

Work Group: Energy
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Description of Activity by Goal and Objective

Specific accomplishment during the quarter included the following. The relevant Energy Work Group (EWG) objectives are noted in ***Bold Italics***.

1. Continued progress under the seed grant to develop the San Joaquin Valley Clean Energy Organization (SJVCEO) and continue operation. (***IA***)
2. Held meeting on July 10 to establish an outreach for Climate Action Plans into the San Joaquin Valley. (See attachment list #1)
3. Met on July 15 with California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) in Sacramento to integrate SJVCEO into Farm activities. (See attachment list #2)
4. On July 16 held SJVCEO sub-committee meeting on ag use of fuels from renewable energy sources. (***IA,B***) (See attachment list #3)
5. Met on July 17 with California Energy Commission (CEC) in Sacramento to integrate EWG work with CEC goals. (See attachment list #4)
6. On July 23, conducted the Work Group Consultants (WGC) meeting
7. Met on July 31 with PG&E/Sempra/SoCal Edison farm group to identify ag funding opportunities for ag producers. (See attachment list #5)
8. Met on August 18 with WGC.
9. Met on Aug 26 with Ag Bio-Mass Council (Thor Bailey) to determine methods of bio-mass fuel use in Valley.
10. On September 3, Paul Johnson met with Great Valley Center (GVC) to determine elements of Partnership Strategic Action Plan not yet completed.
11. EWG and SJVCEO continue to firm up plans to host a clean energy conference focused on agricultural sector this fall. This one-and-half day conference will be held in Tulare in November (3A,B,C, D,E). (See attachment list #6)
12. EWG staff met with Los Baños City Management to discuss climate change actions in that city. (2A)
13. EWG staff met with the Stanislaus County Workforce Development Alliance employment team (Keith Griffiths) to discuss job training potentials for green jobs in Stanislaus and San Joaquin Counties. (5B).
14. EWG staff met with PG&E staff to discuss energy savings potentials in the Ag sector of the San Joaquin Valley. (2B)
15. On Sept. 4 EWG staff met with USDA/Davis to discuss 2008 Farm Bill – Energy kickoff meeting on how California can make better use of the Farm Bill 9006/REAP funding to support the state's energy efficiency, renewable energy sources and AB 32 goals (GVC, phone conf). (3A) (See attachment list #7)
16. EWG staff continues to meet with Water Group Advisory Committee to discuss recommendation from group to Partnership Board. GVC continued its efforts to
 - a. develop Web links informing the public about clean vehicles (2A)
 - b. document Energy Star residences in the region (2C)
 - c. inventory model green building ordinances (2D)

Planned Activities by Goal and Objective (for next 3-6 months)

During 4th Quarter 2008, EWG expects to do the following:

1. Continue efforts to market and expand its membership.
2. Hold at least one meeting.
3. Continue progress on EWG objectives initiated date and firm up priorities for tackling all of its objectives.
4. Continue the set development of the SJVCEO (1A)
5. Add content to the SJVCEO Web site
6. Continue efforts to develop work plan to create a Regional Energy Plan (1B). We plan to do this in conjunction with our efforts to carry out the 25x' 25 Initiative in the San Joaquin Valley.
7. Continue development of Energy Primer for local government officials (2D).
8. Expand efforts to green communities throughout the Valley and market opportunities for SJVCEO assistance through

the energy block grant program. (2B)

9. Continue of public buildings and Ag processors in the Valley for energy efficiency through GVC/PG&E (5C).

Challenges/Problems/Bottlenecks/Feedback

The greatest challenge facing EWG is finding sustainable funding. During this quarter, EWG priorities remained:

1. Conduct marketing and outreach to increase the depth and breadth of stakeholder awareness and involvement and awareness and involvement in EWG and its activities.
2. Support efforts to successfully establish SJVCEO as the principal vehicle and focal point through which the Partnership will implement the energy provisions of its Strategic Action Proposal; and.
3. Continue work to implement EWG recommendations not directly related to the creation of SJVCEO.

If you have coordinated any outreach, please describe briefly.

1. EWG staff-GVC has planned an International Council of Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) outreach to Stockton and vicinity in November for electeds and main staff.
2. EWG staff-GVC coordinated with PG&E on energy efficiency training offered in Stockton.
3. We expect to coordinate future outreach with other regions for Climate Action Planning.

The following attachments may be downloaded from the [Energy Work Group Document Library](#) located on the Partnership Web site:

1. Climate Action Plans - San Joaquin Valley 07.10.2008 Meeting Minutes
2. July 15 California Department of Food and Agriculture
3. July 16 SJVCEO Sub-Committee Meeting
4. July 17 California Energy Commission
5. July 31 PG&E/Sempra/SoCal Edison farm group
6. EWG and SJVCEO continue with plans to host a clean energy conference in Tulare
7. Sept. 4 USDA/Davis, 2008 Farm Bill – Energy kickoff meeting