



# **2025 PSO CLIMATE CHANGE ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT**

## **SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 67 (OKANAGAN SKAHA)**



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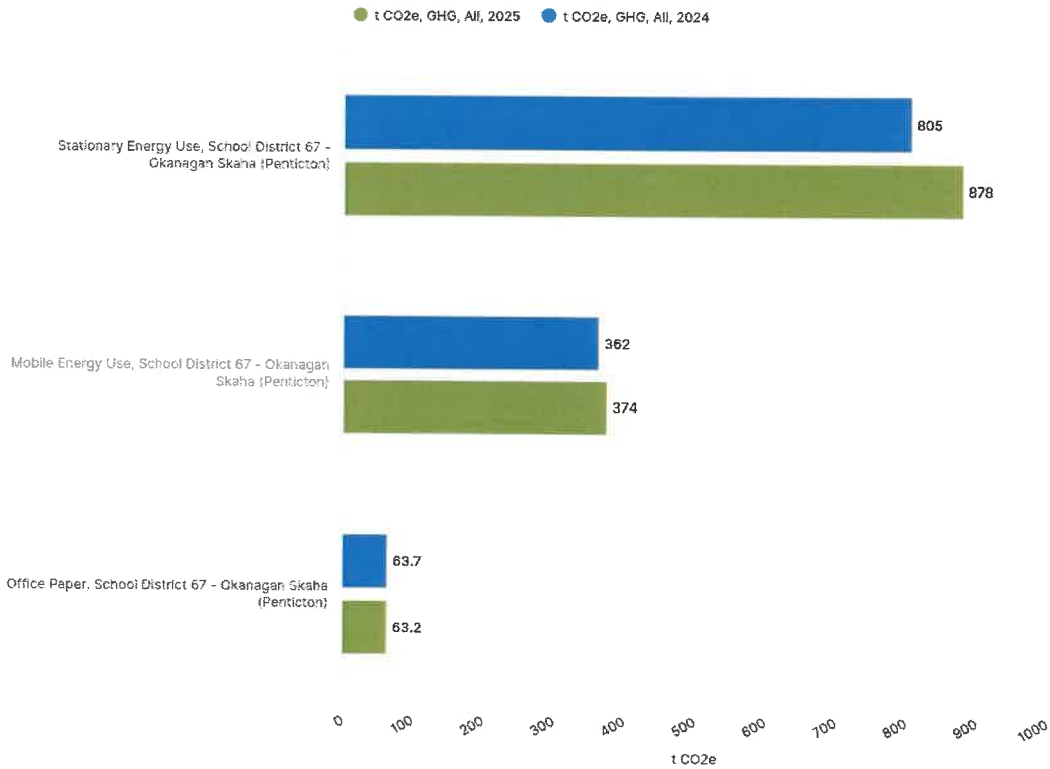
PART 1. LEGISLATIVE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Declaration Statement

This PSO Climate Change Accountability Report for the period January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025, summarizes School District No. 67’s greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions profile, the total offsets to reach net-zero emissions, the actions the district has taken to minimize our GHG emissions, and the plans to continue reducing emissions in 2026 and beyond.

Emission Reductions: Actions & Plans

From January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025, School District No. 67 produced emissions totaling 1,315.2 tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO<sub>2</sub>e). Stationary energy (heating, air conditioning, and lighting) produced 878 tCO<sub>2</sub>e. Mobile energy (maintenance vehicles, grounds equipment, and school buses) produced 374 tCO<sub>2</sub>e. Paper supplies produced 63.2 tCO<sub>2</sub>e.



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

The district continued to reduce its carbon emissions again this year. Over the last fiscal year, capital funds have been allocated to enhance GHG reducing projects, and the district will continue to target mechanical and electrical systems upgrades.

### 2025-26 Projects

This year saw several major building-envelope projects completed across the district, each contributing to reduced energy consumption and improved thermal performance:

- **Parkway Annex** – Completed a full **re-roof with additional polyiso insulation**, strengthening the building envelope and reducing heat loss.
- **Skaha Lake Elementary** – Underwent a **re-roof with added polyiso insulation**, improving energy efficiency and indoor comfort.
- **Princess Margaret Secondary** – Achieved **completion of its re-roof project**, including **additional polyiso insulation** to enhance long-term energy performance.

These upgrades not only extend the lifespan of district facilities but also deliver measurable reductions in heating and cooling loads, supporting the district's carbon-neutral goals.

### 2026-27 Projects

The district has a strong slate of energy-efficiency and building-performance projects scheduled for 2026-2027. These upgrades focus on improving building envelopes, reducing heat loss, modernizing lighting systems, and extending the lifespan of key facilities.

#### Roofing & Insulation Projects

- Uplands Elementary, Queen's Park Elementary, and Summerland Elementary – Re-roof projects that include additional polyiso insulation, significantly improving thermal performance and reducing long-term heating and cooling demands.

### Facility Repair & Maintenance

- Summerland Secondary – Water source heat pump repair and maintenance work to improve building performance and extend asset life

### Lighting Upgrades

- KVR Elementary and Skaha Lake Elementary – Upgrading interior lighting systems to high-efficiency LED fixtures, reducing electrical consumption and improving lighting quality

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

In 2023, the district expanded its fleet of zero-emission vehicles (ZEVs) by adding four new electric cars for the maintenance and information technology departments. The district also installed five charging stations: one at the District School Board Office, two at the maintenance shop, and two at the Summerland bus yards.

## C. Paper Consumption

The district's paper consumption continued to decrease in 2025. In addition to this decreased usage, the district continues to use Planet Earth to recycle textbooks, books, and stapled content. In the last year, the district recycled 24,515 books, keeping them out of the landfill. The district has been in the process of reducing paper usage by moving to an online onboarding process for employees and personnel files are accessible online. Thus, reducing paper usage by a significant amount.



## 2025 GHG Emissions and Offsets Summary Table

| School District No. 67                                                           |          |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 2025 GHG Emissions and Offsets Summary                                           |          |
| <b>GHG emissions for the period January 1 - December 31, 2025</b>                |          |
| Total BioCO <sub>2</sub>                                                         | 40.7     |
| Total Emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)                                             | 1356     |
| Total Offsets (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)                                               | 1070     |
| <b>Adjustments to Offset Required GHG Emissions Reported in Prior Years 2024</b> |          |
| Total Offsets Adjustment (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)                                    | 22       |
| <b>Grand Total Offsets for the 2025 Reporting Year</b>                           |          |
| Grand Total Offsets to be Retired for 2024 Reporting Year (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)   | 1092     |
| Offset Investment (\$)                                                           | \$27,300 |

In accordance with the requirements of the Climate Change Accountability Act and Carbon Neutral Government Regulation, School District No. 67 (the Organization) is responsible for arranging for the retirement of the offset obligation reported above for the 2025 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

School District No. 67 continues to lead, explore, and implement different options to reduce its carbon footprint and mitigate the effects of climate change.

Additional roof replacements and insulation upgrades are scheduled for next year. These projects will further strengthen building envelopes, reduce energy waste, and enhance overall efficiency across multiple sites. Each improvement supports the district's long-term sustainability goals while reducing energy costs.

### 2B. Other Sustainability Initiatives

The district has multiple additional initiatives in place that support sustainability. Some of these programs within schools include:

- Battery recycling
- Paper recycling
- Beverage container recycling
- Book recycling (including stapled books)

### 2C. Success Story

The district continues to advance its carbon-neutral commitments through strategic upgrades, renewable-energy improvements, and building-performance enhancements.

#### **Solar Energy Systems**

Solar installations at **Skaha Lake Elementary**, **Penticton Secondary**, and the **Maintenance Shop** remain fully operational and continue to supply clean electricity to district facilities. As part of ongoing maintenance, **new capacitors were installed on the solar panel systems**, improving power quality, system reliability, and overall energy-generation efficiency.

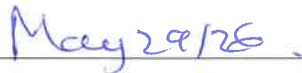




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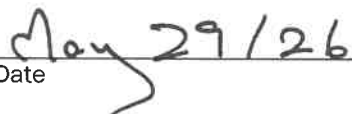
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