



**Maryland Commission on Climate Change**  
**Steering Committee**

April 27, 2017, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at MDE

**Agenda**

In attendance: Stuart Clarke, Treasurer Nancy Kopp, Susanne Brogan, Mike Powell, Don Boesch, Colleen Turner, Dorothy Morrison, Susan Payne, Allison Rich, Jason Dubrow, David Costello, Tad Aburn, Brian Hug, Lisa Nissley, Jess Herpel

**1. Welcome & Introductions**

**2. Old Business**

- Review of April Meeting The group agreed the April meeting went well.

**3. Standing Reports**

- Working Group Updates Brian reminded the Chairs that in order to post working group materials on the MCCC website at least a week out, we need all materials about 9-10 days before the meeting.
  - Scientific and Technical Working Group Brian shared that S&T met the day before and plans to meet again in June.
  - Adaptation and Response Working Group Susan Payne shared that the first Healthy Soils Workshop was well attended.
  - Mitigation Working Group The MWG continues to be focused on recommendations - and we have started to update the MWG on details related to the 40/30 plan - seeking new programs
  - Education, Communication, and Outreach Working Group (see new business) Allison reviewed the plans for the Hatcher Group to develop outreach documents and update the MCCC Website. The following topics are proposed for five one-pagers:
    1. Health Impacts of Climate Change
    2. Greenhouse Gas Reduction Act (including economic benefits)
    3. Maryland Climate Change Commission Overview
    4. Flooding/Sea Level Rise Impacts
    5. Maryland Adaptation Actions/Solutions

The Steering Committee agreed these topics are helpful and Hatcher will move forward with development. Allison and MDE will coordinate regular check ins with the Steering Committee to review progress.

#### 4. New Business

- ECO Outreach Plan - funding opportunities to support a Climate Ambassadors initiative as part of the plan Allison described ideas for a climate photo essay initiative, and a toolbox of resources being compiled. Please share any resources you are aware of that could help with outreach.
- ECO Material Preparation - how to involve Steering Committee in the process see above

#### 5. Wrap Up

We hope you will be able to join us in person, however if you need to call in that day, the number is:

Conference Number: (605) 475-4000

Access Code: 997763#

**MCCC Steering Committee Meetings take place on the fourth Thursday of each month at 10:00am. The next meeting is scheduled for May 25th.**