Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) Public Report

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City of Fort St. John

Peace River Regional District



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General Information

Name of Local Government	City of Fort St. John
Member of Regional District (RD)	Peace River Regional District
Regional Growth Strategy (RGS) in region	No
Population	22,000

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Community Wide Actions for 2013

1.1 Measure

Community Wide Measurement Actions

Question	Have you been using the Community Energy and Emissions Inventory (CEEI) to measure progress? What else have you been using instead of/in addition to CEEI?
Answer	Yes
Additional Information	This is the primary tool we are using to track progress at the community level.

1.2 Plan

Community Wide Targets

Question	Does your OCP(s) have targets, policies and actions to reduce GHG emissions, as per the requirements under the <i>Local Governments Act</i> (LGA)? If yes, please identify the targets set. If no or in progress, please comment.
Answer	Yes
Additional Information	3% above 2007 levels by 2015
	1% below 2007 levels by 2020
	12% below 2007 levels by 2030

1.3 Reduce

Supportive Community Wide Actions

Action Type	Broad Planning
Actions Taken this Year	*Greenridge heights development model (City owned subdivision)
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*Greenridge heights market viability and developer agreement

Action Type

	Building and Lighting
Actions Taken this Year	*proposal review for off-grid wind/PV street and trail lighting
	*conducted RfP for key City owned downtown sire
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*Phase 2 of downtown revitalization to commence

Action Type	Energy Generation
Actions Taken this Year	*completion of a wind feasibility study for the south lagoon site and a preliminary analysis on the new hospital/reservoir site
Proposed Actions for Next Year	

Action Type	Green Space
Actions Taken this Year	
Proposed Actions for Next Year	

Action Type	Transportation
Actions	*transpiration analysis on downtown completed
Taken this Year	*continued on with idle less campaign
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*master transportation plan to commence
	*continuation of idle les campaign

Action Type	Waste
Actions Taken this Year	
Proposed Actions for Next Year	

Action Type	Water/Sewer
Actions Taken this Year	*downtown infrastructure assessed
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*partner with BC Hydro on their water conservation program

Action Type	Other Actions
Actions Taken this Year	
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*water infrastructure energy study to be conducted

Direct Community Wide Actions

Action Type	Buildings
Actions Taken this Year	*Passivhaus construction
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*completion and commissioning of Passivhaus

Action Type	Energy Generation
Actions Taken this Year	*deep geothermal feasibility study for Greenridge heights complete
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*district energy sharing system to be analyzed more in detail for Greenridge heights

Action Type	Transportation
Actions	*trail and sidewalk extensions
Taken this Year	*installation of regional electric vehicle charging stations
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*increase sidewalk and trail network

Action Type	Waste
Actions Taken this Year	*completion of liquid waste management plan
Proposed Actions for Next Year	

Action Type	Water/Sewer
Actions Taken this Year	
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*storm water management plan

Action Type	Green Space
Actions Taken this Year	
Proposed Actions for Next Year	

Action Type	Other Actions
Actions Taken this Year	
Proposed Actions for Next Year	

Question	Is there any activity that you have been engaged in over the past year(s) that you are particularly proud of and would like to share with other local governments? Please describe and add links to additional information where possible.
Answer	*Passivhaus (Passive House) ultra-low energy demo project The City of Fort St. John Passivhaus project. The City is acting as an owner builder in constructing an ultra-low energy demonstration project. It is to consume approximately 90% less energy for heating and cooling when compared to a standard code built home.

Corporate Actions for 2013

2.1 Measure

Corporate Measurement Actions

Question	What steps has your local government taken toward completing its corporate emissions inventory?
Answer	An inventory has been completed and is updated monthly

Question	What tool are you using to measure, track and report on your corporate emissions?
Answer	Excel spreadsheet tool and an on-line utility bill monitoring service

2.2 Reduce

Supportive Corporate Actions

Action Type	Broad Planning
Actions	*Carbon neutral plan adopted by council with GHG targets and actions identified
Taken this Year	*sustainability planning is part of yearly strategic priority setting sessions
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*carbon neutral plan implementation

Action Type	Building and Lighting
Actions Taken this Year	
Proposed Actions for Next Year	

Actions Taken this Year	*micro-hydro design development and working drawings complete (reusing of effluent at lagoon outfall)
Proposed Actions for Next Year	

Action Type	Transportation
Actions Taken this Year	
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*fleet management plan

Action Type	Water/Sewer
Actions Taken this Year	
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*water infrastructure energy study

Action Type	Other Actions
Actions Taken this Year	
Proposed Actions for Next Year	

Direct Corporate Actions

Action Type	Building and Lighting
	*Passivhaus construction
Actions Taken this Year	*energy conservation measures working drawings complete and ready to tender for various facility upgrades
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*Passivhaus completion

Action Type	Energy Generation
Actions Taken this Year	*district energy working drawings and tender package complete for recreation facility building cluster
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*micro-hydro project construction and commissioning

Action Type	Fleet
Actions Taken this Year	*installed EVSE at three (3) civic facilities
	*right sizing fleet (continuous)
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*expanded use of Cityworks to assist fleet management

Action Type	Waste
Actions Taken this Year	
Proposed Actions for Next Year	

Action Type	Water/Sewer
Actions Taken this Year	
Proposed Actions for Next Year	

Action Type	Green Space
Actions Taken this Year	
Proposed Actions for Next Year	

Action Type	Other Actions
Actions Taken this Year	
Proposed Actions for Next Year	*Further Cityworks utilization and implementation to establish an organization wide GIS-centric asset management system

2.3 Corporate Innovation

Question	Is there any activity that you have been engaged in over the past year(s) that you are particularly proud of and would like to share with other local governments? Please describe and add links to additional information where possible.
Answer	*Micro-hydro project
	The City is using the effluent outfall at our south lagoon site to generate approximately \$80,000
	of revenue annually by selling the generated electricity back to the grid. The turbine-generator
	system is to be ~100kW in capacity.
	*District energy system in recreation building cluster
	The City will consolidate refrigeration systems into our one (new efficient) facility. This will
	result in electrical savings. Refrigeration waste heat is also available and one site and will be
	recovered. Pipes will supple cold brine and hot water to adjacent buildings. This project will
	save approximately \$160,000 annually in energy bills and reduce GHG emissions by 20-30%.

Carbon Neutral Progress Reporting

3.1 Carbon Neutral Progress Reporting

Emissions/Offsets	Tonnes CO2e
Annual corporate emissions using SMARTTool or equivalent inventory tool	
Emissions from services delivered directly by the local government	4420.64
Emissions from contracted services	525.05
Less: GHG reductions being claimed for this reporting year from Option 1 - GHG reduction project	0
Energy Efficient Building Retrofits and Fuel Switching	0
Solar Thermal	0
Household Organic Waste Composting	0
Low Emissions Vehicles	0
Less: GHG reductions being claimed for this reporting year from Option 2 - GHG reduction projects	0
Option 2 Project A	0
Option 2 Project B	0
Sum of Other Option 2 Projects (if you have added projects below)	0
Less: Offsets purchased for this reporting year (Option 3). Please identify your offset provider in the offset provider information section below.	0
Balance of corporate emissions for this reporting year. (If the corporate emissions balance is zero, your local government is carbon neutral for this reporting year) Additional "Option 2" Projects	4945.69
Option 2 Project C	
Option 2 Project D	
Option 2 Project E	
Option 2 Project F	
Option 2 Project G	
Option 2 Project H	

3.2 Making Progress on Your Carbon Neutral Commitment

Question	If your community has not achieved carbon neutrality for this reporting year please describe the actions that you intend to take next year to move you toward your carbon neutral goal.
Answer	The City of Fort St. John is committed to investing money in our community and corporate operations to reduce GHG emissions and associated costs, as much as feasible. The City will not

be purchasing carbon offsets at this time since most carbon offset projects are external to the community and region. A micro-hydro project will be constructed and commissioned in 2014, saving nearly \$80,000 per year on electricity costs. A district energy system based off refrigeration waste heat now has completed working drawings and is ready to tender coming 2015. Significant facility energy upgrades have also been identified with working drawings now complete to tender the projects in 2014 and 2015. Combined, these projects will directly reduce the City's corporate emissions by up to 30%. 2014 will be an important year for ramping up asset management efforts in the organization which will address the management, tracking and analysis of mobile assets, fuel usage, idling, safety, energy use and other costs. The City of Fort St. John has also taken on a leadership role by constructing a net-zero energy ready demonstration home, which will be completed in the summer of 2014. This project will achieve Passive House certification and consume approximately 90% less heating cooling energy when compared to a standard code built house. Plans will also continue in 2014 to revitalize the downtown in a sustainable, holistic manner. Furthermore, the City is nearing a decision on developing 110 acres of city owned lands as a sustainable neighborhood, which will be the manifestation of an integrated design charrette completed in 2008.

3.3 Offset Provider Information

Question	Please Identify the name(s) of your offset provider(s) (Please answer below):
Answer	N/A
Question	The offsets being claimed in this CARIP Report were purchased from the offset provider(s) indicated above prior to making this CARIP report public (please indicate yes or no):
Answer	N/A
Question	If your community has not achieved carbon neutrality for this reporting year please describe the actions that you intend to take next year to move you toward your carbon neutral goal.
Answer	N/A