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**MEETING SUMMARY**  
**ARKANSAS GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON GLOBAL WARMING**  
**Agriculture, Forestry and Waste Management (AFW) Technical Work Group (TWG)**  
**Call #6, April 29, 2008**

**Attendees:**

**TWG Members:** Pearlie Reed, Miles Goggans, Bill Reed, Jerry Farris

**Advisory Body Members:** Richard Bell, John Shannon, Brian Leamons (for Teresa Marks) and Adrian Baber (for Randy Young)

**Center for Climate Strategies:** Joe Pryor, Steve Roe, Jackson Schreiber, Jen Jenkins

**Members of the Public:** Jim Sherroll

**Background Documents:** (all posted at [www.arclimatechange.us/AFW.cfm](http://www.arclimatechange.us/AFW.cfm))

1. Summary of Call #5
2. Announcement and Agenda for Call #6
3. PowerPoint for Call #6
4. AFW Straw Proposal Document

**Agenda:**

1. Introductions
2. Review and Approval of Prior Call Summary
3. GCGW Process Progress
4. Consider Goals for GCGW Meeting #6 (May 19, 2008)
5. Review Example Policy Options and Potential Goals
6. Discuss Next Steps in Developing Straw Proposals
7. Review of Next Steps for TWG
8. Agenda, Date and Time for Next Meetings
9. Public Comments and Announcements

**Discussion and Conclusions:**

**Introductions**

No Comments

**Review and Approval of Prior Call Summary**

The Previous Call Summary was approved.

**GCGW Process Progress**

No Comments

### **Consider Goals for GCGW Meeting #6 (May 19, 2008)**

No comments

### **Review Example Policy Options and Potential Goals**

The options have been restructured, since the previous meeting, and the straw proposal document and PowerPoint now reflect the new number system, which uses a progression by sector (agriculture, forestry, waste).

The goals of the policy options currently serve as placeholders for TWG members to evaluate. TWG members are encouraged to modify the goals as necessary to make them suitable for Arkansas.

There was a call for volunteers to lend their expertise. Advisory Body member Richard Bell volunteered to help find outside advisors within the Arkansas Department of Agriculture and the University of Arkansas. Brian Leamans volunteered to help with AFW 9 *End of Use Waste Management Practices*. Adrian Baker volunteered to help with AFW 1 *Manure Management*.

### **Discuss Next Steps in Developing Straw Proposals**

At this point in the process, we are really only working on the Policy Description and Policy Design sections of the Straw Proposals Document. TWG members are requested to email CCS to help provide more concrete goals before next Tuesday's meeting.

1. AFW 1 *Manure Management* – Miles Goggans indicated he would likely have input on this by next meeting. There are emissions of CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O to be considered with this option. The comment was made that emissions from manure come mostly from the facilities themselves, rather than land application of manure.
2. AFW 2 *Promotion of Farming Practices that Achieve GHG Benefits* – No comments on this option. We are still looking for a TWG member to take the lead on this item.
3. AFW 3 *Improved Water Management and Use* – Bill Reed will head the group on this issue, Miles Goggans will provide assistance. Randy Young at the Department of Natural Resources is likely to have useful information for this item. There was a comment that the goal should not be to reduce the amount of groundwater used, but to increase the amount of surface water used.
4. AFW 4 *Expanded Use of Agriculture and Forestry Biomass Feedstocks for Electricity, Heat, or Steam Production* – Advisory Body Member John Shannon suggested that there are some permitting issues that have come up in this sector that the TWG may want to address.
5. AFW 5 – No comments.
6. AFW 6 *Expanded Use of Locally Produced Farm and Forest Products* – Might need a forestry and an agriculture person to head up this option because it has so much overlap.
7. AFW 7 *Forest Management and Establishment for Carbon Sequestration* – Change text of “not historically been forested” to “not currently forested”. Also change the term best management practices, because that term is specific to water quality when used in the forestry sector. Aubra Anthony is the TWG member leading this option. Miles Goggans agreed to assist him in the development of this option, and agreed to send him suggestions for consideration.

8. AFW 8 *Advanced Recovery and Recycling* – Robert Hunter is probably the best place to provide technical advice on this option.
9. AFW 9 *End of Use Waste Management Practices* – There was some question raised on how this policy could be implemented to achieve this goal. Brian Leamans and Robert Hunter will provide technical expertise as they can on this option.

### **Review of Next Steps for TWG**

CCS will be posting Inventory and Forecast appendices of the Agriculture, Forestry and Waste sectors to the website soon for review by TWG members.

### **Agenda, Date and Time for Next Meetings**

There will be another meeting on May 6, 2008 at 1pm Central time. There will be an email from CCS regarding future TWG meeting dates.

An additional GCGW meeting has been set for June 17, 2008.

### **Public Comments and Announcements**

Jim Sherroll made a comment on AFW 9. He noted that there are incentives possible to encourage investment in methane capture. Chris Benson at the Arkansas Energy Office could be of help on this issue.