

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

Date/ Time: Monday, September 11, 2017; 2-4 PM  
Location: Maryland Department of Natural Resources, C-1  
580 Taylor Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21401

- I. Welcome, Introductions & Review of Agenda 2:00 – 2:15 pm  
Mark Belton

Discussion: Adaptation & Response Workgroup Group Chair, Secretary Mark Belton will open the meeting and seek approval of May 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting notes.

Materials: Meeting Agenda  
May 22, 2017 Meeting Notes :

([http://www.mde.state.md.us/programs/Air/ClimateChange/MCCC/ARWG/ARWGMinutes\\_draft05222017.pdf](http://www.mde.state.md.us/programs/Air/ClimateChange/MCCC/ARWG/ARWGMinutes_draft05222017.pdf))  
2017 Draft MCCC Report Recommendations

- II. ARWG Forum Focus – 2:15 – 3:50 pm  
Training, Resilience and Recommendations

Discussion: The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter meeting of 2017 will focus on training, stormwater management and restoration opportunities, and draft ARWG recommendations to the Maryland Commission on Climate Change.

- A. Climate Change Training 2:15 – 2:45 pm  
Dan Kreeger, Executive Director, Association of Climate Change Officers (ACCO)  
Matt Fleming, Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Discussion: Dan Kreeger and Matt Fleming will describe a pilot training effort getting underway to down-scale ACCO climate change training for DNR's Chesapeake and Coastal Service (2017) that will also be tailored to local government partners (2018). Feedback will be sought regarding the climate change issue areas, approach and potential avenues to deliver the trainings in the future.

Materials: <https://accoonline.org/>

- B. Green Infrastructure for Chesapeake Stormwater Management: Legal Tools for Climate Resilience Siting 2:45 – 3:15 pm  
Jim McElfish, Senior Attorney, Environmental Law Institute

Discussion: Jim McElfish will present ELI's recent report addressing legal opportunities to use green infrastructure to help meet the climate change-stormwater management challenge in the Chesapeake Bay.

Materials: ELI's Full Research Report by Cynthia R. Harris & James McElfish:  
<https://www.eli.org/research-report/green-infrastructure-chesapeake-stormwater-management-legal-tools-climate-resilient-siting>

- C. Resilience and Restoration 3:15 – 3:35 pm  
Kevin Smith, Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Discussion: At a 2016 ARWG meeting, the group heard from Nicole Carlozo about the State's Coastal Resiliency Assessment – a tool to proactively identify, protect and enhance coastal habitats that provide risk-reduction benefits to residents impacted by coastal hazards. Today, Kevin Smith – Director of DNR's Office for Restoration and Resiliency – will talk about putting projects in to practice.

- D. Local Comprehensive Plan Adaptation Research – Update 3:35 – 3:40 pm  
Jason Dubow, Deborah Herr Cornwell; Maryland Department of Planning (MDP)

Discussion: MDP staff will give a brief status update about their Local Comprehensive Plan Adaptation Research Approach (LCPARA). MDP staff anticipate providing a full update and results at the ARWG's 4<sup>th</sup> quarter meeting in December.

Outcome: Receive a brief status update on LCPARA.

- E. ARWG report recommendations, progress reports, new business 3:40 – 4:00 pm

Discussion: The ARWG has several upcoming milestones and deliverables this fall and the work group will address these at this 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter meeting.

- o ARWG Draft 2017 Report Recommendations. The draft recommendations will be discussed and several suggestions from MCCC members will be shared.
  - Review draft & Healthy Soils Consortium Recommendations
  - Suggestions from MCCC members
  - Feedback sought: members discuss recommendations list, address MCCC members request for more detailed progress status
- o ARWG's contribution to 2017 MCCC Report
  - Due date
- o Check in on 2017 Work Plan
- o GCC adaptation table – last call on state updates
- o Open forum: new business

Materials: ARWG report recommendations  
Google Drive Georgetown progress table

- VI. Meeting Recap & Next Steps 4:00 pm  
Mark Belton

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