

## CLIMATE CHANGE & RESILIENCY ELEMENT

The Climate Change and Resiliency Element provides a policy framework to address climate change and increase the county's climate resiliency.

The Climate Change and Resiliency Element:

Recognizes that immediate action is necessary to respond to and plan for the impacts of climate change;

Prioritizes assistance to those most vulnerable to climate change impacts;

Incorporates best available climate science;

Recognizes the importance of an interdisciplinary approach

### Key Climate Change & Resiliency Element Policy Amendments for the 2024 Update

- Modeled after the Washington State Department of Commerce guidance on Climate Change.
- Includes a Greenhouse gas (GHG) subelement to focus on actions for County operations and the greater county to reduce GHG emissions by decarbonizing building and transportation systems to help meet the regional GHG reduction target.
- Resiliency subelement focuses on actions for County operations and the greater county to enhance the county's climate resiliency for the public and natural systems. Policies are included that prioritize actions to communities that are most vulnerable to the projected impacts of climate change.

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**Review all proposed Climate Change & Resiliency policies online here:**  
[snohomishcountywa.gov/6304](https://snohomishcountywa.gov/6304)

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