

Sebastopol Climate Action Committee (SCAC)

Ad-Hoc Working Groups Selection Process Pre-Notes

(Compilation and suggestions from Josho Somine, of the Chair Group)

These notes are intended to contextualize and assist the discussion (and hopefully formation) of focused ad-hoc working groups during the next SCAC Meeting on 2/24/21. All matters herein are merely proposed, and subject to discussion and decision by the SCAC as a whole.

Parameters & Intent:

- In general, working groups should consist of 2-5 members, i.e. less than a quorum of SCAC
- Working groups may seek collaboration with experts or volunteers outside SCAC
- Working groups are expected to meet regularly outside of SCAC meetings and report back to SCAC periodically for feedback, strategic guidance, and approval for any recommended proposals
- Working groups can define their own process, agendas and tasks, but will be subject to requests for research, recommendations and collaborations in relating their area of focus to the larger agendas of SCAC and the Sebastopol City Council (SCC)
- As more SCAC tasks shift into the working groups, SCAC may meet less frequently as a whole (TBD)
- In general, proposals from all working groups should be prepared to be evaluated in terms of anticipated benefits (preferably quantifiable), practical feasibility, social equity, and transferable modeling

Current Standing:

(The following is the tentative list of topics and participants from the last SCAC Meeting)

Funding: Lisa, Luke, Woody

Research: Luke, Diana

Outreach/Education: Dena, Lisa, Sarah, Sunali, Alex

Microgrids/Energy: Gerry, Lisa, Kenna

Transportation: Luke, Woody, Alex

Models/Metrics: Kenna, Luke, Gerry

CAP: Gerry, Josho *(proposal under way to merge these 2 groups, i.e. CAP & Metrics)*

Sequestration: Josho, Dena, Sarah, Sunali

Social Equity: Woody, Kenna, Josho *(withdrawing)*

- Is this list complete enough for now, or have any important topics been missed?
- Is this list practical in the coming seasons, i.e. can people take on the work as framed?

Some Broader Context:

(How do or should our efforts relate to other current frameworks or issues?)

- Note that the documents we have considered initially are somewhat out of date (CAP, 2016 & SCA Recommendations, 2019) and may not reflect most current information and thinking
- RCPA Framework Goals (12/20): Decarbonization, Sequestration, Adaptation & Resilience, Equity & Community Engagement
- City of Sebastopol Climate Emergency Resolution Priorities (2/20): Just Transition, Mitigation, Drawdown, Adaptation & Resilience