



# Climate-Safe California: Accelerating Climate Action

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# The science is clear: Climate change is here and it's accelerating

- **One stark symptom: global warming induced megadrought**
- Threatens dustbowl & ag economy by as early as 2027 in CA
- 2015 drought cost ~\$2.7 billion and 20k lost ag jobs in California



<https://www.washingtonpost.com/weather/2020/04/16/southwest-megadrought-climate-change/>  
Williams et al. *Science* Apr 17 2020  
<https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/drought-takes-2-7-billion-toll-on-california-agriculture/>

**Need more aggressive, equitable policies  
& accelerated timelines in CA now!**



## **Climate-Safe California**

### **Campaign for Rapid Decarbonization**

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**GOAL: By 2025, CA will have enacted the bold policies required by science to dramatically cut emissions, start drawdown and secure resilient communities for all by 2030, inspiring global action**



# Guiding principles for Climate-Safe CA targets, policies and programs

- 1- Based on the **latest science**
- 2- Ensure a **just transition** for fossil fuel workers
- 3- Prioritize **climate justice** and ensure lower-income/BIPOC communities are no longer disproportionately harmed by fossil fuels & equal access to climate solutions



# CLIMATE-SAFE CALIFORNIA

accelerate existing state goals 15 years...

**2045 is too late**

- **Enact statewide policy that will set the target of achieving net negative emissions by 2030**  
(drawdown greater than emissions)
- **Support through changes in key sectors to make the goal a reality, including natural and working lands, phaseout of fossil fuels, and community energy resilience**

**Definition:** net negative emissions is achieved when, as a result of human activities, more greenhouse gases are removed from the atmosphere than are emitted into it. – UN IPCC 1.5C Report <https://www.ipcc.ch/sr15/chapter/glossary/>



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**California can remove  
more climate pollution  
than we emit by 2030**

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