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MEETING SUMMARY
ALASKA CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION ADVISORY GROUP
Forestry, Agriculture, and Waste Management Technical Work Group
(FAW TWG)

Call #7, November 18, 2008, 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Attendance:

1. Technical Working Group members:
Doug Buteyn, Charles Knight, Donna Mears, Rick Rogers
2. Center for Climate Strategies (CCS) staff:
Steve Roe (steve.roe@pechan.com), Brad Strobe (brad.strobe@pechan.com)
3. Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation Observers: None.
4. Public Attendees: None

Background documents:

(all posted at [http://www.akclimatechange.us/Agriculture Forestry Waste.cfm](http://www.akclimatechange.us/Agriculture_Forestry_Waste.cfm))

1. Summary of Conference Call #6
2. Meeting Notice and Agenda
3. PowerPoint for Teleconference.
4. FAW Straw Proposal Template

Discussion items and key issues:

This was the seventh meeting of the FAW TWG.

1. Steve Roe called the meeting to order, completed the roll call and reviewed the agenda and plans for the call.
2. CCS reviewed the summary from Call #6 and asked if the TWG had any further input that should be included in the call summary. No changes to the Call #6 Summary were proposed.
3. CCS gave an overview of the process and identified the TWG's current location on the 10-step Stepwise Planning Process.
4. CCS explained that the FAW-1 straw proposal is still outstanding. The FAW-1 sub-group is working off-line to complete this straw proposal. CCS will facilitate off-line discussion

and review of this straw proposal, so that the TWG may submit the final text to the MAG for review. The MAG has requested that the text for all three straw proposals be submitted, when completed.

5. The next step for the FAW TWG is the quantification phase, where the TWG will support CCS to develop quantitative GHG benefit and cost-effectiveness estimates for each option. CCS is working on a quantification memo that will outline common assumptions, methods, and parameters that will be used in the quantification of the options. The TWG sub-groups will be responsible for submitting text for other sections of the template, including “Implementation Mechanisms” and “Related Policies / Programs in Place” sections. This work will be completed off-line. The TWG will aim to have draft quantifications complete for the next MAG meeting on February 5.
6. CCS is working to update the I&F to incorporate the changes proposed to the Waste Management Appendix regarding the implementation of new technologies for the Anchorage Regional Landfill. CCS also reviewed the discussion regarding the Forest Appendix that took place at the last meeting. CCS will work with the TWG forestry experts off-line to revise the GHG I&F, as needed. CCS asked the TWG whether or not the inclusion of the boreal forest as a managed forest (and hence, anthropogenic emissions source) should be considered (currently, emissions for the boreal forest are considered to be natural while the coastal forest is considered to be an anthropogenic source/sink). The central question to resolve is: Does the level current or future boreal forest management result in a real change in carbon flux over what would happen without any management? TWG members were asked to continue looking into this issue and report back to the group during the next call.
7. CCS discussed the next steps for the TWG. The TWG and CCS will work off-line to complete changes to the I&F and the FAW-1 straw proposal. When FAW-1 is drafted, CCS will distribute via email within the TWG and request comment. CCS will incorporate TWG comments and submit the full set of straw proposals to the MAG. CCS will also distribute to the TWG some completed Policy Options Documents (PODs) from other states to provide the TWG with some context as to the text that other work groups have developed for similar policy options.
8. Input from the public was solicited by CCS. No members of the public were present.

Next steps and agreements:

1. The next meeting of the FAW TWG is December 17, 2008 from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM Alaskan time.
2. CCS will work with TWG members off-line to complete the FAW-1 straw proposal. The TWG will be asked to review this straw proposal off-line. After TWG review, the straw proposals will be submitted via e-mail to the MAG for approval.
3. Below is a table which includes the TWG volunteers for each option. The volunteers should meet before the next meeting to devise preliminary straw proposals to present to the Group for discussion. **Group leaders are in bold.**

Revised Option #	Draft Policy Option Name	Straw Proposal Volunteers
FAW-1	Forest Management Strategies for Carbon Sequestration	Ron Wolfe, Rick Rogers, Chris Maisch
FAW-2	Expanded Use of Biomass Feedstocks for Energy Production	Charles Knight, Ron Wolfe , Rick Rogers
FAW-3	Advanced Waste Reduction and Recycling	Donna Mears, Kathie Wasserman, Doug Buteyn , Charles Knight