

## NY Climate Leadership & Community Protection Act (CLCPA) of 2019 mandates:

- New greenhouse gas accounting for methane
- 40% reduction in greenhouse gases by 2030
- 85% reduction in greenhouse gases by 2050
- 70% renewable electricity by 2030
- 100% C-free electricity by 2040
- At least 40% benefits to go to historically disadvantaged



### Climate Action Council Members

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- Doreen Harris, President and CEO, New York State Energy Research and Development Authority
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- Bob Howarth, Professor, Ecology and Environmental Biology at Cornell
- Peter Iwanowicz, Executive Director, Environmental Advocates NY
- Anne Reynolds, Executive Director, Alliance for Clean Energy New York
- Raya Salter, Lead Policy Organizer, NY Renewables
- Paul Shepson, Dean, School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences at Stony Brook University

### Establishes Climate Action Council to develop policies for implementing

- 24 meetings since March 2020
- 9 advisory panels, with hundreds of additional meetings
- Draft scoping plan approved Dec 2021 (as mandated), with strong input from advisory panels and the environmental justice community
- 12 public hearings this spring to solicit input on draft plan
- Additional written input on plan taken until June 10, 2022
- Final implementation plan must be approved by Dec 31, 2022
- State agencies will then act to implement most of the plan
- Further legislative actions may be needed for some aspects

**Greenhouse Gas Emissions for NY  
(2019) by Sector**

<b>Buildings</b>	<b>36%</b>
<b>Transportation</b>	<b>27%</b>
<b>Electricity</b>	<b>16%</b>
<b>Waste</b>	<b>12%</b>
<b>Agriculture</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>Industry</b>	<b>4%</b>

**Climate Action Council Draft Scoping Plan**

<https://climate.ny.gov/-/media/Project/Climate/Files/Draft-Scoping-Plan.pdf>

Written input accepted through June 10, 2022

Submit comments by email or U.S. mail:

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Mail: Attn: Draft Scoping Plan Comments

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**A few highlight comments for Town of Ulysses to consider:**

- Voicing general, strong support for draft scoping plan towards CLCPA goals
- Voicing support for proposals in Chapter 11 (Transportation), particularly for encouraging smart growth and a move towards electric buses, but urge a need for increased bus service in rural areas, and an accelerated move to electric school buses; urge support for funding to assist purchase of buses in rural areas
- Voicing strong support for proposals in Chapter 12 (Buildings), specifically to move as rapidly as possible from the use of fossil fuels to beneficial electrification for heating (heat pumps), including prohibition of fossil fuels in new home construction by 2024 (with immediate economic & health benefits to home owners, large increases in jobs, and a start towards decarbonization)
- Urging that the scoping plan specifically include upgrades for mobile and manufactured homes, to reduce energy use and greenhouse gas emissions (echoing the comments from Tompkins County)
- Urging that the scoping plan specifically include mechanisms to address rental housing, where often the owner has little or no financial incentive to reduce energy use and greenhouse gas emissions, since these are paid by the renter (also echoes comments from Tompkins County)
- Voicing support for proposals in Chapter 15 (Agriculture and Forestry), noting the holistic approach taken, that includes water quality issues in addition to reducing greenhouse gas emissions from agriculture and includes increased carbon sequestration in forests and ag lands
- Voicing strong support specifically for suggestion in Chapter 15 that NY State programs to assist forest land-owners be changed to include small forest parcels (10 t 15 acres, as opposed to 1,000 acres currently) and goals such as habitat, biodiversity, and water quality, not just lumber production
- Voice strong support for strategies in Chapter 19 (Land Use), with particular note to creation of tools and BMP's to increase forest and farmland protection, including in municipal land use policies and Comprehensive Plans, and supporting technical assistance for smart growth (including direct assistance for planning, zoning, and pre-development)