

Social Equity Subcommittee call May 4, 2020 11am to 12 noon

Attendance:

George Cavros, SACE, Task Force Member
Sasha Forbes, NRDC, Task Force Member
Colin Polsky, FAU CES, Task Force Member
Ilan Kaufer, FPL, Task Force Member
Bridget Houston, FAU CES grad student
Paul Krashefski, EPCRD, BC Staff support

Goal of the meeting: Presentation by Bridget, a soon to be graduating grad student at FAU's Center for Environmental Studies (CES), working on the Dania Beach Study (Estates of Fort Lauderdale). Her work can be considered as one example of the methodology and outreach that could be used to answer or inform CCTF's equity and climate research questions. Additionally, a goal of this meeting is to determine what the next step/s would be.

Upon completion of the presentation, the idea of what the next step would be was raised.

Points of discussion

How can this approach be refined and replicated in other Broward communities?

Unique characteristics are found in each community, so how do we incorporate them?

How can we tap into the social connections of target communities that are essential to the success of any study?

For additional selections of target communities to study, further intentional and thoughtful criteria will need to be incorporated....this initial study had a weighted consideration for convenience in order to accommodate graduate students who have a finite time to deliver results.

Colin indicated that he has plans and funding to initiate further studies in the near future and would like to come up with criteria to select communities to partner with.

Sasha will reach out to a City of Hollywood contact to see if there is availability/interest.

George is looking forward to additional studies so that this test case can be viewed in relation to other communities.

A time for further discussion of these issues will be determined and County staff will initiate in keeping with CCTF subcommittee guidelines and procedures.