UBC CLIMATE ACTION LEADERSHIP

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- Setting the Context
- UBC Climate Action Planning
- Big Bold Moves
- Key factors in advancing toward carbon Neutrality
- Looking Ahead

UBC CONTEXT

Vancouver Campus

- 1000 acre campus
- 44,000+ students (FTE)
- 13,000+ staff and faculty (FTE)
- 20,000 residents
- 500+ buildings
- 15 million sf building floorspace
- 80,000+ daytime population







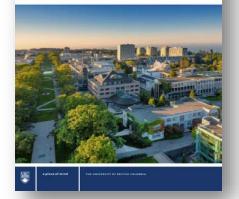
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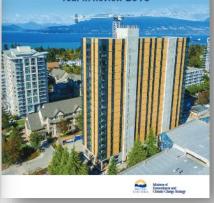


Climate Action Plan 2020

VANCOUVER CAMPUS



Carbon Neutral GOVERNMENT Year in Review 2016





PAN-CANADIAN FRAMEWORK

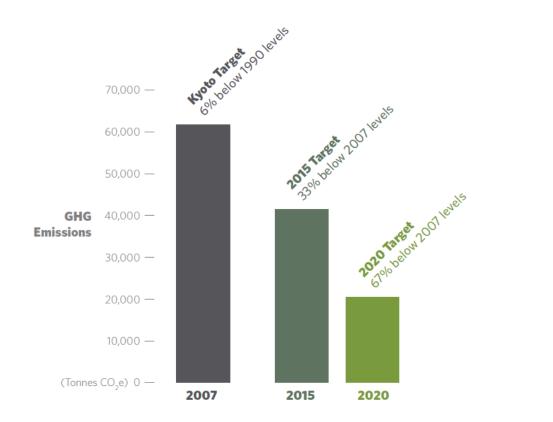


on Clean Growth and Climate Change

Canada's Plan to Address Climate Change and Grow the Economy

UBC CLIMATE ACTION: TARGETS

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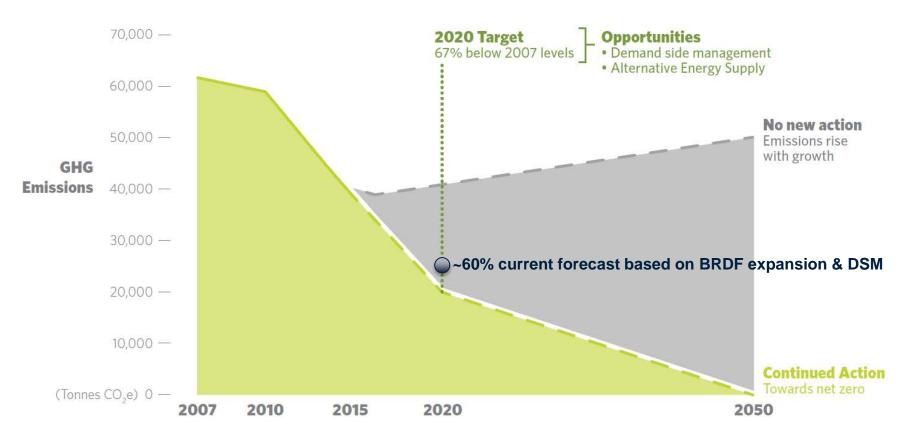
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UBC CLIMATE ACTION: PROGRESS



ADVANCING TOWARD ZERO CARBON

Academic District Energy System Bio-energy Research and Demonstration Facility Continuous Optimization Building Tune-Up



22% GHG Reduction (11,000 tonnes GHG/yr) 11% GHG Reduction (8,000 tonnes GHG/yr) Recommission over 72+ buildings (4,000 tonnes + 3,000 tonnes for new green bldgs)







ENERGY AND CARBON TARGETS



INSTITUTIONAL BUILDING TARGETS

New institutional buildings will meet incrementally reduced energy targets to be Net Positive Ready by

 Target: Reduce average building thermal energy us intensity (TEDI plus DHW) for campus buildings by to 75 kwh/m2/yr by 2050.

 Target: Reduce the performance gap between moc and metered energy use in new institutional buildi 75% within three years of occupancy by 2020

MASS TIMBER: EMBODIED CARBON



First Nations House of Learning 1992 Larry McFarland Architects



Centre for Interactive Research on Sustainability 2011 Perkins+Will Architects

Campus Energy Centre 2015 DIALOG



Brock Commons Tall Wood

PASSIVE HOUSE & NET ZERO



Net Zero Energy Ready and Passive House Certification: Evolve Faculty and Staff Housing Project

CLIMATE ACTION ENGAGEMENT

Seasonal Shut Down

 1,023 UBC participants

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- Contributed to* 900,000 kWh electricity 3,000 GJ of natural gas 150 tonnes of carbon



Contributed to*
 \$90,000 savings

sustain.ubc.ca/shutdown

Before you leave for the holidays...

Cool Campus Challenge

- 500+ students pledged
- Promotes individual climate actions, and helps enable UBC to make temperature adjustments in buildings to significantly reduce energy and GHG emissions



Green Labs Program

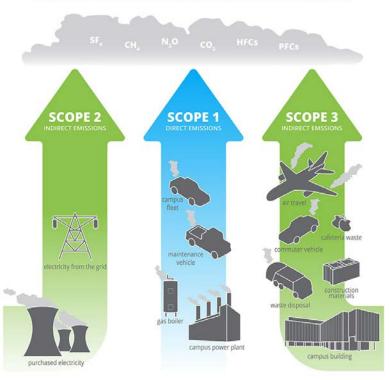
- 2000+ UBC researchers engaged
- Pilot scale savings: 100,000+ kWh electricity 200+ GJ natural gas
- \$10,000 savings. Full scale implementation expected to achieve \$50,000+ annually



*Reductions primarily due to building temperature turndowns. Direct behaviour change savings are likely small, but engagement contributes to overall initiative success & reduces barriers to turndowns.

UBC CAP 2030-EXPANDED SCOPE & ACCELERATION

COMMON SOURCES OF UNIVERSITY GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS



Expanded to include Scope 3
emissions with a focus on:
Air Travel emissions
Food systems
Commuting







