

Advancing Eugene's climate action, housing, and transportation goals

Eugene is beginning a multi-year effort to advance City climate action, housing, and transportation goals through a state-directed program called Climate-Friendly and Equitable Communities, or CFEC. This work will build on Envision Eugene, the City's vision for the next 20 years of growth, as well as previous work supported by residents and City Council.

Designating Climate-Friendly Areas

One requirement of CFEC is for Eugene to designate Climate-Friendly Areas. These are envisioned as urban, mixed-use areas where people can meet most of their daily needs without relying on a car.

Key elements of a Climate-Friendly Area include:

- Opportunities for increased development where people can live, work, shop, and play.
- Improvements that make it easier and safer for people to walk, bike, and take transit.
- Strategies to avoid or minimize displacement, and preserve and increase Affordable Housing options.
- Reduced off-street parking requirements to free up land for housing and other services.



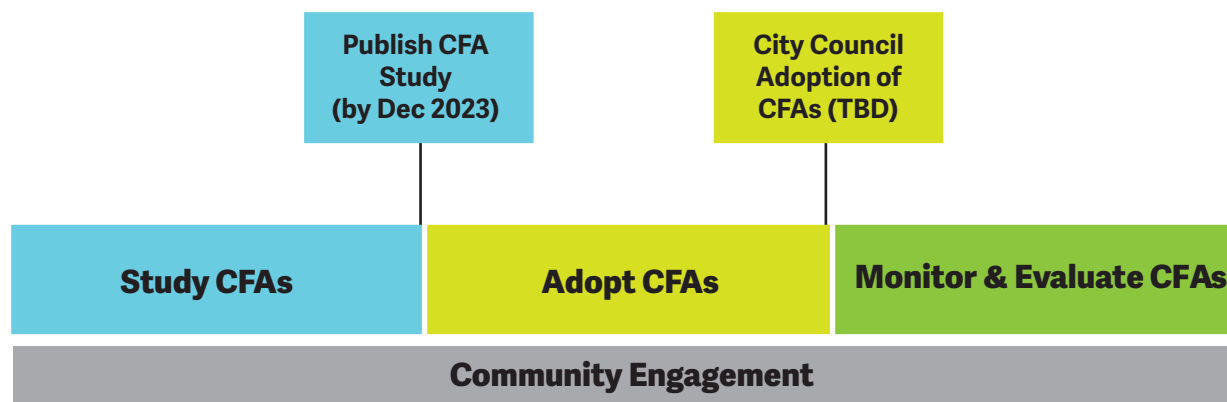
Climate-Friendly Areas are where people can live, work, and play without relying on a car.

CFEC rules require cities to:

- designate **Climate-Friendly Areas**
- reform **Parking Requirements**
- prepare for **More Electric Vehicles**
- plan for **Climate-Friendly Transportation Options**
- plan for **Compact, Walkable Design**
- prioritize **Equitable Engagement**
- monitor **Housing Production and Adjust Over Time**

Process and Timeline

Designating Climate-Friendly Areas is a multi-step process. First, Eugene will study and identify potential locations, narrowing options that meet state requirements and align with the City's existing plans and policies, as well as analyze displacement risk. The City will share the results from this study at the end of 2023. Over the next few years, the City will work to adopt Climate-Friendly Areas and move into broad community engagement. These and other changes to meet CFEC requirements will ultimately result in updates to the Eugene land use code, Comprehensive Plan, 2035 Transportation System Plan, and development permit requirements. After adoption, the City will continue to monitor Climate-Friendly Areas for equitable outcomes and whether additional areas are needed.



Climate-Friendly Areas (CFA) Designation Process

Centering Equity

Throughout the process and in line with CFEC requirements, Eugene will center the voices of historically marginalized community groups, particularly those who have been harmed by past planning, climate, and transportation decisions. As part of the study phase, the City will work to establish clear metrics to track and ensure that changes as part of CFEC result in equitable outcomes.

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