

2022 MINNESOTA CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

As one of the fastest warming states in the country, Minnesota is already facing impacts of climate change. We need to act boldly to prevent irreversible and potentially catastrophic consequences. The 2022 Minnesota Climate Action Plan is a science-based approach to addressing the climate crisis, lowering energy costs, creating jobs and economic opportunity, and making sure our state is a great place to live and work for current and future generations of Minnesotans.

Energy: \$105 Million

- \$25 million to install solar energy systems on universities, wastewater treatment facilities, airports, and other public infrastructure
- \$45 million to fund a Greater Minnesota Renewable Development Account
- \$30 million to establish a Minnesota Innovation Finance Authority to support cutting-edge clean energy initiatives
- \$5 million to support Minnesota communities impacted by the transition to clean energy

Transportation: \$376.5 Million

- \$200 million to build four bus rapid transit (BRT) lines
- \$50 million to improve and expand public transportation in Greater Minnesota
- \$50 million to make walking and biking safer, easier, and more accessible
- \$30 million to build charging infrastructure for electric vehicles across Minnesota
- \$15 million to provide rebates to Minnesotans who choose to buy electric vehicles
- \$20 million to expand Metro Transit's fleet of electric buses
- \$20 million to invest in electric school buses

- \$1 million to conduct passenger rail studies of southern Minnesota and Duluth routes
- \$500,000 to improve safety and protect workers in Minnesota's oil refineries

Built Environment: \$355 Million

Buildings

- \$150 million to strengthen the Pre-Weatherization and Weatherization Assistance Program
- \$100 million to help schools become more energy efficient and update their HVAC systems
- \$25 million to preserve state parks, trails, and recreation areas and make them more efficient
- \$30 million to develop and strengthen Minnesota's weatherization workforce
- \$10 million to provide rebates to Minnesotans who purchase electric appliances

Industrial/Waste

- \$35 million to invest in recycling programs
- \$5 million to create organics composting pilot programs

Lands: \$130 Million

- \$30 million to increase Minnesota's carbon storage by planting five million trees per year
- \$40 million to support the Conservation Reserve Program

- (CRP), the Minnesota Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP), Lawns to Legumes, and other state programs that conserve native grasses
- \$20 million to develop agricultural products and practices that conserve soil and water while driving economic opportunity
- \$20 million to establish a cost-sharing program that will help maintain and improve soil health
- \$10 million to invest in diverse crops that provide ground cover and economic opportunities throughout the entire year
- \$10 million to support the Methane Reduction Institute at the University of Minnesota

Adaptation & Resilience: \$33.5 million

- \$25 million to create an infrastructure adaptation and resilience fund to help local governments strengthen their communities and prepare for impacts of climate change
- \$5 million to provide grants to help Minnesota cities develop climate action plans
- \$500,000 to help the State of Minnesota develop and implement a climate action plan
- \$2 million to create jobs dedicated to climate adaptation and resilience within state agencies
- \$1 million to support research on climate impacts conducted at the University of Minnesota