

MBSS SPRING TRAINING 2019 – AGENDA [DRAFT]

Howard Community College
10901 Little Patuxent Pkwy
Columbia, Maryland
Duncan Hall, Room 100

February 26, 2019

7:30 – 9:00 am	Check In/ Breakfast (provided)
9:00 – 9:30 am	MBSS Program orientation/what's new with the MBSS
9:30 – 9:45 am	Landowner issues/trespassing
9:45 - 10:45	Benthic macroinvertebrate sampling*
10:45 – 11:00 am	Break
11:00 – 11:15 am	Water sampling
11:15 – 12:00 pm	Habitat and vernal pools
12:00 – 12:05 pm	Decontamination
12:05 – 12:45 pm	Lunch (on your own)
	Benthic macroinvertebrate sampling demonstration* and physical habitat assessment demonstration (at stream)
12:45 – 2:15 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Benthic Sampling Demo: Certification applicants• Benthic Sampling Demo: Regular trainees• Habitat Assessment Demo: Certification applicants• Habitat Assessment Demo: Regular trainees• Decontamination station
2:15 – 3:00 pm	Benthic macroinvertebrate sampling written exam*
3:00 – 3:45 pm	Frog call test (optional) and review
3:45 pm	Adjourn

*Required for Benthic Macroinvertebrate Sampling Certification. A field audit (March 1 – April 30) is also required to complete this certification.

We are again offering an optional frog call test during MBSS spring training. There are 20 species of frogs found in Maryland whose calls are likely to be on the test:

Eastern Narrowmouthed Toad, Eastern Spadefoot, Eastern American Toad, Fowler's Toad, Carpenter Frog, American Bullfrog, Wood Frog, Northern Green Frog, Pickerel Frog, Southern Leopard Frog, Northern Leopard Frog, Eastern Cricket Frog, Northern Spring Peeper, Gray Treefrog, Cope's Gray Treefrog, Mountain Chorus Frog, Upland Chorus Frog, New Jersey Chorus Frog, Green Treefrog, and Barking Treefrog.