

Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee

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MEETING NOTICE

Date: July 28, 2004

Time: 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

COG Board Room, 3rd Floor

MWCOG, 777 N. Capitol St., NE

Washington, D.C. 20002

*Lunch will be provided at 12:00 pm for members and official alternates

AGENDA

- 12:00 1. Call to Order; Public Comment Period**
- 12:15 2. Approval of Minutes, Announcements, Chairman's Report**
- 12:20 3. Committee Reports**
 - A. Report of the Technical Advisory Committee**
 - B. Report of the Air Quality Public Advisory Committee**
 - C. Report of the Clean Air Partners**
- 12:35 4. Status Report on MWAQC Process Discussion**
- 1:00 5. Ozone Season Update**
- 1:10 6. 8-Hour SIP Planning: Status Report**
- 1:20 7. Briefing on EPA's 8-Hour Conformity Guidance**
- 1:35 8. Briefing on EPA's Response to States' PM2.5 Designation Recommendations**
- 1:50 9. State Air Agencies' Report**
- 2:00 10. Date for Next Meeting and Adjourn: September 22, 2004**

Item: 2. Approval of Minutes, Announcements, Chairman's Report

Presenter: Hon. Thomas Dernoga, MWAQC Chair

Description:

Chair will call for approval of Meeting Summary for May 26, 2004, and for amendments to the agenda.

Recommended Action:

Approve minutes

Item: 4. Status Report on MWAQC Process Discussion

Presenter: Tom Dernoga, Chair, MWAQC

Description:

In February the Governors and Mayor sent a letter to the MWAQC leadership initiating dialogue to reexamine the regional air quality planning process for the Washington region. In April the MWAQC leadership and the State Secretaries Group met and the states presented a proposal. In June they met again to discuss a State/COG staff proposal. In June the Governors and the Mayor met and agreed to continue dialogue with MWAQC and to complete the process by October.

Recommended Action:

Briefing

Item: 5. Ozone Season Update

Presenter: Jennifer Desimone, Ozone Action Days Coordinator

Description:

Jennifer Desimone will discuss the number of 1-hour and 8-hour exceedances experienced so far this summer. The calendars of peak one-hour ozone concentrations and 8-hour ozone concentration averages appear on the COG website at

<http://www.mwcog.org/environment/air>

Recommended Action:

Briefing

Materials:

Table: 2004 Ozone Exceedances

Item 6: 8-Hour SIP Planning: Status Report

Presenter: Joan Rohlfs, Chief, Air Quality Planning

Description:

In April the Washington DC-MD-VA region was designated as Moderate Nonattainment for the 8-hour ozone standard. The region is required to meet the standard in 2010 and to submit a plan (SIP) for meeting the standard in 2007. Staff will discuss the proposed schedule of tasks and give a status report on planning for the 8-hour SIP.

Recommended Action:

Briefing

Materials:

Item: 7. Briefing on EPA's 8-Hour Conformity Guidance

Presenter: Joan Rohlfs, Chief, Air Quality Planning

Description:

On July 1, 2004 EPA published its final rule for procedures to conduct transportation conformity for the 8-hour ozone standard before 8-hour mobile emissions budgets are available. Ms. Rohlfs will discuss the rule, which is posted on the COG website at <http://www.mwcog.org/environment/air>

Recommended Action:

Briefing

Materials:

<http://www.mwcog.org/environment/air>

Item: 8. Briefing on EPA's Response to States' PM2.5 Designation Proposals

Presenter: Joan Rohlf, Chief, Air Quality Planning

Description:

In February the States sent their PM2.5 designation recommendations to EPA for consideration. EPA responded to the States, beginning a 120-day negotiation process. EPA expects to make the final PM2.5 designations in November 2004. EPA's response letters to the states are posted on the website listed below.

Recommended Action:

Briefing

Materials:

<http://www.epa.gov/reg3airtd/airquality/nonattain.htm#PM2.5>