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LGCAP 2024

Introduction

The Local Government Climate Action Program (the Program or LGCAP) aims to catalyze the efficient flow of financial resources, data and knowledge between Modern Treaty Nations, local governments, and the Provincial Government to allow for cost effective, impactful, locally implemented climate action. For more information about the Program you can refer to the website.

What is climate action?
For the purposes of this program, a climate initiative or action is one that reduces greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions (mitigation) and/or strengthens resilience to the impacts of climate change (adaptation). This includes (but is not limited to): climate-related hazards; integrating climate change measures into policies, strategies, planning and investments; improving education; raising awareness of climate change causes and solutions; increasing human and institutional capacity with respect to climate change mitigation and adaptation, impact reduction and early warning systems.

Information collected will:

- Highlight local government and Modern Treaty Nation climate leadership;
- Profile action by including local government and Modern Treaty Nation emissions, resilience and climate action performance data in the annual Climate Change Accountability Report, LGCAP Summary Report and on the Program's public facing website;
- Help inform policy development and monitor progress on achieving provincial and local climate objectives; and
- Support provincial efforts to better collaborate with and enable communities to advance climate action.

The survey was informed by:

- Feedback from local governments, Modern Treaty Nations, external and ministerial partners;
- National and international GHG reporting protocols; and
- The CDP (formerly Carbon Disclosure Project, a global non-financial disclosure system).

Instructions

**Please do not provide any personal information (e.g., email, phone number) in the survey.*

Survey: Word Version

This version can be used to gather information from staff across departments. Then simply cut and paste into the online version where you will be submitting the survey. You can download the Word version here: Local Government LGCAP 2024 Survey Template.

Survey: Online Version
SimpleSurvey allows multiple users to access your survey, though two people **cannot** enter information at the same time.

- For other users to contribute to your survey, simply share the unique link with your team members.
- Users must select "Save and continue later" when they are done updating the survey but not ready to submit.

Required fields are indicated with a red asterisk (*). You will not be able to submit the survey and attestation form without completing these fields.

- Some fields have formatting considerations (i.e. numbers only). You will not be able to submit the survey and attestation form until all required fields are completed properly. The red text error message will indicate what is needed.
    - Please note: No commas are to be used in numerical fields.
- If any questions are left blank, including optional ones, SimpleSurvey will notify you when you move to the next page with “You have unanswered questions, do you wish to continue?” If you are choosing to leave optional questions blank, simply click yes to move to the next page.

There is a 9,999 character limit for the open-ended questions, unless otherwise noted.

You can see what your community has previously reported for LGCAP in the LGCAP Raw Survey Data.

Attestation Form
The attestation form is filled in after survey questions are completed. It is the second page of the SimpleSurvey submission.

- The attestation form is where the Chief Financial Officer, or equivalent position, attests to the following:
    - That Local Government Climate Action Program funding has been, or will be, allocated to climate action.
    - That Local Government Climate Action Program funds received in 2022 and 2023 were spent by March 31, 2025, or an LGCAP Spending Forecast Form was submitted by February 28, 2025 and was approved by the LGCAP Team.
    - That Local Government Climate Action Program funds received in 2024 will be spent by March 31, 2028.
    - That a completed and signed version of this form and survey contents will be publicly posted by September 30, 2025.

Requirements

1. Reporting

1. Report on **at least one** project linked to objectives from the CleanBC Roadmap to 2030 and/or Climate Preparedness and Adaptation Strategy. If your community reports one initiative related to one sector (e.g. buildings) you have satisfied this requirement. Funding for the project(s) does **not** need to come from this program.
2. For communities with populations of 10,000+ (based on 2020 BC Census data figures), measuring and reporting local government's traditional services emissions is required.
3. Attest that funds will be allocated to climate initiatives before submitting your survey.

- Note: Open-ended questions asking for one or more initiatives related to climate action may be highlighted in Provincial materials to acknowledge innovative local climate solutions.

Climate action success stories are accepted year-round

Please submit one or more climate action success stories for publication any time of year. A template can be found on the Local government climate action highlights webpage.

2. Deadline to submit the survey & attestation form

- The deadline for submitting your survey and attestation form is 4 PM PDT on July 31, 2025.

3. Posting the survey & attestation form publicly

- The design / format of the form **can** be changed, however, all information from required questions must be included.
- Optional questions and answers can be omitted.
- The deadline to post the survey and attestation form publicly is September 30, 2025.

Download a copy for your records!
Once submitted, you can **download a copy of the completed survey** and attestation form (PDF, Excel, and Word options). If you close this window before the download link appears, please reach out for a copy of your submission.

Support
If the survey is accidentally submitted, a submitted survey needs to be revised, or if you have any questions, please reach out to us at LGCAP@gov.bc.ca. We will be happy to provide assistance.

Thank you!
The LGCAP Team

The Survey

Climate Action Planning

Climate Action Plans are strategic roadmaps that identify how an organization will reduce their greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions (mitigation), increase their resilience to the impacts of climate change (adaptation), or a combination of both.

To answer the following questions, consider staff that contribute to activities that reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and/or strengthen resilience and the ability to adapt to climate-induced impacts. This includes (but is not limited to): climate-related hazards; integrating climate change measures into policies, strategies and planning; improving education, raising awareness of climate change causes and solutions, increasing human and institutional capacity with respect to climate change mitigation and adaptation, impact reduction and early warning systems.

Question 1: How many staff in full time equivalents (FTEs) are dedicated to working specifically on climate action?
Please estimate FTE(s) for climate-related work (e.g. 100% time = 1.0; 50% time = 0.5; 25% time = 0.25).

1.0

Question 2: Does your local government or Nation have a community-wide climate action plan or other guiding document(s)?

Yes

Please select the type of plan(s) from the list.
In the textbox, indicate the date the plan was adopted/approved in format YYYY-MM. If you don't remember the month, you can enter "01" for January.

Integrated climate plan (addressing mitigation, adaptation and/or energy use)
2021-04

Please include a link to the document or webpage if available.

https://www.vernon.ca/sites/default/files/docs/Sustainability/Climate-Action/210408_cap_full_final.pdf

Question 3: Does your local government or Nation have a corporate climate action plan or other guiding document(s)?

Yes

Please select the type of plan(s) from the list.
In the textbox, indicate the date the plan was adopted/approved in format YYYY-MM. If you don't remember the month, you can enter "01" for January.

Integrated climate plan (addressing mitigation, adaptation and/or energy use)
2021-04

Please include a link to the document or webpage if available.

https://www.vernon.ca/sites/default/files/docs/Sustainability/Climate-Action/210408_cap_full_final.pdf

Question 4: Please select up to 3 challenges impeding the advancement of climate action in your community.

Lack of staff capacity or expertise.

Lack of financial resources.

Competing priorities.

Traditional Services Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Measuring and reporting traditional services emissions (defined in previous years as corporate emissions) is a Program requirement for all communities with a 2020 population of 10,000 residents and above (see population statistics here).

This requirement can be fulfilled using an established reporting framework of your choosing (CDP, GHG Protocol for Cities, etc.), including the LGCAP scope and boundaries described in the LGCAP Traditional Services Emissions Scope and Boundaries document. Contracted emissions must be accounted for regardless of which protocol your local government employs. Local governments with populations below 10,000 and Modern Treaty Nations are not required to report traditional services greenhouse gas emissions but are encouraged and supported to do so on a voluntary basis.

Traditional services GHG emissions are those produced by the delivery of local government or Modern Treaty Nation “traditional services” including:

- Fire protection,
- Solid waste management,
- Recreational / cultural services,
- Road and traffic operations,
- Water and wastewater management, and
- Local government administration.

Please see the following resources for guidance:

- LGCAP Traditional Services Boundaries and Scope Guidance,
- Scope Summary Document,

- Traditional Services Inventory Reporting Tool,
- Contracted Services Emissions Guidance,
- Contracted Emissions Calculator,
- BC Best Practices Methodology for Quantifying GHG Emissions, and
- Emission Factors Catalogue.

Question 5: For the 2024 calendar year, has your local government or Nation measured and reported associated traditional services GHG emissions?
If your local government or Nation is only reporting traditional services inventory through this LGCAP survey, please select “Yes”.

Yes

If your local government or Nation measured 2024 traditional services GHG emissions, please report the GHG emissions from services delivered directly (in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent) from your scope 1 and 2 sources.
Format: Up to two decimal places and no commas (e.g. 1250.47)

3021.06

If your local government or Nation measured 2024 traditional services GHG emissions, please report the GHG emissions from contracted services (in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent) from scope 1 and scope 2 sources.
Format: Up to two decimal places and no commas (e.g. 1250.47)

449.82

If your local government or Nation measured 2024 traditional services GHG emissions, please report the total GHG emissions from both directly delivered and contracted services (in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent) from scope 1 and scope 2 sources.
This would be the sum of the two questions above. Format: Up to two decimal places and no commas (e.g. 1250.47)

3470.88

If your local government or Nation measured 2024 traditional services GHG emissions, please report what protocol you used to measure emissions.

LGCAP methodology (our guidance documents such as the BC Best Practices Methodology for Quantifying GHG Emissions and the LGCAP Traditional Services Boundaries and Scope Guidance)

Optional: Please indicate how many tonnes of CO2e are associated with facilities.
Format: Up to two decimal places and no commas (e.g. 1250.47)

2037.58

Optional: Please indicate how many tonnes of CO2e are associated with mobile sources.
Format: Up to two decimal places and no commas (e.g. 1250.47)

983.48

Community-Wide Greenhouse Gas Emissions

B.C. Climate Action Charter signatories have committed to measuring and reporting their community-

wide GHG emissions generated from all GHG sources (anthropogenic) within their community boundary.

The Community Energy and Emissions Inventory (CEEI) initiative provides a provincial framework for tracking and reporting energy and GHG emissions at a community-wide scale. It is published with a two-year lag, however, raw unprocessed data can be requested by local governments that wish to measure and report their community-wide emissions for the buildings, on-road transportation and municipal solid waste sectors ahead of publication.

The Climate Action Secretariat (CAS) is aware that some local governments are developing their own community-wide GHG emissions inventories (separate from the provincial CEEI). A better understanding of community-wide emissions measurement at the local level will help CAS as we upgrade the CEEI.

Question 6: For the 2024 calendar year, have community-wide GHG emissions been measured for your local government or Nation?

No

If not, please select all that apply from the list.

No, community GHG emissions were not reported because the 2024 Provincial Community Energy and Emissions Inventory data has not been released.

If not, has your community or Nation measured and reported community-wide emissions in the past?

Yes

When was the last year your community or Nation reported its community-wide emissions and what is the interval for reporting (e.g. 2022, every 5 years)?

2022, annually as the CEEI data is released

Please report your community-wide on-road transportation sector emissions in tonnes of CO2e for the most recent year available.
Format: Up to two decimal places and no commas (e.g. 1250.47)

188814.70

Please report your community-wide buildings sector emissions in tonnes of CO2e for the most recent year available.
Format: Up to two decimal places and no commas (e.g. 1250.47)

113151.00

Please report your community-wide municipal solid waste sector emissions in tonnes of CO2e for the most recent year available.
Format: Up to two decimal places and no commas (e.g. 1250.47)

26810.61

If your local government or Nation measured your community-wide emissions, please report the protocol(s) you used to measure emissions.

Regional specific methodology (CEEI).

Question 7: Currently, the Province's legislated GHG emission reduction targets are 40% by 2030, 60% by 2040 and 80% by 2050, relative to 2007. Please state your local government or Nation's target(s).

Please enter "0" if no targets or baseline are established for the years given in the table.

2030

Reduction Percentage (format: e.g., 40)

50

Baseline Year (format: e.g., 2007)

2017

2040

Reduction Percentage (format: e.g., 40)

75

Baseline Year (format: e.g., 2007)

2017

2050

Reduction Percentage (format: e.g., 40)

100

Baseline Year (format: e.g., 2007)

2017

If your local government or Nation's targets don't conform to the target years noted above, please enter them here. Format e.g.: target 2035 50% baseline 2010, target 2060 70% baseline 2010, ...

NA

Question 8: Does your local government or Nation have net-zero or carbon-neutral emissions target(s)?

For the purposes of our reporting, we're only asking about net-zero and carbon neutrality, but acknowledge that there are a variety of corporate targets. Net-zero refers to a jurisdiction or organization achieving a balance between greenhouse gas emissions produced and removed from the atmosphere (e.g. planting trees or using carbon capture technologies Carbon neutral refers to an organization reducing emissions as much as practicable and then offsetting the remainder by purchasing offsets or other similar mechanisms Please select all that apply.

No

Question 9: Please select up to three supporting indicators that would be most valuable to your local government or Nation to advance climate action.

Previously, the Province reported these indicators through the Community Energy and Emissions Inventory initiative. The Province could prioritize publishing these indicators again in the future.

Floor area: Average floor area by building category and era

Commute by mode: Employed labour force by mode of commute

Proximity to transit: Persons, dwelling units and employment within walking distance of a transit stop/line

Optional: Please provide any further comments you wish to share on community-wide emissions measurement and reporting here.

We are looking forward to CEEI dashboard development to make it easier to view and analyze community emissions data

Provincial Policy Alignment - Mitigation

The CleanBC Roadmap to 2030 is B.C.'s plan to meet provincial emissions reduction targets to be 40% below 2007 levels for 2030 and set us on course to reach net-zero emissions by 2050.

One requirement of this Program is that you must **report on a minimum of one project** linked to objectives from the CleanBC Roadmap to 2030 and/or Climate Preparedness and Adaptation Strategy (CPAS). Funding does **not** need to come from this program. For questions 10-13, if your community reports one initiative related to one sector (e.g. buildings) you have satisfied this requirement. That said, please select all that apply.

For questions 10-13, please note the following regarding "**Ongoing**" initiatives. "Ongoing" includes initiatives that are either:

- Implemented in previous years and still active (e.g., an organics diversion project started in 2022 that continues to divert waste).
- Currently available or in effect in 2024 (e.g., supplementing Provincial energy efficiency incentive programs).

Question 10: Please indicate all climate initiatives your local government or Nation had in-progress, ongoing or completed in the 2024 calendar year related to the buildings sector.
This should not be limited to what your LGCAP funding supported.

Corporate
Community

Corporate buildings policies, programs and actions.

Efficiency upgrades/retrofits.

Community-wide buildings policies, programs and actions.

Zero Carbon Step Code adoption.
Other.
Solar-ready construction for residential buildings required in Vernon's Building Bylaw

Please enter the Emissions Level required for Part 3 buildings (Zero Carbon Step Code).
Optional

NA

Please enter the Emissions Level required for Part 9 buildings (Zero Carbon Step Code).
Optional

Emissions Level 1

Please highlight a community project(s) that was in-progress, ongoing or completed in the 2024 calendar year related to buildings.

Please enter NA if your community reported no buildings initiatives ongoing, completed or in-progress for 2024.

The City of Vernon amended the Building Bylaw in April 2024 to include Emissions Level 1 of the Zero Carbon Step Code for Part 9 buildings. The City of Vernon funded a UBC Sustainability Scholar research project during the summer of 2024 to understand the barriers and opportunities for Vernon homeowners to do energy retrofits to inform our 2025 climate action implementation strategy. The City of Vernon and Mitacs entered into an agreement in 2024 to co-fund a 2-year research project with UBC Okanagan's Lifecycle Management Lab to conduct a lifecycle assessment analysis of future housing developments in Vernon. This study will inform if the City should regulate advancement of the BC Energy Step Code and Zero Carbon Step Code at a faster rate than is required by the province in order to meet the GHG reduction targets set out in Vernon's Climate Action Plan.

Question 11: Please indicate all climate initiatives your local government or Nation had in-progress, ongoing or completed in the 2024 calendar year related to the transportation sector.

This should not be limited to what your LGCAP funding supported.

Corporate

Community

Corporate transportation policies, programs and actions.

Active transportation infrastructure investments.

Active transportation education and encouragement programs.

Expanded micromobility access, bylaws and/or infrastructure (e.g. introduced or expanded bike/e-bike/e-scooter sharing programs, built new bike/scooter lanes, updated bylaws for use of bikes/scooters).

Installation of secure bike parking (i.e. bike valet).

Electric vehicle charging studies/planning.

Electric vehicle charging infrastructure investments.

Community-wide transportation policies, programs and actions.

Improving or expanding public transportation.

Revising existing bylaws or implementing new ones to support active transportation.

Active transportation planning.

Active transportation infrastructure investments.

Active transportation education and encouragement programs.

Expanded micromobility access, bylaws and/or infrastructure (e.g. introduced or expanded bike/e-bike/e-scooter sharing programs, built new bike/scooter lanes, updated bylaws for bikes/scooter uses).

Bylaws that reduce or eliminate off street parking requirements.

Electric vehicle charging studies/planning.

Mandatory EV infrastructure in new construction.

Established electric vehicle charging ready bylaws.

Electric vehicle charging infrastructure investments.

Other.
School travel planning research

Please highlight a community project(s) that was in-progress, ongoing or completed in the 2024 calendar year related to transportation.
Please enter NA if your community reported no transportation initiatives ongoing, completed or in-progress for 2024.

Participating in the BC electric kick scooter program. EV Charging Gap Analysis Study. Zoning Bylaw updates included EV charging infrastructure and new parking requirements for developments. Invested in new EV chargers at City Hall complex. City of Vernon organized and funded spring GoByBike Week 2024. Review and update to Transportation Plan started in 2024. Working with BC Transit to expand service in Vernon.

Question 12: Please indicate all other climate initiatives (excluding buildings, transportation, and adaptation and resilience) your local government or Nation had in-progress, ongoing or completed in the 2024 calendar year related to community-wide and corporate action.
This section includes initiatives such as land-use planning, renewable energy projects, waste diversion, etc. This should not be limited to what your LGCAP funding supported.

Corporate
Community

Corporate climate policies, programs and actions

Sustainable procurement policy.

Community-wide climate policies, programs and actions.

Complete, compact communities
Organics diversion
Climate engagement

Complete, Compact Communities - Please select all that apply.
See Complete Communities Guide and Program for supports advancing identified community goals through the creation of more complete, compact and energy efficient communities.

Rezoning
Smaller lots
Density bonuses
Infill development
Urban containment boundaries
Regional Growth Strategies
Community Development Plans

Please highlight a community project(s) that was in-progress, ongoing or completed in the 2024 calendar year related to community-wide or corporate action.
Please enter NA if your community reported no community-wide or corporate initiatives ongoing, completed or in-progress for 2024.

Updates to Zoning Bylaw, Official Community Plan, Transportation Plan, and Building Bylaw

Provincial Policy Alignment - Resilience and Adaptation

The goal of climate adaptation is to reduce risk and vulnerability associated with climate change impacts. To manage climate impacts, local governments and Nations are integrating climate adaptation principles into decisions and everyday activities.

One requirement of this Program is that you must report on **at least one or more** project(s) linked to one or more objectives from the CleanBC Roadmap to 2030 and/or the Climate Preparedness and Adaptation Strategy (CPAS) in Questions 10-13. If your community reports one initiative related to one sector you have satisfied this requirement, but please select all that apply for Questions 10-13.

Question 13 a): Please indicate all initiatives your local government or Nation had completed, ongoing or in-progress in the 2024 calendar year to adapt to and build resilience to climate impacts.

This should not be limited to what your LGCAP funding supported.

Corporate

Community

Corporate resilience and adaptation policies, programs and actions.

Addressing current and future climate risks through plans, adaptation measure implementation, programs, service delivery, asset management and/or other functions.

Collaboration with other communities on resilience planning/initiatives.

Monitoring climate risks or impacts (floods, wildfire, etc.).

Utilizing natural assets/nature-based solutions.

Developing emergency/hazard response plans.

Community-wide resilience and adaptation policies, programs and actions.

Undertaking or completing a risk assessment at the community level.

Addressing current and future climate risks through plans, adaptation measure implementation, programs, service delivery, asset management and/or other functions.

Collaboration with other communities on resilience planning/initiatives.

Monitoring climate risks or impacts (floods, wildfire, etc.).

Providing training (adaptation and mitigation skills).

Creating data systems to support climate action.

Developing, acquiring, or already have hazard or climate risk mapping (e.g., floodplains), data or similar information.

Utilizing natural assets/nature-based solutions.

Please highlight one or more climate adaptation project(s) that were completed, ongoing or in-progress in the 2024 calendar year to reduce risk and increase resilience.

Please enter NA if your community reported no initiatives to reduce risk and increase resilience that were ongoing, completed or in-progress for 2024. Please note that highlights for resilience actions may be shared with the Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness (EMCR) for them to use on ClimateReadyBC as part of their work on sharing info on climate resilience in BC. EMCR may follow up for more details if needed.

Flood Risk Management; FireSmart; Emergency Management; updated the GHG forecasting calculator for municipal projects with regional data sets and applied to two climate initiatives. Natural asset inventory and condition assessment.

Question 13 b): Staff time for developing plans and assessments How many full-time equivalent (FTE) staff are dedicated to developing the plans and assessments listed below? This includes plans and assessments done collaboratively with other local or Indigenous government partners.
Please estimate e.g., 100% time = 1.0; 50% time = 0.5; 25% time = 0.25.

Emergency management plans that address preparedness, response and/or recovery; also includes hazard specific response plans such as an extreme heat response plan
2.0

Business continuity plans
0

Hazard and climate risk assessments (e.g., Hazard, Risk and Vulnerability Assessment (HRVA), floodplain mapping, sea level rise risk assessment)
1.0

Hazard and climate risk reduction / adaptation plans (e.g., flood risk management plan, community wildfire protection plan, water supply management plans)
1.0

Question 13 c): Funding for developing plans and assessments What is the annual budget allocated for the plans and assessments listed below? This includes plans and assessments done collaboratively with other local or Indigenous government partners.
Please estimate and round to the nearest thousand and enter numbers with no dollar sign or comma.

Emergency management plans that address preparedness, response and/or recovery; also includes hazard specific response plans such as an extreme heat response plan)
40000

Business continuity plans
0

Hazard and climate risk assessments (e.g., Hazard, Risk and Vulnerability Assessment (HRVA), flood plain mapping, sea level rise risk assessment)
120000

Hazard and climate risk mitigation/adaptation plans (e.g., flood risk management plan, community wildfire protection plan, water supply management plans)
200000

Question 14 a): Has a climate risk and vulnerability or similar assessment been undertaken for your local government or Nation?
Please select all that apply. If completed, please provide the year of completion in the textbox (YYYY).

Yes at the community level
2020

If available, please provide a link to the document:
https://www.vernon.ca/homes-building/sustainability/flood-resilience-and-mapping#gsc.tab=0

Question 14 b): Are you integrating climate risk into asset management, budgeting and climate action plans?

Yes, in asset management

Yes, in climate action plans

Question 15: Please select the most significant climate hazards and impacts faced by your jurisdiction and please specify the associated adaptation measures completed or in-progress in the 2024 calendar year, if any.

If entering a hazard under "Other", please also write the hazard in the textbox. Textbox limit: 998 characters

Extreme heat and heat stress
Cooling centres and services provided in 2024

Extreme cold, snow and ice
Temporary warming centres

Water shortages
Regional district promotes Water Wise program

Wildfire
FireSmartBC program

Wildfire smoke
Build your own air filter workshop

Overland flooding
Water course infrastructure upgrades

Human health impacts
Build your own air filter workshop, cooling/warming centres

Power outages
NA

Question 16: What information do you need to know to be able to plan effectively for the future of your community, with respect to the hazards and impacts identified in Question 15?

Please select one or more of what you consider the most valuable types of information for planning.

Local knowledge

Localized climate modelling and projected scenarios

Assessment of potential community impacts

Assessment of community vulnerabilities

Risk assessment of hazards

Mapping of climate change impacts and hazards

Demographic information

Projected development

Adaptation planning information

Technical expertise to implement solutions

Community/partner engagement and support

Information on partnership opportunities

Examples of actions taken by other communities

Optional: What climate resilience indicators are of the most value to your local government or Nation?

E.g., Percentage of buildings retrofitted for energy efficiency and climate resilience; Percentage of urban tree canopy cover to mitigate heat island effects; Number of households with access to cooling centers during extreme heat events

Percentage of buildings retrofitted for energy efficiency and climate resilience; Percentage of urban tree canopy cover to mitigate heat island effects; percentage of zero carbon emissions vehicles; organic waste diverted from landfill

Question 17: Please indicate all initiatives your local government or Nation had in-progress, ongoing or completed in the 2024 calendar year related to collaborating with their neighbouring communities, businesses or community organizations, critical infrastructure providers and/or other partners.
Please select all that apply.

Emergency Management and Disaster Climate Risk Management related activities such as preparing, reviewing or revising hazard risk assessments, emergency/hazard response and/or hazard risks plans.

Preparing, reviewing or revising a risk assessment or an emergency management plan.

Question 18: Has your local government or Nation completed a natural asset inventory (an assessment of natural resources like forests, wetlands, and waterways for their ecosystem services and value)?

Yes

Is your local government or Nation actively managing your natural assets based on this inventory?

Planning to start soon

Equity

Certain populations are disproportionately affected/more vulnerable by climate hazards and impacts (e.g. people experiencing homelessness, low-income households, seniors/elders, people living alone).

Taking an equity-informed approach to climate action is about enhancing climate resilience for everyone in B.C., regardless of where and how they live and requires a just approach that integrates equity considerations into climate planning and adaptation responses.

Question 19: How does your local government or Nation ensure equitable access to and distribution of climate action opportunities and benefits?
Please select all that apply.

By engaging with equity seeking groups/frontline communities most impacted by climate policy and change.

By designing and implementing climate actions that remove barriers to participation in planning and programs faced by equity seeking groups/frontline communities most impacted by climate change.

Optional: Please highlight a climate initiative completed or in-progress in the 2024 calendar year that promotes equity and inclusion.

In 2024 we hosted the DIY air filter workshop and targeted patients at the lung clinic at the hospital and people with disabilities. In the request for proposals for the City's shared e-scooter program, we prioritized equitable access options as a selection criterion. We provided a Sustainability Grant to a non-profit organization in 2024 to develop emergency evacuation plans for people with disabilities.

LGCAP Funding

The Program must be able to demonstrate the impact this funding has on greenhouse gas emissions reductions and resilience and adaptation in B.C. To substantiate the Program, we must develop a baseline understanding of where local governments and Nations are at with respect to climate action and track progress over time.

Please do your best to specify how much of your LGCAP funds was invested for each initiative undertaken without double counting.

Question 20 a): How has your local government or Nation spent or committed its LGCAP funding received in March 2024? This is the 3-years' upfront lump sum totaling: $600,904

Instructions: Please select all that apply and indicate the total dollar value associated with each initiative. Please ensure the amount(s) entered below equals your local government or Nation's total LGCAP funding amount received in 2024 (noted above). For the purposes of this question, "committed" funding refers to money that has been officially allocated or earmarked for specific projects with certainty, even if it has not yet been spent. Please select "funds on hold" for any funding that was not spent or committed during the 2024 calendar year. Format: no dollar sign, no comma and up to two decimal places.

Corporate

Community

Funds on hold
206696.74

Corporate Initiatives

Textbox format: no dollar sign and up to two decimal points (i.e. 2500 or 657.25). If selecting "Other", please write both the item and the amount of funding in the textbox.

Staffing
160000

Other
9707.26 for contract support to develop communication and design materials for climate outreach

Community-wide Initiatives

Textbox format: no dollar sign and up to two decimal points (i.e. 2500 or 657.25). If selecting "Other", please write both the item and the amount of funding in the textbox.

Climate engagement
15000

Buildings initiatives

Transportation initiatives

Community-wide initiatives

Resilience and adaptation initiatives

Community-wide buildings policies, programs and actions.

Textbox format: no dollar sign and up to two decimal points (i.e. 2500 or 657.25). If selecting "Other", please write both the item and the amount of funding in the textbox.

Other.
15000 for subsidies to reduce Energuide Assessment costs for homeowners; 75000 for Retrofit Assist program; 10000 to enhance capacity in building industry around low-carbon solutions.

Community-wide transportation policies, programs and actions.

Textbox format: no dollar sign and up to two decimal points (i.e. 2500 or 657.25). If selecting "Other", please write both the item and the amount of funding in the textbox.

Active transportation education and encouragement programs.
20000

Community-wide climate policies, programs and actions.
Textbox format: no dollar sign and up to two decimal points (i.e. 2500 or 657.25). If selecting "Other", please write both the item and the amount of funding in the textbox.

Other
30000 for green business planning coaching services; 20000 for the Climate Action Ripple Effect high school program; 19500 for Trees for Tomorrow program

Community-wide resilience and adaptation policies, programs and actions.
Textbox format: no dollar sign and up to two decimal points (i.e. 2500 or 657.25). If selecting "Other", please write both the item and the amount of funding in the textbox.

Addressing current and future climate risks through plans, adaptation measure implementation, programs, service delivery, asset management and/or other functions.
20000

Funds on hold - How will funds be allocated?

No decision has been made.

To expand upon your selection(s), please highlight the initiative(s) your local government or Nation's LGCAP funding received in March 2024 has gone towards

9707.26 for contractor support to develop communication and design materials for climate outreach; 15000 for outreach event materials and delivery; 15000 for subsidies to reduce Energuide Assessment costs for homeowners;

75000 for Retrofit Assist program; 10000 to enhance capacity in building industry around low-carbon solutions; 20000 for GoByBike Week; 30000 for green business coaching services; 20000 for the Climate Action Ripple Effect high school program; 19500 for Trees for Tomorrow program; 20000 for climate resiliency workshop series

Question 20 b): How has your local government or Nation spent or committed its remaining LGCAP funding received in 2022 and 2023? Based on our records, for your community, these funds total: $396,075. (This is your community's total LGCAP funding received in 2022 and 2023 minus what was reported as spent in the last two LGCAP surveys.)
Your community needs to report on this whether or not you've submitted an LGCAP Spending Forecast Form. You can see what your community has previously reported for LGCAP funding in the LGCAP Raw Survey Data. Instructions: Please select all that apply and indicate the total dollar value associated with each initiative. Please ensure the amount(s) entered below equals your local government or Nation's total LGCAP funding amount that was previously reported as in reserve (noted above). It doesn't matter which year the previously reserved funds received in 2022 and 2023 were spent or committed in. Format: no dollar sign, no comma and up to two decimal places.

Corporate

Community

Corporate Initiatives
Textbox format: no dollar sign and up to two decimal points (i.e. 2500 or 657.25). If selecting "Other", please write both the item and the amount of funding in the textbox.

Asset management
100000

Leveraging funds from other sources/ grant stacking
161500

Buildings initiatives

Transportation initiatives

Corporate buildings policies, programs and actions.
Textbox format: no dollar sign and up to two decimal points (i.e. 2500 or 657.25). If selecting "Other", please write both the item and the amount of funding in the textbox.

Efficiency upgrades/retrofits.
21409

Corporate transportation policies, programs and actions.
Textbox format: no dollar sign and up to two decimal points (i.e. 2500 or 657.25). If selecting "Other", please write both the item and the amount of funding in the textbox.

Other.
36166 for Fire Department EV battery fire suppression equipment

Community-wide Initiatives
Textbox format: no dollar sign and up to two decimal points (i.e. 2500 or 657.25). If selecting "Other", please write both the item and the amount of funding in the textbox.

Climate engagement
20000
Transportation initiatives

Community-wide transportation policies, programs and actions.
Textbox format: no dollar sign and up to two decimal points (i.e. 2500 or 657.25). If selecting "Other", please write both the item and the amount of funding in the textbox.

Active transportation education and encouragement programs.
57000

To expand upon your selection(s), please highlight the initiative(s) your local government or Nation's LGCAP funding received in 2022 and 2023 has gone towards

100000 for environmental mapping and natural asset inventory. 161500 LGCAP funding used to leverage external funding: 40000 to access 160,000 Federation of Canadian Municipalities funding for GHG reduction feasibility study for City buildings; 40000 to access 40000 MITACS funding for UBCO GHG lifecycle assessment modeling for future housing developments; 60000 to access 60000 funding for Youth Climate Corps BC provincial funding; 1500 to access $500 funds from United Way for the DIY air filter workshop; 20000 to access UBCM asset management planning grant. 21409 for UBC Sustainability Scholars research on barriers to home efficiency retrofits. 36166 for Fire Department EV battery fire suppression equipment. 20000 for Climate Action Ripple Effect sponsorship. 57000 for e-bike rebate program.

Question 21 a): How much additional external funding for climate action were you able to invest by leveraging your 2024 LGCAP funds? This could include matching grants as well as private investment.
Format: no dollar sign, no comma, and up to two decimal places

180500

Question 21 b): Please list the funding programs leveraged and associated funders (i.e. Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program, Canada/Province).
Please enter "NA" if no funds were leveraged.

Federation of Canadian Municipalities funding for GHG reduction feasibility study for community buildings; MITACS post-doc research internship; Youth Climate Corps BC funding; United Way small grants; Union of BC Municipalities Asset Management Planning.

Question 22: What is your internal decision criteria for spending LGCAP dollars?

The goals and actions of Vernon's Climate Action Plan and the Council Strategic Plan are used as decision making criteria for spending LGCAP dollars.

Question 23: Does your local government or Nation use a formal framework to apply a climate lens on infrastructure planning and decision-making?
This could include the Provincial preliminary GHG assessment guidance, the Federal climate lens guidance, or another climate lens framework.

No

Question 24: What is the value in the Program's continuity for your community and how does it support other priority initiatives for your local government or Nation (e.g. affordability, health, economic growth/resilience, etc.)?
Optional

The LGCAP is essential funding for the implementation of Vernon's Climate Action Plan and the environmental priorities of the Council Strategic Plan. It is our main funding source for our Climate Action Community Outreach Strategy and technical studies to guide further climate action planning and implementation. It is critical for accessing more human resources to deliver climate action programming and outreach. The program has also supported the current review and update of the Official Community Plan by providing funding our environmental mapping and natural asset inventory study.

Please note on posting the survey publicly:

- All information from the required questions must be included.
- Optional questions and responses can be omitted.
  - The Province will use the information from optional questions for internal purposes only.
- When posting the survey publicly, the design / format of the form can be changed.

Local Government Climate Action Program Attestation Form

Instructions for the Attestor (CFO or equivalent staff person):
Complete and sign this form by filling in the fields below.

I, the Chief Financial Officer, or equivalent position, attest to the following:

1. That Local Government Climate Action Program funding has been, or will be, allocated to climate action.
2. That Local Government Climate Action Program funds received in 2022 and 2023 were spent by March 31, 2025 **or** an LGCAP Spending Forecast Form was submitted by February 28, 2025 and approved.
3. That Local Government Climate Action Program funds received in 2024 will be spent by March 31, 2028.
4. That a completed and signed version of this form and survey contents will be publicly posted by September 30, 2025.

Attested by (first name, last name)

Ann Hoolsema

Professional title

Acting Manager, Financial Planning

Local government or Modern Treaty Nation

City of Vernon

Date

2025-08-08

Attestor signature

Please note: File upload e-signatures are not enabled as uploaded files do not appear on the final report. If you require a redo for the digitally-drawn signature, please click the trash can. If that doesn't work, please submit your survey then contact us at LGCAP@gov.bc.ca.

Signature captured

2025-08-08 08:33:00 Pacific Daylight Time

Reminder: Download a copy for your records!
Once submitted, please download a copy of the completed survey and attestation form (PDF, Excel, and Word options).