

# Update on Environmental Protection Council Priority

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Buildings









Parks

Environment & climate connections









Drinking water



### Kelowna's natural environment

- ▶ 27 creeks
- ▶ 200 wetlands
- Ecosystems for fish and wildlife
- Habitat for rare and threatened plant and animal species
- ▶ 28% assessed as sensitive
- Critical migration corridor
- Good air quality



## Assessing progress on environmental protection

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- ▶ Biodiversity
- ▶ Waste reduction
- ► Climate mitigation
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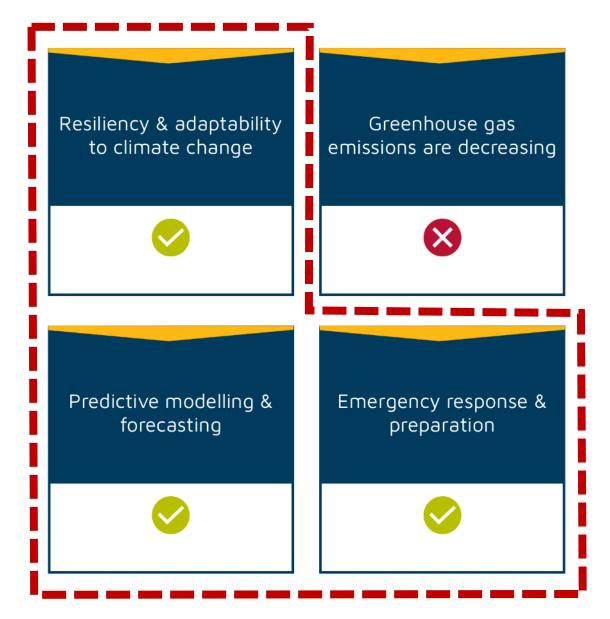


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### Climate projections



Warmer temperatures



Drier summers



Longer growing season



Warmer winters



More precipitation



Shifting Seasons



Adaptation, modeling, response progress

- ▶ Fuel modification
- ▶ Flood models
- ► Irrigation water consumption predictor
- ▶ Improvements to stream capacity
- ► Changes to development standards

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Adaptation options

- Climate adaptation plan
   actions to live with the effects of global warming
- Climate resiliency plan –
  mitigation and
  adaptation to become
  resilient to climate
  change



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### Council Priority Environmental protection

Greenhouse gas emissions are decreasing



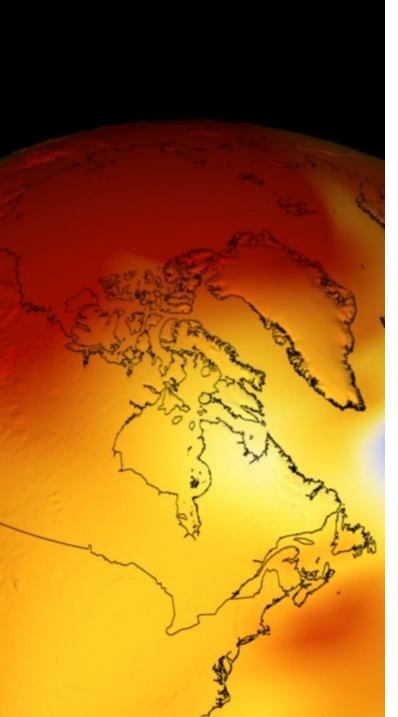
Corporate GHG emissions

**▲**2. Community GHG emissions

### Corporate GHG Emissions

- Account for approx. 1% of community GHG emissions
- Historical corporate GHG emissions data being reconciled to establish performance trend

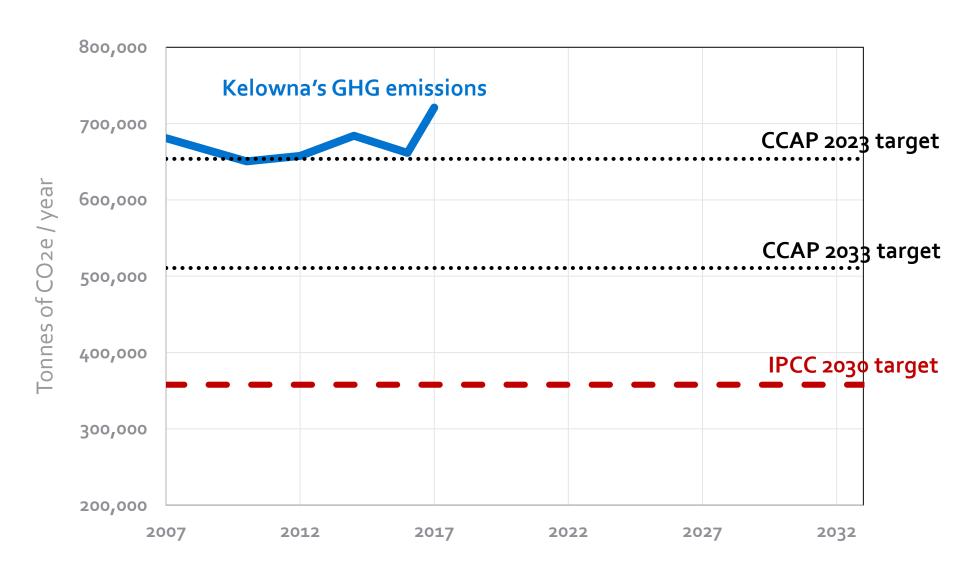




### Global Emissions

- ► Reduce GHG emissions by 45% by 2030
- ▶ Limit warming to 1.5 degrees
- ► Unprecedented change needed for land use, transportation and buildings
- Local governments investigate how to accelerate GHG reduction or determining actions to align with IPCC

### Kelowna's community GHG emissions



### CCAP progress

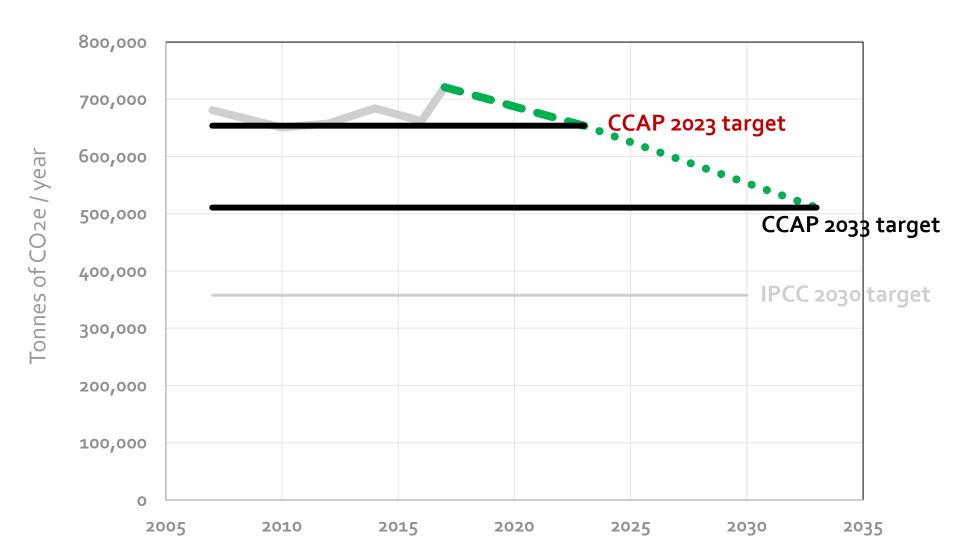
	Actions with existing				Actions with additional			
	resources				resources			
	Ongoing/ Complete	In progress	Not started	Total actions	Ongoing/ Complete	In progress	Not started	Total actions
Ongoing	11	2	0	13	0	0	2	2
Years 0 - 2 (2018 - 2020)	5	11	3	19	0	4	1	5
Years 3 - 5 (2021 – 2023)	0	1	1	2	0	3	3	6
Total	16	14	4	34	0	7	6	13



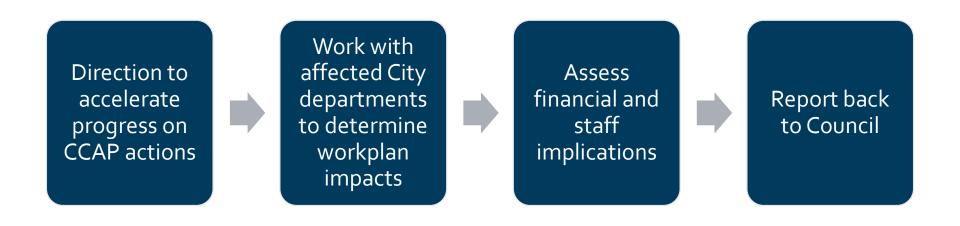
### GHG Emissions Reduction Options



### Option: Accelerate Progress on CCAP



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### Example: Accelerate Progress for Transportation

What we are doing Develop an Electric Vehicle Strategy (CCAP Action T6)

Accelerate progress implementation of the EV Strategy once complete



## Example: Accelerate Progress in **Buildings**

### What we are doing

Developing a Community Energy Retrofit Strategy (CCAP Action B<sub>4</sub>)

### Accelerate progress

Investigate financing models and provide municipal incentives to support city-wide deep energy retrofits (CCAP Action B10)



## Example: Accelerate Progress for Planning

What we are doing

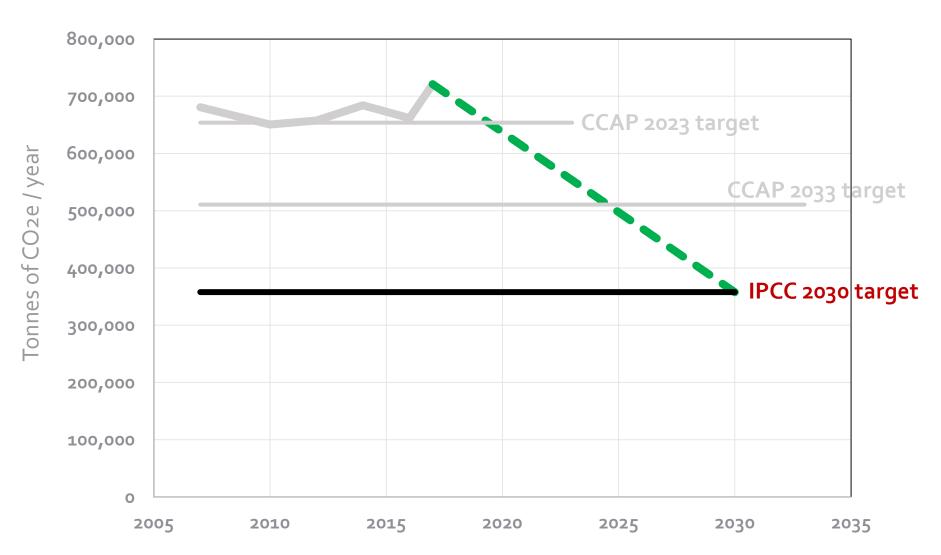
CCAP Action LU4)

Accelerate progress

Accelerate implementation of the OCP (once complete)



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#### Agree to align with the IPCC recommendations to limit global warming to 1.5 °C by 2030

May include a Council Declaration of a Climate Emergency

Council may direct staff to determine what policy alignment would look like (normally with either added staff and/or financial commitments)



#### Revise community and corporate GHG emissions reduction targets

Most local governments have adopted the revised target of reducing community and corporate GHG emissions by 45-50% below 2007 levels by 2030

May also include a longer-term commitment to be net-zero (i.e., carbon neutral) by 2050.



#### Develop an action plan to achieve the revised GHG emissions reduction targets

Typically results in a revised Climate Action Plan or an entirely new plan (e.g., Climate Resiliency Plan).

Typically involves added resources (either staff and/or financial commitments) to implement the plan

### Example policies to align with IPCC



By 2030, over half of the kilometres driven on Kelowna's roads will be by zero emissions vehicles.



Increase bicycle ridership and micro electric mobility to reach 10% of all trips taken by 2030, with further increases to 2050.



Each year, 10% of existing residential buildings will receive deep energy retrofits.

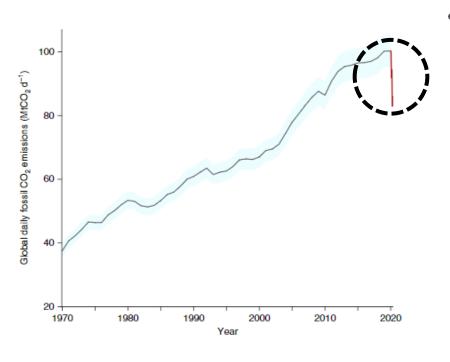


All new buildings will meet the top performance level of the BC Energy Step Code by 2025, with incentives for new buildings to install low-carbon energy systems.



By 2025, all new and replacement heating and hot water systems will be zero emissions.

### GHG Emissions During COVID-19



- Government policies during COVID-19 restrictions reduced transportation and changed consumption patterns
  - Daily CO<sub>2</sub> emissions decreased by 17% at the peak of restrictions in April
  - 2020 annual CO2 emissions reduction expected between 4-7%



#### Questions?

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