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Forest Enhancement Society of BC
2023 PSO Climate Change Accountability Report

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Organization: Forest Enhancement Society of BC

PART 1. Legislative Reporting Requirements

Declaration statement: This PSO Climate Change Accountability Report for the period January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 summarizes our greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions profile, the total offsets to reach net-zero emissions, the actions we have taken in 2023 to minimize our GHG emissions, and our plans to continue reducing emissions in 2024 and beyond.

Emission Reductions: Actions & Plans

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

FESBC has been leasing the same small office space since inception, in 2016. Most of the space is heated by natural gas but there are also two electric baseboards at the rear of the office. All staff is conscious of, and work to, reduce our carbon footprint. We put on sweaters rather than turn up the heat and ensure that the baseboards are off at the end of the day and the heat is turned down for the evenings. As we are on the bottom floor, we do not need much air conditioning in the summer.

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

FESBC has two vehicles that are primarily driven only when required for visiting proponents in the field.

C. Paper Consumption

FESBC strives for a paperless environment as much as possible. We keep electronic files whenever possible, unless required by regulatory factors.

We avoid photocopies and opt for on-line and email sharing of documents.

When purchasing paper, FESBC is careful to use FSC certified paper.

2023 GHG Emissions and Offsets Summary Table

Forest Enhancement Society of BC 2023 GHG Emissions and Offsets Summary	
GHG emissions for the period January 1 - December 31, 2023	
Total BioCO ₂	0.127015
Total Emissions (tCO ₂ e)	5.69
Total Offsets (tCO ₂ e)	5.57
Adjustments to Offset Required GHG Emissions Reported in Prior Years	
Total Offsets Adjustment (tCO ₂ e)	0
Grand Total Offsets for the 2023 Reporting Year	
Grand Total Offsets to be Retired for 2023 Reporting Year (tCO ₂ e)	6
Offset Investment (\$)	\$150

Retirement of Offsets:

In accordance with the requirements of the *Climate Change Accountability Act* and the Carbon Neutral Government Regulation, Forest Enhancement Society of BC (**the Organization**) is responsible for arranging for the retirement of the offsets obligation reported above for the 2023 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 Climate Leadership

2A. Climate Risk Management

FESBC has a Risk Management Framework that considers the changing climate and has plans to continue managing those risks in 2024 and beyond.

2B. Other Sustainability Initiatives

FESBC staff practices consistent waste reduction and diversion in the Kamloops office. Plastics, batteries, toner, cardboard, paper, and shredded paper are all reused or recycled.

When toilet paper or paper toweling (for hand drying in the washroom) are used, recycled products are purchased. In the small kitchen, paper products are discouraged with cloth hand towels and dish cloths being provided. These are taken home and washed weekly by staff volunteer.

FESBC has also purchased a water jug for filtered water and provided glasses in order to avoid purchasing bottled water.

The staff is also mindful of chemicals and products rated earth friendly are preferred in most cases.

2C. Success Stories

Executive Sign-off:

Signature

Date



May 14, 2024

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