



# SustiNet committees and task forces: Interviews and suggestions

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# Overview

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- Findings from interviews with co-chairs of committees and task forces
- Suggestions for moving forward



# Part I

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## Interview findings

# Interview process

- Spoke with one or more co-chairs from each committee and task force
- Support needs – general picture
  - Writing
  - Administrative/logistics help, supplementing current resources
  - In some cases
    - Facilitating decision-making
    - Targeted substantive assistance
- Progress
  - Substantial good work
  - Need to focus on legislative recommendations
  - Other issues can be included as information and recommendations to SustiNet's eventual governing entity



## Part II

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One possible process for moving forward

# Three steps

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1. Each committee and task force prepares an initial outline of:
  - Key legislative questions it will seek to answer
  - Other topics it will cover
  - Current thoughts about basic approach
2. The Board and other committees and task forces review and can comment
3. Each committee and task force prepares a final report, taking into account this feedback

# Questions

- How (if at all) should this process be changed?
- Would it be useful to provide committees and task forces, in the near-term, with:
  - The basic policy charge for each committee and task force?
  - Templates for each deliverable?
- What is the time frame for each of the 3 steps?
- How will each committee and task force identify and take into account relevant features of the newly enacted federal law?

# Conclusion

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- Remarkable level of energy, expertise, commitment
- On-track for meeting statutory goals
- Additional support and structure can promote continued success

# Process

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- Template – April 21
- Outline from each committee – May 23
  - Goes to Kevin, he disseminates
- Board presentation - June 1
  - Includes some feedback
- Further feedback to committees – June 8
- Final product from committees – July 1
  - Interim final from committee to Board
  - Task force reports also go to Legislature