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2025 PSO Climate Change Accountability Report School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain)

Executive Summary

This Climate Change Accountability Report for the period January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025 summarizes our emissions profile, the total offsets to reach net-zero emissions, the actions taken in 2025 to manage our greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and our ongoing plans to reduce emissions in 2026 and beyond.

Rocky Mountain School District remains committed to environmental stewardship and the ongoing reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. While the District has continued to implement energy retrofit projects and operational adjustments to improve energy efficiency in our buildings and vehicles, we experienced a slight increase in overall emissions in 2025. This minor increase is primarily attributed to the addition of one new facility under the ownership of SD6. It should be noted that the impact would have been larger if not for the efforts made in the prior year to reduce our carbon footprint. An additional building was added at the end of 2025 which will impact next year as well.

Efforts continue within the district to reduce our carbon footprint. These include dedicated staffing, capital project prioritization, and education programs that emphasize energy reduction and sustainability. The Operations Department continues to monitor and benchmark energy performance across all assets, focusing on initiatives that improve energy efficiency and reduce emissions over time.

Looking ahead, the district will continue its transition toward electric vehicles and pursue facility upgrades designed to support long-term sustainability objectives. Rocky Mountain School District remains confident in its approach and anticipates a return to declining greenhouse gas emissions in the coming years.

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Aaron Callaghan
Superintendent of Schools



School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) GHG Emissions and Offsets for 2025 (TCO2E)	
GHG Emissions created in calendar year 2025	
Total BioCO2	51.2
Total Emissions (tCO2e)	1891
Total Offsets (tCO2e)	1398
Adjustments to GHG Emissions Reported in Prior Years	
Total Offset Adjustment (tCO2e)	0
Grand Total Offsets for the 2025 Reporting Year	
Grand Total Offsets (tCO2e) to be Retired for 2024 Reporting Year:	1398
Offset Investment (\$25 per tCO2e)	\$34,950.0

Emissions Reduction Activities

Projects to reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions implemented in 2024 included:

- The electrical service in Golden and Kimberley was fully upgraded to support white fleet electrification.
- Alexander Park has received two new Roof Top Units.
- The Golden Zone Office received a new high efficiency furnace
- DAB Server room received an HVAC upgrade
- David Thompson School began Phase 1 of a three-year project to replace all heat pumps.
- Lady Grey Elementary received further thermal upgrades to improve heat loss and retention and received 4 more new high efficiency furnaces.
- A second electric van was procured and put into service.
- Several repairs to existing HVAC systems which improve overall efficiency were completed at JA Laird, Selkirk Secondary and McKim Middle School.

Plans to Continue Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions 2026 – 2030

Reducing energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions will continue to be an important focus for the Rocky Mountain School District. Projects planned for the next five years show the potential for the School District to save energy costs, while significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions and contributing to becoming carbon neutral. Some projects planned for the five years include:

- Summer 2026 will be the second year of a 3-year project to upgrade David Thompson Secondary School's HVAC systems.
- Summer 2026 a third electric van will be procured and put into service.
- Summer 2026 lighting upgrades to LED will continue at Edgewater Elementary and JA Laird.
- Summer of 2026 Alexander Park Elementary is undergoing a Boiler Upgrade with DDC controls to manage consumption
- Summer 2026 GSS will receive 2 new Roof Top Units
- Summer 2026 LGES will receive an upgrade to its Make Up Air system and DDC controls to better manage consumption
- Summer 2026 Further repairs to the current HVAC system at JA Laird which will improve efficiency.
- Minor thermal upgrades will continue at Lady Grey Elementary
- Designs for boiler replacements at other Elementary schools.
- One more Elementary School will be upgraded with LED high efficiency light. Fixtures complete with dimming controls in the coming years.

Retirement of Offsets

In accordance with the requirements of the *Climate Change Accountability Act* and Carbon Neutral Government Regulation, School District No. 6 (Rocky Mountain) **(the Organization)** is responsible for arranging for the retirement of the offsets 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.

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