

2021 PUBLIC SECTOR ORGANIZATION (PSO) CLIMATE CHANGE ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT (CCAR)

Title: 2021 PSO Climate Change Accountability Report

Organization: School District No.74 Gold Trail

PART 1. Legislative Reporting Requirements

Declaration statement: This PSO Climate Change Accountability Report for the period January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 summarizes our greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions profile, the total offsets to reach net-zero emissions, the actions we have taken in 2021 to reduce our GHG emissions, and our plans to continue reducing emissions in 2022 and beyond.

Emission Reductions: Actions & Plans

A. Stationary Sources (e.g. buildings, power generation)

2021 was a challenging year for all, our district focus was keeping schools open and safe for students and staff. Despite all that happened, staff absenteeism, supply chain issues etc. the district was still able to push forward with upgrades to reduce our emissions.

Our Lillooet Secondary was in the final phase of the Geothermal upgrade which will reduce our energy consumption and provide emission reductions. This will be complete in the Spring of 2022.

The devastation of Lytton heavily impacted our progress on our K-12 school. It was in the process of an electrical and mechanical upgrade but was stopped due to the fires. We will be picking this up again to become a success story for 2022.

B. Mobile Sources (e.g. fleet vehicles, off-road/portable equipment)

In 2021, with the extreme weather conditions we faced, it brought forward the need to look at electrification of our fleet. A study took place to investigate the viability and costs associated in upgrading our infrastructure to accommodate this venture. Currently, our transportation facilities are unable to support electrification until we upgrade to three phase power. This is costly. School District No. 74 will be making a submission to the Ministry for funding to support this endeavor.

C. Paper Consumption

Within our district, the print default is automatically set to electronic filing. The District is using 30% recycled content in our photocopy paper.

2021 GHG Emissions and Offsets Summary Table:

Gold Trail School District SD 74 2021 GHG Emissions and Offsets Summary	
GHG Emissions created in Calendar Year 2021	
Total Emissions (tCO ₂ e)	963
Total BioCO ₂	8.38
Total Offsets (tCO ₂ e)	615
Adjustments to Offset Required GHG Emissions Reported in Prior Years	
Total Offsets Adjustment (tCO ₂ e)	0
Grand Total Offsets for the 2021 Reporting Year	
Grand Total Offsets (tCO ₂ e) to be Retired for 2021 Reporting Year	615
Offset Investment (\$25 per tCO ₂ e)	\$15375.00

Retirement of Offsets:

In accordance with the requirements of the *Climate Change Accountability Act* and Carbon Neutral Government Regulation, *School District No. 74 Gold Trail (the Organization)* is responsible for arranging for the retirement of the offsets obligation reported above for the 2021 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.

PART 2. Public Sector Leadership

2A. Climate Risk Management

School District No.74 has felt, maybe more than most school districts, the impact of climate change. With the loss of the Village of Lytton due to fire, road closures due to mud and rockslides, loss of land through overflowing rivers, etc. it has left an indelible mark on all who live and work here.

We have been working towards reduction of emissions through mechanical upgrades in our schools, building envelop upgrades and electrification of our fleet.

We will continue to work towards the goals as set out in the Guidelines and do our part to protect the future.

Executive Sign-off:

[All PSOs, including Small Emitters, must have their final report signed by a senior official, such as CEO, COO or Superintendent]

Signature



Date

May 30/22

Name (please print)

Trudy Rasmussen

Title

Secretary - Treasurer

[Please email your signed, completed report to Carbon.Neutral@gov.bc.ca by no later than May 31,