## BACKGROUNDER

## **LGCAP Survey and Reporting 2025**

The Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) provides conditional grant funding to local governments and Modern Treaty Nations. This funding supports local climate action that reduces greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and prepares communities for the impacts of a changing climate.

As a condition of the grant funding, local governments must complete the annual LGCAP Survey. The survey includes:

- Mandatory measurement and reporting of corporate GHG emissions for 2024
- Reporting on projects linked to one or more objectives from the CleanBC Roadmap 2030 or the Climate Preparedness & Adaptation Strategy
- Demonstrating climate investment equivalent to 20% of the provincial funding received

The General Manager of Financial Services is required to submit and publicly post:

- A completed and signed attestation form to confirm all funds, were, or will be, used towards climate action
- · A completed PDF version of the required program survey

## Measure and report traditional services GHG emissions

A traditional services emissions inventory is an assessment of corporate GHG emissions that occur within a defined boundary and within a defined period (for a given year). Reporting on GHG emissions associated with the delivery of traditional services for the Regional District includes:

- Administration and Governance
- Fire protection
- o Recreational and cultural services
- Solid waste transportation
- Street lighting
- Water and wastewater management

Reporting on traditional services GHG emissions also applies to emissions from contracted services. This includes contracts that are:

- New or renewals after June 1, 2012
- Over \$25,000 in value in any calendar year
- In scope (does not include landfill operations nor transportation of recyclables)

For contracted services, local government track and report on emissions from mobile sources derived from fossil fuel consumption used to operate vehicles, equipment and machinery – not for contractor buildings.

Emissions are reported in tonnes of Carbon Dioxide equivalent (tCO2e)

tCO2e	2022	2023	2024
Corporate Emissions	890	862	891
Contractor Emissions	441	530	502
Total Emissions	1,331	1,392	1,393

Emissions by Source (tCO2e)	2022	2023	2024
Electricity	38	35	30
Natural Gas	480	448	495
Gasoline	82	108	119
Diesel	599	663	621
Heating Oil	2	2	2
Propane	130	136	126
Total	1,331	1,392	1,393

There was a 5.3% decrease in contractor emissions from 2023 to 2024. In 2024, there was a 10% increase in natural gas consumption for Regional District facilities including the Exploration Place.

## **Grant funding and Regional District climate action**

The Regional District received LGCAP grant funding instalments of \$105,082 in 2022 and 2023. In 2024, LGCAP provided a lump sum instalment of \$307,897 which includes funding for the next three years.

In 2022, 2023 and 2024 grant funding covered a portion of the staffing costs for the Corporate Sustainability Specialist position. Expenditures for the Corporate Climate Change Action Plan update in 2024 and a portion of the installation of a heat pump system to supply air conditioning at the McBride Library were also covered by LGCAP grant funding.

Consideration for how the remaining LGCAP grant funds will be spent over the next three years will be influenced by the action items contained in the Corporate Climate Change Action Plan update.