



# carbon neutral corner

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## New LiveSMART Leaders Blogs & Important Announcements!

[Expanded Carbon Neutral Capital Program Creates Space for Further Innovations in Energy Management](#) by Rob Abbott

[Update: Local Governments Go Carbon Neutral](#) by Ben Finkelstein

The Climate Action Secretariat would like to congratulate Beverley Stainton on her new, temporary role as Manager of Climate Action Secretariat Operations. We are thrilled for Beverley, and equally excited to welcome [Patricia Russell](#), who will be filling in as the Carbon Neutral Government Project Coordinator through the end of our reporting year.

## Draft CNAR Requirements – Due March 31st!

As in previous years, you are required to submit a draft CNAR for your parent ministry to review to [climateactionsecretariat@gov.bc.ca](mailto:climateactionsecretariat@gov.bc.ca). You must use the [CNAR Overview Template](#) to provide a general description or broad summary of actions taken in 2013. If your organization emitted less than 600 tonnes of emissions in 2012, you may use the [Small Emitters Short Form](#) instead. Both of these documents are available as Word Documents in the Documents Library on the [Carbon Neutral Corner](#). No other content is required until the final report is due on May 30th. No signature or emissions data is required so those parts of the template can be left blank until the final report.

## Upcoming Webinars

Please visit the [LiveSmart Leaders Community](#) for more information, including previous webinar recordings and presentations

| Topic   | Date      | Registration               |
|---|-----------|----------------------------|
| Open Q&A Session & Your Carbon Neutral Government Checklist | 20-Mar-14 | <a href="#">Eventbrite</a> |
| Carbon Neutral Government 2013                              | 30-Jun-14 | Coming Soon!               |

To suggest a webinar topic or provide feedback, please contact the [Climate Action Secretariat](#).

## SMARTTool Data Completeness Update

39%

Of expected data for 2013 has been loaded into SMARTTool\* for the whole of BC's public sector

(\*as of February 2014, and based on 2012 Emissions)

**LOAD EARLY AND LOAD OFTEN!**

## EDX Update and Call for EDX Pilot Volunteers

Progress continues with the development of new functionality that will enable [SMARTTool](#) users to receive their FortisBC data electronically. FortisBC and SSBC are now testing the send/receive functionality with data supplied by Public Sector Organizations who have volunteered their data. This work is expected to be completed in mid-March. Thank you to School Districts 35 and 44, Vancouver Coastal Health Authority and the District of North Cowichan.

At the same time, SSBC continues its work on the development of [SMARTTool](#) self-serve screens that will enable users to manage their own configurations. This work will be complete in May when a Pilot phase will begin with a representative sample of [SMARTTool](#) users who will have the opportunity to "test drive" all of the new functionality. If your organization is interested in participating in the Pilot, you can find out more about what's involved on the [LiveSMART Leaders Community website](#).

## CNG 2013 IMPORTANT Dates!

