### 2022 Vermont Comprehensive Energy Plan

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### **Energy Plan Rooted in Vermont Energy Policy**

#### Title 30, Section 202a:

- To ensure, to the greatest extent practicable, that Vermont can meet its energy service needs:
  - In a manner that is adequate, reliable, secure, and sustainable
  - Ensuring affordability and encouraging the state's economic vitality
  - Using energy resources efficiently and managing demands cost effectively
  - In a manner that will achieve greenhouse gas reductions requirements



## **Energy Plan & Climate Plan**

Climate Action Plan

- Climate Adaptation
- Non-Energy GHG Emissions: Agriculture, Waste, etc.
  - Sequestration
- GHG Inventory Review

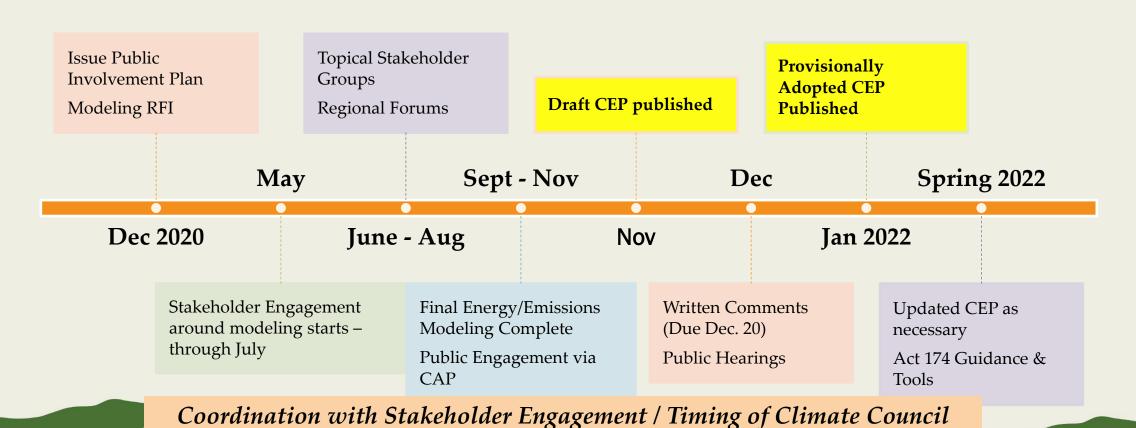
Overlap

- Cost-effective GHG Reduction Requirements
- Energy Sector Analysis incl. policy & technology scenarios & pathways
- Public Engagement & Modeling Efforts
- Equitable Transitions

Comprehensive Energy Plan

- Renewable Energy Development
- Electric Plan including Reliability
- Energy System Planning: Adequacy, security, sustainability, Affordability, Economic vitality
  - Standards for Local Planning (Act 174)

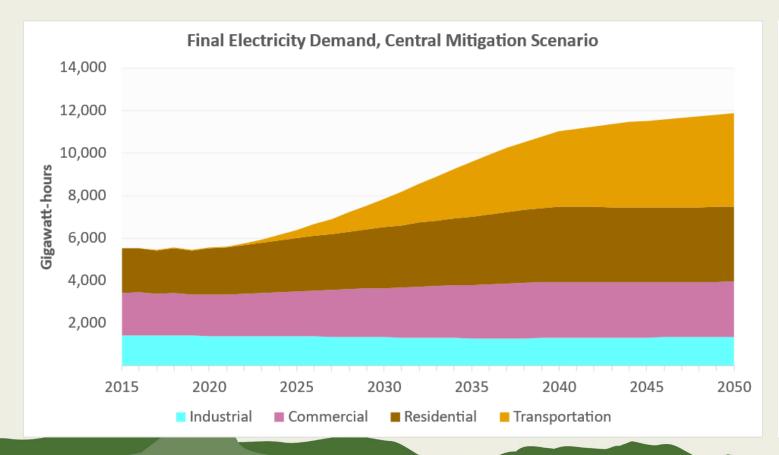
# 2022 CEP Engagement Timeline

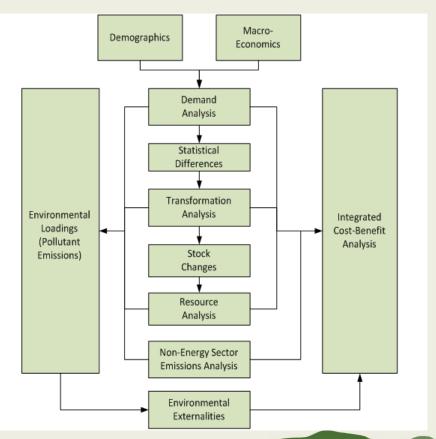




### 2022 CEP (& CAP) Modeling









### **CEP Structure**



RECOMMENDATIONS: E.g., Explore opportunities for collaboration with insurance industry stakeholders

STRATEGIES: For Example, Weatherization at Scale



PATHWAYS: For example, Reduce Energy Use in Buildings

PRINCIPLES & GOALS: 2016 CEP Renewable Targets, GWSA GHG Reduction Requirements, §202a (Affordability, Cost-effectiveness, Reliability, Security, Econ Development etc.), Equity, Transparency

## **CEP Theme: Equitable Transitions**

"Every one of us benefits when we make society fairer and more just"

Xusana Davis, Vermont's Executive Director of Racial Equity, in her 2021 Report to the Legislature.



### **CEP Theme: Grid Evolution**

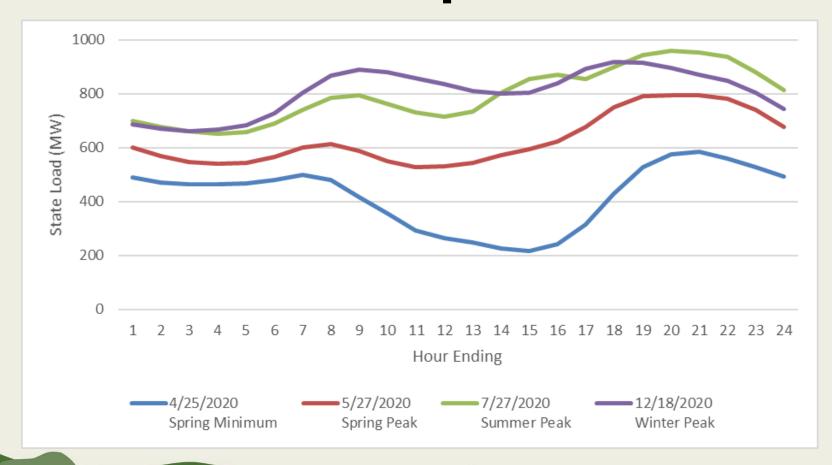


### CEP Vision for Optimized Grid:

• A secure and affordable grid that can efficiently integrate, use, and optimize high penetrations of distributed energy resources to enhance resilience and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.



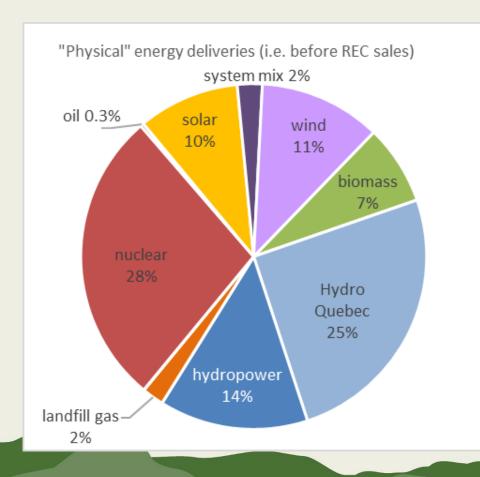
## **Vermont Load Shapes**

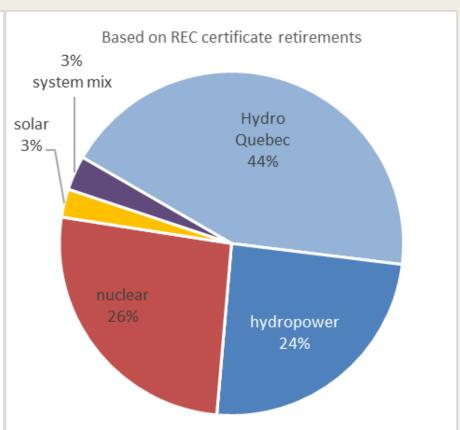


### **Sector Summaries**



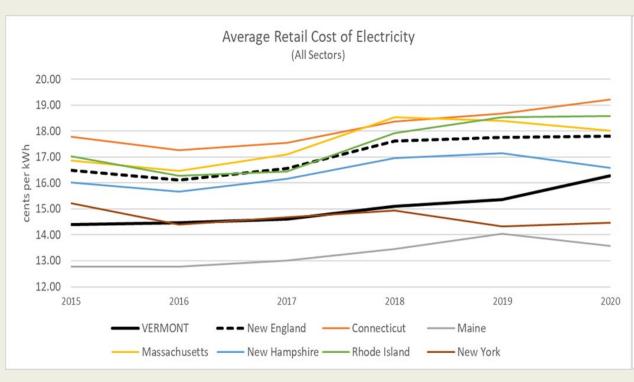
# Vermont 2020 Electric Energy Supply

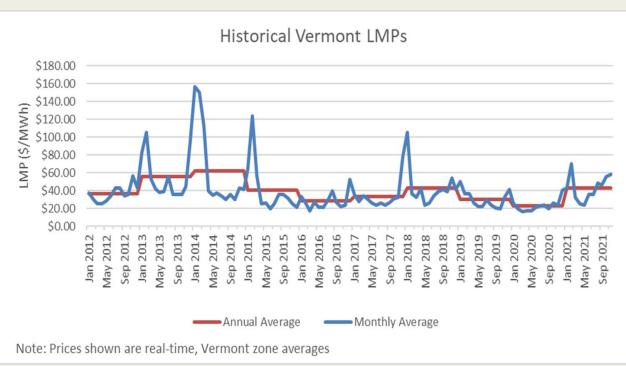




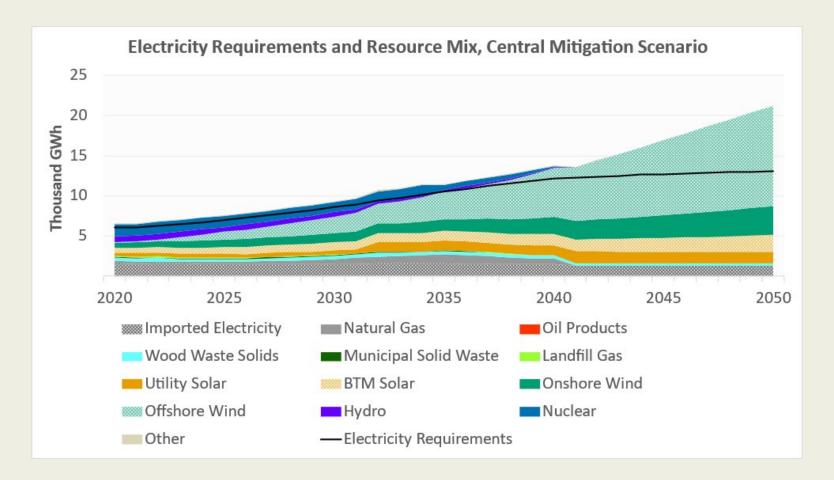


### Retail and Wholesale Elec. Costs









Limited Load and Resource Management modeled = Opportunity



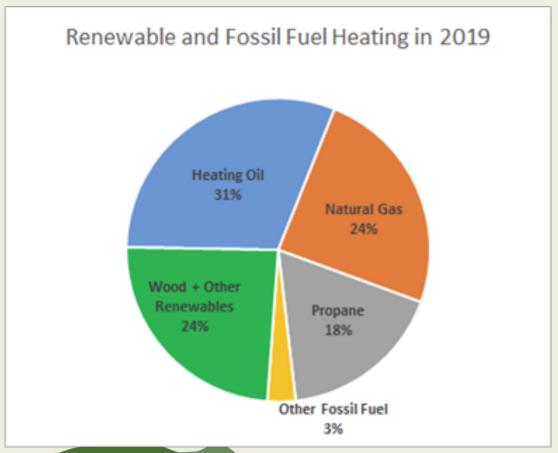
### CEP Electricity: 100% carbon-free by 2032

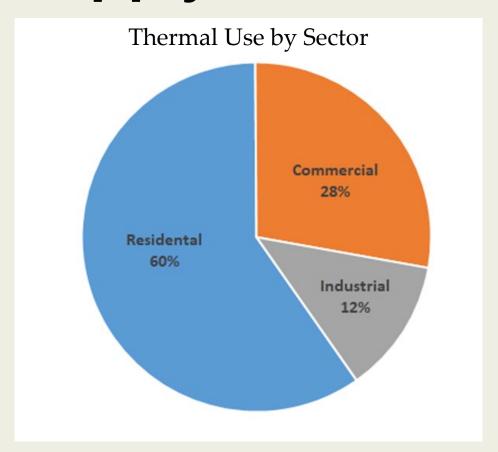
Pathway: Comprehensive PUC Review of RES Design and Complimentary programs – Options to meet

- Current Programs
  - Net Metering
  - "Community Solar"
  - Standard Offer Program
- Time & Locational Values
- New versus existing generation
- In-state vs. Out-of-State generation



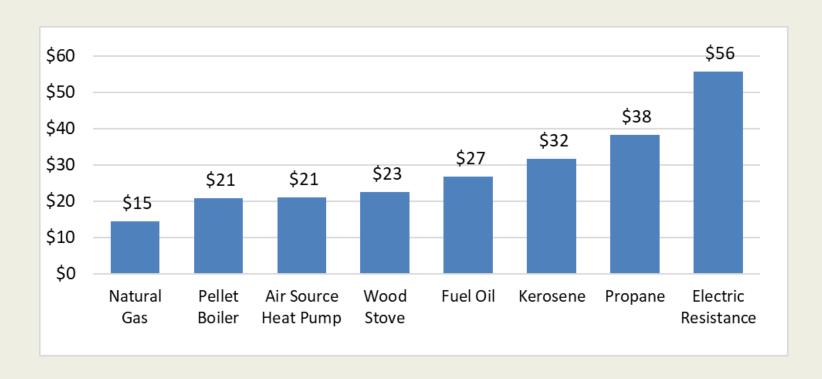
### **Thermal & Process Supply**





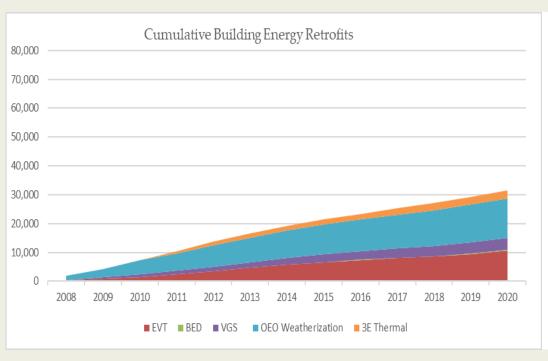


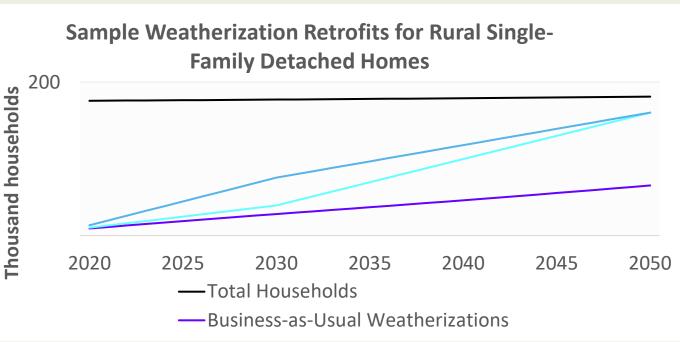
### Residential Retail Fuel Prices (\$/MMBtu)





### **Cumulative Residential Weatherization 2008-2020**







# CEP Thermal & Process: Goal Increase Renewable Supply to 30% by 2025, 45% by 2032, and 70% by 2042

### Pathway: Reduce Energy Demand

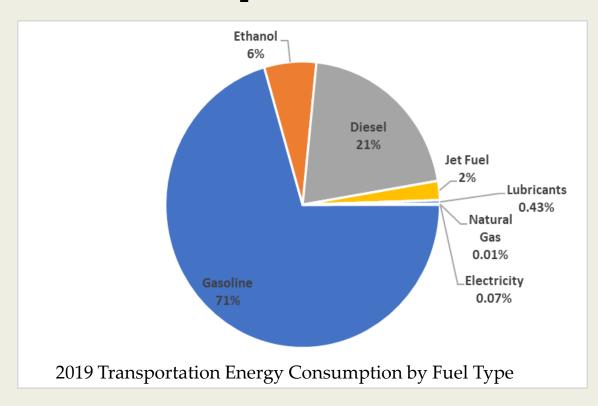
- Weatherization at Scale
  - WAP, EEUs, Sustainable Funding, Counseling, Workforce
- Efficient Buildings
  - Building Energy Standards (Net Zero Ready by 2030)
- State Energy Management Program Enhancements

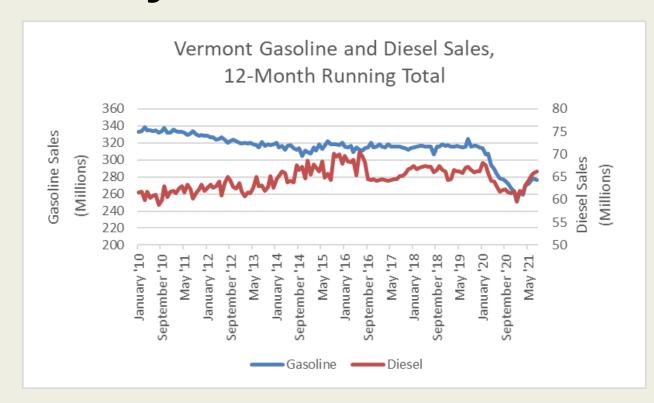
# Pathway: Low Carbon Tech & Fuel Choices

- Consider Clean Heat Standard
  - Study, if reasonable then authorization for PUC
- Clean Fuels & Tech
  - ccHP, GSHP
  - Advanced Wood Heat, District Heat
  - Biofuels
  - RNG



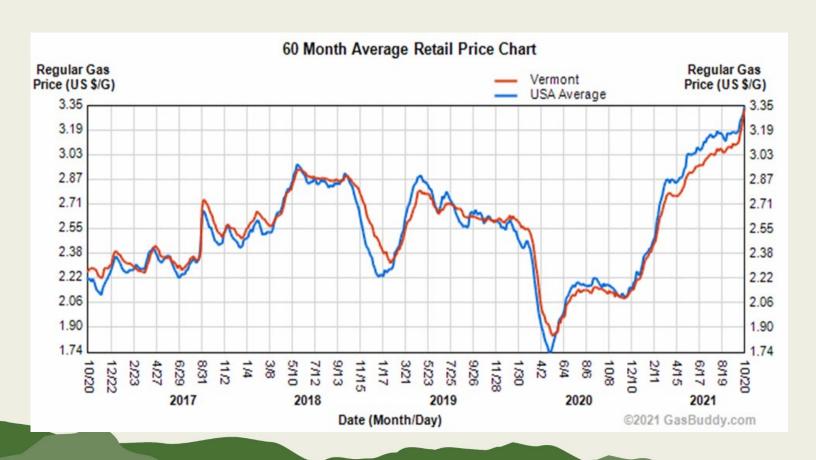
### **Transportation Currently**



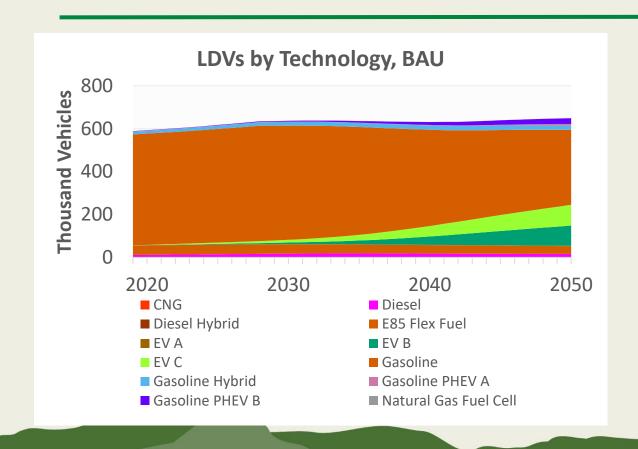


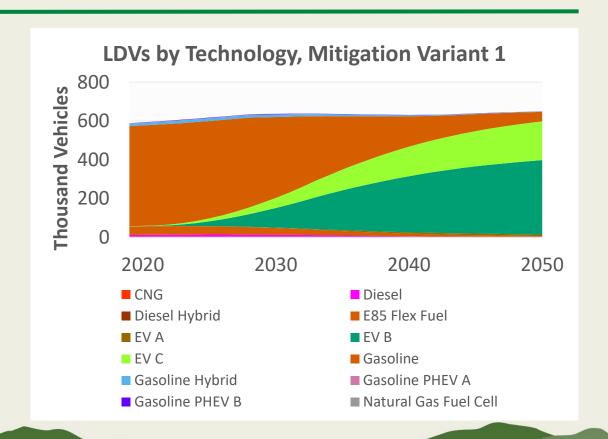


### **Avg Vermont & National Fuel Prices**



### **Light-Duty Cars and Trucks by Technology**







# CEP Transportation & Land Use (1): GHG Reductions Proportional to GWSA, 100% LD vehicle Sales ZEV by 2035

### Pathway: Vehicle Electrification

- Vehicle Incentives (new & used)
  - Light Duty, Medium Duty, Heavy Duty
  - MileageSmart, Replace Your Ride, etc.
- Infrastructure & Policy
  - Rate Design & Load Control
  - EV charging price transparency (via AAMF)
  - Dealer Awareness
  - Zero Emission Vehicle MOU
  - Road user charge/T-fund impacts discussed but awaiting VTrans study result

### Pathway: Cleaner Vehicles & Fuels

- Participate in regional discussions on federal emissions and fuel economy standards
  - CA Advanced Clean Cars II Regulations (100% ZEV sales requirement by 2035)
- Monitor biofuels and low-carbon fuel development



# CEP Transportation & Land Use (2): GHG Reductions Proportional to GWSA, 100% LD vehicle Sales ZEV by 2035

### Pathway: System Efficiency via Land Use Settlement Patterns

- Integration of Land Use Planning into Trans Decision Making Frameworks
  - Aligning planning across government agencies
  - Compact Development support
  - Smart Growth Designation programs

# Pathway: Increasing Transportation Choices

- Public & Active Transportation Options
  - Public Transit, Rail, Biking & Walking, etc.



### **More CEP Components**

- Energy Finance
- State Agency Energy Plan
- Act 174 Enhanced Energy Planning Standards
- Modeling Appendices
- RES Report



### Thank You!

