



Colorado Communities for Climate Action

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Colorado Communities for Climate Action is a new coalition of local governments that advocates for state and federal policies to protect Colorado's climate for current and future generations.

The state and federal actions the coalition seeks are needed to complement the local climate actions CC4CA members already have underway, which include ambitious goals to reduce local heat-trapping emissions and strong local policies to meet those goals. But local governments simply cannot meet their climate goals on their own—they also need a better framework of state and federal climate policies to enable their local actions to be more effective. That reality led to the creation of CC4CA, in which local governments have joined forces to work for state and federal actions supporting and complementing local climate-protection actions.

The initial 14 members of CC4CA are:

- Boulder County
- City of Fort Collins
- City of Westminster
- City of Boulder
- Eagle County
- Summit County
- City of Lafayette
- City of Golden
- Pitkin County
- San Miguel County
- City of Aspen
- Town of Vail
- Town of Telluride, and
- Town of Mountain Village.

Already, the coalition represents more than one-eighth of all Coloradans, and additional local governments are expected to soon join CC4CA.

Colorado Communities for Climate Action has adopted, by unanimous consent among its members, a 2016–2017 policy agenda of steps that should be taken at the state and federal levels, often in partnership with local governments, to enable Colorado and its communities to lead in protecting the climate. The agenda includes state legislative and executive branch policies and actions to:

- extend current and provide new authorities for local actions,
- set new state climate-protection goals,
- define and implement concrete steps to flesh out the Colorado Climate Plan, and
- reduce heat-trapping emissions by new policies on electricity generation, energy efficiency, transportation, and waste management.

CC4CA has retained Frontline Public Affairs to represent it before the state and federal governments. The Rocky Mountain Climate Organization, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, administers the coalition for its members.

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