

CARBON NEUTRAL ACTION REPORT



Title:

2019 Carbon Neutral Action Report

Organization: School District No. 58 (Nicola-Similkameen)

Declaration statement: This Carbon Neutral Action Report for the period January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019 summarizes our emissions profile, the total offsets to reach net-zero emissions, the actions we have taken in 2019 to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions and our plans to continue reducing emissions in 2020 and beyond.

Overview:

In 2019 School District #58 has an ongoing commitment to replacing every school florescent, incandescent and halogen bulb with LED lighting. The District is expecting a 60 – 75% overall energy efficiency of each schools lighting. In some cases, there will be up to a 90% efficiency savings with the replacement of individual bulbs. LED bulbs have a life span of 2-4 times longer than florescent lighting and 40 times longer than the average incandescent bulb. This relates to lower maintenance costs, replacement parts and labour. LED lighting generates very little heat which will in turn reduce the amount of cooling needed throughout the summer months.

There is an ongoing success story with this project, the District installed dimmers in every classroom and office with very positive feedback from teachers and students. The District also added occupancy sensors that turn off lights in classrooms and offices when not needed and in hallways the lights dim to 30% after 15 mins when not used. The addition of dimmers and occupancy sensors helps to further increase the efficiency for the District.

In efforts to further reduce emissions the District has purchased five new buses. The buses are efficient diesel buses with considerably better fuel consumption then the buses that were replaced.

In 2020 School District #58 plans to continue with the replacement of every florescent, incandescent and halogen bulb in every school and office. The change to LED lighting will benefit the District for many years.

Emissions and Offset Summary Table:

School District No. 58 (Nicola-Similkameen) GHG Emissions and Offsets for 2019		
As per the <u>Directive</u> issued March 31, 2020, each PSO will use their 2018 GHG Emissions as a placeholder for the purposes of their 2019 CNAR.		
Total Emissions (tCO₂e)	1,125	
Total BioCO₂	10.94	
Total Offsets (tCO₂e)	887	
Offset Investment (\$25 per tCO₂e)	\$22,175	

Retirement of Offsets:

In accordance with the requirements of the *Climate Change Accountability Act* and Carbon Neutral Government Regulation, School District No. 58 (Nicola-Similkameen) (the Organization) is responsible for arranging for the retirement of the offsets obligation reported above for the 2019 calendar year, together with any adjustments reported for past calendar years (if applicable). The Organization hereby agrees that, in exchange for the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy (the Ministry) ensuring that these offsets are retired on the Organization's behalf, the Organization will pay within 30 days, the associated invoice to be issued by the Ministry in an amount equal to \$25 per tonne of offsets retired on its behalf plus GST.

Executive sign-off:

Signature

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Name (please print)

Please scan and email the completed form to Carbon.Neutral@gov.bc.ca

Confirmation number: 00BBAC0E

Submitted date: 2020-04-24 14:29:47 Pacific Daylight Time

Carbon Neutral Action Report Survey - 2019

Public sector organizations (PSOs) are required to complete this survey, in addition to a Carbon Neutral Action Report (CNAR) as mandated by BC's *Climate Change Accountability Act* and the <u>Carbon Neutral Government Regulation</u>.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the following <u>Directive</u> was issued on March 31, 2020. Certain deadlines were also extended for the 2019 reporting year (see below).

March 31, 2020 Directive:

Under my authority as the Director for the purposes of the Act, and under the authority delegated to me in Section 6 of the Carbon Neutral Government Regulation, I hereby direct that all ministries and Public Sector Organizations covered by the Carbon Neutral Government requirement shall use their 2018 GHG emissions as a temporary estimate for their actual 2019 GHG emissions, for the purposes of the 2019 Carbon Neutral Action Reports and 2019 Carbon Neutral Government reporting required under the Climate Change Accountability Act.

Neil Dobson, Executive Director, Clean BC Implementation Climate Action Secretariat

Although 2018 emissions data will be used as a placeholder for 2019, all other (qualitative) components of the CNAR and CNAR Survey are to be completed with information from 2019 (e.g., actions taken or planned to reduce emissions). The only change to the survey is that the deadline was extended by one month to June 30, 2020.

This survey is divided into two parts:

Part 1 - Will be made public on the Climate Action Secretariat (CAS) <u>website</u> after June 30, 2020; however, it will not be appended directly to each individual PSO CNAR as was done in previous years. This section collects details about actions taken or planned to reduce emissions and is intended to supplement the legislative requirements in your CNAR.

Part 2 - Will NOT be made public. Information you provide in this section is important and will be used internally to help CAS staff with planning for emissions reduction and climate change adaptation initiatives. Although not required, PSOs are highly encouraged to complete Part 2.

Note: Survey progress can be saved at any time by clicking the "Save and continue later" button at the bottom of each page. A new window will open and you will be asked to provide your name and email. An email will be sent to you from Carbon.Neutral@gov.bc.ca with the subject line: "Questionnaire Link", which will include a hyperlink for the "Project: Carbon Neutral Action Report Survey – Broader Public Sector 2019". You can then continue responding at another time or email the hyperlink to a colleague to complete remaining section(s).

May 29, 2020	The final, signed version of the CNAR (or Small Emitters Form) must be submitted by email to: <u>Carbon.Neutral@gov.bc.ca</u>
June 30, 2020*	 Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy must post a final CNAR for each organization on the BC Government's CNG website and each PSO is encouraged to post the report on their website. The <u>CNAR Survey</u> (optional for Small Emitters) must be completed and submitted online. *Deadline extended from May 29, 2020. All offset invoice payments must be submitted to CAS.
Sept 30, 2020*	Clean Government Reporting Tool (CGRT) Data Entry must be completed for the 2019 reporting year.

	*Deadline extended from April 30, 2020.
Oct 15, 2020*	Self-Certification checklist must be completed, signed and submitted by email to: Carbon.Neutral@gov.bc.ca. *Deadline extended from May 15, 2020.

^{*}See the <u>Carbon Neutral Government – Program Requirements website</u> for more information on program requirements, timelines and templates.

PART 1 - Included as part of your public CNAR report.

Reminder that Part 1 will be made public on the CAS website.

Contact Name:
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SD 58
Role – Please select the best category for your current role with your organization. If more than one individual
completed the survey, multiple categories may be selected:
Facilities/Operations Manager/Coordinator
Please select your sector:
School District (SD)

Stationary Sources (e.g. Buildings, Power Generators): Fuel Combustion, Electricity use, Fugitive Emissions.

Actions taken by your organization in 2019 to support emissions reductions from buildings

Do you have a strategy to reduce emissions from stationary sources?

No

Whether you have a strategy or not, briefly describe your organization's plans to continue reducing emissions from stationary sources:

Over the medium-term term (1-5 years)

The District will be looking into ways to help accomplish reduced emissions.

What % on average of your building portfolio has an energy audit completed each year (if any)?

0

What % on average of your building portfolio is retrofitted each year in the following categories (if any) - click here for further information:

20%

Minor retrofits (e.g. low cost, easy to implement measures including caulking, lighting, adding roof insulation, etc.)

LED Lighting, insulating, caulking, weatherstripping.

Major retrofits (e.g. replacing windows and doors, equipment replacement such as boilers, etc.)

Doors, boiler

Deep retrofits (e.g. replacing roof, replacing the heating, ventilation and air-conditioning system with a renewable technology like a ground-source heat pump, etc.)

New HVAC units

What % on average of your building portfolio do you recommission each year?

0

Do you keep records of Refrigerant gases1 category and refilling volumes?

[1] Fugitive emissions from stationary cooling equipment are attributed to the leakage and loss of HFC and PFC based coolants from air conditioning and commercial type refrigeration systems. Coolant loss can occur during the manufacturing, operation, and disposal of such equipment. Gases that may be reported via CGRT include HFC R-134, HFC R-404a, HFC R-407c, HFC R-410a.

No

Mobile Sources (Fleet Vehicles, Off-road/portable Equipment): Fuel Combustion:

Actions taken by your organization in 2019 to support emissions reductions from mobile sources?

Do you have a strategy to reduce emissions from mobile sources?

No

Whether you have a strategy or not, briefly describe your organization's plans to continue reducing emissions from mobile sources:

Over the medium-term term (1-5 years)

clean diesel engines

Over the long term (6-10 years)

electric buses

How many fleet vehicles did you purchase from the following categories:

Electric Vehicle – EV - (e.g., Nissan Leaf, Chevy Bolt)

0

"Plug In" Electric Vehicle - PHEV (e.g., plug-in Prius, Chevy Volt)

0

Hybrid vehicle - HEV - non "Plug In" - (e.g., Toyota Highlander Hybrid)

0

Hydrogen fuel cell vehicle
0
Natural gas/propane
0
Gas/diesel vehicle
5
If you purchased new gas/diesel vehicles, can you briefly explain why vehicles from the other categories were not chosen?
Cost
Actions taken by your organization in 2019 to support emissions reductions from mobile sources? (Continued)
How many existing EV charging stations does your organization have in each category:
Level 2?
0
Level 3?
0
How many level 2 stations (if any) are specifically for your fleet vehicles? As defined as Level 2 stations only your organization's fleet vehicles may use
0
How many level 3 stations (if any) are specifically for your fleet vehicles? As defined as Level 3 stations only your organization's fleet vehicles may use
0
How many EV charging station(s) did you install in 2019 in each category:
Level 2?
0
Level 3?
0
How many level 2 stations (if any) were installed specifically for your fleet vehicles? As defined in the previous section
0
How many level 3 stations (if any) were installed specifically for your fleet vehicles? As defined in the previous section
0

Please briefly describe any other related actions, (e.g. charging station feasibility studies, electrical panel upgrades, etc.)
0
Please indicate the total number of the vehicles in the following vehicle classes that are in your current fleet
Definitions:
 Light duty vehicles (LDVs) are designated primarily for transport of passengers <13 and GVWR<3900kg Light duty trucks (LDTs) are designated primarily for transport of light-weight cargo or that are equipped with special features such as four-wheel drive for off-road operation (include SUVs, vans, trucks with a GVWR<3,900kg) Heavy duty vehicles (HDV) includes vehicles with a GVWR>3,900 kg (e.g. ¾ tonne pick-up truck, transport trucks)
Light duty vehicles (LDVs)
Electric Vehicles – EV - (e.g., Nissan Leaf, Chevy Bolt)
0
"Plug In" Electric Vehicle – PHEV (e.g., plug-in Prius, Chevy Volt)
0
Hybrid vehicles – HEV – (e.g., non "Plug In"- older Toyota Prius, Toyota Camry hybrid)
0
Hydrogen fuel cell vehicles
0
Natural gas/propane
0
Gas/diesel
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Light duty trucks (LDTs)
Electric Vehicles – EV
0
"Plug In" Electric Vehicle – PHEV
0
Hybrid vehicles – HEV – (e.g., non "Plug In"- older Ford Escape Hybrid, older Chevrolet Silverado pickup hybrid, etc)
0

Hydrogen fuel cell vehicles

0

Natural Gas/propane
0
Gas/diesel
8
Heavy duty vehicles (HDV)
Electric Vehicles – EV
0
"Plug In" Electric Vehicle – PHEV
0
Hybrid vehicles – HEV – (e.g., non "Plug In")
0
Hydrogen fuel cell vehicles
0
Natural Gas/propane
0
Gas/diesel
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Actions taken by your organization in 2019 to support emissions reductions from paper supplies.
Briefly describe your organization's plans to continue reducing emissions from paper use:
Over the medium-term (1-5 years)
Central Printers in each building
Over the long term (6-10 years)
moving towards digital
Do you have an awareness campaign focused on reducing office paper use?
Yes
Purchased alternate source paper (bamboo, hemp, wheat, etc.)
No
Other 2019 actions, please specify
Tracking paper use