



# Equity Advisory Committee

## Climate Protection Program

September 8, 2025  
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. PT  
Virtually held on Zoom

# Zoom logistics

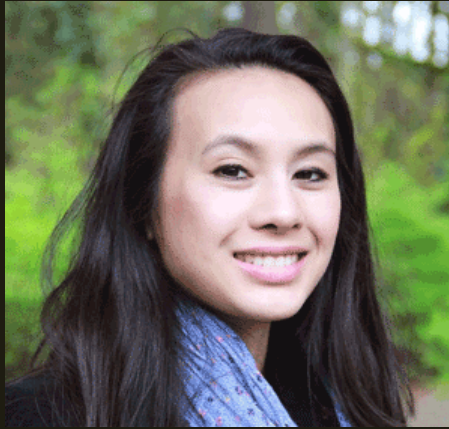
- The meeting is being recorded
- Please rename yourself to include any affiliation
- Committee members have audio and video capabilities
- Committee members - use the raise hand feature to speak, and when you are not speaking, please mute your microphone
- Members of the public can listen in
- Please only use chat feature for technical issues

# Agenda

- Committee member introductions
- Program overview
- Review draft charter and discuss approach to public comment
- Nexus with other climate work at the agency
- Next steps
- Adjourn at 12



# Process to get to today



# Introductions



- Share name, pronouns and identities you want to share, where you are calling in from today, and more about yourself and what brought you to this committee.
- If you are with an organization, please take a few minutes to share what the organization does and who it primarily engages with.
- What is something you did this summer that brought you joy.

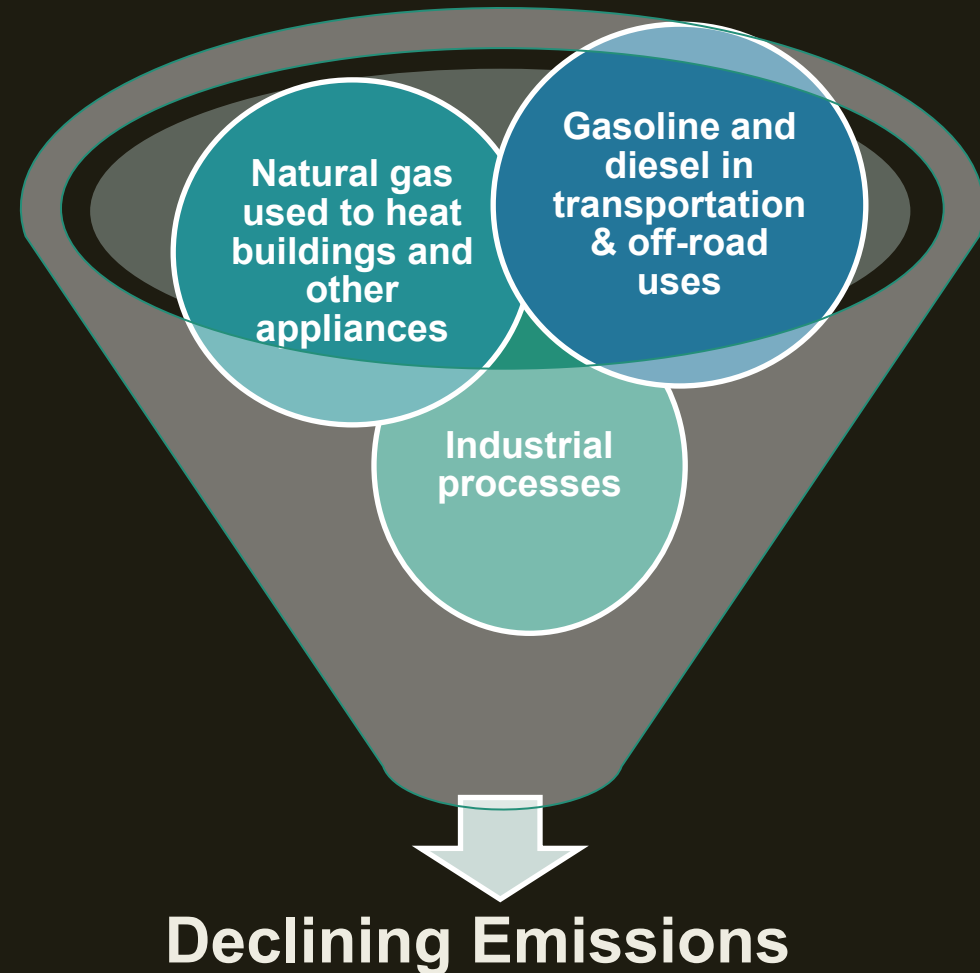


# What is the Climate Protection Program?

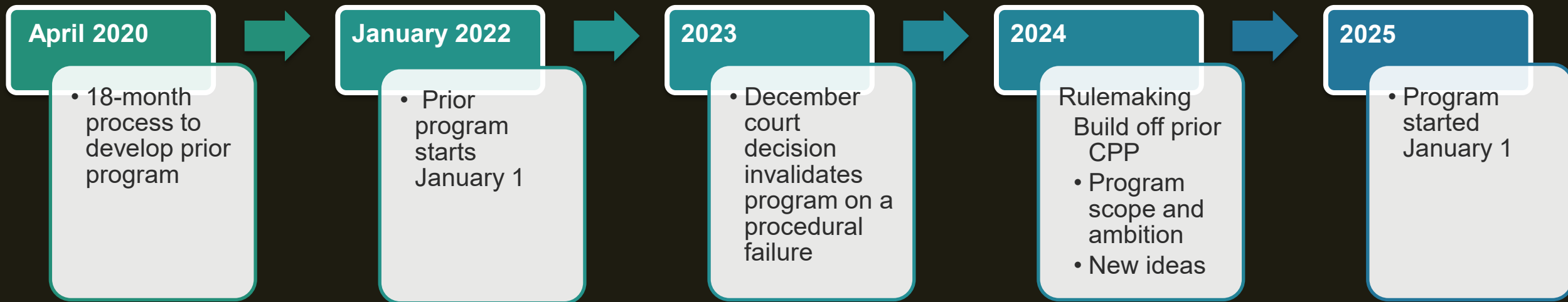
Cornerstone of Oregon's carbon pollution reduction goals

Places limits on climate pollution in across multiple sectors

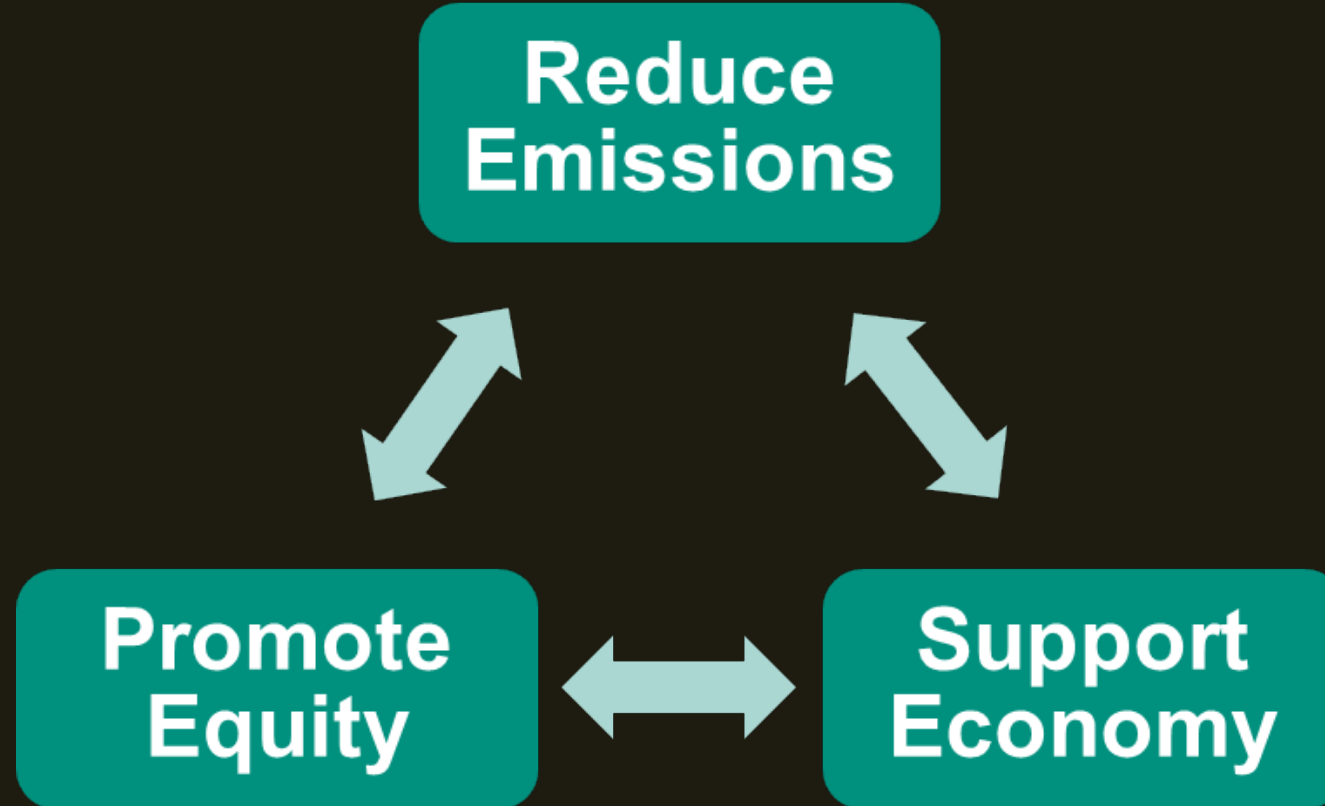
- Residential
- Commercial
- Industrial
- Transportation



# Climate Protection Program timeline

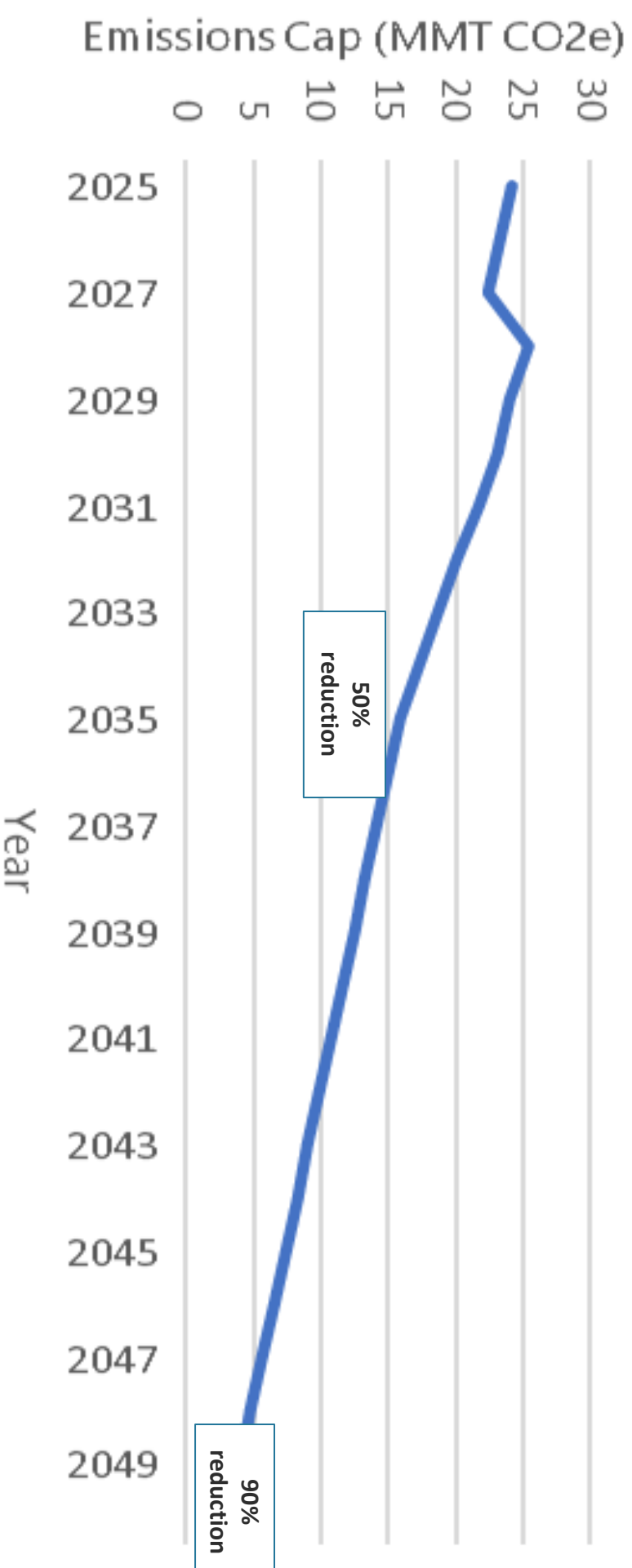


# Program goals

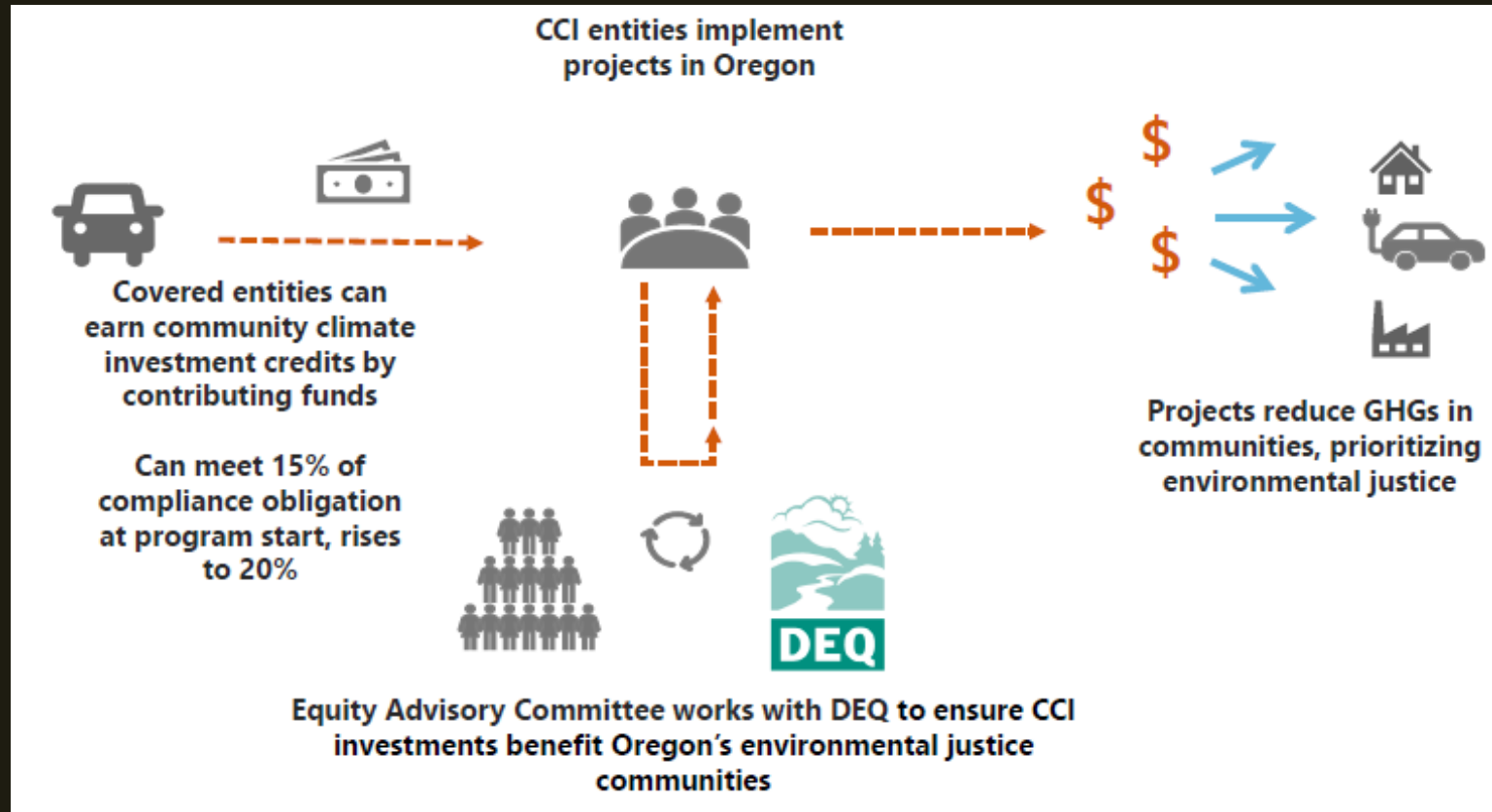




# Climate Protection Program caps



# Community climate investments



- Reduce anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions
- Projects in residential, industrial, commercial, and transportation sectors
- 15% of funds must benefit tribes and tribal communities in Oregon

# Community Climate Investment priorities

- **Reducing** greenhouse gas emissions on average at least one ton per CCI credit
- **Reducing** emission of other air contaminants, particularly in or near environmental justice communities
- **Promoting** public health, environmental, and economic benefits for environmental justice communities
- **Accelerating** the transition to clean energy particularly in or near environmental justice communities



# Eligible projects

## Actions that reduce greenhouse gas emissions from:

- Transportation of people or freight
  - Ie) Diesel fleet replacement with electric
- Residential structures
  - Ie) Installing heat pumps or weatherizing
- Industrial processes or structures
  - Ie) Increasing energy efficiency
- Commercial structures
  - Ie) Installing solar and storage on a business





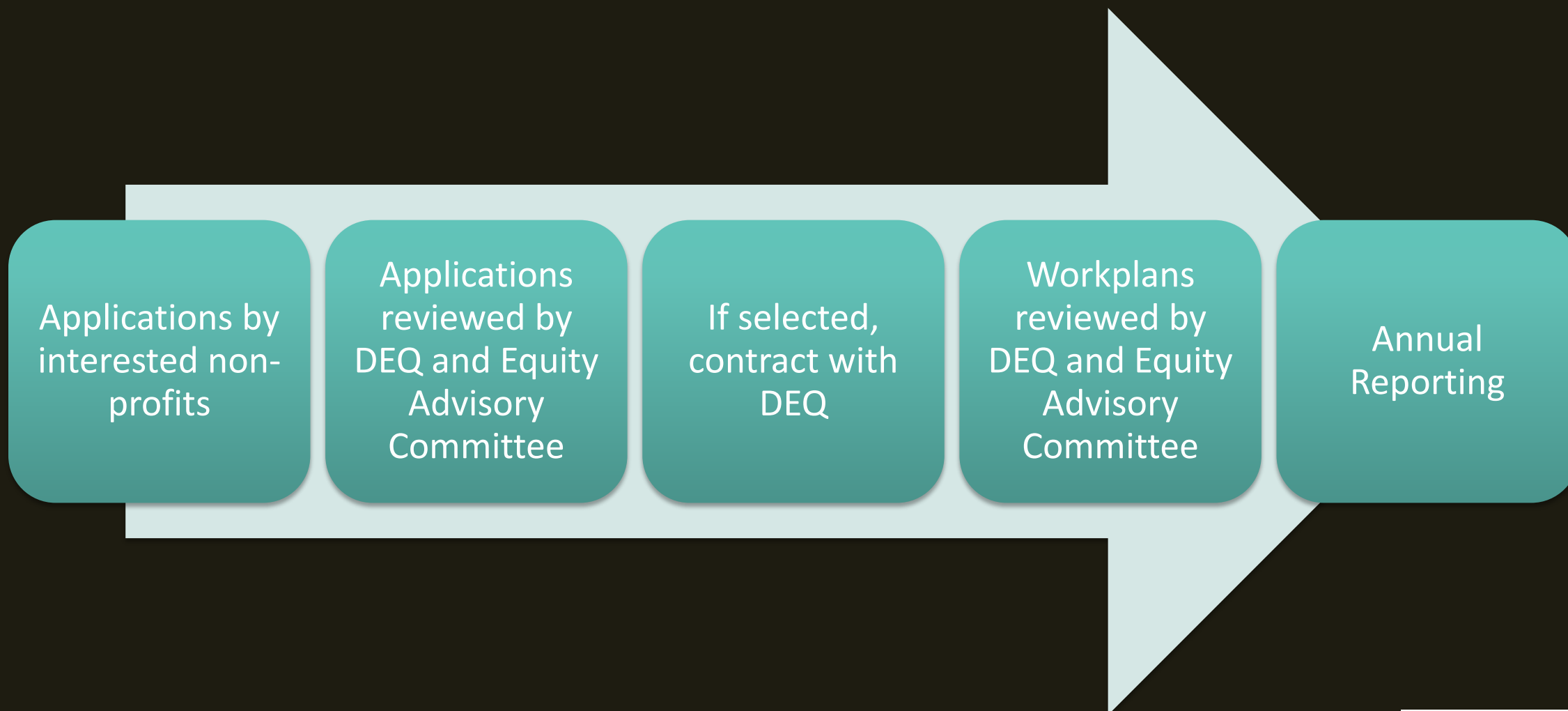
# Prioritizing environmental justice communities

Environmental justice communities means communities of color, communities experiencing lower incomes, communities experiencing health inequities, tribal communities, rural communities, remote communities, coastal communities, communities with limited infrastructure and other communities traditionally underrepresented in public processes and adversely harmed by environmental and health hazards, including seniors, youth and persons with disabilities.

# Equity Advisory Committee experience

- Environmental or economic justice
- Climate change impacts and experience
- Air pollution and/or health and community impacts
- Transportation decarbonization
- Residential and commercial building decarbonization
- Industrial decarbonization
- Clean, renewable energy, or energy efficiency
- Reducing emissions and air pollution from fossil fuels
- Community engagement, advocacy, or outreach

# Community Climate Investment Entity Process



# Working timeline

2025

**Q1**

Jan, Feb, Mar

Post and recruit for the Equity Advisory Committee (EAC)

**Q2**

Apr, May, Jun

Review committee member interest

**Q3**

Jul, Aug, Sep

First EAC meeting, CCI Entity Info Session, Post CCI Entity RFA

**Q4**

Oct, Nov, Dec

Community Climate Investment Entity RFA closes

2026

**Q1**

Jan, Feb, Mar

Review responses to RFA, select CCI entity or entities

**Q2**

Apr, May, Jun

Begin drafting agreement with CCI entity or entities

**Q3**

Jul, Aug, Sep

Complete agreement(s), companies can choose to earn CCIs

**Q4**

Oct, Nov, Dec

Next steps with CCI entity or entities



# Charter - agreements

## **Members agree to the following:**

### **Operational agreements:** (procedures or structures the committee agrees to use)

- Prepare for and set aside time for the meetings to be as present as possible.
- Try and arrive 10 minutes early so we can start on time and address any technical issues.
- Communicate with DEQ staff if you are unable to make the meeting.
- Connect regularly with communities, membership, partners, etc. to inform them and gather input on community climate investments process, potential projects, and opportunities for engagement.
- Avoid representing to the public or media the views of any other committee members or on behalf of the committee.

### **Relational agreements:** (how the committee agrees to engage with one another)

- Be curious, open, and respectful.
- Take space/make space – if you are usually quiet challenge yourself to take more space, and if you usually talk a lot be mindful to make space for others to speak.
- Avoid jargon, acronyms, and industry language – use inclusive language that is accessible for people with varying inside knowledge.
- Speak from your own experience – use I statements rather than generalizations.

# Charter – public comment

- How do you want to hear from the public?



# Charter – decision making

## **Decision Making**

DEQ will seek to find consensus from committee members whenever possible when reviewing and providing recommendations on program decisions and materials, but all members will be encouraged to share their individual opinions. The committee's discussions will help inform DEQ staff as they make the final decisions related to CCI entities, workplans, projects, reports, and other submittals.

# Committee member questions and news



Recent events or events coming up that you want to share out?



Efforts your organization has coordinated you want to highlight?



Opportunities for engagement in your community?



Future topics or efforts you would like to have presented to the committee?



# Next steps



Expect a doodle poll soon for our next few meetings – one possibly in person!



Please join the Community Climate Investment Entity Info Session on Sept 16 1:00 pm



For those who are working on getting resources for participation, we will connect to get that paperwork signed.



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