

# Sustainability Performance Plan

FY 2023

*This report was written in compliance with  
section 5 of Executive Order 1.*



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Executive Order 1 (EO 1) calls on Executive Branch agencies to advance environmental leadership and cost savings for taxpayers by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and other sustainability objectives in energy use in buildings and vehicles, water use, and waste disposal.

The goals of EO 1 include:

- 45% reduction in GHG emissions below 2001 levels,
- 10% reduction in water consumption from a FY20 baseline, and
- 25% reduction in waste disposal from a FY20 baseline.

Sustainability Performance Plans are plans drafted each year by Senior Sustainability Officers to detail agency progress and necessary goals, actions, and responsible parties to achieve the targets set in EO 1.

This report includes details on sustainability initiatives and participation in the GreenerGovCT initiative in FY23.

## Agency Details

**Agency:** Department of Agriculture

**Senior Sustainability Officer:** Kayleigh Royston

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## GreenerGov CT Participation Overview

### 1. How has your agency worked towards the sustainability goals of EO 1 in FY23?

There were no new projects implemented in FY 2023, however, the agency has continued to utilize the telework option available to employees, and continues to offer virtual board, council, and committee meetings in lieu of mandatory in-person attendance.

### 2. List key agency staff involved in EO 1 in FY23.

Bryan P. Hurlburt, Commissioner.  
Kayleigh Royston, Director of Government Affairs  
Nathan Wilson, Director of Operations

## Sustainability Projects

### 3. How many projects has your agency implemented that had a positive impact on sustainability in FY23? Include projects relating to infrastructure improvements as

well as behavioral change that took place in owned, leased, or occupied space and were either in progress or completed in FY23.

N/A

4. **Provide a summary of the sustainability projects completed in FY23 at your agency.**  
For each project include:
  - a. **Project summary**
  - b. **Project location**
  - c. **Project status**
  - d. **Project benefits**
  - e. **Projected savings (in dollars and the appropriate unit of measurement if known)**

N/A

## **Future Plans**

5. **What planned sustainability initiatives beyond FY23 does your agency have relating to GHG reduction, water use reduction, and waste reduction?**

The Department of Agriculture will continue to monitor our fleet usage and will continue to offer telework and virtual meeting options to our employees and industry partners.