



# Maryland Adaptation and Response Working Group

Meeting #10 – April 11, 2008

Maryland Department of Natural Resources  
Maryland Department of Planning  
The Center for Climate Strategies

# Welcome and Introductions

- Maryland Department of Natural Resources
- Maryland Department of Planning
- Maryland Adaptation and Response Working Group (ARWG) Members
- Members of the Public
- Center for Climate Strategies

# Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Review Master List of Policy Options and Meeting Objectives
- Review Existing Built Environment & Infrastructure (EBEI) Policy Options
- Review Future Built Environment & Infrastructure (FBEI) Policy Options
- Working Lunch
- Review Human Health, Safety, and Welfare (HHSW) Policy Options
- Review Resources & Resource-Based Industries (RRI) Policy Options
- Next Steps
- Public Input and Wrap-Up



*Congratulations  
and thank you, Joan!*

# ARWG Stepwise Planning Process

1. Prepare Synthesis Report - Ongoing
2. Identify a full range of possible actions - Oct. 1/Oct. 19  
*Identify 1-3 options for Interim Report* - Nov. 2
3. Identify priority options for analysis - Dec. 7
4. Restructure and re-arrange priority options - Jan. 11
5. Review Draft Straw Proposals - Feb. 8
6. Approve Straw Proposals - Mar. 7
7. Evaluate feasibility issues -
8. Develop alternatives to address barriers -
9. Aggregate results to extent applicable - Apr. 11
10. Iterate to final agreements - May 9
11. Finalize and report recommendations - May 16

# Existing Built Environment & Infrastructure TWG

- EBEI-2 Observation System for Changes in Coastal Areas
- EBEI-3 Adaptation of Public & Private Vulnerable Coastal Infrastructure
- EBEI-8 Building Code Revisions & Infrastructure Design Codes
- EBEI - 10 Disclosure
- *Common Option: Coastal Protection Evaluation- see RRI 7/9*
- *Common Option: Development Standards- see EBEI-8*

*\* All approved to move forward, March 7*

# Future Built Environment & Infrastructure TWG

- FBEI-2 State Agency Reporting on Response to CCC Findings
- FBEI-5 Create a Climate Change and Insurance Advisory Committee
- FBEI-8 Economic Development Initiative (*for green tech entities*)
- Common Option: Integrated Planning for Sea Level Rise, Coastal Storms and Coastal Erosion
- Common Option: Integrated Geographic Information Systems: Mapping, Monitoring, & Modeling

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# Lunch Break

Working Lunch

Open Session to  
Discuss Report Format  
and Follow-up Actions

# Human Health, Safety & Welfare

- HHSW-1 Health Impacts Assessments of the Climate Change Action Plan
- HHSW-2 Coordination Across Agencies Responsible for Human Health and Safety
- HHSW-9 Vector-borne Surveillance and Control Programs
- Common Option: Hazard Preparedness and Emergency Planning (*incorporates HHSW-5*)
- Common Option: Public Awareness, Outreach, Training & Capacity Building (*incorporates FBEI-9*)

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# Resources & Resource-Based Industries

- Common Option: New Criteria for Identifying Natural Resources Priority Protection Areas  
*(includes FBEI-4)*
- RRI-4 Forest and Wetland Protection
- RRI-7/9 – Sustainable Shorelines and Buffer Area Management Practices *(includes EBEI-6)*
- RRI-8 Resource-Based Industry - Economic Initiative

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# Next Steps for TWGs

- Finalize characterization of policy options using template (with qualitative reference to costs and benefits) for ARWG approval in May. **These will be the final drafts and no further additions or changes will be made.**

# Template for Characterizing Priority Adaptation Options

- Option Description
- Option Design (Target, Timing, Parties, etc.)
- Implementation Mechanisms
- Related Policies/Programs in Place
- *Qualitative Notes on Adaptation Benefits & Costs*
- *Documentation on Adaptation Benefits & Costs*
- Additional Benefits & Costs
- Feasibility Issues
- Status of Group Approval
- Barriers to Consensus

# Next Steps for ARWG

- May 16 – final draft of ARWG work will be compiled and emailed for approval.
- May 23 – All comments due to CCS.
- May 29 – MCCC will review and approve  
(See Next Steps for MCCC)
- Review and comment on further drafts by ARWG members optional.

# Next Steps for MCCC

- April 25 – Review and approve final Policy Option packages from all Working Groups.
- May 29 – Review compilation of all Options in first draft Report format and comment
- June 13 – Review second draft of Final Report
- June 18 – Approve Final Report for conveying to Governor June 19

# Public Input, Announcements

# Next ARWG Meeting

- Date, Time and Location:
  - Friday, May 9, 2008
  - 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
  - Location: MDE, Baltimore
- Agenda:
  - ARWG approval of policy options for all TWGs
- Future Meetings
  - None scheduled

