Potential 2010 Priorities Climate Energy and Environment Policy Committee

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Proposed Top Priorities Shown in Red

Workplan Row #	Performance Measure		2010 Activities
9	50% of jurisdictions prepare government and community wide greenhouse gas inventories. – 3 rd Quarter 2010	•	Inventories prepared and results reported to COG.
21	Develop system for tracking progress toward greenhouse gas reduction goals and periodically review targets. – 2 nd Quarter 2010	•	Progress report designed and sample reports prepared for selected work plan actions.
36	100% of jurisdictions adopt and implement COG Green Building Policy (e.g., All new public sector buildings achieve at least LEED Silver levels and all private-sector commercial buildings meet a regional LEED-certified plus standard or equivalent. Adopted by COG Board in November, 2007). -1^{st} Quarter 2011	•	Jurisdictions who have not yet adopted COG Green Building policy requested to consider adoption.
38	Evaluate and develop recommendations for enhancements to building codes for energy efficiency. -3^{rd} Quarter 2011	•	Develop background document on status of building codes and examine proposals for enhancements.
44	60% of jurisdictions implement a program to replace older street lights with new more efficient technology. – 2 nd Quarter 2012	•	Update jurisdiction streetlight inventory. Inventory current and proposed pilot replacement projects. Develop plan for achieving 2012 goal.
49	80% of jurisdictions benchmark energy performance in all government buildings. –2 nd Quarter 2012	•	Identify best practices for building benchmarking and seek opportunities for pilot testing benchmarking methodology.
57	Standardize training and certification of energy auditors and home and building energy retrofit and conservation contractors, facilitating reciprocity across the region. -4^{th} Quarter 2010	•	Coordinate with states and private sector to insure regional consistency for certification and training. Report periodically on status and identify obstacles to achievement of goal.
58	Prepare a matrix of financing options and recommendations for innovative financing programs for energy efficiency for single and/or multifamily homes. -3^{rd} Quarter 2010	•	Identify options and prepare matrix. (May require expert assistance.)

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67, 68	10,000 residential units retrofitted annually to achieve a 5-10 percent energy saving. -4^{th} Quarter 2010 500-1,000 residential units retrofitted annually to achieve a 10-30 percent energy saving. -4^{th} Quarter 2010	 Inventory number of residential retrofits and expected energy savings in cooperation with electr and gas utilities and industry/contractor association
74	60% of jurisdictions adopt green purchasing policies. – 2 nd Quarter 2011	 Conduct survey of green purchasing policies in the region and elsewhere. Identify regional policy options.
79, 80, 81	100% of jurisdictions purchase or consume 10 percent renewable energy. – 1 st Quarter 2012	 Evaluate potential for regional cooperative purchas of renewable energy by local governments.
	50% of jurisdictions, in collaboration with state energy offices, assist or provide incentives for consumer purchase of renewable energy (e.g., Montgomery County Clean Energy Rewards Program). – 1 st Quarter 2012	 Inventory current consumer renewable energy purchase options and existing incentives. Identify incentives used in other areas.
85	Develop a regional inventory of renewable and cleaner energy capacity and production, including solar, geothermal, district heating/cooling, wind, and biofuels. – 4 th Quarter 2010	Complete 2010 inventory.
88	1000 residential, commercial, or government buildings have renewable energy systems installed. -4^{th} Quarter 2010	 Element of renewable and cleaner energy inventor (#85).
118	COG adopts green fleet policy that includes accelerated implementation of federal CAFE Standards/GHG emission standards for local government fleets. – 4 th Quarter 2010	 Green fleet policy proposed and advanced for action by COG.
153	Research climate change and adaptation strategies, including lessons learned from other regions and regional adaptation options. – 2 nd Quarter 2010	 Compile and summarize existing information on climate change and adaptation strategies for our region and other regions. (Seeking EPA technical assistance support.)
159	Develop partnerships to fund and implement a regional climate and energy public education campaign. – 1 st Quarter 2010	 Establish small taskforce to work with staff in preparing outreach and education proposal; identifications, seek funding support for program implementation in 2011.