

## Chesapeake Bay Foundation speaks on proposed budget reduction

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**ANNAPOLIS, Md.** — The Trump Administration budget proposes to reduce spending for EPA by 31 percent. There is no information currently available about funding for the Chesapeake Bay Program, which provides critical support for Bay restoration efforts. Following the budget announcement, Chesapeake Bay Foundation President William C. Baker issued this statement:

"The proposed budget ignores common sense funding requirements that are necessary for clean air, clean water, and efforts to combat climate change in the Bay region and around the country.

"Just last Friday, I met with EPA Administrator Wheeler. In that meeting he affirmed his full support of Chesapeake Bay restoration efforts. We sincerely hope that support includes advocating for full funding of Bay-related protection and restoration programs.

"The Chesapeake Clean Water Blueprint is working. But to achieve our long-term goals the pace must be accelerated.

"Chesapeake Bay restoration efforts have strong, bipartisan support. We will work with the region's members of Congress to ensure that funding is increased, not reduced."

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