

2024 ORIENTATION

Climate, Energy and Environmental Policy Committee (CEEPC)

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About COG

- An independent, nonprofit association founded in 1957.
- Brings area leaders together to address regional issues and plan for the future.
- 300 elected officials from 24 local governments, the Maryland and Virginia state legislatures, and U.S. Congress, representing about 6 million residents.
- Region Forward is our common vision to ensure a more prosperous, accessible, livable, sustainable, and equitable future for all area residents.
- 125+ staff.



COG Boards and Policy Committees



CEEPC's Purpose

Created by the Board of Directors in 2009 for the following purposes:

To provide leadership on climate change, energy, green building, alternative fuels, solid waste and recycling issues.

To help support area governments as they work together to meet the regional climate goals:

- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions 50% by 2030, 80% by 2050
- Becoming a Climate Ready Region and making significant progress towards becoming a Climate Resilient Region by 2030

CEEPC Committee Structure



Membership

COG MEMBERS - 25

- 1 Elected Official per COG local govt +
- 1 Additional Elected Official for:
 - District of Columbia (Mayor)
 - Fairfax County
 - Montgomery County (Exec)
 - Prince George County (Exec)

STATE GOVERNMENT - 13

- MD, VA Senate + House
- State Environment, Energy, Transportation Directors

STAKEHOLDERS - 20

- Federal/Regional Agencies - 4
- Electric & Gas Utilities - 3
- Environmental Community - 3
- Business Community - 3
- Academic Community - 3
- At-Large - 3
- Chair, Air and Climate Public Advisory Committee

REGIONAL*

- Transportation Planning Board
- Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee
- WMATA Board of Directors

*Added if not represented by COG members.

Voting

Quorum: 1/3 of voting members (or alternates)

The vote of the majority of the CEEPC members (or their officially designated alternates) present and voting shall decide any question brought before the Committee; except that two-thirds of local government officials present and voting must affirmatively support any matter concerning work program, Bylaw amendment, advocacy statement, or recommendation to the COG Board of Directors.

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