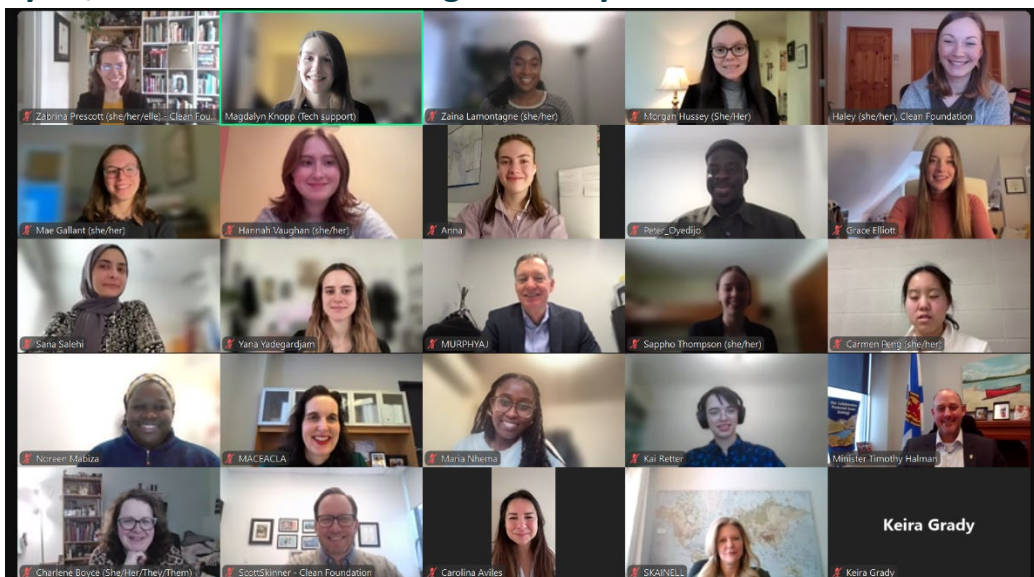


## February 13, 2025 – Official meeting summary: Minister Halman and NSYCC



On February 13, members of the Nova Scotia Youth Climate Council (YCC) met with Nova Scotia’s Minister of Environment and Climate Change, Tim Halman, to discuss youth perspectives on the question of:

*“How can the Government ensure that youth are actively involved and benefit from the transition away from coal particularly as it relates to job creation and skills development?”*

### During the meeting, the Council members:

- Highlighted the importance of climate education, inclusive of Mi’kmaq and other Indigenous perspectives, at all grade levels and into university and professional training.
- Identified training and employment barriers that currently exist for young professionals looking to enter green careers and provided recommendations that could help reduce those barriers.
- Emphasized the importance of inclusive community engagement, employment and training outreach, and ensuring that all Nova Scotians—especially underrepresented and underserved communities historically reliant on the fossil fuel sector—benefit from the transition away from coal.

Thank you, Minister Halman and your team for meeting with the Council and engaging in a rich discussion on this topic. The Council is grateful for the opportunity to share the perspectives of youth with Nova Scotia’s elected officials!