# Developing a Municipal Climate Toolkit

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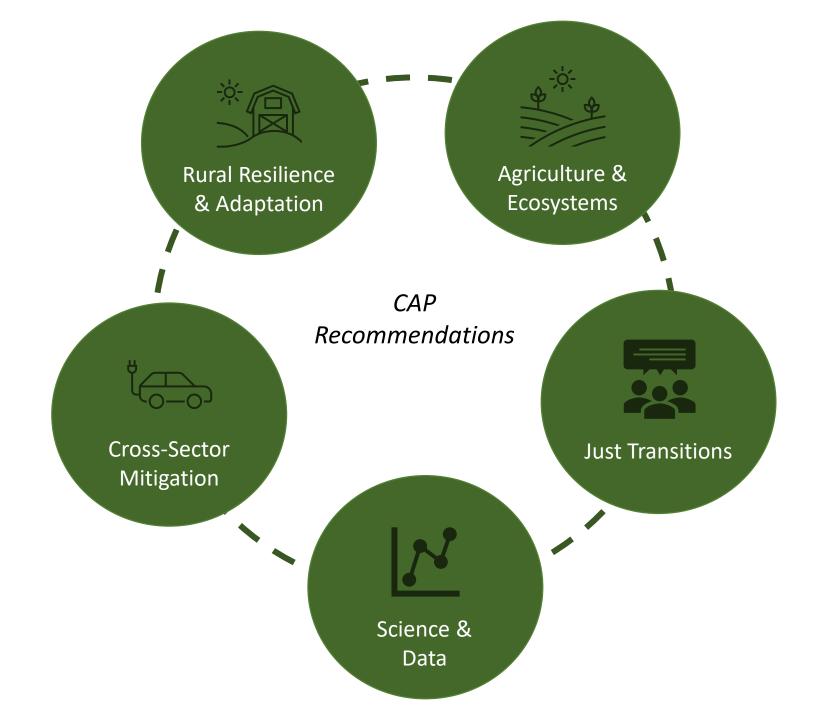
November 20, 2020

Initial Climate Action Plan Adopted by the Vermont Climate Council

December 1, 2021

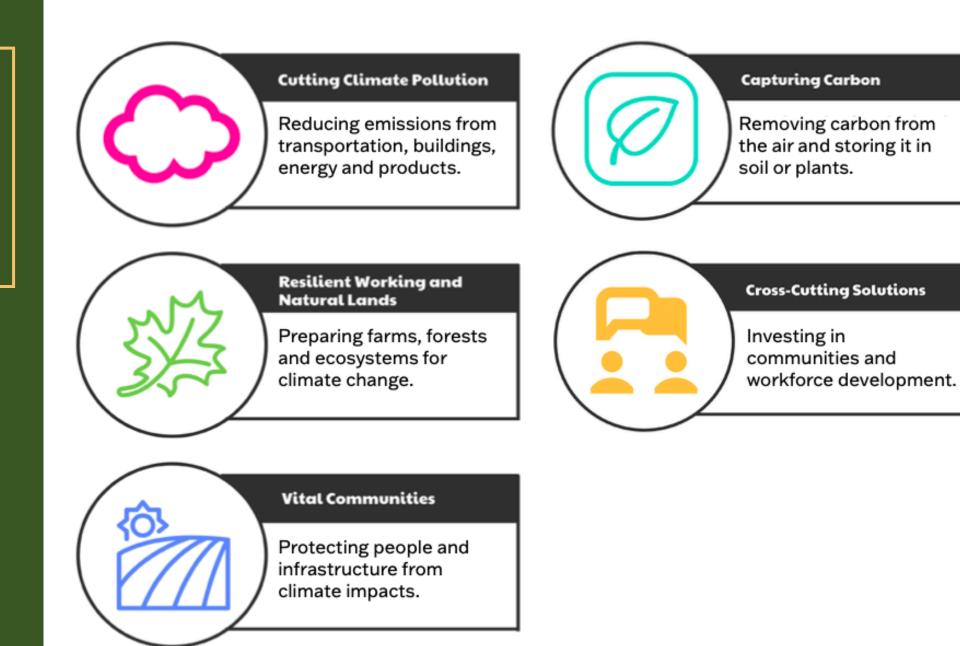
Global Warming Solutions Act Enacted September 23, 2020 Subcommittees begin meeting February 2021

## **Climate Action Plan Drafting Timeline**





# Five Impact Areas



Recommend tools for municipalities to assess their climate emergency preparedness, evaluate their financial capacity to address infrastructure resilience, and prioritize investment in that infrastructure.

This will include a broad approach, including public health, frontline and impacted communities, how it can support a just transition, and how to reach rural communities.

Municipal Climate Toolkit

## Climate Toolkit Task Group

Just Transitions Subcommittee

• Virginie Diambou, CVOEO

### Rural Resilience & Adaptation Subcommittee

- Jens Hilke, F&W
- Karen Horn, VLCT
- Ann Lawless, HEAT Squad
- Caroline Massa, VEM
- Ben Rose, VEM
- Val Stori, Great Plains Institute
- Marlena Valentina, NRPC

### Science & Data Subcommittee

- Dr. Lesley-Ann Dupigny-Giroux, UVM
- Kevin Geiger, TRORC
- Jared Ulmer, VDH

# Priorities







Simple

Highlights Existing Work

Amplifies Climate Change Impacts and Issues

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## People & Communities

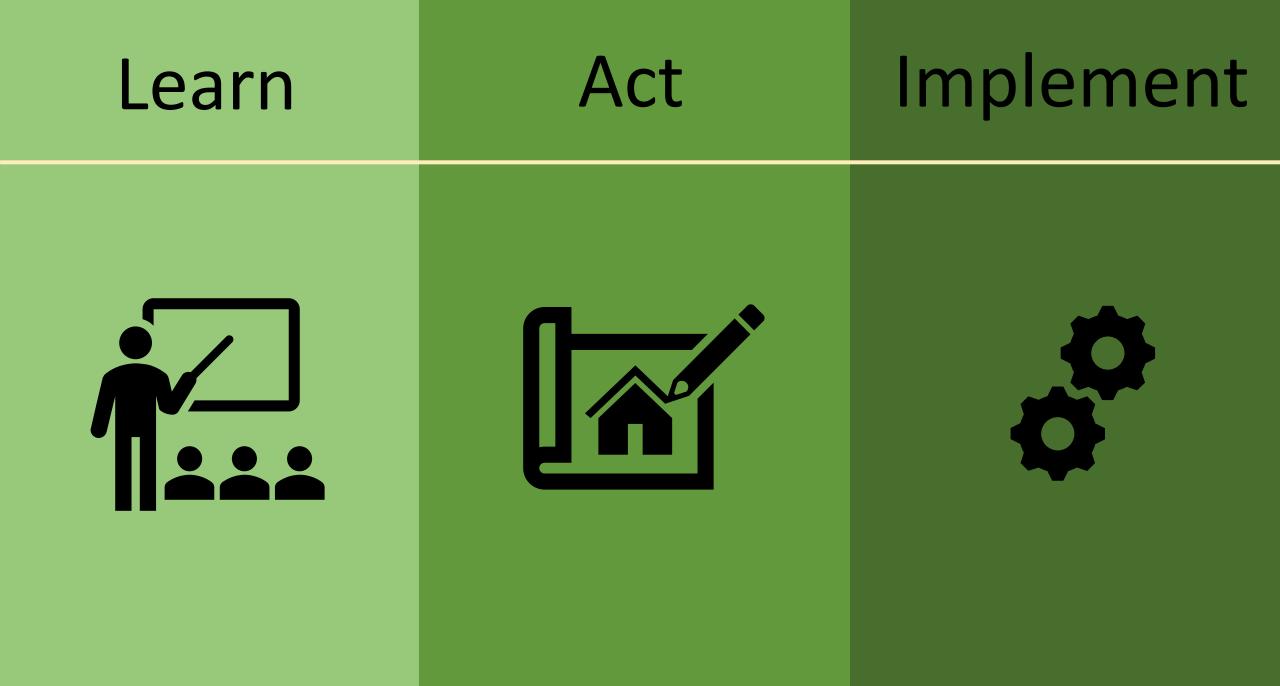
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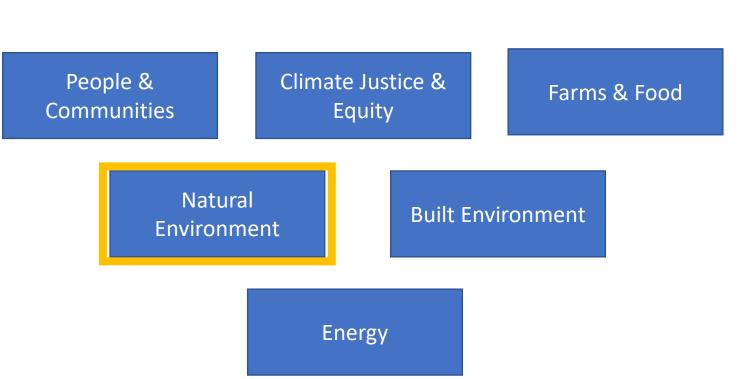
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#### Background

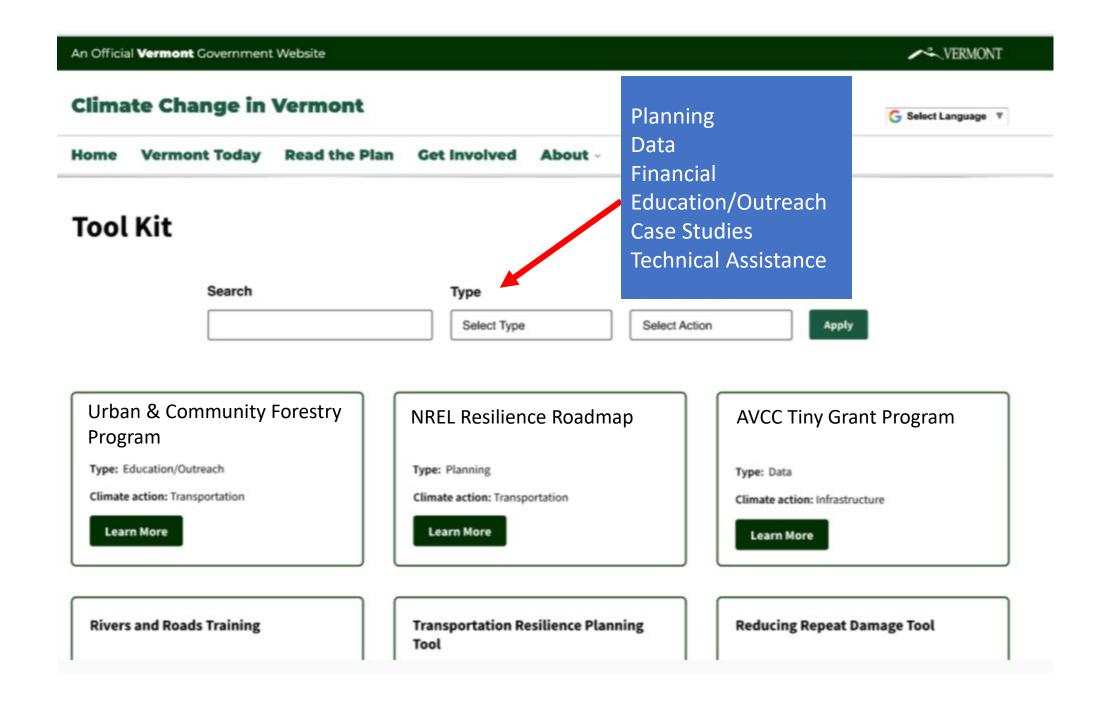
- Why is it important to think about forests & trees in the context of climate change?
- Sample language municipalities can use for planning purposes.
- Featured resources

#### Explore the Climate Toolkit

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Education Public health Public safety/Emergency response Hazard Mitigation		Water resources Ecosystems Wetlands	Food Systems Tr	Housing Transportation Land Use
		Forests & Trees Hazard Mitigation		Hazard Mitigation

Energy

Transportation Energy Building Energy Land use / conservation Siting of energy infrastructure



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### Don't know where to start?

# Questions to consider:

- In what areas of climate work have you done projects or planning work?
- Which areas of climate action would you like to work in that you have not had the capacity or resource to do so?
- Are there broad topic areas or subtopics missing?
- What would make your work easier?
- What obstacles have you encountered in your climate work thus far?
- What tools do you wish you had? What tools have you looked for and not found?

# Stay in contact!

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