

#### TOWN OF PORTOLA VALLEY

#### Sustainability Committee Meeting December 15, 2022 7:00 PM

Scott Elrod, Chair Jason Saleh, Vice Chair Rebecca Flynn, Secretary Ronny Krashinsky, Member Loverine Taylor, Member Anita Wotiz, Member

#### VIRTUAL MEETING

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL
- ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA Speakers' time is limited to two minutes.
- 3. INTRODUCTIONS
- 4. PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - a. Regular Meeting Minutes of 11/17/2022
  - b. Special Meeting Minutes of 11/29/2022
- 6. OLD BUSINESS
  - a. Updates from Brandi
    - i. Smart Water Meters AMI Pilot Project with CalWater
    - ii. Climate Action Plan 2030
    - SB 1383 State's Climate Pollutant Reduction Strategy targeting organic waste disposal and surplus food
    - iv. Green building amendments and electrification of existing buildings
    - v. Disposable Foodware Ordinance
  - b. Review ongoing effort to issue "Public Service Announcements" on PVForum (November/December Greenhouse Gases, Scott; January Greenhouse Gases, Ronny)
  - c. Review and update committee priorities for 2023:

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- i. Community education: Public Service Announcements to encourage greenhouse gas and water use reduction
- ii. Smart water meter usage with Cal Water: education and outreach
- iii. Climate Action Plan
- iv. Existing building stock electrification ordinances
- v. Demonstration units Induction stove top, backup power, smart meter gadgets
- vi. Preparing for drought including update to MWELO and drought sections on Town website
- d. Prepare inputs for January 2023 Committee Workshop Regarding Major Town Council Projects and Expenditures for FY 2023-24
- e. Discuss the next steps in relation to the EN-ROADS GHG/climate simulation tool
- f. Develop committee inputs to the Safety Element, assuming that Town staff has provided a response to committee questions that were previously submitted.

#### 7. NEXT MEETING AND PROPOSED AGENDA TOPICS

#### 8. ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled meeting date is January 19, 2023 at 7:00 PM.



#### TOWN OF PORTOLA VALLEY

#### Sustainability Committee Minutes November 17, 2022 7:00 PM

Scott Elrod, Chair Jason Saleh, Vice Chair Rebecca Flynn, Secretary Ronny Krashinsky, Member Loverine Taylor, Member Anita Wotiz, Member

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

7:02 PM Scott Elrod, Chair Jason Saleh, Vice Chair Rebecca Flynn, Secretary Loverine Taylor, Member Ronny Krashinsky, Member, 7:03pm Anita Wotiz, Member, 7:03pm

Town: Maryann Derwin, Town Council, Brandi de Garmeaux, Town Consultant

**Community: David Cardinal** 

#### 2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

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#### 3. INTRODUCTIONS

A big thank you to Maryann Derwin for her service to the Sustainability Committee as this is her last meeting.

#### 4. PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Book report from Lovey Taylor on Fostering Sustainable Behavior by Doug Mackenzie Moore. Handbook for professionals and community activists who design programs to change people's behavior around sustainable living habits. Community peer pressure is a good way to achieve people's behavioral change. Information-based programs are utter failures. Consumptive lifestyle images Pick a creditable behavior to change, identify barriers and benefits. Examples of neighbors doing something. Key for us would be having residents write up their experiences and anecdotes around electrification and sustainability. Having a house tour of energy efficiency. Richard Crevelt has given tours of energy efficiency features in his home. Place the information about home ambassadors of electrification experiences on the website. JS: need an emotional connection to a person or to the earth. BdG and MD attended meeting on behavioral sustainability.
- b. <u>Study finds billionaires emit a million times more greenhouse gases than average | CNN (https://www.cnn.com/2022/11/07/world/billionaires-greenhouse-gases-climate-intl)</u>

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- a. Minutes of 10/20/2022.
- b. approval of minutes to include Caroline Vertongen's emailed comments and attachment

#### 6. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Updates from Brandi
  - i. Smart Water Meters AMI Pilot Project with CalWater—working with CalWater to re-start installation; thanks to Rebecca and the committee's feedback, those who had Flume will be able to keep them with their current meter. New smart AMI meter readings will be four times a day during week (once a day on the w/e). Customers will receive a letter in advance of installation, as well as a door hanger before and after installation. Working with CalWater on outreach materials to post on Town's webpage and in Town Newsletter. See further comments under MaryAnn's section

- ii. Climate Action Plan 2030—developing Project and Outreach Plan going to begin initiative with Launch at Town Council Meeting in February and then engage Sustainability Committee and wider community; continuing to work with County Consultant to understand forecasting tool and quantifying existing initiatives.
- iii. SB 1383—State's Climate Pollutant Reduction Strategy targeting organic waste disposal and surplus food—continuing to work with Town Attorney, County and CalRecycle to understand implementation and compliance; working with Town Attorney and GreenWaste to develop outreach plan for requirements that go into effect in July 2023.
- iv. Green building amendments and electrification of existing buildings —Town Council approved amendments as outlined at last Sustainability Committee meeting, with provision to allow projects approved prior to January 1, 2023, to follow existing requirements. Brandi and Building Official working with Planning Staff to develop FAQ, Overview, and additional materials to assist with outreach and implementation; materials will be posted to Town website once developed. Also developing outreach materials and webpage on rebates and opportunities for electrification.
- v. Disposable Foodware Ordinance—continuing outreach to impacted businesses.

#### b. Updates from Maryann

RMCP committee – PCE presentation on 2035 decarbonization—plan to deliver 100% clean energy every hour of the day. A large number of incentives are available for appliances. Pushing home electrification, decarbonization, reach codes, transportation decarbonization. Pushing electrification of 100-amp homes such that you don't have to upgrade the panel so that you don't have to deal with PGE. See presentation in the Resources section of the Town Website under Government, Sustainability Comm. Tom Kabat presented about the10 residential case studies of electrification. See PowerPoint in the Resources section of the Town website under Government> Sustainability Committee.

Resources: Menlo Spark, The Switch is On (lists of contractors).

BAWSCA: Water agencies: Still in a drought. Good storage levels in Bawsca area except the water bank. SFPUC has voluntary 11% rationing. Statewide reservoirs are low. Conservation is tracking close to 2015, so a pretty good conservation effort. One Water workshop for regional collaboration – recycled water, groundwater extraction, etc. – if all projects were implemented could save 33 million gallons of water a day in the Bay Area! CalWater: new AMI smart meter program: will be read 4x/day during week, weekend 1x/day (limits due to battery on the unit). If you have a Flume, you can keep it instead or they will give you \$50 to switch. Cal Water will send a letter prior to the installation. Brandi following up with Cal Water about outreach materials. Dave Cardinal: Also cost issue for cellular service such that Cal Water has to pay for each reading of the meter, hence the limit on the number of readings daily.

- c. Report on November 16, 2022, joint meeting between representatives of three PV Town Committees (Sustainability, Conservation, Nature & Science) and the Woodside committee responsible for related issues (Jay and Scott): JS: Woodside is doing program to eliminate pesticides, many engaging programs, complementary programs to PV, brochures sent out to the entire Town about pesticide elimination, backyard habitat, wildlife corridors. Potential for returning Earth Day. BdG recommends a Film Series instead of an Earth Day. MD interested as well in a Film Series.
- d. Review ongoing effort to issue "Public Service Announcements" on PVForum (November – Greenhouse Gases, Scott)
   Scott working on electrification and addressing issues brought up on the PVForum, starting with a confession, personal story on his efforts to electrify.

- e. Develop any questions for Town staff and external consultants related to the Safety Element, due by December 2.
  - i. What information and policies actually belong in a Safety Element? Is the SE only for immediate safety issues such as storms caused by climate change, or should it also include policies to prevent long-term climate change? Do we want to also focus on reducing GHG emissions as much as possible today to reduce the effects of even more severe climate change in the future?
  - ii. Do water conservation (P-81) and GHG reduction (P-83) actually belong in the Safety element? They seem more suitable for the Sustainability Element?
  - iii. Most policies don't seem specifically related to climate change, but rather generically apply to disaster planning and hazard mitigation. For example, P-79 "Prepare the Town for post-disaster recovery through proactive planning", and many others (P-72, P-73, P-74, P-76, P-77, P-78, P-79). Should these be in other sections such as emergency management instead?
  - iv. Some policies in this section seem very vague compared to other sections. For example, P-72 "Prioritize the needs of vulnerable populations affected disproportionately by hazards and disasters.", among others. Should the policies point to more specific actions that the Town should take?
  - v. Is it appropriate that the climate description covers SMC broadly rather than PV specifically? For example, "The Coastside area experiences a marine climate...", etc.
  - vi. P-82 calls out San Francisquito Creek, which seems to be an issue for San Mateo County safety rather than PV. Does it belong in our SE? And/or should other PV creeks/issues be included?
  - vii. In A-84-1, why is there a desire to have an independent Climate Adaptation plan, rather than adapting the relevant Safety Element sections for wildfire, flooding, etc.?
- f. Update on new member search
  - i. One potential candidate didn't want to deal with contentious issues about electrification aired on the PVForum.
  - ii. Add a message about the search for a new member to the PSA.
- g. Review committee priorities:
  - i. Community education: Public Service Announcements to encourage greenhouse gas and water use reduction
  - ii. Smart water meter usage with Cal Water: education and outreach
  - iii. Climate Action Plan
  - iv. Existing building stock electrification ordinances
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  - vi. Preparing for drought including update to MWELO and drought sections on Town website
- h. Prepare inputs for January 2023 Committee Workshop Regarding Major Town Council Projects and Expenditures for FY 2023-24
  - i. Defer to December
- i. Create recommendations for a Water Efficient Landscaping Ordinance (WELO) update; form a working group with Conservation and Wildfire Preparedness Committees (Lovey)

#### 7. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Decide whether/how to participate in Wildfire Preparedness Committee event on Earth Day (April 22, 2022) at Town Center.

Event on Earth Day. Fair and lectures at Town Center and vendors. 10 am-2 pm. Link between climate change and fire severity. Could propose a lecture – speak to MJ Lee. LT: New Sustainability School at Stanford might provide a speaker. SE to reach out. Sustainability Committee decided to participate.

#### 8. NEXT MEETING AND PROPOSED AGENDA TOPICS

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- a. Dec PSA Ronny tech devicesb. Future PSA—Address reasons to electrify

#### 9. ADJOURNMENT at 8:37 pm

The next regularly scheduled meeting date is December 15, 2022, at 7:00 PM.

#### November 29, 2022 - Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Scott Elrod (Chairman), Jason Saleh (Vice Chair), Rebecca Flynn (Secy), Anita Wotiz, Ronny Krashinsky

Absent: Loverine Taylor

Public: Laura Iyer and Steve Levin – Citizen Climate Lobby, David Cardinal

#### 2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

#### 3. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Presentation on Interactive Climate Change Simulation Tool (EN-ROADS) with Steve Levin and Laura Iyer, Climate Ambassadors with Citizens Climate Lobby and Climate Interactive (Presentation PowerPoint available on the PV website in the Sustainability section and the Sustainability Committee section under meeting Resources)

Energy Rapid Overview and Decision Support En-ROADS Workshop

#### **En-ROADS** (climateinteractive.org)

Help you understand the dynamics of climate change and support you to identify the high value opportunities to create a more just and sustainable world.

Worldwide global model and simulator. Developed with Climate Interactive and MIT Sustainability Initiative.

Latest CO2 reading: 419.30 ppm (way beyond 350 ppm)

Goals: How fast and effectively can we lower GHG emissions and temperature to 2.0 degrees? What are the valuable co-benefits and what are the equity considerations?

**Conclusions:** A large number of actions need to be taken worldwide and implement policies to bring GHG emissions down to keep the temperature increase to under 2 degrees C.

Both personal lifestyle choices and worldwide cut to burning of coal, oil, and gas in the next 10-20 years.

A price on carbon is the quickest, most effective way to change the system but other levers are required as well.

Need to mobilize people from passive agreement to active advocacy and action: letters to the editor, grassroots outreach to join Citizen Climate Lobby, engagements with politicians, and group development.

Citizens' Climate Lobby Core Areas of Focus: Carbon pricing, clean energy permitting reform, building electrification and efficiency, and healthy forests. Has North and South Silicon Valley chapters.

Need a mass movement to change the system. How to encourage PV residents to get involved in being part of the solution?

Climate change awareness day – educate on local initiatives as well as invite national groups to present their mission and solutions. Organizations such as Citizens Climate Lobby, 350, etc.

**4. ADJOURNMENT at 7:59 PM.** The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Sustainability Committee is December 15, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

	Level of Impact (1,	Committee	Loyal of Effort (1	Committee Can Have Unique Impact (1, 2, 3; 3			
Item	2, 3; High = 3)	Enthusiasm (1, 2, 3)	2, 3; Low = 3)	= Most Unique)	2 Committed People?	Total	Notes
Community Education: PSAs (monthly) to encourage GHG and water reduction	3	3	3	3	Rebecca, Scott, Jay	12	
Smart water meter usage with Cal Water education and outreach	3	3	2	3	Rebecca, Lovey	11	
Climate Action Plan (more active role)	3	3	1	3	Scott, Jay	10	
Existing building stock electrification ordinances	3	3	1	2	Rebecca, Jay	9	
Demos (induction stove top, backup power, smart meter, gadgets)	2	2	3	2	Jay (power), Rebecca	9	
Update Website with actionable information to reduce GHG and water usage (re-introduced							
based on request from Town staff)	1.5	1	1.5	3	Everyone	7	
Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (pursuing because Lovey is taking the lead, and							
others on PV committees and Town staff believe it is a good direction)					Lovey	0	
PV Seminar and Movie Series (in collaboration with Nature& Science, Cultural Arts,							
Conservation)	2	2	1	2		7	
Other Drought activities (seminars, workshops, hot water recirculators, buckets)	2	2	0	3	Lovey	7	
Sustainability Book and Podcast Club (Need facilitator and rules. Chapter a week. In depth							
sharing.)	1.5 (everyone agreed this isn't a high priority)						
Green Building Ordinance (to council by October)	(something we will definitely weigh in on)						
Compost Event (effort to liaison by Lovey; Maryann to reach out to Brook Coffee)	(some members of our committee would likely want to help)						

# EN-ROADS

# Choose Your Own Climate Future

Steve Levin & Laura lyer November 29, 2022

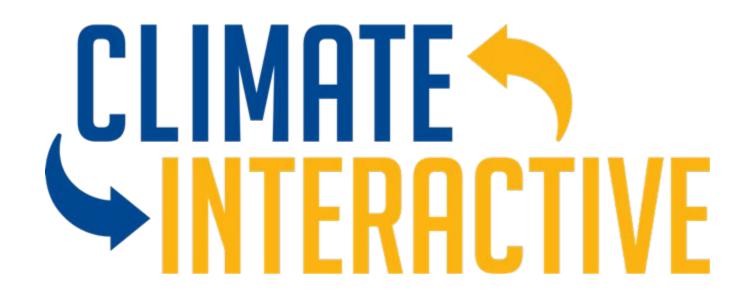
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# Purpose of this En-ROADS Workshop ENergy Rapid Overview And Decision Support

- Provide a quick overview of what shapes our climate system and the dynamics of climate change.
- Support you to identify high value opportunities to create a more just and sustainable world.

Where should we focus as a <u>whole system</u> (Earth) to have a livable world?

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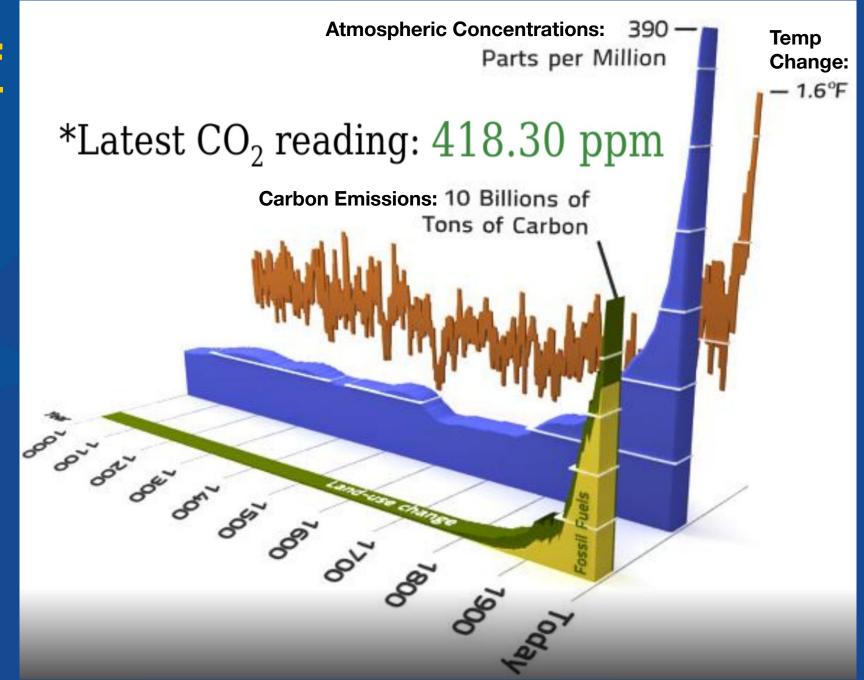




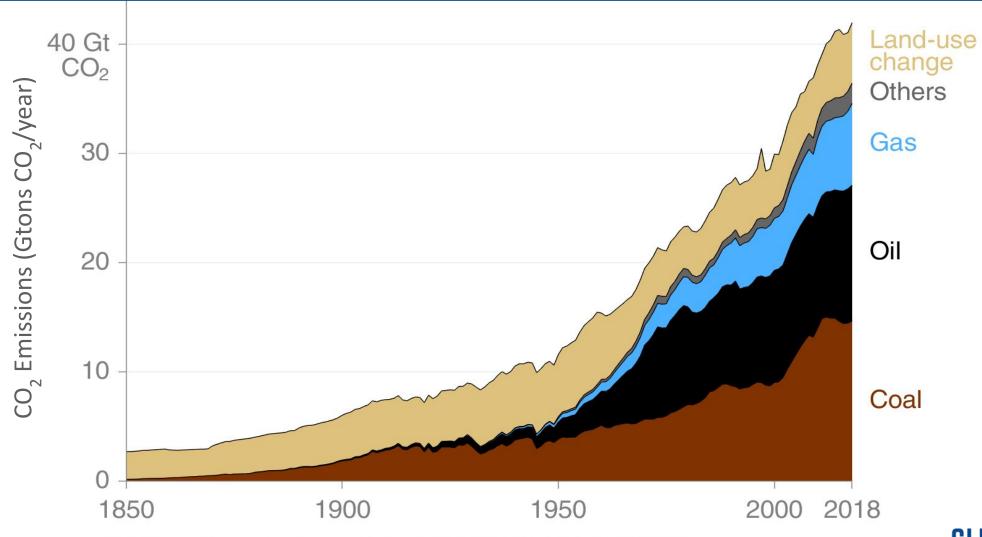
**Sustainability Initiative** 

## 1000 Years of History

- CarbonEmissions
- AtmosphericConcentrations
- TemperatureChange



## CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions by Source



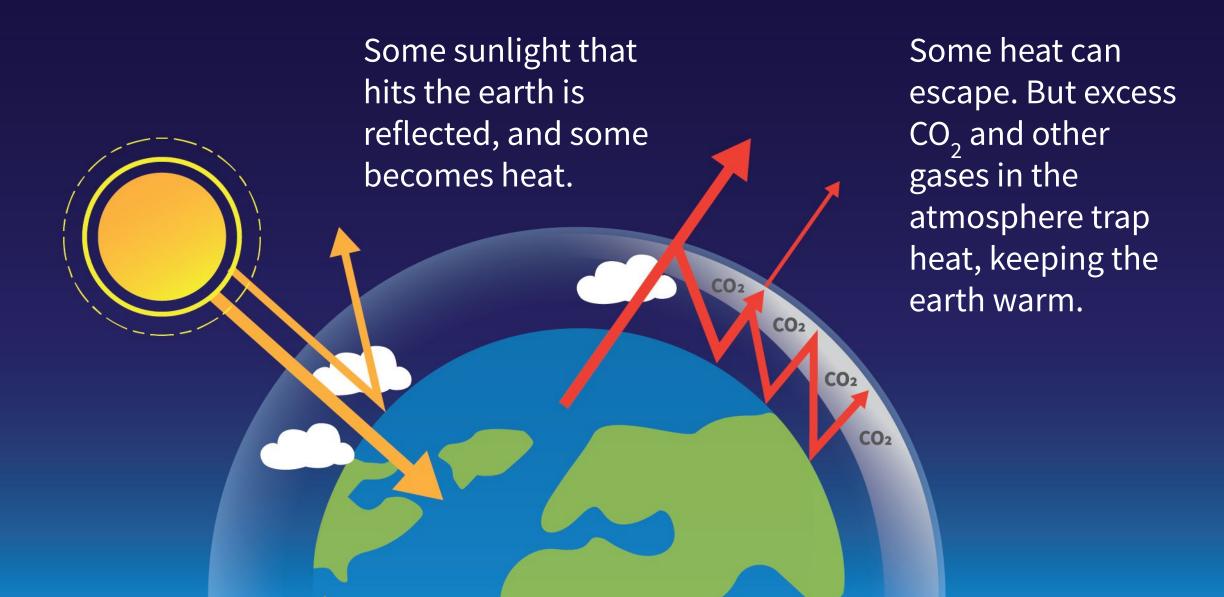
Source: Carbon Dioxide Information Analysis Center (CDIAC)

Others = Emissions from cement production and gas flaring

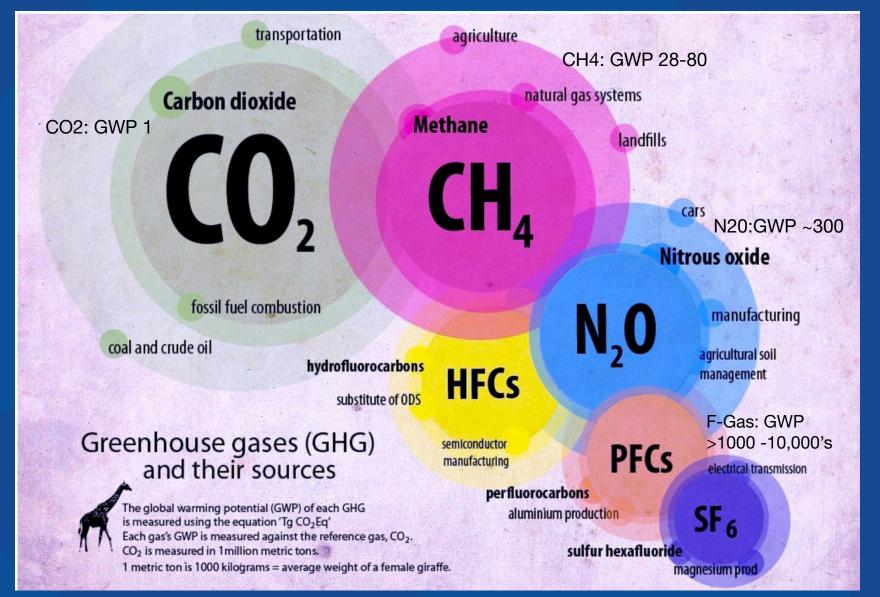
⊕ Global Carbon Project • Data: CDIAC/GCP/UNFCCC/BP/USGS



## Greenhouse Gases Are Changing The Climate



### What Makes Up Greenhouse Gases (GHG)?



## En-ROADS is a cutting-edge simulation model used to test climate solutions and generate climate scenarios for the future.



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## What would 3+ °C (or 5.4+ °F) of warming mean?



Arctic sea ice is gone in 2 out of every 3 summers<sup>1</sup>



50% of insect species lose >50% of their habitat range<sup>2</sup>



Drought: 11 months longer

Increase in average drought length<sup>3</sup>

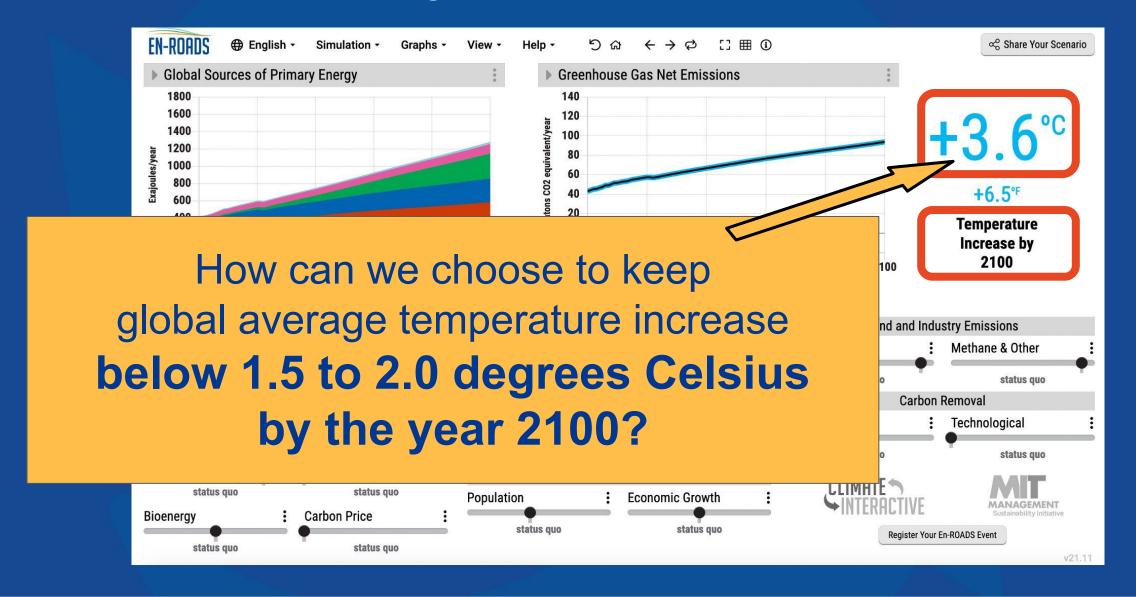


Area burned by summer wildfires in Mediterranean doubles<sup>4</sup>

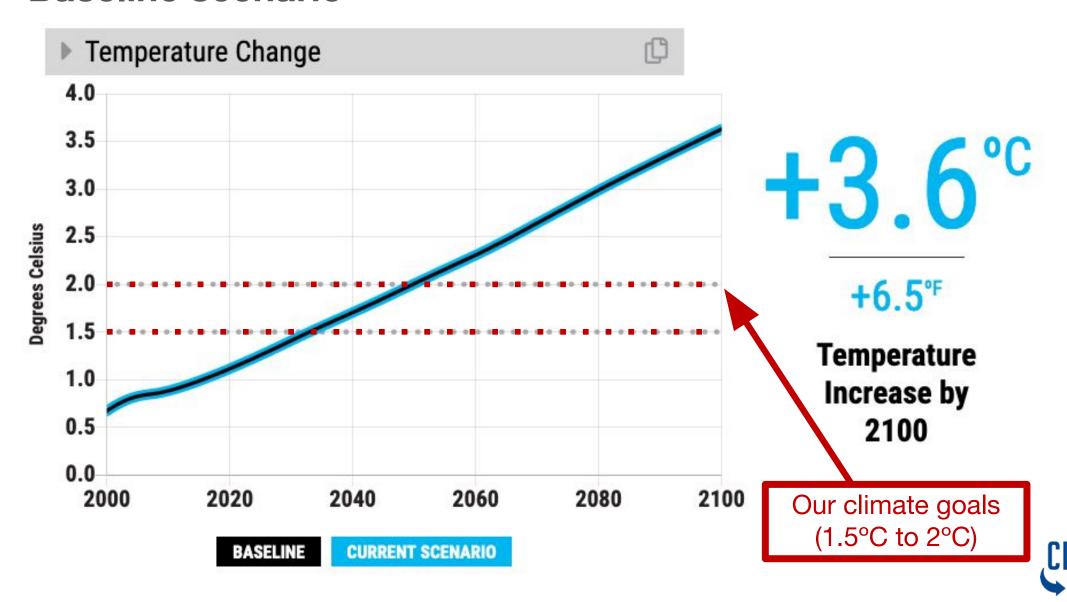
Compared to today

See the impacts of your scenario in the Impacts graph section of En-ROADS

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#### **Baseline scenario**



# Choose Your Own Climate Future

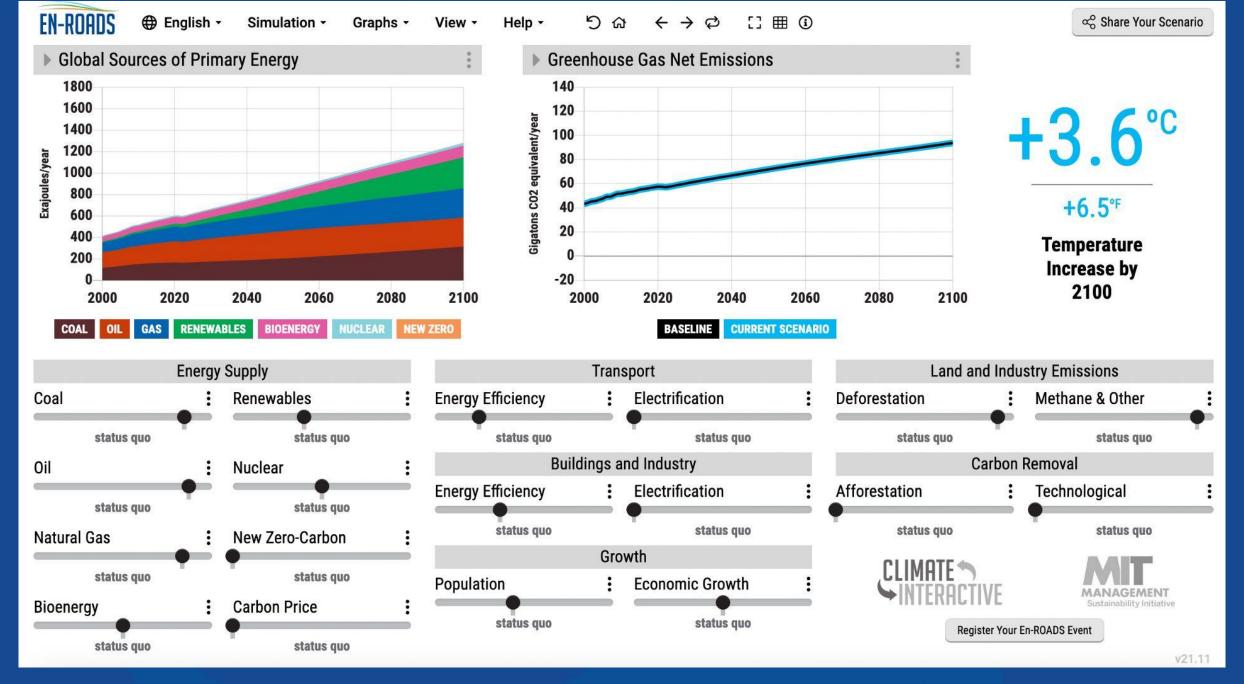
Let's create the scenario you prefer...
...that solves the climate challenge



### **En-ROADS Simulations**



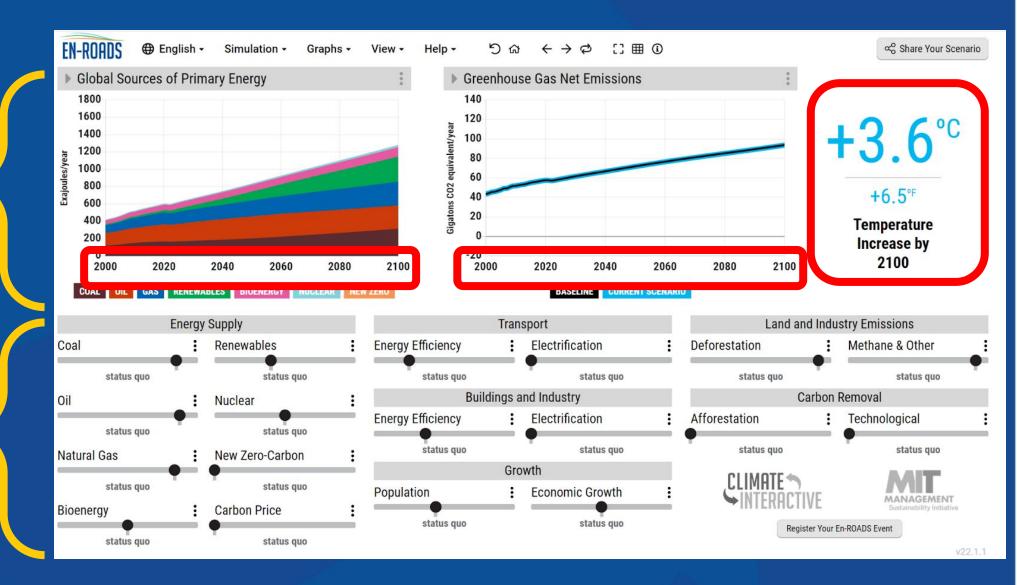




## **Impact vs Solutions**

The Impact of Our Actions

Our Possible Solutions



#### **En-ROADS Control Panel**

climateinteractive.org





#### Coal

Discourage or encourage mining coal and burning it in power plants.



#### Renewables

Encourage or discourage building solar panels, geothermal, and wind turbines.



#### **Transport Energy Efficiency**

Increase or decrease the energy efficiency of vehicles, shipping, air travel, and transportation systems.



#### **Transport** Electrification

Increase or decrease purchases of new electric cars, trucks, buses, trains, and ships.



#### Methane & Other Gases

Decrease or increase greenhouse gas emissions from methane, nitrous oxide, and the f-gases.



#### Oil

Discourage or encourage drilling, refining, and consuming oil for energy.



Encourage or discourage building nuclear power plants.



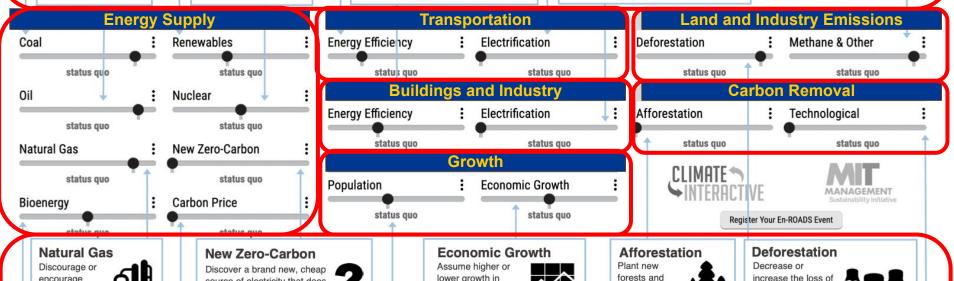
Increase or decrease the energy efficiency of buildings, factories, appliances, and other machines.



#### **Buildings & Industry** Electrification

Increase or decrease the use of electricity in buildings, appliances, motors, and other machines, instead of fuels like oil or gas.





encourage drilling and burning natural gas for energy.



source of electricity that does not emit greenhouse gases.



lower growth in goods produced and services provided.



forests and restore old forests.



increase the loss of forests for agricultural and wood product uses.



#### Bioenergy

Discourage or encourage the use of trees, forest waste and agricultural crops to create energy.

#### **Carbon Price**

Set a global carbon price that makes coal, oil, and gas more expensive depending on how much carbon dioxide they release.

#### **Population** Assume higher

or lower population growth.



#### **Technological Carbon** Removal

Pull carbon dioxide out of the air with new technologies that enhance natural removals or manually sequester and store carbon.



#### See PDF at:

https://drive.google. com/file/d/1EMt9vO Q7GDDWSot0Olc9 q5P5TkNa7c7d/vie w?usp=share link

### Multisolving co-benefits for En-ROADS

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#### **Energy Supply**

#### Coal

Oil

Taxing reduces air and water pollution, improving community and ecosystem health.

#### Renewables

Subsidizing reduces air & water pollution, improves health, productivity, savings, energy access, and job opportunities.

Taxing reduces change of harmful oil spills. Improves national security & lowers military costs.

**Natural Gas** 

Taxing improves water

security & quality, protects

wildlife and biodiversit

### Nuclear

Taxing reduces risk of exposure to radiation from nuclear meltdown or hazardous waste. Protects health of uranium miners.

#### **New Zero Carbon**

Research advancements in new technologies can create jobs and may be useful for other applications.

### **Bioenergy**

Taxing frees land for food production. Improves water & air quality, protects habitats.

#### Carbon Price

Improves air quality, healthcare savings, & worker productivity. Makes renewable energy relatively cheaper. Funds can be earmarked for social programs.

#### **Transport**

#### **Energy Efficiency**

Increasing lowers energy costs. Improves public transit reduces traffic congestion & noise. Biking & walking increases physical activity & health savings.

#### Electrification

Increasing creates jobs in manufacturing & sales of electric batteries & engines. Improves air quality at the source, increasing health savings & worker productivity.

#### **Buildings & Industry**

#### **Energy Efficiency**

Increasing reduces energy demand & cost. Improves indoor air quality & health outcomes. Creates weatherization jobs.

#### Electrification

Increasing reduces noise pollution from motor pollution from motor engines, generators, & furnaces. Lowers energy costs. Improves indoor and outdoor air quality.

#### Growth

#### **Population**

Low growth reduces global consumption. Access to family planning, reproductive services, & education enhances quality of life for women.

#### **Economic Growth**

Low growth shifts focus from material consumption to alternative measures of wellbeing such as gross national happiness.

#### **Land and Industry Emissions**

#### Deforestation

Reducing decreases erosion, protects biodiversity, ecosystems, & food sources. Preserves small-scale resource gathering & sustainable forestry livelihoods.

#### Methane & Other

Reducing improves water pollution & protects marine habitats. Plantbased diets are healthier for individuals and ecosystems.

#### **Carbon Removal**

#### Afforestation

Increasing creates jobs in tree planting & care. Urban tree canopies reduce urban heat island effect which conserves energy.

#### **Technological**

Growth in nature-based carbon removal approaches like agricultural soil sequestration may help improve small-holder and farmer profits.



## **Equity Considerations for En-ROADS**

#### **Energy Supply**

#### Renewables

Taxing raises energy costs. Low-income individuals rely on coal jobs yet suffer the most negative impacts of its production.

Many developed countries limit subsidy programs to homeowners. Poorer communities remain unable to access the technology.

#### Oil

Coal

Industry protections must be eliminated. Essential to provide low skill and high skill workers new job pathways.

#### **Natural Gas**

Poor communities & communities of color disproportionately experience negative impacts of drilling and burning.

#### **Bioenergy**

Subsidizing may accelerate deforestation and can negatively impact farmer livelihoods by shifting agriculture markets.

#### Nuclear

Plants, mines, & waste sites often located in low-income areas that lack resources to advocate for stricter regulations

#### **New Zero Carbon**

There are unknown consequences and risks associated with new energy sources.

#### Carbon Price

Fossil fuel workers risk losing their jobs. Higher costs may be passed on to consumer. Companies can find loop holes or exemptions due to corruption & rent-seeking.

#### Transport

#### **Energy Efficiency**

High-quality pedestrian & cycling infrastructure is often concentrated in wealthier, white communities. Improved public transportation can improve social equity.

#### Electrification

Electric vehicles and charging stations are not affordable or available to everyone. Lithium and copper mining severely harms ecosystems.

#### **Buildings & Industry**

#### **Energy Efficiency**

High up-front costs of efficiency improvements. Policies often directed to property owners, inhibiting low-income renters from accessing the benefits.

#### Electrification

High up-front costs of switching energy systems to electric. Household air pollution is unevenly distributed within and across countries

#### Growth

#### **Population**

Policies around limiting population growth should be voluntary, accessible, & empower women to make the choices that are best for them.

#### **Economic Growth**

Gains in growth have gone to the world's wealthiest in recent decades. Policies must be tailored to specific local and regional circumstances.

#### **Land and Industry Emissions**

#### **Deforestation**

Preservation efforts have restricted the access of Indigenous people who have lived sustainably on the land for generations. Policies to reduce deforestation need local stakeholder engagement.

#### Methane & Other

Cultural values attached to certain foods. Policies to reduce methane & other gases may decrease food security. Local economies and employment that rely on industrial agriculture can be threatened.

#### **Carbon Removal**

#### Afforestation

Large shifts in land can compromise historic land access. Policies to grow afforestation should avoid creating monocultures of trees that are all the same species & age.

#### **Technological**

Many approaches have not yet been developed at scale and growing technological removal poses unknown risks and consequences to the communities they are situated within.

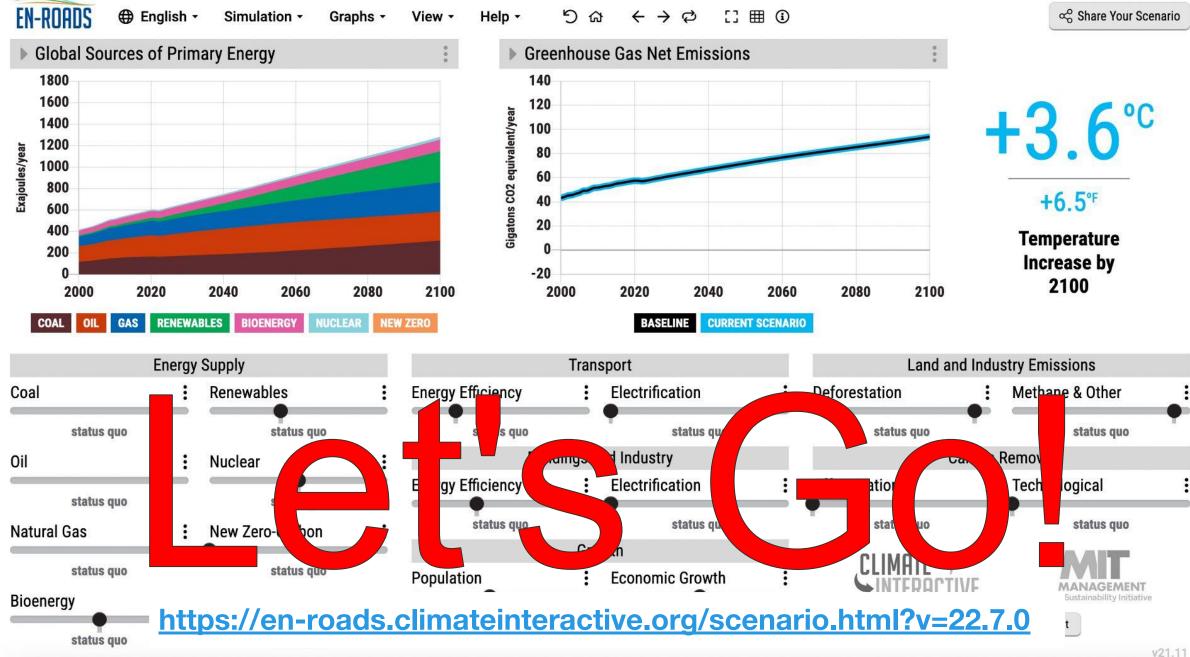


## **Three Criteria to Consider**

 How fast and effective in lowering GHG and temperature?

- What are the valuable co-benefits?
- What are the equity considerations?





## Typical "Discoveries" from En-ROADS

- 1. Personal lifestyle choices are not sufficient for system-wide change.
- 2. All successful scenarios significantly cut burning of coal, oil, and gas in the next 10-20 years.
- 3. A price on carbon is the quickest, most effective way to change the "whole system" that produces GHG.
- 4. There are many lower-leverage actions that help address climate change globally but which are not as high of a priority as reducing fossil fuel use.

## So, Now What?

#### Paul Hawken, Editor, Drawdown:

"It is estimated that between 98 and 99 percent of humanity is disengaged [from climate change.]

Your friends might be engaged, but between 98 and 99 percent of humanity is disengaged.

From the earth's point of view, there's no difference between a climate denier and someone who understands the problem but doesn't actually do anything."

## What can I do?

Change the Become an Engaged
Advocate System Change Lifestyle

**My Comfort Zone** 

Where the Magic Happens

## What can I do?

You really can make a profound difference on big issues with your voice as a citizen.

You probably haven't because of your sense of powerlessness and resignation about politics.

If you find an organization committed to dissolving the powerlessness, you can make that profound difference.

Find an organization that

- builds chapters,
- provides training,
- makes key asks of elected officials, and
- encourages you to be audacious.

When you are trained and encouraged as an advocate, you will succeed at doing things you never thought you could do.

Then you will see yourself in a new light – as a community leader.

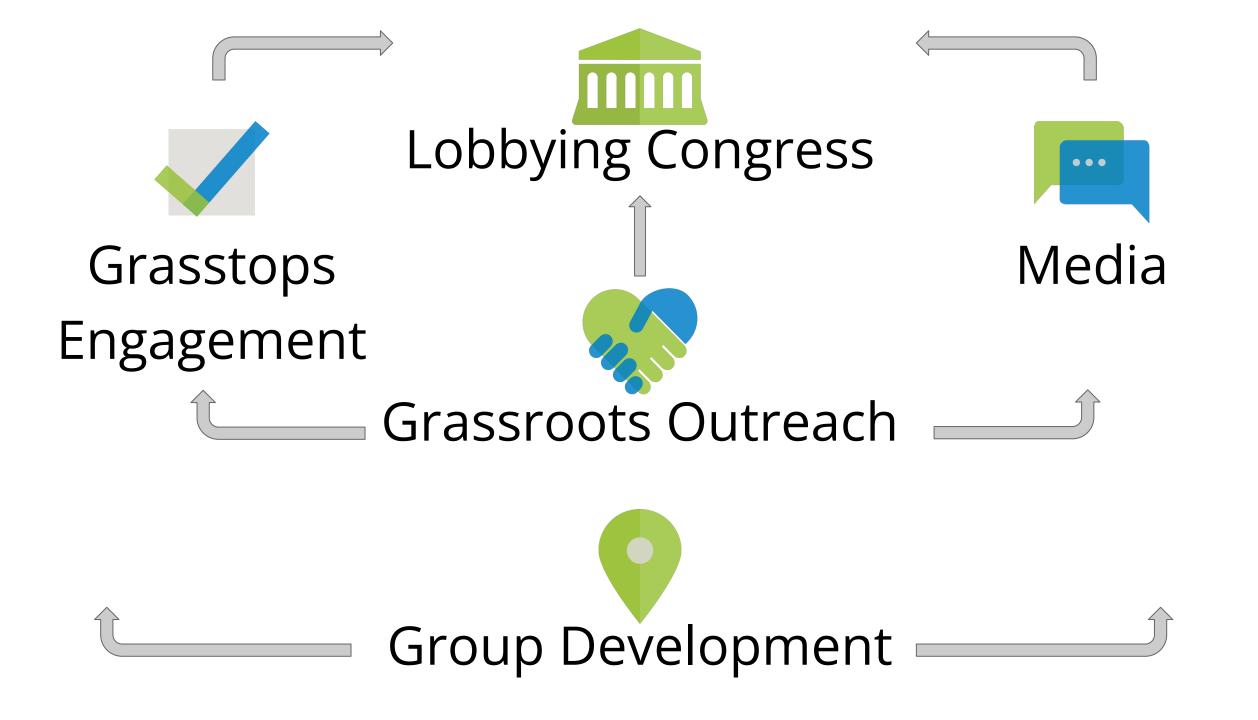
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amazed!

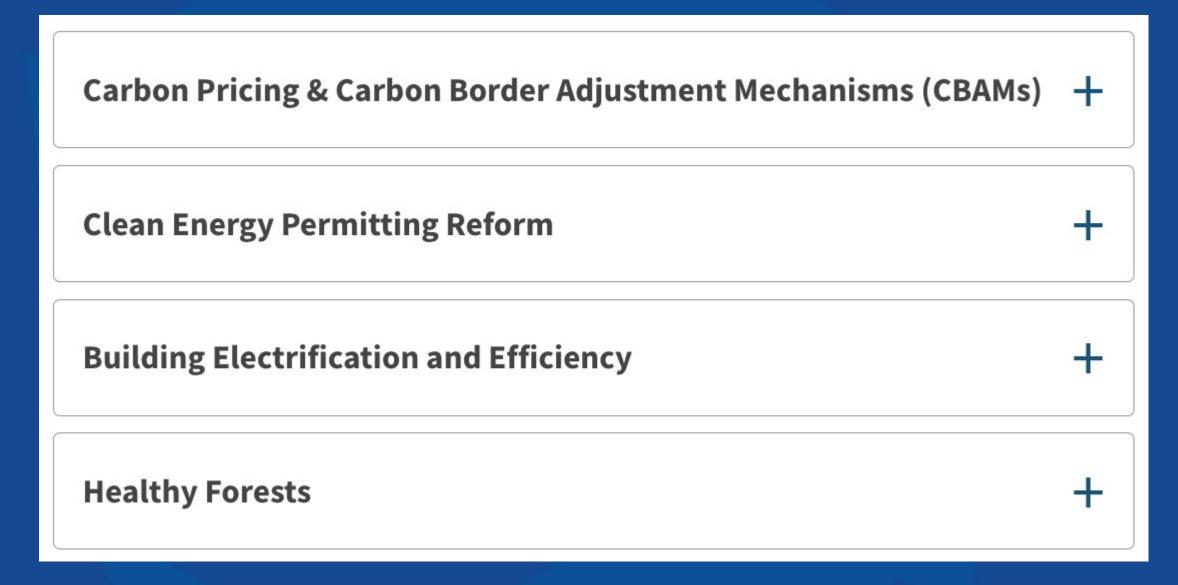
## What can I do?

There are five core activities that CCL chapters leverage to bring citizens into the political process and to make constructive change possible.

## Our volunteers & the 5 levers of political will Chapters work to build support for climate **Lobbying Congress** action with their members of Congress. **CCL Chapter Media Relations Grassroots Outreach** Chapters are comprised of everyday people who live within the same congressional district. **Grasstops Engagement Group Development**



## Citizens' Climate Lobby Core Areas of Focus



## Debrief

