

Draft Agenda
Accelerating State Action on Climate Change
The Pocantico Center
200 Lake Road
Tarrytown, New York
July 17-18, 2019

This meeting will provide an opportunity for officials from leadership states taking action on climate change to share information on recent developments in their states and to strategize together on the most promising ways to accelerate the pace of implementation in response to the increasingly ambitious climate goals being established by these states' governors and state legislatures. The group will also discuss how state action can influence and underpin future federal action and how U.S. federal action needs to be positioned within the global climate negotiations.

Wednesday, July 17

- 6:00 pm Reception in Loggia area of the Coach Barn
7:00 Dinner and Introductions
8:30 Hayloft conversation on the international climate negotiation, and on how states are setting science-based targets. Opening remarks:
[Dr. Andrew Steer](#), President and CEO, World Resources Institute
[Kathleen Frangione](#), Chief Policy Advisor to Governor Phil Murphy

Thursday, July 18

- 7:00 am **Breakfast buffet available in Coach Barn**
- 8:00 **Agenda Review and Meeting Objectives, Governor Bill Ritter, CNEE**
- 8:15 **Summary Review of High Ambition Policies.** Please review the two documents provided in advance. Please share your questions and suggestions for additions to these policy resources. These are intended to be resources you and others can use to further policy goals in your states.
- 9:00 **Meeting the Challenges Posed by the Transportation Sector**
- Update on federal vehicle standards and states' response
 - How can states work together to establish ambitious federal and state emission standards for new cars and trucks?
 - Status of Transportation and Climate Initiative
 - What can other states learn from this effort?
 - Discussion of other strategies to address CO2 emissions from transportation (e.g., incentives for EV purchases and charging infrastructure, etc.; Low-Carbon Fuel Standards.)
- 10:00 **Power Sector**
- Achieving 100%
 - Replacing Coal with Natural Gas?
- 11:00 **Net Zero Buildings**

- Standard Setting and Mandatory Retrofits
- Electrification Instead of Gas

12:00pm

Working Lunch: Industrial Sources, Oil & Gas, Methane, and HFCs, Land Use

Moving industrial sources away from fossil fuels and onto clean energy sources poses a set of challenges similar to those associated with buildings in terms of efficiency, retrofits and electrification. In addition, some states face the issue of a rapidly expanding oil & gas sector and associated methane emissions.

- What are tools, policies and incentives states can use to make progress in these sectors?
- Examples of state action on HFCs, methane, and land use – model policy

1:30

Carbon pricing strategies

- Tough sledding in WA, OR, VA
- Opportunities to expand existing programs (RGGI, TCI, WCI, EU, China) and enhance collaboration between programs
- Carbon tax

2:00

Collaborative Opportunities

- Group actions by leadership states on policy and market creation
- Outreach / support for opportunity states
- Setting the Policy Stage for Federal Action in 2021/Preparing for the Worst
- Participation in upcoming COPs in Santiago and London

3:30

Next Steps

4:00

Adjourn