

STATUS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGRICULTURAL AREA PLANS

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◇ What is an AAP?

Agricultural Area Plans (AAPs) provide solutions to communities regarding agricultural issues and opportunities within a community's farm area. AAPs are created to support and contribute to the community's agriculture and its long-term sustainability and resilience. These plans are often referred to as an "Agricultural Area Plan" or an "Agricultural Area Strategy".

The *Local Government Act* contains provisions for municipalities and regional districts to develop official plans for portions of their jurisdictions. These areas are referred to as neighbourhood or local area plans. These plans can also consider a proposed Official Community Plan and any social, economic, environmental, or other community planning and policies that the local government considers relevant.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Food actively helps support local government initiatives to develop Agricultural Area Plans. Contact staff through AgriServiceBC@gov.bc.ca for more information.

◇ Introduction

There are three stages of AAPs that are represented in this list:

Being Considered — Plans that are being considered by their respective local governments. There is no commitment that these plans will come to fruition.

Under Way — Plans where a consulting contract has been awarded or the local planners have started to work on the creation of the plan.

Completed — Plans where the final report has been received or approved by the local government.

This list may not be a comprehensive account of all AAPs that exist in B.C. The following list is of AAPs that the ministry is aware of and has accounted for:

Total AAPs Being Considered: 0

Total AAPs Under Way: 3

Total AAPs Completed: 68



Lower Mainland

Abbotsford	<u>Agriculture Strategy (2011)</u> - Completed
Chilliwack	<u>Agricultural Area Plan (2012)</u> - Completed
Delta	<u>Agriculture Plan (2011)</u> - Completed <u>Agricultural Plan (2023)</u> - Completed
Kent	<u>Agricultural Area Plan (2010)</u> - Completed
Maple Ridge	<u>Agricultural Plan (2009)</u> - Completed
Metro Vancouver	<u>Regional Food System Strategy (2011)</u> - Completed
Pemberton	<u>Agricultural Area Plan (2012)</u> - Completed
Pitt Meadows	The Future of Agriculture (2000) - Completed <u>Our Agriculture Viability Strategy (2023)</u> - Completed
Powell River Regional Economic Development Society	<u>Economic Development Plan for Agriculture (2009)</u> - Completed
Richmond	Agriculture Viability Strategy (2003) - Completed <u>Farming First Strategy (2021)</u> - Completed
Squamish	<u>Agricultural Plan (2020)</u> - Completed
Squamish-Lillooet RD	<u>Area B: Lillooet & St'at'imc Agricultural Plan (2014)</u> - Completed
Sunshine Coast RD	<u>Agriculture Area Plan (2014)</u> - Completed
Surrey	<u>Agricultural Plan (1999)</u> - Completed <u>Agricultural Protection and Enhancement Strategy (2013)</u> - Completed
Township of Langley	<u>Agricultural Viability Strategy (2013)</u> - Completed

Interior/North

Bulkley-Nechako RD	<u>Food and Agriculture Plan (2020)</u> - Completed
Cariboo RD	<u>Agricultural Policy (2016)</u> - Completed <u>Agricultural Area Plan (2022)</u> - Completed
Central Coast RD	<u>Bella Coola Valley Foodshed Analysis Project (2008)</u> - Completed
Fort St. James	<u>Agricultural Action Plan (2009)</u> - Completed
Kitimat-Stikine RD	<u>Agriculture Sector Support Plan (2020)</u> - Completed
Misty Isles Economic Development Society	Haida Gwaii Agriculture Strategy and Implementation Plan (2011) - Completed
Peace River	<u>Regional Agricultural Plan (2014)</u> - Completed
Terrace	<u>Greater Terrace Agriculture Area Plan – Update (2015)</u> - Completed



Thompson Okanagan

Central Okanagan RD	<u>Agricultural Plan (2005)</u> - Completed <u>Regional Agricultural Strategy (202X)</u> - Under Way
Coldstream	<u>Agricultural Plan (2009)</u> - Completed
Columbia-Shuswap RD	<u>Shuswap Agricultural Strategy (2014)</u> - Completed
Kamloops	<u>Agricultural Area Plan (2013)</u> - Completed
Kelowna	<u>Agriculture Plan (2017)</u> - Completed
Lake Country	<u>Agriculture Plan (2020)</u> - Completed
North Okanagan RD	<u>Regional Agriculture Plan (2015)</u> - Completed
Okanagan-Similkameen RD	<u>Electoral Area C Agricultural Area Plan (2008)</u> - Completed
Oliver	<u>Electoral Area C & Oliver Food Secure Plan (2018)</u> - Completed
Osoyoos	<u>Electoral Area A & Town of Osoyoos Agricultural Plan (2011)</u> - Completed
Penticton	<u>Agricultural Plan (2005)</u> - Completed <u>Food Security Strategy (202X)</u> - Under Way
Salmon Arm	<u>Agricultural Area Plan (2004)</u> - Completed
Spallumcheen	<u>Agricultural Area Plan (2006)</u> - Completed
Summerland	<u>Agricultural Plan (2008)</u> - Completed
West Kelowna	<u>West Kelowna Agricultural Plan (2011)</u> - Completed <u>Westbank Centre Agriculture Plan (2016)</u> - Completed



Kootenays

Central Kootenay RD

[Agriculture Plan \(2011\)](#) - Completed

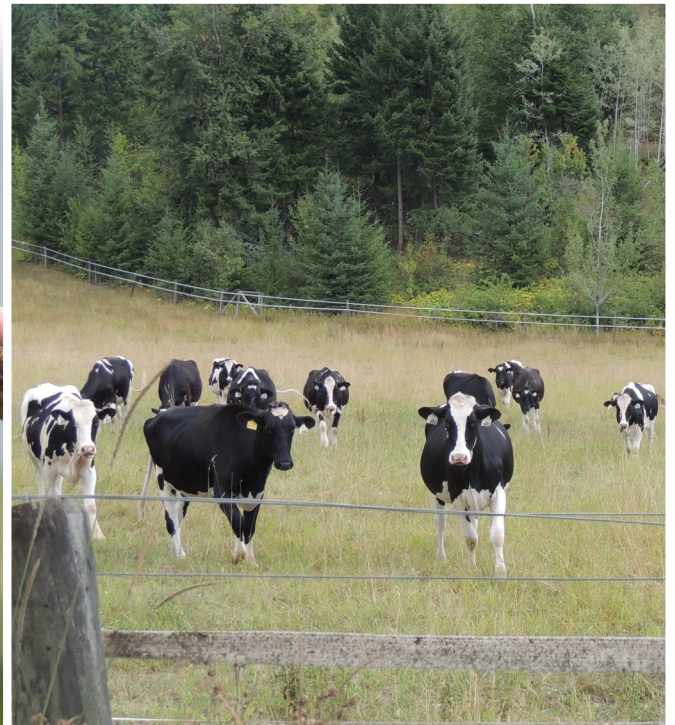
East Kootenay RD

[Agricultural Area Plan \(2014\)](#) - Completed

Kootenay Boundary RD

[Boundary Area Food and Agriculture Plan \(2018\)](#) - Completed

[South Kootenay Agriculture Strategy \(2022\)](#) - Completed



Vancouver Island & Gulf Islands

Alberni-Clayoquot RD	<u>Agricultural Plan (Alberni Valley) (2011)</u> - Completed
Campbell River	<u>Agriculture Now (2011)</u> - Completed
Capital RD	<u>Regional Food & Agriculture Strategy (2016)</u> - Completed
Central Saanich	<u>Agricultural Area Plan (2011)</u> - Completed
Comox Valley RD	<u>Agricultural Plan (2002)</u> - Completed <u>Agricultural Area Plan (2024)</u> - Under Way
Cowichan Valley RD	<u>Cowichan Region Agricultural Plan (2010)</u> - Completed
Denman Island	<u>Agriculture Strategy (2011)</u> - Completed <u>Denman Island Farm Plan (2012)</u> - Completed
Nanaimo RD	<u>Agricultural Plan (2012)</u> - Completed
North Cowichan	<u>Strategic Agricultural Plan (2001)</u> - Completed <u>Implementation Plan [Update] (2013)</u> - Completed
North Saanich	<u>Agricultural Plan (2010)</u> - Completed <u>Agricultural Economic Development Strategy (2012)</u> - Completed <u>Growing Towards Food Self Resilience: Whole Community Agricultural Strategy (2016) [Update]</u> - Completed
Saanich	<u>Agriculture & Food Security Plan (2018)</u> - Completed
Saanich Peninsula	<u>Agricultural Strategy (1997)</u> - Completed
Salt Spring Island	<u>Area Farm Plan (2008)</u> - Completed <u>Area Farm Plan Renewal (2020)</u> - Completed
Sooke	<u>Community Roots: An Agricultural Plan for Sooke (2012)</u> - Completed
Southern Gulf Island Electoral Area	<u>Food and Agriculture Strategy (2017)</u> - Completed <u>Local Area Food and Agriculture Plan (2021)</u> - Completed