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## We are Carbon Neutral for 2015!

Congratulations and thank you to all B.C. public sector organizations! For the sixth year we have achieved carbon neutral status by June 30. This is the culmination of a huge amount of work undertaken in 2015 by all PSOs to measure, reduce, report and offset your emissions. Thank you for doing your part to make this another successful year.

## 2015 CNG Report

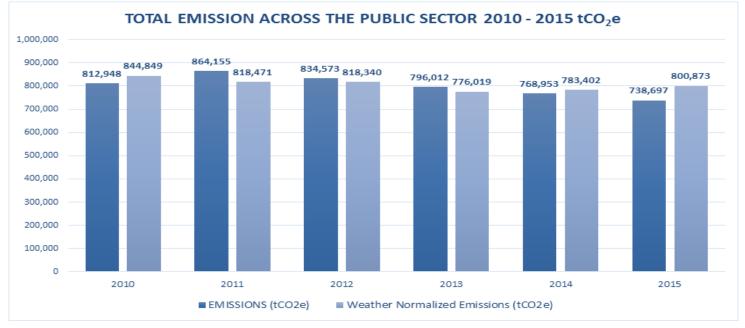
The 2015 final year-end Carbon Neutral Government report is going through final approvals now and will be released in the coming weeks. Once released, it will be posted on the CAS website along with the other 2015 PSO reports already posted, which can be found <u>here</u>.

## **Climate Leadership Plan**

We are expecting the release of phase one of the Climate Leadership Plan within the next few weeks. There will be a public announcement and press release at that time. We will also send an update to all PSOs to ensure everybody is aware of the announcement.

## **SMARTTool Refresh Update**

The Climate Action Secretariat is currently negotiating a contract with a shortlisted vendor to replace SMARTTool. We expect this to conclude in the coming weeks. An announcement will be made about the product selected and the process for rolling it out to the public sector which will likely begin after the close of the 2016 reporting year.



The downward trend in total GHG emissions has continued for the public sector. Once normalized for weather, the trend has increased the past two years due to the extremely warm weather B.C. has experienced during that time.