

## Clean Energy Jobs Work Groups Charge and Policy Questions

### 1. Agriculture, Forests, Fisheries, Rural Communities, and Tribes Work Group

Charge: Discuss the opportunities for agriculture, forestry, and fishery sectors under a cap-and-invest program and what would be important to understand for the offsets conversation.

Policy Questions to Answer:

1. How would a cap-and-invest program affect these industries, communities, and tribes? What interests or concerns are important to consider from each perspective?
2. How can an Oregon offsets program be designed to provide the most benefit to Oregon's rural economies, communities, and tribes?
3. What are the concerns related to development of, and use of, offsets, and how can a program be designed to address some of these concerns? What can we learn from existing offset programs?
4. What opportunities exist in Oregon for agriculture, forestry, and fishery sectors, and who would benefit? How will revenues be invested in rural communities? What are some examples?
5. How can a cap-and-invest program help advance Oregon's efforts to mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change?

### 2. Utilities and Transportation Work Group

Charge: Discuss compliance with cap-and-invest, flexibility, and cost containment with regard to utilities and transportation.

Utilities -- Policy Questions to Answer:

1. How would compliance with cap-and-invest and other existing policies interact for different power suppliers?
2. How can a cap-and-invest program be designed to be as complementary as possible to existing policies in the electricity sector?
3. What are potential interests and concerns related to allocation for utilities, especially the consignment methodology and process?
4. What policies are needed to ensure cost containment, flexibility, and stable energy prices?

Transportation -- Policy Questions to Answer:

1. How would cap-and-invest and other existing policies interact for different fuel suppliers and different fuel users?
2. What mechanisms would or could be in place to ensure cost containment and flexibility?

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3. How should we structure advisory committees and relevant funds created by the cap-and-invest legislation, and what investment opportunities exist for proceeds in the Highway Trust Fund? What investment opportunities might specifically mitigate higher fuel prices for certain fuel user groups (e.g. freight)?
4. How, if at all, will a cap-and-invest program affect the 2017 transportation package?

### **3. Regulated Entities Work Group**

Charge: Discuss compliance with cap-and-invest, flexibility, and cost containment with regard to regulated entities.

Policy Questions to Answer:

1. How would a cap-and-invest program interact with regulated industries?
2. How would energy-intensive and trade-exposed (EITE) entities likely be determined, and how would EITE determinations likely play out for key Oregon industries?
3. How could cost containment mechanisms be designed fairly? For example, if we decide to offer free allowances to some industries in order to control leakage, what are the implications for auction revenue generation and for reducing emissions? Should free allowances be time-limited? How will we be assured that EITEs will in fact produce fewer emissions over time?

### **4. Environmental Justice and Just Transition Work Group**

Charge: Discuss the impacts and potential opportunities for impacted communities and how to ensure a just transition under a cap-and-invest model.

Policy Questions to Answer:

1. How do we identify/define impacted individuals and communities?
2. Are there specific investment opportunities that will benefit those impacted?
3. Are there specific investment opportunities to benefit a just transition for workers?
4. How should decision making be structured to ensure access and transparency?