

Adaptation & Resiliency Working Group Meeting

HYBRID MEETING

Wednesday, Aug 28, 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 May 29, 2024 meeting.

Action: Members approve meeting minutes via vote
Materials: [DRAFT Meeting Notes ARWG 5.29.24](#)

- II. Office of Resilience Update** **2:05 - 2:15p**
Mike Hinson, Chief Resilience Officer will provide an update on the Office of Resilience initiatives.

Action: Informative Update
Materials: None

- III. Model Climate Element Discussion** **2:15 - 2:35p**
Owen Bailey (Eastern Shore Land Conservancy) will present the model Climate Resilience Element (CRE) drafted in 2023. The CRE is designed to support county and town planning commissions in their comprehensive plan updates. As communities face the growing challenge of climate change and its impacts, this document serves as a tool to assist in integrating these critical considerations into planning efforts either as an added element or addressed in specific chapters. The CRE provides a list of specific strategies and action items to enhance climate resiliency, along with references to other plans and assessments which serve as exemplary models.

Action: Informative talk
Materials: Slides to be presented

- IV. Equitable Funding Panel Discussion** **2:35 - 3:15p**
Panelists Humna Sharif (TNC), Kacey Wetzel (CBT), and Mariah Davis (DNR) will lead a panel discussion on the importance of integrating equitable funding into grant processes and strategies for putting them into practice.

Action: Panel discussion, members come prepared with questions
Materials: Slides to be presented

V. ARWG Recommendations Discussion **3:15 - 3:55p**

Members will discuss potential policy recommendations to present to the MCCC for their annual report.

Action: Members come prepared to discuss ARWG recommendations for the MCCC Annual Report

Materials: None

VI. Public Comment, Wrap Up and Next Steps **3:55 - 4:00p**

Next Meeting: November 20, 2024 2-4pm