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- Introduction:
- State the purpose and objectives of the policy.
- Emphasize the commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion.
- Key Definitions:
- Provide clear definitions of terms related to equity, diversity, and inclusion to ensure common understanding.
- Identify strategies to address any identified inequities or disparities.
- These strategies may include targeted outreach, resource allocation, capacity building, and policy revisions.

•Monitoring and Evaluation:

- Establish mechanisms for ongoing monitoring and evaluation of the policy's effectiveness.
- Regular reporting and feedback loops should be implemented to ensure continuous improvement.
- Training and Awareness:
- Develop training programs to promote understanding of equity principles and the policy's implementation.
- Foster awareness and cultural competence among staff, stakeholders, and decision-makers.
- Equity Assessment Framework:

- Develop an assessment framework to evaluate the impact of environmental policies, projects, and initiatives on equity.

- Consider factors such as race, socioeconomic status, geography, indigenous rights, and other relevant dimensions of social and environmental justice.

- Guiding Principles:
 - Identify the core principles that will guide decision-making and actions within the coalition.

- Examples of guiding principles may include community empowerment, inclusive participation, environmental sustainability, and health equity.

- Community Engagement:
- Describe strategies for meaningful community engagement and participation in decision-making processes.
- Ensure that marginalized communities have a voice and are involved in shaping environmental policies and initiatives.

• Equitable Resource Allocation:

- Outline principles for the equitable distribution of resources, funding, and benefits related to environmental initiatives.

- Address historic disparities in resource allocation and prioritize investment in marginalized communities.