Climate change glossary

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**Climate Change:** Climate change refers to long-term changes to average weather patterns. This includes changes to average temperatures, seasons, wind patterns and rainfall.

**Global warming:** The overall increase in worldwide temperatures, relative to temperatures before the Industrial Revolution.

**Emissions Greenhouse:** gases released into the atmosphere, where they trap heat or absorb heat and contribute to climate change.

**Greenhouse gases:** Atmospheric gases that trap or absorb heat and contribute to climate change.

**Low-emissions** **future:** A future economy and society that has moved away from the use of fossil fuels and adopted low-emissions energy sources and processes.

**Equitable** **transition:** The shift to a low-emissions economy and way of life in a way that is fair and inclusive for all people and communities.