Overview of Recent State Climate Change Mitigation Actions

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Georgetown Climate Center: Mitigation Focus is on Transportation & Power Sectors

- Facilitate the Transportation & Climate Initiative
- Work with states as a convener and resource around Clean Power Plan
- Convene states working to meet state climate goals





20 U.S. States Have Set GHG Emission Reduction Goals





Recent Action to Set Mid-Term Goals

States with Interim 2025-2040 GHG Reduction Goals

(normalized to U.S. economy-wide 2006 emissions)



Transportation and Climate Initiative

- 11 northeast and mid-Atlantic states and the District of Columbia
- TCI launched in 2010
- Working together to reduce energy use and GHG emissions from transportation





Analysis Developed to Inform TCI

In 2015, GCC and Cambridge Systematics published report to inform states participating in TCI. Report analyzed:

- What are regional emission trends?
- What are opportunities for GHG reductions?
- What are economic impacts of clean transportation strategies?

Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Transportation Opportunities in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic



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Transportation is the Largest Source of Regional GHG Emissions



Existing Federal and State Policies will Achieve Significant Reductions...





Electrification is a Key Strategy, but Additional Action is Needed

Cumulative U.S. Plug-In Vehicle Sales



Source: Argonne National Laboratory

10 States Have Adopted Zero-Emission Vehicle Standards

• ZEV standards

- 10 states
- 15% of new vehicles must be ZEVs by 2025
- State ZEV deployment goals
 - California goal of 1.5 million vehicles by 2025
 - ZEV MOU pledge
- Fleet adoption goals
- International ZEV Alliance



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California Air Resources Board

Additional Supports Include Purchase Incentives, Education

• Purchase Incentives

- Vehicle prices are dropping, but federal, state tax credits are still critical to making vehicles cost competitive
- Other incentives like HOV lane access are also important

Consumer Education

- Studies show consumers unfamiliar with vehicles, undervalue fuel economy benefits
- Dealers are often not incentivized to sell vehicles
- DOE, states, launching public information campaigns, ride and drives



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Developing Charging Infrastructure Network is Also Critical

Building infrastructure

- Broad infrastructure network important to combat "range anxiety"
- Also critical to develop charging models for people who have on-street parking (e.g., multifamily)
- States are using targeted direct investment, public-private partnerships
 - FHWA will designate federal corridors, provide technical assistance
- Utilities are beginning to propose EV infrastructure projects



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EV Smart Fleets

Expanding Electrification of State and Local Government Fleets Through a Multi-State Joint Procurement

• Multi-state electric vehicle procurement

National Association of State Procurement Officials
ValuePoint Program

• Leverage the purchasing volume of multiple public sector fleets:

 \circ reduced purchase prices

 \circ access to a wider range of models

 \circ best possible contract terms

- Explore leasing and alternative purchasing models
- Open to all state and local governments

Project Partners



CALSTART calstart.org



Ross Strategic rossstrategic.com



Northeast States for Coordinated Air Use Management nescaum.org



California Department of General Services dgs.ca.gov

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Initial State & Local Outreach



ZEV MOU states - CA, CT, MD, MA, NY, OR, RI, and VT

Pacific Coast Collaborative - CA, OR, WA, and BC (observer)

Transportation & Climate Initiative: CT, DE, MD, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT, and DC

16 Total Participating States: CA, OR, CT, WA, DE, MD, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT, UT, VT, and DC



EV Benefits are Tied to Progress on Decarbonizing Electricity Grid



Source: Acadia Center

Existing Federal Vehicle Standards will Result in Reduced Transportation Revenue

TCI Region Federal + State Motor Fuel Tax Revenue (\$ millions)



GCC Analysis Evaluated Potential for GHG Reductions

Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Transportation

Opportunities in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic



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- Report evaluated scenarios that combined pricing policy with investments into clean transportation
- Combined policies can drive both emission reductions and generate economic benefits by 2030:
 - GHG reductions of 32 to 40%
 - Gross regional product increases of \$11.7 billion to \$17.7 billion
 - 91,000 to 125,000 new jobs
- Pricing policies could also more than make up for revenue loss

Resulting Reductions Would Help States Achieve 2050 Goals



Comprehensive Policy Proceeds Could be Used for Transportation



Six TCI Jurisdictions Announced Work on Market-Based Policies to Reduce GHG Emissions

In November, 2015, CT, DE, DC, NY, RI, VT announced that they will: "work together through TCI to develop potential market-based policies that are targeted to achieve substantial reductions in transportation sector"

> We know that regional climate change partnerships can lead to real reductions in emissions. The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative launched by nine eastern states including Vermont has been responsible for half of the power sector emissions reductions in our region ... I hope our efforts in moving to a cleaner transportation system can build on this successful model.

> > - Vt. Governor Peter Shumlin

Power Sector Strategies

Changes Over Time Compare to U.S. and Region 150M 125M 100M megawatt-hours 75M 50M 25M 0M -25M 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 🔶 Coal 🔶 Petroleum 🖶 Natural gas 🛨 Nuclear 푸 Wind 🔶 Solar (thermal and photovoltaic) 🔶 Geothermal 📲 Biomass Hydroelectric (conventional) For use in a presentation or report, click here for citation. Compare to Other States/Regions > Source: EIA, 2015.

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ANALYSIS TOOL

Renewable Energy Developments

- 7 states and DC have recently increased Renewable Portfolio Standards, including
 - Hawaii set a RPS of 100% by 2045
 - Vermont set a RPS of 75% by 2032
 - California set a RPS of 50% by 2030
 - New York set a Clean Energy Standard of 50% by 2030
- Other states are promoting RE through other strategies
 - Connecticut DEEP has authority to contract up to approximately 15% of the state's electricity demand through long-term clean energy contracts
 - Massachusetts distribution companies must solicit long-term contract proposals for 9.45 million MWh annually from clean sources
 - Nevada's Renewable Energy Tax Abatement program has helped support the construction of 29 large-scale renewable energy projects
 - Virginia executive order calls for at least 8% of state government energy needs to be met through renewable energy

Harnessing Dramatic Changes to Electricity Sector

- Increasing distributed renewable energy
- Challenges presented by increasing variable energy sources (wind, solar)
- Emerging energy storage solutions
- Interest in microgrids for both resilience and distributed energy benefits
- Electrification of transportation, heating







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Addressing Methane Leakage

- Like Pennsylvania, other states are concerned about methane emissions
- For example, MD is required to assess GHG emissions from electricity imports under its climate change law
 - Currently, MD Commission on Climate Change considering whether and how to account for methane leakage
 - Potential opportunities for regional coordination



Thank You

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