

Community Resource Commission (CRC)

Climate Action Plan FY 09/10 Implementation Strategy– Priority Actions

1 **Countywide Action (T1):** Enhance our commitment to urban-centered growth,
2 adopting policies, zoning, and design standards in each jurisdiction to encourage
3 mixed-use, “walkable,” and “bikable” neighborhoods.

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5 **Local Actions:**

- 6 • Install more bike racks through the community.
- 7 • Implement the City of Calistoga Bicycle Transportation Plan, including
8 construction of specific routes, lanes, paths and river crossings recommended in
9 the plan.
- 10 • Support current (or stronger) language in the Housing Element Update that calls
11 for denser, more compact development and increased emphasis on developing
12 infrastructure for non-motorized transportation.

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14 **Countywide Action (T2):** Make wise land use decisions that maintain or improve the
15 County’s overall “balance” of 70,690 jobs and 64,100 employed residents by locating
16 jobs and housing in proximity to each other and improving the match between
17 wages and housing cost.

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19 **Local Action:**

- 20 • Consider incentives for hiring locals.

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22 **Countywide Action (T13):** Adopt policies and ordinances that encourage car-free
23 tourism.

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25 **Local Action:**

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28 **Countywide Action (BE1):** Implement an AB811 program, making funding
29 available to residential and commercial property owners seeking to improve their
30 properties to conserve energy and water, and to generate solar energy.

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32 **Local Actions:**

- 33 • Establish a weatherization program and performance improvement program for
34 existing residential units in partnership with utility companies and other
35 organizations.
- 36 • Adopt a Dark Sky Ordinance.

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38 **Countywide Action (SW3):** Establish collection services in all cities for segregated
39 food waste from commercial sources.

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Local Action:

- Implement programs to facilitate community waste reduction.

Countywide Action (AN7): Adopt landscape ordinances that promote drought resistant plants, and restrict lawns and other high water demand plants unless reclaimed or grey water systems are used.

Local Action:

- Adopt an Ordinance allowing grey water systems.

Countywide Action (CE1): Partner with community-based non-profit organizations and others to undertake public outreach and education efforts that broaden community involvement in reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Local Actions:

- Community Resources Commission should sponsor regular educational presentations for the community e.g. Master gardener (Drip irrigation, Composting, Waterwise gardening), PGE, Green Building. Calistoga Family Center can sponsor seminars in Spanish.
- Assist in the sponsorship of community events and campaigns that address global warming, renewable energy, "green business," etc.
- Draft correspondence, reports, news releases, brochures, fact sheets, opinion pieces, advertising, etc. to aid in the implementation of CAP measures, particularly those related to outreach and advocacy.

Countywide Action (CE4): Promote programs designed to advance sustainable business practices, such as the Napa County Green Business Program.

Local Action:

- Encourage and enlist the Chamber of Commerce to educate their members and the general business community regarding the CAP and promoting environmentally sustainable business practices.

Countywide Action (CE7): Enable long-term solutions by investing in science and engineering education.

Local Action:

- Form a dynamic relationship with the Calistoga Joint Unified School District to promote Green education.

Countywide Action (LG7): In City and County purchasing decisions, consider carbon emissions from the production, transportation, use, and disposal of goods as a criterion.

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Local Action:

- Develop policies that encourage purchasing supplies that are made from recycled products and encourage reuse of certain supplies. City should consider prohibition of individual bottles of water, disposable cups, plates, cutlery, disposable pens and pencils and should encourage the use of personal eating and writing implements.