

The SCRD also offers a “No Charge” permit for utilizing alternative energy source technology such as Solar Hot Water heating and Geothermal heating for example, but inspections of these systems must still be done as there are other issues the Inspector must review and confirm.

The SCRD is pleased to work with owners of existing buildings as well as new construction to make all buildings as energy efficient as they can be.



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Energy Rebate Program



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The Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD) Building Department is offering, with support of the SCRD Board, rebates of **\$50 to \$150** on the Building Permit fee if certain energy retrofits or upgrades are utilized as part of new construction requiring a Building Permit.

The rebates apply to one of three categories:

1. New construction where Energy Advisers are involved with the design.

Where new construction is contemplated, the Energy Consultant must verify by way of an EnerGuide rating that firstly, EnerGuide 80 has been achieved to obtain occupancy and any further EnerGuide points indicated by the adviser will then make the project eligible for a rebate.

2. Renovations involving an Energy Consultant who reviews the upgrades.

Where a renovation/upgrade involving an energy retrofit combined with work requiring a building permit is contemplated, and an energy Consultant is part of the design, the SCRD Building Inspector will rely on the EnerGuide rating established before and after the work is completed in order to determine eligibility for a rebate.

3. Renovations where the SCRD Building Inspector reviews the upgrades.

Where a renovation takes place and energy upgrades are contemplated along with work requiring a building permit, and there is no energy adviser involved, a form must be filled out declaring what energy related work is to be undertaken. This form will then be part of the building permit issuance and the Building Inspector must view the site before work starts and at the completion of the work to determine eligibility for a rebate.

Rebates on permits apply only where a fee for a building permit is collected.

Below are additional incentive programs that may increase the return on your conservation investments:

LiveSmart BC Program (ends Mar 2013)

<http://www.livesmartbc.ca/incentives/efficiency-home/>

BC Hydro New Homes Program

http://www.bchydro.com/powersmart/builders_developers/new_home_program.html

FortisBC Incentives (program deadlines vary)

<http://www.fortisbc.com/Rebates/NaturalGasRebates/Pages/default.aspx>

For a thorough list of additional incentive programs visit:

<http://www.scrd.ca/Green-Grants-and -Rebates>

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