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#### **MCV Statement on Gov. Mills' bold Climate Action Plan finalized today**

*Statement of Kathleen Meil, Director of Policy and Partnerships, Maine Conservation Voters*

AUGUSTA, ME – Today, the Maine Climate Council finalized an ambitious new Climate Action Plan to reduce emissions, prepare for climate change impacts, and strengthen Maine communities.

Over the last year, more than 250 Maine people served on the Climate Council and its working groups -- and hundreds more logged on to virtual meetings, completed working group surveys, and advocated for a Climate Action Plan that's ambitious, specific, and equitable. This collaborative process has set Maine apart, and the resulting plan positions Maine as a climate action leader. [You can find the final plan here.](#)

"Through the dedicated work of a broad cross-section of Maine leaders and strong public support, Maine's Climate Action Plan signals a bold new direction for Maine's clean energy and climate future," said Kathleen Meil, director of policy and partnerships for Maine Conservation Voters.

Specifically, Maine Conservation Voters applauds the focus on ambitious targets laid out for heat pumps and electric vehicle adoption, the goal to increase the total acreage of conserved lands in Maine to 30% by 2030, and an ongoing commitment to equitable implementation so that all Maine people benefit.

"While the hard work of developing Maine's Climate Action Plan is behind us, the vital work of implementing that plan is just beginning. Maine must meet the promise of the plan to achieve our climate goals, move toward a sustainable, clean energy economy, and ensure healthy, resilient communities."

Gov. Mills released the final Climate Action Plan in a virtual public event today. [You can find a recording of the event here.](#)

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