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CLIMATE CHANGE

RMA Plans – Taking Action

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Netflix binge watching is just as bad as travel in terms of carbon emissions

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The Paris Agreement set a long term temperature goal to limit increase to 2.5 degrees





Legislative Context & Direction

RMA

Resource management reform: NBEA, SPA, CCAA

Climate Change Response (Zero Carbon) Amendment Act 2019

Other legislation

B&A

Opportunities for RMA planning documents (future NPS, NES, RPS, regional and district plans) to address climate change challenges and natural hazards

BEACH





Singapore

20 minute towns

45 minute cities

Cap on private car and motorcycle growth

Preference for walk-cycle-ride





Queensland

Planning Act 2016

State Planning Policy

Climate change mitigation and adaptation imbedded throughout

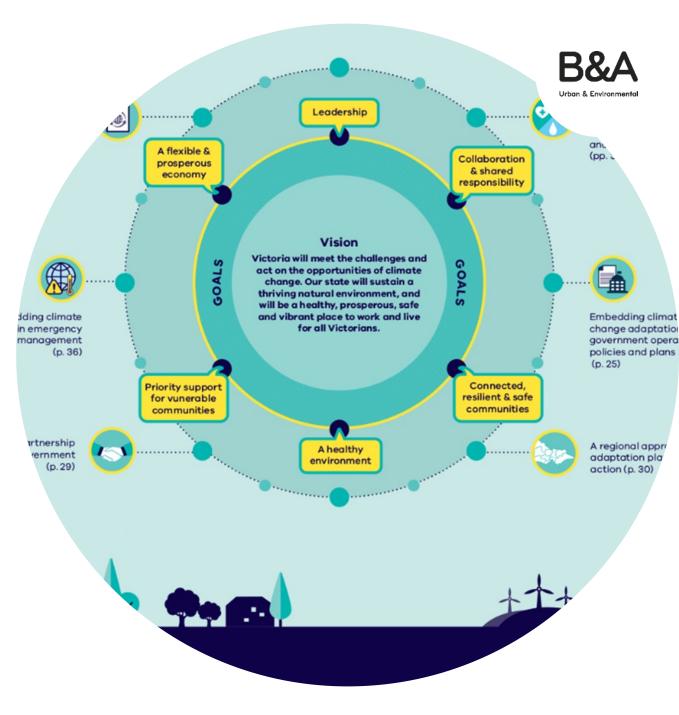
Victoria

Climate Change Act 2017

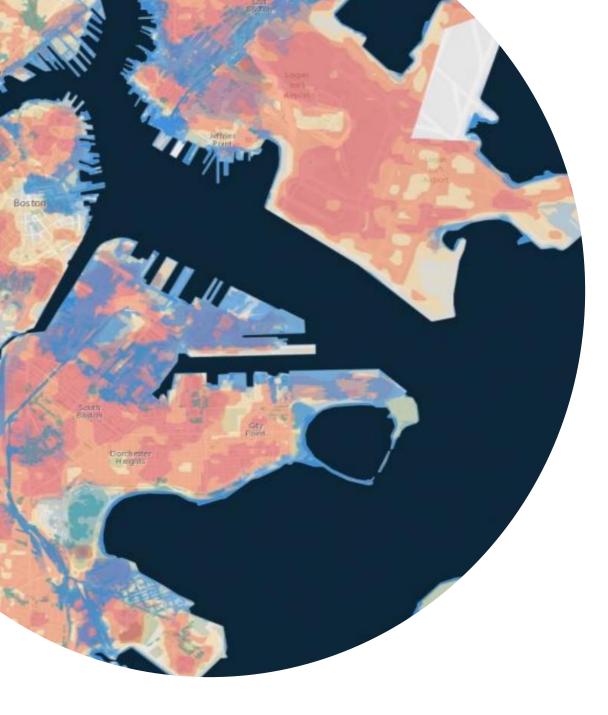
Climate Change Framework

Climate Change Adaptation Plan 2017 – 2020

Victorian Planning Provisions







Climate Ready Boston

Update climate projects

Address where the City is vulnerable to climate change

Set a plan for making the city more resilient



ADAPTING TO CLIMATE CHANGE

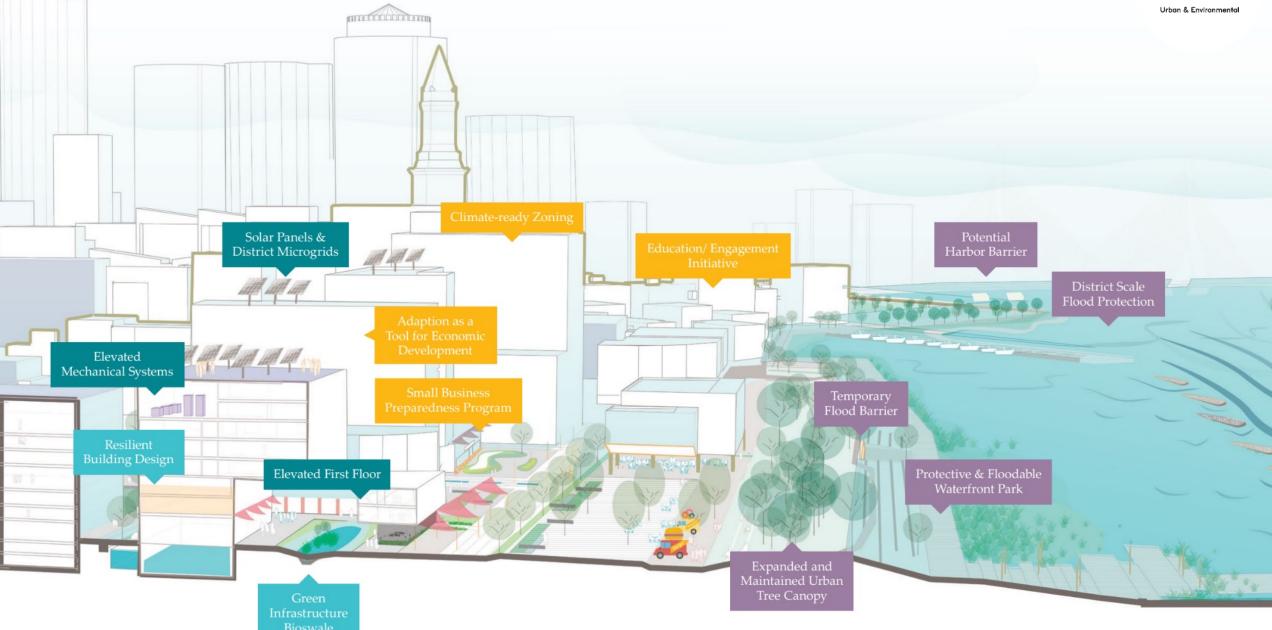


PREPARED AND CONNECTED COMMUNITIES





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New Zealand RMA Plans

Recent proposed district plans

Reference to climate change becoming more common

Some have specific climate change chapters or provisions

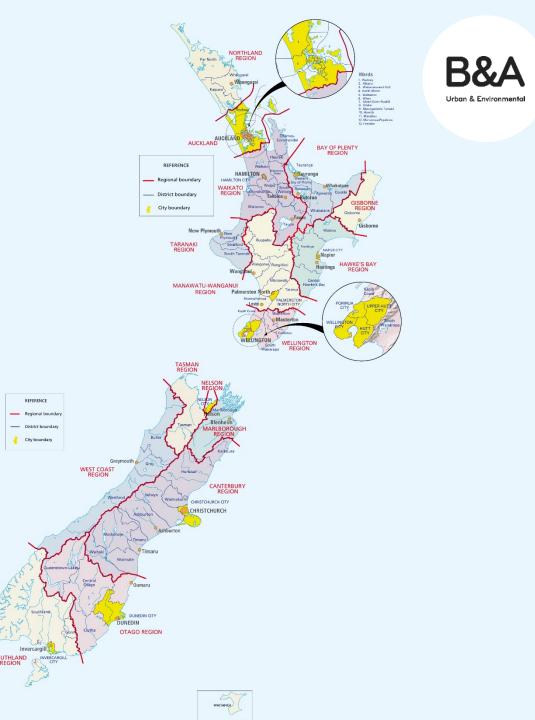


Recent proposed district plans

Adapt to projected effects of climate change

Development to prioritise lower greenhouse gas emissions

Energy consumption and emission reductions; modal shift; resilience



National Direction

NPS

Climate change?



Spatial plan/ Vulnerability mapping

National Planning Standards B&A

Spatial Plans

Imbed climate change throughout

Vulnerability mapping- National climate change risk assessment

Where and how does growth occur, taking into account projected climate change effects



Regional Policy Statements

Community awareness/understanding of climate change and short, medium, long term effects. Take lead on identifying all areas affected

Be informed by spatial plan / vulnerability mapping and assessment

Policy direction that RMA plans address climate change (beyond just effect on natural hazards)

Respond to any future NPS-NH and NPS-CC

Regional and District Plans



Assess climate change impacts on a proposal

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Assess proposal impacts on climate change

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BFACH

How a proposal can mitigate climate change effects in itself

Climate change resilience and carbon zero objectives expressed at a local level

Enabling provisions

'Climate ready' zoning/overlays

Climate responsive design

Council fees, DCs incentives, rates

RMA plans have important role in NZ's climate change response

Broader than just natural hazards Understand climate change vulnerability at a local level

Spatial plans





Community involvement / engagement

Plan structure

Needs **Central** govt direction

Funding



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LUCK is not a policy we can count on