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Climate Justice Working Group


Wednesday, December 16, 2020

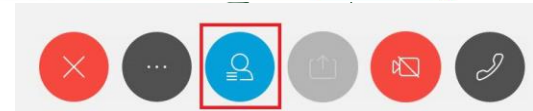
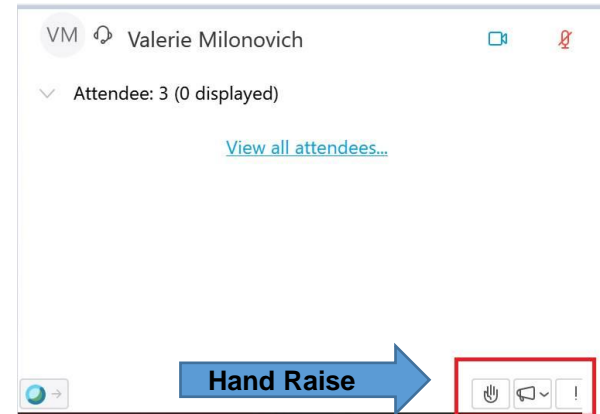
Meeting Procedures

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- Working Group Members should be on mute if not speaking.
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Welcome and Roll Call



Agenda

- Welcome and Roll Call
- Business Items (10 minutes)
- Discussion: Place based vs. Individual based criteria (20 minutes)
 - Benefits Considerations
 - Geography
- Discussion: Indicator Evaluation Rubric (55 minutes)
- Discussion: Draft List of Indicators (20 minutes)
- Advisory Panels Engagement (75 minutes)
 - Just Transition (15)
 - Energy Efficiency and Housing (15)
 - Agriculture and Forestry (15)
 - Power Generation (15)
 - Energy Intensive and Trade Exposed Industries (15)
- Next Steps



Business Items:

- Reflections from 12/2 Meeting**
- Minutes from 12/2 Meeting**

Work Plan Check In

November 2020 (2)	CJWG Meeting - <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discuss criteria and methodology for operationalizing
December 2020	CJWG Meeting - <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Finalize conceptual agreement on criteria and methodology for operationalizing• If needed, plan for additional meeting
January 2021 Two Meetings?	CJWG Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discuss interim feedback on Advisory Panel [move to February?]• Discuss draft list
February 2021 Two Meetings?	CJWG Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Finalize draft criteria and list• Discuss strategies for holding public/virtual meetings; platforms; languages; etc.

Applications of DAC Definition

“State agencies, authorities and entities, in consultation with the environmental justice working group and the climate action council, shall, to the extent practicable, invest or direct available and relevant programmatic resources in a manner designed to achieve a goal for disadvantaged communities to receive forty percent of overall benefits of **spending on clean energy and energy efficiency programs, projects or investments in the areas of housing, workforce development, pollution reduction, low income energy assistance, energy, transportation and economic development...**”



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**Investment Criteria
(Projects, Programs,
Investments)**

**Disadvantaged
Communities
Definition**

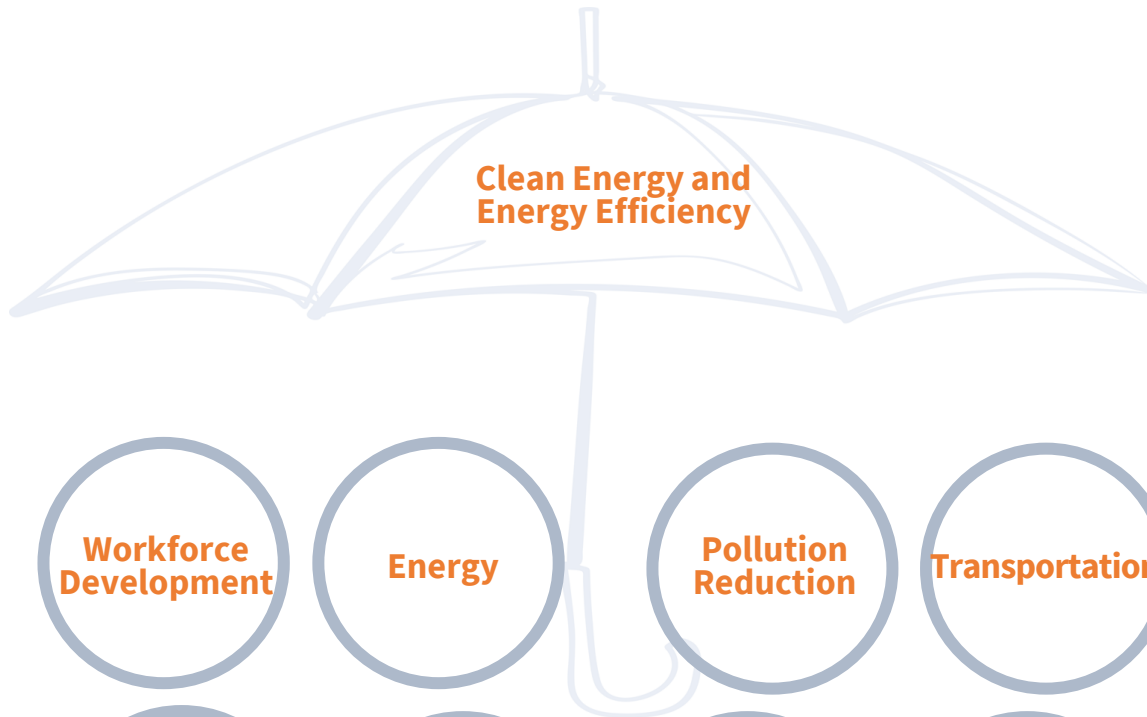


Benefits Framework

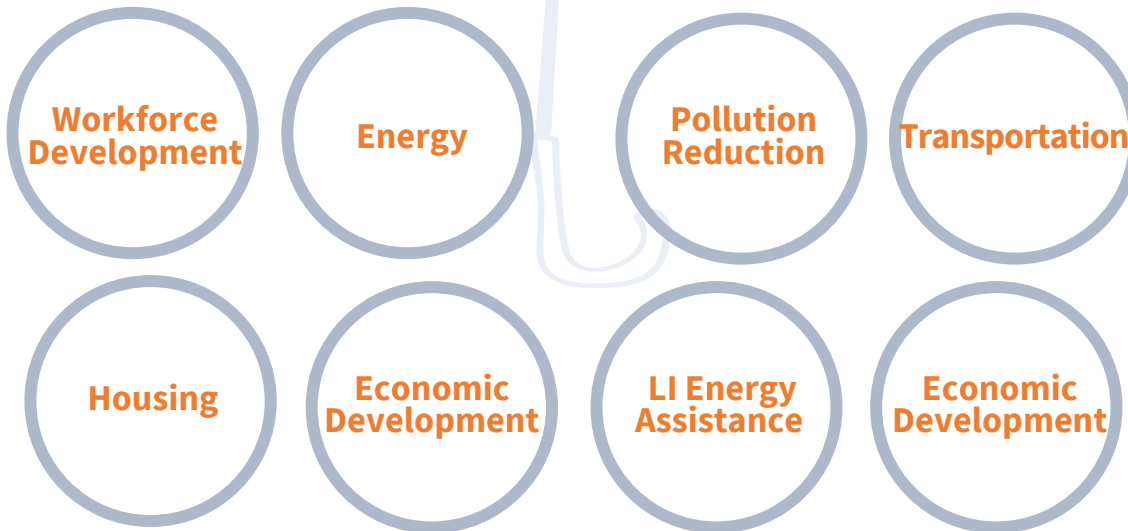


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spending on....



in the areas of....



Place-based vs. Individual Definitions

1. This is a key decision that needs to be made
2. It needs to be addressed across several workstreams – including benefits and investments
3. As a starting point, the DAC designation needs to be place-based to ensure we identify communities – which are often thought of as place-based
4. While we move ahead with a place-based designation, it does not mean that individual characteristics cannot be considered later when talking about benefits



Review Draft Rubric



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A. Applicability to CLCPA Disadvantaged Communities Language

How well does the indicator...

Pillar #1

1. Represent pollutions or hazards that lead to negative public health effects?
2. Capture the cumulative legacy of environmental pollution or hazards?

Pillar #2

1. Represent people or communities who have historically experienced disparities in clean energy or energy efficiency investments or services?
2. Represent people or communities who have historically experienced discrimination in the areas of housing, workforce development, pollution reduction, low-income energy assistance, energy, transportation or economic development ?

Pillar #3

1. Reflect environmental or climate conditions or events that may be exacerbated by climate change?
2. Capture population or community characteristics that exacerbate risks of climate change?



B. Actionable and Addressable by CLCPA Investments

How well does the indicator...

1. Represent exposures, risks, threats or vulnerabilities that are **potentially actionable** by New York State agencies?
2. Represent exposures, risks, threats, or vulnerabilities that **could be addressed** by clean energy or energy efficiency investments?

The criteria in this section will be applied to all indicators.

C. Contribution of Indicator to Scoring Approach

1. How **directly** does the indicator represent the Factor/Concept it is intended to represent? (e.g., is it a direct measure of the factor/concept (e.g., air pollution, environmental hazards, low income, race/ethnicity, storm surge risk), vs. an indirect or proxy measure?)
2. How **essential and unique** is the indicator to the DAC criteria? (i.e., does it contribute something **essential and unique** to the DAC definition, vs. being highly correlated with other indicators?)

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D. Data Sufficiency and Quality

Is the data...

1. Available statewide at the geographic level needed? (e.g., available for all census tracts or block groups in New York State, pending decision on geographic level)
2. Considered accurate, with limited measurement error? (measurement error can come from, for example, small or non-representative samples or models with general/non-localized assumptions)
3. Current / up-to-date?
4. Possible to obtain and include within the timeline needed? (For the preliminary DAC definition: Before February ##. 2021?)

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Review Rubric Examples



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How would you like to approve the rubric?

Review indicator list

If you have comments, please provide them by 1/5/2021



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Goal: Ball that rolls



Advisory Panels Discussion:

- Just Transition Working Group**
- Energy Efficiency and Housing**
- Agriculture and Forestry**
- Power Generation**
- Energy Intensive and Trade Exposed**
- Waste**

Next Steps

