

**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency**  
**Environmental Financial Advisory Board**

**Public Meeting**

**Location: Telephone and Web-based Only**

**October 14-15, 2020**

**11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time, each day**

**Day 1, October 14**

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11:00 am **I. WELCOME AND REVIEW OF AGENDA**

- Ed Chu, EFAB Designated Federal Officer (convene, welcome to new members) (5 min)
- Joanne Throwe, EFAB Chair (review of agenda) (5 min)
- Roll Call/Member Introductions (30 min)

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11:40 am **II. REVIEW OF STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE- Receiving, Evaluating, Acting on a Charge**

- Review of how the Board receives a Charge, how the charge is evaluated, and what actions the Board can take with the Charge (20 min)

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12:00 pm **III. OPPORTUNITY ZONES**

- Opening Remarks on the Charge, EPA Office of Policy (15 min)
- Understanding the Tax Incentives- Jon Grosshans (20 min)

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12:35 pm **BREAK** (15 min)

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12:50 pm **IV. OPPORTUNITY ZONES COMMUNITY STORIES**

- Daffney Moore, Chief Opportunity Zone Officer, St. Louis Development Corporation (25 min)
- Jill Connors, Economic Development Director, Dubuque, IA (25 min)

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1:40 pm **V. OPPURTUNITY ZONE CHARGE DISCUSSION and NEXT STEPS**  
(1 hour and 10 min)

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2:50 pm **VI. PUBLIC COMMENT**  
Registered speakers (10 minutes)

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3:00 pm **RECESS**

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**Day 2, October 15**

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11:00 am **I. RECONVENE**

- Ed Chu, EFAB Designated Federal Officer (5 min)
- Roll Call (5 min)

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11:10 am **II. INTRODUCTION TO THE WATER FINANCE CENTER AND ACTIVITIES**

- Raffael Stein- Organizational Structure (5 min)
  - Sonia Brubaker – What is the Center's focus (5 min)
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11:20 am **III. UPDATE FROM ENVIRONMENTAL FINANCE CENTER NETWORK (EFCN)**  
– Jennifer Cotting, EFCN and Director of EPA Region 3 EFC at University of Maryland (20 min)

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11:40 pm **IV. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS BOARD CHARGES**  
– Previous Board Charges (25 min each):

- o Environmental Risk and the Cost of Capital (*Beecher, Chapman*)
- o Stormwater Credit Trading (*Holland, Henifin*)
- o Water Affordability (*Rothstein, Henifin*)

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12:55 pm **BREAK** (10 min)

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1:05 pm **V. PREVIOUS BOARD CHARGES DISCUSSION AND NEXT STEPS CHARGES**  
Group discussion, prioritization and next steps for the Charges (1 hour and 15 min)

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2:20 pm **VI. EPA RESPONSE TO RECENT EFAB ADVICE**

- Ellen Tarquinio, Water Infrastructure and Resiliency Finance Center (Office of Water feedback on recent EFAB recommendations: Stormwater Infrastructure Finance report) (10 min)
- Stephanie Santell, Office of Wetlands, Oceans, and Watersheds Immediate Office (Office of Water feedback on recent EFAB recommendations: Pre-Disaster Resilience Finance report) (10 min)
- Member Questions and Discussion (10 min)

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2:50 pm **VII. Public Comment**  
Registered Speakers

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3:00 pm **ADJOURN**