MWAQC Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Summary May 9, 2017, 10 AM to 11:55 AM

Present:

Cecily Beall, 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
Marcia Ways, Maryland Department of the Environment
Jim Ponticello, Virginia Department of Transportation
Chris Voigt, Virginia Department of Transportation
Kary Snyder, Maryland Department of Transportation
Collen Turner, Maryland Department of Transportation
John Kinsman, Edison Electric Institute
Christine Ng, Ramboll Contractor

Staff:

Sunil Kumar, COG/DEP Steve Walz, COG/DEP Amanda Campbell, 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. 2017 Air Quality Forecast Protocol

Sunil briefed members on the status of the 2008 ozone NAAQS redesignation request and maintenance plan. He mentioned that there has been only one code orange day thus far in the season. He also mentioned that the Clean Air Partners has switched to EPA's Enviroflash system for sending air quality alerts. Cecily asked about the reason to do so. Jen explained the reason. John Kinsman informed Sunil the need to add the CSAPR update to the list of control measures in the presentation.

3. 2008 Ozone NAAQS Redesignation Request & Maintenance Plan Update

Sunil briefed members on the status of the 2008 ozone NAAQS redesignation request and maintenance plan. He presented detailed draft emissions inventories for point, area, MAR, nonroad and on-road model sources along with a draft timeline. Sunil said that the draft plan document was shared with Virginia DEQ and once he receives the feedback from them, he will share it with other states and MWAQC-TAC.

4. TPB Letter to MWAQC on 2008 Ozone NAAQS Redesignation Request & Maintenance Plan Budgets

Jane Posey briefed members on the TPB's letter to MWAQC requesting 20% transportation conformity buffer for the motor vehicle emission budgets (MVEBs) for the 2008 ozone NAAQS redesignation request and maintenance plan and also a language in the plan to revise the MVEBs if the model, data, and planning assumptions change significantly. Brian said that the TPB's belief that the MVEBs can be revised without revising the maintenance plan is not true. Tom said that EPA decides whether the other part of the plan would also need to be revised. Steve said it depends on the time since the last plan was submitted. If there are significant changes to the nonroad model or growth assumptions, then EPA may require us to revise those portions as well. Cecily and Brian informed the group that DOEE and MDE have not reached out to DDOT and MDOT on the issue of MVEBs yet. Jim Ponticello said VDOT supports the requested 20% buffer as this was also the approached used in the PM2.5 maintenance plan update. Cecily asked Sunil about the conformity call date to discuss the MVEBs issue. Sunil said he would wait till MDE and DOEE have a chance to talk to their respective DOTs on this issue.

5. Draft FY2018 MWAQC Work Program & Budget

Jen briefed members on the FY2018 work program & budget. She discussed the additional requested item of diesel anti-idling reduction program. Cecily asked about the funding for the program. Jen said that an additional \$48,000 will be needed for the program. Tom said that VDEQ is not in a position to find the program. Steve said that the source will be the left over MWAQC fund and the assistance from other states.

6. Clean Products Market Study

Amanda Campbell introduced the clean products market study performed by the contractor (Ramboll). She then handed over to Christine (Ramboll) for a detailed presentation. Christine discussed the details of the study specifically mentioning the survey methodologies, number of companies surveyed, responses, and emissions benefits, and reformations to approach EPA for any credits. Steve requested members that they provide feedback about presenting this study to MWAQC. Doris said she needs to study the details of this study and consult with the management before deciding.

7. State & Local Updates

MDE and VDEQ did not have any updates. Cecily said that DOEE increased its fee for permits. She also said the DOEE will be the entity responsible for implementation of the VW funds.

8. Adjourn

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am.