Chesapeake Bay Vibrio Survey

NOTE: The final version for the web-based survey software will feature better images than the ones used here.

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Thank you for taking the time to respond to this survey!

This survey is designed to collect information on the use and usefulness of the Chesapeake Bay Vibrio Predictive Model products. The Chesapeake Bay Vibrio Predictive Models are provided by NOAA on a website; NOAA sends out emails to subscribers such as yourself when the website changes.

This survey should take no more than 10 minutes to complete and will provide NOAA with valuable feedback on how the Forecast is used and how it can be improved.

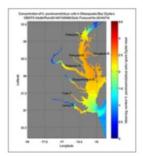
For reference, this is an image of the website's front page.



Vibrio Background > Shellfish Guidance - Chesapeake Bay

Shellfish Guidance - Chesapeake Bay





Vibrio parahaemolyticus (Vp) in Chesapeake Bay Oysters at Harvest

Vibrio concentrations in Oysters harvested from bottom waters of Chesapeake Bay are related to the temperature and salinity. This product uses the Chesapeake Bay Operational Forecast System to force a statistical model (USFDA 2005) to predict expected concentrations of $\overline{\textit{Vp}}$ at the time of harvest. Daily average predictions are provided at 0.2 - 5 km resolution for the mainstem and tributaries for the previous 5 days, current day, and out to 48 hrs in the future.

View Model

SHELLFISH GUIDANCE

- ₩ Vibrio parahaemolyticus
- Chesapeake Bay
- Delaware Bay and Coastal Inland Bays
- Gulf of Mexico
- Northeast
- National
- Pacific Northwest
- Tampa Bay

WATER GUIDANCE

- ₩ Vibrio vulnificus
- · Chesapeake Bay

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SURVEY

L.	How would you describe the sector you work in (i.e., how you might use the forecast)?
	Federal government
	State government
	Local government
	Commercial sector
	Non-profit
	Academic/Research
	Private citizen
2.	Which state do you use the Vibrio forecast for?
	Maryland
	Virginia
3.	How often do you access the NOAA Vibrio Predictive Models on the website?
	Daily
	Weekly
	Monthly
	Less than monthly, but somewhat frequently
	Rarely/never [Skip to Q17.]
4.	Do you use the Bulletin for any of the following types of advisories or decision-making?

	Yes	No
Beach closures		
Drinking water advisories/decisions		
Fish or shellfish consumption		
Recreational fishing decisions/advisories		
Other health advisories (not listed above)		
Other:		

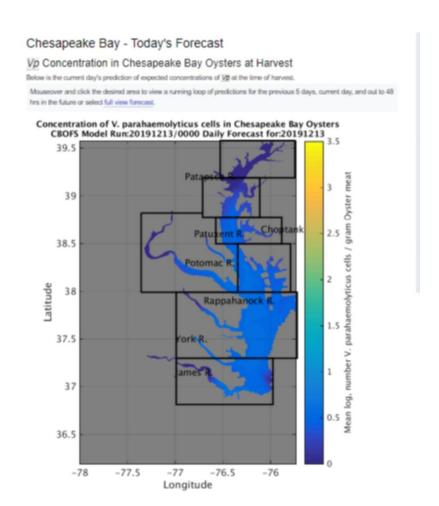
5. How useful is the Bulletin in each of these uses for your purpose?

(Only asked for the ones selected in Q4..)

	Not at all useful	Minimally useful	Moderately useful	Very useful
Beach closures				
Drinking water advisories/decisions				
Fish or shellfish consumption				
Recreational fishing decisions/advisories				
Other health advisories (not listed above)				
Other:				

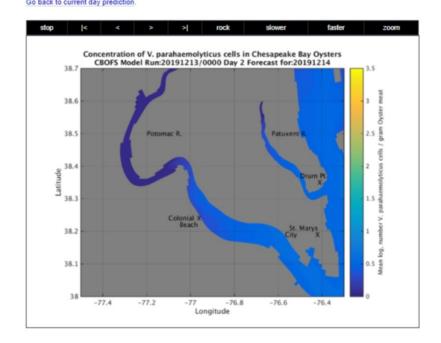
- 6. How would you describe the extent to which the NOAA Vibrio Predictive Models are your primary/only source of information?
 - __ I have other sources of information that I prefer
 - __ I use multiple sources of information on Vibrio, including the NOAA website
 - __ I rely primarily on the NOAA Vibrio Predictive Models for information on Vibrio

- 7. The image {to the right} shows the current day
 Vibrio forecast for oysters at harvest time for the entire
 Bay. How useful do you find this part of the model?
 - __ Very useful
 - __ Useful
 - __ Minimally useful
 - __ Not useful
 - __ Not applicable/something
 - I don't use
 - __ I was not aware of this aspect



- 8. The image {to the right} shows the forecast for oyster at harvest for a specific area of the Bay. Even though the area shown may not be your specific concern, how useful do you find geographic specificity of this part of the model?
 - __ Very useful
 - __ Useful
 - __ Minimally useful
 - __ Not useful
 - __ Not
 - applicable/something I don't use
 - __ I was not aware of this aspect





9. The image {above} also provides an 8-day forecast (prior five days, current day, and 48 hours into the future) using a <u>looping video</u> in the image. How useful are these features of the forecast?

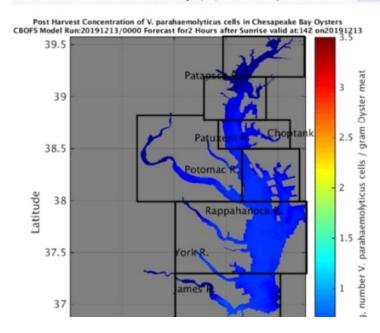
Time frame	Not something I use	I was not aware of this aspect	Not useful	Minimally useful	Useful	Very useful
Past 5 days						
Current day						
Next 48 hours						
Looping video						

- 10. The image {to the right} shows the forecast the current day Vibrio forecast for oysters post-harvest for the entire Bay. How useful do you find this part of the model?
 - __ Very useful
 - __ Useful
 - __ Minimally useful
 - __ Not useful
 - __ Not
 - applicable/something I don't use
 - __ I was not aware of this aspect

Chesapeake Bay

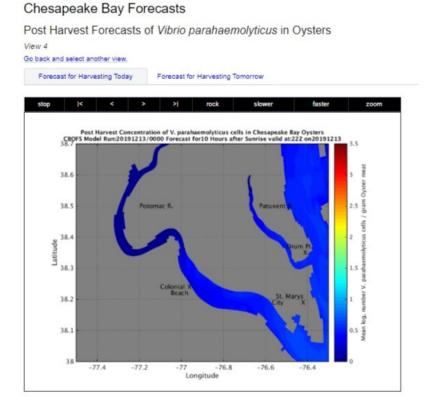
<u>Vp</u> Concentration in Chesapeake Bay Oysters, Post-Harvest Below is today's prediction of expected concentrations of <u>Vp</u>, post-harvest.

Mouseover and click the desired area to view a running loop of predictions for today and tomorrow or select full view forecast.



11. The image {to the right} shows the Vibrio forecast for oysters post-harvest for a specific part of the Bay. Even though this area may not your area of concern, how useful do you find this geographic specificity?

Very useful
Useful
Minimally useful
Not useful
Not applicable/something
I don't use
I was not aware of this
aspect



12. The image also shows a forecast for <u>harvesting today</u> (up to 10 hours after sunrise at one-hour intervals) and harvesting tomorrow (up to 12 hours after sunrise at 3-hour intervals), both with looping videos of the forecast. How useful are these aspects of the forecast?

Time frame	Not something I use	I was not aware of this aspect	Not useful	Minimally useful	Useful	Very useful
Harvests today						
Harvests						
tomorrow						
Looping video						

13.	If NOAA were to add the fo	llowing elements to the	Vibrio forecast product	s, how useful would
	these new elements be to	you?		

Potential New Element	Not useful	Minimally useful	Useful	Very useful
Seasonal outlooks				
Forecasted water temperature and salinity				

14. To what extent do you agree with each of the following statements?

The forecasts	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know
Are easy to read					
Are understandable					
Provide actionable information					
Are usually correct in its forecast					

15. You indicated that the forecast was not {category from above with a "strongly disagree" or "disagree"}, are there ways in which it can be improved?

Note: There would be 6 of these questions that would only appear when the respondent selects a "strongly disagree" or "disagree" to one of the above.

{Open-Ended}

 16. Overall, how satisfied are you with the Chesapeake Bay Vibrio forecast products? Not at all satisfied Somewhat satisfied Moderately satisfied Very satisfied
[Q17. is only asked of those who said "Rarely/Never" on Q3.]
17. You said you "rarely/never" access the Vibrio website. Why is that? (Select all that apply Not relevant for me

The information is too complex The information is too simple I/my workplace generates HABs-related dataDon't like the format
[Q18. is asked of everyone.]
18. Is there a feature or additional type of information that you need for your decision-making that is not provided?
{Open-ended}
19. Overall, are there ways in which NOAA can improve the Vibrio forecasts?
{Open-ended}