Maryland Commission on Climate Change

Education, Communication, and Outreach Working Group

September 20, 2018 | 10:30 am

Conference Call

Call-in Number: (605) 475-4000 Access Call: 997763#

<u>Agenda</u>

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Roll Call: Grant Samms, Steve Pattison, John Kumm, Donna Balado, Bob Hoyt, Cindy Etgen, Laura Rodgers, Allison Gost, Tad Aburn, Hannah Brubach
- Review of Agenda

2. On Going Projects

- Metrics for tracking outreach efforts -- <u>https://goo.gl/forms/Yc6HWs5ZbsjVmEzh2</u>
 30 responses to the Tracker. Keep sharing the information!
- Reports from other working groups (ARWG, MWG)
 - ARWG: Recommendations are complete and include public health and continued outreach recommendation. The recommendations are complete.
 - MWG: The MWG reviewed recommendations and heard updates from MDE on the GGRA model runs.

3. Priorities

- Increase External Awareness of State Climate Change Work
- Climate Ambassador Program:
 - No updates. Bon Secour took a break over the summer. Pat is no longer able to teach. Ecologix and Bon Secour are looking for someone to step up as a potential educator for the next session.
 - If anyone in ECO is interested in assisting or knows someone else available, please let us know at the October meeting
- Recognition of Climate Change Activity Outside State Government
 - There will be a Climate Champions Phase 2. Meetings are moving forward with the Chamber and MDE will keep ECO updated.
- Commission Fact Sheets: http://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Air/ClimateChange/MCCC/Pages/FactSheets.aspx

4. GGRA Outreach Update

MWG recommended that the GGRA have a chapter to explain the work Maryland has been doing and plans to do surrounding underserved communities. The chapter will include any outreach ECO has completed with underserved communities and the work of specific state agencies. Allison Gost offered to help organize this section and bring in the work of MDH. Allison also suggested that the State define and create parameters on underserved communities and health disparities.

5. 2019 Work Plan - Begin Discussion

ECO members will continue to think about ideas to add to our 2019 Work Plan. Create a list of next phase priorities and a appendix that lists everything else without limiting what we can do.

6. Wrap Up

- Member Announcements
- Dec 7: Building resilient communities forum- somewhere on the Eastern Shore
 - Forum: getting feedback from stakeholders
 - GCAS: Large summit for Climate
 - Phase out of HFCs MD, CT, NY, CA
 - VA has formally joined TCI

7. Public Comment

Comments from the general public can be submitted to the MCCC at <u>climate.change@maryland.gov</u>.