



Boulder Xcel Advisory Panel Meeting

November 18, 2024

5:30-7:30pm, Zoom

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Agenda

- **Welcome, Introductions, Agenda Review**
- **Questionnaire Results Summary**
- **Updates from Xcel - Just Transition Solicitation, VPP Grant Award**
- **Updates from Boulder - Climate Action Plan, Buildings Roadmap, Heat Pump Accelerator Pilot, Local Generation 2.0**
- **Dashboard Update**
- **Wrap Up & Next Steps**

Questionnaire Summary

Summary

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Description	Facilitator Recommendation	Boulder Xcel Action
Frequency of General Business Meetings	Move to every other month for 1.5 hours; host 1-2 hybrid general business meetings in 2025.	Recommendation adopted. Move to every other month starting February 2025.
Topical Meetings	Increase frequency of topical meetings (e.g., working groups, webinars, etc.).	Anticipated that there will be an increase, particularly around goal updates.
Public Observation of Topical Meetings	Continue to evaluate topical meetings for opportunities for public observation; increase access to notes from topical meetings and ability to comment.	Recommendation adopted.
In-person Events	Schedule tour of the Valmont PP for the panel; host one in-person informal gathering in 2025.	Valmont currently closed to public access. Will identify alternative tour opportunity.
Additional Working Groups and Webinar Topics	Poll panel members to determine which of the suggested topics have most interest and determine means for follow up.	Recommendation adopted.

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Panel Satisfaction	Mean: 4.9; Mode: 3; Range 3-8. Adopt panel recommendations to help improve panel satisfaction.	Recommendation adopted.
Ideas for Panel Improvement	Shift to consulting the panel on key topics rather than reporting to the panel; increase focus on community engagement and transparent communications; clarify decision making process and POT.	Opportunities to dive deeper into topics through working groups and topical webinars.
Sharing Panel Progress with the Public	Develop a public facing dashboard that serves as a single repository for partnership goals, projects, and progress.	Xcel will provide an update at the Nov. 18 AP meeting.
New Panel Members	Fill the three open seats with interested representatives from the following sectors: business, technical experts, equity, and institutions; use language provided by the panel to help recruit.	Boulder will launch recruitment with goal to seat new panel members by February 3, 2025.

Suggested Additional WG Topics

- Building electrification pilot oversight
- Increasing heat pump adoption
- Integrating city/Xcel and BVSD/other local school efforts
- Microgrids and Virtual Power Plants (dynamic load management + storage)
- Resiliency & Reliability (beyond microgrids & VPP)
- Small Nuclear Reactors
- Partner agreement evaluation and recommendations - identify concrete benefits of the partnership and what AP members would recommend adding or changing in a future franchise agreement.

Xcel Updates

Just Transition Solicitation

- **Updates from Xcel to be presented at 11.18. AP meeting**

VPP Grant Award

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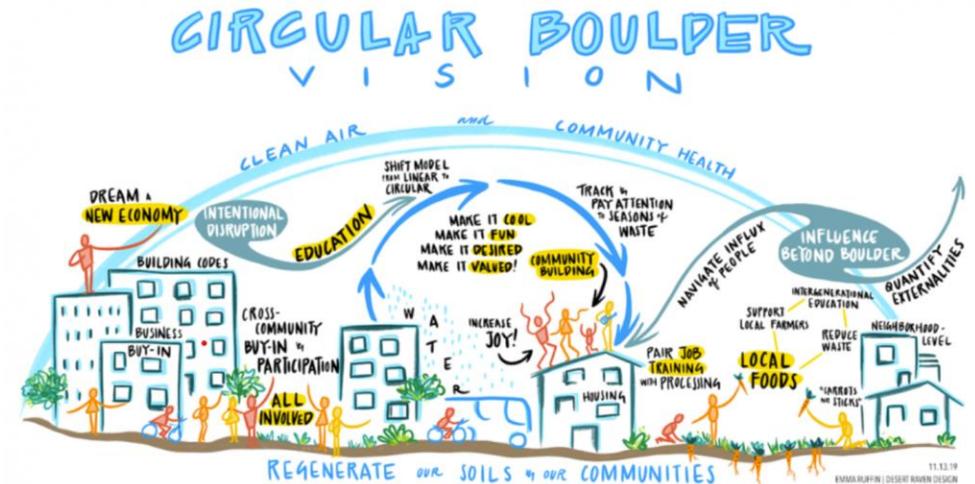
Panel Round Robin

1-2 minutes per panel member to offer reflections and ask questions
Xcel and City to respond after all panel members have gone

Boulder Updates

Climate Action Plan Update

- City Council Adopted Priority
 - City Council Update, December 19, 2024 (Matters from the City Manager)
- Holistic plan outlining goals, targets and strategies for addressing climate mitigation, climate justice and climate adaption and resilience

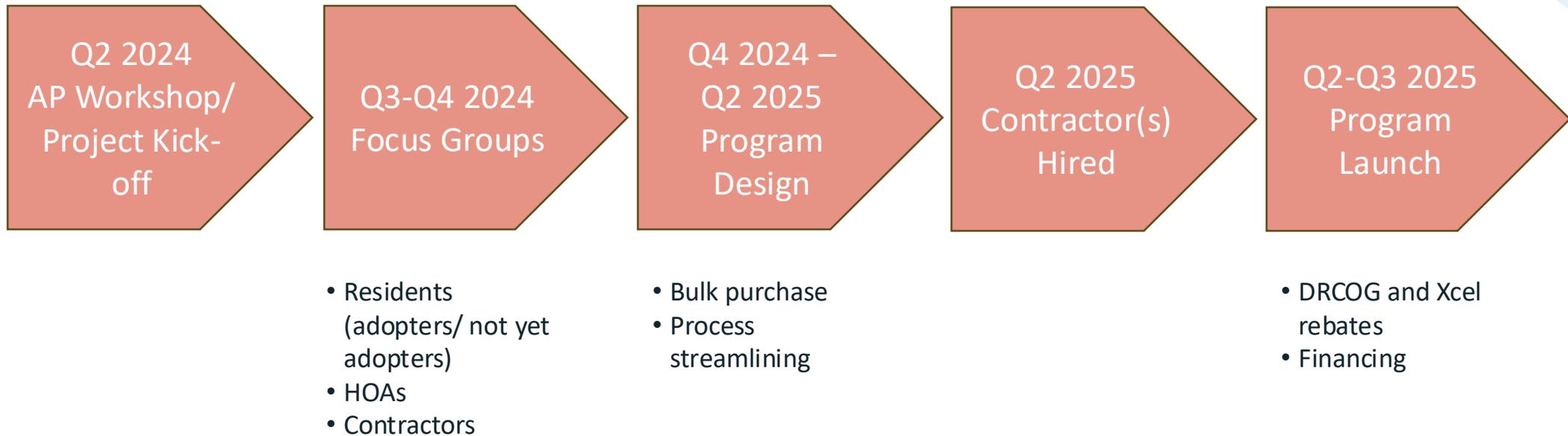


Healthy Buildings, Stronger Community

Setting the vision for the next generation of building decarbonization strategies and programs



Heat Pump Accelerator



Local Generation 2.0

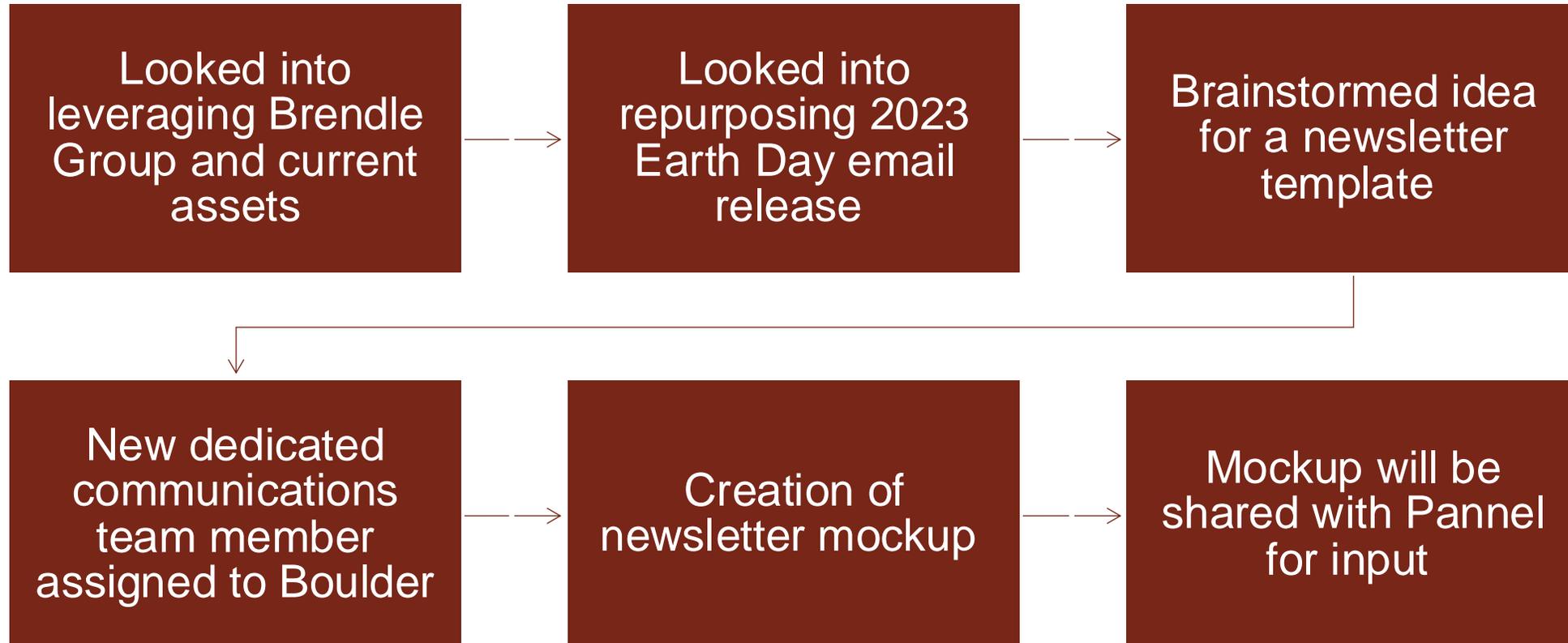


- Wildfire mitigation impacts
- Interests/
- opportunities

- Grid modernization
- Microgrids
- VPPs
- Equity

Dashboard Update

Dashboard Creation Timeline



Updates and Up Next

New Meeting Schedule

2025 Schedule

Every other month, 1st Monday 5:30-7:00

- February 3
- April 7 (in-person / hybrid)
- June 2
- August 4
- October 6 (in-person / hybrid)
- December 1

Thank You!