



SOUTHEAST FLORIDA

**CLIMATE CHANGE COMPACT COUNTIES
2017 STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES**

REGIONAL

Highest Priorities

OPPOSE any changes that would weaken existing net metering policies, which allow customers to receive retail-rate credits for any excess energy produced by their on-site renewable energy devices and returned to the grid.

SUPPORT legislation and funding for a matching fund program for local government flood risk reduction projects resulting from Adaptation Action Area designations or the risk reduction policies and actions included in the coastal elements of comprehensive plans pursuant to Chapter 2015-69, and legislation to add flood mitigation to the list of eligible uses of Florida Communities Trust funding.

Additional 2017 Priorities

OPPOSE preemption of local environmental regulations, including those pertaining to extreme well stimulation techniques and oil/gas exploration and extraction.

SUPPORT legislation to implement Amendment 4, "Solar Devices or Renewable Energy Source Devices; Exemption from Certain Taxation and Assessment."

SUPPORT legislation to authorize third-party sales of electricity in Florida.

SUPPORT Land Acquisition Trust Fund funding for regional priorities, including living shorelines, beaches, coastal and coral reef protection, preservation of native habitat areas, and maintenance of existing conservation lands.

SUPPORT legislation altering the funding criteria for beach renourishment projects to include shoreline protection measures beyond placement of sand, including dune projects.

SUPPORT legislation requiring assessment and evaluation of state agency efforts to address sea level rise and other weather impacts.

SUPPORT incentives for electric vehicle charging infrastructure and electric vehicle purchases by businesses and individuals.