

Oregon Global Warming Commission Meeting

May 22, 2023



Commissioner Updates

Meeting Overview

Agenda Item	
Commissioner Updates	12:00-12:15
Legislative Update	12:15-12:35
Oregon's Climate Pollution Reduction Planning Grant Overview	12:35-12:55
Natural and Working Lands Update	12:55-1:40
<i>Break</i>	<i>1:40-1:55</i>
Commission Workplan Discussion	1:55-2:35
Public Comment	2:35-2:55
Next Steps	2:55-3:00

Legislative Update

SB 522A Overview

- **Updates the state's GHG goals to Roadmap-recommended goals**
- **Commission mandate additions**
 - Detailed forecasts of emissions and emissions reductions
 - Track and evaluate progress towards the net zero and net negative emissions goals in addition to the GHG emissions reduction goals
 - Expands mandate to track and evaluate the carbon sequestration potential of Oregon's forests to natural and working lands
 - Periodic evaluation of GHG goals based on best available science – at a minimum within 18 months of IPCC Synthesis Report or National Climate Assessment
- **Expansion of Commission membership from 25 members to 35 members**
 - Voting member additions – youth, environmental justice, fishing industry
 - Non-voting member additions – Business Oregon, DAS, DCBS, DLCD, ODFW, OHA, OHCS, and OWEB
- **Require regular agency reporting to the Commission**
- **Renames OGWC to OCAC – the Oregon Climate Action Commission**
- **Requires DEQ, in consultation with the OCAC to evaluate opportunities to address consumption-based emissions – report by September 15, 2024.**
- **Changes date of biennial report submission** from March 31 of odd-numbered years to December 1 of even-numbered years.

Fiscal resources for 2023-2025 biennium: 2 full-time positions; \$250K for forecast modeling consultant

SB 530A Overview

- **Declares state policy to implement and incentivize strategies to advance natural climate solutions and improve understanding of natural climate solutions**
- **Carbon sequestration and storage data and goal development**
 - Carbon sequestration baseline, inventory, and metrics
 - Update inventory and provide a biennial report on it (by Dec. 1 of even-numbered years)
 - Non-binding carbon sequestration goals (by Jan 1, 2025) and periodic updates
 - Workforce study (by Sept. 15, 2024)
 - Agency consultation and coordination and public comment opportunities
- **Natural and Working Lands Fund**
 - Annual Fund allocations to agencies (ODA, ODF, ODFW, and OWEB); OGWC determines
 - Rulemaking (if needed)
 - Annual report summarizing Fund use (by Sept. 15)
 - Biennial Report on Fund projects and programs (by Dec. 1 of even-numbered years)
 - Agency consultation and coordination and public comment opportunities
- **Natural and Working Lands Advisory Committee (at least 15 members)**

Fiscal resources for 2023-25 biennium:

- 2 full-time positions
- \$400K for inventory
- \$250K for consultant on metrics

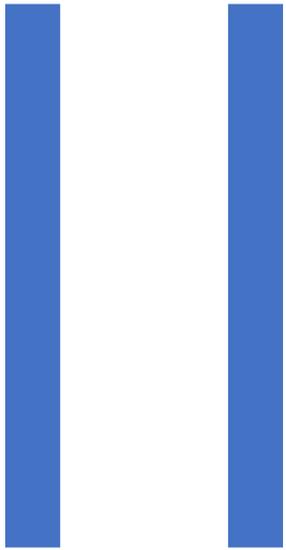
Fiscal resources currently indeterminate - depends on whether and how much the Fund is funded

Resilient, Efficient Buildings Overview

- **HB 3166 One-Stop Shop for Home Energy Efficiency**
- **SB 868 Heat Pumps Plus**
- **SB 869 Building Codes**
- **SB 870 Building Performance Standard**
- **SB 871 State Building Efficiency**

Oregon's Climate Pollution Reduction Planning Grant

Natural and Working Lands Update



BREAK

Commission Work Planning

Overview of Workplan Discussion

1. Refresher on OGWC mandate
2. Known OGWC work/deliverables through 2024
3. Potential additional work/deliverables based on pending legislation
4. Policy topic focus areas
5. Resource considerations
6. Discussion questions

Discussion Questions

- Are we missing anything?
- How much flexibility should we build in for items/issues that may emerge?
- Are there items the Commission would like to prioritize?
- Is there interest in Commission subcommittees to facilitate work?
- Other ideas/considerations?

Overview of Current OGWC Mandate

- Track and evaluate climate change issues, policies, programs, and progress towards the state's greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals.
- Recommend statutory and administrative changes, policy measures and other recommendations as needed.
- Recommend ways to coordinate state and local efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in Oregon consistent with the state's greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals.
- Recommend efforts to help Oregon prepare for the effects of global warming.
- Educate Oregonians about the scientific aspects and economic impacts of global warming and inform Oregonians of ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and ways to prepare for the effects of global warming.
- Submit a biennial report to the Legislature that describes Oregon's progress toward achievement of the state's greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals. The report may include relevant issues and trends of significance, including trends of greenhouse gas emissions, emerging public policy and technological advances. The report also may discuss measures the state may adopt to mitigate the impacts of global warming on the environment, the economy and the residents of Oregon and to prepare for those impacts.
- *Key ORS citations: [ORS 468A.250](#), 468A.235, 468A.240, 468A.245, 468A.260*

Known Work/Deliverables Through 2024

1. **Biennial Report** (ideally by December 2024)
2. **Roadmap Tracking/Oversight**
3. **Natural and Working Lands Work**
 - A. Current grant deliverables (Fall 2023)
 - B. Deliberate on grant report recommendations
4. **Advise on Oregon's CPRG Planning Grant Work**
 - A. Priority Climate Action Plan or PCAP (draft by mid-November 2023; final by end of January 2024)
 - B. Comprehensive Climate Action Plan or CCAP (four components through 2024 and begin development of action plan – due by Fall 2025)
 - i. The gap analysis and Natural and Working Lands Carbon Sequestration Inventory components will likely require particular OGWC focus.

Additional Work/Deliverables Through 2024 with SB 522A

- Detailed forecast of emissions and emissions reductions
- Track and evaluate progress towards the net zero and net negative emissions goals in addition to the greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals
- Expansion of Commission membership from 25 members to 35 members and associated onboarding/coordination
- Discussion of regular agency reporting and review of reports
- *GHG goals evaluation report based on best available science?*

Additional Work/Deliverables Through 2024 with SB 530A

- **Carbon sequestration and storage data and goal development**
 - Carbon sequestration baseline, inventory, and metrics
 - Non-binding carbon sequestration goals (by Jan. 1, 2025)
 - Workforce study (by Sept. 15, 2024)
 - Agency consultation and coordination and public comment opportunities
- **Natural and Working Lands Fund**
 - Determine annual Fund allocations to agencies
 - Rulemaking (if needed) - OGWC rulemaking related to allocations and consultation on other agency rules related to the Fund
 - Annual report summarizing Fund use (by Sept. 15, 2024)
 - Biennial Report on Fund projects and programs (by Dec. 1, 2024)
 - Agency consultation and coordination and public comment opportunities
- **Natural and Working Lands Advisory Committee appointment and support**

Policy Topic Focus Areas

- **Climate Impacts:** OCCRI Sixth Assessment, OAH Council efforts, IPCC Synthesis Report, Fifth National Climate Assessment
- **Energy planning:** Energy decarbonization planning, state energy strategy, IRPs/CEPs (regarding HB 2021 and CPP implementation)
- **Renewable energy siting:** ORESA, transmission, NWL interface
- **Transportation sector emissions and strategies:** STS progress and multi-agency Transportation Emissions Dashboard; Every Mile Counts
- **Buildings sector emissions and strategies**
- **Equity:** Environmental Justice Mapping Tool development (HB 4077)
- **Other?**

Resource Considerations

- **Staffing?**
 - Currently 0.3 FTE
 - Potentially four new full-time positions
- **Consultant contracting/management?**
 - Detailed forecast of emissions and emissions reductions
 - Natural and Working Lands related items – inventory, metrics, workforce study
- **Expansion of Commission membership?**

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