

Statement on the U.S. Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) from the Co-Chairs and Advisory Committee of America Is All In

Today, the United States has taken an important step forward by setting a national climate target, which will drive economic growth and re-establish the federal government's global leadership and credibility in addressing the climate crisis. Meeting – and ultimately exceeding - this goal will create jobs, strengthen our economy, reduce climate-related threats, and support a healthier, more prosperous, and more just future for our country.

We, the Co-Chairs and Advisory Committee of America Is All In, a coalition of thousands of institutions around the country, commend the Biden-Harris administration for establishing the NDC emission reduction target at 50-52% below 2005 levels by 2030. Recent analyses from America Is All In and others have shown that this target is achievable and would deliver major benefits to communities and our economy.

The America Is All In coalition stands ready to work with the federal government and rally local leaders around the country, whose efforts will be vital to helping us meet and exceed our new national goal. With this commitment, the United States will also be able to galvanize countries around the world to increase their own climate ambitions and take bold actions. Urgent action is needed to stave off a rise in global temperatures of more than 1.5°C, and America Is All In remains committed to surpassing the administration's new emissions reduction target and the long-term effort to limit warming as much as possible.

We must ensure that our goals, while important, are backed by effective policies, programs, and investments that will benefit communities, especially those most at-risk from climate and environmental threats.

We have already taken significant action to accelerate progress on climate and recently pledged to center climate action in our own institutions. This 2030 goal is a milestone on the path to a future of net-zero greenhouse gas emission by 2050.

Today, America Is All In is asking our members to detail how we can take greater action over the coming months. We aim to raise our ambitions as the world heads into the next round of climate talks at COP26 in Glasgow this November.

In addition, since it is our members who will determine whether we can meet and exceed the federal government's new target, we invite the administration to work with us on an all-of-society national climate strategy, to make use of our expertise, and to support policies that advance our own efforts to reduce emissions and help us build stronger and more resilient communities.

We are all in.

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