



To: Jon Laria, Chair, Maryland Sustainable Growth Commission
Maryland Sustainable Growth Commissioners

From: Gerrit Knaap, MSGC PlanMaryland Workgroup Chair

Subject: Status Report on MSGC PlanMaryland Workgroup

The Maryland Sustainable Growth Commission (MSGC) PlanMaryland Workgroup met on January 11, 2013 to begin meeting with State agencies to talk about their PlanMaryland Implementation Strategies. The first two agencies meeting with the Workgroup were the Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) and the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (DLLR).

Ursula Powidski and Roger Venezia from DBED began the meeting with an overview of the DBED's mission and general discussion of the department's operations. They then reviewed with the Workgroup the targeted industries and the Maryland Economic Development Commission's five-year strategic plan. Ms. Powidski and Mr. Venezia discussed DBED's effort to implement this five-year strategic plan and how it integrated with the department's conceptual PlanMaryland Implementation Strategies. Workgroup members asked a number of questions about DBED's operations and possible opportunities to further target DBED activities to promote smart, sustainable growth in Maryland.

Daniel Savery from DLLR also attended the January 11th meeting. With much of the Workgroup's discussions focusing on DBED's PlanMaryland efforts, Mr. Savery did not have time at the meeting to make a full presentation or have an in-depth discussion of DLLR's efforts to implement PlanMaryland. Mr. Savery agreed to come back to the next Workgroup meeting on February 8, 2013 at 1 PM. He indicated that he would try to have representatives from DLLR's Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning attend the next meeting. DBED indicated that someone from their department would also attend the February 8th meeting to answer any additional questions.

The Workgroup will continue meeting with State agencies over the next six months or more to discuss their conceptual PlanMaryland Implementation Strategies.