

## Colorado Climate Project



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### Colorado Climate Action Panel

The Colorado Climate Action Panel (CAP) was charged with developing recommendations to reduce Colorado's contribution and vulnerability to climate change. Click here to learn more about the CAP and the process it followed.

#### Members of the Colorado Action Panel

#### CAP Final Report

The Climate Action Panel's recommendations for presentation by the Rocky Mountain Climate Organization to the Colorado Governor, the Colorado General Assembly, local governments, and others in Colorado for their consideration are contained in the Final Report, posted below.

The first section of the Final Report provides an Introduction, Executive Summary, Background and Overview as well as Chapters that summarize the final policy recommendations approved by the CAP. The Appendixes provide the full detailed recommendations and supporting documentation of the technical analyses prepared for the policy recommendations.

The entire Final Report is posted in two segments for easier downloading:  
Final Report – 1<sup>st</sup> Segment (700KB PDF of Introduction through Chapter 8)

Appendixes – 2<sup>nd</sup> Segment (1100KB PDF of Apx. A–I)

#### Final Report (by section):

Foreword (to be posted soon)  
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#### Executive Summary

Chapter 1 – Background and Overview  
Chapter 2 – Inventory and Forecast of GHG Emissions  
Chapter 3 – Residential, Commercial, and Industrial Sectors  
Chapter 4 – Energy Supply  
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Chapter 7 – Cross-Cutting Issues  
Chapter 8 – Water Adaptation

#### Appendixes:

A Description of CAP Process  
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C GHG Emissions Inventory and Reference Case Projections  
D Methods for Quantification  
E Residential, Commercial, and Industrial Sectors – Policy Recommendations  
F Energy Supply – Policy Recommendations  
G Transportation and Land Use – Policy Recommendations  
H Agriculture, Forestry, and Waste Management – Policy Recommendations  
I Cross-Cutting Issues – Policy Recommendations

The information on meetings and documents below provide a history of the CAP meetings and a record of the decisions on policy options development and analyses leading to the recommendations in the Final Report.

#### Meetings and Documents

Meeting #6 of CAP, Wednesday, September 12, 2007, 9:00 am - 6:00 pm MDT.  
Location: American Mountaineering Center, 710 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Golden, Colorado, Conference Rooms C and D. (Note this is same location, but different rooms than last CAP meeting.) Click here for directions. Documents for this meeting include:

- Notice and Agenda
- Memo - Preparation for CAP#6
- Draft Summary of CAP Meeting #5
- CCS PowerPoint Presentation
  - CCS PowerPoint Presentation (black and white, two slides per page)
- Policy Option Descriptions for Analysis:
  - Agriculture, Forestry, and Waste Management

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- Cumulative Impacts Analysis for AFW
- o Energy Supply
  - Cumulative Impacts Analysis for ES and RCI
- o Residential, Commercial, and Industrial
- o Transportation and Land Use
- o Cross-Cutting Issues
  - Education and Outreach Attachment to Cross Cutting Issues
- o Water Adaptation

**Meeting #5 of CAP, Wednesday, August 1, 2007, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm MST.**

Location: American Mountaineering Center, 710 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Golden, Colorado, Conference Rooms A and B. [Click here for directions.](#) Documents for meeting include:

- Notice and Agenda
- Meeting #4 Summary
- CCS, Powerpoint Presentation
  - CCS, Powerpoint Presentation (printer friendly 2 slides per page version)
- Memo to CAP on Preparation for Fifth Meeting
- Policy Option Descriptions:
  - o Agriculture, Forestry, and Waste Management
  - o Energy Supply (Revised)
    - Draft Cumulative Impacts Analysis of ES and RCI Options
  - o Residential, Commercial, and Industrial
  - o Transportation and Land Use
  - o Cross Cutting Issues
  - o Water Adaptation

**Meeting #4 of CAP, Tuesday, May 22, 9:00 am - 11:00 am MDT. NOTE: This will be a CALL-IN meeting.** Documents for meeting:

- Notice and Agenda
- Meeting #3 Summary
- CCS, Powerpoint Presentation (1 slide per page)
  - o CCS, Powerpoint Presentation (printer friendly 2 slides per page version)
- Policy Options Templates
  - o Agriculture, Forestry, and Waste Management
  - o Energy Supply
  - o Residential, Commercial, and Industrial
  - o Transportation and Land Use
  - o Cross Cutting Issues

**Meeting #3 of CAP, Thursday, May 3, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm MST.**

Location: Building 7 of the National Renewable Energy Laboratory in Golden

[Click here for interactive directions.](#) Select the "Denver West Office Park" as your destination. NOTE: the directions lead to other buildings in the complex. Building 7 will be on your right as you drive on Cole Blvd. Into the office park. Proceed to the 4th floor and look for the temporary CAP sign.

Documents posted for meeting:

- Notice and Agenda
- CCS Memo on Priorities for Analysis
- Meeting #2 Summary
- CCS, Powerpoint Presentation (1 slide per page)
  - o CCS, Powerpoint Presentation (printer friendly 2 slides per page version)
- Policy Work Group Results of Balloting
  - o Agriculture, Forestry, and Waste Management
  - o Energy Supply
  - o Residential, Commercial, and Industrial
  - o Transportation and Land Use
  - o Cross Cutting Issues
- Policy Work Group Straw Proposal Templates
  - o Agriculture, Forestry, and Waste Management
  - o Energy Supply

- o Residential, Commercial, and Industrial
- o Transportation and Land Use
- o Cross Cutting Issues

**Meeting #2** of CAP, Thursday, February 15, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm MST.

Location: The Spice of Life, Boulder, Colorado ([click here for directions](#))

Documents posted for meeting:

- Notice and Agenda
- CCS, Powerpoint Presentation (1 slide per page)
  - o CCS, Powerpoint Presentation (printer friendly 2 slides per page version)
- Draft Colorado GHG Inventory and Reference Case Projections, 1990-2020
- Revised Catalogs of State Actions (note: more detailed "Option Descriptions" of state actions are available on each PWG webpage, posted for 2/12 meetings)
  - o Agriculture, Forestry, and Waste Management
  - o Energy Supply
  - o Residential, Commercial, and Industrial
  - o Transportation and Land Use
  - o Cross-Cutting Issues

**Meeting #1** of CAP, Monday, November 20, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm, Office of the Colorado Municipal League, 1144 Sherman, St., Denver, CO. [Click here for directions and a map.](#)

Following the meeting of the panel, there will be a public kick-off reception for the Colorado Climate Project, from 5:30 pm until 7:00 pm, also on Monday, November 20, at the Grant-Humphreys Museum at 770 Pennsylvania Street in Denver.

Documents posted for meeting:

- Notice and Agenda
- CCS, Powerpoint Presentation (1 slide per page)
  - o CCS, Powerpoint Presentation (printer friendly 2 slides per page version)
- Martin Hoerling and Jon Eischeid, Emerging Issues for Water in the West: 21st Century Drought, NOAA Earth Systems Research Lab, 11/20/06 (2.8 MB PDF)
- CCS, Description of the Colorado Climate Action Plan Process (memo)
- State Level GHG Reduction Options (policy catalog)
- Policy Working Group - Preference Form

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The Colorado Climate Project was convened by the Rocky Mountain Climate Organization to bring Coloradans together to reduce the state's contribution and vulnerability to climate change. In the first phase of the project, a blue-ribbon Climate Action Panel worked for a year to develop 70 recommendations for reducing emissions of heat-trapping greenhouse gases and preparing for the changes that may be coming. Altogether, 116 panel members, alternates, and participants in supporting Policy Work Groups worked to produce the panel's final report.

The project has now moved to seeking consideration, adoption, and implementation of the panel's recommendations. Shortly after the panel's recommendations were adopted, Colorado Governor Bill Ritter, Jr., announced a Colorado Climate Agenda which includes the goals for reducing Colorado's emissions 20% by 2020 and 80% by 2050, compared to 2005 levels, just as recommended by the Climate Action Panel. The Rocky Mountain Climate Organization, working with the 116 participants who shaped the panel's recommendations, will continue working with the state government, local governments, water providers, and others for adoption and implementation of other panel recommendations.

Click on the navigation buttons to the left to learn more about background information on the science and impacts of global climate change, what governments in Colorado and elsewhere are doing, and the Colorado Climate Project; the inventory and forecast of Colorado greenhouse gas emissions considered by the panel; the Climate Action Panel's work and report; the Policy Work Groups that supported the panel; and other information.

The Center for Climate Strategies provided facilitation and technical support to the Climate Action Panel and Policy Work Groups.

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The Final CAP Report  
is available  
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Mayors Approve CAP  
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