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Environmental Justice Council

Meeting #4
Thursday, October 27, 2022
6:00 pm



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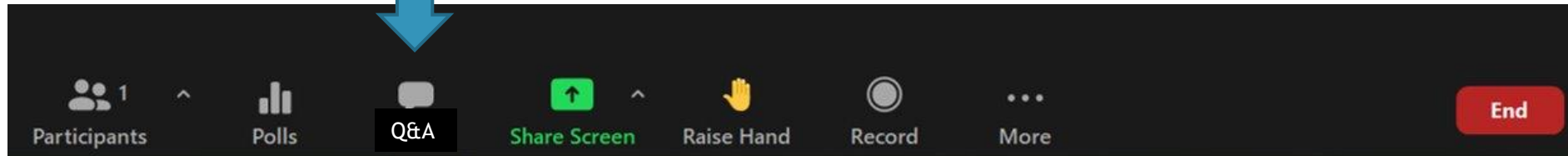
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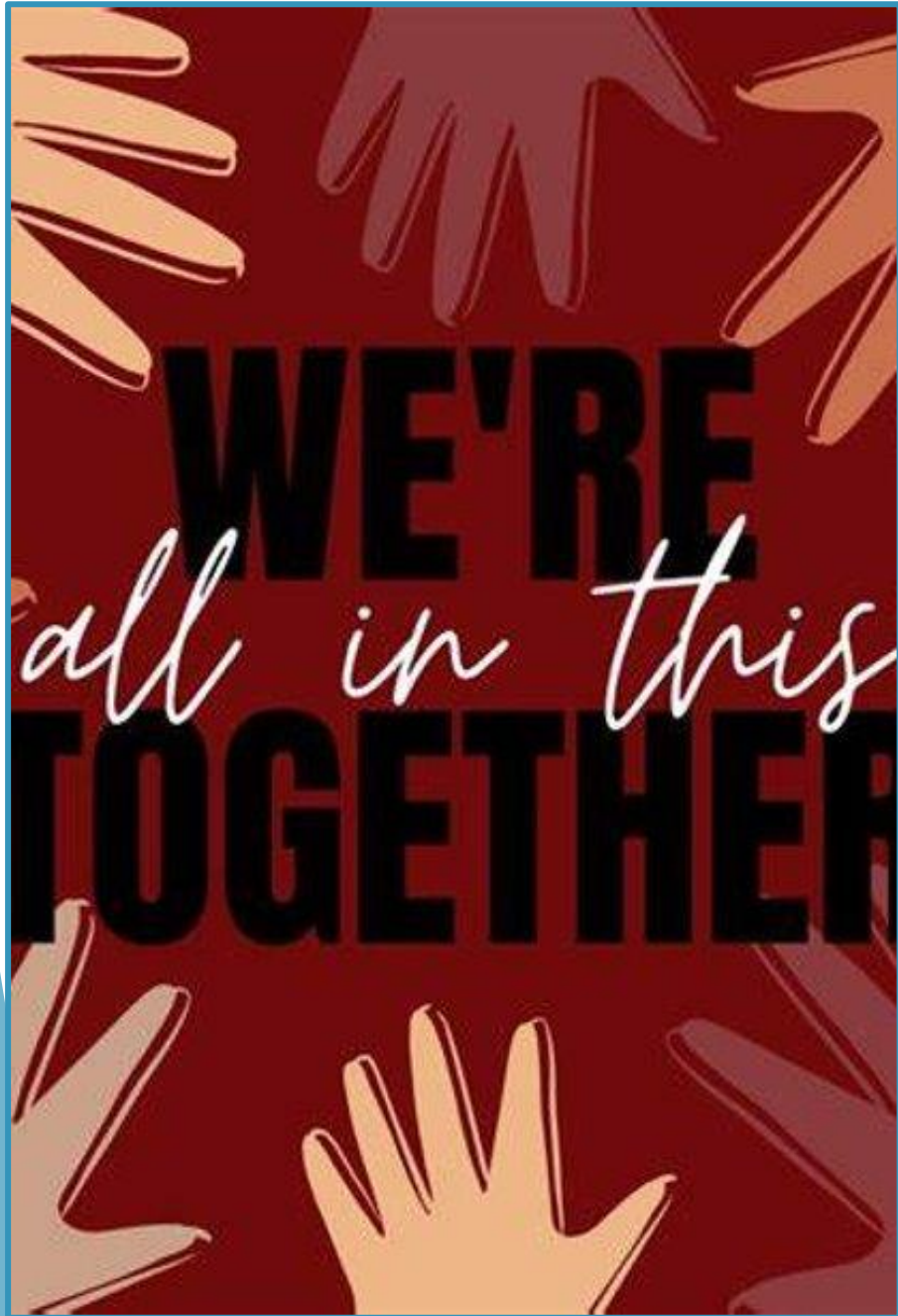
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- ▶ All lines will be muted during the presentations.
- ▶ The line will be open for oral comments after the presentations.
- ▶ If you have a clarifying question or a logistical issue during the presentations, please type it into the Q&A box.



Agenda

- ▶ Welcome and Overview of Meeting Logistics 6:00 - 6:10
- ▶ Roll Call; Approval of prior meeting minutes 6:10 - 6:15
- ▶ Announcements 6:15 - 6:20
- ▶ Debrief of Presentation by Environmental Justice Task Force 6:20 - 6:40
- ▶ EJC Comments on the CECP 6:40 - 7:10
- ▶ Continued discussion of EJC work product, process, and operation regarding Comprehensive Analysis of Definition of “EJ Population” 7:10 - 7:20
- ▶ Discussion: what aspects missed by current definition of EJ Population? 7:20 - 7:40
- ▶ Questions / comments from the public 7:40
- ▶ Next Steps and Adjourn



Approval of September 27, 2022 Meeting Minutes & Roll Call: EJ Council Members

- ▶ Kalila Barnett
- ▶ Madeline Fraser Cook
- ▶ Melissa Harding-Ferretti
- ▶ Cheryll Holley
- ▶ Caroline Hon
- ▶ Namrita Kapur
- ▶ Lydia Lowe
- ▶ Marcos Luna
- ▶ Peter Maathey
- ▶ Rishi Reddi
- ▶ Patricia Spence
- ▶ Ari Zorn

Announcements

Debrief of Presentation by EEA's EJ Task Force

EEA Environmental Justice Task Force

AGENCY	NAME	TITLE
EEA	Rishi Reddi	Director of Environmental Justice
EEA	Vallery Cardoso	Deputy Director of Environmental Justice
EEA	Carline Lemoine	Deputy Director of Environmental Justice
MDAR	Rebecca Davidson	Farmer's Market Nutrition Program Coordinator
DCR	Jorge J. Ayub	Coastal Ecologist
DCR	Francisco Rodriguez	AMMP Program GIS Analyst
DEP	Deneen Simpson	Director of Environmental Justice
DFG	Noah McClanan	Legislative Director
DFG	Jimmy Rossignol	Aquatic Biologist
DOER	Danilo Morales	Clean Energy Program and Outreach Manager
DPU	Wayne Wang	Energy Facilities Siting Analyst
DPU	Scott Seigal	Hearing Officer
EEA Offices	NAME	TITLE
CZM	Tyler Soleau	Assistant CZM Director
OLE	Captain Kevin Clayton	Deputy Chief of Enforcement
GIS	Dominique Pahlavan	GIS Coordinator
HR	Cindy Montoya	Director of Outreach & Training
MEPA	Tori Kim	Assistant Secretary / MEPA Director
MEPA	Page Czepiga	Assistant MEPA Director
OTA	Tiffany Skogstrom	OTA Director
OTA	Kari Sasportas	Outreach and Policy Analyst
EEA-AFFILIATED	NAME	TITLE
CEC	Beverly Craig	Sr. Program Manager, Low & Moderate Income Programs
CEC	Jade Lu	Clean Transportation Program Manager
MWRA	Tomeka Cribb-Jones	Associate Special Assistant, Affirmative Action

Debrief of Presentation

by

EEA's EJ Task Force

- ▶ Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act Office - Tori Kim
- ▶ Department of Agricultural Resources - Rebecca Davidson
- ▶ Department of Environmental Protection - Deneen Simpson
- ▶ Department of Public Utilities - Scott Seigal and Carline Lemoine
- ▶ Massachusetts Clean Energy Center - Beverly Craig and Jade Lu
- ▶ Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Program - Carrieanne Petrik

Clean Energy and Climate Plan (CECP): Comments & Questions from EJC



EJ Council's Comprehensive Analysis of Definition of “Environmental Justice Population”: discussion

Discussion of Work Product & Process

Product Options discussed last meeting:

- ▶ Oral Report to the Secretary of Energy and Environment and EEA Senior Staff in EJC Meeting under Open Meeting Law
- ▶ Written Report to the Secretary of Energy and Environment, available as a public document.
- ▶ Written Report, to be accompanied by EJC meeting with the Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs and EEA Senior Staff

Process Options discussed last meeting:

- ❖ Sub-committees necessary?
- ❖ Wait and see?

Question for Discussion:

*Who are missed by current EJ
Population Definition?*

EJ Population Definition Comprehensive Analysis: Current MA Definition

- ▶ “Neighborhood” a census block group as defined by the United States Census Bureau.

- ▶ “Environmental justice population” a neighborhood that meets 1 or more of the following criteria:
 - i. the annual median household income is not more than 65 per cent of the statewide annual median household income;
 - ii. minorities comprise 40 per cent or more of the population;
 - iii. 25 per cent or more of households lack English language proficiency; or
 - iv. minorities comprise 25 per cent or more of the population and the annual median household income of the municipality in which the neighborhood is located does not exceed 150 per cent of the statewide annual median household income.

Question: Who are missed by current EJ Population Definition?

Public Comments and Questions

Please limit each comment to 2 minute to allow time for others to speak



WHAT'S
NEXT?

Next Steps & Adjourn

- ▶ Next meeting: November 9, 2022; 6:00 pm
- ▶ Information on the EJC and its meetings can be found at <https://www.mass.gov/orgs/environmental-justice-council-ejc>