

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT WORKING GROUP 2017

Action Items



*Pacific NorthWest
Economic Region*

The Energy & Environment Working Group addresses the convergence of environmental sustainability and economic development while focusing on distributed generation, microgrids, energy efficiency, renewable energy and other issues. The group collaborates with PNWER's Energy Horizon Institute, which works to educate lawmakers as to the current status of energy infrastructure and delivery system.

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1	Regional Carbon Strategy Make an inventory of each jurisdiction's actions around climate policy. Include criteria and methodologies for measuring carbon footprint.	Information available on Energy and Environment website.
2	Explore avenues to work with First Nations and Tribal groups and share best practices on reducing carbon footprint. Reference practices from Alberta, Yukon and Washington and other PNWER jurisdictions	Developing session on non-federal responses to climate change for 2018 Annual Summit.
3	Ocean and Marine Renewable Energy PNWER will write a letter to Governor Kate Brown, Oregon expressing PNWER's support for NNMREC's Pacific Marine Energy Center. Ocean and marine energy are a tremendous potential resource for many PNWER jurisdictions and the greater region. The letter will stress the importance of resiliency.	Completed
4	PNWER Roadmap to Resilient, Ultra-Low Energy Buildings in the Region Seek data sources, insights and interests in the research phase of the Roadmap to Resilient, Ultra-low Energy Buildings. Conduct an online survey of PNWER stakeholder networks.	Additional data sources from Energy Trust of Oregon were included in Roadmap.
5	PNWER Roadmap to Resilient, Ultra-Low Energy Buildings in the Region Seek additional private sector support (\$20,000 USD) to finish Roadmap research and White Paper Development. Secure four sponsors by September and promote combined Roadmap and 2017 Economic Development Forum/ 2018 Summit sponsorship opportunities.	In progress
6	PNWER Roadmap to Resilient, Ultra-Low Energy Buildings in the Region Develop "Roadmap to Resilient, Ultra-low Energy Buildings" by June 2018 that recommends policy solutions and market mechanisms that move the middle of the "market transformation curve" and respond to diversity of carbon pricing regimes (flexible caps, carbon pricing, cap and trade)	In progress; research team is developing report. Preliminary data presented at 2018 Economic Leadership Forum in
7	PNWER Roadmap to Resilient, Ultra-Low Energy Buildings in the Region Continue to secure legislative support in each PNWER jurisdiction for Roadmap process and objectives.	Roadmap was presented in committee hearings during January Capitol Visits. Inviting key legislators to 2018 PNWER Annual Summit.