



Meeting #7 Summary

October 24th, 2019, 12-2:00PM

TRPC, 2424 Heritage Ct. SW, Olympia, WA 98502

Agenda Item	Notes
1. Introductions & Project Updates	Self introductions of the Committee members present. Allison Osterberg gave a brief update of what has been happening with the plan.
2. Public Engagement Update	Allison Osterberg gave an overview of the public outreach conducted. 15 events were attended by TRPC or jurisdiction staff, and 605 interactions with the public were documented, and an additional 208 comments were collected at these events. The online survey was taken by around 1,400 individuals from all over the region. The Committee discussed the outreach results and strategies to continue outreach, including to populations that were less represented in the survey.
3. Community Action List	The draft community action list was presented to the Committee. It includes nearly 300 individual actions. Action list was summarized to steering committee by sector focus group strategy. Committee members discussed some specific actions, and how actions related to emission sources that are not currently included in the inventory might be included, such as through an ongoing data program.
4. Criteria Selection	<p>Cascadia Consulting Group representative Christy Shelton presented an overview of how criteria will be used to prioritize the action list and develop the plan. Allison Osterberg presented the criteria recommendation of the Climate Advisory Workgroup, the results of the public survey related to criteria, and a Staff Proposal that aimed to address both Workgroup and Steering Committee priorities. Committee members discussed the options, including the role of criteria related to cost. Staff suggested that, based on feedback from the CAW and public, cost be considered at a later stage of the project – to compare scenarios – rather than to initially prioritize individual actions. Committee members approved of this approach, and made a consensus decision on criteria.</p> <p>Action: The Steering Committee approved the staff proposal for criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GHG reduction potential



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5. Criteria Analysis & Scenarios	Cascadia Consulting Group representative Christy Shelton provided an overview of how the consultant team will assess predicted emission reduction impacts using scenarios developed from the action list, and how the consultants will relate those scenarios to regional emission reduction goals for 2030 and 2050. The consulting team will develop initial scenarios and show results for the January meeting. The Committee discussed having a baseline scenario showing current conditions, as well as a baseline that includes predicted reductions from recent changes to state law.
6. Jurisdiction Updates on Early & Ongoing Actions	This item was skipped due to limited remaining time.
7. Public Comments	<p><i>Chuck Murray:</i> Has been looking at energy efficiency in buildings for several years, including working on the recent state legislation. State energy code is scheduled to have significant reduction in energy use in buildings. These policies are implemented at the local level, so I recommend you build up your building departments – make them a great tool for achieving your goals. When you think about improving efficiency, I encourage you to develop building efficiency policy.</p> <p><i>Barak Gale:</i> When people are confronted with the data, like on electric vehicles and how important they are, that can change opinions. Appreciates working as a partner with all of you and all you're doing, seeing this meeting gives me hope. We have to do almost everything in order to get this done. Appreciates the comment that tracking should not veto promising technologies. Appreciates the emphasis on the speed of deployment. Youth are very concerned about the speed of deployment</p> <p><i>Thad Curtz:</i> Strongly in favor of having the scenarios include our projected impacts from current policy. Clean energy is going to take coal out of our grid, and then fossil fuels soon after that. My principle concern about cost will be how much is going through the sieve. We could provide transit to everyone out in the county if we reach our reduction goal. Has developed an online website resource, and would like feedback on how to make it more useful.</p> <p><i>Mark Walker:</i> we need to coach legislators and corporations to adopt more sustainable actions into their plans. If you don't audit the legislation you have in place, people will lose interest. 90 percent of our business is overseas, the US is very slow to get green energy. Being accountable and publicly transparent is important.</p>



Meeting Attendance

Steering Committee Present:

Rich Hoey – City of Olympia
Tom Oliva – City of Tumwater
Brad Medrud – City of Tumwater
Cynthia Pratt – City of Lacey
Nathaniel Jones – City of Olympia

Susan Clark – City of Olympia
Jessica Brandt – City of Lacey
Carolyn Cox – City of Lacey
Tye Menser – Thurston County
Chris Hawkins – Thurston County

Public Present:

Chuck Murray – Self
Tom Crawford – Thurston Climate Action Team
Jonathan Kaplan – Thurston Climate Action Team
Mason Rolph – Olympia Community Solar

Barak Gale – Self
Thad Curtz – Self
Ari Simmons – Olympia Community Solar
Mark Walker – SUS True

Staff Present:

Christy Shelton – Cascadia Consulting Group
Karen Parkhurst

Allison Osterberg
Les Tobias

Next Meeting: January 23rd, 2020

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