

# CUT POLLUTION BY INCREASING CLEAN TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

Ensure limited transportation funding delivers the greatest benefit for Maine families, businesses, and the environment.

## Transportation emissions are the largest source of climate pollution in Maine.

- Right now, transportation planning isn't required to consider climate pollution, limiting investment in healthier, safer options for Mainers to get around.
- As Maine grows and develops, it is more important than ever that state transportation planners take climate change into consideration when reviewing and approving transportation projects.
- Investing in clean transportation options like more frequent and reliable transit and safer streets will improve safety, protect our health, and support local economic growth.



(City of Bangor)

## Maine's current transportation planning process does not reflect our state's climate goals.

- If climate change is not part of transportation planning, our limited taxpayer funds will go to more expensive, more polluting projects that can increase traffic and make roads more dangerous.
- Traffic and pollution from our roads disproportionately impacts low-income and disadvantaged communities. Reducing the climate impact of our transportation system will give people healthier, more affordable options while reducing harmful air pollution that contributes to asthma and other harmful health impacts.
- Greenhouse gas emissions targets for our statewide transportation system will ensure that we're addressing the largest source of climate pollution in Maine.

## It's time to plan for a smarter, cleaner transportation future.



(Deb Dawson Photography)

- This bill would ensure that new proposed transportation projects will have to model long-term climate impacts.
- Projects that are not aligned with our state climate action plan can be adjusted in order to move forward.
- Aligning transportation planning with climate goals will create economic, health, safety, and equity benefits by encouraging more investment in public transportation and safer streets across the state.

**Embrace smart climate planning. Increase clean transportation for all.**



# Environmental Priorities Coalition

Maine's **Environmental Priorities Coalition** is an inclusive statewide alliance of 39 conservation, climate action, and public health organizations. Each year we collectively identify a slate of policy priorities to act on the climate crisis, further environmental justice, protect land, water, and wildlife, and cultivate healthy Maine communities.



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