



# Alaska Climate Change Strategy

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## Alaska Climate Adaptation Advisory Group of the Governor's Climate Change Sub-Cabinet

Meeting #2  
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Fairbanks, Alaska

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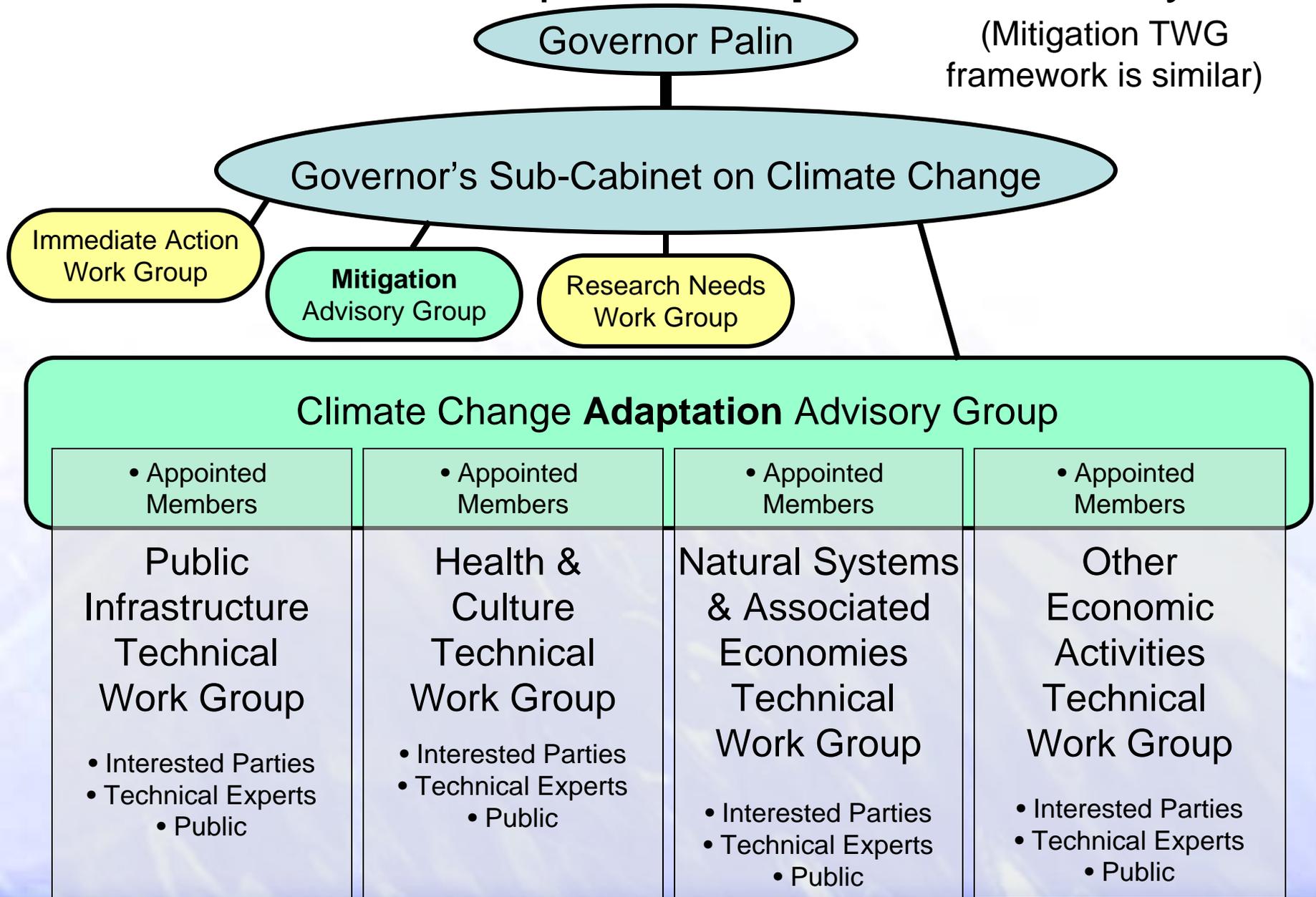
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# Meeting Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Commissioner Hartig's Remarks
- Brief Review of Process and Progress
- Review of Draft Policy Option Catalogs by Technical Working Group
- Lunch (tour)
- Continue Review of Draft Catalog
- Overview of the SNAP Project
- Public Comments, Next Meeting, Adjourn

# Technical Work Groups for **Adaptation** Advisory Group

(Mitigation TWG framework is similar)





# Stepwise Planning Process

1. Develop/revise baseline vulnerability assessment and impact focus areas (NCEP)
2. Identify a full range of possible actions (“catalog”) and programs already in place
3. Identify initial priorities for analysis & development
4. Develop straw proposals
5. Evaluate (and quantify to the extent possible) costs and benefits
6. Evaluate feasibility issues; associated issues; linkages
7. Develop alternatives if needed to enhance consensus
8. Iterate to final agreement
9. Finalize and report recommendations

# Technical Work Group Roles

- Assist AAG:
  - Review and improve the vulnerability & impacts assessment
  - Identify potential state actions for inclusion in the catalog
  - Identify potential priority options for analysis
  - Develop straw proposals for policy designs
  - Assist with analysis and review of options
  - Assist with development of alternatives
  - Assist with input to and review of AAG report

# Goals for Today's Meeting

- Review each TWG's Policy Option Catalog
  - Accompanying files offer brief descriptions
- Suggest additional catalog items, if needed
- Provide additional input and guidance as needed
- Approve catalogs with which TWGs will move forward (as presented or as modified by the AAG)

# Next Steps for TWGs

- Continue building policy option catalog (*if needed for AAG approval*)
- Continue review and refinement of vulnerability and impacts assessment (*ongoing*)
- Screen options and identify recommended priority policy options via discussion and balloting (*for AAG consideration and approval at its 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting in September*)
- Based on TWG recommendations, AAG likely to approve a total of 25-45 potential priority options for further characterization and analysis

## Next Steps for TWGs (continued)

- TWGs draft initial policy option “straw proposals” for AAG consideration, revision, and approval (*at the 4<sup>th</sup> AAG meeting in November*)
  - Goals
  - Parties Involved
  - Timing
  - Implementation Mechanisms
- CCS team analyzes and where feasible, quantifies, policy options for AAG review and revision (*at the 5<sup>th</sup> AAG meeting in February*)
- TWG’s modify as needed, re-analyze, and present policy options based on template for AAG review and approval, leading up to final report

# Policy Option Template

- Policy Description (Concept)
- Policy Design (Goals, Timing, Coverage)
- Implementation Methods
- Related Programs and Policies (BAU)
- Estimated Adaptation Benefits and Costs
- Additional Benefits and Costs (if needed)
- Feasibility Issues
- Status of Group Approval
- Level of Group Support
- Barriers to Consensus, if any



# Prospective Timetable: Climate Change Adaptation Advisory Group

<b>Date</b>	<b>Action</b>
May 16, 2008	1 <sup>st</sup> Meeting: Review Process, Vulnerability, IAWG
July 16, 2008	2 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting: Catalog of Potential Policy Options
September 23, 2008	3 <sup>rd</sup> Meeting: Select Priority Policy Options
November 7, 2008	4 <sup>th</sup> Meeting: Approve Straw Proposals
February 6, 2009	5 <sup>th</sup> Meeting: Initial Assessment of Options
March 5, 2009 (tent.)	6 <sup>th</sup> Meeting: Approve Recommended Options
April 30, 2009 (tent.)	7 <sup>th</sup> Meeting: (If needed)
Following Conclusion	Final Report to Sub-Cabinet
Between Meetings	Regular TWG teleconference meetings and possible face-to-face meetings

# Break





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- Health & Culture (HC)
- Natural Systems (NS)
- Other Economic Activities (EA)



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# Next Steps for AAG & TWGs

- 2-3 TWG calls between now and September meeting
- TWGs evaluate & screen policy options, discuss merits and drawbacks
- TWG members ballot to identify 6-10 priority policy options for further analysis to recommend to the AAG
- TWGs present priority policy option list to AAG for its approval (*at September meeting*)
- (AAG signs off on any remaining catalogs)

# Next AAG Meeting

- Agenda

- Approve catalog of potential state actions for any remaining TWGs
- Review Alaska vulnerability and impacts assessment
- Begin discussion of initial priority policy options for further analysis based on TWG recommendations



- Date and Location

- Tuesday, September 23, 2008
- Anchorage



# Public Input & Announcements



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*Thank you  
for your time  
and attention!*

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