



## OREGON GLOBAL WARMING COMMISSION

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### How the Global Warming Commission will function:

- A. The OGWC, following guidance from its standing committees, may review proposals for legislative, administrative or regulatory action from State agencies, Governor's working groups and citizen initiatives that bear on the ability of Oregon to meet its greenhouse gas reduction and climate change adaptation goals. If the proposal is for legislative action, the OGWC will report its findings to both the Legislature and the Governor either in a special report or in its biennial report.
- B. The OGWC may find<sup>1</sup> that the proposal:
  1. Is consistent with Oregon meeting its goals in a timely fashion.
  2. Is generally consistent with Oregon meeting its goals, but findings of timeliness and degree are not possible with the information provided (or, certain elements are consistent and other elements may not be).
  3. There is insufficient information to judge consistency with Oregon meeting its goals.
  4. Is inconsistent with Oregon meeting its goals in a timely fashion.
- C. The OGWC will work through its standing committees to assist agencies and others to shape legislative and regulatory proposals such that they may earn a "consistency" finding.
- D. The OGWC may on its initiative identify priority activities it believes are needed to achieve the State's goals, and may act directly, or through a recommendation to a State agency, or in collaboration with a third party, to undertake such activities. These should include research agendas or other appropriate activities for the Institute for Climate Change or other academic resources. The OGWC may seek State, Federal or third party funding to carry out these activities.
- E. The OGWC will undertake an extensive Communications and Outreach program to provide Oregonians with access to information and to adaptation tools such that their ability to engage as full participants in the mitigation and adaptation processes is enabled. This will involve seeking both State and outside funding (and/or pro bono support) with a schedule and specific deliverables.
- F. The OGWC reserves the option of commenting, to the Oregon delegation, on Federal climate proposed actions as they bear upon Oregon citizens, communities, economic and natural systems, and climate strategies.

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<sup>1</sup> Note: In order for such findings to be credible and authoritative, the Commission will need to develop criteria and metrics for determining consistency.