

# 2025 Comprehensive Plan Update Climate Change Element Greenhouse Gas Reduction Sub-Element Review

*Balancing Nature and Community:  
Tumwater's Path to Sustainable Growth*

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# Intent

Discuss the draft  
Greenhouse Gas Emission  
Sub-Element of the new  
Climate Change Element of  
the Comprehensive Plan





# New State Climate Element Requirements

1. A **climate mitigation sub-element** to address actions to reduce overall greenhouse gas emissions and vehicle miles traveled
2. A **climate resilience sub-element** to address climate adaptation
3. Consideration of **environmental justice** to avoid worsening environmental health disparities



## Community Engagement To-date

- Continued participation from the Climate Policy Advisory Team (CPAT)
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Held in-person open house at ASHHO on August 14, 2024

- About 60 participants
- Opened online open house from August 15 – October 31, 2024
- Feedback provided by the Thurston Climate Mitigation Collaborative’s Community Advisory Workgroup
- Meeting with Thurston Climate Action Team’s Community Organizer
- Direct emails with Community Based Organizations, Non-Profits, interested community members, and Affinity Groups
- Tabled at the Thurston County Food Bank to encourage participation in online open house
- Presented to the South Sound Asian and Pacific Islanders Coalition twice
- The draft Climate Element was open for Public Comment online through January 31.
- Planning to table at the Thurston County Food Bank and Library in January to request participation in review/public comment of the draft Element
- Social media posts
- Forthcoming Community Assembly hosted by Thurston Climate Action Team





We're focused here today.

## Mitigation



Expand Multimodal Transportation



Electrification & Energy Efficiency



Reduce Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)



Protect Natural Carbon Sinks

## Adaptation



Renewable Energy & Onsite Storage



Protect & Expand Urban Canopy



Weatherize & Harden Homes & Infrastructure



Develop Densely and in Low Risk Areas



Improve & Restore Habitat Connectivity



Expand Access to Local & Culturally Significant Foods

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# Comments and Contact Information

Written comments are welcome at any time during the periodic update process and staff will address and publish all formal comments

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