



Commission on Climate Change

Maryland Climate Change Commission Mitigation Working Group

Cross-Cutting Technical Work Group Meeting #4 October 12, 2007

Maryland Department of the Environment
Maryland Energy Administration
Center for Climate Strategies

Agenda

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Review and Approve Prior Call Summary
3. Date, Time, & Agenda for Next Call
4. Goals for Upcoming MCCC (Oct. 17) and MWG (Oct. 26) Meetings
5. Discussion of MD GHG Reduction Goals as a possible “early action” for Interim Report
6. Discussion of Priorities from MD CC Catalog of Options
7. Next Steps for MD CC TWG
8. Public Input
9. Announcements

Goals for Upcoming MD MCCC and MWG Meetings in October 2007

- Prioritize Policy Options for Further Analysis from the Catalog of State Actions
 - Add any new MD options as needed
 - Consolidate selected options, as appropriate
 - Identify initial priority options for further analysis
 - Identify selected option(s) to potentially fast track for the Interim Report
- Formulate a preliminary Proposal for MD GHG Reduction Goals

Stepwise Planning Process

1. Develop inventory and forecast of emissions - Ongoing
2. Identify a full range of possible actions - **Sept. 28**
3. Identify initial priorities for analysis - **Oct. 26**
4. Review Interim Report - **Nov. 14**
5. Develop straw proposals - TBD
6. Quantify GHG reductions and costs/savings - TBD
7. Evaluate externalities, feasibility issues - TBD
8. Develop alternatives to address barriers - TBD
9. Aggregate results - TBD
10. Iterate to final agreements - TBD
11. Finalize and report recommendations - TBD

CC TWG Next Steps

- For October 17 MCCC Meeting:
 - Develop preliminary proposal for MD GHG reduction goals as a prospective “early action” recommendation for the November Interim Report
- For October 26 MWG Meeting:
 - Further develop MD GHG Reduction Goal Proposal (if needed)
 - Identify initial priority policy options from catalog

Catalog of States' Actions

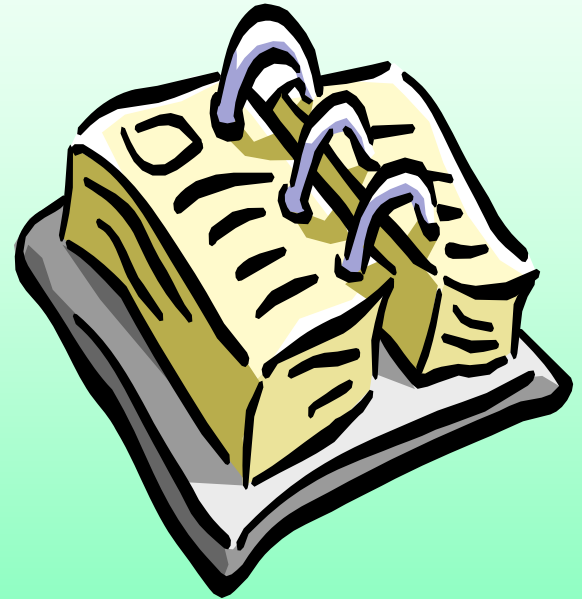
- *Please refer to separate CC Catalog documents*

Straw Goals Proposal Offered at MWG:

- **2012 or 2015**
 - 10% (maybe 15%) below 2006 levels (using a consumption based approach)
 - Used as a target for the State Action Plan
- **2020**
 - 25% to 40% (maybe 50%) below 2006 levels by 2020
 - 25% used as the “minimum” driver for AB 32-like trading program
 - 40% used as an aspirational goal for 2020 time-frame
 - Trading program “rewards” over-control
 - Also used as “stretch” target for the State Action Plan
- **2050**
 - 90% below 2006 levels
 - Used as an aspirational target for the State Action Plan
- **2100**
 - Zero emission or carbon neutral
 - Used as a visionary goal to push research and innovation
- **Mid-Course Correction every 4 years**

Next CC TWG Meeting

- Date and Time:
 - Friday, October 19, 2007
 - 11:00 am – 12:30 pm Eastern
- Agenda:
 - Modify preliminary GHG Reduction Goal proposal to reflect MCCC input (if needed)
 - Flesh out “early action” recommendation(s) for Interim Report
 - Identify initial priority options for further analysis



Public Input, Announcements