

Early Assessment Proposed Language of Policy OS 10.11 presented on 7/29/20:

“The County of Monterey shall develop and adopt a Climate Action Plan with a target that is consistent with state-wide targets and science-based targets. The Community Climate Action Plan shall be a fully enforceable document that establishes emissions reductions targets and identifies and quantifies strategies and measures the County will undertake to reach its targets. At a minimum, the Plan shall:

- a. Conduct a current inventory of GHG emissions in the County of Monterey including but not limited to residential, commercial, industrial, and agricultural emissions; and*
- b. Forecast GHG emissions for the target year for County operations;*
- c. Forecast GHG emissions for areas within the jurisdictional control of the County for “business as usual” conditions;*
- d. Identify methods to reduce and sequester GHG emissions;*
- e. Quantify the reductions in GHG emissions from the identified methods;*
- f. Establish requirements for monitoring and reporting of GHG emissions;*
- g. Establish a schedule of actions for implementation;*
- h. Identify funding sources for implementation; and*
- j. Quantify carbon sequestration in agricultural soils and crops.*

During preparation of the Community Climate Action Plan, the County shall also evaluate potential options for changes in County policies regarding land use and circulation, as necessary, to further achieve future reduction goals and measures to promote carbon sequestration ~~urban forestry~~ and public awareness concerning climate change.”

PC Recommendations:

Include a timeline for completion of the plan to maintain strength and urgency of the policy.

Staff Revisions and Planning Commission adopted language of Policy OS-10.11 from 9.30.20

*“~~Within 24 months of the adoption of the General Plan, By the end of 2022, the County of Monterey County shall develop and adopt a Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Reduction~~ community climate action ~~P~~plan *and the Board of Supervisors shall consider adoption of the plan or provide direction as appropriate. with This plan shall have a target to reduce emissions by 20320 to a level that is 4540% less than 2005 1990 emissions levels. This plan should include environmental justice considerations including the impact of climate change and adaptation strategies on Disadvantaged Communities, as that term is defined in Government Code Section 65302 (h)(4)(A), low-income and/or under-resourced communities, communities of color, and/or indigenous peoples as necessary.**

At a minimum, the Plan shall:

- a. Establish a ~~an~~ current inventory of 2005 GHG emissions in the County of Monterey including but not limited to residential, commercial, industrial, and agricultural emissions;*

- b. Review progress made between 2010 and 2020 to reduce GHG emissions;
- c. Forecast GHG emissions for 20230 for County operations;
- d. Forecast GHG emissions for areas within the jurisdictional control of the County for “business as usual” conditions;
- e. Identify ~~methods~~ strategies to reduce and sequester GHG emissions and set performance indicators for each strategy;
- f. Quantify the reductions in GHG emissions from the identified ~~methods~~ strategies and evaluate the social and health impacts that may result from their implementation;
- g. Quantify carbon sequestration in agricultural soils and crops
- h. Establish requirements for monitoring and reporting of ~~GHG emissions~~ indicators;
- i. Establish a schedule of actions for implementation;
- j. Identify funding sources for implementation; and
- k. Identify a reduction goal for the 204530 ~~Planning Horizon~~.
- ~~l. Quantify carbon sequestration in agricultural soils and crops~~

During preparation of the ~~Greenhouse Gas Reduction~~ community climate action Pplan, the County shall also evaluate potential options for incorporating changes in County policies within the General Plan including, but not limited to, those regarding health and safety, land use, and circulation, as necessary, , as well as the Hazard Mitigation Plan to further achieve the 20230 and 204530 reduction goals. The County shall also consider ~~and~~ measures to promote ~~urban forestry and public awareness concerning~~ of climate change and strategies to mitigate the effects of climate change. The County shall continue planning for adaptation due to climate change.”