

Track 5: Governance

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Track Subtopics

- Mobilizing state-level leadership (Governor & Administration)
- Mobilizing state-level leadership (Legislature)
- Elevating state agencies as climate action champions (PSC)
- Elevating state agencies as climate action champions (DNR)
- Supporting local/municipal/county level leadership
- Advancing climate actions through tribal leadership
- Mobilizing the UW System and the educational system as climate leaders
- Mobilizing and empowering non-governmental organizations and the private sector


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A satellite image of Wisconsin and the surrounding Great Lakes region. The state of Wisconsin is the central focus, showing its characteristic shape with Lake Michigan to the west and Lake Superior to the north. The land is a mix of green (forests) and brown/tan (agricultural fields). The water bodies are dark blue. The text is overlaid on the central part of the state.

What governance systems do we need
to leverage or change to advance
climate solutions in Wisconsin?

A satellite map of the African continent, showing various geographical features like rivers, lakes, and coastal areas. The map is oriented with North at the top. The text and list are overlaid on the central part of the continent.

Co-leaders/facilitator

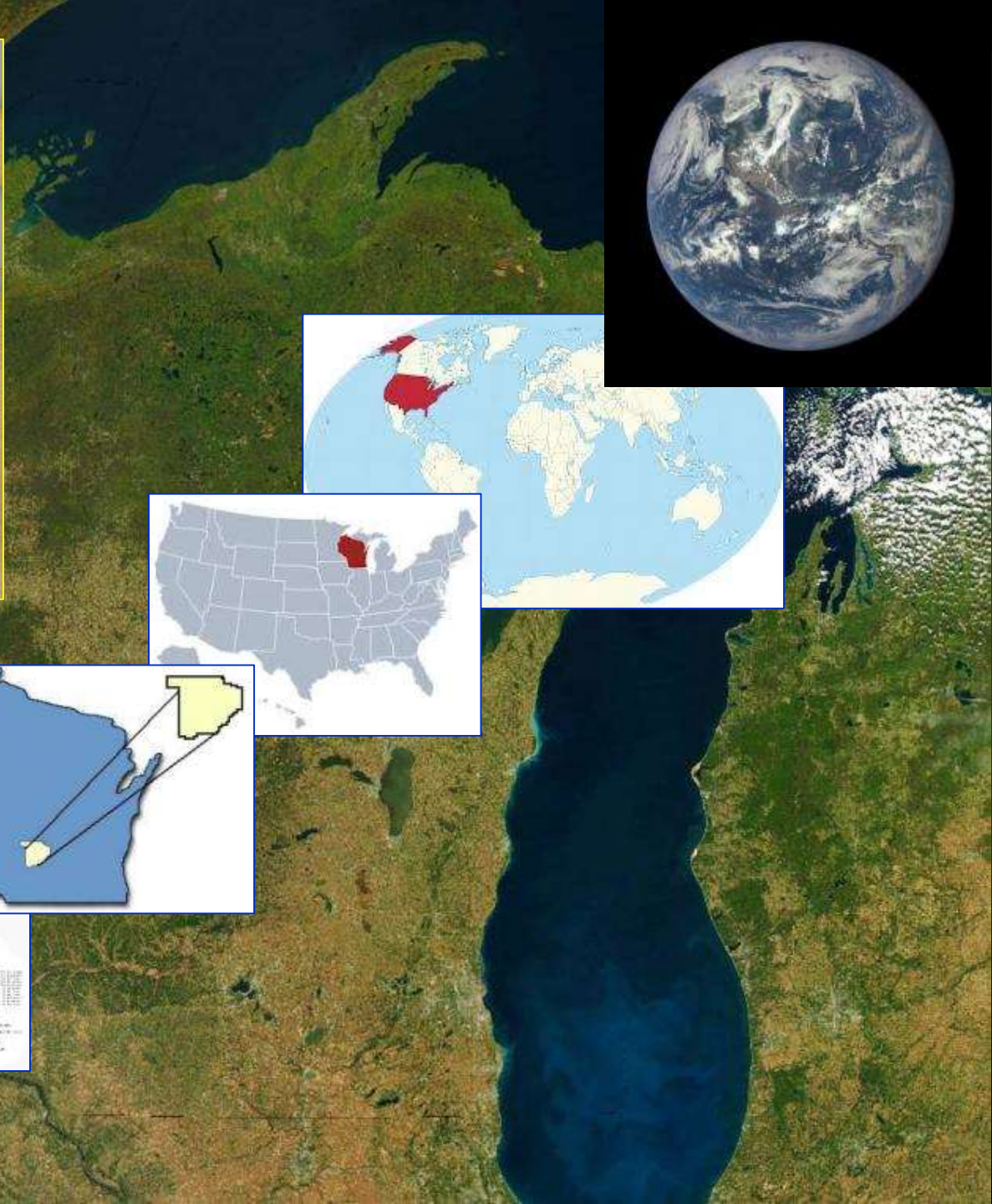
- Lauren Azar
- Curt Meine
- Richard Heinemann

Recent/Existing governance efforts

- 8/16/2019: Gov. Evers issues Executive Order declaring goal of WI being carbon neutral by 2050; establishing Office of Sustainability and Clean Energy
- 10/17/2019: Gov. Evers issues Executive order establishing Wisconsin Climate Change Task Force
- Spring 2019: GLIFWC releases *Dibaginjigaadeg Anishinaabe Ezhitwaad – Tribal Climate Adaptation Menu*
- Municipal-level initiatives (e.g. Milwaukee, Madison, Green Bay, Monona, Middleton, La Crosse)
- Community Energy Districts (e.g. Winnesheik Co., Iowa)

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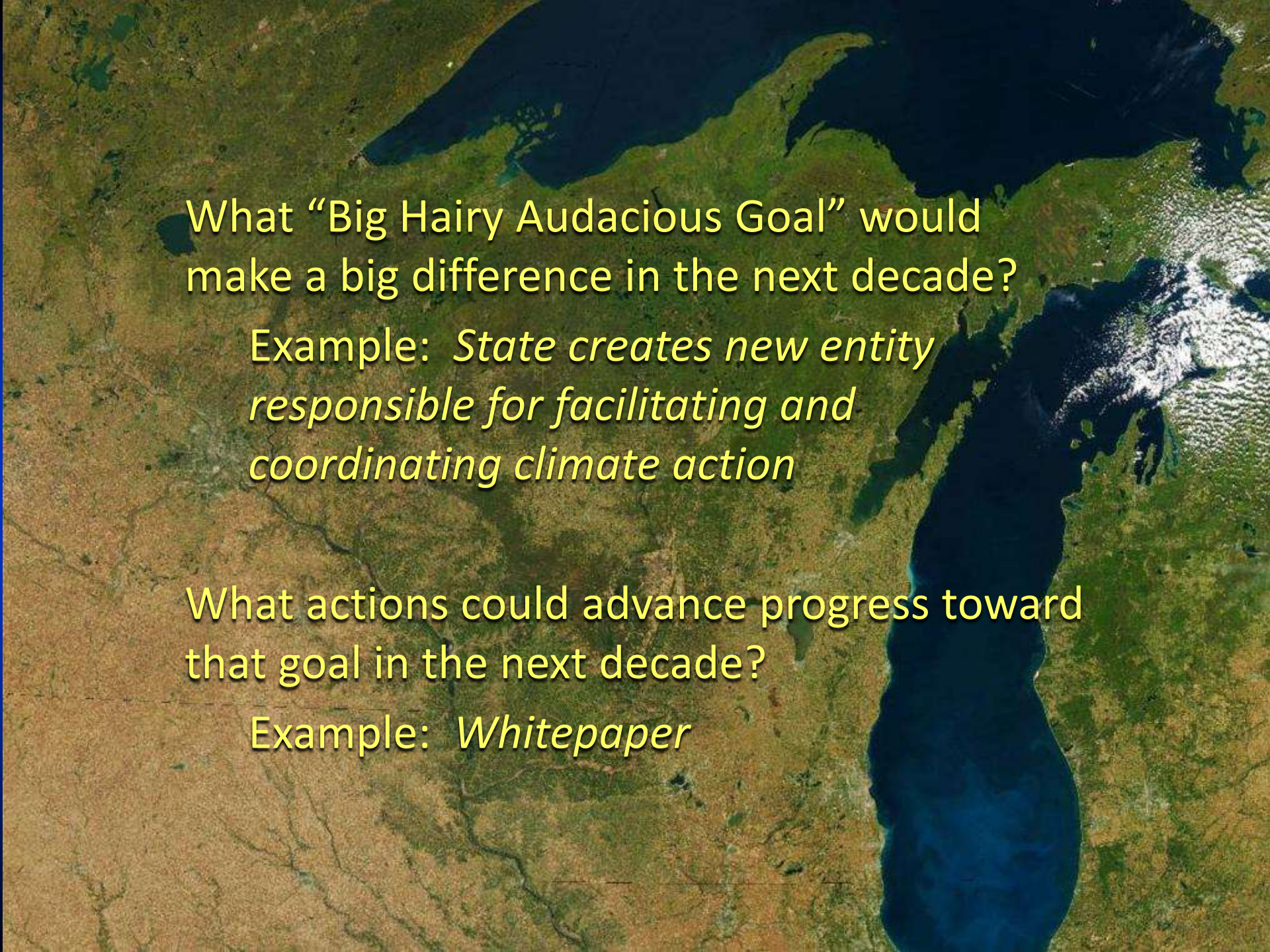
- “Eau Claire Wants To Be Carbon Neutral By 2050”
Wisconsin Public Radio, 16 April 2018
- “Milwaukee officials announce local effort to address climate change and economic inequality”
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, 27 June 2019
- “La Crosse Joins List Of Wisconsin Cities Pledging To Be Carbon Neutral By 2050” *Wisconsin Public Radio*, 24 July 2019
- “Dane County collaborative to join forces against climate change” *Capital Times*, 16 August 2019
- “Monroe County Board recognizes climate change, creates task force” *Tomah Journal*, 2 October 2019



A satellite map of the African continent serves as the background for the slide. The landmasses are shown in shades of green and brown, while the surrounding oceans are a deep blue. The map is centered on the continent, with the Atlantic Ocean to the west and the Indian Ocean to the east.

Climate Change: An Unprecedented Governance Challenge

- Governance structures exist at *different levels* with differing authorities and jurisdictions
- Governance tends to be reactive, not *proactive*
- Governance at any level reflects *varied forces that work around and within the system*
- Effective responses to climate change involve *all sectors*
- Both “*top-down*” and “*bottom-up*” actions will be needed — and neither alone will suffice
- Leadership throughout *civil society* especially vital and necessary
- *Cost-effectiveness* of mitigation and adaptation measures depends on the scope of impacts included

A satellite map of the African continent, showing the outlines of the landmass and surrounding oceans. The map is oriented with North at the top. The text is overlaid on the map, primarily in the western and central regions.

What “Big Hairy Audacious Goal” would make a big difference in the next decade?

Example: *State creates new entity responsible for facilitating and coordinating climate action*

What actions could advance progress toward that goal in the next decade?

Example: *Whitepaper*

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Barriers/Challenges to Policy Solutions

- Political
- Economic
- Institutional
- Communications
- Information
- Time

A satellite map of the African continent serves as the background for the slide. The map shows the diverse landscapes of Africa, from the arid, brownish-yellow deserts in the north and west to the lush green forests and savannas in the south and east. The deep blue of the Atlantic Ocean is visible along the western coast, and the Indian Ocean is to the east. The Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden are visible in the northeast. The text is overlaid on the central part of the continent.

Considerations in Crafting Policy Solutions

- Tradeoffs
- Equity, inclusivity, transparency, accountability and justice
- Economic factors and distribution of costs and benefits
- Communication strategies

An aerial photograph of Wisconsin, showing its geographical features including Lake Superior to the north, Lake Michigan to the east, and Lake Koshong to the south. The land is a mix of green forests and brown/tan agricultural fields.

Small Group Discussion Considerations

- Actions needed at the **state** level (especially WDNR, PSCW, WI Legislature)
- Actions needed at the **local/municipal/county** level
- Actions involving Wisconsin's **tribal communities**
- Actions involving the **UW System** and the **educational system** more broadly
- Actions involving **non-governmental organizations** and the **private sector**

A satellite map of the United States, showing the continental United States, Alaska, and Hawaii. The map is oriented with North at the top. The colors are naturalistic, showing green for land and blue for water. The text is overlaid on the map.

Small Group Discussion Topics

- Mobilizing state-level leadership (Governor and Legislature)
- Elevating state agencies as climate action champions (PSC)
- Elevating state agencies as climate action champions (DNR)
- Advancing climate actions through tribal leadership
- Supporting county/municipal level leadership

A satellite image of the African continent, showing various geographical features like rivers, lakes, and coastal areas. The text "Groundrules / Instructions" is centered over the continent in a yellow, sans-serif font.

Groundrules / Instructions

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Round 1

- The Current State of Governance:
How Are We Doing?
- Identifying Changes
- Developing Solutions



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