Climate Action Plan
For
Western Riverside County

Future of Cities
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WRCOG

Programs & Activities

• Transportation (TUMF Administrator)
• Alternative fuels and infrastructure
• Legislative networking
• Energy retrofit and water conservation financing
• Interregional partnerships
• SCAG and AQMD coordination
• Water supply
• Economic development
• Education
• Healthy communities

Overall agency objective: seek economies of scale
Why Prepare a Climate Action Plan?

• Comply with state regulations and guidelines

• Provide a framework for many things our members already do
  – Land use
  – Design
  – Healthy communities
  – Transportation
  – Utility infrastructure

• State law does not require a local agency to prepare a CAP, but does incentivize it
Incentives and Benefits of a Climate Action Plan

- CEQA Streamlining for projects that are consistent with Subregional CAP
- Priority funding & increased grant eligibility
- Local control and regional economies of scale
- Co-benefits (below)

- Improves Public Health
- Reduces Household Energy Costs
- Promotes Economic Vitality
- Fosters Community Leadership
- Supports Schools and Youth
- Increases Community Connectivity
- Protects Natural Resources
- Enhances Neighborhood Character
WRCOG’s Climate Action Plan *does NOT:*

- Impose mandatory new requirements on existing homeowners and businesses
- Replace SCAG’s SB 375 obligations
- Replace existing development regulations or policies affecting new development
Prior Accomplishments

• Climate Action Plans (CAP) / Sustainability Plans
  – Corona, Lake Elsinore, Murrieta, Temecula, Moreno Valley, County of Riverside

• WRELP Energy Action Plans
  – 11 WRCOG jurisdictions

• Subregional CAP
  – 12 WRCOG jurisdictions
1. Inventory and forecast emissions
   June 2012 to May 2013

2. Establish a reduction target
   April 2013 to July 2013

3. Develop Climate Action Plan
   July 2013 to August 2014

4. Implement plan and monitor results
   August 2014 and beyond
2010 and 2020 Emissions Inventory

- 2010 Emissions Inventory
- 2020 Business-as-Usual Emissions Forecasts
- % Change 2010-2020
Subregional Emissions Reduction Targets

- Align with AB 32 (2020) and SB 375 (2035)
- Subregional reduction targets:
  - 15% below current (~2010) emissions by 2020
  - 49% below current (~2010) emissions by 2035
2020 Reductions Achieved by City

Subregion achieved a reduction of 17% below 2010
*2010 is used as baseline year for all jurisdictions except for the cities of Eastvale and Jurupa Valley.
Developing Emissions Reduction Measures

Transportation + Land Use | Energy | Waste | Water | Other

State measures | Regional measures | Local measures

CALGreen | Hero | WRCOG | METROLINK
Local Reduction Measures

Most Popular in Subregion

- Bike parking
- Water-efficient landscaping
- Bike infrastructure
- Traffic signal coordination
- End-of-trip travel facilities
- Traffic light replacements
- Shade trees
- Increased density and mixed-use, when appropriate
Public Outreach and Engagement

• Tiered Approach
  – Technical staff
  – Local elected officials
  – CAP Stakeholder advisors
  – Regulatory agencies
• Use established consensus-based approach and committee structure
• CAPtivate Western Riverside County MindMixer site – Visit our WRCOG booth today!
From which community can we draw inspiration as our population, jobs, and housing continue to grow? See Topic Details.

How would you prioritize transportation improvements? Pick your top two choices. See Topic Details.

Choose up to 2:
- Auto
- Bicycle

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Next Steps

- Subregional CAP is available online at [www.wrcog.cog.ca.us](http://www.wrcog.cog.ca.us) under “Community”
- Template for local adoption / tailoring
- CEQA Consistency “check list” for future development
- Monitoring and implementation
Thank You!
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