

Executive Council Planning Meeting May 11, 2022

Attendees:

Carin Bisland (EPA), Chair
Rachel Felver (ACB), Chair
Marisa Baldine (CRC), Staffer
Garrett Stewart (CRC), Staffer
Greg Barranco (EPA)
Amanda Davis (DE DNREC)
Cassie Davis (NY DEC)
Shane Gutsi (PA DEP)
Marel King (CBC)

Teresa Koon (WV DEP)
John Maleri (DC DOEE)
Jutta Schneider (VA DEQ)
Travis Voyles (VA Sec. Natural Resources)
Julia Wakeling (DC DOEE)
Jen Walls (DE DNREC)
Jess Blackburn (ACB-CAC)
Meg Cole (CRC-STAC)
Jennifer Starr (ACB-LGAC)

General Updates:

- Carin Bisland had a conversation with the Regional Administrator Adam Ortiz (PSC Chair) and he noted that the location is still up for debate, as it doesn't have to be in PA, and that the EPA Administrator would prefer the meeting not to be formal.
- The Commission noted that they have conflicts September 22-30.

Review of PSC slides

- Other topics to be added to the 'Role of the Federal Government in the Partnership' slide are corporate sustainability partnerships and public-private partnerships to advance funding.
- The following organizations favored the other theme of trees: CBC, DC and LGAC.
- The following organizations favored focusing on outcome attainability: VA, CAC
- DE noted they were fine with either theme.
- CBC noted that the Resilient Farms Initiative should be taken off the 'Consideration of New Threats' slide and replaced with Chesapeake Bay States Partnership (mentioned in last week's USDA funding announcement).
- CBC noted that if the meeting is held in DC, Casey Trees has a green roof and does the majority of tree plantings in the city. DC responded that they fund a lot of their work and can help make any needed connections.
- CAC was in favor using a polling feature for the PSC members on what topics they favored.
- DE noted that they had spoken to Secretary Garvin (DE PSC Member) and he preferred to keep a virtual option at the meeting for members to attend if they could not come in person. They also advised to avoid any dates that the National Governors Association would be meeting (it looks like they hold a summer and winter meeting every year).
- Rachel will change the order of the slides so Outcome Attainability is first, followed by trees. She will also find a picture for the Outcome Attainability slide.

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 3PM (potential to be cancelled due to EPA Region 3 Showcase and the Choose Clean Water Coalition conference).