

**AGENDA
STEERING COMMITTEE
OF THE
ANACOSTIA WATERSHED RESTORATION PARTNERSHIP
Thursday, December 15, 2011
10:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
Board Room, Third Floor
777 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002**

Notes:

- A. **IMPORTANT:** During the first part of the meeting, the ad hoc committees created at the Partnership off-site meeting will convene. If you have not been a member of an ad hoc group, you certainly will be welcome to participate, understanding that these groups have already made their recommendations and are now working on “implementation.”
- B. After your ad hoc committee meeting, please attend the full meeting of the Steering Committee. See the agenda below for more details.
- C. Lunch will be served during the Steering Committee meeting.

I. Simultaneous Meetings of the Ad Hoc Committees

10:00 – 11:15 a.m.

The Partnership’s off-site meeting identified three priority areas for particular Partnership focus over the next two years. The three areas are: (1) Messaging; (2) Financing; and (3) Demonstrating Approaches. Ad Hoc Committees were formed to make recommendations about these topics and at the October 25 meeting of the Steering Committee, these ad hoc committees made reports.

During the first 75 minutes of the upcoming meeting of the Steering Committee, these committees will work on specific issues associated with the ad hoc committee reports as follows:

- A. Messaging Committee** led by Ms. Besse (DDOE) will meet in the 3rd Floor Conference Room
 - 1. Review and refine the draft agenda and other aspects of the MS4 Messaging Workshop found here (Please review the draft workshop agenda attached prior to the meeting.)
- B. Joint Financing Committee and Demonstrating Approaches Committee** led by Mr. Siegel (Cohen Companies) and Ms. Cameron (Audubon Naturalist Society) will meet in the Board Room
 - 1. Brief report by Ms. Cameron on her work to identify alternative/lower cost ESD designs.
 - 2. Brief brainstorming session on how the Partnership might implement the Committee’s recommendation that:

LID-GI costing, benefit and performance data collection and sharing should be integrated into Standard Operating Procedures for public and private land development and construction managers; stormwater managers; and site designers, including engineers; landscape architects, and architects. The Committee and AWRP Steering Committee should identify ways to spur this information collection and sharing so that it will become routine.

3. Discussion of whether the Partnership (or one or more of its members) should apply for one of the referenced grants in order to implement demonstration projects:
 - a. USEPA Urban Waters Small Grant: <http://www.epa.gov/urbanwaters/funding/>
 - b. USEPA Sustainable Chesapeake: A Community-Based Approach to Stormwater Management Using Green Infrastructure: http://epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2012/2012_star_chesapeake.html
4. Short report from Dr. Karimi (invited) regarding DDOE's progress toward a design competition. How can the Partnership help?

II. Steering Committee Meeting

11:15 a.m.

Call to Order – Frank Dawson, Chairman, Anacostia Watershed Restoration Partnership

11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

A. Introductions

Introduction of Ms. Sarah Neiderer, MPH, Water Communications and Marketing Coordinator, the new representative of DC Water

B. Approve of Summary of October Steering Committee Meeting Summary

C. Review of Agenda

D. Amendments to the agenda (e.g., items from Members or other business)

E. Recognition of Two Departing Members: Mr. Mike Smith and Mr. David Tuchmann

F. Request of the Chair regarding Membership Committee Work

III. Brief Report Out of Ad Hoc Committee Work in the Morning

11:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Ms. Besse and Mr. Siegel will give brief reports and identify next steps for the workgroups. The Steering Committee will provide feedback and guidance.

Recommended Action: Receive workgroup briefings. Provide guidance to the workgroups, Executive Director, and COG staff regarding future workgroup actions.

IV. Lunch (brief break to pick up lunch)

11:45 a.m. - 12 noon

V. Proposed Beltsville Site of the Baltimore Washington Rail Intermodal Facility

12:00 – 12:15 p.m.

As requested at the last Steering Committee meeting, MDOT representative Bradley Smith, AICP, Project Manager, Office of Freight and Multimodalism, Maryland Department of Transportation, will describe the proposed project, the process for reviewing the proposed project, and the environmental impacts of the proposed project, especially on Indian Creek.

Recommended Action: Receive briefing and provide comment, as appropriate, to state and CSX officials about Partnership concerns related to potential environmental impacts to Indian Creek and the Anacostia.

VI. Management Committee Report

12:15 – 12:25 p.m.

Mr. Moki will provide a report on the December 8, 2011 Management Committee and other Management Committee activities.

VII. AWCAC Report

12:25 – 12:35 p.m.

Mr. Coppock will report on the activities of AWCAC.

VIII. Executive Director's Report

12:35 – 12:45 p.m.

The Executive Director will give a short summary of her work on bag bill advocacy and her other activities.

IX. Chairman's Thoughts About the Upcoming Year

12:45 – 1:15 p.m.

The Chairman will give a short summary of the past year's achievements and the coming year's priorities and discussion will follow.

Recommended Action: Receive summary; discuss and reach consensus on priorities for calendar year 2012.

X. Adjourn