

2027 Blueprint Process Outline & FAQs

Summary

Released at the start of each new Congress, the Carbon Capture Coalition's Federal Policy Blueprint (Blueprint) articulates the necessary federal policy agenda to achieve nationwide deployment of carbon management technologies across sectors. The Blueprint broadly reflects the Coalition's [mission, vision, and values](#), and recognizes that carbon management technologies are necessary tools to reduce emissions across sectors, strengthen the nation's energy and industrial leadership in the world, and create family-sustaining jobs for workers.

Purpose

The 2027 Federal Policy Blueprint builds upon prior Blueprints (including [2021](#), [2023](#), and [2025](#)) and subsequent policy victories, including the historic investments made to deploy carbon management technologies in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), and, most recently, in the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA). As the Coalition's foundational, consensus-based policy document, it outlines the broad and ambitious federal policy framework necessary to realize large-scale deployment of carbon capture, removal, and utilization technologies, and associated CO₂ transport and storage infrastructure.

Audience & Use

The Blueprint is publicly available on the Coalition's website and serves as a high-level messaging document for communicating with policymakers, media, and stakeholders.

The Blueprint lays the foundation for Coalition and Carbon Capture Impact members and staff to prioritize issues, develop tactics and messaging, and identify strategies across various policy topics relevant to achieving large-scale deployment of carbon management technologies.

Associated Collateral

The priorities and themes contained in the Blueprint are highlighted in various Coalition and Carbon Capture Impact collateral, including:

- **[The Coalition's Bite-Sized Blueprints](#)**: The Bite-Sized Blueprint series offers evergreen messaging and background information that provides context on the carbon management industry and important considerations, including workforce development, climate and air quality, safety, and more.
- **[Carbon Capture Impact Priority Agenda](#)**: Beginning in 2027, Carbon Capture Impact will take the recommendations contained in the Blueprint and set forward an agenda that includes the highest priorities for the 120th Congress and the administration. Previously, recommendations for policymakers were contained in the Summary for Policymakers.

The Federal Policy Blueprint is NOT...

A complete compilation of all relevant and important policies to the broader carbon management agenda, nor does it go into detail on individual policy design.

Additionally, while the Coalition recognizes that carbon management technologies are an enabling technology platform for the production of hydrogen, sustainable aviation fuel, and other important materials, the focus of the Blueprint is on policies needed to enable the scale up of carbon management technologies.

Lastly, the Blueprint does not specifically address state-level policies.

Blueprint Development, Review, & Approval Process

To develop the content of the Blueprint, the Coalition will form a **Policy Blueprint Work Group (WG)**. Any Coalition member organization is welcome to join the WG or receive periodic updates on the WG process.

Coalition staff will work to ensure that the Blueprint WG reflects the diversity of sectors present in Coalition membership. WG members are expected to meaningfully engage in the process, including attending regularly scheduled WG meetings throughout the process, and providing feedback to Coalition staff on the formulation of positions and proposals for inclusion in the Blueprint.

The WG will meet regularly to discuss new topic areas, including any new consensus positions for potential inclusion in the next Blueprint. **Any previous consensus Coalition position, either from a prior Blueprint or resulting from a consensus-based position from other Coalition WGs may be considered for inclusion in the 2027 Federal Policy Blueprint.** Once WGs reach a consensus on topics for inclusion in the Blueprint, the full Coalition will have the opportunity to provide feedback on the **2027 Federal Policy Blueprint Outline (Blueprint Outline)**.

Additionally, and new for the 2027 Blueprint, Coalition staff will form a **Federal Policy Blueprint Review Committee**, comprised of a cross-section of participating organizations in the WG. Individuals serving on the review committee will provide insights to staff and review drafted language but will not supersede the discussions or decision-making of the larger WG.

Blueprint Work Group Meeting Cadence & Structure

Members of the Blueprint WG will meet to discuss policy ideas for inclusion as well as messaging strategies for the Blueprint. The WG will meet virtually four times throughout Q2 and Q3 of 2026, with the possibility of additional meetings on particular topics, if necessary. Additionally, the WG will have one in-person meeting in Washington DC, in September.

After the September meeting, Coalition staff will prepare the **Blueprint Outline** for WG feedback. A draft final outline will be shared with the full membership at the Coalition's

Annual Meeting, in October. Draft language of the Blueprint will be shared with WG members for feedback and sign-off prior to its finalization and publication in early 2027.

Policy Workstreams

The following policy workstreams are under consideration to help structure the topics covered within the Blueprint. Section names are not yet final and are subject to discussion, so please consider these a starting point, not set in stone:

1. *Market Development*
 - a. Incentivize demand for carbon management technologies/carbon credit markets.
2. *Transport and Storage Infrastructure*
 - a. Identify and prioritize the needs of CO₂ transportation and storage infrastructure.
3. *Resources for Next Generation Technology Deployment*
 - a. Identify funding and technical needs to continue improving upon and developing the next generation of carbon management technologies.
4. *Ensuring Investment Certainty*
 - a. Ensure the 45Q tax credit creates durable investment certainty for project developers as envisioned by Congress.

Simplified Work Group Timeline

Our anticipated timeline for WG activities is as follows:

April: Initial launch meeting on April 15.

April-August: WG meets over this time period (will send out individual calendar holds); Coalition staff begins drafting final Blueprint + Policymaker Summary; RFP for design firm sent out.

September: Coalition staff finalize work product resulting from WG meetings; present draft outline at **in-person Blueprint meeting (Date/Time/Location are TBD)**; share draft Blueprint outline with WG; begin work on Blueprint final draft.

October: Coalition staff finalize draft outline and circulate with WG, Review Committee, and Coalition staff for review/edits; Coalition staff will continue to work on Blueprint final draft. At the annual meeting, Coalition staff present the final Blueprint Outline to the full Coalition membership; feedback due in November.

November-January: Coalition staff incorporate any member feedback into the draft Blueprint by mid-January and meet with the review committee throughout the month; work with designers to finalize Blueprint.

February 2027: publish 2027 Federal Policy Blueprint in **February 2027**, likely with a launch event.

Proposed WG Meeting Schedule

Launch call	04/15
Ensuring Investment Certainty	04/29
Resources for Next Generation Tech Deployment	05/13
Market Development	05/27
Transport & Storage Infra.	06/10

FAQs

1. *Who may weigh in on the contents of the Blueprint?*
 - a. Any Coalition member organization may participate in the Blueprint Work Group or sign up to receive periodic updates on the Work Group's process to stay current on the discussion.
 - b. Coalition Observer organizations may freely participate in the Work Group and provide feedback when forming consensus-based positions. As in all Coalition [discussions](#), Observers may not bar any proposal from moving forward toward becoming a consensus-based position for the Coalition.
 - c. As prospective members are asked to review and sign off on the current Blueprint, the Coalition will pause any incoming memberships to the Coalition from October 2024 until after publication and release of the 2025 Blueprint in early 2026.

2. *Who will draft, edit, and design the Blueprint?*
 - a. Based on Work Group discussions, Coalition staff will draft the outline, which will then be approved by the Work Group.
 - b. Once Coalition staff receive feedback from the full Coalition on the outline, staff will draft the final text in consultation with the Review Committee. Additionally, Coalition staff or contractors will copy-edit the Blueprint text prior to sharing it with the full Coalition.
 - c. The final text (in Word document format) will be shared with the full Coalition for final approval. At this point, the Coalition will not be able to accept line-item edits to the text from Coalition members.