

NEW ANALYSIS

New Mexico Must Step up Policy Action to Achieve Its Climate Commitments

To evaluate New Mexico's progress toward meeting its climate goals, EDF conducted analysis of projected emissions through 2030. Even including all state and federal climate policies currently in place, New Mexico must take additional action to meet its commitments.

THE KEY FINDINGS

New Mexico is **on track to reduce emissions by less than one third of what is necessary** to meet its emission reduction commitments.

Current policies are not reducing overall emissions in a persistent manner, leaving the state projected to **emit 21% more climate pollution over the course of the decade** than if it were steadily reducing emissions in line with the latest science. This overshoot results in an excess of 167 million metric tons of climate pollution.

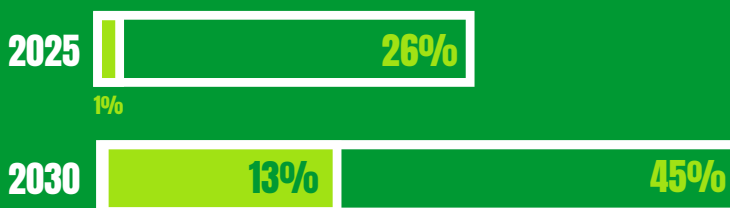
State leaders have an immediate opportunity to drive down costs and lock in reductions by pairing federal investments with comprehensive state action.

"Communities across the state are **suffering the impacts of drought, air pollution and wildfire** and feel the mounting and undeniable pressures from climate change... New Mexicans can see clearly how **fundamental aspects of their culture and identity are threatened**, and they want their state leaders to act."

– **Alex DeGolia**, EDF Director of State Legislative and Regulatory Affairs

NEW MEXICO IS ON TRACK TO REDUCE EMISSIONS BY LESS THAN HALF OF WHAT THE STATE COMMITTED TO

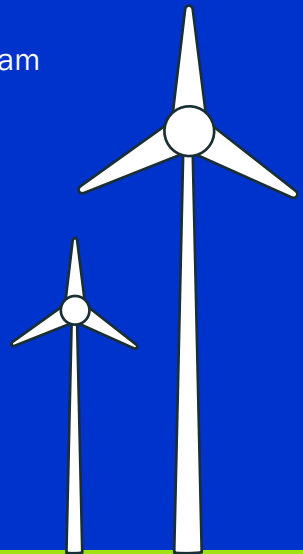
 PROJECTED EMISSIONS REDUCTION  EMISSIONS REDUCTION GOAL



NEW MEXICO MUST USE ALL AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITIES – INCLUDING LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION – TO PROTECT NEW MEXICANS FROM FURTHER DEVASTATING IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE.



1. Fully utilize existing authority to **directly regulate carbon pollution** from all of the state's major sources and sectors.
2. **Increase capacity at state agencies** to support a robust regulatory program designed to cut climate pollution.
3. **Pass comprehensive climate legislation** requiring ongoing reductions in climate pollution that are quantifiable, enforceable and consistent with achieving the state's climate commitments.
4. Establish a clear vision and resources to **support a just transition** to a clean energy economy for the state's workers and communities.



**FOR OUR CLIMATE, OUR HEALTH, AND OUR ECONOMY
IT'S TIME TO OPEN NEW DOORS TO A CLEAN FUTURE
FOR EVERY NEW MEXICO COMMUNITY.**