

Air and Climate Public Advisory Committee

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The Air and Climate Public Advisory Committee (ACPAC) is an advisory body to the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQC) and the Climate, Energy, and Environment Policy Committee (CEEPC)

Draft Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 24, 2013
Room 1
5:30 P.M.-7:30 P.M.

ACPAC Members: Bill Butler, Michael Cakouros, Gretchen Goldman Andrew Kambour, Sally Kane, Chuck Kooshian, Katherine Lizotte, John Reed, Glenna Tinney

Staff: Steve Walz, Sunil Kumar, Maia Davis

1. Call to Order, Adoption of Agenda, Approval of Minutes (Glenna Tinney, Vice Chair)

The agenda and minutes from February 24, 2013 were approved.

2. 2011 Base Year Ozone Emissions Inventory (Sunil Kumar, COG Environment)

The Metropolitan Washington region is a Marginal Ozone Non-Attainment Area (NAA) and must meet the attainment deadline by December 31, 2015. As a Marginal Ozone NAA the region must submit a comprehensive Base Year emissions inventory to EPA by July 20, 2014. Sunil presented the draft emissions inventory which uses a 2011 base year and looks at point, area, nonroad, and onroad emission sources. The largest area emission sources are as follows:

- Area - VOC, PM2.5-Primary, NH3
- Onroad - NOx, CO
- Point - SO2

3. Climate and Energy Leadership Awards (Glenna Tinney, Vice Chair)

Since last summer a pilot Climate and Energy Leadership Awards Program has been under development. Glenna Tinney reviewed with the group how CEEPC and ACPAC have worked together during this time to develop the program via a joint task force and reviewed the draft program materials. ACPAC was asked for their comments prior to its presentation to CEEPC later in the week where CEEPC was asked to approve the launch of the pilot program. Program materials shared included the Program Overview, Judging Rubric, Judging Sheet, Application, and FAQs. There was much discussion regarding the judging rubric and application, particularly where cost-effectiveness should be considered in the application and judging. The most significant change was ACPAC's decision that application and judging criteria cost-effectiveness should be within the RESULTS judging criteria instead of MODEL.

4. Gold Book Comment Letter to MWAQC (Glenna Tinney, Vice Chair)

The Draft Gold Book Comment Letter to MWAQC focuses on utilizing the *Gold Book* going forward and recommended developing a list of key implementation actions, providing cost-benefit information on key actions, and encouraging adoption with local elected officials. ACPAC Members had a lot of discussion about the Draft Gold Book but no particular changes to the Draft Letter. ACPAC members were given an additional week to email Maia Davis suggested changes to the draft letter.

5. MWAQC and CEEPC Updates (Maia Davis, COG Environment)

CEEPC's May meeting will focus on the launch of the Climate and Energy Awards Program and will feature a panel on three interrelated national voluntary initiatives that bring a together a variety of partners to achieve a more efficient and resilient built environment. This includes the Better Buildings Challenge, Architecture 2030, and Energy 2030. Goals, metrics and implementation on the local and regional level will be discussed.

MWAQC met on February 26 to provide comment on the draft Gold Book, approve for public comment the draft 2011 base year ozone inventory, receive an update on conformity analysis schedule, and learn about EPA's proposed greenhouse gas rule for new power plants.

Next meeting: April 21, 2013 – 5:30pm – 7:30pm
