

Draft Scoping Plan Comment Card

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COMMENT: As a former teacher in NY state schools, I can state with certainty that education - both in the K-12 setting and for the public/adults will be crucial to the success of the plan. I encourage you to incorporate a comprehensive, well thought out education campaign that includes information about climate change, renewable energy, and green jobs/training opportunities to prepare people for the jobs of tomorrow. Not all schools even teach about climate change yet - this should be a mandated/required part of the curriculum, as much as ELA or math, as changes in Earth's climate will have as much if not greater impact on all of our lives as learning how to do algebra or knowing how to read.



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COMMENT: Waste: All of the following are crucial components of the plan:
* Expanding container deposit programs - these have proven to be effective!
* Enacting broad EPR (Extended producer responsibility) requirements - no company/business should be able to put harmful chemicals or wasteful packaging out into the world without being held accountable for it (another way to fund
* Requiring a minimum level of recycled content in ^{certain} products & packaging, (the plan)
* Phasing out single-use packaging



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COMMENT: Thank you for taking steps to protect the environment and work for a better future for all New Yorkers. One part of the plan that I particularly appreciate - in the forestry section - is the keeping of forests as forests. So much wildlife habitat has been destructed already - we need to keep mature forests intact as much as possible. Please keep this in the plan. diverse



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COMMENT: Relating to the buildings section:

I like the idea of having people shift to heat pumps and other eco-friendly alternatives to fossil fuels/natural gas. We have better technology now, and need to move beyond these polluting, extractive resources, as Russia's war in Ukraine has shown. To be more resilient going forward, we need to be less dependent on resources from other countries. Furthermore, please do not allow the fossil fuel industry to convince you to allow continued research & exploitation for natural gas. It isn't clean, we have



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Ending the marketing for natural gas is a good/sensible move. "

There should be no investments in new fossil fuel infrastructure. sustainable.

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COMMENT: Waste is such a huge topic, with the growing landfills in the Finger Lakes, and transportation of garbage from NY City to other parts of the state. Likewise, the US should not be exporting its waste, thus negatively impacting other countries. Except in the medical field, where it is a health and safety issue, we need to eliminate single use plastics. A far-reaching, effective place to start is the restaurant industry. People are learning to BYOB ("bring your own bag") to the grocery store - they can learn to bring their own utensils for eating as well.



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COMMENT: It seems that cryptocurrency/bitcoin mining only gets a brief mention, and yet is a highly energy intensive practice that is not sustainable or productive for NY State.

It is important that this plan includes policy recommendations to limit/prohibit, or at the very least address the climate impacts of this new and growing industry in NY. It isn't equitable, as some people claim, and the energy resources are needed elsewhere in society.



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Extremely high financial penalties could help fund alternative/renewable energy - as one option, though stopping these operations altogether is a more ecologically sound

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COMMENT: In reviewing the plan and pondering what the naysayers may say in their comments/try to get you to change, I anticipate that some portion of the negative comments will relate to economics /questions about funding. A solution would be to enact penalties for businesses and individuals who produce too much pollution, "manage" their forests in an unsustainable way, or do other things that harm the environment (and us all). Holding people accountable legally and financially will help deter people from doing the wrong



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COMMENT: Regarding Transportation:

Thank you, thank you, thank you for including promotion of Zero-emissions vehicles in the plan. That is such an important step in the right direction!



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