts

**Key Question:** How can we better engage and support underserved, marginalized, and socially disadvantaged producers and communities in realizing goals and growing demand for sustainable agriculture and food systems?

**Date/Time:** 10:00AM-12:00PM, Tuesday, November 15, 2022

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**SESSION 3:** Coordinating with federal infrastructure funding for agricultural conservation

**Key Question:** How can we unlock unprecedented federal infrastructure funding to advance on-farm conservation and sustainability efforts?

**Date/Time:** 1:00-3:00PM, Thursday, November 17, 2022

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**SESSION 4:** Enhancing agricultural conservation through collaboration and partnerships

**Key Question:** What can we learn from, re-evaluate, and replicate regarding our efforts to support collaborative models as key drivers of accelerated agricultural conservation in the region?

**Date/Time:** 10:00AM-12:00PM, Tuesday, December 13, 2022

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**SESSION 5:** Advancing partnerships with cooperatives, aggregators, and supply chain stakeholders

**Key Question:** How can we better identify, engage, and support supply chain stakeholders as critical emerging drivers of and partners in achieving shared goals for agricultural sustainability?

**Date/Time:** 1:00-3:00PM, Thursday, December 15, 2022

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**SESSION 6:** Advancing regenerative and climate-smart agriculture

**Key Question:** How can we leverage our collective knowledge and experience supporting agricultural water quality improvement towards achieving a more holistic approach to regenerative and climate-smart agriculture, farm-scale greenhouse gas reduction, and agricultural carbon sequestration?

**Date/Time:** 10:00AM-12:00PM, Tuesday, January 10, 2023

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**SESSION 7:** Integrating wetlands in agricultural landscapes

**Key Question:** What will it take to accelerate wetlands restoration, creation, and enhancement in the region's varied agricultural landscapes?

**Date/Time:** 1:00-3:00PM, Thursday, January 12, 2023

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**SESSION 8:** Advancing agricultural conservation through a social science lens

**Key Question:** What recommendations and insights from the Chesapeake Bay Program Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee's 2021 workshop on social science in agricultural conservation hold the most promise for advancing ag conservation beyond the region's early adopters?

**Date/Time:** 10:00AM-12:00PM, Tuesday, January 24, 2023

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