

As temperatures and sea levels rise, so do the costs of food and flood insurance. New health issues from heat, air pollution, and the spread of infectious diseases are growing. From hurricanes devastating Puerto Rico to fires ravaging the Amazon, climate change is affecting everyone, everywhere.

This is the security challenge of our era. And we're running out of time.

Experts tell us we have 10 years to get on the right path, or global warming will reach catastrophic levels by 2050. For too long, Washington has chosen denial and obstruction. But the timeline that compels us to act isn't set by Congress—it's being dictated by science. We must channel all of our energies into a national project—one that unifies Americans from every walk of life around this urgent threat and seizes the tremendous opportunity for a new era of climate action

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PART I: BUILD A CLEAN ECONOMY

A proactive approach is crucial to remain competitive in a changing economy. The first step of our plan is to work with Congress and existing executive authorities to implement a bold and achievable Green New Deal. We are setting a realistic plan to become a net-zero emissions society no later than 2050 based on a comprehensive set of targets and actions.

 We will enact a price on carbon and use the revenue to send rebates to Americans.

 We will also quadruple federal clean energy R&D funding to invest more than \$200 billion over 10 years in developing new technologies.

 We will create U.S. climate action bonds so that Americans can fund clean energy and resilience projects.

 We will decarbonize our economy through a Clean Electricity Standard, a Zero-Emissions Vehicles Standard, and a Clean Industrial Technology Standard.

 We will end subsidies for fossil fuel companies and close public lands to new fossil leases.

PART II: INCREASE RESILIENCE

From sea-level rise to extreme heat, no region of the United States is immune to the impacts of climate change—many of which are already here and will continue for the foreseeable future. Climate-exacerbated disasters have cost more than \$500 billion over the past four years, with the federal government funding a large portion of disaster recovery efforts. Often, low-income, Black, and Latinx Americans are hit first and hardest.

 We must protect communities by establishing next-generation Regional Resilience Hubs to help communities understand and manage their risks. The Hubs would be complemented by \$5 billion per year in Resilient America Grants to support building resilient infrastructure and set a national climate risk reduction standard for federal investments.

 We will create a National Catastrophic Disaster Insurance program to provide stability to individuals and communities who experience the major disruptions caused by climate change and other natural risks such as earthquakes.

 We will prioritize equitable disaster preparedness and relief so that all communities get the resources they need to prepare for, recover from, and rebuild from disasters, particularly communities of color; people with disabilities; seniors; and other populations especially vulnerable to climate impacts.

PART III: DEMONSTRATE LEADERSHIP

But joining global coalitions is not sufficient. We must also restore American leadership and put the world on a path to meet the Paris Agreement's goals. We will rebuild our most important alliances and heal internal divisions by bringing together Americans right here at home. We will change how the federal government works on climate change solutions, sets aggressive standards and goals, and empowers state and local governments. We will convene local and regional leaders from around the country and world in a Pittsburgh Summit aimed at developing buy-in for decisive and bold climate action at a local level.

 We will use every executive authority available to reduce emissions and require resilience in infrastructure.

 We will increase the climate planning and regional readiness budget at the Department of Defense.

DAY 1

Launch the Clean Energy Victory Plan

DAY 100

President Buttigieg submits the new U.S. Paris Climate Goal for 2030 and hosts local leaders at the Pittsburgh Climate Summit

2025

Double the clean electricity generated in the United States.

2035

Build a clean electricity system with zero emissions and require zero emissions for all new passenger vehicles.

2040

Require net-zero emissions for all new heavy-duty vehicles, buses, rail, ships, and aircrafts and develop a thriving carbon removal industry.

2050

Achieve net-zero emissions from industry, including steel and concrete, manufacturing, and agriculture sectors.