

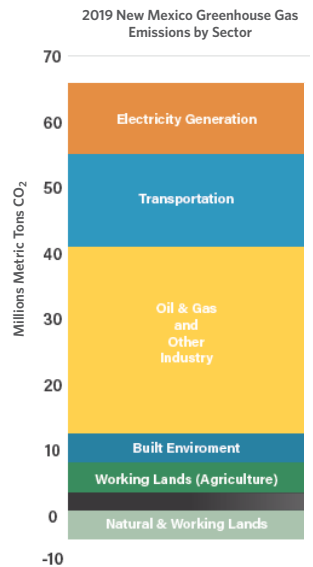
Our Vision

Our vision for New Mexico will encourage diverse collaboration, thoughtful policy and practical action at local, state and national levels. Priorities include reducing carbon emissions to achieve a 45% state-wide reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 relative to 2005 levels, while considering carbon costs, protecting the environment and improving quality of life for all New Mexicans.

Tackling Climate Change

The last decade was the warmest on record across the Southwest, and science has shown that without action, New Mexico faces an uncertain future.

The challenge facing New Mexicans is how to reduce emissions from multiple sectors while maintaining the foundations of our society, economy and daily lives.



Source: New Mexico Climate Strategy: Initial Recommendations and Status Update

WHAT'S AT STAKE:



Land and Water: Water supplies are threatened by drought, escalating reservoir evaporation, and longer, hotter wildfire seasons.



Renewable Energy Impact: The transition to renewable energy is essential and ongoing, but it comes with an urgent challenge to ensure its development does not damage our lands and waters.



Urban Landscapes: Cities are experiencing rising temperatures and declining tree canopy, impacting quality of life and human health.

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The Time Is Right to Act

The clock is ticking, but we have hope. TNC has built a tremendous record of success over the past four decades in New Mexico. Recently, TNC launched a Climate and Energy Program to execute its vision for tackling climate change.

Science: We are stepping into new areas and providing additional research, and engaging in advocacy aimed at lowering greenhouse gas emissions in the transportation and electricity generation sectors as well as investigating how natural and working lands can sequester carbon. With partners, TNC has:

- Studied optimized sites for new electric vehicle charging infrastructure;
- Identified land management practices that will stabilize carbon storage and increase carbon sequestration; and
- Advanced science for low-impact siting for renewable energy development.

Convening and Coalition Building: Partnering with organizations and decision-makers, including New Mexico's Pueblos, Nations and Tribes, we are helping our community develop strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to current and future climate change risks. Examples include:

- Leading a partnership to increase funding for the Strategic Water Reserve;
- Hosting a bi-partisan workshop for legislators about clean energy policies in New Mexico; and
- Advocating for an electric vehicle and charging station tax credit.

With your support, we can build the coalition and strategies based on science that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve science-based infrastructure initiatives that help our changing climate in New Mexico and around the world for people and nature.

