



**SUMMARY OF TELECONFERENCE MEETING #4
CROSS CUTTING (CC) ISSUES TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG)
June 20, 2006**

Attendance:

1. TWG Members:
 - Daniel Besse, Local Official
 - Dee Eggers, UNC-Asheville
 - Steven McNulty, USDA - Forest Service
 - Chuck Pickering, Biltmore Estate
 - Ulla Reeves, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy
 - Kathryn Eggers for Michael Shore, Environmental Defense
2. NC Department of Air Quality (DAQ):
 - Jim Southerland, Liaison to CC TWG
 - Charles O. Davis
 - Brock Nicholson
3. Center for Climate Strategies (CCS):
 - Ken Colburn, TWG Co-Facilitator
 - Randy Strait, TWG Co-Facilitator
4. Other Attendees:
 - Linda Rimer, USEPA

Background documents:

(all posted at: http://www.ncclimatechange.us/Cross_Cutting.cfm.)

1. Meeting Notice & Agenda (including provisions for public access)
2. Summary for Call #3 (May 31, 2006)
3. PowerPoint© presentation for meeting
4. Catalog of State Climate Mitigation Options
5. Design Options Matrix for Reporting
6. Design Options Matrix for Registries

Discussion items and key issues:

This was the fourth conference call of the CC TWG.

1. Ken Colburn called the meeting to order, completed the roll call and reviewed the agenda and plans for the call.
2. Members of the CC TWG approved without objection the summary for Call #3.

3. Ken noted that per discussions between NCDENR and CCS, “Additional Issues for Evaluation of Options” and “Coordination with Other States” have been removed from the catalog. These items are process management issues and, based on the feedback provided by the TWG during Call #3, NCDENR and CCS will prepare guidance to be distributed to the other TWGs requesting that the term "ancillary issues," also known as "non GHG issues," be referred to as "additional issues" hereafter on the mitigation option template to be used later in the process to describe and evaluate potential mitigation options. For example, human health and social issues, environmental and natural resource issues including those related to sustainability, etc. can be applied to the column denoting "ancillary and feasibility issues" (to be revised to "additional issues") and or the column for "special notes." In addition, the guidance will note that some mitigation options may require coordination with other states while others will not and will ask the TWGs acknowledge the importance of interstate coordination issues when evaluating mitigation options.
4. Decision on Overall Mitigation Options: The CC TWG approved without objection to recommend to the CAPAG that the CC TWG proceed with developing the characteristics of each of the six mitigation options on the catalog. Note that the CC TWG’s approval is of the main title of each option and not of the sub-options listed under the six main titles. The titles of the six options are: Inventory and Forecast, Reporting, Registries, Education and Outreach, Adaptation, and Options for Goals or Targets (In Support of the Legislative Commission on Global Climate Change [LCGCC]). For the sixth option (CC-6), the CC TWG agreed without objection to change the wording for from “Assistance with Statewide GHG Reduction Goals or Targets” to “Options for Goals or Targets (In Support of the LCGCC) to provide consistency with how the other options are worded.
5. Further Development of Each Option: Ken noted the following approaches that the CC TWG may want to consider as the CC TWG develops the mitigation options: (1) characteristics, (2) organization, (3) prioritization. For the reporting and registries options, CCS has provided the CC TWG with design characteristic matrices to serve as an example for defining the key elements of each option. These matrices reflect characteristics considered by other states in developing the reporting and registry options, and are intended to serve as a starting point for the CC TWG to begin development of these options for recommendation to the CAPAG.

The Education option has several sub-options in the catalog. The CC TWG may want to think about how to organize the sub-options, for example, using an audience-based approach, or decide to prioritize the sub-options, or both. The question was asked about how the CC TWG should coordinate with the other TWGs that have included education and outreach options in their catalog. The response is that the CC TWG should develop the education and outreach option and later in the process coordinate with the other TWGs in developing coordinated recommendations on education and outreach to CAPAG.

6. Agenda for Next Call: The CC TWG agreed to work on developing the characteristics for the following options during the next call: Inventory and Forecasts, Reporting, Registry, and Education and Outreach.
7. Call to the Public: Public participants did not provide any comments.
8. Announcements: There were no announcements.

Next steps:

1. The next CC TWG call (#5) will be **Tuesday, July 11, from 10:00–11:30 a.m. Eastern time**. Action: CCS will notify the full TWG of the date and time for call #5 and send a reminder out several days before the call.
2. Action: CCS will revise the “Catalog of State Climate Mitigation Options” based on comments received from TWG members prior to the next TWG meeting.
3. Reporting and Registry Options: Action: CCS will review and revise the design characteristics matrix (formerly design options matrix) for each of these catalog options.
4. Education Option: Action: CCS will provide an audience-based summary to the TWG to use as a starting point for organizing and prioritizing characteristics of the education option.