Chelan County has been collaborating with Washington Department of Natural Resources, the Chelan County Public Utilities District, the University of Washington Climate Impacts Group and Chelan County stakeholders to develop the Chelan County Climate Resiliency Strategy. This Climate Resilience Strategy is dependent upon multiple entities anticipating, managing, and responding to climate change in a coordinated fashion.

Implemented effectively, this climate resilience strategy will sustain the community, economy, and environment. To ensure successful implementation, an inclusive and adaptive “Climate Round Table” has been formed to advance the Climate Resilience Strategy. The Climate Round Table is comprised of governmental and non-governmental agencies and community stakeholders. The organizational structure will consist of the larger Round Table group, a Science Advisory Committee, an Executive Committee, and a series of work groups that will advance the implementation of key actions identified in the strategy.



## Process Overview

The Round Table will look at all stages of project development, from purpose and need through planning, implementation, monitoring and adaptive management. The Round Table will use consensus as the primary decision-making process; however, in the absence of consensus, diverging recommendations will be forwarded to the Executive Team for decision-making. Round Table meetings are expected to occur quarterly to receive updates on strategy implementation actions, discuss policy areas and provide input on specific projects and actions.

Each work group will develop a work plan consisting of a list of actions or projects that advance the objectives for the impact area of focus that the work group will agree to undertake each year. Work group co-leads will present work plans first to the Executive Committee and Science Advisory Committee and then to the Round Table on an annual basis to solicit feedback. Work groups will address Work Plan recommendations of the Executive Committee prior to submitting the Work Plan for approval by the full Round Table. Once the Work Plan is approved, work groups will implement Work Plans and periodically share findings and deliverables with the Round Table. The Executive Committee will compile all work group Work Plans into a Round Table Work Plan for each calendar year.

## Executive Committee Roles

* Work with Science Advisory Committee and work groups to identify climate impact categories and sub-categories, key actions, and opportunities included in the Chelan County Climate Resilience Strategy
* Develop an annual or biennial work plan tracking the actions or projects each Small Committees agrees to undertake.
* Work with other stakeholders and agencies to identify and address planning or implementation issues.

## Science Advisory Committee Roles

* Work with Executive Committee and work groups to identify climate impact science applicable to Chelan County and related to the key actions and opportunities included in the Chelan County Climate Resilience Strategy
* Complete technical review of work group work plans and deliverables and provide recommendations based on best available science.
* Identify critical issues associated with the Chelan County Climate Resilience Strategy and report ‘current data gaps’ to the Round Table on an annual or biennial basis.

## Small Committee Roles

* Work with Science Advisory Committee and Executive Committee to identify climate impact actions, opportunities and projects within respective work categories to advance the Chelan County Climate Resilience Strategy
* Work with Executive Committee to develop an annual or biennial work plan consisting of a list of priority actions or projects that advance the objectives for the impact area of focus and that the group will agree to undertake each year.
* Coordinate with other work groups with overlapping areas of responsibility and other stakeholders and agencies to facilitate cross-jurisdictional activities.
* Maintain two co-leads that represent the work group interests and are able to communicate directly with the Science Advisory Committee and the Executive Committee to ensure work plan approval and facilitate the iterative feedback process for key actions that need technical review or additional support.