



## Summary table of Canadian climate policies announced in 2016

Date	Announcement	Details
20-Nov-15	Alberta releases the Climate Leadership Panel Report	The Alberta government unveiled a climate change and emissions strategy based on recommendations put forth by its Climate Leadership Panel. The main elements include carbon pricing of end-use and industrial emissions, an accelerated phase-out of coal generation, a 45% reduction of methane emissions from oil and gas operations, and a 100 megatonne cap on oil sands emissions.
23-Nov-15	SaskPower's 50% renewable power by 2030 target	Saskatchewan's provincial utility, SaskPower, set a target of increasing renewable generating capacity up to 50% of total capacity by 2030. Currently, about 25% of generating capacity in Saskatchewan is renewable.
3-Dec-15	Manitoba releases its Climate Change and Green Economy Action Plan	The plan includes initiatives to improve efficiency, invest in emission reduction projects, and implement a cap-and-trade program linked with the Quebec, Ontario, and California systems.
12-Dec-15	Adoption of the Paris Agreement	The Paris Agreement's main aim is to keep a global temperature rise this century below two degrees Celsius and drive efforts to limit the increase to 1.5 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels.
12-Feb-16	Canada, Mexico and the United States sign an MOU on Climate Change and Energy Collaboration	A Memorandum of Understanding to collaborate and share information on key areas such as low-carbon electricity, clean energy technologies, energy efficiency, carbon capture and storage technology, climate change adaptation, and reducing emissions from the oil and gas sector, including from methane.
3-Mar-16	Vancouver Declaration	First Ministers agreed to a number of commitments in the Declaration, including increasing the level of ambition with respect to climate change and enhancing cooperation among provinces and territories.
10-Mar-16	Canada and U.S. joint action to reduce methane emissions	Canada and the U.S. announced joint action to reduce methane emissions from the oil and gas sector by 40 to 45% below 2012 levels by 2025. The development of new methane regulations is underway in both countries.
7-Apr-16	Quebec 2030 Energy Policy	The plan establishes a governance structure to manage the province's energy transition, promote a low-carbon economy, diversify Quebec's energy supply, and take a new approach to fossil fuels. It also sets out targets to be achieved by 2030 for improving energy efficiency, reducing petroleum consumption, and increasing renewable energy production.
22-Apr-16	Canada signs the Paris Agreement	Canada officially signs the Paris Agreement on Climate Change.

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18-May-16	Ontario passes the Climate Change Mitigation and Low-Carbon Economy Act	This legislation lays the foundation for Ontario to join the Quebec-California carbon market.
24-May-16	Alberta introduces a Climate Leadership Implementation Act	The legislation sets in law Alberta's carbon levy and related rebates.
7-Jun-16	Newfoundland and Labrador passes a Management of Greenhouse Gas Act	The legislation enables regulation of GHG emissions from industrial facilities in the Newfoundland and Labrador.
8-Jun-16	Ontario Climate Change Action Plan	The five-year plan introduces actions that Ontario will take toward meeting its emissions reduction targets. It also defines how revenues from the province's cap-and-trade program will be spent.
29-Jun-16	Climate, Clean Energy, and Environment Partnership Action Plan	Canada, the U.S., and Mexico announce a joint action plan that identifies initiatives and goals in areas such as advancing clean and secure energy and reducing short-lived climate pollutants. One key announcement was a goal for North America to achieve 50% clean power generation by 2025.
19-Aug-16	British Columbia unveils its Climate Leadership Plan	The plan highlights 21 action items to reduce GHG emissions in British Columbia in key areas such as transportation, industry, and natural gas production.
3-Oct-16	Pan-Canadian Pricing on Carbon Pollution	As part of the Pan-Canadian framework, the federal government outlined its proposed approach to carbon pricing in Canada. The approach sets a minimum price on carbon of \$10 per tonne in 2018. The minimum price increases by \$10 a year to reach \$50 per tonne in 2022.
26-Oct-16	Quebec passes an act to increase the number of zero-emission motor vehicles	The legislation aims to increase the number of zero-emission motor vehicles in Quebec through a zero-emission vehicle standard.
1-Nov-16	Alberta introduces the Renewable Electricity Act	This legislation establishes the Renewable Electricity Program, which will add 5,000 megawatts of renewable power capacity in Alberta by 2030.
2-Nov-16	Initiative to green the federal government	The federal government announces its target to reduce its own GHG emissions 40% by 2030.
3-Nov-16	Alberta introduces the Oil Sands Emissions Limit Act	This legislation limits oil sands GHG emissions to an annual maximum of 100 megatonnes, with allowances for new upgrading and co-generation capacity.

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4-Nov-16	Paris Agreement enters into force	The Paris Agreement becomes a legal instrument and governments are obligated to take action to achieve the goals enshrined in the Agreement.
7-Nov-16	Conference of Parties 22 begins in Marrakech	The 22nd session of the Conference of the Parties held in Marrakech, Morocco from 7-18 November 2016.
21-Nov-16	Amendment of federal regulations to phase out traditional coal-fired generation by 2030	The federal government is amending the regulations applicable to coal-fired electricity generation to ensure that all traditional coal-fired units are phased out by no later than 2030.
21-Nov-16	Nova Scotia's Climate Change Agreement with the federal government	Nova Scotia announces it will introduce a cap-and-trade system. It also announces an agreement with the federal government that enables Nova Scotia's coal-fired power plants to operate at some capacity beyond 2030.
25-Nov-16	Canada announces a plan to develop a clean fuel standard	The federal government announced a plan to work with the provinces and industry to develop a clean fuel standard that would require reductions in the carbon footprint of fuels supplied in Canada.
28-Nov-16	Amendment of federal regulations to reduce hydrofluorocarbon (HFC) consumption	Canada is proposing regulatory measures to reduce HFCs, which are powerful GHGs increasingly used in commercial, industrial, and residential applications such as refrigeration, air-conditioning, foam insulation, and aerosols.
7-Dec-16	New Brunswick releases its climate change action plan	The plan outlines a vision for New Brunswick to intensify its efforts related to reducing GHG emissions.
9-Dec-16	Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change	This federal, provincial and territorial plan outlines a means to grow the economy while reducing emissions. Pillars of the plan include pricing carbon pollution, complementary actions to reduce emissions, adaptation and climate resilience, and investing in clean technology, innovation, and jobs.
10-Dec-16	Quebec passes an Act to implement the 2030 Energy Policy	This legislation implements the measures announced in the 2030 Energy Policy announced in April 2016.