

Maine Climate Council

Coastal and Marine Working Group Meeting

Co-Chairs:

Carl Wilson, Department of Marine Resources

Curt Brown, Ready Seafood Company



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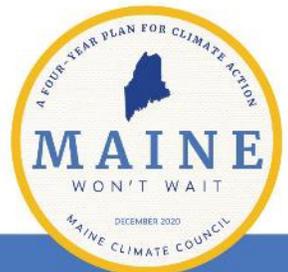
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Welcome

- If you are a working group member:
 - please rename yourselves and add *asterisk in front of your name
- If you are a member of the public and / or interested state staff
 - please rename yourselves to include “public participant”
- Everyone’s voices are valuable
 - We will take working group member comments / questions first
 - Public participants, please add your comments and questions to the chat and we will make time to get to them



Meeting Goals

1. Review guidance documents
2. Share updates from subcommittee work
3. Learn about integration of our working into *Maine Won't Wait* update



Meeting Agenda

9:00 Welcome & Agenda

*Co-Chairs Carl Wilson (ME DMR) and Curt Brown (Ready Seafood)
Laura Taylor Singer (Facilitator)*

9:10 Review of Subcommittee Guidance, Process and Working Group Template

Jesica Waller, ME DMR

9:30 Integration of Working Group Recommendations into *Maine Won't Wait* Update

Amalia Siegel, GOPIF

9:45 Brief Subcommittee updates

- Fisheries/Aquaculture
- Working Waterfronts/Infrastructure
- Monitoring
- Blue Carbon

10:40 Public Input

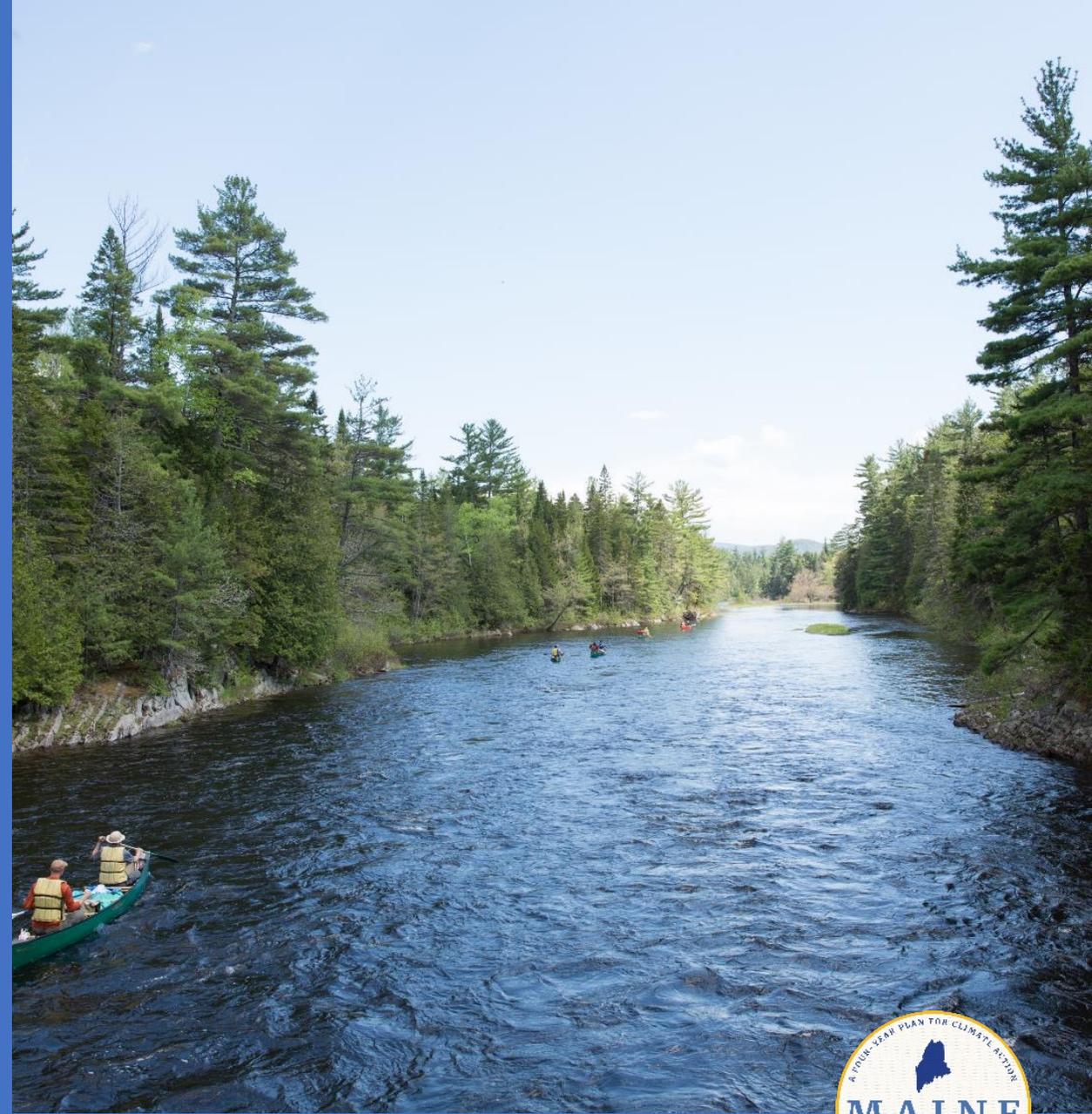
10:50 Next Steps

11:00 Adjourn (Fisheries and Aquaculture meeting commences)



Subcommittee Guidance, Process and Working Group Template

Jes Waller, DMR



Subcommittee Guidance

• Membership

- Subcommittee members listed here: [Subcommittee Spreadsheet](#)
- Non-working group members with expertise in the subject matter may participate at the discretion of the WG chairs (Carl & Curt).
- Document all participants in a meeting attendance list.

• Meetings

- Posted in a publicly viewable file, [list of Subcommittee Meetings](#), in the publicly available Coastal and Marine WG folder. **Co-leads should update this document when you schedule your meetings.** The meetings will also be on the MCC public website of upcoming meetings at <https://www.maine.gov/future/meeting-calendar>

• Work Product

- Share a draft version of the **WG Template** provided by GOPIF by **March 1**, so that the full group can review prior to discussing at our March CMWG meeting.
- Members of the Coastal and Marine Working Group are responsible for coming to consensus on priority updated strategies and submitting *one* document as a full working group.

Working Group Template

1. Introduction

2. Summary of Strategies

3. Analysis and Supporting Information

1. *Impacts* - how they address Maine's four climate goals?
2. *Cross-over* - involve other WGs or sectors?
3. *Priority Populations* - impacted or affected by strategy.
4. *Timeframe* - to implement
5. *Implementation Next Steps* - required to implement strategy (e.g., research, legislation, funding, etc.)
6. *Measuring Outcomes* - how would we know strategy is effective?
7. *Other Rationale/Background Information*

Template format

MCC Working Group June 2024 Deliverable Template - Coastal & Marine

Strategies and Actions (Update this table – these are current *Maine Won't Wait* strategies and Equity Subcommittee recommendations)

STRATEGY	ACTION
STRATEGY D Recommendation 1 – Take Advantage of New Market Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support the ability of Maine’s natural resource economies to adapt to climate change impacts Grow Maine’s forest-products industry through bioproduct innovation supporting economic growth and sustainable forest management and preservation of working lands Increase the amount of food consumed in Maine from state food producers from 10% to 20% by 2025 and 30% by 2030 through local food system development. Launch the Maine Seafood Business Council by 2022
Chapter D Equity Goal #2 – Help natural resource industries diversify and adapt to climate change through economic and workforce diversification and participation in the clean energy transition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a comprehensive natural resource industry report to establish baseline data Prioritize the development of new and value-added markets for climate vulnerable natural resource industries Provide workforce training opportunities for natural resource industry workers to help adapt to a changing climate Develop a pilot program to support clean technology and clean fuels transitions in natural resource industries
STRATEGY E Recommendation 1 – Protect Natural and Working Lands and Waters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase by 2030 the total acreage of conserved lands in the state to 30% through voluntary, focused purchases of land and working forest or farm conservation easements Focus conservation on high biodiversity areas to support land and water connectivity and ecosystem health Revise scoring criteria for state conservation funding to incorporate climate mitigation and resiliency goals Develop policies by 2022 to ensure renewable energy project siting is streamlined and transparent while

4. Timeframe - What is the timeframe for this strategy and its actions?

	Short-term (2025)	Mid-term (2030)	Long-term (2050+)
To implement			
To realize outcomes			

5. Implementation Next Steps - What types of next steps would be required to implement the strategy?

- Legislation, rules/regulation, internal program guidance changes
- Establishment of a new program or a fund,
- Conduct additional research
- Provide education or training
- Coordinate with other parties/agencies/states
- Other (please describe)

Please provide some detail around these steps. If possible, identify **specific actors** who would lead in the implementation of the strategy and actions.

Coastal and Marine Working Group Schedule (DRAFT)

March 15?

January 22

- Joint learning and updates from subcommittees

- Draft updates from subcommittees for discussion
- Outreach to key stakeholders on draft CMWG ideas

May 15

- Prioritize WG Strategies and Actions for MCC

February 15

- Joint learning and updates from subcommittees; consider new strategies and cross-over

April 23

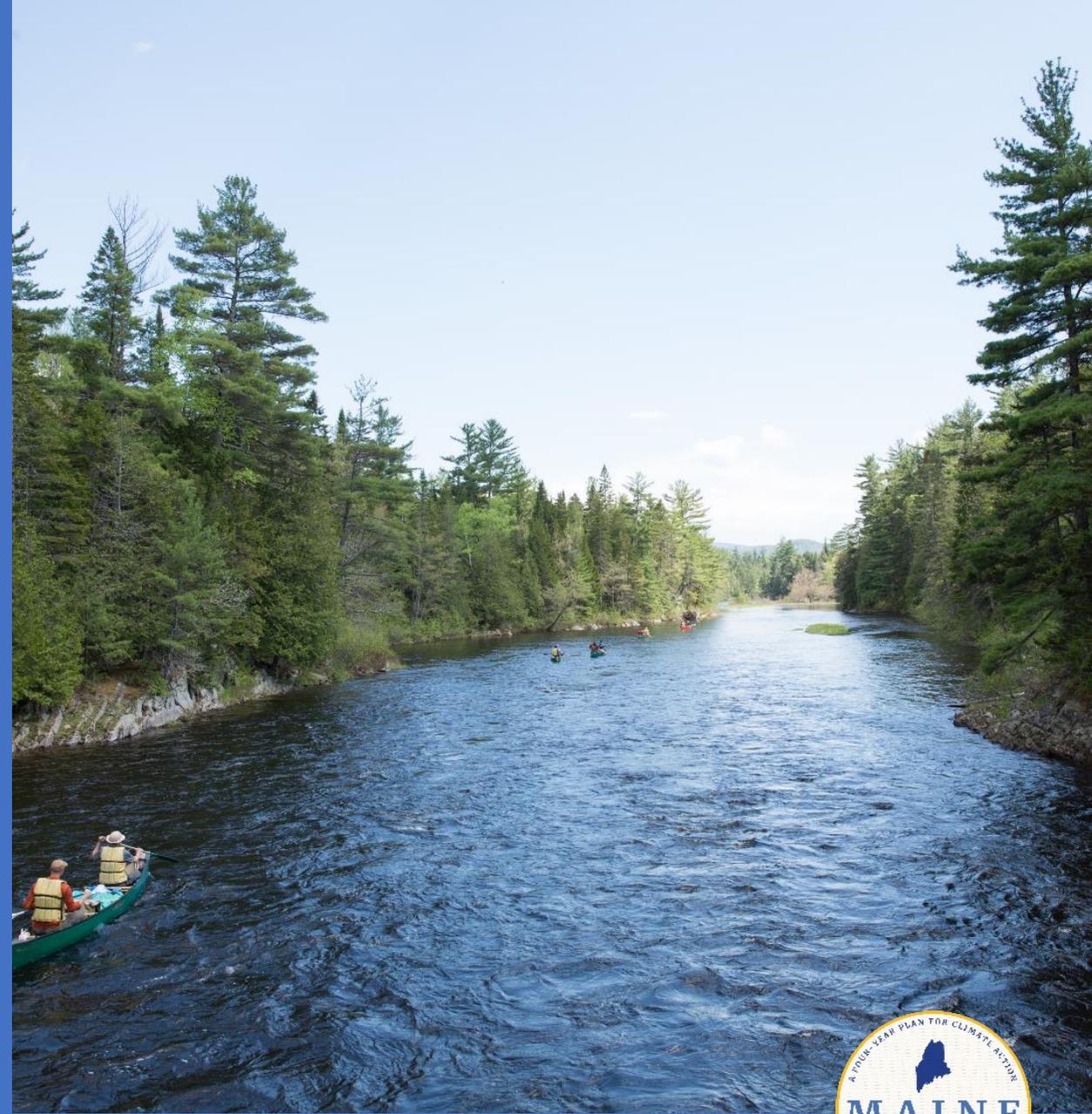
- Incorporate outreach
- Discuss updates and priorities

June 18

- Working groups deliver mitigation and adaptation strategies to Maine Climate Council

Integration of Working Group Strategies

Amalia Siegel, GOPIF



2024 Plan Timeline



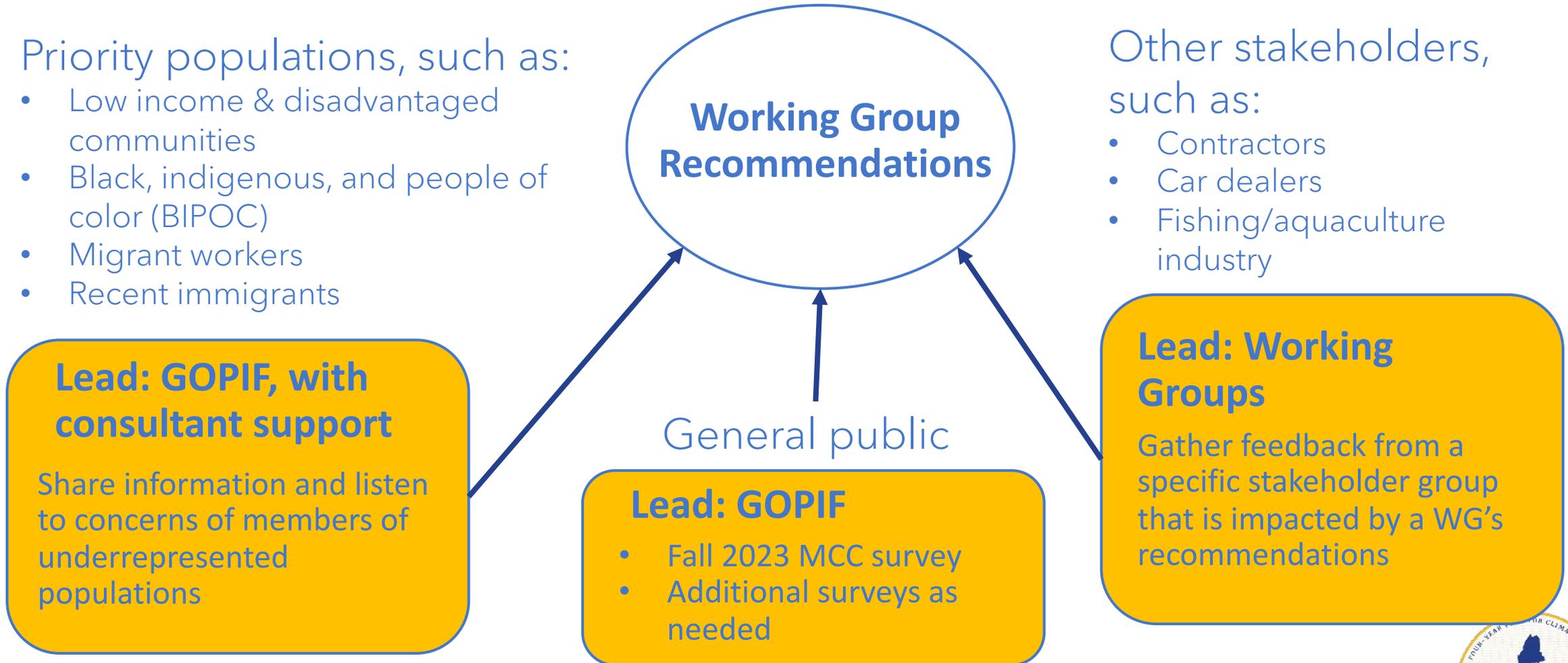
Outreach & engagement

Priority populations, such as:

- Low income & disadvantaged communities
- Black, indigenous, and people of color (BIPOC)
- Migrant workers
- Recent immigrants

Other stakeholders, such as:

- Contractors
- Car dealers
- Fishing/aquaculture industry



CMWG Subcommittee Updates

- Fisheries/Aquaculture
Ben Martens, Jes Waller
- Working Waterfronts/Infrastructure
Nick Batista, Bill Needleman
- Monitoring
Becca Peters, Ivy Fringoca
- Blue Carbon
Jeremy Gabrielson, Curtis Bohlen



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Next Meeting

- **Monday, January 22nd at 9:00AM**
 - **Opportunities for joint learning**
 - **Subcommittee updates**
 - **Location, TBD**
- **Google Drive for CMWG**
 - <https://tinyurl.com/48arx8hc>

