

New York State Climate Action Council

December 19, 2022
Meeting 31



**Climate Action
Council**

Agenda

- > Welcome and Roll Call
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- > Consideration of December 5, 2022, Minutes
- > Co-Chair Remarks and Reflections
- > Scoping Plan: Summary of Changes
- > Vote on Scoping Plan
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Consideration of November 21, 2022, Minutes

Consideration of December 5, 2022, Minutes

Co-Chair Remarks and Reflections

Recent Announcements

Recent Activity from New York State

- **12/15/22** - [Governor Hochul Announces First-In-The-Nation Green Procurement Program for Local Governments | Governor Kathy Hochul \(ny.gov\)](#)
- **12/14/22** - [DEC Announces Finalization of Two Policies to Implement New York's Ambitious Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act - NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation](#)
- **12/14/22** - [Governor Hochul Announces \\$23 Million in Funding and Awards for Transportation Electrification Initiatives](#)
- **12/12/22** - [Governor Hochul Announces New Electric Vehicle Fast Charging Stations Along Major Travel Corridor Between Mid-Hudson and Western New York Regions](#)
- **12/9/22** - [Governor Hochul Announces \\$52 Million in Awards for Regional Clean Energy Hubs to Connect New York Communities with Clean Energy Resources](#)
- **12/5/22** - [DEC Awards \\$567,500 to New York Municipalities for Zero-Emission Vehicles - NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation](#)

Scoping Plan: Summary of Changes

Revision 3 Edits to Scoping Plan

Revised Hydrogen Definition

This Scoping Plan recommends following technological and research developments on the use of hydrogen as a tool to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The Scoping Plan recommends the use of green hydrogen but acknowledges that in the Sector Strategies, references to green hydrogen can also include pink hydrogen.

- Green hydrogen - Hydrogen formed by splitting water through electrical processes supplied by renewable energy with preference given to creation when there is surplus renewable generation (e.g., from wind at night).
- Pink hydrogen - Hydrogen formed by splitting water through thermal and/or electrical processes supplied by nuclear energy

Future versions of this Scoping Plan will consider technology and market advancements when evaluating the production and use of hydrogen towards the achievement of the Climate Act emissions limits.

Revision 3 Edits to Scoping Plan

Executive Summary

- Incorporated Feedback from Members:
 - Edits for clarity and flow
 - Emphasize the sense of urgency that is required to address the climate crisis
 - Add context around the scale of the transformation required
 - Add dates to zero emissions codes and standards in the Buildings summary
 - Add language about the need to protect jobs
 - Add language on the limited role of offsets in the cap and invest program
 - List of key principles from the Gas System Transition Plan framework replaced by narrative of core concepts
 - Add more context to Next Steps beyond what is required by the Climate Act
- Other Feedback from Members:
 - Added the statutory definition of renewables for 70x30 to the Electricity Chapter
 - SUNY identified as a key partner for innovative research in Buildings, Agriculture and Forestry, Waste, Adaptation and Resilience Chapters

Vote on Scoping Plan

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- > Vote on approval and adoption of the final Scoping Plan requires a supermajority of at least 15 votes (as defined in Section 75-0103 of the Environmental Conservation Law).
- > Members will be called on individually to verbally declare their vote.
- > Following the full vote, each member will have the opportunity to provide a brief verbal statement in support of their vote.

Resolution #6

RESOLVED, that the Members of the New York State Climate Action Council hereby approve the final Scoping Plan, as presented at its December 19, 2022 meeting, together with any changes necessary to reflect considerations discussed at said meeting and any additional non-substantive, editorial or grammatical changes deemed necessary for clarity or accuracy prior to submission to the Governor, the Speaker of the Assembly, and the Temporary President of the Senate and publication on the Climate Action Council website pursuant to the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act.

Member Statements

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Logistical Items

- The final Scoping Plan will be made available to the public on the Climate Act website: <https://climate.ny.gov/>
- Co-Charis will submit Scoping Plan to the Governor, the speaker of the Assembly, and the Temporary President of the Senate
- Reminder on Written Statements: Please share electronically by end of day to be posted to Climate Act website along with the Scoping Plan

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