

DRAFT
Climate and Environment
Strategy Summary



OVERVIEW OF THE STRATEGY

The City of North Vancouver's Climate and Environment Strategy will be our guide for making decisions that foster a resilient urban and natural environment, today and over the coming decade.

It will be a guide for staff and all community members on our response to the climate and nature crises which will help us in mitigating our climate impact, adapting to climate change, and promoting a healthy and resilient environment.

It recognizes the role of the City, other levels of government, businesses and residents in taking action, and considers that different people will need varying levels of support to participate.

WHY WE'RE CREATING THIS STRATEGY

Our climate is changing at a rapid and unprecedented rate. We see the impacts more each year with hotter, drier summers, poorer air quality from wildfires, wetter winters, and more extreme weather events resulting in loss of habitat, rapid decline of species, and threats to food systems. We need to take action to reduce our carbon pollution to limit warming and potentially irreversible effects of climate change.

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TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

- ▶ Read the complete draft at cnv.org/environmentstrategy
- ▶ Give feedback at letstalk.cnv.org/environment
- ▶ Questions? Contact City staff at environment@cnv.org or 604-983-7357

ENGLISH We are seeking public input on this project. To share your views, visit letstalk.cnv.org or contact City staff.

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FOCUSES OF THE STRATEGY

To achieve a resilient and low-carbon City where all people and nature thrive, this Strategy focuses on:



We recognize the value of watersheds and ecosystems in the City and the need to protect, restore, and enhance these natural areas.

Our health, wellbeing, and prosperity are linked to the natural environment. We can improve our social and environmental resilience through planning and regulation, an improved relationship to the environment, and working closely with Indigenous people who have been stewards of the land since time immemorial.



We mitigate our climate impact by changing our buildings and the way we move to achieve net zero emissions by 2050.

We have a limited window of opportunity to reduce carbon pollution, and avoid severe and irreversible impacts.



We are leaders and prepared for rapid changes to adapt our community to current and expected climate impacts.

By growing a culture of climate leadership, we can inspire transformative change that extends beyond our boundaries.

THE PATH FORWARD

Four pathways, each with clear directions and objectives, will guide our decision making:



LESS GREY, MORE GREEN

Restore, protect, and enhance natural areas and biodiversity on public and private property.



CLIMATE RESILIENT BUILDINGS

Transition to a resilient building stock through improvements to new and existing buildings.



CONNECTED NEIGHBOURHOODS

Build compact and mixed-use communities that support zero emission modes of transportation.



EMPOWERED CHOICES

Foster a low-impact and circular economy that empowers our community to move to a zero carbon and zero waste future.

IMPLEMENTING THE STRATEGY

This is a 10-year Strategy and it is intended that the directions and objectives will be delivered in this timeframe.

The delivery and timing of the work will be dependent on Council's objectives and priorities, along with community needs, annual budgets, and City capacity. Much of the work will also require partnerships with other governments, organizations, stakeholders, and the public.

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