



Department of
Environmental
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New York State Comprehensive Climate Planning

Climate Action Council Scoping Plan and U.S. EPA Climate Pollution
Reduction Grants Program

October 29, 2025



CPRG Background

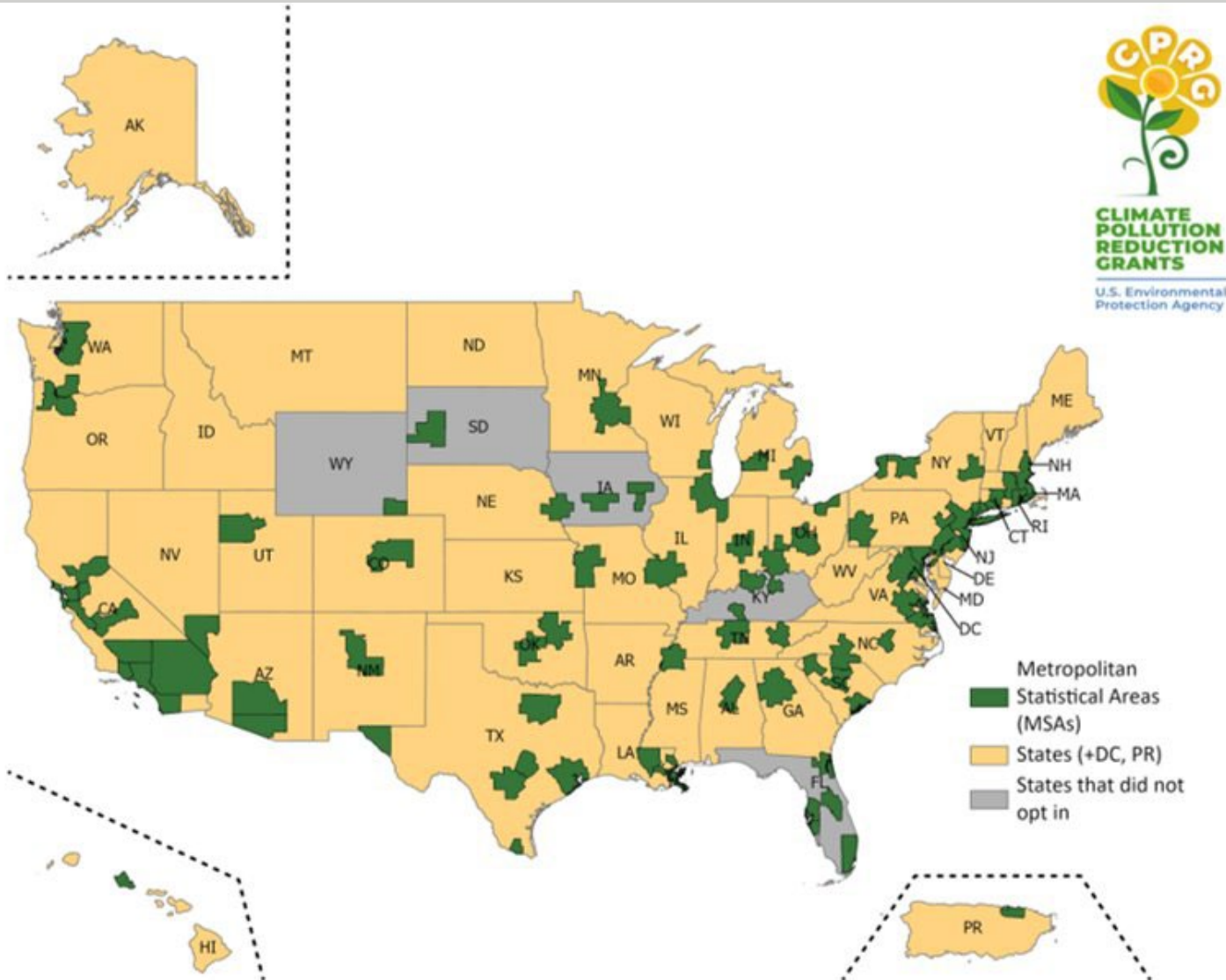
CPRG planning grant:

- All states had the opportunity to receive \$3 million to start planning for GHG reduction

There are 3 planning grant deliverables:

- Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) – DEC submitted March 2024
- **Comprehensive Climate Action Plan (CCAP) – due December 2025**
- Status Report – due September 2027

CPRG Planning Grant Recipients



Additional Planning Grantees

- 4 territories
- 90 tribes and tribal consortia (covering ~225 tribes)

NYS Metropolitan Statistical Areas

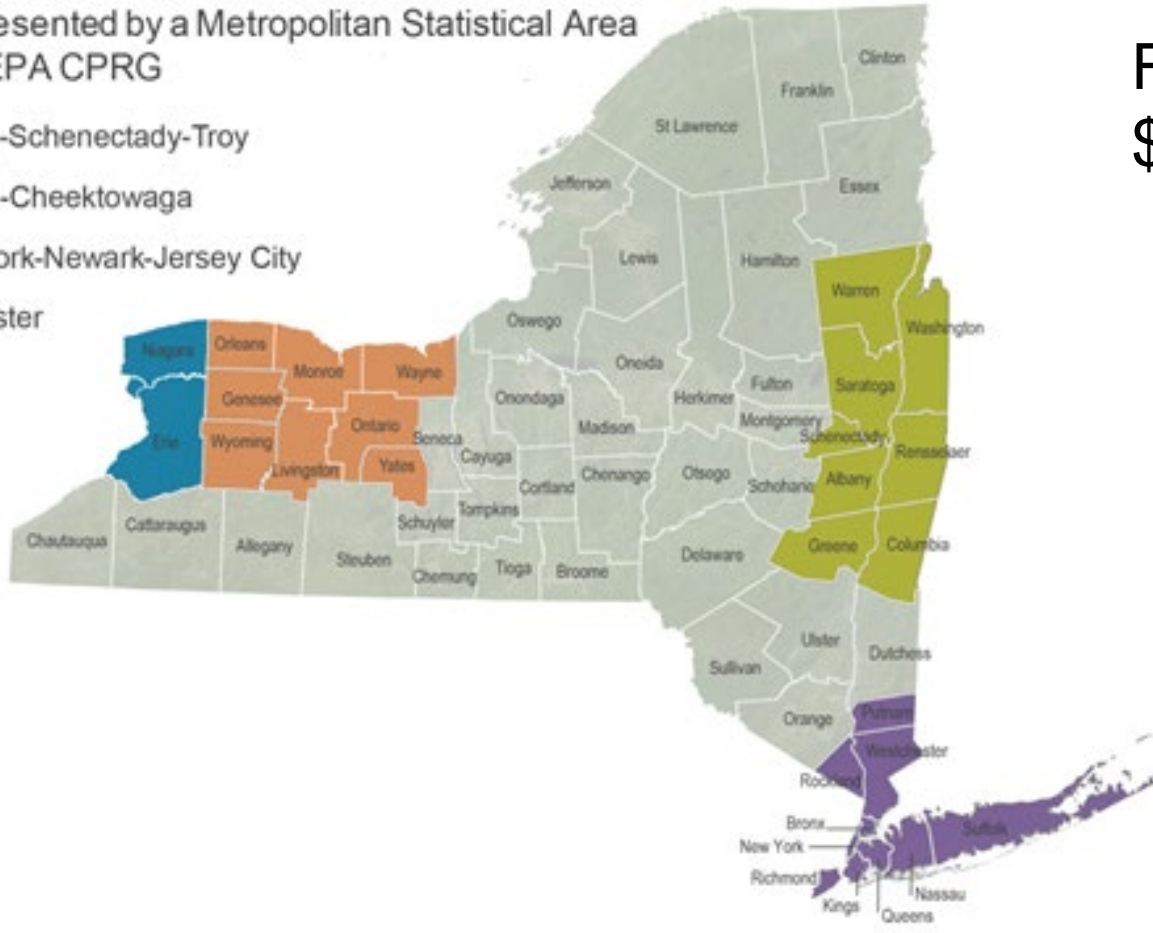
Counties Represented by a Metropolitan Statistical Area
for the EPA CPRG

Albany-Schenectady-Troy

Buffalo-Cheektowaga

New York-Newark-Jersey City

Rochester



Four MSAs in New York received
\$1 million in planning funds

- New York-Newark-Jersey City
- Albany-Schenectady-Troy
- Rochester
- Buffalo-Cheektowaga

Timeline

Initial Outreach and Analysis of PCAP Measures

Oct-Dec 2023

Provided overview of CPRG

Received input on priority measures

Identified measures for analysis

Estimated GHG reduction associated with measures

Draft and Submit PCAP

Jan-March 2024

Completed PCAP

Ensured the PCAP covered potential implementation projects

Implementation Grant Deadline

April 1, 2024

Submitted application to EPA for implementation activities consistent with PCAP measures

CCAP Outreach

Jan-Dec 2025

Continue CPRG outreach, including on NYS Scoping Plan

Discuss implementation of measures



Perform Analyses and Draft CCAP

April-Dec 2025

Complete additional required analyses to support implementation

Incorporate feedback from outreach

Submit CCAP

Due Dec 2025

Submit the CCAP to EPA consistent with CPRG Planning Grant Requirements

Additional Planning Activities with State Agencies and Coordination with MSAs

Comprehensive Climate Plans

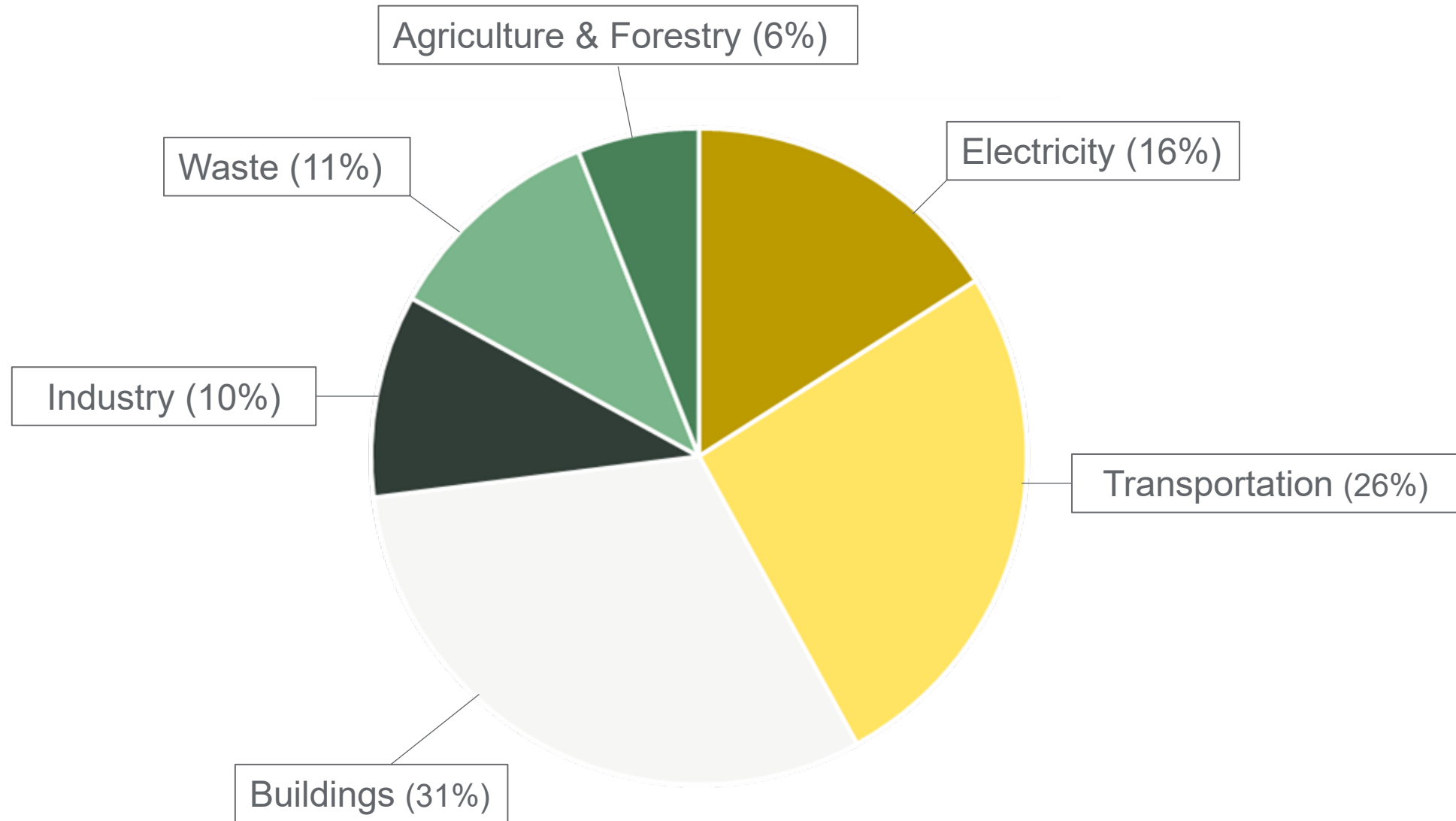


Climate Action Council Scoping Plan

The Scoping Plan is the framework for how New York will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and achieve net-zero emissions, increase renewable energy use, and ensure all communities equitably benefit in the clean energy transition.



Scoping Plan Sectors



Scoping Plan Highlights

The Scoping Plan addresses GHG emissions from all sectors of the economy. There are several key strategies identified:

- Energy efficiency and building electrification
- Zero emission electricity
- Transportation electrification
- Enhance public transit and implement smart growth
- Transition to low GWP refrigerants and enhance refrigerant management
- Maximize carbon sequestration in forests
- Mitigate methane from the waste, agriculture, and energy sectors
- Diverse portfolio of solutions in industrial sector

New York State's CCAP

With the Climate Action Council Scoping Plan as the basis, the CCAP will:

- Reiterate New York State's near-term and long-term GHG emission reduction targets
- Identify a broad range of GHG emission reduction measures across all economic sectors
- Assess co-benefits for all communities, particularly LIDAC
- Discuss implementation authority and barriers, potential funding strategies, and workforce needs

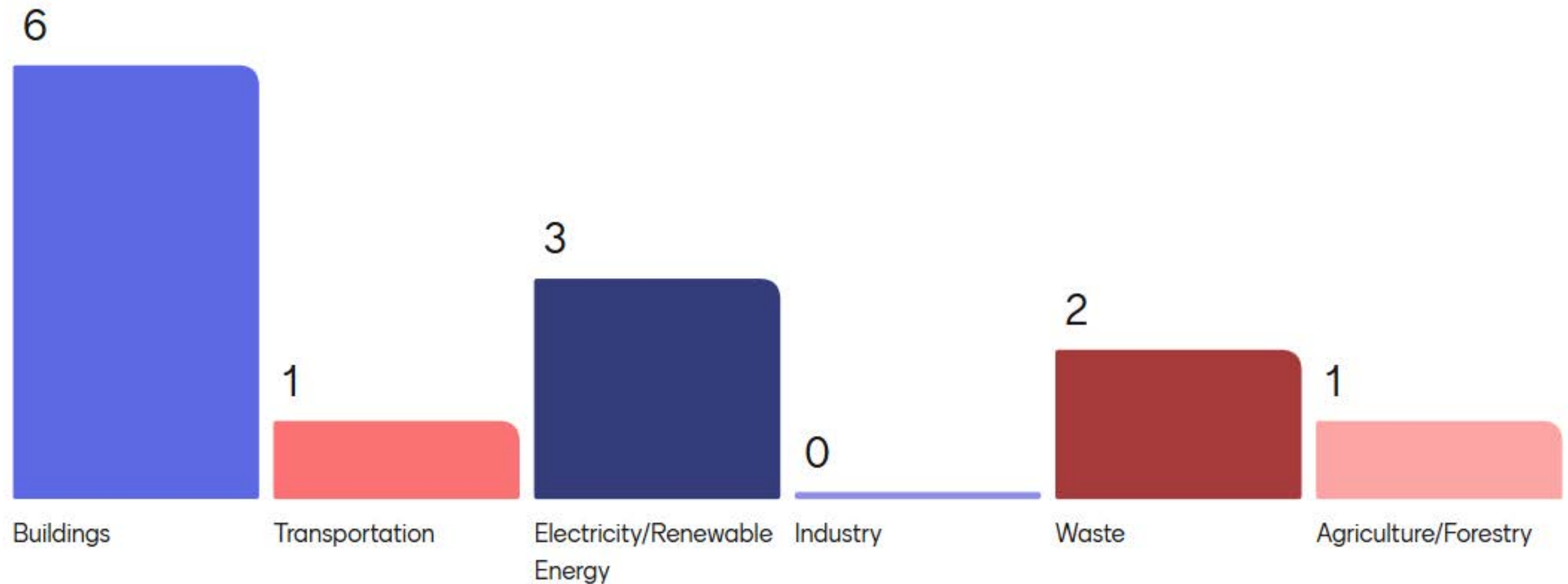
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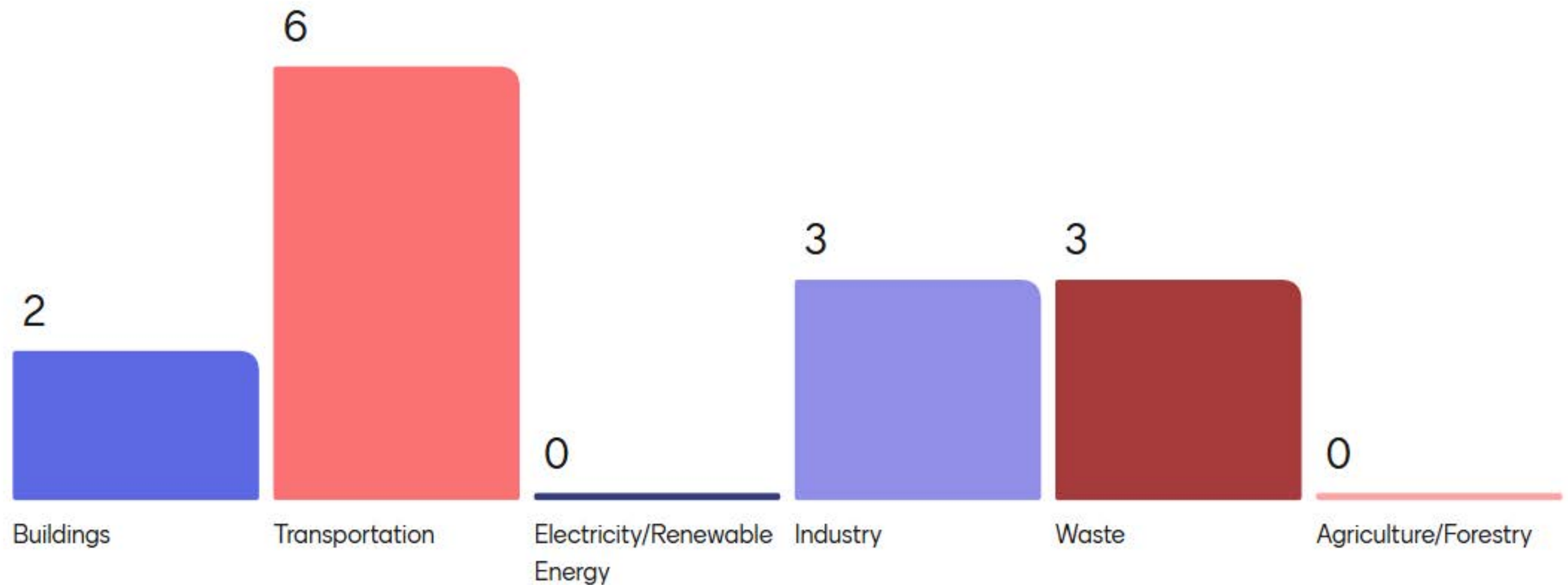
In one word, how would you describe the state's Scoping Plan, or what you know about the state's climate goals?



Which area have you had the most success with, in terms of implementing projects or policies that would reduce emissions in your community?



Which area have you had the most barriers with, in terms of implementing projects or policies that would reduce emissions in your community?



What resources would be most helpful in overcoming barriers in order to complete projects or policies that would reduce emissions in your community?

Funding

MONEY!!

Funding

Money - grants

Technical assistance, Funding.

Additional funding

Grants

Reduced bureaucracy and program rules

Leadership

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Community engagement

Education

Technical assistance

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More incentives

Accessing Capital

funding

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Incentives



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Recommended Strategy Themes:

- Adopt Zero-Emission Codes and Standards and Require Energy Benchmarking for Buildings
- Scale Up Public Financial Incentives and Expand Access to Public and Private Low-Cost Financing for Building Decarbonization
- Expand New York's Commitment to Market Development, Innovation, and Leading-by-Example in State Projects
- Transition from Hydrofluorocarbons

Strategy Highlights:

- Adopt Advanced Codes for Highly Efficient, Zero-Emission, and Resilient New Construction
- Require Energy Benchmarking and Disclosure
- Support Development of Thermal Energy Networks
- Scale Up Public Awareness and Consumer Education



Recommended Strategy Themes:

- Transform Power Generation
- Enhance the Grid
- Invest in New Technology

Strategy Highlights:

- Retirement and/or Repurposing of Fossil Fuel Fired Facilities
- Accelerate Growth of Large-Scale Renewable Energy Generation
- Facilitate Distributed Energy Resources
- Support Clean Energy Siting and Community Acceptance
- Invest in Transmission and Distribution Infrastructure Upgrades

Strategy Highlights:

- Support Workforce Development
- Incentivize Procurement of Low-Carbon Products
- Establish Greenhouse Gas Registry and Reporting System

Feedback

Please consider the following questions:

- What are some of your successes in implementing climate action within these sectors?
- Why do you think these efforts were successful?
- What were challenges in implementing plans, programs, or projects?
- What advice would you give to another organization, municipality, or community group that would like to complete a similar project?
- What additional types of resources or support would help these efforts?

Recommended Strategy Themes:

- Transition to Zero-Emission Vehicles and Equipment
- Enhance Public Transportation and Mobility Alternatives
- Promote Smart Growth and Mobility-Oriented Development
- Facilitate Market-Based Solutions and Financing

Strategy Highlights:

- Light-duty ZEV Adoption
- Adoption of Zero-emission trucks, buses, and non-road equipment
- Mobility-Oriented Development
- Expanding the Availability of Low-Carbon Active Transportation Alternatives

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Recommended Strategy Themes:

- Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle Waste
- Monitor, Detect, and Reduce Fugitive Emissions
- Establish Markets for Recovered Resources and Biogas Utilization

Strategy Highlights:

- Organic Waste Reduction and Recycling
- Refrigerant Leak Reduction and Destruction



Recommended Strategy Themes:

- Promote Sustainable Forest Management
- Advance Livestock Management Strategies
- Improve Soil Health, Nutrient Management, and Agroforestry

Strategy Highlights:

- Prevent forest pests, diseases, and invasive species and restore degraded forests
- Maintain and improve sustainable forest management practices and mitigation strategies
- Advance alternative manure management
- Bolster local agricultural economies

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Strategy Highlights:

- Develop Local Energy Policies
- Provide Clean Energy Siting Support for Local Governments
- Promote Municipal Leadership to Support Clean Energy Adoption
- Provide State Support and Guidance

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Next Steps



To Provide Feedback

Complete and share the survey: <https://forms.office.com/g/Rvxd7WG145!>

Send an email to climatechange@dec.ny.gov

To review the Climate Action Council Scoping Plan, visit:

<https://climate.ny.gov/Resources/Scoping-Plan>

To review information about the CPRG Program:

<https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/climate-pollution-reduction-grants>

Helpful DEC Resources

Environmental Bond Act
Funding Finder



DEC Climate Change
Webpage (general info, fact
sheets, resources, etc.)



Climate Action Council
Scoping Plan





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