



**Department of
Environmental
Conservation**

Climate Justice Working Group

January 10, 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 (1st visual).
- Video is encouraged for Working Group members, particularly when speaking.
- In the event of a question or comment, please use the hand raise function (2nd visual). Click the participant panel button (3rd visual) for the hand raise function. Someone will call on members individually, at which time please unmute
- Please state your name before speaking



You'll see  when your microphone is muted





Welcome and
Roll Call



Agenda for January 10

1. Approval of Minutes from previous meetings
2. Public Comment/Hearing process review
3. Public Education sessions
4. Future Meetings and Engagement
5. CAC Engagement





Approval of Minutes



Public Comment/Public Hearings Process

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.”



Hearings Format

Virtual Hearings preferred

- Provides more flexibility and participation

Legislative hearing format

- ALJ presiding
- Opening and closing statements
- 3 minutes comment time

Priority given to regional residents



DRAFT Public Comment Process

- DEC will post criteria overview, maps, and methodology online for the public
- DEC will host public educational session(s) to describe DAC criteria and public comment process (live and recorded)
- DEC will collect comments on the draft criteria and DACs for 120 days and hold 6 public hearings
- [DEC will confer with CJWG to discuss next steps.](#)

Addressing Public Comments

DEC will convene a follow-up meeting to discuss process to review, discuss, consider or address comments.

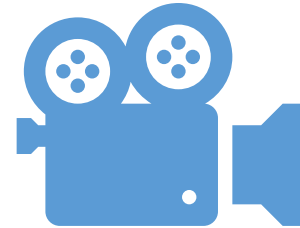


Public Education Sessions

Format

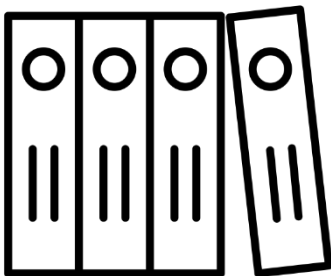


Host 2 education sessions in WebEx webinar format designed to assist with technical questions and issues



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

Materials and Documentation



If desired, please provide any additional comments you would like to see reflected in public educational sessions and/or documentation within the next two weeks



Future Engagement/Meetings

What Do We Want to Do?



CAC Engagement



What Do We Want From This Process?



Next Steps for Public Comment or Documentation