

DRAFT AGENDA

Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee (CEEPC)

Wednesday May 28, 2014 10:00 am – Noon

COG Board Room, 3rd Floor

Optional call-in number: 1-855-244-8681

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Fairfax County
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Manassas Park
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10:00 am

- 1. Call to Order/Introductions/Chair Remarks**
-Hon. Roger Berliner, Chair

10:10 am

- 2. Regional Climate Action Planning Progress and Best Practices**
Statistics on LEED, Energy Star and EPA Green Power Partners across regions will be presented as well as local progress on National Capital Region goals. Best practices in climate and energy planning from regions across the country will be shared.
- *Maia Davis, COG Environmental Programs Staff*

Recommended action: Receive briefing.

10:40 am

- 3. Letter to TPB on Adopting Greenhouse Gas Targets**
The adopted COG Climate Change Report establishes targets for greenhouse gas emission reductions in the region. Recent public comments to TPB, including from CEEPC, encouraged TPB to adopt such targets as part of the annual CLRP process. CEEPC will review a draft followup letter to reinforce its earlier communication and request the TPB to start now to include consideration of the impact on the region's greenhouse gas emission reduction goals as it updates the RTPP and selects the package of transportation projects to be included in the next revisions to the CLRP and similar plans.
- *Chairman Berliner*

Recommended action: Review and approve letter to TPB.

11:00 am

- 4. Region Forward: Vision for Prosperous, Accessible, Sustainable, and Livable National Capital Region**
Region Forward's [vision](#) has been endorsed by COG member local local governments and includes climate and energy [goals](#). [Place + Opportunity](#), a report that presents a regional framework to understand common challenges and opportunities among Activity Centers in our region. The most recent Region Forward Coalition Meeting focused on

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sustainability and it can be more broadly implemented implemented in Activity Centers across the region.

- **Paul DeJardin, COG Director of Community Planning and Services**
 - o Overview of Vision, Goals and Place + Opportunities

Recommended action: Receive briefing and identify follow up action by CEEPC.

11:10 am

5. WMATA Sustainability Agenda

Metro's new [sustainability agenda](#) is aimed at enhancing regional sustainability through performance based targets for ridership, travel mode share, regional greenhouse gas emissions and connected communities.

- Rachel Healy, WMATA

Recommended action: Receive briefing.

11:30 am

6. Environmental Resources Annual Work Program and Budget

COG's Environmental Resources annual workplan and budget includes funding for regional climate and energy policy development, built environment and energy advisory committee support, energy infrastructure, sustainability and adaptation planning, support for the air and climate public advisory committee, regional solid waste and recycling management, and COG Board member support. Staff will present the proposed workplan and budget for FY15.

- Steve Walz, COG Director of Environmental Programs

Recommended action: Receive briefing.

11:45 am

7. Projects and Subcommittee Updates

- Climate and Energy Awards Program (Maia Davis)
- Federal Adaptation Collaborative (Amanda Campbell)
- Solar Projects Update (Jeff King)
- Building Benchmarking (Leah Boggs)
- Past and Upcoming Workshops (COG Staff)

Noon

6. Adjourn – Chair Berliner

Next CEEPC Meeting: Wednesday, July 23, 2014 @ 10:00 am – 12 pm noon

(lunch will be available for members starting at noon)