



Local Government Climate Action Program Survey Submission Report

East Kootenay Regional District

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Question	Answer
1. Does your local government or Modern Treaty Nation have a climate action plan or strategy?	No, but we are intending to undertake one in the next two years
2. For the calendar year 2021, did your local government or Modern Treaty Nation measure and publicly disclose corporate greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions?	No, corporate GHG emissions are not currently being measured, but we are currently undertaking one and it will be complete in the next year
3. For calendar year 2021, did your local government or Modern Treaty Nation measure and publicly disclose a community-wide emissions inventory?	No, but we are intending to undertake a community GHG inventory in the next two years
4. Is your local government or Modern Treaty Nation tracking progress on its community-wide GHG reduction target?	No
4.e. If no, select all that apply:	"No, but we are planning to introduce a new target in the next two years", "No, as our community emissions are not fully calculated", "No, due to a lack of resources"
5. Describe up to four climate initiatives, and their outcomes, your local government or Modern Treaty Nation is currently undertaking for Buildings	Step Code Adoption - all new Part 9 (Residential) buildings required to conform to Step 2 effective January 1, 2022 Heat Pump Rebate Program - Partnership with the CEM program - incentive to support existing homes in the six electoral areas to become more energy efficient by switching from fossil fuel based heating to electric air source heat pumps.

6. Describe up to four climate initiatives, and their outcomes, your local government or Modern Treaty Nation is currently undertaking for Transportation	EV Charging Infrastructure Planning - Participation in the accelerate Kootenays partnership to build a charging network across 40 communities. Columbia Valley Active Transportation Plan - Project in progress - promote and plan for non-motorized connectivity between communities for recreation and commuter traffic.
7. Describe up to four climate initiatives, and their outcomes, your local government or Modern Treaty Nation is currently undertaking for Community	Organics Diversion Project - Project in progress - development of three subregional organics depots to facilitate diversion of organic waste materials.
8. Describe up to four climate initiatives, and their outcomes, your local government or Modern Treaty Nation is currently undertaking for Climate Resilience	Flood Hazard Mapping - Project in progress - data collection and prioritization for clear water flood and debris flood hazards. Project is in recognition that climate change is impacting the frequency and magnitude of flooding and debris flows due to changes in precipitation patterns.
9. Which elements of your community's current official community plan (OCP) (or other relevant strategies, policies and/or plans) support the creation of more complete, compact communities?	Our OCPs support a mix of housing, compact commercial nodes to facilitate, non-motorized trail connectivity between rural communities and development nodes.
10. What actions has your local government or Modern Treaty Nation taken to increase community completeness and compactness since 2020 (e.g. urban containment boundary, increasing density by allowing secondary suites and laneway or carriage housing options)?	No specific actions since 2020. Rural context often limits integration of changes to align with OCP or bylaw reviews. None were completed within the 2020 to current time period.
11. What data would be most valuable to your local government or Modern Treaty Nation in decision-making related to the creation of complete, compact communities?	More relevant population data beyond what is available for smaller unincorporated settlement areas.
12. From 2021 to now, has your local government or Modern Treaty Nation taken any action(s) to address climate impacts?	Limited action outside of programs and activities already identified. Staff has identified a need for the development of a Climate Action Plan to provide guidance to corporate and community priorities and actions. Once a Plan has been adopted and implemented there would be clearer direction and rationale for proceeding on specific actions.
13. Has a climate risk and vulnerability assessment (or similar assessment) been undertaken for your local government or Modern Treaty Nation?	No, and we are not intending to undertake due to lack of expertise/technical capacity

14. What are the three most significant climate hazards faced by your jurisdiction	"Wildfire", "Overland flooding", "Wind, rain, and other storm events", "Extreme heat and heat stress", "Extreme cold, snow and ice", "Ecological, cultural and/or human health impacts (examples of cultural impacts include threats to identities, languages, and livelihoods; examples of ecological impacts include biodiversity loss, erosion, invasive species, ecosystem changes)", "Water shortage", "Coastal flooding, storm surge events and/or other coastal hazards"
15. Are you responding to this survey on behalf of a Modern Treaty Nation?	No
16. Based on the hazard you indicated as most significant in question 14, as a local government, which groups are most exposed/vulnerable to the impacts of that climate hazard?	"Low-income households", "Indigenous peoples", "Seniors"
17. Based on the hazard you indicated as second most significant in question 14, as a local government, which groups are most exposed/vulnerable to the impacts of that climate hazard?	"Low-income households", "Indigenous peoples", "Seniors"
18. Based on the hazard you indicated as third most significant in question 14, as a local government, which groups are most exposed/vulnerable to the impacts of that climate hazard?	"Low-income households", "Indigenous peoples", "People experiencing homelessness", "Seniors"
19. Select the top three factors your local government or Modern Treaty Nation needs most to increase the capacity to adapt to climate impacts and build community resilience.	"Increased funding", "More partnerships and collaboration across levels of government", "Increased staff capacity"
20. How does your local government or Modern Treaty Nation ensure equitable access to, and distribution of, climate action opportunities and benefits?	"There are no specific measures in place at this time to ensure equitable access to, and distribution of, opportunities and benefits"
21. Do the climate action plan(s) and priorities of your local government or Modern Treaty Nation align with the climate action plans and priorities of senior levels of government?	"No, we currently do not have a clear climate action plan, goals or priorities. "

22. Is your local government a signatory to the B.C. Climate Action Charter or a Modern Treaty Nation?	Yes
23. To demonstrate commitment to climate action, climate investments (i.e., matching funding or in-kind contributions) equivalent to 20% of the provincial funding received are required of local governments and Modern Treaty Nations. The intent is to show past, current, and future investments in climate action and create awareness and education.	"Staff time", "Climate resilient infrastructure and/or capital project(s)"
24. Please provide your (or survey primary contact's) first and last name.	Karen MacLeod
25. Please indicate your (or survey primary contact's) position with your local government or Modern Treaty Nation.	Planning Supervisor
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Local Government Climate Action Program Attestation Form

Instructions for the Attestor:

1. Complete and sign this form by filling in the fields below.
2. Email the completed and signed form to LGCAP@gov.bc.ca.

I, the Chief Financial Officer, or equivalent position, of _____ (name of local government) confirm the following:

1. That Local Government Climate Action Program funding has been, or will be, allocated to climate action.
2. That if funds are held in reserve, they will be spent by the end of March 2025.
3. That a completed and signed version of this form will be submitted by email to the Climate Action Secretariat, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy by July 29, 2022.
 - a. If council approval is required, it will be submitted no later than September 30, 2022.
4. That a completed and signed version of this form will be publicly posted by September 30, 2022.
5. That a completed and exported version of the program survey (submitted online) will be publicly posted by September 30, 2022.

Attested to by me at (name of local government) _____
on (date) _____ 20_____

Signature of Attestor:

Printed Name of Attestor:

Title or Profession of Attestor (i.e. Chief Financial Officer or equivalent position):

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