

Proposed Mapping Subcommittee Objectives & Timeline

Required Outcome	December	January		February	March		April	May	June	July	August	Sept	October
<b>Mapping</b>  Proviso Language: “Guidance for state agencies regarding how to use a cumulative impact analysis tool [Environmental Health Disparities Map] developed by the Department of Health. Guidance must cover how agencies identify highly impacted communities and must be based on best practices and current demographic data.”	A. Identify who (for example: state agencies, non-profit organizations, consultants, local government, etc.) has used the EHD Map, what they have used the EHD Map for, and why they have used the EHD Map.	<input type="checkbox"/> Presented?		D. Based on the effective application of tools similar to the Environmental Health Disparities Map, develop recommendations on uses of the EHD map in state agency activities.	<input type="checkbox"/> Presented?		I. Develop recommendations for how agencies can use the Environmental Health Disparities Map to inform various decision making processes (i.e. fiscal, policy, etc.). Provide agency-specific recommendations when appropriate.	<input type="checkbox"/> Presented?	May be called upon to write & revise report sections	Initial draft of final report due late June/early July 2020	May be called upon to write & revise report sections		Final draft of report due 10/31/20
	B. Identify promising applications of the EHD Map to guide when and how best the map could be used by state agencies (for example: to inform an equitable distribution of grant funds or to identify target communities for public engagement).	<input type="checkbox"/> Presented?		E. Identify current limitations in the application of the EHD Map and propose actions to address existing limitations or alternative tools to ensure consideration of health disparities.	<input type="checkbox"/> Presented?		J. Collaborate with the community engagement subcommittee to examine and discuss the role of community in identifying highly impacted communities.	<input type="checkbox"/> Presented?					
	C. Identify mapping tools similar to the EHD Map (i.e. California’s CalEnviro Screen map, EPA’s EJSCREEN, etc.) and understand how these tools are currently used to guide agency work.	<input type="checkbox"/> Presented?		F. <i>Recommended:</i> Develop recommendations for how the EHD Map’s data/indicator selection and collection methods can be improved or expanded.	<input type="checkbox"/> Presented?		K. Recommend strategies for sustainable funding for the Environmental Health Disparities Map.	<input type="checkbox"/> Presented?					
				G. Examine how state agencies currently identify and define highly impacted communities and how this information is used to inform decision making.	<input type="checkbox"/> Presented?								
<b>Measureable Goals</b>  Proviso Language: “Recommendations for establishing measureable goals for reducing environmental health disparities for each community in Washington and ways in which state agencies may focus their work towards meeting those goals.”	A. Research existing metrics used in other local and state jurisdictions to quantitatively measure progress toward reducing environmental health disparities on a community scale. If possible, provide recommendations for how these metrics can inform application of the EHD Map.	<input type="checkbox"/> Presented?		B. Develop recommendations for how to use the EHD Map in a way that informs the creation of measureable and actionable goals to reduce environmental health disparities. Provide agency-specific recommendations when appropriate.	<input type="checkbox"/> Presented?				May be called upon to write & revise report sections		May be called upon to write & revise report sections		
<b>Model Policies</b>  Proviso Language: “Model policies for prioritizing highly impacted communities and vulnerable populations for the purpose of reducing environmental health disparities and advancing a healthy environment for all residents.”	A. Identify existing or proposed policies that direct the use of mapping to address environmental justice and health disparities.				<input type="checkbox"/> Presented?		B. Make recommendations for how policies could incorporate the use of the Environmental Health Disparities Map.	<input type="checkbox"/> Presented?	May be called upon to write & revise report sections		May be called upon to write & revise report sections		

The Environmental Justice Task Force is supported by two subcommittees, one focused on the Environmental Health Disparities Map and the other concentrating on community engagement among historically marginalized populations and highly impacted communities. Both subcommittees will recommend model policies and measureable goals for reducing environmental health disparities. Subcommittees will meet monthly to collaborate on current efforts, present findings, and share resources.

These objectives are specifically for the Environmental Health Disparities Map subcommittee and are from guidance outlined in the budget proviso for the Environmental Justice Task Force. The proposed order and timeline (organized by required outcome) for the objectives are listed above. Many objectives will need to be completed simultaneously across and within study areas.