

## Maryland Commission on Climate Change

### Steering Committee Call

June 28, 2018, 10:00 am

**Conference Number: (605) 475-4000**

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#### Agenda

**1. Welcome & Introductions** Ben Grumbles, Stuart Clarke, Anne Lindner, Treasurer Kopp, Susan Payne, Earl Lewis, Peter Goodwin, Lori Arguelles, Tad Aburn, Colleen Turner, Catherine McCall, Kim Hernandez, Susanne Brogan, Jason Dubow, Dave Nemazie, Jess Herpel, Hannah Brubach, Lisa Nissley

Secretary Grumbles began by thanking everyone who also participated in the MWG meeting the day before. He thought the conversation was productive.

**2. June 19th Meeting - Follow up**

- We made an effort to create more discussion, less presentations, and improved working group reports - follow up?
- Are there additional options for encouraging discussion?

Tad explained that at MWG this week, public comment was taken in the beginning of the meeting. People at the meeting seemed to appreciate this. Stuart agreed it went well and we should consider this for MCCC. He noted we might encourage people to acknowledge when their concerns have already been addressed so we have less repetition. Susanne agreed and appreciated that some of the suggestions were able to be addressed during the meeting. It was suggested we may encourage people to submit written comment if they are inclined, in order to shorten the time. There is also an app that allows people to show support of a comment or policy idea, etc that we can look at later. It was also noted that for those on the phone, it is hard to hear commenters and we may consider moving them closer to the phone or having a microphone.

**3. Working Group Updates - *Any updates/things to know since the 6/19 meeting?***

- Adaptation and Response Working Group ARWG continues to work on connecting locals with state agencies on areas of interest. The next meeting is at DNR on July 30th, 11-1p. Senator Pinsky and Delegate Stein are attending. There will be planning for the implementation of SB1006/HB1530.
- Education, Communication, and Outreach Working Group Continue to track outreach numbers. Treasurer Kopp asked if we have reaction or feedback on how people receive these items/if they are effective. We ask for that, but may not get it. Tad mentioned we will be including information on outreach in the GGRA report.



- Mitigation Working Group Tad reviewed the last meeting. Next meetings will be on 8/2 and 8/30. These focus on recommendations. MWG will update the Steering Committee on their process.
- Scientific and Technical Working Group STWG is working on dates for the sea level rise workshop, likely in early October. Dave will share the invite list so others can make suggestions.

**4. Wrap Up** Secretary Grumbles mentioned he appreciated a suggestion from the last meeting that the SC identify opportunities to support projects and policies that are related to both adaptation and mitigation. Stuart is going to think about partners who may help us with this. Susan mentioned the National Learning Lab meeting on July 9th-11th. She is attending with several others.

**MCCC Steering Committee Meetings take place on the fourth Thursday of each month at 10:00am. The next meeting is scheduled for July 26th at MDE.**

