

HAWAI'I



ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE THREATS

REDUCING HARMFUL EMISSIONS

- Hawai'i is home to AES Hawai'i coal-fired power plant that received an F grade in the NAACP Coal Blooded Report.

ASTHMA

- Asthma affects approximately 25 million people across the nation. In Hawai'i, more than 150,000 people are affected by asthma, and about one-third are children. In 2015, over 7,500 people were seen in the emergency department for asthma or asthma-related symptoms.

SEA LEVEL RISE

- Hawai'i has already seen more than 6 inches of sea-level rise in recent decades, and the rate of the rise is accelerating. Hawai'i, according to the 2017 report, that will mean a 3-foot rise in sea levels by 2100.



DOES HAWAI'I MEET NAACP *JUST* ENERGY STANDARDS?

TO MEET NAACP *JUST* ENERGY STANDARDS, HAWAI'I MUST HAVE A:

- ✓ **Mandatory** Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) with a target of 25% clean energy by 2025 with no nuclear, biomass, or natural gas allowed;
- ✓ **Mandatory** Energy Efficiency Resource Standard per NAACP standards, as defined by: at least 2% annual reduction over each previous year's average retail electricity sales;
- ✓ **Mandatory** Local Hire Provisions and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Provisions; and
- ✓ **Mandatory** Community Solar Policy, which is legislation that allows communities to take advantage of solar energy.



PROPOSED ACTION STEPS

1. Every Branch will **organize** an ECJ committee and **chair** a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).
2. Honolulu Branch will **engage** in "Power to the People" campaign to strengthen Hawai'i environmental standards.
3. Hawai'i State Conference will **complete** a solar/clean energy demonstration project.
4. Hawai'i branch leaders will **join** a Climate Action Planning Table.
5. Hawai'i State Conference will **host** Sea Level Rise training and launch a Sea Level Rise Preparedness project.