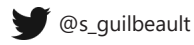




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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR MP

Dear residents of Laurier–Sainte-Marie,

Science has long been clear about the cause of climate change. It's carbon pollution. The vast majority of governments and citizens everywhere recognize the need to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and the need to do so quickly.

That's why Canada's Emissions Reduction Plan that I tabled on March 29 is essential. This roadmap outlines how our country will go about reducing its GHGs by 40 % below 2005 levels by 2030 and achieving carbon neutrality by 2050.

It highlights opportunities for innovation and investment that will deliver the required reductions across the economy, sector by sector. It is the result of an impressive collaborative effort with several of my colleagues whose departments have a key role to play.

The plan outlines the actions we will take to reduce emissions caused by fossil fuels – not only by reducing their use, but also by ensuring that those we produce have the lowest emissions intensity in the world. Two sectors in particular, the oil and gas sector and the transportation sector, produce more than half of Canada's emissions.

Our plan is ambitious, but it is also realistic.

A great evolution of our economy and our society is underway. Canada now has the choice of leading the pack or falling behind. It's not a choice. As a lifelong environmental activist, and now Minister of Environment and Climate Change, I will continue to do everything possible to ensure that we are up to the challenge before us.

Please feel free to contact my office if you have any questions. My team and I are here for you.


Sincerely,

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The 2030 Emissions Reduction Plan reflects submissions from over 30,000 Canadians, provinces and territories, Indigenous Peoples, industry, civil society, and the independent Net-Zero Advisory Body. The plan represents a whole-of-society approach with practical ways to achieve emission reductions across all parts of the economy. Our government will continue working with all Canadians to develop and implement the new policies and initiatives announced. The government will publish an update on progress toward meeting the emissions reductions targets in late 2023.

THE 2030 EMISSIONS REDUCTION PLAN: CANADA'S NEXT STEPS TO CLEAN AIR AND A STRONG ECONOMY INCLUDES \$9.1 BILLION IN NEW INVESTMENTS TO CUT POLLUTION AND GROW THE ECONOMY, INCLUDING :

Making it easier for Canadians to switch to electric vehicles

Transport represents a quarter of our emissions. That is why we are investing more than \$2.9 billion in charging infrastructure, providing financial support to make buying zero-emission vehicles (ZEVs) more affordable, and developing a regulated sales mandate so that 100 % of passenger vehicles sold in Canada will be zero emission by 2035, with interim targets of at least 20 % by 2026, and at least 60 % by 2030.

Greening Canada's homes and buildings

With investments of about a billion dollars, we will develop a national net-zero by 2050 buildings plan, the Canada Green Buildings Strategy, work with provinces, territories, and other partners to support the adoption of the highest tier building codes, pilot community-scale retrofits, and facilitate deep-energy retrofits for large buildings.

Helping industries to adopt clean technology and transition to net-zero emissions

We are delivering historic investments to enable industries to be clean and competitive and creating greater incentives for clean technologies and fuels, such as carbon capture, utilization, and storage.

Making Canada's electricity grid even cleaner

We will make additional investments of about \$850 million in clean energy projects like hydrogen and solar power, and will work with provinces and territories, stakeholders, and Indigenous Peoples to move Canada's electricity grid to net-zero emissions by 2035, while continuing to ensure access to reliable and affordable electricity for Canadians and businesses.

Reducing oil and gas emissions

We will continue working closely with provinces and territories, stakeholders, and Indigenous Peoples to develop an approach to cap oil and gas sector emissions to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050, and reduce oil and gas methane emissions by at least 75 % by 2030, while creating good jobs. The plan includes a projected contribution for the oil and gas sector of a 42 % reduction from current levels, which will guide the government's work to develop the cap on oil and gas emissions.

Supporting farmers in building a clean, prosperous future

We are supporting farmers with about a billion dollars for new and expanded programs to help them develop and adopt sustainable practices, energy-efficient technologies, and solutions like capturing carbon from the air.

To read the plan :

www.canada.ca/emissions-reduction-plan

Services offered by my office

- COVID-19 Support Measures
- Employment Insurance
- Canada Pension Plan
- Old Age Security
- Guaranteed Income Supplement
- Canada Revenue Agency
- Citizenship and Immigration
- Passport Canada
- Veterans Affairs
- Canada Student Loans
- Federal funding for organizations
- Federal Crown Corporations
- Acquisition of Canadian flags and pins

CARBON PRICING

Carbon pricing, which we introduced in 2019, remains an important tool to help us get the reductions we need. It is much more difficult to reduce pollution if the polluters are not made to pay. Carbon pricing creates an incentive to pollute less, conserve energy and invest in low-carbon solutions, such as clean technologies. Canada is recognized for its world leading pollution pricing system. Our approach gives every province the flexibility to design the system that works best for them, while ensuring every province meets the same high standard.

Empowering communities to take climate action

We are investing \$2.2 billion in expanding the Low Carbon Economy Fund to support projects from governments, schools, non-profits, Indigenous Peoples, and more to cut pollution and create jobs in communities across the country.

Maximizing the power of nature to fight climate change

We will make new investments of \$780 million to boost the carbon sequestration of Canada's oceans, wetlands, peatlands, grasslands and agricultural lands, and explore the potential for negative emission technologies in the forest sector.

Nature is essential to Canada's efforts to fight climate change and protect biodiversity and species at risk. For example, resilient wetlands are very important for migratory birds, species at risk and other wildlife. They also help manage flooding and prevent shoreline erosion and damage from rising waters.

To protect the places we love most, we've invested an additional \$2.3 billion over five years to reach our goal of conserving 25 % of our land and oceans by 2025. Together, we're helping to ensure species at risk protection, land and water conservation, and climate change monitoring, drawing on Indigenous knowledge and science.

We recently announced the launch of the National Program for Ecological Corridors. With an investment of \$60.6 million over five years, the Parks Canada-led program will support other jurisdictions and organizations and enable them to make better ecological connections between protected and conserved areas.

