

# U.S. EPA's Local Climate & Energy Webcast Series presents:

## Climate Showcase Communities: Lessons Learned and New Approaches

We will start in a few minutes. Thank you for joining us.



Local Climate and Energy Program



# Climate Showcase Communities: Lessons Learned and New Approaches



Andrea Denny

EPA Local Climate and Energy Program

April 27, 2011

# Webcast Agenda



- Go-to-Meeting Logistics  
Overview of U.S. EPA Local Climate & Energy Program and Climate Showcase Communities Program  
Andrea Denny, U.S. EPA
- Building a Municipal Energy Conservation Corp  
Joseph Forest, Springfield, MA
- Sustainable Transportation for a Sustainable Future  
Kate Lilja, Salt Lake City, UT
- Project HELP (Healthy Energy Living Project)  
Tracy Horst, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
- Maximizing GHG Reductions through Food Waste Diversion  
Juliette Bohn, Humboldt County Waste Management Authority
- Regional Circuit Rider for Energy Efficiency  
Robert Graff, Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission
- Question & Answer Session

# GoTo Webinar

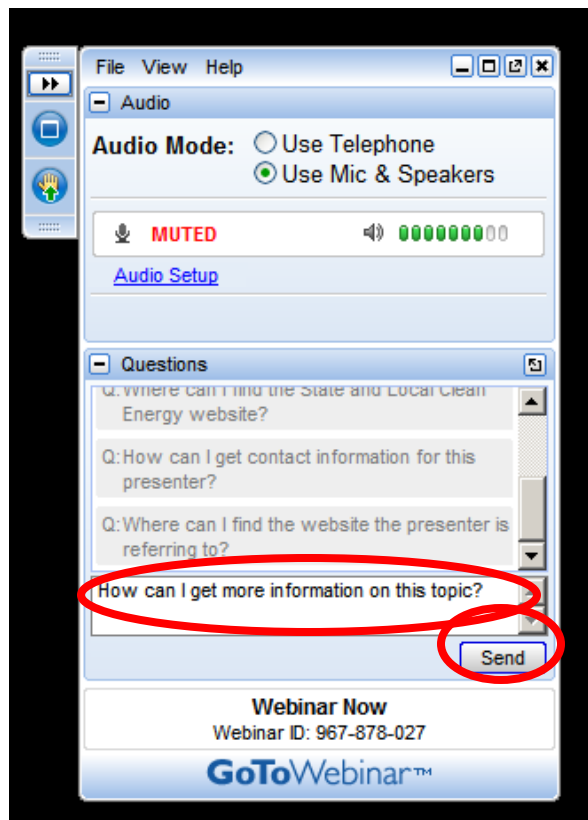
## Software Logistics



- You will be muted throughout this webcast to minimize background noise. You'll be able to submit questions and comments in writing.
  
- PDF and audio files of today's session will be made available for download in a few weeks at:
  - <http://www.epa.gov/statelocalclimate/web-podcasts/index.html>
  
- Throughout the webcast, if you have problems, please contact Lauren Pederson at:
  - [lpederson@icfi.com](mailto:lpederson@icfi.com)

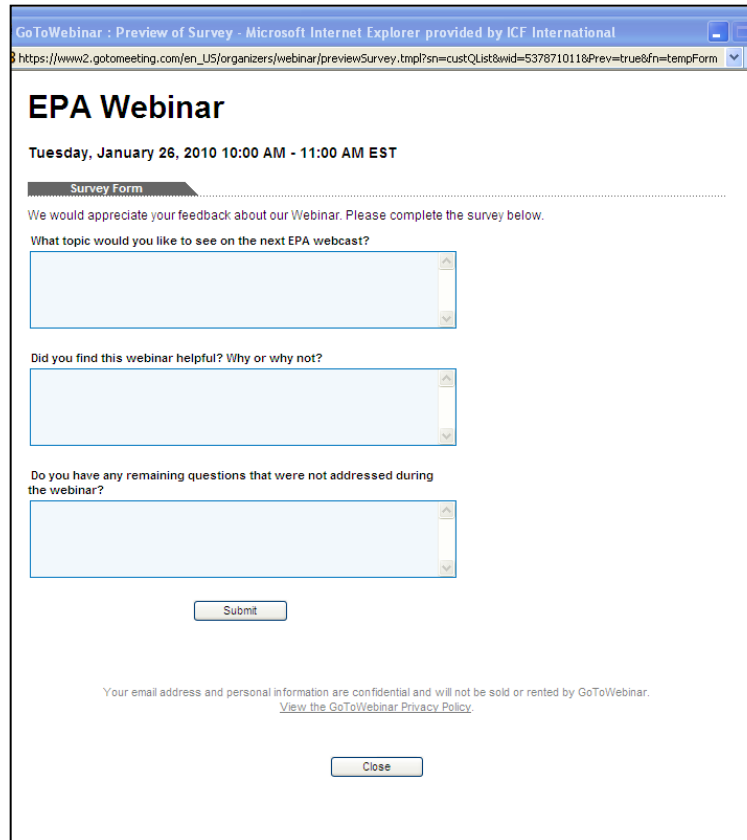
# Questions (GoTo Meeting)

- If you have a question, submit through the question pane.
- We will compile these questions and ask them during the Q&A session.
- Please include the name of the presenter you would like to answer your question.



# Optional Feedback (GoTo Meeting)

- A pop-up window will appear once you exit GoTo Meeting.
- Please take a few minutes to respond to the optional questions and provide your feedback.



The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "GoToWebinar : Preview of Survey - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by ICF International". The address bar shows the URL: "https://www2.gotomeeting.com/en\_US/organizers/webinar/previewSurvey.tmpl?sn=custQList&wid=537871011&Prev=true&fn=tempForm". The main content area is titled "EPA Webinar" and includes the date and time: "Tuesday, January 26, 2010 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM EST". Below this is a "Survey Form" section with the text: "We would appreciate your feedback about our Webinar. Please complete the survey below." The survey consists of three text input fields with the following questions: "What topic would you like to see on the next EPA webcast?", "Did you find this webinar helpful? Why or why not?", and "Do you have any remaining questions that were not addressed during the webinar?". A "Submit" button is located below the third field. At the bottom of the form, there is a disclaimer: "Your email address and personal information are confidential and will not be sold or rented by GoToWebinar. View the GoToWebinar Privacy Policy." and a "Close" button.

# Local Climate and Energy Program: Goals



Help communities (e.g., tribal governments, regional governments, cities, counties, etc) to:

- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions while achieving their sustainability goals
- Identify and work with expert partners and programs
- Understand, integrate, and maximize multiple benefits (e.g., energy savings, cost savings, public health benefits, economic growth, securing local energy) in planning and designing programs

# Local Climate and Energy Program Elements



- Informational Resources
  - Web site:  
[www.epa.gov/statelocalclimate](http://www.epa.gov/statelocalclimate)
  - Local Climate and Energy Strategy Guides:  
[www.epa.gov/statelocalclimate/resources/strategy-guides.html](http://www.epa.gov/statelocalclimate/resources/strategy-guides.html)
  - State and Local Climate and Energy Listserv:  
[www.epa.gov/statelocalclimate/listservs](http://www.epa.gov/statelocalclimate/listservs)
  
- Peer Exchange Opportunities
  - Webcasts and Other Trainings:  
[www.epa.gov/statelocalclimate/web-podcasts/local-webcasts-by-date.html](http://www.epa.gov/statelocalclimate/web-podcasts/local-webcasts-by-date.html)
  
- *Climate Showcase Communities Program:*  
[www.epa.gov/statelocalclimate/local/showcase](http://www.epa.gov/statelocalclimate/local/showcase)

# Climate Showcase Communities Program



- \$20 million in Competitive Grants Awarded to Local and Tribal Governments in FY09 and FY10
  - demonstrate documentable, replicable, long-lasting GHG reductions
  - build community capacity and collaborative partnerships
  - address multiple benefits (economic, environmental, social, etc)
  
- Program Framework:
  - Focus on 50 Pilot Cities to test models for action
  - Build networks and peer exchange to share approaches
  - Document and 'showcase' for all communities
  - Share tools, resources, and lessons learned
  - Catalyze broad local and tribal action

[www.epa.gov/statelocalclimate/local/showcase](http://www.epa.gov/statelocalclimate/local/showcase)

Please note: Funding is limited to 2009 and 2010 grant recipients. EPA does not anticipate issuing additional funding solicitations for the Climate Showcase Communities Program at this time.



# Local Climate and Energy Contacts



Andrea Denny

[denny.andrea@epa.gov](mailto:denny.andrea@epa.gov)

Neelam R. Patel

[patel.neelam-r@epa.gov](mailto:patel.neelam-r@epa.gov)

Emma Zinsmeister

[zinsmeister.emma@epa.gov](mailto:zinsmeister.emma@epa.gov)

Main Website:

<http://www.epa.gov/statelocalclimate/local>