

# **Anacostia Watershed Restoration Partnership Steering & Management Committee Roles July 2008**

## **Steering Committee (as stated in the Bylaws)**

The Steering Committee's principal purpose is to provide policy, program and financial oversight of the ecological restoration and protection of the Anacostia watershed, including approval of the annual work program and budget for the Anacostia Restoration Executive Director and the Anacostia Restoration support activities of COG, as directed by the Leadership Council. The Steering Committee sets the overall direction of the Partnership and establishes the overall goals/objectives, based upon recommendations from the Management Committee. Members are senior level individuals responsible for policy decisions. Major tasks include:

1. Recommending for adoption by the Leadership Council a watershed-wide Anacostia Watershed Comprehensive Restoration and Protection Plan. This includes recommended policies, programs, priorities and budgets to effect implementation of the Comprehensive Plan.
2. Define the organizational structure of the Partnership, including expansion of the Steering Committee and Management Committee membership, creation and modification of technical, policy and advisory committees as required.
3. Adopt a Funding Strategy to effect implementation of the Comprehensive Plan.
4. Adopt an Outreach Strategy to promote stakeholder involvement in the development and implementation of the Comprehensive Plan.
5. Adopt, and pursue funding for, an annual Work Program and Budget.
6. Reviewing implementation progress and providing guidance regarding implementation to the Leadership Council.

## **Management Committee (an expansion of the limited language in the Bylaws)**

The Management Committee's principal purpose is to serve as the technical arm of the Steering Committee. On an as needed basis, the Steering Committee will assign projects or tasks to the Management Committee in furtherance of the restoration effort. Members are program managers and implementers of projects. Major tasks, which require approval from the Steering Committee, include:

1. Develop and revise annually the watershed-wide Anacostia Watershed Comprehensive Restoration and Protection Plan.
2. Develop and revise annually environmental performance indicators/metrics, to measure the progress of the restoration. This includes the development of a monitoring plan and recommending to the Steering Committee restoration goals for the Partnership
3. Monitor and coordinate implementation activities of the Partners and routinely report to the Steering Committee on progress.

4. Develop an annual report on the implementation of restoration activities, including challenges/barriers and progress.
5. Brief the Steering Committee as appropriate and recommend to the Steering Committee initiatives to strengthen the restoration of the watershed.
6. Advise and recommend to the Steering Committee the representation of the Management Committee as well as the creation and composition of other technical and advisory subcommittees or workgroups.

Approved by the Steering Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ .