

City of Moxee Climate Resilience Planning

With the passage of [E2SHB 1181](#) during the 2023 Washington state legislative session, The City of Moxee is now required to add a Climate Change Element to its Comprehensive Plan by June 30, 2025. This work will be integrated into the 2026 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Review project.

The legislation creates a new mandate that spans several elements in the comprehensive plan, such as transportation, land use, parks and recreation, capital facilities and utilities, environmental, and economic development. The new Climate Change Element needs to include a resilience sub-element.

The Washington State Department of Commerce [developed guidance](#) for local governments to follow as part of this legislation. The City of Moxee received a \$100,000 grant through the Climate Commitment Act to complete this work.

Climate Policy Advisory Team

The city seeks applicants interested in participating in a consensus-based process to creatively and collaboratively develop goal and policy recommendations for the city's Climate Element. These policy recommendations will be reviewed and considered by the public, the city of Moxee Planning Commission, and the City Council.

The group will meet periodically throughout the duration of the project, which is scheduled to run through May 2025. Policy team member responsibilities will include:

- Advising staff on project priorities;
- Assist with development of the public participation plan;
- Reviewing and providing feedback on key project deliverables;
- Developing goal and policy recommendations; and,
- Encouraging community members to participate in the public process.

The Climate Policy Team will demonstrate a balanced commitment to the adopted project scope of work and represent a broad spectrum of interests, including but not limited to, the following:

- Affordable and market rate housing
- Agriculture/farming
- Bicycle and Pedestrian
- Business
- Economy and workforce development
- Education
- Environment
- Freight/Industry
- Healthcare
- Land Development
- Outdoor Recreation

To Apply

Please send an email with the subject line “Climate Policy Team” to Amy Conger, City Clerk-Treasurer, amy.conger@co.yakima.wa.us. Please include in the email your area of interest and contact information.

The deadline for applications is Friday, June 7, 2024, at 5:00 pm.

The WA Department of Commerce climate planning grant is supported with funding from Washington’s Climate Commitment Act. The CCA supports Washington’s climate action efforts by putting cap-and-invest dollars to work reducing climate pollution, creating jobs, and improving public health. Information about the CCA is available at www.climate.wa.gov

