

Adaptation & Resiliency Working Group Meeting

HYBRID MEETING

Wednesday, Feb 26, 2024 · 2:00 – 4:00pm

Maryland Department of Natural Resources
580 Taylor Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21401
Room C-1

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Chair: Secretary of Natural Resources, Josh Kurtz
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Agenda

- I. Welcome and Introductions** **2:00 - 2:05p**
Secretary, Josh Kurtz, Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Meeting Call to Order, Roll Call, and Approve Minutes from Nov 20, 2024 meeting.
Action: Members approve meeting minutes via vote
Materials: [DRAFT Meeting Notes ARWG 11.20.24](#)

- II. Resilience Metrics Presentation** **2:05 - 2:45p**
Kate Boicourt and Anushi Garg (Environmental Defense Fund (EDF)) will present on Measuring Resilience, an effort conducted in collaboration with Regional Plan Association (RPA) and other partners and frontline stakeholders in New York City to understand community-based priorities for resilience, and identify resilience goals and indicators that could be used to measure progress across a specific geography. Kate Boicourt and Anushi Garg from the Resilient Coasts and Watersheds team at EDF will present key findings and lessons-learned on developing resilience performance measures that are evidence-based, community-informed, easily updated, and can be used to support management, decision-making, advocacy, and to track implementation of resilience actions over time. They will also provide insights into how this work might be applied in other geographical contexts.
Action: Informative talk
Materials: Slides to be presented

- III. Office of Resilience Update** **2:45 - 3:05p**
Mike Hinson, Chief Resilience Officer will provide an update on the Office of Resilience work over the past year and what's ongoing for 2025.
Action: Informative Update
Materials: None

- IV. Next Gen Tracking Discussion** **3:05 - 3:40p**
Members will discuss progress made with the Next Generation Adaptation Plan from the past year using DNR as an example. A discussion will follow on how the ARWG should demonstrate achievements and how progress should be reported to the broader group.

Action: Members come prepared to discuss methods for tracking progress made on NextGen priorities. Agency leads should be prepared to gather this input on behalf of their agency.
Materials: None

V. Policy Discussion

3:40 - 3:55p

This time is set aside at every meeting to allow for discussion of policy recommendations that would help increase resiliency and adaptation across Maryland.

Action: Members discuss the most important policy items from ARWG.

Materials: None

VI. Public Comment, Wrap Up and Next Steps

3:55 - 4:00p

Next Meeting: May 28, 2025 2-4pm