



# Minnesota Climate Change Advisory Group

Meeting #2  
June 14, 2007

Minnesota Department of Commerce  
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency  
The Center for Climate Strategies

## Welcome and Introductions

- State of Minnesota
- Minnesota Climate Change Advisory Group (MCCAG)
- Members of the Public
- Center for Climate Strategies

# Agenda

- Introductions and review of day's agenda
- Approval of draft summary of MCCAG Meeting #1
- Review of recent State Legislative activities on greenhouse gases (GHGs)
- Review and discussion of the Minnesota's Draft GHG Inventory and Forecast
- Review and additions to the Catalog of States Actions
- Next Steps for MCCAG and Technical Work Groups (TWGs)
- Agenda, Time and Date for Next Meeting(s)
- Public Input and Announcements

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# Recent Climate Developments

- New State Legislation (S.F. No. 145)
- The Climate Registry
- Western Climate Initiative
- Federal legislation

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## S.F. No. 145

- Demand Efficiency Initiative: Energy Savings Goals
  - Builds on Minnesota's existing conservation program, consistently ranked in the top five programs in the country
  - Will effectively double the amount of energy saved by Minnesota's utilities
  - Transitions Minnesota from a focus on energy efficiency spending goals to energy efficiency savings goals
  - Establishes a goal of 1,000 Energy Star Buildings by 2010 (87 currently), and provides adequate funding to achieve the goal

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- Community Based Energy Development
  - Expanded and deepened Minnesota's commitment to the development of locally-owned renewable energy projects
  - Continued and increased funding for community energy outreach through the Clean Energy Resource Teams (CERTS)
  - Builds on Minnesota's acknowledged national leadership on community energy

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- Global Warming Mitigation
  - Establishes statewide greenhouse gas emission reduction goals of 15 percent by 2015, 30 percent by 2025, and 80 percent by 2050, using 2005 emissions as a benchmark
  - Endorses the Governor's Minnesota Climate Change Advisory Group as the entity to develop a comprehensive greenhouse gas emission reduction plan to meet those goals ([www.mnclimatechange.us](http://www.mnclimatechange.us))
  - Establishes stringent emission offset requirements for new generation to serve Minnesota customers, if the legislation fails to implement a climate change action plan by August, 2009
  - Propels Minnesota into the top two states (with California) leading the way towards reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases, according to the National Conference of State Legislators

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## Next Steps

- Adjust reference case projections
  - Extend to 2025
  - Include and design/analyze recent legislative actions as “planned” by MCCAG
  - Include key “existing” actions in MN to the reference case (presented at MCCAG meeting #1)
- Achieve state target through new actions

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# MN Inventory & Forecast Update

- Adjustments based on S.F. No. 145
- Draft final technical appendices prepared for review and revision by TWGs and MCCAG if/as needed

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## Additions to Catalog of States Actions

- Identify potentially missing actions for MN
- Add to list for consideration of “priorities for analysis” at the next stage of the MCCAG process

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## Catalog of States Actions

- Refer to handouts
  - Residential/Commercial/Industrial
  - Energy Supply
  - Transportation and Land Use
  - Agriculture, Forestry and Waste
  - Cross Cutting Issues

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# Next MCCAG Meeting

- Agenda:
  - Identify and approve initial priorities for analysis
  - Review TWG suggested updates to the Minnesota emissions inventory and projection
  - Prepare for quantification of options
- August 2, 2007, Location TBD



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# Public Input, Announcements

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