

Quarterly Review of Environment and Energy Not in Board Packages (NIPs)

Environment and energy-related NIPs distributed to the Board since the last Environmental Committee meeting on February 2, 2021 are listed and summarized below for Board review and discussion, as needed:

Fairfax Green Initiatives Update (March 2021)

On February 5, 2019, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the Fairfax Green Initiatives Board Matter, which outlines 19 energy-related action items for Board offices, three Board committees, the Tree Commission and the County Executive. In July 2020, the Board unanimously approved a follow-on motion, the Fairfax Green Initiatives #2 Board Matter, which includes 14 additional environment and energy-related action items for the County Executive, County Attorney, Land Use Policy Committee, and several county departments and agencies.

In June 2019, staff developed an Implementation Matrix to track progress on Fairfax Green Initiatives. The matrix, which is shared quarterly with the Board, tracks completed, ongoing and anticipated implementation on action items. The purpose of this memorandum is to describe progress made on Fairfax Green Initiatives #1 and #2 action items since the last update was provided to the Board in November 2020. An updated Implementation Matrix is included as an attachment.

Agency Responses to the Joint Environmental Task Force Recommendations (March 2021)

The Joint Environmental Task Force (JET) was formed in April 2019 by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and the Fairfax County School Board. The JET, which included members from the Board of Supervisors, School Board, and community, was formed to identify areas of collaboration and advance county and school efforts in energy efficiency and environmental sustainability. The JET developed recommendations for county and school operations across four focus areas: energy, transportation, waste management and recycling, and workforce development. These recommendations were included in a final report, which was accepted by the Board of Supervisors in October 2020.

An October 20, 2020 Board Matter, introduced by Supervisor Storck, directed the County Executive to bring an action plan to the Environmental Committee no later than March 2021 for implementation of the JET recommendations. Staff subsequently developed and facilitated an agency response process for the JET recommendations. The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an overview of the JET recommendations, agency response process, and resource needs for implementation. An attachment includes a complete set of staff responses to the JET recommendations.