Developing a Municipal Climate Toolkit



First meeting of the Vermont Climate Council

November 20, 2020

Initial Climate
Action Plan Adopted
by the Vermont
Climate Council

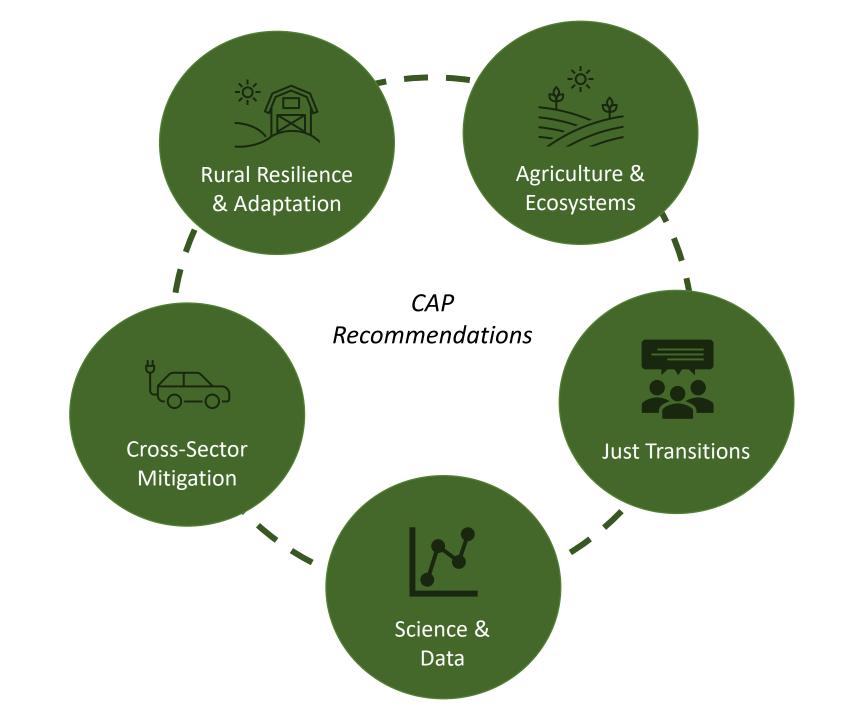
December 1, 2021

Global Warming Solutions Act Enacted

September 23, 2020

Subcommittees begin meeting February 2021

Climate Action Plan Drafting Timeline





A Comprehensive
Approach to Addressing
Climate Change

Sequester & Store Carbon



Five Impact Areas



Cutting Climate Pollution

Reducing emissions from transportation, buildings, energy and products.



Capturing Carbon

Removing carbon from the air and storing it in soil or plants.



Resilient Working and Natural Lands

Preparing farms, forests and ecosystems for climate change.



Cross-Cutting Solutions

Investing in communities and workforce development.



Vital Communities

Protecting people and infrastructure from climate impacts.

Recommend tools for municipalities to assess their climate emergency preparedness, evaluate their financial capacity to address infrastructure resilience, and prioritize investment in that infrastructure.

This will include a broad approach, including public health, frontline and impacted communities, how it can support a just transition, and how to reach rural communities.

Municipal Climate Toolkit

Climate Toolkit Task Group

Just Transitions Subcommittee

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Rural Resilience & Adaptation Subcommittee

- Jens Hilke, F&W
- Karen Horn, VLCT
- Ann Lawless, HEAT Squad
- Caroline Massa, VEM
- Ben Rose, VEM
- Val Stori, Great Plains Institute
- Marlena Valentina, NRPC

Science & Data Subcommittee

- Dr. Lesley-Ann Dupigny-Giroux, UVM
- Kevin Geiger, TRORC
- Jared Ulmer, VDH

Priorities



Simple



Highlights Existing Work



Amplifies Climate Change Impacts and Issues

People & Communities

Climate Justice & Equity

Farms & Food

Natural Environment

Built Environment

Energy



- In what areas of climate work have you done projects or planning work?
- Which areas of climate action would you like to work in that you have not had the capacity or resource to do so?

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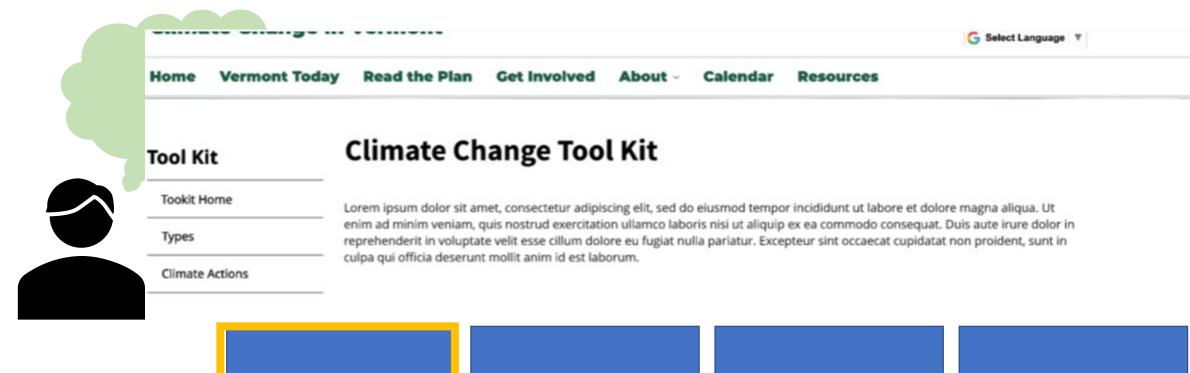
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Natural Environment

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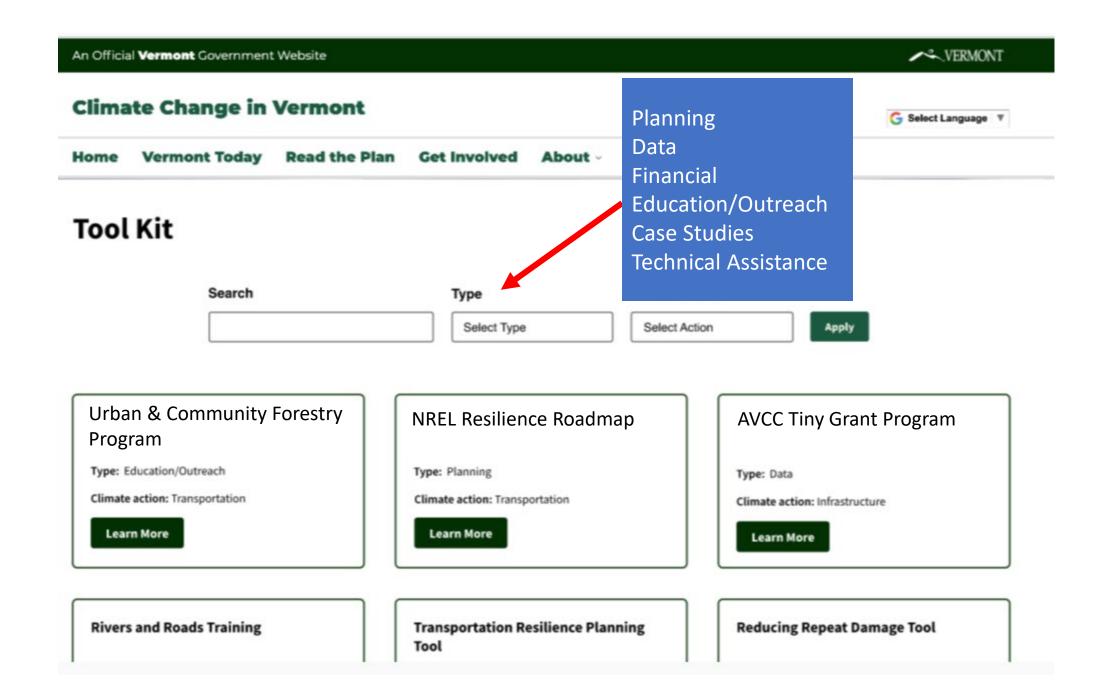
Water resources
Ecosystems
Wetlands
Forests & Trees
Hazard Mitigation

Background

- Why is it important to think about forests & trees in the context of climate change?
- Sample language municipalities can use for planning purposes.
- Featured resources

Explore the Climate Toolkit

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Agriculture Food Systems Housing
Transportation
Land Use
Hazard Mitigation

Energy

Transportation Energy
Building Energy
Land use / conservation
Siting of energy infrastructure





Connect with a technical assistance provider



Don't know where to start?

What would make your work easier?

Questions to consider:

What obstacles have you encountered in your climate work thus far?

What tools do you wish you had? What tools have you looked for and not found?

