

**City of Davis Climate Action Team (CAT)
November 20, 2008 Meeting Notes**

Members Present

		Rachel Milbrodt	DJUSD
Mark Braly	Planning Commission	James Morante	PG&E
Jim Cramer	Care for God's Creation	John Mott-Smith	Yolo County
Bill Dakin	Davis energy Group		
Sid England	UCD Sustainability Committee		
		Kemble Pope	Open Space & Habitat Comm
Teresa Bui	ASUCD	Dorothy Rosenberg	Citizen
Jack Kenward	Bicycle Advisory Commission	Mark Rutheiser	Davis Chamber of Commerce
		Jennifer Segar	Citizen
Emma Lautz	ASDHS		

Agenda Item 1. – Approve Agenda

Approved

Agenda Item 2. – Meeting notes

No meeting notes from October 23, 2008

Agenda Item 3. – Public Comment

None.

Agenda Item 4. – Public Outreach – Low Carbon Diet Pilot Program

Staff briefed the CAT on the results of the pilot program. The CAT provided general feedback that the program was a useful educational tool to engage the public on climate change. Specific comments included:

- Carbon calculator a useful exercise to go through.
- Phone numbers of participants in each eco-team would have been helpful for team leaders.
- Useful for more face to face meetings.
- Helpful for team leaders to know the workbook better at the beginning of the program.
- Groups that have other (pre-existing) relationships (e.g. churches), may provide a more intense experience for participants with opportunities to learn from fellow participants and greater accountability.
- Better to run program through “natural solicitation” (e.g. churches, social organizations, etc.)
- Need to ID experience level of groups (not one size fits all).
- Include children more directly.
- Create Davis specific appendix of actions.
- Account for embedded energy in new appliances, etc.

- Recognize family differences (e.g. affects of different age children in a household).
- Need better communication within teams.
- 1 month not long enough for necessary interaction between participants.
- Create more robust on-line forum.

Agenda Item 5. – Climate Action Team – Administration

Staff provided informational updates on the following:

- Analysis of potential actions – The Science Advisory Team will be considering initial analysis of potential actions at their early December meeting. The CAT will receive the same analysis worksheets in December.
- Update on City Sustainability Working Group – The City is continuing to pursue GHG reduction actions in its own operations. The CAT expressed concern that the City is not providing adequate leadership by planning and demonstrating the actions it is taking to reduce its GHG emissions. One suggestion by CAT members was to provide additional information on current activities on the City's sustainability web page. Staff will be pursuing these suggestions.
- Public Outreach – Informational update on additional public outreach activities.

Agenda Item 5. – Communications

- Next meeting: December 18, 2008.
- Next meeting to focus on analysis of potential actions.