

NOAA Restoration Day Agenda

- 8:00 – 8:30** Volunteers meet at Silver Spring campus for carpools and to put SAV supplies in vehicles. *NOTE: Leave no later than 8:30, at least a 1 hour drive.*
- 9:30 – 10:00** Arrive at CBEC Visitor Center (coffee, donuts)
- 10:00 – 10:30** Welcome remarks and review logistics.
- 10:30 – 10:55** Shuttle volunteers and supplies to stations
- 11:00 – 12:00** **Restoration Activities Part I** (3 separate activities during same time period)
- 1. SAV Planting for volunteers involved with growing effort**
Volunteers will wade into water 2 at a time and plant grasses
Number of volunteers: 55-70
 - 2. Floating Dock Construction**
Volunteers will install 4-6 posts and attach interlocking floating dock pieces.
Number of volunteers: 8-10
 - 3. Oyster Planting**
Using ORP boat, volunteers will bring 25-50 bags of oyster shell bags and plant on reef.
Number of volunteers: 8
- 12:00 – 12:45** **Bag Lunch and Terrapin Informational Session** (30 minute break, on own)
Informal discussion about terrapin protection (e.g. lifecycles, nest marking, etc.) hosted by Margie Whilden. *NOTE: Participants must bring own lunch and drink.*
- 12:45 – 2:45** **Cabin Creek Restoration Activities**
(Rotate once after 1 hour, 2 activities, 40-45 volunteers for each station)
- 1. Wetland Plantings and Shoreline Stabilization**
Plant emergent marsh species to help stabilize and protect the shoreline. Also will install 2-3 core fiberlogs.
Number of volunteers: 40-45
 - 2. Wetlands Clean-up**
Remove trash and debris from wetland area and clean up remaining damage from Hurricane Isabel.
Number of volunteers: 40-45
- 3:00 - ?** **Reception at nearby Harris Seafood Restaurant, food and beverages provided by ORP**

Directions

The Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center (formerly called Horseheads Wetlands Center) is located on Maryland's Eastern Shore, near Kent Narrows and the Bay Bridge.

Address:

Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center (formerly called Horseheads Wetlands Center)
600 Discovery Lane
Grasonville, Md. 21638
Phone: 410-827-6694

Directions From Silver Spring, Washington, Baltimore, Annapolis:

- From the beltway (495) take exit for Maryland Route 50 (East)
- Cross the Chesapeake Bay Bridge
- Follow 50 (E) to exit 43B (Chester River Beach Road).
- Turn right on Chester River Beach Road, then left on Route 18.
- Take the first right onto Perry Corner Road.
- The entrance to Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center is located about 1/2 mile on the right, and is clearly marked with a brown and white sign (may also be signs for Horseheads Wetlands Center).
- Turn right at the sign onto a dirt road called Discovery Lane.
- Follow Discovery Lane (unpaved road) until it ends at the Visitor Center parking lot.

Volunteer Supplies, Please Bring:

- Bagged lunch or snack(s) (we will provide some water but NOT food at CBEC)
- Bottled water/drinks
- Swimsuit and/or old clothes, you will get wet!! (Quick dry fabrics work best; we will have one dome tent that is tall enough to stand up in, for changing at Cabin Creek)
- Fieldwork clothes that can get muddy and wet (shorts and t-shirts). Remember to wear your NOAA logos. Quick-dry fabrics are recommended (nylon, not cotton).
- Old shoes/sneakers/Teva sandals that can get wet (NO BARE FEET ALLOWED!!) (Note: sediments are much firmer here than those at Otter Point Creek but you still need footwear to protect your feet)
- Towel
- Dry change of clothes and shoes and a plastic bag for your wet items
- Waterproof sunscreen
- Bug spray
- Binoculars (optional – plenty of birding opportunities)
- Sunglasses (optional)
- Hat (optional)
- Jacket/sweatshirt (if necessary)
- Work gloves (optional – some will be provided)
- Light weight/partial wet suit IF it's cold that day (you can use chest waders but some water may be too deep and bending is involved so they don't work as well)
- Bag to hold your gear (backpack or dry bag). We will carpool to the planting site, since it has limited parking.

Rain Plan:

Implementation of the rain contingency plan will be decided by **4:00pm** the day before the event (Monday, June 14). This decision will be e-mailed to volunteers and available through voicemail message. Call **Alison Hammer at (301)713-3000 x110** after 4:00 to check the event status. *Note: this event will only be postponed in the event of **severe** weather (e.g. thunderstorms), not for light rain or cold temperatures.* The rain date has been scheduled for Thursday, June 17, 2004.