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Greater Peterborough Area Climate Change Action Plan
Chapter 10 – Trent Lakes
Community and Corporate Climate Action Plans
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Dear Ms. Kawalec:

Re: Climate Change Action Plan

Council passed the following motion in support of your application at the Special Meeting of Council held October 18, 2016:

Resolution No. R2016-602

Moved by: Councillor Raymond
Seconded by: Councillor Lambshead

That Council receive the presentation by Lura Consulting for their information; and further

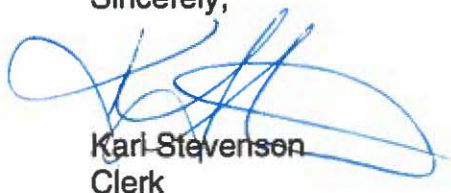
That the draft Greater Peterborough Area Climate Change Action Plan be adopted; and further

That the Municipality of Trent Lakes' Community Sector and Corporate (Municipal) Sector emission reduction targets of 39 percent and 26 percent respectively, and associated action plan be adopted.

Carried.

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Karl Stevenson
Clerk

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Section 1: Introduction and Overview

Greater Peterborough Area Climate Change Action Plan

In 2014, the Greater Peterborough Area's (GPA) member communities joined more than 250 other communities across Canada to address climate change through participation in the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) program aimed at reducing GHG emissions from both municipal/First Nation corporate operations and community sources.

As part of the PCP program, the Climate Change Action Plan sets a course to reduce local contributions to climate change and prepare communities for present and expected changes that will occur as a result of climate change. This plan represents an integrated approach to dealing with some of the most important issues related to the sustainability of our diverse region. The overall objective of the CCAP is to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions through a reduction in fossil fuel use and lowering our energy consumption, and to better prepare for our changing climate. The Plan identifies strategies, actions, and emission reduction targets that fit with and address the needs of each municipality and First Nation within the GPA. This regionally coordinated approach will ensure that we act together to safeguard the health of our residents and ensure the stability of our local economic and natural resources against impacts related to climate change.

Climate Change Vision

In 2010, the GPA embarked on an exciting journey – the development of an Integrated Community Sustainability Plan, coined *Sustainable Peterborough*. Within the Sustainable Peterborough Plan, climate change was identified as one of the eleven key theme areas of focus. Each community of the GPA is working together to collectively achieve the following vision, as originally identified as the climate change goal in the Sustainable Peterborough Plan:

We will reduce our contributions to climate change while increasing our ability to adapt to climate change conditions.

Trent Lakes' Community and Corporate Action Plans

Chapter 10 of the CCAP includes Trent Lakes' Community (Section 2) and Corporate (Section 3) Action Plans. Both of these build on the overarching components outlined in the main CCAP, but provide greater detail specific to Trent Lakes. They both include the following:

- *Where are we now* – a brief discussion of community and corporate baseline GHG emissions.
- *Where do we want to go* – GHG emissions reductions targets for the community and corporation.
- *How are we going to get there* – actions that the community and corporation will take to achieve its emissions reduction targets.

Section 2: Community Action Plan

Where are we now?

In 2011, 24,260 tonnes of CO₂e were emitted by the Municipality of Trent Lakes community. Based on the projected growth for the Municipality of Trent Lakes, community emissions are expected to grow to 28,897 tonnes CO₂e by 2031 if nothing is done to reduce GHG emissions. For further details on the Trent Lakes' baseline community emissions (PCP Milestone 1), please see the Appendix attached to this chapter entitled *Trent Lakes Corporate and Community Emissions Inventory*.

Where do we want to go?

The Trent Lakes community is aiming to achieve a 39% reduction in its GHG emissions from the 2011 baseline by 2031. This is equivalent to 9,574 less tonnes of CO₂e emitted per year by 2031, which would put the Township's community emissions at 14,686 tonnes of CO₂e per year by 2031 compared to the current 24,260 tonnes per year.

How are we going to get there?

The following tables detail the strategies and actions that Trent Lakes will use to achieve its community GHG emissions reduction target. Further detail on each strategy is provided in the main *Climate Change Action Plan* document.

Our Homes

Strategy H1: Help existing homes become more energy and water efficient and be more adaptable to climate risks		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: direct	Adaptation impact: direct
	Develop and implement a comprehensive multi-year deep energy retrofit program focused on existing households to achieve efficiency gains of at least 30% to 50% depending on the age and type of building.	
Primary Action Assumptions	Implement retrofits in 60% of the residential housing stock by 2031.	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	3,692 tonnes of CO ₂ e/per year	

Strategy H2: Build new homes to be more efficient and have a smaller environmental footprint		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: direct	Adaptation impact: direct
	Implement gradual improvement in new building stock efficiency aimed at achieving near net-zero or equivalent (0.14 to 0.24 GJ/m ²) in all new buildings by 2031.	
Primary Action Assumptions	Results in full electrification of energy end uses.	
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Supporting Policies <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 'Solar Ready' Official Plan Updates (if appropriate)	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	859 tonnes of CO ₂ e/per year	

Strategy H3: Reduce the amount of waste generated by residents that contribute to greenhouse gas emissions		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: direct	Adaptation impact: none
	Explore feasibility of capturing energy from waste (e.g. anaerobic digestion) to manage organic material and to reduce emissions of methane gas (County and City partnership).	
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement a “less waste challenge” to encourage reduction in waste generation, with a particular focus on food waste 	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	555 tonnes of CO ₂ e/per year	

Our Workplaces and Schools

Strategy W1: Improve energy and water efficiency of existing buildings and business operations		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: direct	Adaptation impact: indirect
	Work with utilities (PDI, Hydro One, Enbridge as appropriate) to deliver a coordinated deep energy retrofit program to industrial, commercial, and institutional organizations.	
Primary Action Assumptions	Implement retrofits in 40% of industrial, commercial & institutional buildings by 2031.	
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage local businesses to participate in energy benchmarking through the use of Energy Star Portfolio Manager provided through Natural Resources Canada 	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	138 tonnes of CO ₂ e/per year	

Strategy W2: Build new buildings to be more efficient and have a smaller environmental impact		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: direct	Adaptation impact: direct
	Implement gradual improvement in efficiency of industrial, commercial, and institutional buildings.	
Primary Action Assumptions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commercial & Institutional: full electrification, and uses 30% less energy Industrial: full electrification, and uses 60% less energy 	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	130 tonnes of CO ₂ e/per year	

Strategy W3: Facilitate climate change friendly business operations and practices		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: indirect	Adaptation impact: direct
	Support Sustainable Peterborough Business Initiative to build a toolkit for Greater Peterborough Area businesses to assist with climate change impact analysis and business continuity planning for extreme weather.	
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage with businesses and institutions to implement corporate sustainability initiatives aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions 	

Strategy W3: Facilitate climate change friendly business operations and practices		
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	(County and City partnership)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work with institutions and businesses to support implementation of food waste reduction and/or diversion (County and City partnership)	
Impact on GHG emissions nominal		
Strategy W4: Support local economic resilience and growth of the local green economy		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: indirect	Adaptation impact: indirect
	Support Peterborough GreenUP as a “one-stop shop” for businesses to learn about and advance sustainability through the Green Business Peterborough Program.	
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Explore opportunity and locations to establish a local eco business zone or “Partners in Project Green” program to share resources amongst businesses and encourage green industries (County and City partnership)• Support the Greater Peterborough Chamber Of Commerce to establish a business leadership and mentorship program to support energy and climate leadership amongst businesses as part of the Peterborough Business Excellence Awards	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	Impact on GHG emissions nominal	
Strategy W5: Facilitate low carbon energy generation and local energy security		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: direct	Adaptation impact: direct
	Conduct a regional study to explore the potential to implement local renewable energy generation and storage (institutional, commercial, industrial, and residential).	
Primary Action Assumptions	Solar PVs are to generate 5% of the electricity demand in IC&I and residential buildings, while 6% of heating fuel consumed in all buildings are to come from renewable sources by 2031.	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	226 tonnes of CO ₂ e/per year	

On the Move

Strategy M1: Build an active transportation network and support active transportation		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: direct	Adaptation impact: none
	Reduce vehicle trips and foster greater walking and cycling mode share through a coordination of efforts.	
Primary Action Assumptions	Active transportation in the County is expected to focus on recreational opportunities and a nominal shift in modal split is expected. Development of the Active Transportation Master Plan is currently underway.	

Strategy M1: Build an active transportation network and support active transportation		
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none">Develop a Complete Streets Policy and Guidelines, thinking about rural implementation, including consistent sidewalk requirements and guidance on paved shoulders/cycle lanes	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	Impact on GHG emissions nominal	

Strategy M2: Facilitate alternatives to single-occupant vehicle use to reduce frequency of personal vehicle use		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: direct	Adaptation impact: none
	Explore feasibility of a carpool lot network (formal and informal spaces) (in partnership with the County and other Townships).	
Primary Action Assumptions	Carpooling, or travel as a passenger in a vehicle, to increase by 3% by 2031.	
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none">Work with businesses and schools to implement preferred parking for carpoolers	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	162 tonnes of CO ₂ e/per year	

Strategy M3: Make public transportation more appealing to increase its usage		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: direct	Adaptation impact: none
	Explore feasibility and joint County-Townships delivery of County Transit services or alternative methods of public transportation as part of next County Transportation Master Plan Update.	
Primary Action Assumptions	Feasibility to be determined after next Transportation Master Plan Update	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	Non-quantifiable with available information	

Strategy M4: Help transition vehicles to use cleaner and lower greenhouse gas emitting fuel sources		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: direct	Adaptation impact: none
Primary Action Assumptions	Support a shift in vehicle technology to Electric Vehicles (EVs). 15% of all vehicles on the road in 2031 are to be EVs.	
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none">Install electric vehicle charging stations for public usageSupport [local organizations] to work with local businesses to transition corporate fleets to EV	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	5,327 tonnes of CO ₂ e/per year	

Our Food

Strategy F1: Support localization of the food system		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: indirect	Adaptation impact: indirect
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Undertake a community food system assessment to better understand local food production and movement within the GPA. Supporting Policies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update Official Plan policies to support small-scale agriculture and the growing, processing and distribution of locally-produced food for all residents Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to expand the network of community gardens throughout the Greater Peterborough Area and engage the broader community in the value of gardening Support local organizations to provide community skill sharing programs to increase awareness among community members on how to grow, process, and store food Support local organizations in training, facilitating access to land and promoting successful entrepreneurship of new farmers and food business to increase the production and processing, distribution and retailing of local food 	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	Impact on GHG emissions nominal	

Strategy F2: Encourage purchasing of locally produced food		
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Mitigation impact: indirect	Adaptation impact: indirect
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updates to zoning by-law or Official Plan to encourage mobile vendors and farm markets Support local organizations to promote the marketing of locally-produced food through initiatives such as the Purple Onion Festival and Local Food Month Expand and promote the Farmers Market Network across the Greater Peterborough Area Support and encourage farm gate sale of produce Impact on GHG emissions nominal	

Strategy F3: Reduce the amount of wasted food		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: direct	Adaptation impact: none
Primary Action Assumptions	Implement a residential awareness campaign to encourage elimination of wasted food in the home, workplaces, and schools.	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	Reduce the proportion of wasted food in the waste stream by 11% by 2031.	
	59 tonnes of CO ₂ e/per year	

Our Land

Strategy L1: Strengthen land use policy and the development review process to better support climate change mitigation and adaptation		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: indirect	Adaptation impact: direct
	Establish a multidisciplinary review team to assess provincial and local land use planning legislation and tools and make recommendations to decision-makers on how to best implement an ecosystem-based approach to the development application process (partnership amongst all communities).	
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Supporting Policies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrate climate change policies into Official Plans Continue to implement land use policy that supports building complete communities that are mixed-use, compact, and higher density to achieve intensification targets outlined in the Provincial Growth Plan Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainability metrics tool to predict, measure and report the sustainability performance (including GHG emissions) of proposed developments focusing on the built environment, mobility, natural environment, and infrastructure and buildings (e.g. Richmond Hill/Vaughan/Brampton) Continue/enhance education opportunities on the need for increased housing density and implications related to climate change at all points of contact with decision-makers, stakeholders, and the public 	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	Non-quantifiable with available information	

Strategy L2: Identify climate change risks and prepare for potential impacts		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: none	Adaptation impact: direct
	Conduct a Greater Peterborough Area-wide vulnerability assessment of expected climate change impacts (including drought and lake levels) (coordinated amongst all communities).	
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adopt the Low Impact Development Stormwater Management Planning and Design Guide (CVC/TRCA) for landscape-based stormwater management planning and low impact development stormwater management practices (where appropriate) Update engineering design standards to improve climate change readiness of new infrastructure by taking a green infrastructure approach first and increasing flood standards to a 200-year storm standard rather than the current 100-year standard 	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	None	

Strategy L3: Protect and enhance natural assets		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: indirect	Adaptation impact: direct
	Develop and implement a Natural Heritage System Plan (City and County with Townships).	
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Supporting Policies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Place restrictions on cutting down trees on private property and/or a tree replacement policy Update Official Plan policies to require greater buffers around wetlands and watercourses to protect them from surrounding land uses 	
	Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support and promote local stewardship group tree planting programs to encourage planting trees on public and private property Support local stewardship groups to deliver planting and restoration projects at strategic high priority areas with climate ready species Support local stewardship groups to deliver shoreline restoration/naturalization program on municipal or private properties 	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	Non-quantifiable with available information	

Strategy L4: Facilitate best management practices for low emission farming and climate change adaptation		
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Mitigation impact: indirect	Adaptation impact: direct
	Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote usage of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's no-cost Holos GHG emissions modeling tool to assist farmers in assessing their GHG emissions and exploring various farm management scenarios Support local agricultural organizations to host local agricultural forums and training sessions to engage with farmers on how to implement climate change mitigation and adaptation related best management practices Support [local agricultural organizations] to promote local participation in the Canada-Ontario Environmental Farm Program to encourage farmers to increase knowledge, conduct assessments, and develop and implement Environmental Farm Plans for their farms 	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	518 tonnes of CO ₂ e/per year ¹	

¹ Total reduction potential per year based on uptake of anaerobic digesters (biogas), enteric fermentation reduction, changing manure management practices, and adopting best practices for soil management.

Our People

Strategy P1: Prepare for the health impacts associated with a changing climate		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: none	Adaptation impact: direct
	Conduct a local community vulnerability assessment of public health impacts from climate change to identify climate risks on vulnerable populations (in partnership with all communities).	
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish a protocol for extreme weather alerts and flooding updates 	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	None	

Strategy P2: Foster a culture of climate change awareness		
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Mitigation impact: indirect	Adaptation impact: indirect
	Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support Sustainable Peterborough and other local organizations in hosting regular events focused on climate change (speaker series, annual event, etc.) Support Sustainable Peterborough in seeking buy-in and endorsement/support for the shared vision and goals of Community Climate Change Action Plan from existing groups and organizations in the Greater Peterborough Area Support Sustainable Peterborough to host a community, youth, adult, and senior climate change champion through the annual Sustainable Peterborough Awards 	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	Impact on GHG emissions nominal	

Strategy P3: Encourage civic engagement around climate change		
Primary Action	Mitigation impact: indirect	Adaptation impact: indirect
	Develop a charter and guidelines (engagement strategy) to foster meaningful community engagement in climate change issues and environmental stewardship (partnership amongst all communities).	
Supporting Actions/ Policies	Supporting Actions & Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support Sustainable Peterborough to establish a youth advisory committee on climate change to empower youth to take action on climate change 	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential	Impact on GHG emissions nominal	

Decarbonization of the Electric Grid

Since the baseline year of 2011, the Province of Ontario has taken steps to reduce the GHG emissions associated with the electrical grid. For example, it closed all of its coal-fired power plants. This in turn will result in significant GHG Emission Reduction Potential for the Trent Lakes community, totalling 2,545 tonnes of CO₂e/per year.

Section 3: Corporate Action Plan

Where are we now?

In 2011, 825 tonnes of CO₂e were emitted by the Municipality of Trent Lakes' corporate operations. The business-as-usual forecast for the corporate operations is based on annual growth rates derived from official population projections. Emissions from corporate operations are projected to increase to 984 tCO₂e per year by 2031 if the Municipality continued to operate as it did in the baseline year without taking any actions to reduce GHG emissions. For further details on the Trent Lakes' baseline corporate emissions (PCP Milestone 1), please see the Appendix attached to this chapter entitled *Trent Lakes Corporate and Community Emissions Inventory*.

Where do we want to go?

Trent Lakes is aiming to achieve a 26% reduction in its corporate GHG emissions from the 2011 baseline by 2031. This is equivalent to 216 less tonnes of CO₂e emitted per year by 2031, which would put the Township's corporate emissions at 609 tonnes of CO₂e per year by 2031 compared to the current 825 tonnes per year.

How are we going to get there?

The following table details the strategies and actions that Trent Lakes will use to achieve its corporate GHG emissions reduction target.

Municipality of Trent Lakes Corporate Action Plan	Timeframe			
	Underway or Complete	Short (1-4 years)	Med (5-9 years)	Long (10+ years)
Buildings				
Strategy 1: Institutionalize energy efficiency and low carbon thinking into the organization				
Continue to implement employee training for energy efficiency	X	X	X	X
Continue to reinforce staff culture of conservation and behaviour change programs to reduce usage of electricity and heating in day-to-day activities	X	X	X	X
Continue to implement policy to consider highest energy efficiency as part of procurement requirements and evaluation	X	X	X	X
Monitor incentive programs offered through electricity providers and natural gas providers to be leveraged for implementing energy efficiency improvements		X	X	X
GHG Emission Reduction Potential: In-direct GHG reductions				

Strategy 2: Enhance operational efficiency of existing buildings				
Formalize and continue to deliver an equipment preventative maintenance program on an ongoing basis	X	X	X	X
Conduct regular energy audits of Township facilities on a rotational basis to identify opportunities for improved efficiency and produce annual energy report cards		X	X	X
Explore installation of building automation systems to optimize building operations where feasible			X	X
Conduct building re-commissioning to optimize building operations where applicable			X	X
Continue to implement the utility bill validation process to identify and correct any billing issues and variations in energy usage	X	X	X	X
GHG Emission Reduction Potential: 7 tonnes of CO₂e/per year				
Strategy 3: Build municipal facilities to ensure high environmental performance				
Establish a Green New Building Policy to require new municipal buildings and major renovations be built to high environmental standards		X		
GHG Emission Reduction Potential: 26 tonnes of CO₂e/per year				
Strategy 4: Improve environmental performance of existing municipal facilities				
Conduct audits/assessments of each facility to identify opportunities to improve energy efficiency	X			
Implement an interior and exterior LED lighting retrofit program in remaining all facilities where feasible	X	X	X	X
Replace appliances with Energy STAR rated appliances as needed	X	X	X	X
Continue to upgrade insulation/building envelopes according to building assessments		X	X	X
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fire Halls and Buckhorn Tourist Booth completed 				
Continue to replace windows and doors with high efficiency according to building assessments			X	X
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fire Halls completed Deer Bay School in 2017 				
Continue to replace mechanical equipment (boilers, chillers, air conditioning units) in remaining facilities with high efficiency according to building assessments	X	X	X	X
Continue to upgrade fans and blowing equipment in remaining facilities according to building assessments	X	X	X	
GHG Emission Reduction Potential: 97 tonnes of CO₂e/per year				
Strategy 5: Utilize renewable energy sources				
Continue to install solar photovoltaic panels and other renewable energy options when feasible	X	X	X	X
Explore converting electric hot water heaters to solar		X		
Continue to work with Peterborough Utilities to explore feasibility of hydro energy generation	X			
GHG Emission Reduction Potential: 5 tonnes of CO₂e/per year				

Fleet				
Strategy 6: Transition the municipal fleet to be more efficient and less carbon emitting				
Develop and implement a Green Fleet Strategy and replacement schedule				
• Right sizing vehicle/appropriate vehicle class (fit-for purpose vehicles) through replacement schedule				
• Transitioning to low emission and alternative fuel vehicles (e.g. clean diesel, advanced natural gas, ethanol, or hybrid)	X	X	X	
• Use of anti-idling technology				
• Fuel and vehicle performance monitoring				
Implement an operator training and education program (e.g. eco driving and anti-idling)	X	X	X	
Continue with preventative maintenance program for vehicles and equipment	X	X	X	X
Explore conducting vehicle/fuel performance audits	X			
GHG Emission Reduction Potential: 164 tonnes of CO ₂ e/per year				
Water Services				
Strategy 7: Enhance operational efficiency of the water services system				
Upgrade drinking water supply system pumps	X			
Upgrade remaining mechanical equipment as recommended in energy audits	X	X		
Continue to deliver preventative maintenance program	X	X	X	X
Continue to encourage OCWA deliver operator training and education programming	X	X	X	X
Continue to monitor and track energy performance	X	X	X	X
GHG Emission Reduction Potential: 6 tonnes of CO ₂ e/per year				
Streetlighting				
Strategy 8: Improve energy efficiency of the streetlighting system				
Retrofit all street lighting and parking lot lighting to LED	X			
GHG Emission Reduction Potential: 2 tonnes of CO ₂ e/per year				
Solid Waste				
Strategy 9: Reduce the amount of organic waste generated through municipal operations				
Continue to participant in the office waste reduction and diversion initiatives	X	X	X	X
Continue to collect organic waste from Township offices and manage in backyard composters	X	X	X	X
Continue to monitor and track corporate waste generation and diversion	X	X	X	X
Formally adopt a corporate green procurement policy	X			
GHG Emission Reduction Potential: 3 tonnes of CO ₂ e/per year				

Decarbonization of Electricity Grid

Since the baseline year of 2011, the Province of Ontario has taken steps to reduce the GHG emissions associated with the electrical grid. For example, it closed all of its coal-fired power plants. This in turn will result in significant GHG Emission Reduction Potential for Trent Lakes' corporate emissions, totalling 65 tonnes of CO₂e/per year.



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Peterborough Area Climate Change Action Plan
Township of Trent Lakes – Corporate and Community Emissions Inventory
Partners for Climate Protection Milestone 1
November 17, 2015

1 Introduction and Overview

Greater Peterborough Area Climate Change Action Plan

Sustainable Peterborough is developing a Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP) for the Greater Peterborough Area to reduce local contributions to climate change and prepare the community for present and expected changes that will occur as a result of our changing climate. This Plan represents an integrated approach to dealing with some of the most important issues related to the sustainability of this diverse region. The overall objective of the CCAP is to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, reduce the use of fossil fuels, lower energy consumption, and adapt to changing climate.

The Plan will identify goals, actions, and emission reduction targets that fit with and address the needs of each municipality and First Nation within the Greater Peterborough Area. This report summarizes the baseline greenhouse gas emissions for the Township of Trent Lakes, both from corporate operations and from community sources to satisfy Milestone 1 of the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Program.

Partners for Climate Protection Program

The PCP program is a network of Canadian local governments that have made a commitment to reduce GHG emissions and act on climate change. Administered by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the program has over 225 local and regional governments participating. The City of Peterborough joined the program in December 2000. The County of Peterborough and the eight Townships have all joined in 2014 and 2015.

The Climate Change Action Plan is following the PCP's five-milestone framework for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions (i.e. climate mitigation). The five-milestone framework is a performance-based model used to guide communities to reduce GHG emissions. Once a milestone is completed, the community – typically led by the local municipality – submits their material to the PCP program for a technical review and approval. To prepare the Climate Change Action Plan, the following 5 milestones will be completed:

1. Establish a GHG inventory and forecast
2. Set emission reduction targets
3. Develop Climate Change Action Plans
4. Implement the local action plans
5. Monitor progress and report on results

Milestone 1 – GHG Inventory and Forecast

A greenhouse gas inventory brings together data on community and municipal sources of greenhouse gas emissions to estimate emissions for a given year. For the Greater Peterborough Area Climate Action Plan, 2011 has been selected as the baseline year. Establishing a baseline is a useful tool to identify areas for improvement, inform development of a GHG reduction action plan, estimate cost savings from reductions, and serve as a reference point to track improvements. Associated with the baseline GHG inventory is also a forecast that projects future emissions based on assumptions about population, economic growth and fuel mix.

Two separate GHG inventories and forecasts have been created for the Township of Trent Lakes: one for municipal corporate operations and one for community sources. The inventories consist of the following sources of GHG emissions.

Corporate Operations Inventory	Community Inventory
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Buildings • Streetlighting • Water and sewage treatment • Municipal fleet • Solid waste 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residential • Commercial and institutional • Industrial • Transportation • Solid waste

Details of each inventory are provided in Sections 2 and 3 of this report.

2 Township of Trent Lakes Corporate Emission Inventory

The Corporate inventory tracks emissions from municipal operations. The criteria for including emissions in the corporate inventory relies on the concept of *operational control*, and requires the municipality to report all emissions from operations over which it has control.

Township of Trent Lakes Corporate Emissions Inventory

In 2011, 824 tonnes of CO₂e were emitted by the Township of Trent Lakes' corporate operations. Breakdowns of emissions by sector and source are presented visually in Figure 1 and summarized in Figure 2 below.

Fig 1. Township of Trent Lakes Corporate Emissions by Sector and Source

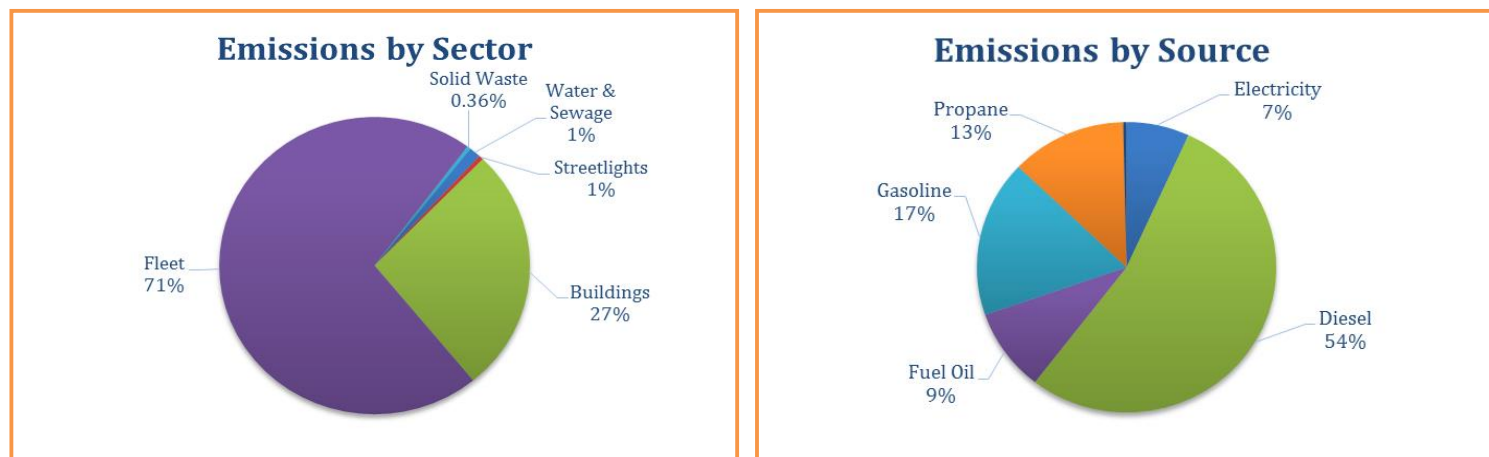


Fig 2. Township of Trent Lakes Corporate Tonnes CO₂e by Sector and Source

Sector	Emissions (tCO ₂ e)
Buildings	221
Fleet	586
Water & Sewage	10
Streetlighting	4
Solid Waste	3
Total	824

Source	Emissions (tCO ₂ e)
Natural Gas	0
Electricity	56
Gasoline	144
Diesel	443
Propane	103
Fuel Oil	76
Solid Waste	3
Total	825

(Note: totals are not equal due to rounding)

Corporate Operations Data Summary

Energy consumption for **buildings**, and **water and sewage** were determined using actual billed electricity and heating fuel data provided by the municipality. **Fleet** fuel consumption was based on actual consumption data for litres of gasoline and diesel provided by the municipality – for some departments the earliest year available was 2012 so data from that year has been used.

Energy consumption for **streetlighting** was estimated based on the number, type, and lighting schedules for Trent Lake’s streetlight inventory.

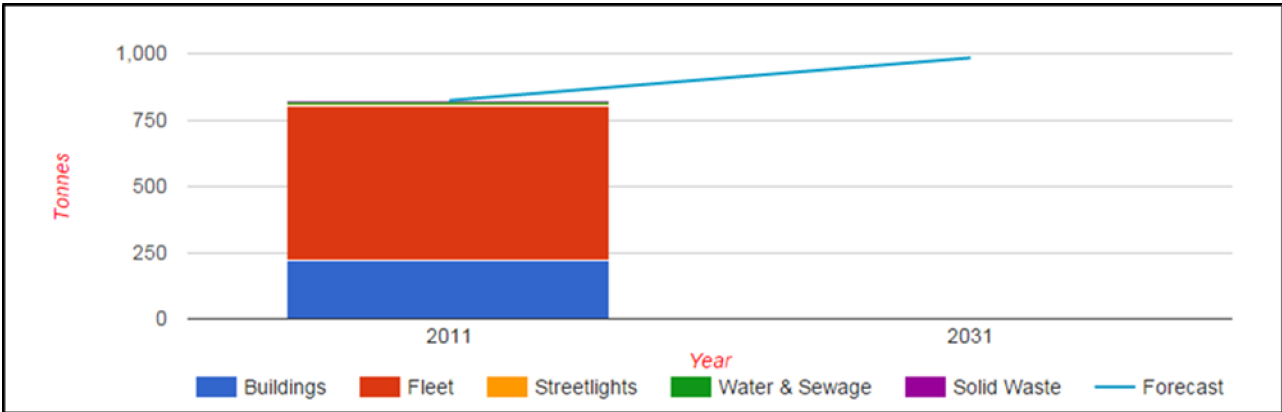
Solid Waste emissions are estimated assumptions about the total volume of waste produced yearly at Trent Lakes buildings.

All **emissions coefficients** are derived from Canada’s *National Inventory Report*, in line with PCP methodologies, and electricity emissions factors reflect the carbon intensity of Ontario’s electricity grid for 2011.

Business-As-Usual Forecast for Township of Trent Lakes Corporate Operations

A business-as-usual (BAU) forecast is an estimate of annual GHG emissions into the future considered projected population growth if the Township continues to operate exactly as it did in 2011 (i.e. if nothing is done to reduce emissions). The BAU forecast for the corporate operations is based on annual growth rates derived from official population projections. It was assumed that municipal operations would increase with population growth – this aligns with standard PCP methodology for creating BAUs. Emissions from corporate operations is projected to increase to 984 tCO2e per year by 2031, compared to 824 tCO2e per year in 2011. This BAU projection is presented in Figure 3 below.

Fig 3. Township of Trent Lakes Corporate BAU Forecast – 2011-2031



3 Community Emission Inventory

The Community inventory tracks emissions from all community sources, including electricity use and heating in homes and businesses, transportation, waste generation, and agricultural production. The municipality may or may not have a direct influence over any of these emissions.

Township of Trent Lakes Community Emissions Inventory

In 2011, 23,144 tonnes of CO₂e were emitted by the Township of Trent Lakes community. Breakdowns of emissions by sector and source are presented visually in Figure 4 and summarized in Figure 5 below.

Fig 4. Township of Trent Lakes Community Emissions by Sector and Source

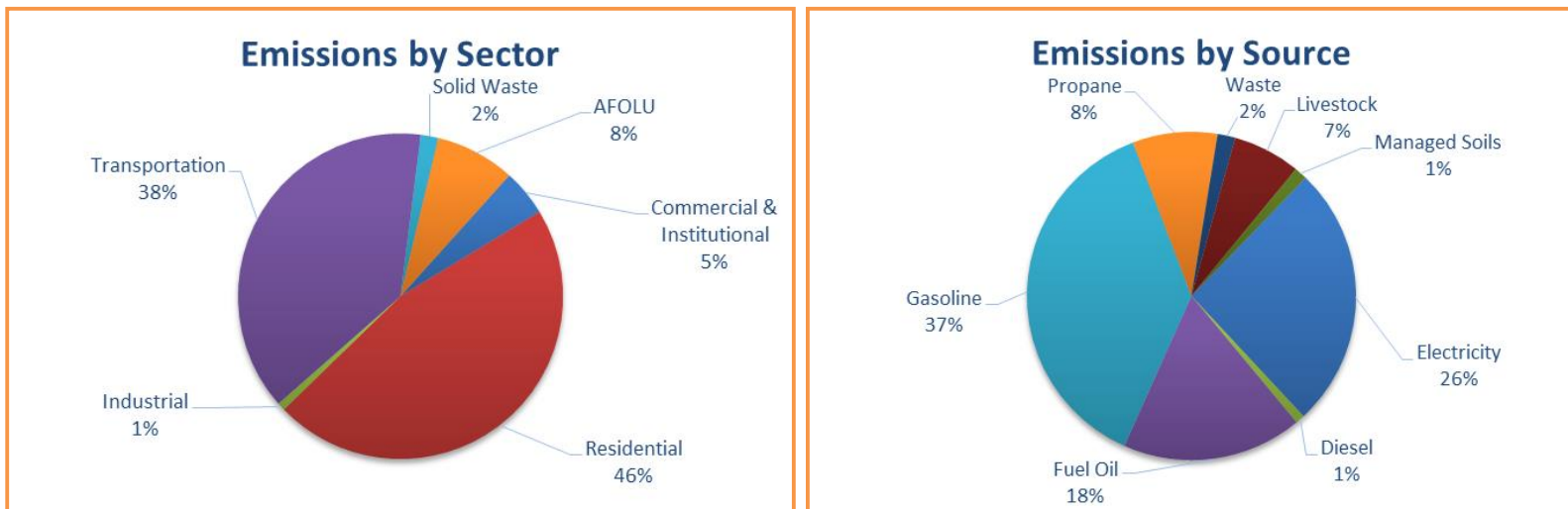


Fig 5. Township of Trent Lakes Community Tonnes CO₂e by Sector and Source

Sector	Emissions (tCO ₂ e)
Residential	10,747
Commercial and Institutional	1,077
Industrial	179
Transportation	8,904
Waste	405
Agriculture Forestry and Other Land Uses	1,832
Total	23,144

(Note: totals are not equal due to rounding)

Source	Emissions (tCO ₂ e)
Natural Gas	0
Electricity	5,981
Gasoline	8,676
Diesel	206
Propane	1,936
Fuel Oil	4,109
Solid Waste	405
Livestock	1,541
Managed Soils	291
Total	23,145

Community Data Summary

For emissions from stationary energy (residential, commercial and institutional, and industrial), where possible energy consumption was based on actual metered energy consumption data provided by local utilities.

Electricity consumption data was provided by Hydro One. There is no Natural Gas service in Trent Lakes.

For **Fuel Oil** and **Propane**, no real consumption data could be acquired. As a result, consumption was estimated by taking the number allocating those to electric heating, propane, and heat oil respectively based on Natural Resources Canada (NRCAN) averages for heating fuel type for Ontario and information about the structure of the heating fuel market in Peterborough County. Once households had been allocated to each fuel type, total consumptions were estimated using average consumption rates for those fuel types by household for Ontario. No estimates of Fuel Oil and Propane consumption for non-residential categories could be determined. These

estimates contain a high level of uncertainty and should be revised if better data can be acquired from local heating fuel providers.

Estimates for **Transportation** fuel consumption were based on a resident activity/ vehicle kilometers travelled (VKT) model where total VKT's were estimated using household surveys of daily trip length conducted by Transportation Tomorrow. Once a model of VKT's was derived, fuel consumption was estimated by allocating kilometers across a vehicle mix derived from actual vehicle registration data provided by the Clean Air Partnership, and average fuel consumption rates for those vehicle types derived from NRCAN. The result was a model of Gasoline, Diesel, and Propane consumption for the Transportation sector. Because the transportation model is based on resident activity surveys, it does not include emissions from the commercial sector or non-automobile emissions (water travel and air travel), these are areas for future improvement.

Solid Waste emissions were estimated by taking the quantity of waste collected at the Peterborough City and County Waste Management Facility (PCCWMF) from Trent Lakes, and estimates for the waste stream and gas collection performance from PCCWMF.

Due to the rural nature of the project area for the GPA CCAP, a model of emissions from **Agriculture, Forestry, and Other Land Uses (AFOLU)** has been created. Because data on land use change was not available for 20 years prior to the baseline year, no estimates for emissions from land use change have been reported here, however in future inventories it is anticipated that such estimates will be able to be created based on the baseline statistics for land use created for this project.

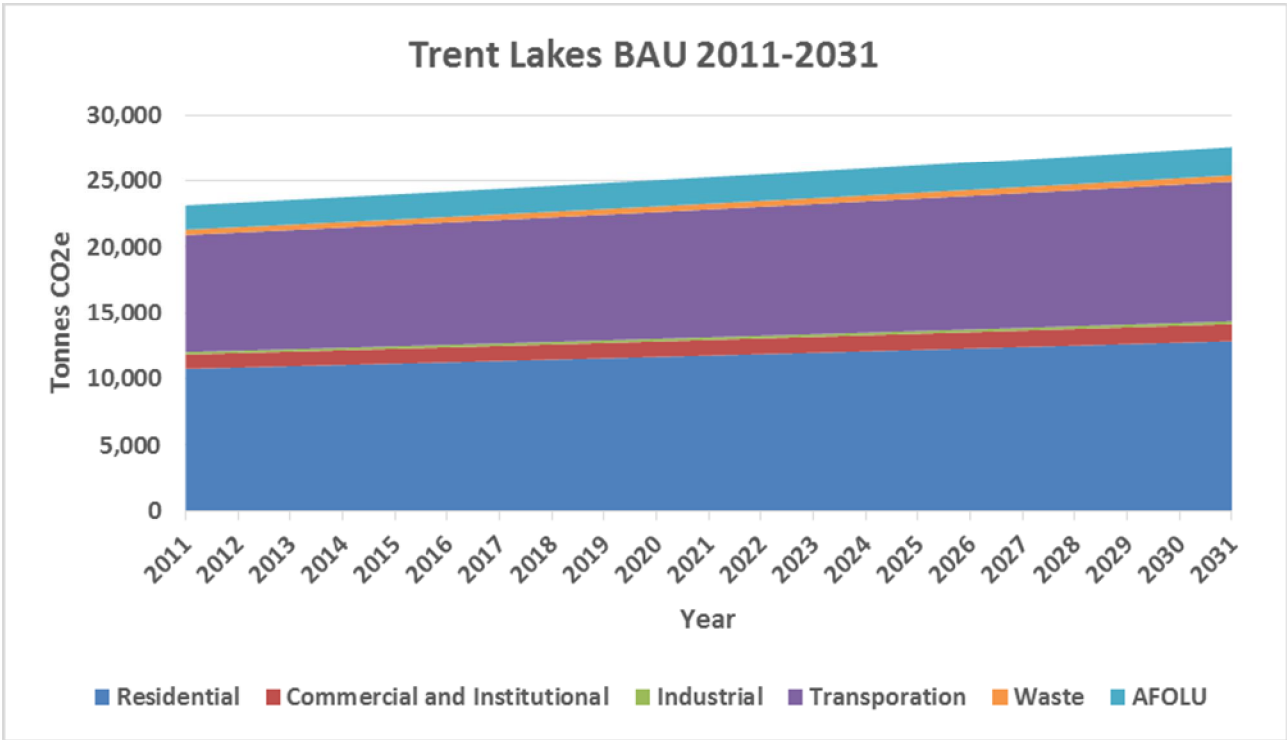
Emissions from **Managed Soils, Enteric Fermentation, and Manure Management** are based on a number of sources. Activity data for the sector are based on Statistics Canada data on the composition of livestock and crops in Trent Lakes's agricultural sector. Statistics Canada aggregates data for Trent Lakes with North Kawartha – these have been separated in this model using data on relative quantities of farm land in each community.

Emissions factors for animal types, manure management systems, and crops are based on estimates derived from Canada's National Inventory Report. Efforts have been made to be as comprehensive as possible, however, in some cases data to estimate emissions from certain sources was unavailable. Future improvements could be made with the help of more complete data, however, it is believed that all major emissions sources have been identified. In particular, estimates of emissions from enteric fermentation and manure management have a high degree of confidence.

Business-As-Usual Forecast for Township of Trent Lakes Community

A business-as-usual (BAU) forecast is an estimate of annual GHG emissions into the future considered projected population growth if the Township continues to operate exactly as it did in 2011 (i.e. if nothing is done to reduce emissions). The Community BAU forecasts are based on annual growth rates derived from official population projections in the Growth Plan. In line with PCP protocol methodologies, emissions for residential and transportation sectors were assumed to increase with population growth, while commercial, institutional, and industrial emissions were assumed to increase with projected employment growth. Based on the projected growth for the Township of Trent Lakes, community emissions are expected to grow to 27,610 tonnes CO₂e by 2031. This BAU projection is presented in Figure 6 below.

Fig 6. Township of Trent Lakes Community BAU Forecast – 2011-2031



4 Next Steps

Completion of the Milestone 1 baseline inventories is the first step in the Greater Peterborough Area Climate Change Action Plan. Next steps involve identifying opportunities to reduce GHG emissions based on the inventories and prepared itemized action plans with estimated GHG reductions and costs and establishing reduction targets. Actions identified in the action plans will be done in collaboration with the eleven other local governments in the Greater Peterborough Area to explore efficiencies and cumulative impacts. Ideas for actions will be based on best practice research, public input, and ongoing meetings with 80+ community organizations and stakeholders.