



News Release

Get Involved in the Community Climate Action Plan

This past year has seen the impact of climate change hit the Sunshine Coast like never before. We have experienced roads being washed out during atmospheric rivers, high risks to public health during heat domes, and severe drought in the Summer months.

In the face of a global climate emergency we must move swiftly. The SCRDR is leading the creation of a new regional Community Climate Action Plan (CCAP) to reduce emissions and enhance our region's resiliency to the effects of a changing climate, and we need your input.

The SCRDR recently [completed a greenhouse gas emissions inventory](#) and found that emissions have increased by 7.2% since 2007. Emissions mostly came from transportation (48%), industry (30%), and home heating (10%).

A [climate risk assessment](#) has also been done for the community. The findings show that there are significant risks to public health, essential infrastructure and homes from extreme weather events, and increasing risk of loss of biodiversity and ecosystem damage from rising sea levels and warmer temperatures both on land, and in the ocean.

Engagement activities in the coming months will help establish targets for reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the community, and develop actions that we can all take to reduce emissions and the impacts of climate change.

To get involved – check out letstalk.scrd.ca/climate. On this community page you can find out more about the project, and have a chance to provide feedback and ideas. A survey where we need your input on the plan will be launched later in July. Right now, you can complete a poll on the community page to identify the risks that you are most concerned about.

The SCRDR will be carrying out various activities during the summer, from information booths to focus groups, that will help us provide information and collect data which will guide the Community Climate Action Plan. Subscribe to stay up to date at letstalk.scrd.ca/climate.

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