

**MEETING SUMMARY- DRAFT
IOWA CLIMATE CHANGE ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**Cross-Cutting (CC) Issues Subcommittee
Call #6, March 25, 2008, 12:30 – 2:00 pm (CST)**

Attendance

ICCAC Cross-Cutting Subcommittee Members:

- Nile Lanning, IBEW
- Dr. Bill Stigliani, UNI–Center for Energy and Environmental Education
- Theresa Galluzzo, Public Member
- Richard Ney, Renewable Fuels Association

ICCAC Cross-Cutting Technical Expert Members:

- Father Bud Grant

State Agency Participants:

- Marnie Stein, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Air Quality Bureau

Public Participants:

- Jeff Myrom, Mid-America Energy

Center for Climate Strategies

- Tom Looby
- Linda Schade

Background Documents

- [Notice and Agenda](#)
- [PowerPoint for Call #6](#)
- [Call #5 Meeting Draft Summary](#)
- [Draft Cross Cutting Issues Policy Option Descriptions Catalog](#) (including CC-1 and CC-9)
- [Subcommittee Volunteers Form](#)

Discussion Items:

1. The Call #5 summary was approved with no changes.
2. A grant application on education and outreach, as outlined in CC-4, was submitted to the IA Power Fund by a consortium of universities.
3. The SC went through the first cut straw Policy Options Descriptions drafted by the SC the small groups of volunteers. The following key points were raised. CCS will work with the pertinent small groups to formulate a Track Changes version of the document to circulate for another quick round of review by the full SC.

CC-1: Participants worked from the version including the IA DNR proposed edits that was circulated via e-mail prior to the call. DNR has not heard back from Chairman Schnoor yet and Rick Ney apparently had some concerns regarding some of the DNR proposed edits. The SC members on the call agreed that we should look for language that will hopefully be acceptable to both Mr. Ney and DNR. The path forward appears to be that IA should continue engaging in the Climate Registry process, but should also leave some room for other potential registry options as well. The group agreed to incorporate the DNR edits into the Track changes version that gets circulated internally to the CC SC. The Policy Design language may be edited accordingly.

CC-2: Policy Description- a few elements that fit better in the Policy Description section may get moved. Policy Design- timing- DNR will review the enabling legislation and check on the ongoing role of ICCAC beyond 2008.

CC-3: Policy Description- Move proposed implementation elements into the Policy Design section- e.g. state agencies producing GHG budgets, the state assessing its own GHG emissions and providing assistance to other governmental entities. Policy Design- Goals- Call participants agreed to create some broader goal statements on procurement, buildings etc, and to put some of the current bulleted items underneath the appropriate new categories as examples. It was also suggested that agencies be charged with identifying immediate action initiatives that could be undertaken to reduce GHG emissions from state/local facilities. Elements might include ideas such as reducing/ increasing temperature settings in government buildings. It was also agreed to amend new vehicle purchase bullet to achieve the highest practical fuel efficiency rather than specifying a specific mpg level. Another suggestions was offered to craft a set of incentives and disincentives for state employees but it was agreed this should go into the implementation element later.

CC-4: Policy Description- The SC was informed that the option as presented is basically the grant application that was sent to the IA Power Fund. It was proposed by one SC member that a key underpinning to this option should be environmental ethics. Draft language to further that purpose will be shared for the groups consideration as part of the track changes update. Policy Design- The call participants agreed to add private academic institutions to the first paragraph. The proposal will also be amended in the track changes version to add Goals, Timing and Parties Involved at the beginning of this section.

CC-6: This option was not covered on the call so participants should comment on it as part of the Track Changes review.

CC-7: Policy Description- It was agreed to include some draft language for the group to review in the Track Changes version identifying potential impacts from climate changes as part of the first paragraph.

CC-8: Policy Design: A bit more substance will be added for consideration in the Track Changes version to address key elements of the Midwestern Governors GHG Accord.

CC-9: Not covered on call. Participants should provided any comments on it as part of the Track Changes review.

Next steps

1. SC members should submit any track changes suggestions discussed on the call to Tom Looby and Linda Schade of CCS by COB, Wednesday, 3/26/08. CCS will compile them into an updated version of the Straw Proposal in Track Changes format.
2. CCS will circulate the track changes Straw Proposal to SC members for a very fast turn-around of review and comment.
3. CCS will strive to incorporate the suggested comments into a revised version to include in the ICCAC meeting packet. If members have some objections with the revised version they should highlight the nature of their concerns so the SC and/or the Council can strive to address them.
4. The SC set proposed meeting dates for the Cross Cutting Issues SC as follows:

April 30 for Call #7 Noon to 1:30 CDT

May 28 for Call #8 Noon to 1:30 CDT

June 25 for Call #9 Noon to 1:30 CDT

August 13 for Call #10 Noon to 1:30 CDT

September 3 ICCAC meeting #6

Sept 17 for Call #11 Noon to 1:30 CDT

Oct 22 for Call #12 Noon to 1:30 CDT

November 10th ICCAC meeting #7

Public Comment and Announcements

No comments were offered from the public. There were no announcements.