

Conclusions: Toward Regional and National Policies

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Toward a Policy Agenda for Climate Change



We're Screwed!

- Transport demand growth is unstoppable.
- The coming oil peak will make GHG emissions irrelevant.
- The public is poorly informed and almost indifferent.
- Developing world: "Climate change is **your** problem."
- GHG is not a crisis yet, and when it is, it will be too late.

The Asilomar declaration:

- We **ALL** agree that:
 1. Climate change is real, transportation's emissions are a major part of the problem, and they must be reduced.
 2. National policy has so far failed to adequately address transportation's role in climate change; this can and must be remedied.
 3. All stakeholders want to work cooperatively to reduce transportation's GHG emissions, for the public good.
 4. There are innovative solutions to the problem of GHG emissions from transportation that will contribute to a better transportation system for current and future generations.

Agenda

- What have we accomplished here?
 - Panel
 - You
- Where should we be at Asilomar 2009 and how can we get there?
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 - You

Have we answered Dan's questions?

- What is the role of economy-wide policies in transport?
- Can CO₂ really be reduced 60-80% by 2050?
- Should transport do its "share"?
- Is VMT reduction a realistic goal? How?
- Is there a paradigm shift in consumer behavior?
- What about the changing oil market?
- Low-C fuels standard or cap-and-trade?
- How should we craft CAFE or GHG standards (or feebates)?
- What about heavy-duty vehicles, air, rail and freight?

Where should we be at Asilomar 2009?

- We have shown that transport can do its “fair share” and policies are in place to achieve near term goals (2030).
- We have identified and described the policies and strategies that can induce the innovation necessary to meet the long-term goal of an 80% reduction by 2050.
- We have adequately addressed all modes, including freight, air and rail passenger travel.

The background of the image is a serene landscape featuring a deep blue sky with soft, white, wispy clouds. Below the sky is a vast, calm blue ocean that stretches to the horizon. The overall color palette is dominated by various shades of blue, creating a peaceful and expansive atmosphere.

THANK YOU.