

# Environmental Justice Council (EJC)

Thursday, July 25, 2024

3:30pm – 6:30pm

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## Meeting Goals:

1. Learn from a community group about environmental justice concerns, issues, ideas, solutions, and victories in their community.
2. Staff report-out on the May 2, 2024 community meeting in Toppenish and updates from Council staff on past public comments and the status of those comments. Council discuss what actions it can take to be responsive.
3. Discuss draft guidance that the Climate Commitment Act (CCA) and Community Engagement Committees worked on for applying the terms “Direct and Meaningful Benefits” under the CCA and “Environmental Benefits” under the HEAL Act. Identify areas in the draft that need further refinement for adoption at a future meeting.
4. Discuss lessons-learned and plan for 2025-2027 biennial budget recommendations.
5. Review the EJ Assessment HEAL Act requirements and obtain input on the co-development of EJ Assessment guidance by the Council and the HEAL Interagency Workgroup.
6. Review of HEAL Act Environmental Justice Implementation Plan requirements and learn from HEAL agencies about the areas of accountability in their current plans and their timelines for updating their plans in the future.

## Agenda

Please join us at 3:20pm for a presentation on how to turn on closed captions and join the Spanish interpretation channel.

3:30 PM – 3:35 PM	I.	Welcome and Roll Call for Quorum	The Honorable Jarred-Michael Erickson  Co-Chair Maria Batayola Council Members
3:35 PM – 3:40 PM	II. III. IV.	Approval of Agenda by Council  Approval of May 3, 2024 Meeting Notes by Council  Approval of July 2, 2024 Special Meeting Notes by Council  -Possible Council Action	Council Member Aurora Martin  Council Members
3:40 PM – 3:55 PM	V.	EJ Council Community Connection  Goals: Learn from a community group about environmental justice concerns, issues, ideas, solutions, and victories in their community.	Council Member Rosalinda Guillen  Community Engagement Committee  Sierra Red Bow, Council Staff  Council Members
5 Minute Break			
4:00 PM – 4:25 PM	VI.	Updates on Past Public Comments and Community Connection Session in Central Washington  Goals: Staff report-out on the May 2, 2024 community meeting in Toppenish and updates from Council staff on past public	Council Member Rosalinda Guillen  Sierra Red Bow, Council Staff  Council Members

		<p>comments and the status of those comments.</p> <p>Council discuss what actions it can take to be responsive.</p> <p>-Possible Council Action</p>	
4:25 PM – 4:35 PM	VII.	Public Comment	Council Member Rosalinda Guillen
4:35 PM – 5:05 PM	VIII.	<p>Discussion: Draft Guidance on Allocating, Measuring &amp; Reporting HEAL and CCA Investments</p> <p>Goals: Discuss draft guidance that the Climate Commitment Act (CCA) and Community Engagement Committees worked on for applying the terms “Direct and Meaningful Benefits” under the CCA and “Environmental Benefits” under the HEAL Act. Identify areas in the draft that need further refinement for adoption at a future meeting.</p>	<p>The Honorable Jarred-Michael Erickson</p> <p>CCA Committee</p> <p>Jonathan Chen, Council Staff</p> <p>Council Members</p>
5 Minute Break			
5:10 PM – 5:30 PM	IX.	<p>Briefing and Discussion: Update on 2025-2027 Biennial Budget Recommendations Development</p> <p>Goals: Discuss lessons learned and plan for 2025-2027 biennial budget recommendations.</p>	<p>Council Member Esther Min</p> <p>Budget Committee</p> <p>Christy Hoff, Council Staff</p> <p>Council Members</p>

5:30 PM – 5:50 PM	<p>X. Introduction and Input: HEAL EJ Assessments</p> <p>Goal: Review the EJ Assessment HEAL Act requirements and obtain input on the co-development of EJ Assessment guidance by the Council and the HEAL Interagency Workgroup.</p>	<p>Co-Chair Maria Batayola Environmental Justice Assessment Committee</p> <p>Rowena Pineda, Council Staff</p> <p>Dana Myers, Council Staff</p> <p>Council Members</p>
5:50 PM – 6:05 PM	<p>XI. Council Workload Planning: HEAL Agencies' Environmental Justice Implementation Plans within their Strategic Plans</p> <p>Goals: Review of HEAL Act Environmental Justice Implementation Plan requirements and learn from HEAL agencies about the areas of accountability in their current plans and their timelines for updating their plans in the future.</p>	<p>Council Member Aurora Martin</p> <p>Rowena Pineda, Council Staff</p> <p>Dana Myers, Council Staff</p> <p>Council Members</p>
5 Minute Break		
6:10 PM – 6:20 PM	XII. Public Comment	Council Member Rosalinda Guillen
6:20 PM – 6:30 PM	XIII. Appreciations and Adjournment	<p>Co-Chair Maria Batayola</p> <p>The Honorable Jarred-Michael Erickson</p>

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