



**Department of  
Environmental  
Conservation**

# **Climate Justice Working Group Meeting**

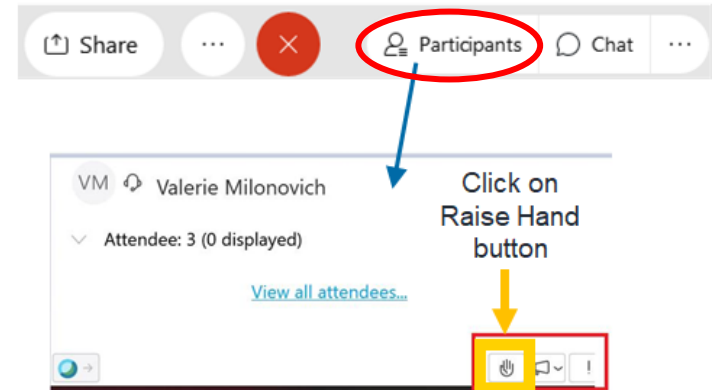
**March 16, 2022**

# Meeting Procedures

## Before beginning, a few reminders to ensure a smooth discussion:

- Working Group Members should be on mute if not speaking.
  - If using phone for audio, please tap the phone mute button.
  - If using computer for audio, please click the mute button on the computer screen.
- Video is encouraged for Working Group members, particularly when speaking.
- To ask a question or make a comment, please use the hand raise function. Click the participant panel button for the hand raise function. Someone will call on members individually, at which time please unmute yourself.
- Please state your name before speaking.

At bottom of screen:





Welcome and  
Roll Call



# Agenda for March 16, 2022

1. Approval of Minutes from January meeting
2. CAC Update
  - a) Response to CJWG Input
  - b) Takeaways from 3/3 CAC Mtg
  - c) Public Hearings on Draft Scoping Plan
3. Approach for Disadvantaged Community Air Monitoring
  - a) Presentation from Division of Air Resources
  - b) Methodology for selection of communities
4. DAC Criteria, Maps, & Public Education Sessions
  - a) Public Maps & Materials
  - b) Public Engagement Plan





# Approval of Minutes



CAC Update

# CJWG Perspectives on the Scoping Plan



**CUT CLIMATE POLLUTION**



**EQUITABLE TRANSITION  
FOR ALL**



# March 3 CAC meeting recap

## Timeline

**Jan – Jun:** Information Gathering

**Jun – Aug:** Discussions and Deliberations

**Sept – Dec:** Drafting and Plan Finalization

## CAC subgroups (potential)

- Approaches to Gas System Transition
- Potential Applications of Advanced Fuels
- Economy-wide approach

*Justice is imperative and will be incorporated throughout the Scoping Plan*





# 2022 Scoping Plan Public Hearings Schedule

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
April	3	4	5 <b>Bronx</b>	6 <b>Brookhaven</b>	7	8	9
	10	11	12 <b>Binghamton</b>	13	14 <b>Albany</b>	15	16
	17	18	19	20	21	22 <i>Earth Day</i>	23
	24	25	26 <b>Syracuse</b>	27 <b>Buffalo</b>	28	29 <i>Arbor Day</i>	30
May	1	2	3 <b>Brooklyn</b>	4	5	6	7
	8	9	10 <b>Central Adirondacks</b>	11 <b>Virtual</b>	12	13	14 <b>Virtual</b>



## Note:

- The written Public Comment submission deadline has been extended to June 10
- If required by COVID safety measures, the in-person hearings will be held virtually at the same scheduled time
- Visit: <https://climate.ny.gov/> and click on the 'Meetings and Events' tab for the most updated hearing information



**Department of  
Environmental  
Conservation**

# Draft Approach for Disadvantaged Community Air Monitoring Selection





DAC Criteria & Webpage

# What's On the Page

<https://climate.ny.gov/Our-Climate-Act/Disadvantaged-Communities-Criteria>

- Interactive Map of Communities That Meet the Draft Disadvantaged Communities Criteria
- Draft List of Disadvantaged Communities
- Technical Documentation on the Draft Disadvantaged Communities Criteria
- Summary Documentation on the Draft Disadvantaged Communities Criteria
- Technical Documentation Appendix: Draft Disadvantaged Communities Indicators Workbook



# Additional Materials

- Frequently Asked Questions
- Link to CJWG meetings materials
- Link to Open Data to download data and Shapefiles

# Public Comments

- Public Comment form
- [DACComments@dec.ny.gov](mailto:DACComments@dec.ny.gov)
- U.S. Mail

Attention Draft DAC Comments

NYS DEC, Attn. Office of Environmental Justice

625 Broadway, 14th Floor, Albany NY 12233





## Public Education Sessions & Hearings



# Public input process (ECL § 75-0111(2))

“Before finalizing the criteria for identifying disadvantaged communities and identifying disadvantaged communities pursuant to subdivision one of this section, the [DEC] shall publish draft criteria and a draft list of disadvantaged communities and make such information available on its website.

a. The council shall hold at least six regional public hearings on the draft criteria and the draft list of disadvantaged communities, including three meetings in the upstate region and three meetings in the downstate region, and shall allow at least one hundred twenty days for the submission of public comment.

b. The council shall also ensure that there are meaningful opportunities for public comment for all segments of the population that will be impacted by the criteria, including persons living in areas that may be identified as disadvantaged communities under the proposed criteria.”

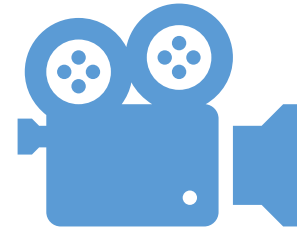




# Public Education Sessions



Host 2 education sessions in WebEx webinar format designed to assist with technical questions and issues



Create Pre-recorded video that will explain the documentation, maps, and information for reference

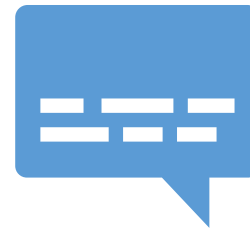
# Hearings

- Moving Towards a Hybrid Hearings Schedule
- Mix of virtual and in-person hearings
- In the process of planning and scheduling
- Will get something to you as soon as we are ready

# Comment Analysis



Working on a plan to analyze and  
synthesize the comments



Once comments are ordered and  
reviewed, we will discuss them with the  
CJWG



# Next Steps