

OROVILLE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
Resolution #7-19/20

2019 CALL TO CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION

Whereas it is a conservative principle to protect, conserve, and be good stewards of our environment, responsibly plan for all market factors, and base our policy decisions in science and quantifiable facts on the ground;

Whereas prudent, fact-based stewardship of our economy and our environment is a critical responsibility for all Americans in order to ensure that we preserve our great Nation for future generations;

Whereas this has had noticeable, negative impacts that are expected to worsen in every region of the United States and its territories, including, among other significant weather events and environmental disruptions, longer and hotter heat waves, more severe storms, worsening flood and drought cycles, growing invasive species and insect problems, threatened native plant and wildlife populations, rising sea levels, and, when combined with a lack of proper forest management, increased wildfire risk;

Whereas, if left unaddressed, the consequences of a changing climate have the potential to adversely impact all Americans, hitting vulnerable populations hardest, harming productivity in key economic sectors such as construction, agriculture, and tourism, saddling future generations with costly economic and environmental burdens, and imposing additional costs on State and Federal budgets that will further add to the long-term fiscal challenges that we face as a Nation;

Whereas any efforts to mitigate the risks of, prepare for, or otherwise address our changing climate and its effects should not constrain the United States economy, especially in regards to global competitiveness; and

Whereas there is increasing recognition that we can and must take meaningful and responsible action now to address this issue:

LET IT THEREFORE BE RESOLVED THAT, the Oroville Union High School District Board of Trustees supports action to address climate change and commits to continue to address climate change in the following areas:

1. Construction of new facilities that conform to LEED and CHPS standards;
2. Operational projects including transportation, maintenance, and operations;
3. Nutrition Services including initiatives to increase use of locally produced foods; and
4. Continue efforts to increase solar and other non-fossil fuel energy; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Oroville Union High School District calls on Congress to take swift and effective action on climate change to protect current and future students.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees distributes official copies of this resolution to the Butte County Superintendent of Schools, District 13 Parent Teacher Association, the State Superintendent of Education, the California State School Board Association, and the Schools for Climate Action campaign.

ADOPTED this 20th day of November, 2019, by the governing board of the Oroville Union High School District by the following vote:

AYES :

NOES :

ABSTAIN :

ABSENT :

Governing Board Official