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Environment and Natural Resources Committee

Agenda

Wednesday, May 6, 2015

9:30 a.m.

DuPage County Conference Room

233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800

Chicago, Illinois

- 1.0 **Call to Order** 9:30 a.m.
- 2.0 **Agenda Changes and Announcements**
- 3.0 **Approval of Minutes—April 1, 2014**
ACTION REQUESTED: Approval
- 4.0 **Local Match Requirements for LTA – Bob Dean, CMAP Staff**
The recent evaluation of the LTA program highlighted the importance of local commitment. One recommended program change meant to increase local commitment is to assess a local match, beginning with the next call for projects in May of this year. Recommendations for how to administer the local match are described in this [memo](#).
ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion.
- 5.0 **RainReady – Harriet Festing, Center for Neighborhood Technology**
In response to the prevalence and cost of urban flooding, the Center for Neighborhood Technology (CNT) has developed [RainReady](#), a community planning process and tools that focus on affordable, tangible solutions to help communities manage urban flooding. RainReady provides a comprehensive and integrated approach to flood resiliency that combines strategies for upgrading individual properties with those in the public rights-of-way. The RainReady approach identifies why the community needs to take action and offers a vision how to do it. RainReady prioritizes preventative approaches, such as zoning ordinances, and natural solutions when possible, as they can bring wider and more cost-effective benefits to the community compared to large-scale, engineered approaches. Festing will provide an overview of the program and give an update of their projects in Cook County.
ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion.

6.0 Sustainability Planning White Paper and Indicators Guide – Kristin Ihnchak, CMAP Staff

Over the past year, CMAP staff, in conjunction with the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus and Seven Generations Ahead, have been developing a [Sustainability Planning White Paper](#). The white paper is meant for CMAP staff, municipal planners, and other professionals familiar with planning processes, and builds upon a base of knowledge with the comprehensive planning process to communicate the foundational steps of a sustainability planning process. The white paper identifies key sustainability topics and suggests potential strategies of impact to address those topic areas. CMAP staff have also developed a companion [Sustainability Indicators Guide](#), which recommends a suite of sustainability indicators for communities within our region to use to assess progress toward sustainability at the local level. The guide also sets forth a process for communities to use to establish baselines and targets.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion.

7.0 Other Business

8.0 Public Comment

This is an opportunity for comments from members of the audience. The amount of time available to speak will be at the chair’s discretion. It should be noted that the exact time for the public comment period will immediately follow the last item on the agenda.

9.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be June 3, 2015 at 9:30 am.

10.0 Adjournment

Environment and Natural Resources Committee Members:

___Lynn Boerman
___Ed Collins
___Jack Darin
___Martha Dooley
___Jon Grosshans

___Pete Harnet
___Martin Jaffe
___Anne McKibben
___Stacy Meyers
___Joe Schuessler

___Deborah Stone
___Mike Sullivan
___Wallace Van Buren
___Sean Wiedel
___Patricia Werner