



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR BRAD HOYLMAN
RANKING MEMBER, ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC FORUM
ON NEW YORK'S EFFORTS TO
COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE

SUBJECT: The current and anticipated effects of global climate change on the State of New York, and the State's efforts to combat man-made climate change.

PURPOSE: To hear from scientific experts, New York residents and businesses impacted by climate change, and environmental advocates and government officials about the progress of New York State's Climate Action Plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Tuesday, May 19, 2015
9:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M.
Legislative Office Building
Hearing Room A
Albany, NY 12210

Combating man-made climate change continues to be one of the most pressing issues facing New York State government in the 21st century. The rapid warming of our planet has caused glaciers to shrink, ocean levels to rise measurably, and severe weather events and prolonged heat waves to become more common. New York must implement a sustained focus on cutting greenhouse gas emissions, developing clean innovative energy sources, creating "green" jobs and encouraging sustainable business practices to limit environmental impacts.

By virtue of Executive Order 24, New York State has a goal to reduce climate pollution 80% below the levels emitted in 1990 by 2050. That Executive Order also required the development and implementation of a Climate Action Plan. This forum will examine our progress thus far, highlight the current and possible impacts that climate change poses to New York residents and businesses, and determine what steps need to be taken in the future to make New York a global leader in fighting climate change.

Anyone wishing to attend the forum must complete and return the form below no later than Tuesday, May 12, 2015. Oral testimony is by invitation only, but anyone may submit written testimony. Individuals who would like an invitation to deliver oral testimony should indicate so on the reply form below.

Questions about this public forum may be directed to Burton Phillips, Counsel to State Senator Brad Hoylman, at (518) 455-2451 or phillips@nysenate.gov.

PUBLIC FORUM REPLY FORM

Persons who would like an invitation to testify at or who plan to attend the public forum on May 19, 2015 are requested to **complete this reply form by Tuesday, May 12, 2015** and mail, email, or fax it to:

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- I plan to attend the public forum on May 19.
- I would like to be invited to make a public statement at the forum. I recognize that speaking opportunities are limited by time constraints, and oral testimony will be delivered by invitation only. I will provide one electronic copy (as a Word or PDF document) to Burton Phillips by Tuesday, May 12.
- I plan to submit written testimony for the public forum. I will provide one electronic copy (as a Word or PDF document) of my testimony to Burton Phillips by Tuesday, May 12.
- I will address my remarks to the following subjects:

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