

Discussion Activity:

Embodied Carbon & Procurement Policy

Procurement policies (often referred to as 'green procurement policies' or in some cases 'Buy Clean') aim to leverage the purchasing power of public agencies to achieve environmental or social outcomes. In the case of embodied carbon, the goal of procurement policies is often to help create a market for lower-carbon options in the broader construction materials market while aligning public purchasing with existing social and environmental goals.

This activity and Miro board was developed in collaboration with the RMI in summer 2021.

- **Introductions (~5 Minutes)**
 - Introduce your name, title, and what you hope to get from the workshop/discussion
 - Use the following link to access the activity:
https://miro.com/app/board/uXjVO2cpAmc=?share_link_id=908508946347
- **Warm-up Activity (~2 minutes)**
 - The Miro board provides a warm-up activity to acclimate to Miro.
 - Have each participant enter their name and drag it to where you are on the spectrum of how comfortable they feel with this topic.
- **Main Activity: 'Design a procurement policy for Carbonville' (~30 minutes)**

The Miro board provides an outline of three versions of policy variations and some choices you will need to make. These are to spur conversation and make it possible to get through a lot of content in a short amount of time: feel free to be creative and completely customize!

 - The Miro board provides 3 working groups (*add others as needed if you know how many people will be present*): aim for **3-5 people per working group**.
 - Assign 1 hub member/organizer per group to keep the conversation moving in each group.
 - Drag arrows or add check arrows to the options you select (the highlighted text shows where the group should make discussion / customize).
 - Assign 1 person to present back to the group.
- **Vote: (~10 minutes)**
 - To spur conversation about next steps, ask participants to vote on which of the policy options they think would be most relevant for your region.