

# Pittsburgh, PA is Architecture 2030 District #3

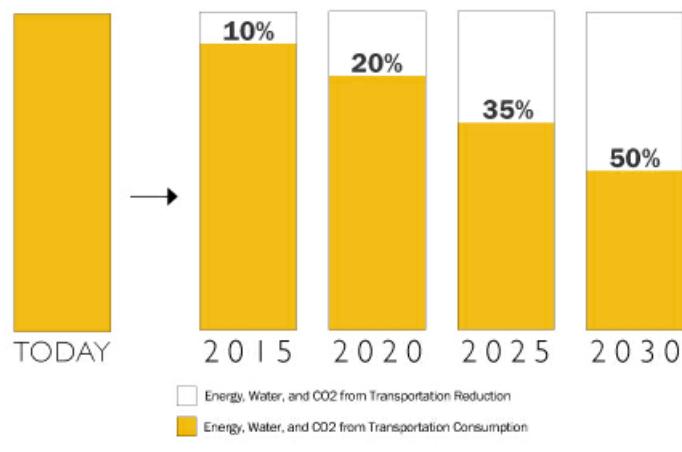
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*Downtown Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and the Duquesne Incline (foreground) as seen from nearby Mt. Washington. Photo: David Owen/ [Artifice Images](#)*

Architecture 2030 [has announced](#) that Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania is the third U.S. city to launch a "2030 District," a zone designated to meet the energy, water, and transportation emissions targets in the [2030 Challenge for Planning](#).

The [Pittsburgh 2030 District](#) currently includes 61 properties and more than 23 million square feet (over 7 million square meters) of the city's downtown area. Pittsburgh joins [Seattle, Washington](#) and [Cleveland, Ohio](#), which have already established 2030 Districts.



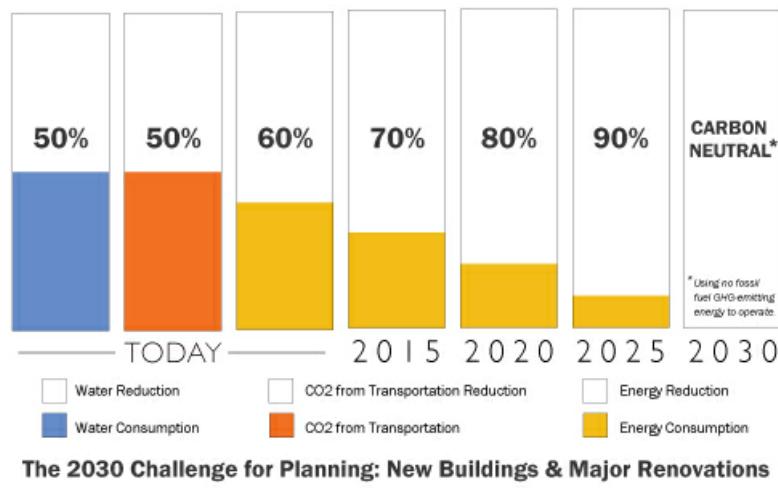
**The 2030 Challenge for Planning: Existing Buildings**

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*Graph of proposed reductions to energy, water, and carbon dioxide from transportation, for existing developments under the 2030 Challenge for Planning. Image: © Architecture 2030*

The challenge identifies different target reductions, depending on whether a project is new or existing. For existing developments in these urban areas, the plan calls for an immediate 10% reduction -- compared with the regional average -- in each of those three categories, stepping down to a 50% overall reduction by 2030.

Likewise, the 2030 Challenge for Planning calls for carbon neutrality in all new and renovated developments within the designated districts by 2030, with a 60% beginning reduction from the regional average, with additional targets to meet every 5 years, starting in 2015.



*Graph of proposed reductions for new developments under the 2030 Challenge for Planning. Image: © Architecture 2030*

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