JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WORKSHOP AGENDA REQUEST

TO:

Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

Kate Dean, Commissioner

DATE:

February 26, 2024

SUBJECT:

Climate Action Committee Recommendations for New Climate Action

Goals

STATEMENT OF ISSUE:

The Climate Action Committee (CAC) was formed via joint resolution by the City of Port Townsend and Jefferson County in 2007 to "advise the County and the City in the implementation and updating of a Climate Action Plan". The CAC, with broad representation from local governments, utilities, private business, environmental groups and others, sets periodic goals for mitigation and adaptation of climate change.

Based on recent climate data the need to limit greenhouse gas emissions and sequester carbon has intensified.

ANALYSIS:

CAC member Cindy Jayne will report on two new recommended climate actions goals:

- One for reduction in greenhouse gas emissions, and
- Another for carbon sequestration

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

The BOCC will be asked to consider adopting these two climate action goals as part of its Climate Action Plan.

REVIEWED BY:

Mark McCauley, County Administrator