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Counties Committee Meeting Minutes

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Offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)
DuPage County Conference Room
Suite 800, 233 S. Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois

Members Present: Katie Bell (Cook), David DuBois (Will), Sarah Hunn (DuPage), Mary Mitros (DuPage), Hans Mach (McHenry), Troy Simpson (Kane)

Staff Present: Anthony Cefali, Jason Navota, Jared Patton, Gordon Smith, Simone Weil

Others Present: Edith Makra (Metropolitan Mayor's Caucus), Jessica Mino (Kane County)

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 1 p.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes or announcements.

3.0 Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented.

4.0 CMAP 2015 Regional Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory

Jared Patton presented CMAP's 2015 Regional Greenhouse Gas Inventory, which featured county-level climate and emissions data. The presentation compared county emissions, and then broke down emissions by industrial sector — stationary buildings, industry, and transportation. Committee members discussed strategies for reducing emissions, and their department climate initiatives, as well as points of contact for county-wide climate and environmental work. CMAP staff asked participants to discuss gaps in data and ideas for what sort of data would be useful to them in the future. Committee members also discussed the role CMAP should play in regional climate initiatives, and what types of convening and data sets would be valuable for local implementation.

5.0 Metropolitan Mayor's Caucus Greenest Region Compact

Edith Makra from the Metropolitan Mayor's Caucus discussed the organization's Greenest Region Compact (GRC) and Regional Climate Action Plan. Ms. Makra introduced the

program, and talked about sustainability initiatives that could be implemented county wide, such as the SolSmart Solar Program sponsored by the US Department of Energy. Ms. Makra outlined the goals of both programs, to build consensus around sustainability initiatives and work towards a regional emissions reduction framework. Committee members discussed how their counties had implemented parts of the GRC, and next steps for building a regional climate action plan.

6.0 Sustain Kane

Jessica Mino from the Kane County Division of Environmental and Water Resources presented Kane's county-wide sustainability initiatives, and how it interacts with the GRC. Topics covered included solar programs, electric vehicle charging stations, idling reduction, and creating an operational sustainability plan. Committee members asked questions about sighting EV charging stations and creating intergovernmental agreements for sustainability initiatives, using the Village of Montgomery as an example. Members also discussed how local initiatives – such as a county building energy audit – fit into the larger scope of the regional climate framework.

7.0 Other Business

No other business was discussed.

8.0 Next Meeting

9.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony Cefali