



Julie Rosenbach and Troy Moon
2022 Conservation Leadership Award

for leading sustainability efforts in Portland and South Portland, including development of “One Climate Future,” a comprehensive climate and sustainability plan for both cities, one of the most ambitious local climate plans in the country

Julie and Troy are the lead sustainability staff for the cities of South Portland and Portland respectively and have done a tremendous job moving these two communities toward a more resilient future. Together, they have driven the development of “One Climate Future,” the joint climate and sustainability plan for the two cities. This plan is a detailed vision for clean energy adoption, efficiency, and environmental sustainability. Not only is it the strongest comprehensive sustainability plan in the state of Maine, it also is among the most ambitious local climate plans in the country. Troy and Julie’s work is an example of how much opportunity lies with municipal climate action, especially when there is collaboration across jurisdictions. This kind of community cooperation, working alongside state and federal efforts, is vitally important when you consider big-picture climate-related priorities such as ecosystem protection, public transportation and other transit planning, and much more. I and other NRCM staff members have first-hand knowledge of Troy and Julie’s knowledge and skills, as we have collaborated with them many times in the past. They are doing important work implementing many of the policies NRCM has worked on at the state level, including strengthening energy efficiency building codes, deploying electric vehicle charging infrastructure, expanding sustainable transportation options, reducing waste, and more. Their leadership should serve to inspire staff and volunteers doing critical climate and energy policy and implementation work in communities throughout Maine.

Julie and Troy, for your tremendous efforts developing the “One Climate Future” sustainability plan, it is my honor, on behalf of the Natural Resources Council of Maine, to present you both with a 2022 Conservation Leadership Award.