

**CITY OF KETCHUM
RESOLUTION 24-017**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KETCHUM CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING THE
BLAINE COUNTY CLIMATE ACTION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the City of Ketchum recognizes the critical importance of addressing climate change to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ketchum 2014 Comprehensive Plan explicitly calls for the development and adoption of a climate action plan; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 the City of Ketchum developed a Ketchum Sustainability Action Plan with guidance from the Ketchum Sustainability Advisory Committee that prioritized municipal efforts and set city-specific goals focused on energy, water, and waste; and

WHEREAS, in April of 2024, the City of Ketchum conducted a statistically valid community survey as part of the Comprehensive Plan update which provided feedback that expressed unwavering support for sustainability and the interest in creating and expanding programs and policies to advance local climate resilience; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 task forces consisting of representatives from the City of Ketchum, the City of Bellevue, the City of Carey, the City of Hailey, the City of Sun Valley, Blaine County, Mountain Rides Transportation Authority, St. Luke's Wood River Valley, Idaho Power, non-profit entities, private businesses, technical experts, and private individuals from the community came together to create four distinct climate action task forces: Land and Water Conservation; Land Use and Transportation; Solid Waste and the Circular Economy; Clean Energy and Green Building—with the intent to develop the Blaine County Climate Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the task forces participated in meetings, workshops, and surveys that contributed to formation of the Climate Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, a literature review of global best practices, interjurisdictional programming/policy inventory and analysis was conducted on adaptation and mitigation factors to develop climate action strategies unique to Blaine County; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Action Plan, as shown in Exhibit A attached hereto, incorporates policies and plans from all jurisdictions within Blaine County that contribute to a comprehensive vision for climate action; and

WHEREAS, in 2022 a greenhouse gas emission inventory and clean energy strategy was developed and adopted by the City of Ketchum, the City of Hailey, and Blaine County; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Action Plan provides a broad overview of the needs of the community and some solutions to meet those needs; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Action Plan is intended to guide regional efforts in addressing climate resilience and action, as it provides potential implementation steps for specific projects and programs; and

WHEREAS, the Ketchum Sustainability Advisory Committee members participated in the development of the Climate Action Plan and unanimously supported the adoption of the Climate Action Plan and incorporation of its relevant goals and policies into the updated Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Action Plan shall be utilized as a guiding document that is not binding to the City of Ketchum but is an acknowledgement of the city's commitment to sustainability and acknowledgement that sustainability is a regional effort in which the City of Ketchum plays a role. Any recommended goals and policies that are integrated into the updated Comprehensive Plan would then be prioritized and implemented through the city's annual workplan and annual budget adjustments; and

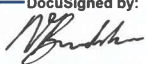
WHEREAS, the Plan is intended to evolve and be improved upon regularly in the future, with the awareness and involvement of Ketchum city staff and the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KETCHUM THAT: The CITY COUNCIL and MAYOR approves and adopts the Blaine County Climate Action Plan.

ADOPTED BY the CITY COUNCIL and APPROVED by the MAYOR of Ketchum, Idaho, on this 16th day of September, 2024.


APPROVED BY the Mayor of the City of Ketchum, Idaho, this 16th day of September, 2024.

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Neil Bradshaw, Mayor

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Trent Donat, City Clerk

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