



ANACOSTIA WATERSHED COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (AWCAC)

Date:

Tuesday, March 12, 2019
Networking: 7:00 P.M. to 7:30
Meeting: 7:30 P.M. – 9:30 P.M.

Meeting Location:

Bladensburg Waterfront Park
4601 Annapolis Road
Bladensburg, MD 20710
301-779-0371

AGENDA

- 7:30 P.M. **1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS**
Marian Dombroski, AWCAC Chair
- 7:35 P.M. **2. CLEAN WATER ACT 101 : GETTING TO A “SWIMMABLE, FISHABLE”
ANACOSTIA RIVER**
Jim Foster, President/CEO of Anacostia Watershed Society
<https://www.anacostiaws.org/>
- Sorting out the alphabet soup of storm water management, summary of citizens advocacy efforts and AWS’s Strategic Plan.
- 7:55 P.M. **3. STORMWATER PARTNERS (SWP) - ADVOCACY FOR A STRONG PHASE III WIP**
Sylvia Tognetti, Chair Sierra Club Water Team
<https://www.stormwaterpartnersmoco.net/>
- Role of SWP in Phase III MS4 Permit advocacy; work with elected officials; Clean Water Blueprint.
- 8:10 P.M. **4. CHOOSE CLEAN WATER COALITION - WORKING CHESAPEAKE BAY
WATERSHED-WIDE**
Ben Alexandro, Coalition Lead, Maryland
<https://www.choosecleanwater.org/>
- Priorities for a Chesapeake Bay wide coalition; working with MDE for a strong MS4 Permit and jurisdictional accountability; coordination with MD League of Conservation Voters.
- 8:25 P.M. **5. ENGAGEMENT, ADVOCACY AND ACCOUNTABILITY.**
Trey Sherard, Anacostia Riverkeeper, Outreach Coordinator and Staff Biologist
<https://www.anacostiariverkeeper.org/>
- Riverkeeper Network’s role in restoration of the Anacostia River, watchdog activities, water quality monitoring, advocacy with agencies, and metrics of TMDLs/WLA, work with sediments projects.

Reasonable accommodations are provided upon request, including alternative formats of meeting materials.
Visit www.mwcof.org/accommodations or call (202) 962-3300 or (202) 962-3213 (TDD).

8:40 P.M. 5. ENGAGEMENT OF DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY AND AGENCIES IN ANACOSTIA RESTORATION ACTIVITIES.

Erin Garnass-Holmes, Anacostia Ambassador - Urban Waters Partnership
<https://www.anacostiatruster.org/>

Discussion of the Urban Waters Partnership and 2019 priorities; synthesis of planning, infrastructure and development coming down the line by 2025; discussion of the growing movement among stakeholders and agencies, including Resilient DC and DOEE, to create a new “vision” for the watershed to tie together these many disparate efforts.

9:00 P.M. 6. AWCAC BUSINESS

Members

- Approval of Meeting Summary
- Partnership Update
- Recent AWCAC Letters of Support (listed below)

9:10 P.M. 7. MEMBER UPDATES

- MLK Day of Service Update
- CSX Right of Way Update
- Capital Trails Coalition
- Others

9:30 P.M. 8. ADJOURN

Letters of Support:

AWCAC letter of support ARK (Trey)

AWCAC letter of support GREEN TEAM (Dennis)

AWCAC letter of support AWS (Matt)

AWCAC sign on: Foam Ban

AWCAC sign on: Forest Conservation Act

2019 Meeting Schedule

Month	Steering Committee**	Management Committee**	AWCAC***
March	28 (Thursday)		12 (Tuesday)
April			
May			14 (Tuesday)
June	27 (Thursday)*	6 (Thursday)	
July			9 (Tuesday)
August			
September	26 (Thursday)*	12 (Thursday)*	10 (Tuesday)
October			
November	21 (Thursday)*		12 (Tuesday)
December		5 (Thursday)*	

* Dates and times subject to change.

**Meetings held at MWCOG (777 North Capitol St, NE. Washington DC, 20002)