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## NEW JERSEY



**CLIMATE SUCCESS STORY** Executive Order No. 274 sets forth a whole-of-government, all-hands-on-deck approach to the state's climate action.



Source: Governor Murphy's Office

## New Jersey sets transformative cross-sector interim goal for GHG reduction by 2030

In November 2021, Governor Phil Murphy established an interim GHG reduction target of 50 percent below 2006 levels by 2030, strengthening New Jersey's path to achieve an 80 percent reduction in GHG emissions by 2050 (via Executive Order No. 274).

New Jersey has set forth strategic and urgent policy and regulatory pathways to curtail the impacts of climate change caused by GHG emissions. The November 2021 executive order stresses the need for near-term, steep, cross-sector emissions reduction policies and actions in the transportation, residential, commercial, and electric generation sectors. Near-term emissions reduction achievement will ensure that the state is on track to meet longer-term emissions reduction goals to protect New Jersey's residents, economy, and environment.

To reach the goal set by Executive Order No. 274, the state has not only coordinated a whole-of-government, all-hands-on-deck approach to policymaking and day-to-day agency practices, but has also heavily invested in GHG mitigation policies and programs.

The executive order signing was coupled with a multi-million-dollar investment in clean medium- and heavy-duty vehicles in overburdened communities. New Jersey is taking a concerted effort to urgently address worsening air pollution from vehicles and other sectors, the health impacts of which are disproportionately felt by overburdened communities and communities of color.

To accelerate work in building decarbonization across the state, New Jersey is working to identify equitable, strategic, and economically beneficial paths to transition both new and existing buildings away from fossil fuels.

The order continues to drive policy, regulatory, and legislative action in the immediate term to align climate efforts with federal leadership and to achieve an affordable and equitable clean energy future.



## 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



### BUILDINGS/EFFICIENCY

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



### ELECTRICITY

- 100% clean electricity goal
- Renewable portfolio standards



### INDUSTRY

- Regulations addressing HFCs



### JUST TRANSITION/EQUITY

- Environmental justice offices or interagency bodies
- Environmental justice screening and policy tools
- Just Transition offices or interagency bodies



### RESILIENCE

- Statewide resilience or adaptation plan
- Resilience offices or interagency bodies



### TRANSPORTATION

- Low emission vehicle standards
- Zero-emission vehicle standards
- Clean truck standards



### NATURAL & WORKING LANDS

- NWL in state GHG inventory



### CARBON MARKETS & VALUING CLIMATE DAMAGES

- Social cost of greenhouse gases in policymaking
- Carbon market participation