One Region Moving Forward

DRAFT AGENDA

District of Columbia
Bladensburg*

Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee (CEEPC)

Wednesday July 23, 2014 10:00 am – Noon COG Board Room, 3rd Floor

Optional Call-in Number: 1-855-244-8681

Passcode: 643 241 611

Frederick County
Gaithersburg
Greenbelt

Charles County

College Park Frederick

Montgomery County

Prince George's County

10:00 am

10:10 am

Rockville Takoma Park

Alexandria

Arlington County

Fairfax

Bowie

Fairfax County

Falls Church

Loudoun County

Manassas

Manassas Park

Prince William County

1. Call to Order/Introductions/Chair Remarks

-Hon. Roger Berliner, Chair

2. Building Resilience in the National Capital Region

NASA developed a climate change planning process that they shared with the Washington, DC area through a series of workshops and webinars on the theme of 'Building a Climate Resilient National Capital Region'. The workshops relied on new downscaled local climate data summarized in a NASA climate handout (provided). Speakers will introduce the handout and describe the workshop results.

- Amy Tarce, National Capital Planning Commission
- Lawrence Friedl, Director, NASA Applied Sciences Program, Earth Science Division
- Calvin Williams, Assistant Administrator, Office of Strategic Infrastructure, NASA

<u>Recommended action</u>: Receive briefing and discuss additional steps the region can take to build more resilient communities.

10:45 am 3. Solar Energy: Regulatory, Program, and Market Status

New programs and policies are being developed to further spur market development for solar energy systems. A panel discussion will provide members with an understanding of current market conditions and what actions are being undertaken to remove barriers, reduce costs, and increase deployment.

- Francis Hodsoll, Virginia Advanced Energy Industries
- Anya Schoolman, Community Power Network

<u>Recommended action</u>: Receive briefing and identify what more COG should do to support growth of solar energy.

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11:20 am 4. Virginia Energy Plan | Virginia Energy Council

The Commonwealth of Virginia updates its statewide energy plan every four years. On June 4, Governor McAuliffe established the Virginia Energy Council to develop the update of the state energy plan for Virginia. The updated plan will be delivered to the General Assembly by October 1, 2014.

- Al Christopher, Director, Division of Energy, Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy (invited)

Recommended action: Receive briefing and provide feedback on priorities for the Virginia Energy Plan.

11:35 am 5. Climate and Energy Progress and Work Program

Staff presented draft statistics on climate and energy progress and COG's FY 15 Environmental Resouces annual workplan and budget at the May 28, 2014 CEEPC Meeting. A draft Progress Report has now been prepared for CEEPC's review. Additionally, changes to the Work Program based on the May comments will be reviewed.

- Steve Walz, COG Director of Environmental Programs
- Maia Davis, COG Environmental Programs

<u>Recommended action</u>: Discuss and provide comment on draft 2013 Progress Report and FY 15 Work Program

11:50 am 6. Staff and Project Updates

- EPA Carbon Regulations & related Supreme Court Decision (Isabel Ricker)
- Rooftop Solar Challenge (Jeff King)
- Energy Emergency Exercise (Jeff King)
- Maryland Resiliency Through Microgrids Report (Jeff King)
- Climate Awards (Maia Davis)
- EcoDistricts and Resiliency Training (Maia Davis)

Noon 7. Adjourn – Chair Berliner

Next CEEPC Meeting: Wednesday, September 24, 2014 @ 10:00 am - 12 pm noon followed by the EcoDistrict Practicioners Training @ 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

(lunch will be available for members starting at noon)