Climate Action Ad-Hoc Committee

Quarterly Update - October 2020

Purpose and Scope

The purpose of the Climate Action Ad Hoc is to receive input from County department and agency staff, and to solicit input from stakeholders, including other public entities (e.g. cities, Regional Climate Protection Authority (RCPA), Sonoma Clean Power, local air districts, etc.) and community members. Initial input from department and agency staff will inform the Board's strategic planning session scheduled for January 20, 2020. Following the Board's strategic planning session, the Ad Hoc will work with staff to refine this Charter and to develop an action plan for Board consideration.

Board Members	County Staff
Chair Susan Gorin	County Administrator's Office
Vice-Chair Lynda Hopkins	County Counsel
	General Services, Energy & Sustainability Division
	Permit Sonoma
	• Ag + Open Space
	Sonoma Water
	 As-needed subject matter support may also be provided by
	other departments and staff

Status

A Climate Action Ad Hoc Committee update was presented to the Board on August 11, 2020. The item included recommendations to consider directing staff to research and develop climate staffing models for consideration and to establish a Climate Resiliency Fund. Staff intended to return to the Board with this research and the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendations in late September, but the Walbridge and Glass Fire events delayed Human Resources Department's research and the scheduling of another Ad Hoc Committee meeting. The Climate Ad Hoc Committee met on October 19, 2020 and discussed the research Human Resources compiled as well as other staffing options to elevate climate work and the leadership and staffing needed to carry out and prioritize climate action efforts, however the Committee is still formulating climate staffing recommendations for the Board to consider.

Meetings

10/19/20

Upcoming Schedule

The next Climate Ad Hoc will be scheduled in November 2020.