



THURSTON CLIMATE MITIGATION PLAN

Steering Committee



Meeting #1
March 22, 2021



Today's Agenda

1. Opening

- Public Comments

2. Committee Business

- Election of Officers
- Adoption of Phase 3 Charter
- Phase 3 Project Expectations

3. Standing Agenda Items

- Legislative Updates
- Grant & Funding Opportunities
- Jurisdictional Information Sharing

Public Comment

Committee Business

2a. Election of Officers

2b. Adoption of Phase 3
Charter

3c. Phase 3 Project
Expectations

Framework for Climate Action

Equitable distribution of costs and benefits

Green our Grid

- Support state-level action to generate electricity with 100% renewable sources
- Increase energy efficiency of homes and businesses
- Make it easier to install renewables on homes and businesses

Shift Energy Sources

- Switch more appliances, heaters, and vehicles to electricity
- Make it easier to charge electric vehicles in homes and around town

Live Lighter

- Create denser urban neighborhoods where more people can opt to drive less
- Make it easier to telework, walk, bicycle, and ride transit
- Reduce food and other waste

Store Carbon

- Plant trees and preserve tree canopy
- Preserve farmland and increase regenerative agriculture practices
- Preserve and enhance prairies

Build Local Capacity and Resilience

- Provide coordinated leadership on climate action
- Monitor greenhouse gases and assess progress
- Develop expertise in climate-forward practices
- Factor climate impacts into funding and decisions
- Support the development of a green economy
- Further understand and address social equity issues related to climate change

Phase 3 Project Tasks



Task 1 – Project Management



Task 2 – Climate Action Steering Committee



Task 3 – Policy Research Support



Task 4 – Monitoring and Assessment Program

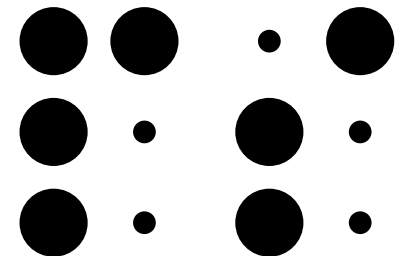
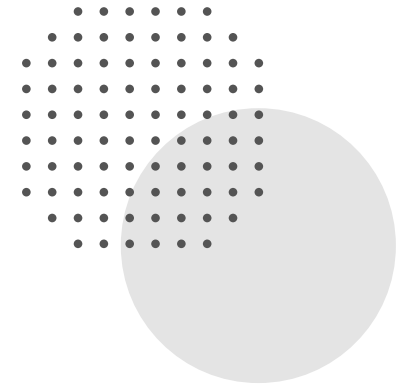


Task 5 – Public Outreach

Phase 3 Project Tasks

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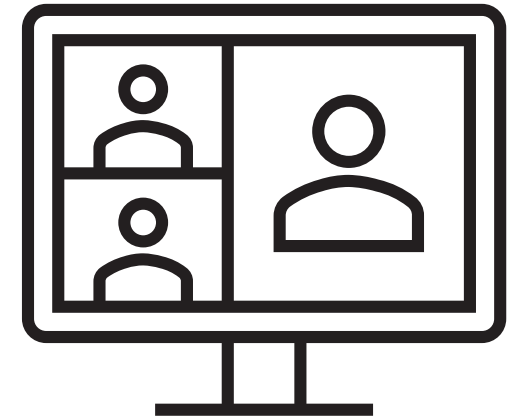
- Multijurisdictional Staff Team
 - 7-10 meetings
- Information Sharing
 - Quarterly reports on implementation activities



Phase 3 Project Tasks

Task 2 – Climate Action Steering Committee

- 6-12 Meetings
- Regular Meeting Time
 - 4th Mondays, 3-5 pm?
- Long-term Climate Mitigation Implementation ILA



Phase 3 Project Tasks

Task 3 – Policy Research Support

- 4 Research White Papers
- Proposed Topics
 1. Climate-informed Decisionmaking
 2. Energy Efficiency of Residential Buildings
 3. Electric-vehicle-ready Infrastructure
 4. Regional Program for Carbon Sequestration



Implementation Strategy

Legislative
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Regionally
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Legislative Agenda Implementation Strategies

A-C. Building energy efficiency standards

White paper #2 – energy efficiency in residential buildings

Regionally Coordinated Implementation Strategies

A. Develop standard approaches to incentivize and track green building practices

Not addressed in Phase 3

B. Develop standard approaches to consider climate impacts in decisions

White paper #1 – Climate-informed decision making

C. Develop model regional standards or codes for priority climate actions

White paper #3 – EV-ready Infrastructure

D. Address climate mitigation goals and actions in transportation planning

Existing programs

E. Support and expand food waste program

Existing program

F. Develop a regional program for carbon sequestration

White paper #4 – Regional program for carbon sequestration

G. Monitor and report of the region's climate progress.

Phase 3, Task #4

H. Ongoing regional coordination

Phase 3, Task #1 & 2

I. Keep community informed and engaged

Phase 3, Task #5

Phase 3 Project Tasks

Task 4 – Monitoring & Assessment Program

- Recommendations for Long-term Monitoring
- Annual Progress Report



Phase 3 Project Tasks

Task 5 – Public Outreach

- Regional Climate Implementation Website
- Presentations to community groups

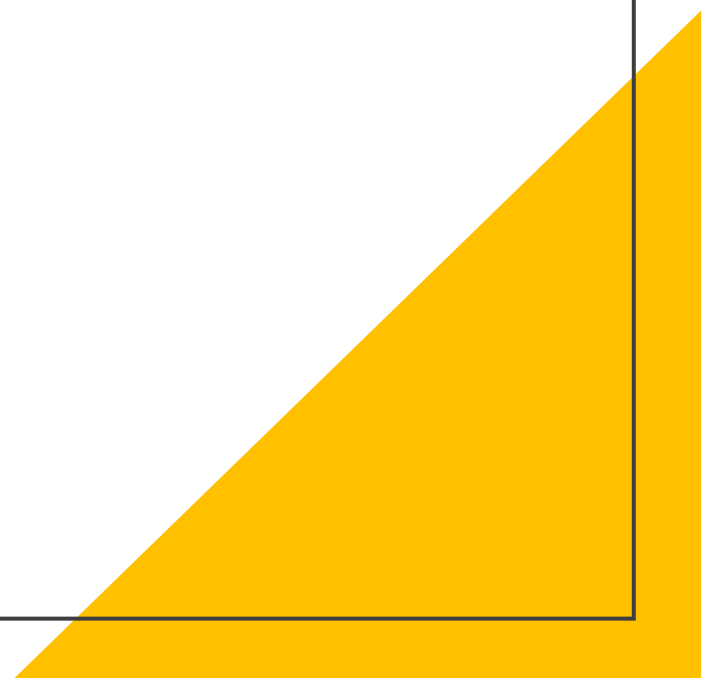


Standing Items

2021 Legislative Session

Bills relating to Climate Mitigation

March 19, 2021



Where are we in the session?

- January 11: 105-Day session began - scheduled to adjourn on April 25.
- March 26: Last day to read in committee reports (pass bills out of committee and read them into the record on the floor) from opposite house, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
- April 2: Last day to read in opposite house committee reports (pass bills out of committee and read them into the record on the floor) from House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees...

Budgets – Likely week of 3/22



Revenue Forecast Up



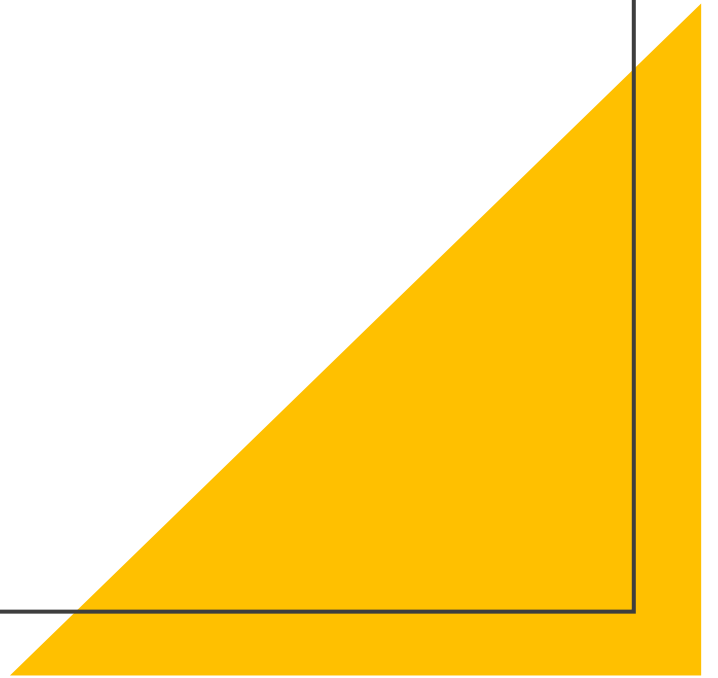
May see more bill intros &
“necessary to implement the
budget”



Transportation: biennial or 10-
16 year package?

Climate Bills

- Will add budget sections when available
- + 50 bills could support Climate strategies, i.e., Equity, Broadband...



Actions

- Contact & Thank Sponsors. What do they need from you?
- As you review Climate Mitigation Framework, is there anything concrete that you need from Legislators right now? For example, push state employee telework/flexible schedules.
- Look to interim to dig in on issues & prep for next session.

Jurisdiction Updates

Thank You!

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