

## **Maryland Commission on Climate Change Adaptation & Response Working Group**

Date/ Time: Thursday, February 4, 2016; 1–3 PM  
Location: Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT)  
7201 Corporate Center Drive, Hanover, MD  
Richard Trainor Room, 1<sup>st</sup> floor opposite the entrance

- **Welcome, Introductions & Review of Agenda**

- **Approval of July 29, 2015 Meeting Minutes**

- **Evolving the role of adaptation in the Commission**

*Secretary Mark Belton, Maryland Department of Natural Resources*

The co-chairs of the Maryland Commission on Climate Change (MCCC) have requested that resiliency issues – led by the ARWG – be a growing and more prominent focus of the Commission’s work and discussion in 2016. We will discuss ideas for evolving the role of the ARWG members’ work to advance resiliency and meet the needs of many partners and communities.

- **Review of Fall 2015 MCCC activities and adaptation contributions**

*Maryland Department of the Environment, Maryland Department of Natural Resources*

Brief overview of the 2015 GGRA report, ECO WG outreach meetings and the MCCC report.

2015 GGRA Report:

[http://climatechange.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/16/2014/11/GGRA\\_Report\\_Final\\_11-2-15.pdf](http://climatechange.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/16/2014/11/GGRA_Report_Final_11-2-15.pdf)

MCCC Final Report:

<http://www.mde.state.md.us/programs/Marylander/Documents/MCCC2015FinalReport.pdf>

- **Overview of emerging priority areas for the ARWG**

Discuss and solicit thoughts about four potential focus areas for the ARWG outlined in the MCCC report (below) and recent ARWG member work contributing to these efforts.

*“Identifying strategies, goals, policies and programs...*

- that will effectively address the impacts that climate change will have on the state’s most vulnerable populations and communities;
- to increase and broaden public/private partnerships;
- to assess that climate change will likely have on the state’s economy and revenues and assessing the implications for the state’s investment decisions; and
- to assist local governments.”

- **Presentation: Climate and Health Profile**

*Clifford Mitchell, Director of Maryland's DHMH Environmental Health Bureau*

This presentation will provide an overview of and solicit feedback about the findings of the soon-to-be-released Climate and Health Profile.

- **Working Group Updates & Logistics**

Adaptation- and resiliency-related updates and upcoming activities:

*CoastSmart* support for local partners to address resiliency

Chesapeake Bay Program climate outcomes

Alignment with MCCC mitigation and communication goals

additional partnership opportunities

Message review for MCCC's next meeting

ARWG Membership and partnership expansion – local representation goals

Quarterly meetings – rotation through the State

- **Meeting Recap & Next Steps**

- **Public Comments**

- **Adjourn**

For additional information or to download meeting materials, visit:

<http://www.mde.state.md.us/programs/Marylander/Pages/mccc.aspx>

<http://climatechange.maryland.gov/>