The webinar will start shortly!

Good news! At the current rate of global warming we should be able to just swim over there and eat him in under five years...!
BC Carbon Neutral Government

2015 Reporting Year

Timelines and Updates

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Topics for Today....

• CNG Reporting timelines/deadlines

• CNG Updates:
  • SMARTTool Refresh
  • Carbon Neutral Corner website
  • EDX update
  • Legislation changes
  • Offset Payment process
  • CNG Symposium
  • Climate Leadership Plan
2016 Timeline

Jan 18th, 2016
- CNAR survey links & instructions sent out
- All guidance docs available on Carbon Neutral Corner

April 29th, 2016
- Final Data Uploaded to SMARTTool
- QA/QC Data Begins (completed by CAS & CMR)

May 16th, 2016
- QA/QC Data Completed
- Offset Invoice sent to all PSOs
- Self-Certification Checklist Due (signoff required)

May 31st, 2016
- Final CNAR Due (signoff required)
- Final Offset Payment Due

By June 30th, 2016
- Achieve Carbon Neutrality
SMARTTool Refresh

• Project to assess market alternatives to SMARTTool offering:
  • More functionality
  • Improved user experience
  • Compatibility with EDX
  • Better cost-effectiveness

• ETA
  • RFP release: November
  • Tool decision: February

• No disruption to 2015 reporting
  • SMARTTool will continue to be used to the end of 2015 reporting year (June 2016)
EDX Update

- Electronic Data Exchange has been up and running for almost a year
- Allows for automatic loading of BC Hydro and Fortis BC utility data into SMARTTool
- 66 clients have signed up for our EDX service so far
- Up to 18 months worth of data is transferred the on the first exchange
- And then clients get their energy data updated monthly
- To sign up for the EDX service, go to the “Supporting Documents” webpage on the SMARTTool website.
New CAS website

http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/climate-change/policy-legislation-programs/carbon-neutral-government

Carbon Neutral Government

British Columbia has shown global leadership and has made a strong commitment to action by becoming a carbon neutral government in 2010 - an unprecedented achievement for provincial or state government in North America.

Recognizing that government is responsible for the carbon pollution that it generates, carbon neutrality is about achieving net-zero greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. This commitment covers the entire provincial public sector including schools, post-secondary institutions, government offices, Crown corporations and hospitals.

B.C.’s Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets Act and the Carbon Neutral Government Regulation requires all public sector organizations (PSOs) to:

1. Reduce emissions as much as possible each year;

2. Reduce emissions and report on emissions to Greenhouse Gas Registry.

3. Implement carbon management plans.

4. Offset remaining emissions.

New CAS website

Carbon Neutral Corner

This is a workspace for Public Sector Organizations (PSOs) to support them in becoming Carbon Neutral, including requirements for the 2014 reporting year.

Resources

- Carbon Neutral Government Guidance Documents
- Carbon Neutral Corner Newsletters
- Presentations & Recordings
- Carbon Neutral Symposium

Carbon Neutral Reporting Checklist

- 2014 Quick Reference Timeline (PDF)
Legislative Changes

• NO CHANGES FOR PSOs!
• The offset regulations in the CNGR are being repealed as part of the new *Greenhouse Gas Industrial Reporting and Control Act*
• All offsets regulations will be placed in the new act
• No changes to CNG or PSO offset obligations
Offset Payment Process

- Same process as last year
- Invoice issued on May 16, 2016
- Payment to the “Minister of Finance”
- Core Government NOT part of this process
- CNG newsletter will contain updates
Climate Leadership Plan

http://engage.gov.bc.ca/climateleadership/

• Draft plan to be released in early December
• To be discussed at the CNG Symposium, Dec 10/11
• Opportunity for public input on draft plan
• Final Plan expected near end of March 2016
Carbon Neutral Government 2015 Symposium
Dec 10 & 11, Vancouver

• 2 day event covering CNG as well as adaptation for PSOs
• Keynote speaker – Jordan Sturdy from Climate Leadership Team, will speak about draft Plan and take questions
• Symposium to cover both CNG and climate adaptation topics
• Registration and info here
Shift to greater GHG reductions

To be discussed at CNG Symposium, Dec 10/11

- wide variation in data supplied from PSOs
- Discussion on data gaps, opportunities and how to move forward
Thank You!!

Questions & Answers

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