Environment and Natural Resources Committee
Annotated Agenda
Thursday, July 1, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.

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1.0 Call to Order / Introductions 9:30 a.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

3.0 Approval of Minutes—May 6, 2021
ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

4.0 Member Recognition
CMAP will thank departing co-chair Sean Wiedel for his contributions to the Environment and Natural Resources Committee.
ACTION REQUESTED: Information

5.0 CMAP Board Update
Staff will provide key updates from the CMAP Board.
ACTION REQUESTED: Information

6.0 StormStore Stormwater Credit Trading – Jen Jenkins, The Nature Conservancy and Ryan Wilson, Metropolitan Planning Council
StormStore™—a partnership of The Nature Conservancy and the Metropolitan Planning Council —is seeking partners and projects within the Little Calumet and Lower Des Plaines watersheds to participate in a Stormwater Credit Trading pilot. This pilot is enabled by the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago’s recent update to the Watershed Management Ordinance, which allows developers to comply with stormwater management regulations by developing facilities offsite, but within the same watershed, through 2024. This StormStore™ pilot is intended to demonstrate that compliance with the WMO can be both beneficial to communities and the environment and cost effective for developers. The presentation will introduce the pilot program and the concept of a trading market.
ACTION REQUESTED: Information
7.0 North Shore Bike Trail – Jen Maddux, CMAP
The Northern Lakeshore Trail Connectivity Plan was recently completed through CMAP’s Local Technical Assistance program and recommends bicycle and pedestrian related improvements to better connect the communities of Beach Park, North Chicago, Waukegan, Winthrop Harbor, and Zion to one another and to regional trails, Illinois Beach State Park, and the lakefront. Staff will provide an overview of the plan.
ACTION REQUESTED: Information

8.0 Equitable Engagement Program – Ryan Thompto, CMAP
To support the agency’s efforts to pursue equity and inclusive growth, CMAP staff is working with the Center for Neighborhood Technology to design an Equitable Engagement Program that focuses specifically on the inclusion of community, non-profit, and grass roots organizations representing marginalized communities in the regional planning process. Staff will provide an overview of the program’s goals, highlight upcoming activities, and receive feedback from the committee.
ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

9.0 Other Business

10.0 Public Comment
This is an opportunity for comments from members of the audience. Since this meeting will be held virtually, members of the public are encouraged to submit comments to bdaly@cmap.illinois.gov by June 30, 2021. Comments received prior to the meeting will be read into the record by staff. Additional comments will be accepted during the meeting. The amount of time available to speak will be at the chair’s discretion. It should be noted that the time for the public comment period will immediately follow the last item on the agenda.

11.0 Next Meeting
The next meeting will be September 2, 2021, at 9:30 a.m.

12.0 Adjournment

Environment and Natural Resources Committee Members:

___Jack Darin, Co-Chair  ___Aaron Durnbaugh  ___Stacy Meyers
___Sean Wiedel, Co-Chair  ___Elena Grossman  ___Ted Penesis
___Lindsay Birt  ___Andrew Hawkins  ___Tom Rickert
___Keary Cragan  ___Cynthia Kanner  ___Vanessa Ruiz
___Martha Dooley  ___Paul May  ___Deborah Stone