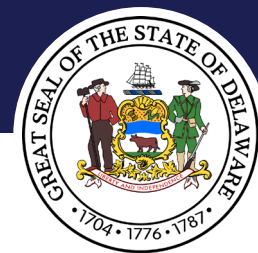


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CLIMATE SUCCESS STORY The state's first climate action plan, released in 2021, set the foundation for Delaware's rapid implementation of the plan throughout 2022.



Source: Governor Carney's Office

Delaware is well on its way toward achieving GHG reduction and other climate goals

In November 2021, Governor John Carney released Delaware's first *Climate Action Plan*. Taking these actions to reduce emissions will allow Delaware to meet or exceed its 2025 emissions reduction target and make further reductions in the years ahead. Implementation of the plan is already well under way.

Also last November, Delaware launched the Tree for Every Delawarean Initiative. This program combats the negative impacts of climate change by creating healthy and resilient forests. To date, more than \$200,000 in funding has been allocated to support tree plantings and reforestation projects.

In March 2022, Governor Carney announced Delaware would adopt California's Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) regulations, accelerating commercialization of electric vehicles to address transportation emissions, the leading contributor to greenhouse gas emissions.

Also this year, Delaware launched the Climate Leadership Academy. Administered by the Department of Natural

Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), the Academy's first cohort provided training to 90 state and local government staff on the impacts of climate change, and how to integrate concepts of climate change mitigation and adaptation into their professional decision-making. This fall, the Academy will open to the private sector, nonprofits, and academic institution staff, and will expand to include monthly webinars, networking events, and training for new state agency staff.

Additionally, Delaware's Department of Transportation (DeIDOT) created a director of transportation resilience and sustainability position and completed an agency climate plan. Following the release of the state plan, the Delaware Transit Corporation (DTC), a division of DeIDOT, released its *Climate Action Plan* to serve as a blueprint for the agency's response to the threats from climate change. The plan sets agency-wide objectives and targets to guide DTC's Sustainability Program through 2030.



CLIMATE ACTION-AT-A-GLANCE

The following list includes both **statutory** and **executive** policies and actions that have been adopted or are in the process of being adopted.



ECONOMY-WIDE GHG TARGETS & CLIMATE GOVERNANCE

- Lead by Example programs & goals
- Economy-wide GHG goal
- State climate action plan



ELECTRICITY

- Renewable portfolio standards



TRANSPORTATION

- Low emission vehicle standards
- Zero emission vehicle standards



BUILDINGS/EFFICIENCY

- Electric utility energy efficiency resource standards
- Gas utility energy efficiency resource standards



INDUSTRY

- Regulations addressing HFCs



RESILIENCE

- Statewide resilience or adaptation plan



NATURAL & WORKING LANDS

- NWL in state GHG inventory
- NWL conservation or sequestration goal



CARBON MARKETS & VALUING CLIMATE DAMAGES

- Carbon market participation



CLIMATE FINANCE

- Green and/or resilient infrastructure bank