

**White House Conference on Climate Change:
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10:00 - 10:05

Vice President Gore: *Welcome attendees*

10:05 - 10:20

President Clinton: *Opening Remarks*

10:20 - 11:20

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1:00-2:00

Lunch: **Breakout Discussions with the Cabinet**

2:15-2:30

First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton: *Remarks*

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