

Illinois Environmental Justice Advisory Group Meeting
Illinois EPA

Minutes

September 22, 2015 10:00AM-12:00PM
Video Conference and Teleconference

- I. Welcome
Ken Page, Environmental Justice Officer
- II. Introductions (Attendees)
Chicago- USEPA Region 5:
Emily Clamp, Alan Walts

Teleconference:
Keith Harley

Illinois EPA Headquarters:
Ken Page, Suzanne Boring, Stephon Bishop, Heather Nifong, Kyle Rominger, Jeff Hutton, Darin LaCrone, Richard Breckenridge, David Saladino, Diane Lopez Hughes, Peter Weng, Jim Monk, John Cross, Kevin Green, Chris Pressnall, Brenda Carter, Amy Walkenbach, Brad Frost, Christopher Romaine
- III. Minutes from last meeting
- IV. Presentations
 1. Legislative Updates – John Cross, Legislative Liaison, Illinois EPA

*See attachment for the list of Legislative updates
John Cross Contact: 217-782-8382
 2. National and Regional EJ updates by Alan Walts, USEPA Region 5 EJ Program Coordinator
 1. Comment Period Open through Oct 13th for Office of Civil Rights strategic plan
 2. EJ Interagency Working Group Action Agenda (Appendix B)
 3. EJ 2020 Action Agenda framework. Comment Period closed. Reviewing the comments. Establishing Implementation.
*See attachment for additional information on national/regional updates
For questions contact Alan Walts at (312) 353-8894

3. External Docuware for Leaking Underground Storage Tanks and the Site Remediation Program – Suzanne Boring, Illinois EPA/BOL

*See attachment for external docuware step by step slides on how to navigate the system to find L.U.S.T. and Site remediation data.

For questions contact Suzanne Boring at 217-558-4071

4. Urban Stormwater – Calumet Collaborative – Amy Walkenbach, Illinois EPA/BOW

*See attachment on the on-going stormwater initiatives in Illinois

For questions contact Amy Walkenbach at 217-782-3362

5. Local Organic Waste collections – Dave Saladino, Illinois EPA/BOL

*See attachment for full document on Compostable Waste Collection Programs

For questions contact Dave Saladino at 217-558-4115

6. Clean Power Plan proposed rule updates – Kevin Greene and Jim Ross, Illinois EPA/BOA

- Over 4 Million comments filed on the rule

- Established State by State target CO2 Emissions

- 17 Coal Plants

- Emission targets- mixed of natural gas and coal based

- 44% reduced by 2030 in emissions

- Compliance begins in 2022

- 30 Million Ton reduction for the State of Illinois by 2030

- Required: submit initial plan to USEPA by 2016 (2 year extension possible)

- Rule gives an option to use/work with other states

- Requesting thoughts from EJ groups for the planning process (outreach to vulnerable communities)

For questions contact Kevin Greene at 217-785-0833

V. Old Business

None

VI. Open Discussion/Questions

None

VII. Next Meeting Date/Location

To be determined

Meeting adjourned at 11:35AM

Questions

1 Legislative Updates – John Cross, Legislative Liaison, Illinois EPA

Question: CCDD/Keith Harley- Appeal IAGO & Will County State Attorney have appeals. Are there any conversations within the IEPA to correct the bill with monitoring?

3 External Docuware for Leaking Underground Storage Tanks and the Site Remediation Program – Suzanne Boring, Illinois EPA/BOL

Question: Can we use zip codes to pull up information?

-Yes, the system will zoom into the area and highlight other sites near by

5 Local Organic Waste collections – Dave Saladino, Illinois EPA/BOL

Question: Who organized events? And what did they do with the waste?

Question: Are landfill owners helping to underwrite the cost of these collection events since it keeps the waste out of the landfills?

Question: Why was the program restricted only to pumkins?

-Answer: Restrictions by Sec. 22.55.

6 Clean Power Plan proposed rule updates – Kevin Greene and Jim Ross, Illinois EPA/BOA

Question: Are there ongoing discussions with other states?

Answer: Yes, Mid Continent States

Questions: Are there discussions on combined heat and power?

Answer: Yes

Question: Some mid-west governments have filed a law suit on the plan... are the states still working on developing the plan.

Answer: Yes