



ROUTT COUNTY
CLIMATE ACTION PLAN
COLLABORATIVE

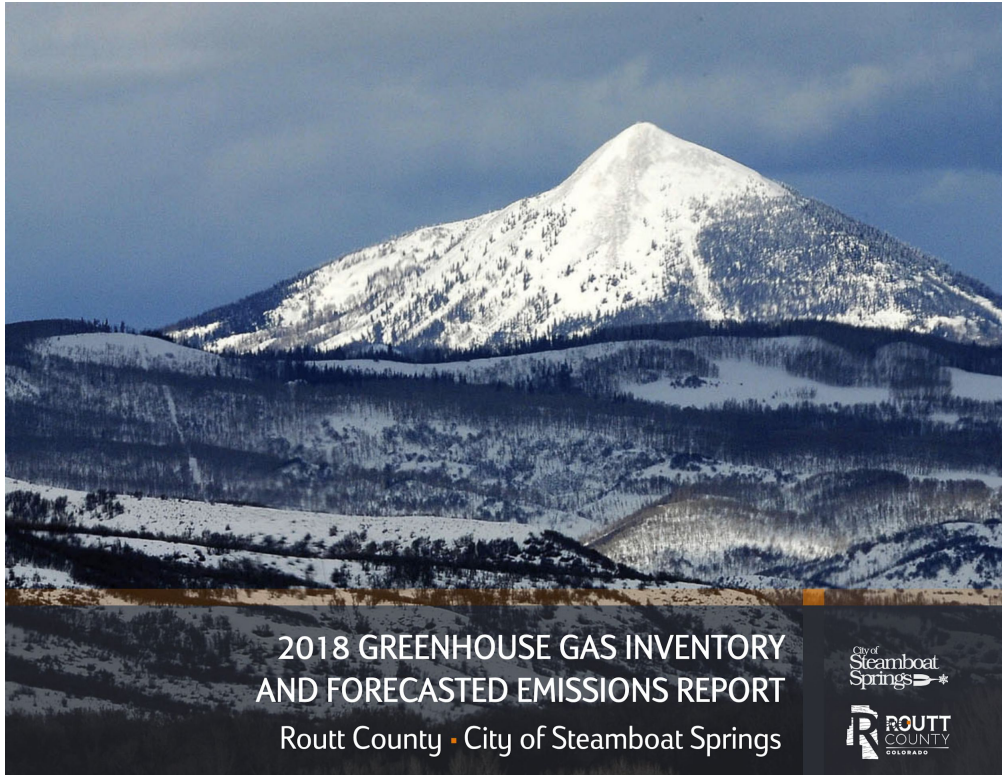
**Climate Action Plan (CAP)
Collaborative
Public Open House**

Goals for Public Open House

1. **Provide Information** of the Climate Action Plan; Collaborative Board and Working Groups; and CAP Recommendation Process
1. **Gather Public Comment on Recommendations**
Members of the Working Groups, Board and YVSC are available to answer questions.
1. Build **Community Energy and Inspiration** around CAP Implementation.



Our CAP Process Started in 2018: GHG Emission Inventory



Routt County/City of SS GHG Inventory created in 2018 to identify major GHG sources.

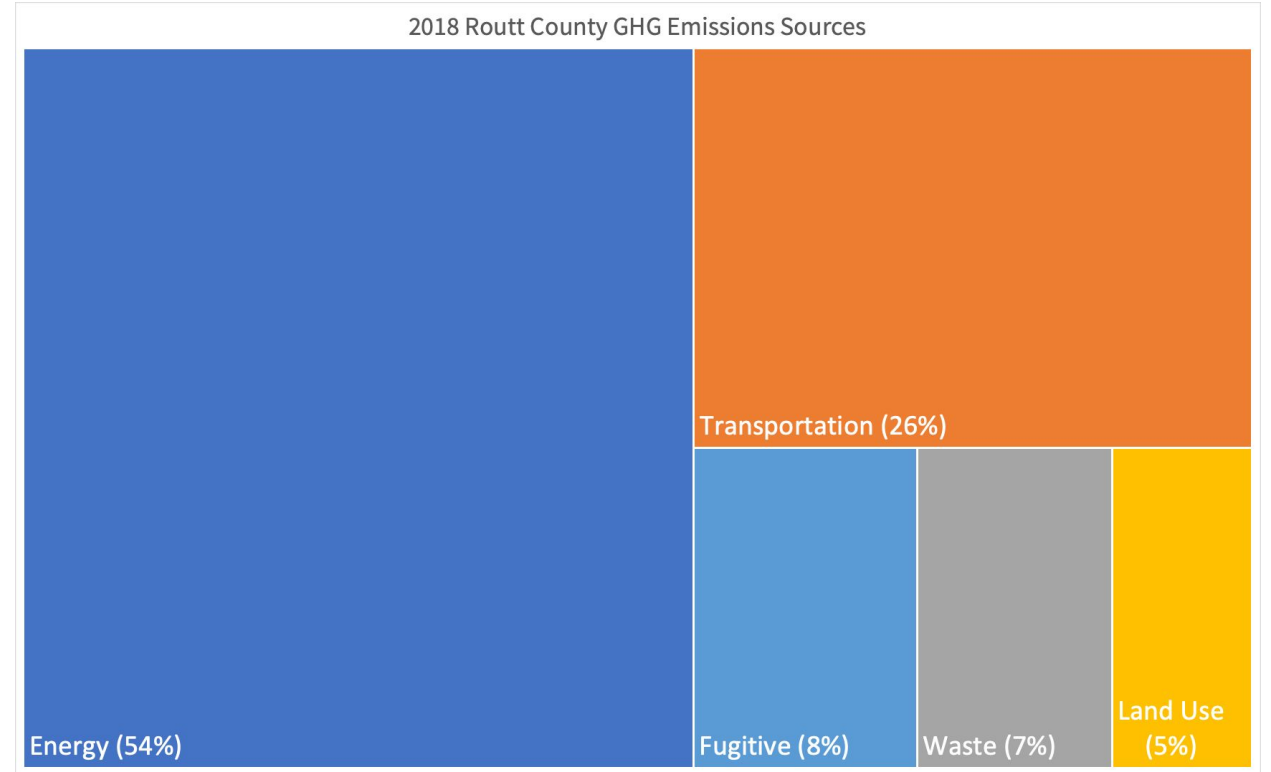
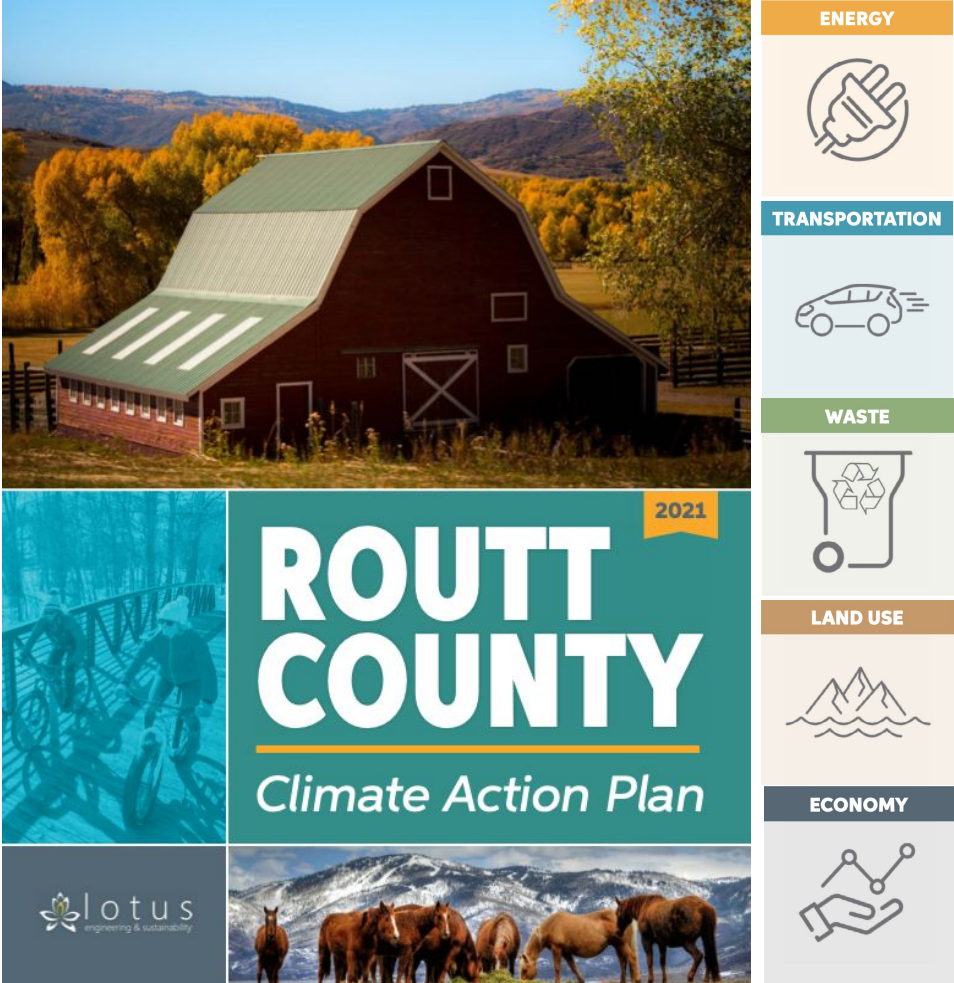


Figure 1: Routt County 2018 emissions, including the City of Steamboat Springs, totaled 693,367 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (mt CO₂e).

Routt County Climate Action Plan (CAP) Completed in 2021



Based on 2018 GHG Inventory, the CAP identifies 22 strategies that reduce carbon emissions across Energy, Transportation, Waste, Land Use and Economy sectors.

If all 22 strategies are implemented, Routt County could reduce carbon emissions by 35% by 2030, and 74% by 2050.

Routt County Climate Action Plan Strategies Adopted in 2021



Sector	Strategies
Energy	<p>ES1. Increase adoption of renewable or other clean energy and fuel sources.</p> <p>ES2. Increase energy efficiency.</p> <p>ES3. Promote fuel switching (i.e., electrification).</p>
Transportation	<p>TS1. Improve safe and equitable multimodal access throughout each community to reduce vehicle miles traveled (VMT).</p> <p>TS2. Increase adoption of electric vehicles such that 20% of registered vehicles in Routt County are electric by 2030 and 95% are electric by 2050.</p> <p>TS3. Reduce single occupancy vehicle travel.</p> <p>TS4. Engage in statewide discussions and policy work.</p>
Waste	<p>WS1. Reduce the amount of solid waste disposed of in the landfill.</p> <p>WS2. Increase diversion.</p> <p>WS3. Support waste reduction initiatives at the state level.</p>
Land Use	<p>LUS1. Promote land management practices that increase carbon sequestration and storage across forests, wetlands, riparian corridors, and agricultural lands/rangelands and preserve carbon sinks, especially forests and wetlands, and designate future land uses to maximize carbon sequestration.</p> <p>LUS2. Increase and support cross-boundary efforts to conserve and maintain natural lands and to promote resiliency across the landscape within the County.</p> <p>LUS3: Promote water conservation measures and reduce energy consumed in water production, distribution, and waste water treatment.</p> <p>LUS4: Promote compact development patterns to achieve more sustainable development and preserve natural land use types.</p>
Economy	<p>ECS1: Consume goods with lower embedded carbon emissions.</p> <p>ECS 2: Develop green markets.</p> <p>ECS3: Expand base industries for regional self-reliance.</p> <p>ECS4: Enhance environmental sustainability efforts undertaken by business.</p>
Accountability	<p>AS1. Ensure adequate funding for the Climate Action Plan</p> <p>AS2. Establish accountability mechanisms for the CAP.</p> <p>AS3: Align with other community plans.</p> <p>AS4: Carry out educational programs in support of the CAP.</p>

To Support CAP Implementation: RC CAP Collaborative Formed in 2021



City of Steamboat Springs
Routt County
Town of Hayden
Town of Oak Creek
Town of Yampa

Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA)

Collaborative Board

Energy WG

Transportation WG

Waste WG

Land Use WG

Economy WG

ENERGY



TRANSPORTATION



WASTE



LAND USE



ECONOMY



Collaborative Board formed in 2021: 9 Voting Seats

CAP Government Members

Routt County



Sonja Macys



Scott Cowman

Town of Hayden



Mathew Mendisco
(Co-Chair)



Tegan Ebbert
(Alternate)

City of Steamboat Springs



Gail Garey
(Chair)



Dakota McGinlay
(Alternate)



Nikki Knoebel



David Torgler
(Alternate)

Town of Yampa



Sheila Symons

At-Large Community Members



Tim Wohlgenant
Executive Director
Yampa Valley Community Foundation



Geoff Blakeslee
The Nature Conservancy
(Retired)



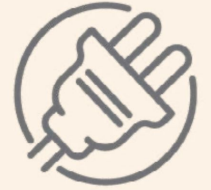
Steve Johnson
CEO/General Manager, YVEA



Sarah Jones (Treasurer)
Director of Social Responsibility,
Steamboat Ski and Resort Corporation

CAP Energy Working Group

ENERGY



CAP Energy Goal: Reduce emissions from stationary energy by **82% by 2050**, compared to the 2018 baseline

Members:

- Dan LeBlanc (Chair), General Contractor
- Todd Carr (Co-Chair), Routt County Building
- Norm Weaver, Energy Efficiency Engineer
- Paul Komor, CU-Boulder Research Faculty
- Ken Fogle, Atmos Energy
- Jeff Milius, YVEA
- Hedda Flage Kukla, Bw Energy
- Clay Schrader, Schrader Propane
- Scott Conner, Mechanical Engineer
- Bob Major, HVAC
- Brian Adams, Apex Architecture
- Marc Lyman, Crestone Construction

Representing the Collaborative Board:

- Steve Johnson, YVEA

YVSC Technical Assistant

- Paul Bony, Energy and Transportation Director

CAP Transportation Working Group

TRANSPORTATION



CAP Transportation Goal: Reduce emissions from the transportation sector by 98% by 2050, compared to the 2018 baseline

Members:

- Mike Beyer, YVEA
- Mike Mordi, Routt County
- Winnie DelliQuadri, City of Steamboat Springs
- Jonathan Flint, City of Steamboat Springs
- Kevin Booth, Yampa Valley Regional Airport
- Ralph Eppard Jr., Steamboat Motors
- Tom Erps, Vacasa
- Matthew Rochon, Routt County Riders
- John Spezia, former CMC faculty

Representing the Collaborative Board:

- Sarah Jones (Co-Chair), Steamboat Ski and Resort Corporation

YVSC Technical Assistant

- Paul Bony, Energy and Transportation Director

CAP Waste Working Group

CAP Waste Goal: Reduce emissions from the waste sector by **69%** by 2050, compared to the 2018 baseline



Members:

- Meredith Rose (Chair), Rose West Ag Marketing
- Mark Berkley, Twin Enviro
- Autum Sloop, Aces High
- Heather O'Donnell, Waste Management
- Jim Cook, Commercial/Business Real Estate Broker
- Kathy Hastings, Steamboat Ski and Resort Corporation
- Brian Ashley, City of Steamboat Springs
- Alicia Archibald, City of Steamboat Springs
- Victoria Cook, Steamboat Association Man.
- Grant McCannon, JSM Builders

Representing the Collaborative Board:

- Scott Cowman (Co-Chair), Routt County
- Gail Garey, City of Steamboat Springs

YVSC Technical Assistant

- Winn Cowman, Waste Diversion Director

CAP Land Use Working Group

LAND USE



CAP Land Use Goal: Work closely with land managers to develop and implement natural climate solutions

Members:

- Carolina Manriquez (Co-Chair), Colorado State Forest Service
- Ann Raiho, Funga
- Julie Baxter, City of Steamboat Springs
- Nathan Stewart, Colorado Mountain College
- Michele Meyer, Community Agriculture Alliance
- Michael Woodbridge, U.S. Forest Service
- Kristy Winser, Routt County
- Todd Hagenbuch, Colorado State University Extension
- Bob Woodmansee, Community

Representing the Collaborative Board:

- Geoff Blakeslee (Chair), The Nature Conservancy
- Tim Wohlgenant, Yampa Valley Community Foundation

YVSC Technical Assistant

- Tim Sullivan, Resilient Land and Water Director

CAP Economy Working Group

ECONOMY



CAP Economy Goal: Ensure that businesses have the support, resources, and information that they need to be more sustainable, and that there are mechanisms to support the development of new green markets and a trained and ready workforce.

Members:

- John Bristol (Co-Chair), [Routt County Economic Development Partnership](#)
- Rachel Tuyn, [NW CO Economic Development District](#)
- Christine Rambo, [NW CO Economic Development Council](#)
- Lisa Popovich, [Main Street Steamboat](#)
- Sarah Leonard, [Steamboat Springs Chamber](#)

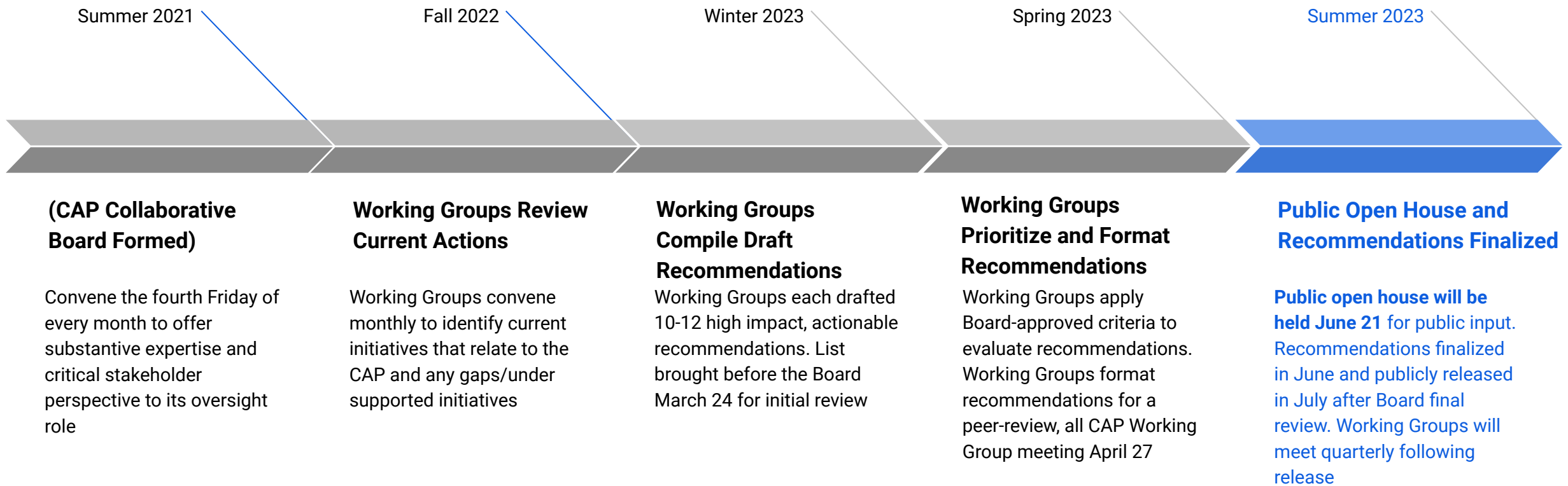
Representing the Collaborative Board:

- Tegan Ebbert (Co-Chair), [Town of Hayden](#)
- Gail Garey, [City of Steamboat Springs](#)
- Sarah Jones, [Steamboat Ski and Resort Corporation](#)
- David Torgler, [Town of Oak Creek](#)
- Sheila Symons, [Town of Yampa](#)

YVSC Technical Assistant

- Michelle Stewart, [Executive Director](#)

CAP Working Group Priority Recommendations Process and Timeline



CAP Implementation Next Steps

- Public comments will be reviewed and a finalized list of recommendations will be shared with the CAP Board
- CAP Board to bring finalized recommendations to CAP governmental partners in time for FY2024 budget discussions
- Working Groups to meet quarterly to continue to provide guidance on current projects and climate-related policies
- Board to meet monthly to oversee CAP recommendation implementation



How to Stay Involved

- CAP website - routtclimateaction.com
- Monthly newsletter (subscribe!)
- Facebook and Instagram (@routtclimateaction)
- Email info@routtclimateaction.com



- Support climate policies and hold decision makers accountable
- Volunteer



Public Comment and Engagement Process Overview

THANK YOU FOR ENGAGING!



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YOUR VOICES MATTER!