Section A2 Supporting Research



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Climate Vulnerability Assessment

paleBLUEdot completed a Climate Vulnerability Assessment for the City of Albert Lea in 2018. The assessment included the identification of vulnerable populations within the community and possible impacts and risks associated with projected climate change for the region. paleBLUEdot mapped the vulnerable populations within the Town as well as existing town infrastructure and resources which may be capable of supporting climate adaptation strategies. These assessments provided a basis for understanding vulnerabilities and resources which supported the decision making process needed for identifying and prioritizing climate adaptation measures to be included in the final Climate Action Plan. The Assessment focused on City-Wide vulnerabilities with a particular focus on climate vulnerable populations to ensure all populations benefit from proposed implementation measures.

Click on the link below or scan the QR code to access the document: https://view.publitas.com/palebluedot/albert-lea-vulnerable-populations-final-draft-report-012418/





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Community Wide Solar Energy Potentials Study

In support of development of effective renewable energy goalsetting and to establish strategies addressing renewable energy development, paleBLUEdot conducted a Community-Wide solar pv potentials study including economic and environmental benefits. This effort included:

- 1) Collect City-wide satellite data (NREL, NOAA, and NASA data).
- 2) Determine building roof stock characteristics and solar suitable buildings, calculate total suitable areas by roof configuration/orientation.
- 3) Calculate total rooftop solar capacity and annual energy generation by roof configuration/orientation.
- 4) Identify cost efficient annual energy generation potential.
- 5) Research solar market at national, State and regional levels. Identify low, medium, and high solar market absorption rates and City-wide solar pv goals.
- 6) Identify environmental and economic benefit of solar including economic development and job creation potential. (NREL JEDI model)
- 7) Develop City-Wide Renewable Solar Energy Potentials report.

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