





Climate-Safe California: accelerating climate action

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Current global climate goals are inadequate

UN IPCC 1.5C Report- Oct 2018

Cut emissions by 45% by 2030

AND

 remove up to 1000 Gt CO2e from atmosphere

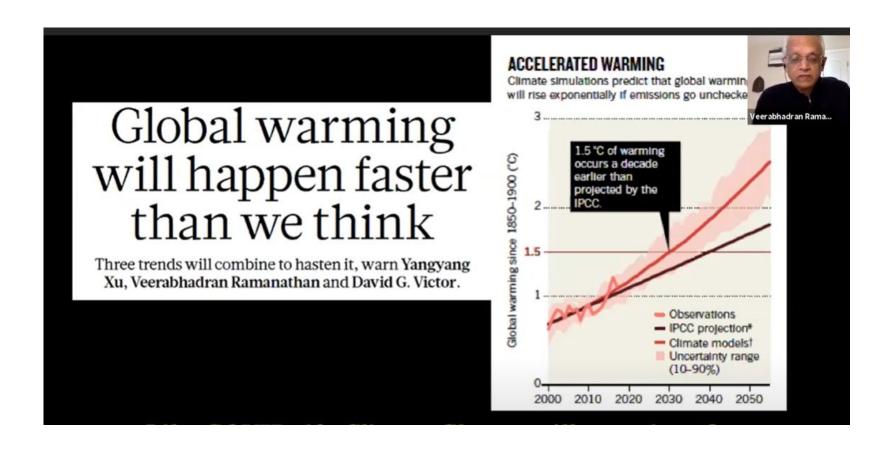
to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050 and stay under 1.5C warming



UN operates by consensus so goals are conservative and not enough.
We must do more sooner per new science...



Will pass 1.5°C dangerous warming by 2030 10 years earlier than UN IPCC projected



Xu, Y., et al, Global Warming will Happen Faster than We Think, Nature Dec 2018, 564(7734):30-32

DOI: <u>10.1038/d41586-018-07586-5</u>

MoveCA Zoomposium, Jan 21 2021, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T3IOX5ru0BI&t=12s (at 16 min in)

Hébert, R. et al. *Climate Dynamics*, 2020; DOI: <u>10.1007/s00382-020-05521-x</u> CA impacts: personal communication with V. Ramanathan, Scripps/UC San Diego



The nation and the world are looking to California to lead for a climate-safe future





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



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accelerate existing state goals 15 years... 2045 is too late

- **Net-negative emissions by 2030** (drawdown greater than emissions) (Brown 2018 EO by 2045)
 - 80% below 1990 GHG levels by 2030 (Schwarzenegger 2005 EO by 2050)
 - Nature-based annual sequestration greater than emissions by 2030

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/







One pathway to Net Negative Emissions by 2030: by sector

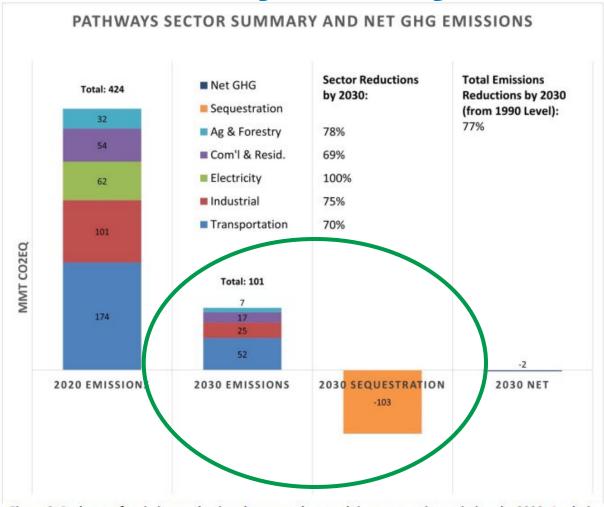


Figure 2. Pathway of emissions reductions by sector that result in net-negative emissions by 2030. Analysis using The Climate Center GHG Accounting Tool.



TYPES OF POLICIES REQUIRED BY SCIENCE TO REACH CARBON NEGATIVE BY 2030

- 1.Accelerate the phase-out of fossil fuel development, production and use
- 2.Scale-up nature-based sequestration to 100 MMT/year by 2030 on natural & working lands
- 3. Invest in community resilience, including clean energy microgrids & storage
- 4.Fund climate action with \$12-20 billion/year and leverage private sector money



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 and impacted communities
- 3- Prioritize climate justice and ensure lower-income/BIPOC communities are no longer disproportionately harmed by fossil fuels & equal access to climate solutions





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Coming Attractions: The Human and Economic Costs of Climate Inaction November 18 at 10 – 11:30 am



Speakers: Senator Lena A. Gonzalez, Chris Busch, Energy Innovation, Ibrahim AlHusseini, FullCycle Climate Partners

