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A Tradition of Stewardship  
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## Climate Action Committee **Board Agenda Letter**

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**TO:** Climate Action Committee  
**FROM:** David Morrison - Director  
Planning, Building and Environmental Services  
**REPORT BY:** Deborah Elliott, Environmental Resource Specialist - 259-5969  
**SUBJECT:** Discussion of Possible Actions for the Climate Action Committee

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Receive a staff presentation on actions that the Climate Action Committee can focus on. Discussion and possible action to move forward with one or more proposed actions.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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**FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

No

County Strategic Plan pillar addressed:

Vibrant and Sustainable Environment

14.A: Convene a meeting to investigate the feasibility of a regionally integrated Climate Action Plan.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

**BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION****Actions**

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**Measurement**

- | Prepare an updated Countywide GHG inventory, by jurisdiction.

**Emissions Reduction**

- | Opt up to MCE Deep Green for municipal operations - American Canyon and Calistoga do not currently participate.
- | Collaborate with BayREN staff to develop policies and programs to reduce emissions in existing buildings (including single family, multifamily, commercial)
- | Adopt an ordinance requiring temporary events to be zero waste - no jurisdiction has adopted a zero waste ordinance
- | Accelerate implementation of countywide organics composting and increase edible food recovery to go beyond SB 1383 minimum requirements
- | Adopt a Transportation System Management Ordinance - Calistoga and Yountville do not currently have an ordinance.
- | Adopt a telework policy - Calistoga does not currently have an adopted policy.
- | Adopt a parking reduction ordinance - no jurisdiction has adopted a comprehensive parking reduction ordinance.
- | Encourage businesses to participate in the Napa Green Winery/Land programs and Napa County Green Business Program.
- | Ban gas powered leaf blowers for municipal operations - St. Helena and Yountville have adopted ordinances limiting the hours of use.
- | Support reach code development to limit fossil fuel use in new buildings - no jurisdiction has adopted an

energy reach code.

### **Carbon Sequestration**

- | Work with the Napa Resource Conservation District (RCD) to create a tree planting/preservation program
- | Work with the Napa RCD to increase carbon farming

### **Resilience**

- | Include Climate Change community benefits in all Development Agreements
- | Support microgrid development/energy grid resilience

### **Next Steps for Discussion**

1. What action(s) does the Committee want to focus on?
2. What steps does the committee need to take to accomplish the action(s)?

### **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None

Committee Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Jose Luis Valdez