History

- Started by Dr. Emery Cleaves, State Geologist
- Recommendation of ITFM
- First meeting in late 1994
- 12-member steering committee:
  - State, Federal, Local, University
- Alignment under MD DNR
Vision

- The MWMC envisions a time when monitoring methods, programs, projects, and data are the product of collaboration and comparability among agencies and organizations. The resulting information will be accessible for use by all stakeholders and will facilitate sound decision-making in environmental management and protection.
Goals

- Forum for effective communication, cooperation, and collaboration
- Facilitate collaborative, watershed-based monitoring strategies
- Document monitoring activities in Maryland
- Promote quality-assured procedures for collection, analysis, assessment, and data management
Standing Committees

Ad Hoc Committees

General Members—Attendees at Annual Meetings and Workshops
Board of Directors
Board Membership

- State agencies (4)
- Local agencies (4)
- Federal agencies (2)
- Volunteer/Environmental groups (2)
- Universities (2)
- Intergovernmental organizations (2)
- Consultant/Industry (2)
- At-large members (2)
- Executive Secretary (1)
Committees

- Monitoring and Assessment
- Information Management and Communication
- Community Outreach and Citizen Science
- Annual Conference Planning
- Nominating
- Awards
Selected Workshops

- Stream Monitoring Roundtable
- Stream-Gaging Workshop
- Integrated Hydrologic Monitoring
- Ground-Water Observation-Well Network Workshop
- Vernal Pools Workshop
- Benthic Macroinvertebrate Taxonomy
Workshops
1999 and 2005 Maryland Stream Symposia

Garnered support for the Maryland Biological Stream Survey (MBSS) and solidified the need for cooperation among stream monitoring entities.
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Maryland Water Monitoring Council

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Annual Conference

- Held late fall
- Themed one-day conference
- Keynote and plenary sessions
- Concurrent tracks of themed talks (27) + posters (20)
- Long breaks for networking
- Printed program with abstracts
- 140 participants in 1995; 306 in 2008
- At Maritime Institute near Baltimore
Food
Conclusion

- MWMC still going strong in 16th year
- Forum for communication, coordination, and collaboration
- Has raised awareness of water monitoring in Maryland
- Has led to solidarity for water monitoring
- Has led to partnerships
- Facilitates sustainability of networks in Maryland

Questions?