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COG Climate Change Steering Committee

Wednesday, October 22, 2008

11:30 am – 2:00 PM**
COG Board Room (3rd Floor)

****Lunch will be available for Committee Members by 12 noon**

Agenda (Final Draft)

District of Columbia
Bladensburg*
Bowie
College Park
Frederick
Frederick County
Gaithersburg
Greenbelt
Montgomery County
Prince George's County
Rockville
Takoma Park
Alexandria
Arlington County
Fairfax
Fairfax County
Falls Church
Loudoun County
Manassas
Manassas Park
Prince William County

*Adjunct member

1. Call to Order, Review of 6/25/08 Meeting Summary and Amendments to the Agenda

11:30 am – 11:35 am..... *Hon. Nancy Floreen, Chair*
Council Member, Montgomery County

2. Summary of California Greenhouse Gas Reduction Emissions Reduction Legislation (SB375)

11:35 am – 11:50 am..... *Joan Rohlf's*
Chief, Air Quality Planning

On September 30, 2008, California measure SB375 was signed into law by Governor Schwarzenegger. This landmark legislation requires that regional transportation plans in California include a "sustainable community strategy" to achieve greenhouse gas emission reduction targets established by the California Air Resources Board for 2020 and 2035. Ms. Rohlf's will summarize the major points of the legislation and implications for our region.

Recommended action: Receive briefing.

3. LUNCH BREAK

11:50 am – 12 noon

4. Review Comments on and Recommended Revisions to Climate Change Steering Committee Draft Report To COG Board of Directors

12 noon – 1:30 pm..... *Stuart Freudberg, Director, Environmental Programs*

Joan Rohlf's, Chief, Air Quality Planning

Committee Members

The Climate Change Steering Committee is charged with preparing a report to the COG Board of Directors in response to Resolution R31-07. On July 9, 2008, Chair Floreen presented the draft COG Climate Change Report to the COG Board of Directors. The Board approved the review draft for release and a comment period through September 30,

2008. *Almost every COG member jurisdiction received a briefing on the draft report and many have provided comment and feedback. In addition, COG received more than XX comments from stakeholders and individuals.*

Staff has reviewed and organized the comments received and has proposed responses for each comment. In addition, staff is proposing consolidation and reorganization of the report recommendations and has developed a list of no-cost, low cost and higher cost initiatives that individuals can take to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Staff will review the most significant comments received and recommended actions in revising the report. Staff will also review the proposed revised recommendation organization structure and the updated individual action list.

Recommended action: Provide feedback to staff to enable preparation of recommended final report to COG Board of Directors for consideration at its November 12, 2008 meeting.

5. Chair, Member and Staff Announcements/Updates/Advocacy

1:30 pm – 1:45 pm *Chair Floreen, Committee Members and COG Staff*

Chair Floreen, Committee Members, and COG staff will provide updates on federal, state and local climate change initiatives affecting the region.

6. Summary, Next Steps, Meeting Schedule, Adjourn

1:45 pm – 2:00 pm *Chair Floreen*

October 29, 2008 from 11:30 am – 2 pm has been identified as a contingency meeting date and time should the committee require additional time to reach closure on its final report to the COG Board of Directors.



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