

MWAQC Technical Advisory Committee
Meeting Summary
June 13, 2017, 10:15 AM to 11:45 AM

Present:

Cecily Beall, District Department of Energy & Environment
Ram Tangirala, District Department of Energy & Environment
Alexandra Catena, District Department of Energy & Environment
Tina Casey, District Department of Transportation
Tom Ballou, Virginia Department of Environmental Quality
Doris McLeod, Virginia Department of Environmental Quality
Sonya Lewis-Cheatham, Virginia Department of Environmental Quality
Brian Hug, Maryland Department of the Environment
Alex Brun, Maryland Department of the Environment
Jim Ponticello, Virginia Department of Transportation
Chris Voigt, Virginia Department of Transportation
Regina Moore, Virginia Department of Transportation
Kary Snyder, Maryland Department of Transportation
Malcolm Watson, Fairfax County
Leal Boyd, Nay Mid-Atlantic Region 3

Staff:

Sunil Kumar, COG/DEP
Steve Walz, COG/DEP
Amanda Campbell, COG/DEP
Brandon Fox, COG/DEP
Dusan Vuksan, COG/DTP
Jane Posey, COG/DTP
Jinchul Park, COG/DTP

1. Call to Order and Review of Meeting Summary

Cecily Beall called the meeting to order at 10 am. The March 24 meeting summary was approved without any changes.

2. Ozone Season Summary

Sunil presented members a summary of the ozone season. He mentioned that there have been three ozone code orange days and no such day for PM2.5 thus far in the season. He also discussed the trends in ozone and PM2.5 exceedance days and design values. He explained the reason for ozone exceedances thus far.

3. Draft 2008 Ozone NAAQS Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan & MVEBs

Sunil discussed the draft 2008 ozone NAAQS redesignation request and maintenance plan. He presented detailed draft emissions inventories for point, area, MAR, nonroad and on-road model sources. He asked about including a list of voluntary measures (e.g., anti-idling effort) to be provided by states. States agreed to send the list. Ram asked if the RACT was required for the plan. Doris said it is important for the moderate nonattainment area, not for the marginal nonattainment area such as, Washington, DC. Doris pointed out the need to discuss contingency measures for the plan. She said Virginia could include OTC model rules for this.

Steve asked if there should be just one set of contingency measures instead of two (short-term & long-term).

4. Environmental Justice Tool-Kit

Maia discussed the detail of the draft EJ tool-kit. She requested members to provide their comments by June 30th. These comments will be incorporated and the revised document will be presented to MWAQC on July 26th. Steve said members have until July 11th MWAQC-TAC meeting to send their comments.

5. Draft Air Quality Trends Report

Sunil presented the draft air quality trends report. The report contains trends and standards for the six criteria pollutants namely, ozone, Particulate Matter (PM2.5 & PM10), CO, NO₂, SO₂, and lead (Pb). It covers data for the period 1993 through 2016. He requested the members to provide their comments and response to a list of questions by June 30th on the report. Ram suggested including an executive summary of the report.

6. State & Local Updates

There were no updates.

7. Adjourn

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 am.