



MEETING MINUTES

Yolo County Climate Action Commission

January 22, 2023 | 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM

COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Suzanne Reed, District 1 Appointee (*not in attendance*)
Robin Datel, District 2 Appointee
Mark Aulman, District 3 Appointee
Andrew Truman Kim, District 4 Appointee (**VICE-CHAIR**)
Adelita Serena, District 5 Appointee
Chris White, Technical Lead
NJ Mvondo, Environmental Justice Lead (**CHAIR**)
Bernadette Austin, Climate Scientist/Subject Matter Expert (*not in attendance*)
Pelayo Alvarez, Climate Scientist/Subject Matter Expert (*not in attendance*)
Mica Bennett – At Large
Ken Britten – At Large

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:

Sarah Morgan, Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation
Carla Fresquez, UC Davis

SUPERVISORS:

Supervisor Lucas Frerichs, Yolo County Board of Supervisors, District 2 (*not in attendance*)
Supervisor Jim Provenza, Yolo County Board of Supervisors, District 4

1. Land Acknowledgement (*Attachment A*) (*C. White*)
2. Approval of the Agenda
 - Consider approval of the agenda

Decision: Approve

Approved By / Seconded By: K. Britten/A. Serena

Ayes: R. Datel, M. Aulman, A. Kim, A. Serena, C. White, NJ Mvondo, K. Britten

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: B. Austin, P. Alvarez, S. Reed

3. **Public Comment** – this item is reserved for public comment on items relating to the Commission business that are not on the agenda. Public comment for items on the agenda will be taken when that agenda item is considered.
 - No public comment at this time.
4. **Approve November 27th Commission Meeting Minutes (*Attachment B*)**

Decision: Approve

Approved By / Seconded By: R. Datel/M. Aulman

Ayes: R. Datel, M. Aulman, A. Kim, A. Serena, C. White, NJ Mvondo, K. Britten

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: B. Austin, P. Alvarez, S. Reed

Public Comment

- No public comment at this time.

5. **Staff Announcements/Reports (Staff) (30 minutes)**
 - Staff shared that the Sustainability Division was recently awarded a Regional Resilience grant award from the Governor’s Office of Planning and Research - Integrated Climate Adaptation and Resilience Program (ICARP).
 - Staff shared an update on deadline extension and outreach efforts for the Climate Action Plan (CAAP) Youth Calendar Art Contest.
 - Staff noted an upgrade to their monthly Sustainability Newsletter delivery platform to improve communication and appeal.
 - Staff provided an update on the CAAP Timeline.

Public Comment

- A question was asked if there is a way to set up a craft station for the CAAP Youth Calendar Contest at local libraries.
 - Staff expressed interest and responded that dedicated workshops are not within the capacity of the library at this time, rather staff is joining along preexisting outreach events.

6. **Receive Update on CAAP Community Conversation Outcomes (K. Wraithwall) (*Attachment C, D*)**
 - Staff noted that the Equity & Engagement and Natural & Working Lands Technical Advisory Committees are not present on agenda and will be included under Item #6.
 - Staff provided a summary and outcomes of the CAAP Community Conversations Workshops.

- Dudek Consulting Team provided context on how community workshop feedback is being integrated into the CAAP.

Public Comment

- A comment highlighted efforts of community engagement made by Cool Davis.
- A comment was made on the Davis CAAP workshop, noting that there were participants of various ages and suggested for future outreach efforts to meet people where they are at.
- A comment was made on the dot voting activities at CAAP Workshops, suggesting a need for adjusting the system to prevent wealthier community members from having disproportionate influence, possibly by using median income as a balancing factor in vote weighting.

7. Review and Provide Feedback on CAAP Table of Contents (*K. Wraithwall, J., Reed, M. Hendrix*) (*Attachments E, F, G*) (20 minutes)

- Yolo County Staff and Dudek Consulting Team provided an overview of the CAAP Table of Contents.
- Commission members made comments and suggestions on the CAAP Table of Contents such as making the guide user-friendly, enhancing language use options, educational content expansion, and potential rearrangement of the table's order. There was also a suggestion to reverse the direction of the table of contents.

Public Comment

- A comment was made to focus on individual actions within Yolo County communities and to consider this for the CAAP.

8. Implementation and Monitoring Plan (*M. Hendrix*) (*Attachment H, I*) (30 minutes)

- Dudek Consulting Team presented the implementation and monitoring plan, such as; going over responsible parties, tracking tools, and adaptive management. A detailed overview of the CAAP strategy, actions, and measures, with emphasis on a Master Tool for tracking and quantifying emissions reductions was also provided.
- Commission members discussed the feasibility and staff resources required for monitoring, proposing the use of AI and dashboards to streamline the process.

Public Comment

- A comment was made in favor of the dashboard and suggested the need to have approval from various County staff to ensure the success of the dashboard.
- A comment was made about the need to keep the enthusiasm throughout this entire process to ensure it reaches its milestones.

9. Commission Member Reports, Comments, Future Agenda Items

- Events to be Included in the Newsletter:
 - Commission members commented on the next Woodland Green Drinks event hosted by the Woodland Sustainability Advisory Committee.
 - Ex-officio member shared completion of the UC Davis Fossil Free Pathway Plan.

10. Long Range Calendar (*Attachment J*)

- The calendar of events moving forward was shared.

11. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 06:33 PM

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