Climate Action Office

Climate Change Resilience and Adaptation

House Committee on Environment and Energy House Committee on Transportation



Climate Action Office (CAO)

Statewide climate action requires a **long-term intergovernmental structure**.

To accomplish this, the CAO works collaboratively within the Agency of Natural Resources and across state Agencies to **lead**, **coordinate, and track climate action** across state government, which support the goals and requirements of the Global Warming Solutions Act.



provides expertise and capacity on state-led climate initiatives.

CAO staff are experienced in greenhouse gas mitigation, adaptation and resilience, carbon sequestration and storage, communications, and data analysis.

monitors, assesses, and tracks climate actions.

enhance **public access to** influencing climate action, and **public understanding** of these actions.

This work strives to center frontline and impacted communities and is done in close collaboration with Environmental Justice and Civil Rights Unit (ANR Secretary's Office).





Resilience & Adaptation in the CAO







Technical Analysis & Tools

Strategy and Program Development

Communications



DROUGHT STATUS UPDATE

Drought Early Warning Update for the Northeast

June 9, 2023

Air quality in Vermont reached 'very unhealthy' with latest smoke impacts

Vermont Public | By Abagael Giles Published June 27, 2023 at 10:38 AM EDT



Vermont Crop Damage Could Be Far Reaching after Mid-May Frost

May 23, 2023

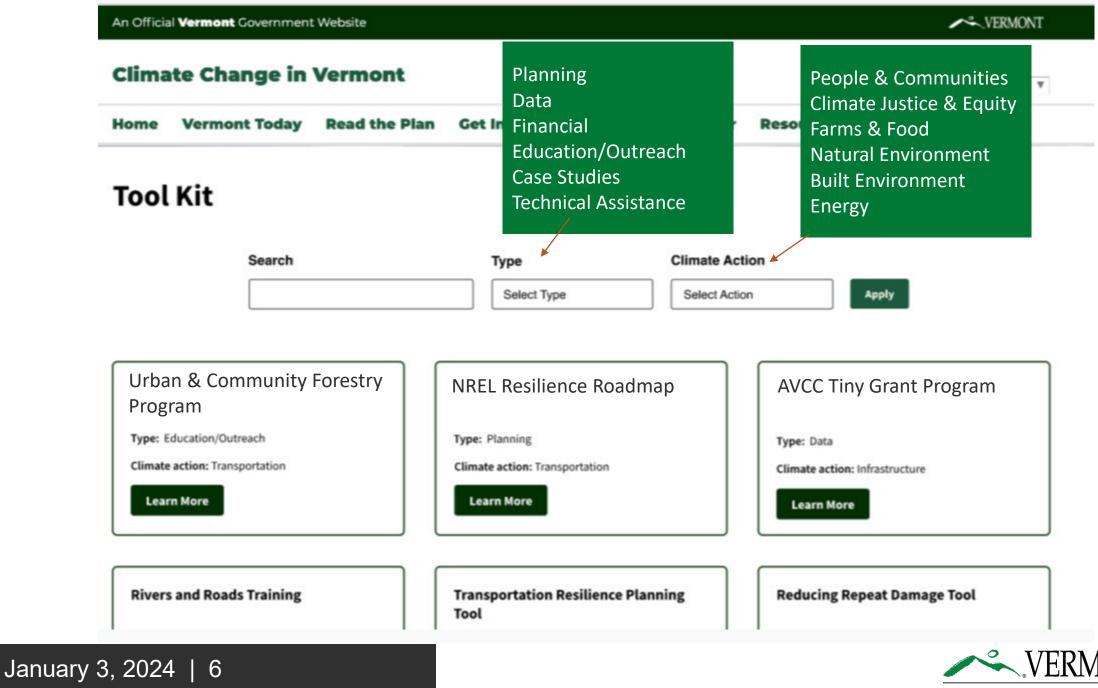
Vermont grapples with historic flooding as more rainstorms head for Northeast

It's the worst flooding to hit Vermont since Tropical Storm Irene in 2011.

By <u>Morgan Winsor</u> and <u>Emily Shapiro</u> July 12, 2023, 12:28 PM

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Municipal Vulnerability Index

Mapping tool to help municipalities understand and explore their vulnerabilities to climate change.

- **Social/Community** (e.g., demographic factors, municipal staff capacity, distance from emergency services and shelters)
- **Economic/Jobs** (e.g., unemployment rate, income, key economic sectors)
- Built/Physical Environment (e.g., transportation, utilities, mobile homes, impervious surfaces)
- **Natural Environment** (e.g., stream protection, critical habitat, air quality)
- **Natural Hazards** (e.g., flooding, extreme temperatures, drought)



Work ahead

