



Governor's Steering Committee on Climate Change

Meeting Agenda

September 22, 2010

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

DEP Russell Room

1. Public comments
2. Approve minutes from May 6, 2010 GSC meeting
3. GHG strategies to meet Global Warming Solutions Act targets (GSC Priority #1)
 - Update on NESCAUM GHG reductions modeling, see: <http://ctclimatechange.com/wp-content/uploads/2010/09/CT-GHG-Report-09.02.10.pdf>
 - Stakeholder engagement and public comment period
 - Next steps
4. Budget and funding (GSC Priority #2)
 - Overview of Phase 2 Tremaine grant award
5. Education and outreach (GSC Priority #3)
 - Update on combined public forum on draft adaptation strategies report and GHG mitigation strategies process
 - Additional outreach to municipalities
 - Proposal for business-to-business sustainability summit
 - Overview of 2010 Climate Change Leadership Awards ceremony
6. Adaptation Subcommittee (GSC Priority #4)
 - Status of next report on recommendations for adaptation
7. Other GSC priorities
 - Completed action since May 2010 GSC meeting:
 - i. Five letters of support signed by Commissioner Marrella on behalf of GSC (May – August)
 - ii. Submitted proposal for Tremaine Phase 2 funding to support additional municipal outreach (6/4/10), received Tremaine approval for \$40K on 7/30/10
 - iii. Planned and held Climate Change Leadership Awards Program ceremony (6/7/10)
 - iv. Initiated planning for business summit

- v. Held NESCAUM presentations on GHG mitigation strategies (presentation to C4 on 8/12/10, presentation to stakeholders on 9/9/10)
- vi. Developed ideas for combined GSC-sponsored public forum on adaptation and mitigation – see agenda item #5 above
- vii. Contacted CT Conference of Municipalities regarding GSC participation in annual convention (7/27/10) – conference agenda is already planned so GSC will re-focus on other municipal outreach efforts
- viii. Planning to develop strategy to reach out to Boards of Education and civic groups – included as an element in Tremaine Phase 2 grant, to be addressed by C4 Education Workgroup
- Regional coordination (GSC Priority #6) –
 - i. Transportation and Climate Initiative Update, see: <http://www.georgetownclimate.org/state/files/TCI-declaration.pdf>
 - ii. Electric Vehicle Council Report; see: http://www.ct.gov/ecd/lib/ecd/ev_final_recommendation_9.1.10.pdf

8. GSC continuity

- Proposed GSC priorities for 2011:
 - i. **GHG Reduction Strategies** - By July 1, 2011, publish a portfolio of GHG strategies to meet 2020 and 2050 GHG targets to meet Global Warming Solutions Act requirements
 - ii. **Mitigation and Adaptation Measures** - Coordinate implementation of GHG mitigation and adaptation strategies
 - iii. **Climate Change Leadership Awards** - Continue Climate Change Leadership Awards Program and hold 2011 awards ceremony
 - iv. **Municipal Outreach on Climate Change** - Provide additional outreach to municipalities, based on 2010 Tremaine grant requirements and follow up to Municipal Summit on Climate Action
 - v. **Business Outreach on Climate Change** - Plan and hold business-to-business sustainability summit and provide follow up as necessary
 - vi. **Ensure Coordination with Existing Initiatives and Partners** – Collaborate with energy and climate programs and leverage opportunities (e.g., Energy Conservation Management Board, CT Clean Energy Fund, CT Energy Efficiency Fund, CT Energy Advisory Board, Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council)
 - vii. **Maintain Dedicated Website** - Continue to develop and maintain www.ctclimatechange.com
 - viii. **Regional and Federal Climate Initiatives** - Participate in regional coordination on climate change mitigation and adaptation efforts and initiatives and track federal action to address climate change

9. Other