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

Call #3, September 11, 2008, 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Attendance:

1. Technical Working Group members: Kansas Farm Bureau representatives (Brad Harrelson, Steve Baccus, Steve Swaffar), Mark Knight, Adrian Polansky, William Upman, Charlie Sedlock, Bud Ludwig, Charles Ayers, Tracy Streeter, Chuck Rice
2. Center for Climate Strategies (CCS) staff: Steve Roe (steve.roe@pechan.com), Brad Strode (brad.strode@pechan.com)
3. Kansas Department Health and Environment Observers: Miles Stotts
4. Governor's Office Observers: None
5. Public Attendees: John Eonley - Kansas Livestock Association

Background documents:

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

1. Summary of Conference Call #2
2. Meeting Notice and Agenda
3. PowerPoint for Teleconference.
4. AFW Draft Catalog of State Actions.
5. AFW State Actions Descriptions.

Discussion items and key issues:

This was the third conference call of the AFW TWG.

1. Steve Roe called the meeting to order, completed the roll call and reviewed the agenda and plans for the call.

2. CCS provided a brief review of the Draft Summary of the first AFW Conference Call. The TWG was invited to provide comments on the Summary. Hearing none, the Summary of Call #2 was considered final.
3. CCS ran through the goals for this meeting. The two key items were to identify additional policy actions to add to the draft Catalog of Potential State Actions and begin a thorough review of the Draft KS GHG Emissions Inventory and Forecast (KS I&F).
4. The additions to the Catalog made during the last KEEP meeting were reviewed. See the “PowerPoint for Teleconference” for a list of added options.
 - a. The TWG suggested that the title of AFW-2.4 be changed to “Technology Improvements to Increase Efficiency”
 - b. The group requested that references to organic farming be removed from AFW-5.2 (both from the Catalog and the Descriptions documents).
5. CCS reviewed the Stepwise Planning Process. The TWG is currently working on steps 3 and 4 of the process.
6. CCS explained the process that allows the TWG to establish the options that are high priorities for further development (also, medium and low priorities will be noted). The first step in this process is to finalize the Catalog of State Actions. This requires the TWG to input notional ratings – qualitative assessments of each policy’s GHG reduction potential and cost-effectiveness. Once the ratings have been established, TWG members will submit ballots (sent out by CCS) to identify their priorities for further development.
7. Once the priorities have been established and approved by the KEEP, the TWG will complete Policy Design Proposals, or Straw Proposals. This step was briefly reviewed by CCS and will be described in more detail at a later meeting.
8. CCS reviewed the next steps for the TWG prior to the next KEEP meeting. The TWG is encouraged to provide notional ratings and/or comments for each Catalog option. These inputs are due to Brad Strode on September 22. Based on what he receives on September 22, CCS will update the Catalog and redistribute to the TWG. Final comments on the Catalog will be due on October 13.
9. CCS asked the Group to consult the Kansas Inventory and Forecast (KS I&F), available on the web at: <http://www.ksclimatechange.us/ewebeditpro/items/O1F17410.pdf>. CCS reviewed data sources, key assumptions, key uncertainties, and results of the I&F. Any input or more relevant (or up-to-date) data sources from the TWG is strongly encouraged. While there is no imminent deadline on input to the I&F, the process will greatly benefit from prompt input from the Group on this document.
10. Input from the public was solicited by CCS. John Eonley of Kansas Livestock Association questioned the limit of ten votes on the balloting process. CCS replied by stating that the KEEP has decided that this is the number of votes necessary from each TWG member to provide a strong indication of top TWG priorities.

Next steps and agreements:

1. The next TWG meeting will be held on November 13, 2008 from 8:30 to 10:00 AM Central Time. The meeting scheduled for October 9, 2008 has been cancelled.
2. TWG members should submit notional ratings and other comments on options in the Catalog by September 22, 2008.
3. CCS will follow up with TWG members with an exact schedule of deadlines prior to the November 13 meeting.
4. TWG members should review at least the AFW appendices of the GHG Inventory & Forecast Report, so that issues can be discussed on the next call. The I&F report is available at: <http://www.ksclimatechange.us/ewebeditpro/items/O1F17410.pdf>.