

P E N N S Y L V A N I A S K I A R E A S A S S O C I A T I O N

POSITION ON GLOBAL WARMING – CLIMATE CHANGE POLICY

The Pennsylvania Ski Area's Association, through this policy, aims to raise awareness of the potential impacts of climate change on our weather-dependent business and the winter recreation experience; and encourage others to take action as well. Member Ski Area's are committed to working toward solutions that will keep both the environment and economy healthy and preserve quality of life. The Association will take the following actions

- Educate the public and resort guests about the dependence of winter sports on natural ecosystems and the potential impacts of climate change on the winter recreation experience; educate guests on how they can help reduce GHG emissions by prominently displaying the National Ski Area Association's "Environmental Code of the Slopes"
 - Follow the "Leave No Trace Principles"
 - Dispose of waste properly: Recycle your glass, plastics, aluminum and paper at resorts. Reuse trail maps on your next visit or recycle them rather than throwing them away.
 - Never through trash, cigarette butts or other items from the lifts.
 - Respect wildlife
 - Be considerate of other guests
 - Carpool with friends and family.
 - Turn off the lights when leaving your room and reuse bath towels and linens to help conserve energy and water.
 - Use washable tableware and silverware in cafeterias and lodges instead of paper or plastics to help us reduce waste.
 - Take advantage of environmental or alpine education programs offered at ski areas to learn more about the surrounding environment and how to help protect it. If you have kids, get them involved at a young age.
 - Support "clean up days" or other environmental programs at your local ski area.
 - Provide feedback and let ski areas know how they can improve their environmental performance.
- Raise policy maker awareness of the dependence of winter sports on natural ecosystems and the potential impacts of climate change on the winter recreation experience.
- Advocate the national reduction of GHG emissions through legislative, regulatory or voluntary measures.
- Support sound, science-based solutions to climate change, including the use of renewable energy technologies
- Partner with appropriate organizations and agencies to assess opportunities to reduce resort emissions and increase energy efficiency; invest in new more efficient products, practices and technologies; and measure our emission reductions.