

## **CEEP January 28, 2026 Committee and Staff Updates**

### **A. BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BEEAC)**

BEEAC's new officers are Mati Bazurto from the City of Bowie as Chair, Valerie Amor from the City of Alexandria and Al Carr from DC as co-vice chairs. BEEAC's first meeting of the year is February 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **B. AIR AND CLIMATE PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ACPAC)**

At the January 26<sup>th</sup> meeting, ACPAC voted for new officers for the year. ACPAC also concluded its recruitment campaign for new members on January 16<sup>th</sup>. The Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee will approve 4 new members at the February 11<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee meeting.

### **C. REGIONAL ELECTRIC VEHICLE DEPLOYMENT (REVD) WORKING GROUP**

At the January 22 Charging Ahead: Reliable, Accessible, and Equitable EV Charging in Metropolitan Washington forum, regional partners convened to discuss advancing dependable, community-serving EV charging infrastructure across the metropolitan Washington area. The event opened with updates on the Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) program, including recent progress on federal funding, coordination with NEVI programs, and complementary state and local initiatives in DC, Maryland, and Virginia.

A panel on reliable and accessible public charging, featuring speakers from Voltpost, the Maryland Energy Administration, and the DC Department of Energy & Environment, highlighted curbside charging opportunities, operational challenges, and strategies to improve uptime. Presenters emphasized the need for strong maintenance practices, standardized reporting, and equitable placement of new charging assets to ensure that underserved communities benefit from deployments.

A second panel focused on accelerating EV adoption, with contributions from Drive Electric DC, the Maryland Clean Energy Center, Montgomery County Green Bank, and Pepco. Speakers discussed consumer education, long-term ownership support, and financial tools to expand access—particularly for multifamily housing and community-serving locations. The session also underscored the importance of partnership-driven ecosystems to sustain regional EV momentum.

### **D. RECYCLING COMMITTEE**

No updates. The first meeting of the year is January 29<sup>th</sup>.

## **E. REGIONAL TREE CANOPY SUBCOMMITTEE (RTCS)**

The former RTCS chair Mike Knapp (Montgomery County) presented to a general audience of the Chesapeake Bay Program about how the Bay Program's land use/land cover data was utilized by COG to develop its 2024 50% regional tree canopy goal. Most notably, the data will be used to track regional canopy trends over time.

## **F. GREATER WASHINGTON REGION CLEAN CITIES COALITION (GWRCCC)**

No update.

## **G. STAFF PROJECT UPDATES**

**Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant Phase I – Planning:** The most significant activities for 2026 will be to complete the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process documentation for FHWA review, develop preliminary site designs for all 37 EVSE installation locations, and workforce development and engagement activities, such as the Auto Show, community listening sessions, and career fair(s).

**Climate Pollution Reduction Program (CPRG):** The region's Comprehensive Climate Action Plan (CCAP) was submitted to EPA and is available online at:

<https://www.mwcog.org/documents/2025/11/25/comprehensive-climate-action-plan/>.

**ElectrifyDC Homeowners Hub:** [Electrify DC](#) is a multidisciplinary team with expertise in electrical engineering, mechanical contracting, data science, communications, public engagement, consumer marketing, decarbonization policy, and community health. Their programs include an annual Health Homes Fair, Electrify DMV Network which is a convening of manufacturers, service providers and local governments working to reduce fragmentation and accelerate electrification, and Regional Homeowners Hub. The Regional Homeowners Hub will be a user-centered online portal and information hub for homeowners and renters. Elements of the Hub will include integration of resources, descriptions of basic technologies, and aggregating electrification events, open houses, and workshops throughout the region. COG is supporting build out of the Homeowners Hub through integration of its work through BEEAC.

**Environmental Justice Toolkit 2.0:** Staff finalized the update of the Environmental Justice (EJ) Toolkit 2.0: A Climate, Energy, and Air Quality EJ Community Engagement and Policy Guide for Local Governments. ACPAC developed the first EJ Toolkit in [2017](#). ACPAC will vote to approve the new version at the January 26 meeting.