

**DRAFT meeting minutes, pending workgroup approval.**

**Additional Workshop Summary will be provided by UMCES that includes details of the workshop.**

## **Adaptation & Resiliency Working Group Quarterly Meeting**

August 3, 2020 | 2:00p - 4:00p

### **Virtual Meeting Only**

**Meeting ID:** <https://zoom.us/j/92163055015?pwd=aVhuNDA1cVVZVTJmVTFGN1JTdFU0dz09>

**Call in #:** 1-301-715-8592 OR 1-929-205-6099

**Meeting ID:** 921 6305 5015

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**Chair:** Secretary of Natural Resources, Jeannie Haddaway-Riccio

**Coordinator:** Allison Breitenother, [allison.breitenother@maryland.gov](mailto:allison.breitenother@maryland.gov)

### **Agenda**

Attendees: Allison Breitenother (DNR) Katie May Laumann (UMCES), Anne Carew(UMCES), Cait Madera, Carrie Kennedy, Emily Vainieri (DNR), Dave Guignet (MDE), Christine Conn (DNR), Spyridon Papadimas, Debbie (MDP), Jim Bass (ESLC), Bruce Micahel(DNR), Catherine McCall(DNR), Beth Groth, Jacquista Powell, Alex DeWesse, Jess Herpel, Karen Metchis, Jackie Specht, Denisse Guitarra, Sasha Land, Jill Lemke, Paul Berman, Jalessa Tate, Susan Payne, Annie Carew, Josh Foster, Jenn Raulin, Nicole Carlozo, Jeff Silva, Taryn Sudol, Jess *above*, Elliott Campbell, Kate McClure, Ben?, Erica Bannerman, Sandy Hertz, Julie REichert-Nguyen, Nithin Venkatraman, Bobbie James, Nell Ziehl, Cindy Cosorto (MDE), Krista Remida (MARISA), Jason Dubow (MDP), Chris Beck (MDE), Kim Drake (MDE), Treasurer Nancy Kopp, Cuiyin Wu (CBP), Mike Sheffer, Kelly Leo, Lynn Faulkner, Jessica Aubrey, Matt Rowe (MDE), Margie Brassil, Susan Payne (MDA), Secretary Ben Grumbles (MDE)

*UMCES team* opened the meeting. Gave overview and handed it off to Allison.

#### **I. Welcome, Introductions & Review of Agenda 2:00 - 2:10p**

*Secretary Haddaway-Riccio*, will open the meeting, ask for introductions and seek approval of May 11, 2020 meeting notes.

Materials: May 11 Meeting Notes attached to email.

*Allison Breitenother (DNR)* welcomed everyone on behalf of the Secretary's office, and read the attendees names from the list. Asked for a motion to approve meeting minutes. *Sandy Hertz*

(MDOT) gave motion to approve, *Jim Bass (ESLC)* seconded. No abstention or opposition, meeting minutes approved. *Allison Breitenother* turned the meeting back over to UMCES team.

## **II. Abbreviated Workshop of the Maryland Coastal Adaptation Report Card for the Adaptation and Resiliency Working Group**

The workshop began with the question, “What is the most important sector to focus on to improve coastal adaptation in MD?” *UMCES team* read aloud and discussed suggestions as they came in. Discussed how critical justice will be as a component to the indicator development. Looking at the demographics of Maryland and those who are most affected will be essential. Team is hoping to engage schools to gain the youth perspective.

### **A. Introduction to workshop 2:10 - 2:25p**

UMCES will provide an introductory overview to the tools and scope of the workshop. *Attendee* asked about the ability of the workshops to be hosted in a second language? *UMCES team* indicated that they have in-house capacity for some Spanish translations but aren’t sure about other languages. Additionally, workshops will take place at different times of the day.

### **B. Stakeholder Work 2:25 - 2:45p**

UMCES will lead attendees in an effort to discuss current stakeholder list, address stakeholder diversity and to explain stakeholder roles in Report Card process

- Lengthy discussion on specific stakeholder suggestions, who should be involved, where are there gaps. Updated stakeholder list based on the discussion and workshop will be provided alongside the updated meeting minutes.
- *Secretary Grumbles* recommended thinking through stakeholders in categories; 1) most impacted or at risk 2) most influential in addressing the issue 3) underserved. And prioritize which stakeholders to engage within these categories.
- *Cliff Mitchell* asked what the stakeholders will be getting out of this. Asking if we can provide something tangible, ex: offering technical assistance or support for something off topic of climate change to acknowledge their help on this topic during such a tumultuous time and recognize their sacrifice? *UMCES team* responded that supporting this initiative is a way for communities to be heard and tell adaptation leaders what they think should be measured, instead of being told what is being measured.

### **C. Interactive Identification of Indicators for Coastal Adaptation 2:45 - 3:40**

UMCES will lead the attendees through an interactive web presentation to identify threats, benefits and indicators associated with coastal adaptation

Discussion surrounding the topics of indicators of most interest to communities, ie. public health, public safety. *Attendee* suggested that not all adaptation efforts have to be well established in the scientific community as effective, sometimes creative approaches to the problem may not have a



huge impact but would be a step towards a final impact. Another *attendee* hoped this would help move Maryland to the level of effort seen in other areas of the United States.

**D. Workshop Wrap up**

**3:40 - 3:50p**

- *UMCES team* will be providing a website, updating the stakeholder list and mapping based on the workshop today and encourages continued engagement and spreading the word.
- *Attendee* asked about alignment with the ARWG Framework initiative. *Allison Breitenother* responded that the two leads are coordinating and further clarity will be provided to members for the two initiatives to ensure minimal duplication or stakeholder burnout.

**III. Public Comment, Updates, & Next Steps**

**3:50 - 4:00p**

Next ARWG Meeting: Monday November 16, 2020, 2:00p - 4:00p

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