

Science and Data Subcommittee of the Vermont Climate Council

2:00 PM May 4, 2022

Minutes

Location: Virtual meeting recorded and posted [online](#)

Members present: Jared Duval, Megan O'Toole, Claire McIlvennie, Jay Shafer, Richard Hopkins, Julie Moore, Lesley-Ann Dupigny-Giroux, Kashka Orlow

Staff present: Jane Lazorchak, Marian Wolz, Ken Jones, Collin Smythe

2:00 Welcome/ Approval of minutes (Jared)

Jared reviewed the agenda and asked for any concerns related to the 3/23/22 meeting. There were none.

2:05 Review Life-cycle analysis (LCA) Request for Proposals draft (Megan)

Megan reviewed the process to date in developing the LCA RFI and RFP. Megan walked through the text of the draft RFP which had been shared with the sub-committee before the meeting.

The sub-committee discussed the different elements and scope of the RFP and reviewed proposed changes and comments. The subcommittee agreed that comments would be reviewed by DEC and the task group, and a revised draft will be posted by ANR. Once the bidding window for the RFP closes, responses will be shared with the subcommittee.

2:45 Public comment on RFP

Two members of the public provided comments on the RFP.

3:15 Subcommittee membership (Jared)

The sub-committee currently has eight members. A call for nominations for additional members yielded and diverse and robust list. A sub-group (Megan, Jared, Lesley-Ann, and Claire) reviewed the list and have put forward a suggested list of nominees for the steering committee to confirm at their next meeting.

3:30 Updates from other sub-committee and task group liaisons

- Subcommittee members and staff provided updates on the work from the Rural Resilience and Adaptation Subcommittee (Municipal Vulnerability Index & Climate Toolkit), the Agriculture & Ecosystems Subcommittee (Agricultural Emissions), the Just Transitions (Public Engagement Task Group), and the Biomass task group.
- Measuring and Tracking Progress RFP Update (Jane)

3:45 – Public Comment

3:55 – Next steps and adjourn (Co-chairs)

- Decisions about summer meeting scheduling will be made at the next meeting on June 1.