

CJWG Meeting Notes

WebEx - 11.30.22

Meeting Commence 3:09pm

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Agenda:

1. Quick review of outstanding points on previous meeting
2. Open discussion of comments prioritized by CJWG members
 - o Review comments
 - o Discuss rubric
 - o Income indicator discussion-SMI and AMI
3. To-Dos and Timeline
4. Discuss upcoming investments and benefits meeting

Panelists/Attendees:

- Alanah Keddell-Tuckey, EJ Director, Office of Environmental Justice, DEC
- Adriana Espinoza, Deputy Commissioner for Equity and Justice, DEC
- Jill Henck, Clean Energy Program Director, (ANCA) Adirondack North Country Association
- Chris Coll, Director of Energy Affordability and Equity Program, NYSERDA
- Sameer Ranade, Climate Justice Advisor with Climate Action Council
- Sonal Jessel, Policy and Advocacy Coordinator, WEACTION for Environmental Justice
- Andrea Linton, Public Participation Specialist, DEC
- Elizabeth Yeampierre, Executive Director, UPROSE
- Timothy Walsh, Regional Director, Regional Emergency Response Coordinator, Regional Admin
- Jill Henck, Clean Energy Program Director, (ANCA) Adirondack North Country Association
- Alex Dunn, Director, Illume Advising
- Elizabeth Furth, Fellow, Executive, DEC
- Andrea Linton, Public Participation Specialist, Office of Communication Services, DEC
- Eddie Bautista, Executive Director, NYC Environmental Justice Alliance
- Maria Katchmar, Environmental Program Specialist, Office of Communication Services, (DEC)
- Abigail McHugh-Grifa, Executive Director, Climate Solutions Accelerator of the Genesee-Finger Lakes Region
- Neil Muscatiello, Director of the Bureau of Environmental and Occupational Epidemiology, Center for Environmental Health, DOH
- Tyler Picard, NYSERDA, Project Manager Energy and Climate Energy
- Rahwa Ghirmatzion, Executive Director, PUSH Buffalo
- Megan Gollwitzer, Citizen Participation Specialist, Office of Communication Specialists, DEC

No Quorum reached meaning:

- No voting on minutes from previous meeting
- No official action can be taken
- There was not a minimum of 7 CJWG members needed in physical location accessible to the public.
- Meeting can still be recorded

Update since last meeting: Alanah

- Survey will be sent regarding 2023 CJWG meetings availability of members
- Poll has been sent regarding Aclima Pro training for CJWG members.
- Clean transportation standards were discussed at Nov.17,2022's CAC (Climate Action Council) meeting.
- Next CAC (Climate Action Council) meeting scheduled for Dec.19,2022

Eddie: Can proxies attend meetings in members place?

Alanah: That should be fine. Just give Alanah a heads up first. Alanah will verify with Council that this is acceptable.

DACs: Alex

- Rundown of environmental burdens and climate change risks.
- Overview of draft indicators
- Discussion with working group

Megan: Do we have anything in our current matrix that addresses rental?

Alex: We do have home ownership or present renter occupied. We also have cost burden and energy cost burden included.

Megan: Great, thank you for that.

Discussed:

- pesticides
- coastal flooding
- rainwater flooding
- concentration of heat vulnerable jobs
- elderly residents
- structural fires
- cost of living
- illegal dumping
- remediation: focus on people not just geography

Alex: Should we look into cost of living as a separate indicator?

Eddie: I'm just wondering if we have any kind of more precise context here.

Alex: My sense is that this comment came from a commenter who felt certain the metrics did not work for all areas. eg) Long Island

Megan: Cost of living over time could become more important as we think about climate migration and moves into NY city that could cause displacement of residents currently living there.

Alex: I think there's something to what you're saying. We are currently trying to take these 40 indicators and collapse them down to a realistic number. Say 5-10 that we can look into.

Flags, Areas that need a bigger discussion:

- lead in water in schools
- cost of living as a separate indicator
- access to portable water
- housing, flag for long term monitoring
- climate migration in rust belt cities
- structural fires
- illegal dumping
- fracking

Alex: Alex will work with Alanah to get an Excel spreadsheet out to the CJWG for their input. It will be put on the SharePoint site. A list outlining what is needed from the CJWG members will also be created and shared.

No further comments/concerns from working group

Next Steps

- Illume-Take what was discussed today and follow through on all of those that we've flagged and then get back to CJWG members .
- Illume- Will also send out an Excel spreadsheet
- Alanah- to send out poll for available CJWG meeting dates
- ACLIMA Pro training meetings
- Next CJWG meeting Dec.7, 2022

End: 4:26pm