

A Brief Update

Recent Community Meetings and Outreach by MDE

Climate Change, Air Quality and Mitigation Opportunities ECO Meeting, May 17, 2017

- In the Fall of 2016, MDE began a series of community meetings to discuss air quality, climate change and opportunities to reduce emissions with interested communities. Meetings to date include:
 - o October 5, 2016 - Greater Pasadena Council (represents 88 community organizations)
 - o October 6, 2016 - North Point Peninsula Community Coordinating Council
 - o March 22, 2017 - Bon Secours Community Works, Southwest Baltimore. Follow-up meeting on May 4.
 - o March 16, 2017 – Meeting of the Maryland Climate Commission’s Mitigation Working Group. Meeting and speakers focused on concerns of environmental justice and other underserved communities.
 - o March 27, 2017 - Turner Station Conservation Team.
- Additional community meetings are being scheduled for Curtis Bay, Brandywine and the Eastern Shore.
- Earlier public/community meetings included:
 - o November 30, 2015 - Parks and People Foundation, Baltimore. Updates on GGRA Plan and 2015 MCCC Report.
 - o December 1, 2015 - Silver Spring, MD. Updates on GGRA Plan and 2015 MCCC Report
 - o December 3, 2015 - Lusby, MD. Updates on GGRA Plan and 2015 MCCC Report
 - o December 12, 2015 - Easton, MD. Coordinated with the Eastern Shore Land Conservancy. Update on GGRA Plan and 2015 MCCC Report
 - o July 25, 2016 - Meeting of the Maryland Climate Commission’s Mitigation Working Group. Meeting and speakers focused on enhancing efforts on social equity and economic analysis.
- MDE is working in partnership with State’s Commission on Environmental Justice and Sustainable Communities (CEJSC) and the Children’s Environmental Health & Protection Advisory Council (CEHPAC) on these outreach meetings with communities.