## Self-Assessment: 5.0 Developing a Greenhouse Gas Policy

This self-assessment worksheet is intended to assist State DOT agency staff, especially in the Executive functional area (but also others with responsibility for leading GHG initiatives), in determining where their agency falls on the GHG engagement spectrum with respect to developing GHG policy and what additional actions their division or unit may wish to take to measure and reduce GHG emissions.

#### Level of Engagement

Select the level that best identifies how engaged your agency, as a whole, is now on this topic and how engaged you might want to be within the next few years.

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| Now | Within 3 Years? | Does Your Agency Have a Policy Related to GHG Emissions Reduction? | Level |
| \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | No policy related to GHG emissions reduction. | 1 |
| \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | Policy to consider GHG emissions in planning, programming, project development, and/or system operations, as well as to reduce GHG from the agency’s operations. | 2 |
| \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | Policy that sets reduction goals or targets for GHG emissions from the agency’s operations. | 3 |
| \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | Policy that sets transportation systemwide GHG reduction goals or targets and calls for the agency to identify strategies and monitor progress towards meeting those targets. | 4 |

#### Policy Development Strategies for GHG Emission Reduction

Identify specific strategies your agency is undertaking now and ones you might want to be undertaking in a few years. The table indicates what “level of engagement” (1–4) the strategy may be associated with. More advanced strategies indicate higher levels of engagement that also require more effort.

| Doing Now? | Within 3 Years? | Programmatic Strategy | Level of Engagement |
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| \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | Consult with senior State officials on the need for a GHG policy. | 1 |
| \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | Task a single functional unit with draft policy development. | 2 |
| \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | Finalize draft policy with input from affected functional units. | 2 |
| \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | Vet policy with other agencies and stakeholders. | 3 |
| \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | Update policy in response to stakeholder input. | 3 |
| \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | Integrate agency policy with those of other agencies. | 4 |
| \_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_ | Recommend statewide policy initiatives based on DOT experience and expertise. | 4 |

#### Action Plan

What actions will you take to implement the strategies you identified above to increase your agency’s engagement on GHG policy?

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| Action | Timeframe | Lead Responsibility |
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