

Adaptation & Resiliency Working Group Meeting

Wednesday, November 30 · 2:00 – 4:00pm

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Agenda

- I. Welcome and Introductions** **2:00 - 2:05p**
 - A. Meeting Call to Order - Approve Minutes from September 7, 2022 Meeting and set expectations - *Secretary, Jeannie Haddaway-Riccio (DNR)*
 - 1. Action: Members approve meeting minutes, Solicit participation for Next Generation Adaptation Plan
 - 2. Materials: [September 7, 2022 draft meeting minutes](#)

- II. ARWG 2023 Work Plan** **2:05 - 2:35p**

Christine Conn, Acting Unit Director, Chesapeake and Coastal Service, Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

 - A. Maryland Climate Change Commission 2022 Annual Report - Present the ARWG recommendation for Maryland's Next Generation Adaptation Plan
 - 1. Action: Review of Annual Report
 - 2. Materials: [MCCC 2022 Annual Report](#)
 - B. ARWG 2023 work plan and identify implementation roles
 - 1. Action: Discuss dissemination timeline; assign roles and responsibilities for implementation
 - 2. Materials: [ARWG Work Plan](#)
 - C. Additional Updates for Ongoing Initiatives - ARWG Workgroup

- III. Topics for 2023 Agenda** **2:35 - 2:50p**
 - A. Incorporating Insurance into Adaptation - *Alex Borkowski, Maryland Insurance Administration (MIA)*
 - B. Additional suggestions for topics - ARWG Workgroup

- IV. Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) - Maryland Capacity Collaborations** **2:50-3:05p**

New BIL funding opportunities are reinvigorating conversations about enhancing Maryland-based capacity collaborations to advance natural and nature-based features (NNBF) in frontline communities. Discussions about identifying future collaboration opportunities kicked off in a mini-workshop on November 29. Participants and partners from the workshop will share brief perspectives from the conversation and needs for future capacity networks to support underserved communities.

 - A. Highlights and Perspectives -

- a. Amanda Poskaitis, National Wildlife Federation
- b. Kacey Wetzel/Emily Stransky, Chesapeake Bay Trust
- B. Discussion - ARWG
 - a. How can this network be expanded to address ARWG 2023 work plan goals
 - b. How ARWG members can support and incorporate this in the NextGen Adaptation Plan

V. Introduction to Green and Blue Infrastructure Commission 3:05-3:25p

- A. The Green and Blue Infrastructure Commission was created by [Senate Bill 348/HB653](#) during the 2022 Maryland Legislative Session. The purpose of the Commission is to advise on ways to facilitate and accelerate the scale and pace of implementation of green and blue infrastructure projects, including projects designed to improve climate resilience,, sequester carbon, and provide other co-benefits. **20 mins** - *Suzanne Dorsey, Deputy Secretary, Maryland Department of the Environment; Gabrielle Leach, Maryland Department of the Environment*
 - 1. Action: Introduction to the Commission and its scope as it relates to the ARWG
 - 2. Materials: Powerpoint to be presented

VI. Forward Planning - Next Generation Adaptation Plan 3:25-3:55p

- A. Next Generation Adaptation Plan - Review of Draft UVA facilitated Adaptation Framework development process; present proposed timeline and scope to solicit feedback on proposed process for developing Next Generation Adaptation Plan. **30 mins** - *Catherine McCall, Amanda Small and Sarah Lane (DNR)*
 - 1. Action: Task members with completing google form regarding proposed process and participation
 - 2. Materials: [process presentation/worksheet document](#); [current draft framework](#); [ARWG Google feedback form](#)

VII. Wrap Up - 5 min - Christine Conn (DNR) 3:55-4:00p