EPA CLIMATE POLLUTION REDUCTION GRANT PROGRAM

Planning and Implementation

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EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant

- The Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) program will provide grants to States, regions, and local governments to develop and implement plans for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and other harmful air pollution.
- Section 60114 of the Inflation Reduction Act provides an investment of \$5 billion to support these efforts.
- This two-staged grant program provides funding of \$250 million for noncompetitive planning grants, and \$4.6 billion for competitive implementation grants.
- Non-competitive allocations include States, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico: \$3
 million; Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs): \$1 million each.
- COG, via DC's allocation, is managing **\$1 million for MSA climate planning**, which includes communities from VA and WV.



CPRG Planning Grant Elements

Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP), due March 1, 2024;

- A simplified GHG inventory;
- Quantified GHG reduction measures;
- A low-income and disadvantaged communities benefits analysis; and
- A review of authority to implement;

Comprehensive Climate Action Plan (CCAP), due summer-fall 2025

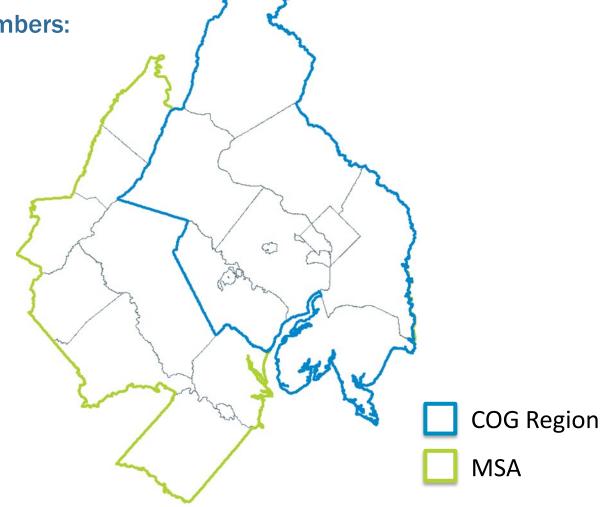
- A comprehensive GHG inventory;
- GHG emissions projections (2030-2035 and 2050);
- GHG reduction target setting: 50-52% by 2030, net zero by 2050.
- Quantified GHG reduction measures;
- A benefits analysis of co-pollutants;
- A low-income and disadvantaged communities benefits analysis;
- A review of authority to implement;
- A plan to leverage other federal funding; and,
- A workforce planning analysis.



COG Region and MSA

Jurisdictions in the MSA that are not COG Members:

- 1. City of Fredericksburg, VA
- 2. Clarke County, VA
- 3. Culpeper County, VA
- 4. Fauquier County, VA
- 5. Rappahannock County, VA
- 6. Spotsylvania County, VA
- 7. Stafford County, VA
- 8. Warren County, VA
- 9. Jefferson County, WV





Actions/Next Steps

- COG will be inviting participation in Technical and Steering Committees from local and State governments.
- Effort will also involve:
 - Community engagement, including low-income disadvantaged communities
 - Multi-sector stakeholder engagement, including transportation
- Competitive solicitation for project implementation funding concurrently.



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