ENVIRONMENTAL & CLIMATE THREATS

AIR POLLUTION
- Wyoming is home to 5 coal fired power plants. To ensure clean air for all, actions must be taken including retiring coal fired power plants and passing clean air ordinances.

ASTHMA
- In WY: about 54,333 people live with asthma. More than 4 out of 10 people live in counties with unhealthy levels of ozone or particle pollution. This can increase risk for asthma and respiratory issues, which lead to missed school days, hospitalization and full respiratory failure.

DROUGHT
- Wyoming is projected to see an increase in severity of widespread summer drought of approximately 40 percent by 2050. More than 450,000 people living in Wyoming, or 82 percent of the state’s population, are living in areas at elevated risk of wildfires.

DOES WYOMING MEET NAACP JUST ENERGY STANDARDS?

TO MEET NAACP JUST ENERGY STANDARDS, WYOMING 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. Wyoming Branches will **conduct** Coal Blooded Action Training/Campaign Training to **develop** a Just Transition Plan.
3. Wyoming Branches should **engage** with their Local Rural Electric Co-op.