Agenda Regional Tree Canopy Workgroup

Friday, May 4th, 2012

Time: 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM Board Room, 3rd Floor Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments 777 North Capitol Street, NE Suite 300 Washington, DC

Lunch will be provided for all invited participants

This is our third meeting of the ad-hoc Regional Tree Canopy Workgroup tasked to develop strategies, tactics and recommendations that can be used in the Metropolitan Washington region to conserve, manage, and enhance regional tree and forest resources in support of regional environmental, land use planning, and regulatory goals. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

Agenda

- Welcome and Opening Remarks: 11:00 to 11:05
 Mike Knapp, Director; Fairfax County Urban Forest Management Brian LeCouteur, COG Urban Forester
- 2. Review/Approval of February 10, 2012 Meeting Summary: 11:05 11:10 Mike Knapp/All
- 3. DC UFA & COG Regional Tree Canopy Analysis Mapping Project Update: 11:10 -11:20 Brian LeCouteur -

Mr. LeCouteur will provide an update on the Regional Tree Canopy Analysis Project under a grant from the District of Columbia's Urban Forestry Administration through the U.S. Forest Service.

4. Discussion of a Proposed Strategy for Developing Short and Long-Term Committee Goals Mike Knapp / Brian LeCouteur – 11:20-11:40

Chairman Knapp will outline a dual-track approach for achieving our committee reporting to the Climate and Energy Policy Committee and for our development of overarching goals and strategies. (See handout)

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5. Developing Overarching Goals for Regional Canopy Management: 11:40-12:00 Mike Knapp / All –

Chair Knapp will describe a simple consensus-based process that may be used by the Workgroup to identify, record, and prioritize goals that will form the framework to develop regional canopy management strategies, tactics and recommendations.

Lunch: 12:00-12:30

6. Group Exercise: 12:30-1:30

Using the process discussed under agenda item #5 the workgroup will be asked to consider the following question: *What do we think can be achieved through a regional approach to canopy management that cannot be achieved through existing local programs and practices*? The result of this discussion will be recorded and prioritized for future consideration. Depending on time, the workgroup may be asked to consider other questions/issues.

- **7.** New Business: 1:30 to 1:45
- 8. Next Steps / Meeting Date: 1:45 to 1:55
- **9. Adjourn**: 2:00