

State Climate Investments

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CA Climate Investments Funded Programs

- Roughly half of the allowance value is allocated to utilities and industry. Utility allowances are consigned to the auction with proceeds spent *for the benefit of ratepayers*.
 - Most of the utility value is returned as a twice-yearly, equal-per-customer-account climate dividend. (The size differs by climate zone across the state.)
- Roughly half of the allowance value is auctioned with proceeds accruing to the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF) and appropriated by the Legislature.
 - Continuous appropriations account for about half of GGRF investments to date including high speed rail, transit, affordable housing, sustainable agriculture.
 - Investments to date include 420,215 vehicle rebates, 12,606 affordable housing units, 983,095 acres of land restoration, 221,918 urban trees.
 - Investments have reduced over 109 million metric tons CO₂; 76,000 tons NOx.
 - 76% of funding has benefited priority populations.

Emissions Reductions and Annual Appropriations



WA State Cap-and-Invest Investment Strategy

- The legislature is responsible for appropriating funds across projects and activities.
 - The Environmental Justice Council provides recommendations on how to allocate funds.
 - 35% minimum of funds, goal of 40% funds, used in projects that provide a direct benefit to overburdened communities, with additional 10% to tribal approved projects.
 - This does not mean direct transfers (but WA did add a new working families tax credit around same time as cap-and-invest program).
 - About \$2.1 billion allocated to very specific projects in FY23-FY25 budget.
 - Utilities and EITE industries receive no-cost allowances not included in the appropriations process.
- There are technically seven different state accounts to distribute appropriate auction revenue.
 - Each account has a specific purpose of investment.
 - Legislature can redistribute across accounts (with some constraints).

Summary of WA Investment Accounts



to CIA in last budget

remaining balance is split up 75/25

Only about 1% of funds to AQHDIA in last budget

additional clarification to

NY State Cap-and-Invest Investment Strategy

- New York Cap & Invest is still under development.
- Some information on investment leanings:
 - The climate law requires at least 35 percent, with a goal of 40+ percent, of program investments to directly benefit disadvantaged communities.
 - Governor Hochul has indicated <u>30 percent of proceeds</u> will be directed to New Yorkers to defer costs.
 - Legislature will play a large role in determining investment strategy.
- The preliminary analysis of the NYCI program (from NYSERDA & DEC) includes information on predicted revenues, investments, and impacts.
 - For 2030 prices ranging from \$30 to \$64, 2030 revenue is estimated to be \$6–12 billion per year with \$4–8 billion available for investments.
 - The analysis estimates that the investments reduce emissions by an additional 10 percent in 2030 and 14% in 2035 for the highest price ceiling scenario (\$64 in 2030).

Summary of Example NY Investment Strategy



Split This allocation is intended to estimate the impact of investment for the purpose of evaluating the market effects and does not represent any decision regarding investment allocation.

Source: NYSERDA & DEC preliminary analysis presentation (2024)

RGGI Investments

• Almost all RGGI allowances are distributed through auction.



The <u>Analysis Group (2023)</u> finds through 2020, investments produced \$5.7 billion in net economic benefits and added 48,000 job-years.

RGGI Investments by Recipient Type in 2022



- Residential Efficiency & Clean Energy
- Municipal, State, & Community
- Business Efficiency & Clean Energy
- Low-Income Rate Relief & Efficiency
- General Rate Relief
- Clean Transportation
- Research & Technology Development
- Other
- Administration

2022 investments yielded \$1.8 billion in energy bill savings; 7.5 million tons CO₂. Source: <u>Investment of RGGI Proceeds 2022</u>