

# 2025 ORIENTATION

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## Climate, Energy and Environmental Policy Committee (CEEPC)

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# About COG

- An independent, nonprofit association founded in 1957.
- Brings area leaders together to address regional issues and plan for the future.
- 300 elected officials from 24 local governments, the Maryland and Virginia state legislatures, and U.S. Congress, representing about 6 million residents.
- Region Forward is our common vision to ensure a more prosperous, accessible, livable, sustainable, and equitable future for all area residents.
- 125+ staff.



# COG Boards and Policy Committees

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Region  
Forward  
Coalition

Human  
Resources Policy  
Committee

Climate, Energy  
and Environment  
Policy Committee

Chesapeake Bay  
and Water  
Resources Policy  
Committee

Food and  
Agriculture  
Regional Member  
Policy Committee



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# CEEPC's Purpose

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**Created by the Board of Directors in 2009 for the following purposes:**

To provide leadership on climate change, energy, green building, alternative fuels, solid waste and recycling issues.

To help support area governments as they work together to meet the regional climate goals:

- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions 50% by 2030, 80% by 2050
- Becoming a Climate Ready Region and making significant progress towards becoming a Climate Resilient Region by 2030

# CEEPC Committee Structure



# Membership

## COG MEMBERS - 25

- 1 Elected Official per COG local govt +
- 1 Additional Elected Official for:
  - District of Columbia (Mayor)
  - Fairfax County
  - Montgomery County (Exec)
  - Prince George County (Exec)

## STATE GOVERNMENT - 13

- MD, VA Senate + House
- State Environment, Energy, Transportation Directors

## STAKEHOLDERS - 20

- Federal/Regional Agencies - 4
- Electric & Gas Utilities - 3
- Environmental Community - 3
- Business Community - 3
- Academic Community - 3
- At-Large - 3
- Chair, Air and Climate Public Advisory Committee

## REGIONAL\*

- Transportation Planning Board
- Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee
- WMATA Board of Directors

\*Added if not represented by COG members.

# Voting

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## Quorum: 1/3 of voting members (or alternates)

The vote of the majority of the CEEPC members (or their officially designated alternates) present and voting shall decide any question brought before the Committee; except that two-thirds of local government officials present and voting must affirmatively support any matter concerning work program, Bylaw amendment, advocacy statement, or recommendation to the COG Board of Directors.

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