

Climate Smart Communities **Crosswalk**

Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP)



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What is the Climate Smart Communities Crosswalk?

The Climate Smart Communities Crosswalk is designed to show where there are potential overlaps between the Climate Smart Communities (CSC) Certification program and 6 water-focused programs in New York State. The goal is to help communities save time, energy, and money by exploring opportunities for achieving points for CSC certification actions. The CSC Crosswalk tool consists of 8 PDF documents and 6 online surveys.

What is the CSC Certification Program?

The NYS Climate Smart Communities (CSC) Certification program helps local governments reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to climate change. The program offers grants, electric vehicle rebates, and free technical assistance.

What is the LWRP?

The LWRP works with waterfront communities to develop a vision for the future of the waterfront. It helps communities address local and regional (coastal or inland) waterway issues, improve water quality and natural areas, guide development to areas with adequate infrastructure and services away from sensitive resources, promote public waterfront access, and provide for redevelopment of underutilized waterfronts.

Technical Notes

In the LWRP process, communities develop a planning document, as well as create or revise code language to implement the LWRP plan's recommendations (Section 5: Techniques for Local Implementation). These new or revised code components depend on the recommendations included in the plan. In addition, some synergies depend on the boundary of a community's LWRP. For example, an LWRP may be utilized as a comprehensive plan (and therefore could achieve points for the CSC PE6 Action: Comprehensive Plan with Sustainability Elements), but only if the LWRP boundary matches the municipal boundary. In both cases, the crosswalk identifies these potential synergies, while recognizing that they will not apply to all communities.

The points areas in the crosswalk are not guaranteed, nor endorsed by state agencies. Extra effort may be required to achieve points under the CSC Certification program. The ultimate decisions about points lie with the CSC reviewer.

Important Links

New York Sea Grant

<https://seagrantsunysb.edu/>

Climate Smart Communities

<https://climatesmart.ny.gov/>

LWRP

<https://dos.ny.gov/local-waterfront-revitalization-program>

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**Walk through the Climate Smart
Communities Crosswalk online!**
www.nyseagrantsunysb.edu/csc-crosswalk

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LWRP Components

#	CSC Pledge Element	CSC Certification Action	Community Involvement	Inventory & Analysis	Policies	Proposed Land & Water Uses & Proposed Projects	Techniques for Local Implementation	# of Relevant CSC Actions per Pledge Element
1	Build a climate-smart community	N/A						0
2	Inventory emissions, set goals, and plan for climate action	N/A						0
3	Decrease energy use	N/A						0
4	Shift to clean, renewable energy	N/A						0
5	Use climate-smart materials management	N/A						0



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6	Implement climate-smart land use	<i>Comprehensive Plan with Sustainability Elements</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		8
		<i>Smart Growth Policies</i>					✓	
		<i>Unified Solar Permit</i>					✓	
		<i>Green Parking Lot Policies</i>					✓	
		<i>Planning for Biking & Walking</i>					✓	
		<i>Natural Resources Inventory</i>			✓			
		<i>Local Forestry Program</i>					✓	
		<i>Zoning for Protection of Natural Areas</i>					✓	



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7	Enhance community resilience to climate change	<i>Climate Vulnerability Assessment</i>		✓				5
		<i>Green Infrastructure</i>					✓	
		<i>Culverts & Dams</i>		✓				
		<i>Riparian Buffers</i>		✓				
		<i>Strategic Relocation</i>					✓	
8	Support a green innovation economy	<i>Brownfield Clean-up & Redevelopment</i>				✓		1
9	Inform and inspire the public	<i>Climate Change Education & Engagement</i>	✓					3
		<i>Climate-related Public Events</i>	✓					
		<i>Social Media</i>	✓					
10	Engage in an evolving process of climate action	N/A						0
# of Relevant CSC Actions per LWRP Component:			4	5	1	4	6	



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