



ANACOSTIA WATERSHED RESTORATION PARTNERSHIP STEERING COMMITTEE

November 19, 2015

10:00 - 12:30 P.M.

Walter A. Scheiber Board Room

(lunch will be available for members following the meeting)

AGENDA

- 10:00 A.M. 1. CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTIONS AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
Tommy Wells, Steering Committee Chairman
- 10:10 A.M. 2. STORMWATER CREDIT TRADING IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**
- A. Stormwater Retention Credit Trading In The District
Jeffrey Seltzer, DOEE Associate Director, Stormwater Management Division
- Mr. Seltzer will present a brief overview of the District's SRC program, an update on the current status of the market, and DOEE initiatives to support and accelerate the market.
- B. Optimizing Water Quality Impacts of the SRC Exchange System
Doug Siglin, Executive Director Anacostia Waterfront Trust
- The District of Columbia has created an important and potentially widely-replicable new tool for water quality improvements. But the SRC exchange system as built doesn't necessarily optimize for water quality improvements. A strong partnership with an intermediary committed and able to work both the demand and the supply sides of the exchange system is a critical element to maximize impact.
- C. Building Externalities in the Market: Leveraging Private Equity for Environmental Outcomes
Kahlil Kettering, Urban Conservation Director Maryland/DC Chapter
- A creative regulatory system that uses market forces to commoditize environmental outcomes will incentivize private actors to create a public good (stormwater retention) that was once only provided by a utility/government. This system brings new sources of funding (private equity) into conservation that reduces the stress on governments, rates payers, infrastructure, and improves the quality of water in the Anacostia River. The Nature Conservancy is utilizing the new Stormwater Retention Credit Trading rule to work with a vast network of partners in the financial, nonprofit, and government sector to pilot a project that raises private capital, implements high quality green

infrastructure, generates a large quantity of credits, demonstrates financial rate of return, and benefits the residents and wildlife of the District.

Recommended action: Receive briefing. Discuss potential stormwater credit trading opportunities in the Anacostia Watershed and next steps.

10:55 A.M. 3. WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Steve Walz, COG Director of Environmental Programs

Mr. Walz will provide an overview of COG's workforce development initiatives.

Recommended action: Receive briefing. Discuss potential opportunities for workforce development collaboration among the Partnership members.

11:40 A.M. 4. TERRAIN360 PANORAMIC ANACOSTIA TRAILS MAP

Ryan Abrahamson, Terrain360

Mr. Abrahamson will present the map of the mainstem hiker/biker trails in the Anacostia watershed and highlight the key points of its functionality. COG staff will provide a brief update on how they intend to promote and utilize the map.

Recommended action: Receive briefing. Approve COG proposal on utilization and provide suggestions/input on promotion of the new mapping tool.

12:00 P.M. 5. STEERING COMMITTEE BUSINESS

A. Management Committee Update

Sheila Besse, DOEE, Management Committee Chair

B. Partnership Update

Michelle Kokolis, COG Anacostia Watershed Executive Manager

C. AWCAC Update

Aubin Maynard, COG

Recommended action: Receive updates.

12:15 P.M. 6. NEW INITIATIVES

All Membership

At this time any member present will be given the floor to introduce any new initiatives or projects they would like to share with the members.

12:30 P.M. 7. LUNCH

The next meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2016.

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