

## **Policy Design Challenge: Portland's High Performance Green Building Policy**

Want to help raise the bar for new and existing building performance in Portland? Cut global warming pollution, expand sustainability jobs and improve tenant and resident health?

The City of Portland Office of Sustainable Development (OSD) is seeking individuals and teams to participate in their "Policy Design Challenge." OSD has developed a draft "High Performance Green Building Policy" that mixes incentives and technical assistance with a "carbon pollution fee," "carbon waiver" and "carbon reward" depending on the energy efficiency of the new building or major remodel.

The draft policy will be discussed in five weekly Stakeholder meetings between February 12<sup>th</sup> and March 11<sup>th</sup>. Stakeholders will discuss both OSD staff recommendations and those submitted by Cascadia members and others through the web-based "Policy Design Challenge." OSD will recognize those whose ideas are included in the final policy.

Please go to <http://www.portlandonline.com/osd/index.cfm?c=45879> for information on the draft policy, the Stakeholder meetings and the design challenge. Put your good ideas to work improving Portland's building performance – review the website, attend the meetings and post your recommendations.

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