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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency continues to identify and address non-compliance at facilities throughout Region 3 that have permits under the Clean Water Act's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES), including within the Chesapeake Bay watershed.

To that end, so far in FY23 EPA has not only maintained the level of compliance-assurance activities from FY22 but has increased them. So far in FY23, EPA has directed additional inspections and compliance assurance activities toward NPDES-permitted facilities within Tier I (Lancaster, York) and Tier II (Bedford, Center, Cumberland, Franklin, and Lebanon) Counties within the Chesapeake Bay, including regulated wastewater facilities, stormwater facilities, municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s), and concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs). These compliance-assurance activities are intended to assess whether NPDES-permitted facilities are in compliance with their permits.

EPA plans to continue to focus our efforts, as resources allow, in these geographic areas and NPDES-permitted sectors in order to ensure that water quality is being protected.