



Commission on Climate Change

Maryland Climate Change Commission Technical Working Group

Transportation and Land Use

Meeting #3

October 15, 2007

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

Today's Agenda

- Call to order and roll call
- Review and approve prior call summary
- Review MD MWG 9/28/07 meeting accomplishments
- Next Steps for the MWG and TLU TWG
- Agenda, Time and Date for Next Meeting & Subsequent TWG Meetings
- Public Input and Announcements

Key Dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Meeting</u>
October 26, 2007	4 th MWG Meeting
November 1, 2007	Interim Report
December 2007*	Tentative 5 th MWG Meeting
February 2007*	Tentative 6 th MWG Meeting
March 2007*	Possible 7 th MWG Meeting
April 20, 2007	Final Report
Between MWG Meetings	Technical Working Group (TWG) Calls and/or Meetings

* Exact date TBD

Timeframe

- Oct 16: Distribute the ballots including comments on nominal ratings.
- Oct 18: Ballots due COB.
- Oct 19: Finish ballot summary.
- Oct 26: MWG Meeting #4. Priority options due.
 - **It may be necessary to have another meeting before the MWG meeting on the 26th to discuss the ballot results and finalize the final 10-12 options to be sent to MWG.**

Stepwise Planning Process

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

TWG Role

- Assist MWG:
 - Identify potential state actions
 - Refine Draft Inventory & Forecast
 - Identify potential priorities for analysis
 - Suggest straw policy designs
 - Assist with analysis and review of options
 - Assist with development of policy alternatives
 - Assist with input to and review of MWG reports
 - Review and assist with the state GHG inventory and forecast

MWG Sept 28 Meeting

- Approved existing and new options to TLU Catalog
- Highlighted possible priority policies
- Discussed mitigation goals for Maryland
- Discussed next steps and timeline

MD GHG Reduction Goals

- 2015
 - 10-15% below 2006 levels
- 2020
 - 25-40% below 2006 levels
- 2050
 - 90% below 2006 levels
- 2100
 - 0% or carbon neutral.

Suggestions for TLU Catalog

- Implications for TLU from MWG meeting

Early Action Policies

- An incremental fuel tax whose revenue would fund transportation investments and operations that reduce GHG emissions.
- Adopt the California Low-Carbon Fuel Standard. Maryland could take advantage of work on this complex area, and adopt the CA standard

Nominal Ratings

- Based on:
 - GHG reduction potential
 - Cost per ton
 - Other considerations
- Rated high, medium or low (H, M, or L)
- Additional information that should be considered during balloting
 - E.g. ancillary benefits/costs
 - Implementation issues
 - Public appeal

How Balloting Takes Place

(proposed dates for process)

- Oct 16: CCS develops and distributes a ballot via email to the TWG
- TWG votes on 10 priorities returns ballot to CCS by COB Friday, Oct. 18th
- Oct 19: CCS tallies the votes and reviews results during the next TWG call or via email
- Oct 26: MCCC-MWG review and refine priorities

TWG/MWG Next Steps

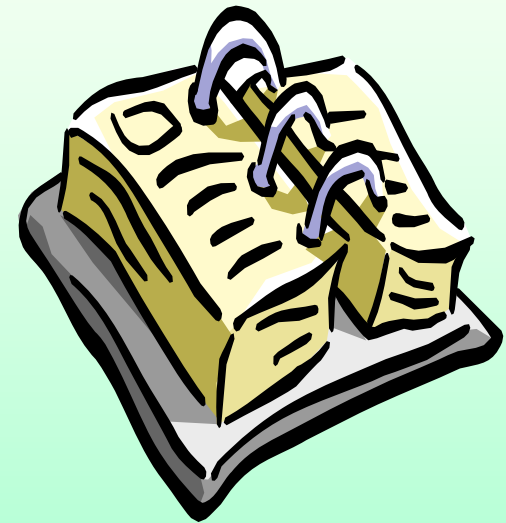
- TWG balloting on priority policy options
- Review the balloting results
 - CCS summarizes the results and provides feedback
 - Make any necessary changes
 - Aim for 10 or 12 policy options
- MWG reviews, modifies and approves options (October 26)
- TWG develops straw proposals

Possible Next TWG Meeting

- Date and Time
 - Conference Call
 - October 22nd, 9:00-11:00 AM

Agenda:

- Review balloting results
- Make any necessary changes
- Finalize 10-12 options to be sent to MWG



Proposed Future Meetings

- Call #4 – Week of Nov. 5
 - Thurs. Nov. 8 – AFW 1:00 - 3:00 pm
 - Friday, Nov. 9 – CC 11:00 – 12:30 pm
- Call #5 – Week of Nov. 26th
 - Tues. Nov 27 – AFW 1:00 – 3:00 pm

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