



BUILDSMART 2025

FAQS

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What is Executive Order 22?

On September 20, 2022, Governor Kathy Hochul signed a nation-leading Executive Order (EO22) to accelerate efforts to make State operations more sustainable. EO22 - Leading by Example: Directing State Agencies to Adopt a Sustainability and Decarbonization Program – sets goals for a variety of energy, climate, and sustainability related topics. It establishes an energy efficiency goal for state facilities, known as BuildSmart 2025, and directs state entities to work with NYPA to achieve their allotted portion of the overall 11 trillion BTU energy savings target. It also establishes NYPA’s NY Energy Manager as the system of record for energy data.

Does my organization or municipality need to meet New Efficiency: New York and BuildSmart NY goals?

EO 22 identifies 75 “Affected Entities” that are subject to the requirements of EO 22, including BuildSmart 2025.

What is BuildSmart 2025?

EO 22 establishes “BuildSmart 2025” as the collective effort by Affected Entities to reduce site energy use by 11 trillion BTU (TBTU) by 2025 from a 2015 baseline – a goal that was originally set in New Efficiency: New York. BuildSmart 2025 leverages the resources and expertise of NYPA’s BuildSmart program to set individual Affected Entity energy savings targets, establish intermediate deliverables, and create supporting resources to set Affected Entities on a path to meeting the collective EO 22 energy goal.

I’m required to comply with EO 22 and have questions about BuildSmart 2025 compliance.

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Contact the BuildSmart program team for questions about your individual energy savings goal and BuildSmart 2025 compliance and reporting requirements. We are here to help.

How do I learn more about BuildSmart 2025 and how NYPA can help me meet these goals?

Contact us for more information about BuildSmart or to learn about other NYPA services that can help you make progress toward your EO22 goals.