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How should we operationalize our workplan items?



- Workplan items will each be presented to solicit feedback about utilizing ARWG meetings to achieve these objectives.
- Please feel free to raise your hand if you would like to discuss anything you submitted.





Interagency Funding Task Force

Deliverable: The ARWG will establish a proposed membership, scope of work including timeline, and recommended action items for the Interagency Funding Task Force.





Ideas on facilitating formation of the interagency funding task force?

Talk with the
Governor's office
Funding Integration
Taskforce

6 Popular

Governor's grants
office?

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A representative from each
agency who has grants
management experience
could be involved. We should
look at federal funds as this is
a unique time in climate
adaptation!

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CB Funders group as a
start.

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This group should look
at the SEAFARE
recommendations
from TNC

2

Pages 77 and 78 of the state
climate plan have ideas. Also
philanthropy and legal
strategies to get polluters to
pay including the RENEW act

2

The University System
of Maryland

2

The members representing
agencies should be asked to
coordinate internally ahead of
time and in an ongoing
manner about funding
priorities and suggestions to
bring to the group

2

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Ideas on facilitating formation of the interagency funding task force?

Self identified interested parties targeting federal funds. I would start by looking existing projects and past applications that weren't funded

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DBM

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Who is the audience?

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Will the deliverable be a website?

1

Community Leaders

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Non-climate specific funding.

1

Private equity investment in resilient infrastructure

1

Local Government Reps

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Ideas on facilitating formation of the interagency funding task force?

Federal earmarks

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Identify win-win funding strategies at intersection of resilience and mitigation

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<https://planning.maryland.gov/Pages/OurWork/Maryland-InfoPortal.aspx>

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Maryland philanthropy does have a green funders group and there is the environmental Grantmakers association

1

Making funding accessible and accountable

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who? State House rep

What is the frequency and cadence of meetings and asynchronous work - to ensure individuals who join task force have the capacity to provide meaningful support to the effort.

who? agency rep w/ knowledge of all programs agency applying to

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Ideas on facilitating formation of the interagency funding task force?

Look at current efforts

MD EFC for advice and guidance (not necessarily as member organization)

Underrepresented groups

funding sources - traditional env/climate ones plus private, health, safety, etc

Why limit it to interagency and NOT other ARWG members who may not be in State Gov

Community driven needs should be included. Maybe by pulling in some philanthropic groups

Agency grants offices - MDOT has a grants team that help bring in money to agencies, and support local governments. Other agencies likely have something similar, similar to Gov. Funding task force.

Someone with procurement insight



Ideas on facilitating formation of the interagency funding task force?

Include strategies for
private sector funding

folks who know how to
pay invoices and issue
contracts

EDF, TNC and WWF

Local Level Capacity Building

Deliverable: The local level capacity building subgroup will share regular progress updates with the ARWG, and deliver a summary report to the working group by the end of the year.





Ideas on local level capacity building?

Build on established networks, funding programs, partners to enhance capacity investments

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Popular

Every county and city should be involved

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Local workshops on technical assistance

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Focus on capacity building and not putting more requirements on local governments

5

Sub-group leadership coordination with the Office of Resilience to ensure alignment, and prevention of duplicate efforts.

4

Develop best practices to share with local government

4

coordination across mitigation and adaptation

3

Assess local needs for types of technical assistance

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Ideas on local level capacity building?

Ensure there is a pathway from community engagement to community ownership of decision-making and project selections.

3

Development of templates and plug-n-play tools

3

Nonprofit climate groups should be involved

2

Local government reps

2

Curate who is reaching what communities and to coordinate efforts.

2

Leverage existing local support program being built out through MDE, MDOT, MEA plus leverage extension work

2

Mandate integration of resilience in local plans.

2

Making connections for communities that are impacted by disasters, how to prepare for future impacts

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Ideas on local level capacity building?

County and municipal
resilience officers

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Networking to connect
other local
governments to
existing efforts

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Develop regional
interagency teams to
provide turnkey wholistic
funding and assistance to
LGs

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survey locals/audience
after working w/ them to
ensure program is working

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Regular
communications with
resilience practitioners

1

How to build capacity
withing communities.
Possible funding
designated with that and
creating cohorts

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Funding local
champions for their
connectivity work

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Offer training for staff
of such groups

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Ideas on local level capacity building?

Localities should be in the driver's seat

How will local municipalities be informed of support/resources?

Data collection and aggregation for ease of use by all

Keeping a priority lens of how will the assessment and deliverable be utilized, want to prevent another report for the sake of report, and the information to inform action (short and medium term).

Work w/Resilience Authorities and/or County Disaster offices.

Usdn

CCS has a market analysis/needs assessment that can inform training and technical assistance priorities

Access to restoration and maintenance crews



Ideas on local level capacity building?

Work EXTRA hard for coastal rural counties that already have minimal capacity but have the great threat from climate change

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Local Community Liaisons

Deliverable: The ARWG will devote time at a future meeting for a discussion on workforce development and cultural competency in 2024. Discussion will include perspectives from organizations working with low-income communities, and time to brainstorm how agencies could increase culturally competent hiring to further climate change adaptation goals.



Ideas on local community liaison discussions?

Figure out a funding source and some sustainable plan for community liaisons.

5 Popular

Governors Year of Service initiative

5 Popular

How to identify and recruit local champions and/or inroads to better understanding community needs

5 Popular

Should also include disability access. We have 669,000 people with disabilities I. Maryland and they are highly impacted

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UMD Extension/Sea Grant Watershed Restoration Specialists

4

CBT has a program, compensates liasons

4

We should look to existing programs and not reinvent the wheel

4

+1 on workforce development and a must for professional development for building internal community capacity.

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Ideas on local community liaison discussions?

MD dept of labor
apprenticeship
programs

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Can we assemble a grant
project to obtain funding
for this from the federal
government or a
philanthropic
organization?

3

CBT's climate
corps/fellowship

3

CBP-CBI work in Ches
and Coastal Service

3

Must have a reliable
finding stream.

3

Envision the Choptank
Community
Ambassadors

3

Could we quantify the
benefit of having a liasons,
help to make the case for
investment

3

Form cohorts and
support groups across
similar communities.

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Ideas on local community liaison discussions?

Chesapeake
Conservation Corps
would be good partner

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Look at the ONE
Carolina approach to
community liaisons

2

Panel is a good idea.

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Coordinate with the
MCCC CJ Steering
Committee

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Coordinate with EJ
Commission and MDE
listening sessions

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Regional reps to build
relationships

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DSCI

Support programs to
develop talent within
communities.

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Ideas on local community liaison discussions?

GBWC climate cohorts

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Environmental Justice, Climate Justice, and Public Health

Deliverable: A subgroup of ARWG members will review 2023 annual reports to identify areas where JEDI principles in NextGen are already incorporated and opportunities for inclusion of the principles in 2024 annual reports. Output will be compiled in a brief write-up that summarizes the current status and provides recommendations for improvement.





Ideas on Environmental Justice, Climate Justice, and Public Health efforts?

MCCC and EJ Commission should advance across working goals and with each other; ARWG should support that with a focus on resilience

5 Popular

Identify where state-level adaptation programs have not yet been analyzed for justice issues.

5 Popular

JEDI does not include disability ACCESS and this community is a huge risk and can offer talent and solutions. So add ACCESSIBILITY and inclusion

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EJ Officer within each Dept

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More engagement with local health departments through both MDE and MDH

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MDH or Dept of Social Services could lead

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Short answer: Capacity Building. Long answer: The ARWG is a nexus of relevant minds and stakeholders pertinent to these outcomes. We should help communities build the capacity they need to lead.

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Define what these terms mean across all agencies

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Ideas on Environmental Justice, Climate Justice, and Public Health efforts?

Funding for training and assistance with strategic planning

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We have a number of EJ screening tools. Should compare what's reported with the areas we target through our screening tools

3

Focus only on adaptation actions discussed in state agency annual reports.

2

MDE, Commission on Environmental Justice & Sustainable Communities

2

Provide tools to assess these and how to integrate climate into them, such as Health Impact Assessments

2

Community definitions vary by program/funding source. what is the ARWG community definition?

2

ECO should be the lead, ARWG could support

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Reach out to communities with EJ concerns and tap into their local expertise to inform decisions

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Ideas on Environmental Justice, Climate Justice, and Public Health efforts?

CDC produces a geographically explicit environmental justice index,

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Work with existing organizations that support minority groups. (eg NAACP, ecoLatinos, etc)

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Should work with public health professionals and get existing data and partnerships

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What is required in reporting?

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Develop a cross agency strategic plan with activities outcomes and outputs.

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Do homework on this from groups experienced in working with underresourced communities.

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CESJC

Getting clear on which reports will be evaluated - just state required reports, or any annual report (CBP, non-profits, etc.)



Ideas on Environmental Justice, Climate Justice, and Public Health efforts?

Identify data/mapping needs to narrow down focus areas

Build on JEDI portions of ARWG strategy documents and identify how to apply concepts

Work closely with the health department to understand how public health actions, and impacts are reported. Health data can be years behind due to HIPPA and other requirements.

MCCC DEI subgroup. Look to their guidance

Better understanding of the health data, what it is reporting, and how it is reporting it. What the data actually tells you about impact - not the same type of interpretation as other types of data.



Building Resilience in Local Level Comprehensive Plans

Deliverable: Following the 2024 legislative session, the ARWG will scope a meeting discussion around incorporation of resilience planning into local level comprehensive plans. The discussion will include a presentation on the current regulatory and policy environment governing local comprehensive plans, and time to brainstorm a path forward for better integration.





Ideas on building resilience in local comprehensive plans?

Provide guidance on how incorporating resilience into planning helps to access state and federal funding

7 Popular

We should be cautious of putting more requirements on local communities without giving them the resources to meet the requirements.

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I think we want to see resilience themes incorporated throughout the comp plan and not restricted to one element.

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Prohibit building in vulnerable areas until resilience plans are completed.

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template plug-n-play with directions on how to access downscaled data

4

Elevate this work through the new State Resiliency Plan

4

An analysis of various plans to determine common features and novel ideas would be helpful

3

Look to VA and their required municipale Level planning for climate hazard plans. This just has to be done to have all municipalities required to complete climat action plans.

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Ideas on building resilience in local comprehensive plans?

Charlestown just started a year long comp plan update incorporating resilience throughout the whole plan

2

Local workshops with technical assistance

2

clear state standards and guidance that set the floor

2

Looking for and uplifting where resilience already is occurring - maybe it's just a tweak of language, or highlighting existing programs. There is a lot of resilience work already ongoing.

2

Make sure all local plans are in alignment - hazard mitigation plan shouldn't conflict with growth areas of comprehensive plan.

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San Diego has a good example of this local integration of resilience planning

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I hope this will be made available virtually and in person, done at an accessible location and have captions on so people who have hearing or other issues can participate

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Need to teach them how to use the available tools and resources with case studies and examples

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Ideas on building resilience in local comprehensive plans?

EPA has an equitable resilience planning tool that might be good to promote

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Rely on APA and other national networks to assemble range of resilience planning examples before crafting a specific model element

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Consider what state level data could be provided to jurisdictions to better inform comp planning and project review.

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Borrowing from NIMS, situations are best managed from locally up. Decision-making power should only be yielded to higher levels of government when they serve a functional purpose.

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Come up with what the purpose is for these plans and how they will be acted on

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State should curate the range of plans and provide guidance /templates on a single easy, medium, advance options.

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Make use of Plan Integration for Resilience Scorecard - <https://planintegration.com/>

Lots of worksheets and templates should be available



Ideas on building resilience in local comprehensive plans?

Lots of worksheets and templates should be available

PG and ASC have each done some good work

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