

Lasting Legacy: Sharing Outputs of the Together for Climate Project

Thursday, October 15, 2020

10:00 am – 11:30 am PT



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FOR CLIMATE



Our Agenda

10:00- 10:05	Welcome and Introductions
10:05 – 11:05	Speaker Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hana Lapp, ICLEI Canada• Maggie Baynham, District of Saanich• Chris Osborne, City of Campbell River• Nicole Smith, Archaeologist
11:05 – 11:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Q&A Period
11:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adjourn



The Together for Climate (T4C) Project

- Two-year project funded by the Real Estate Foundation of BC
- Worked with local and regional governments across Vancouver Island
- Objective – help municipalities move from climate change risk assessment, to planning, to action
- Outputs - a localized climate change adaptation plan and policy-guiding document for each municipality



Project Outcomes

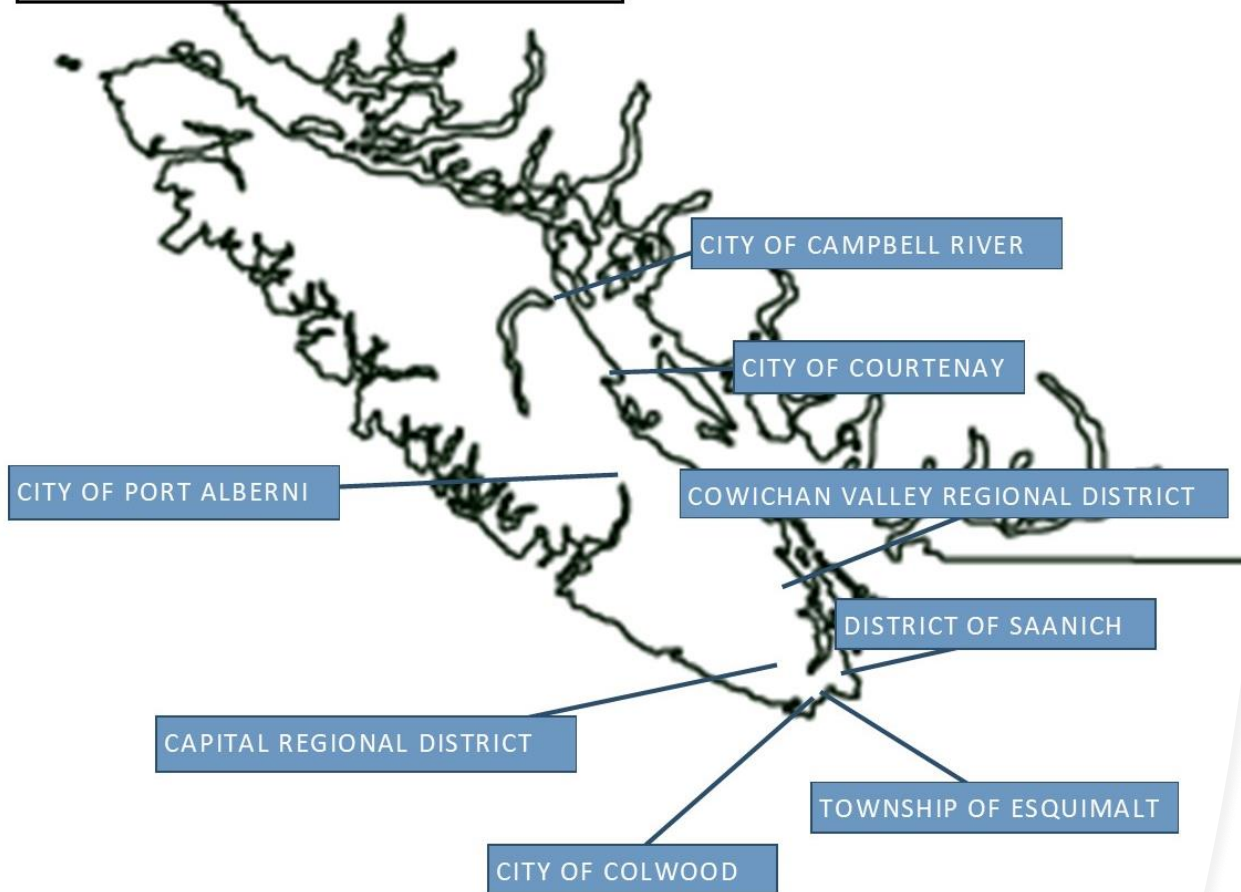
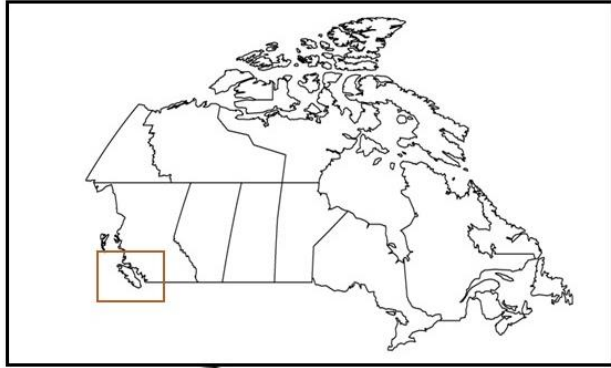
- A community-wide adaptation strategy or guiding document that includes actionable elements for the municipality and local stakeholders. Elements included in this plan would be:
 - Summary of locally relevant climate change projections and impacts
 - Completed community vulnerability and risk assessments
 - Adaptation vision, goals, and objectives
 - Community and corporate adaptation actions
 - Additional implementation considerations



Guiding Principles

- A Whole Systems Approach
 - Understanding that the natural, social, economic, and built systems are interrelated and constantly changing
 - Relates to climate impacts and risks - impacts in one area of a system can adversely affect another area
- Collaborative Co-Production
 - Plans and guidance documents were coproduced by the participating municipality and a variety of community partners.

Vancouver Island, British Columbia



A Regional Approach

- Worked with eight communities from across centre and southern Vancouver Island
- Each local government acted as a convener of a community supported process
- More than 25 workshops were held across the eight communities
- 165+ community partners, local stakeholders, and municipal staff were engaged

Our Methodology



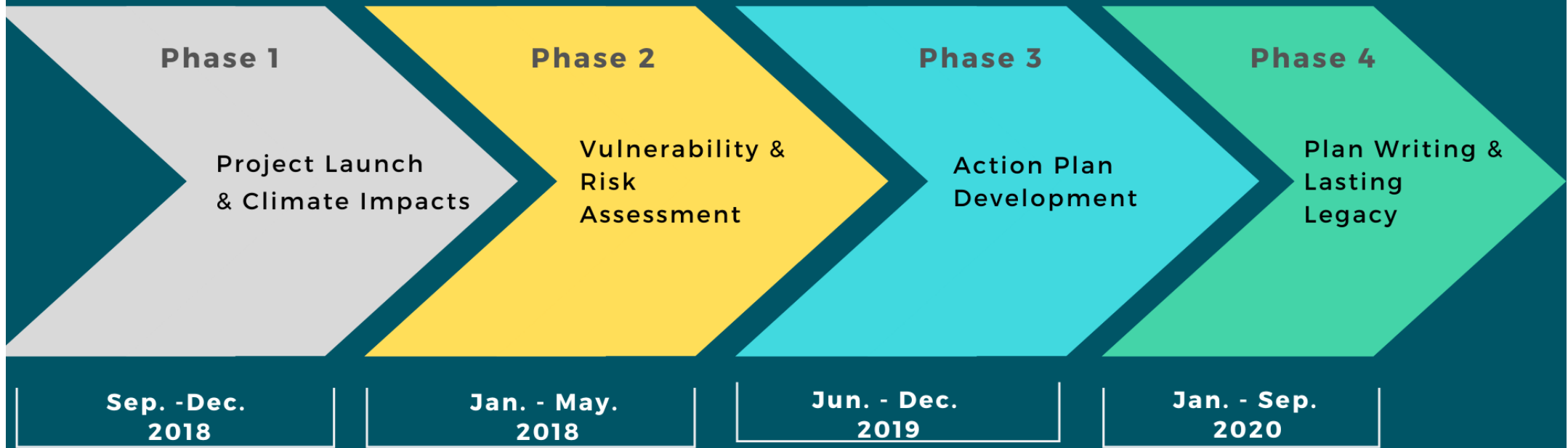
- The project followed ICLEI Canada's Building Adaptive and Resilient Communities (BARC) framework
- National program for Canadian communities
- A flexible five milestone framework
- Respond to the impacts of climate change
 - Protect the people, property, and prosperity of your community
- Municipalities apply a comprehensive methodology to municipal climate change adaptation
- Used by numerous municipalities throughout Canada
- Milestones 1 -3 were completed as part of T4C



Our Process

- Identify Stakeholders and Build an Adaptation Team
- Understand and Prioritize Climate Risks
 - Climate Science and Impacts
 - Vulnerability and Risk Assessments
- Identify Adaptation Actions and Implementation Considerations
- Developing a Final product

Together for Climate Project Timeline



1st Local Stakeholder Meeting:
Climate Science & Climate Impact Statements

Provincial Workshop 1:
Climate Science & Collaboration

2nd Local Stakeholder Meeting:
Vulnerability & Risk Assessment

3rd Local Stakeholder Meeting:
Action Goals & Objectives

Provincial Workshop 2:
Livable Cities Forum - Building Better Communities Through Resilience
Oct.28-30

4th Local Stakeholder Meeting:
Action Prioritization & Implementation

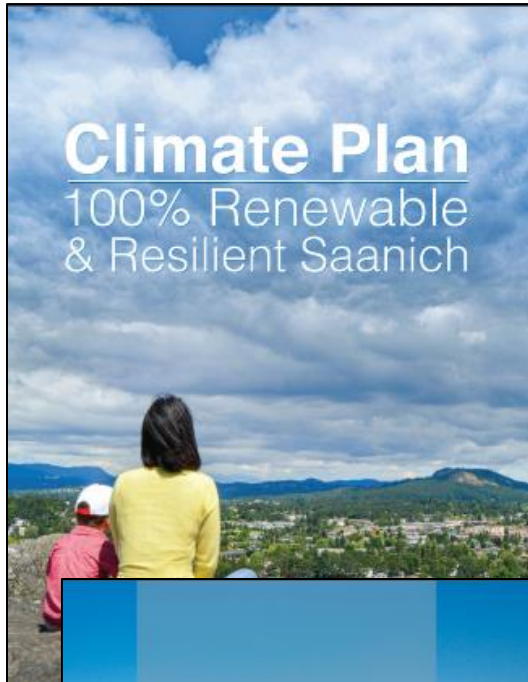
Provincial Workshop 3:
Together for Climate Webinar Series June 1-4

**Finalization of Plans
Dissemination
Success Story Webinars**



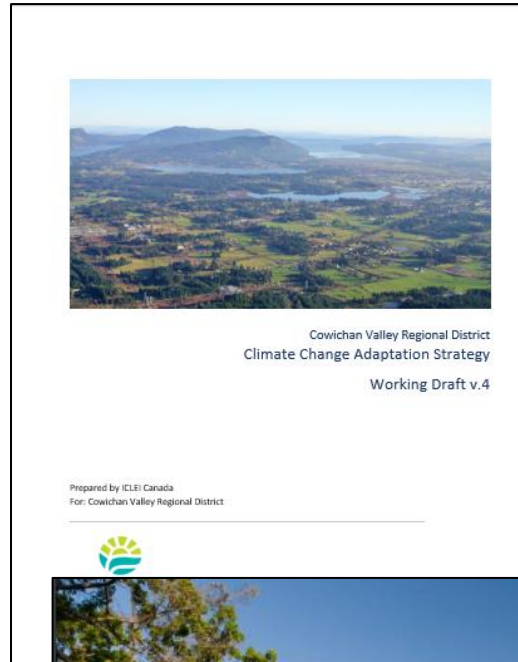
T4C & Working Around COVID

- March of this year we were faced with many questions regarding the uncertainties of the current reality
- Many municipal staff were seconded to support emergency management efforts
- From a project perspective, flexibility became key
 - Increase the availability of ICLEI staff for each participant
 - Move workshops to a digital format
 - Malleable with project outputs and timelines
- We are grateful for the participation and unwavering commitment of all municipalities in the project who forged ahead with us



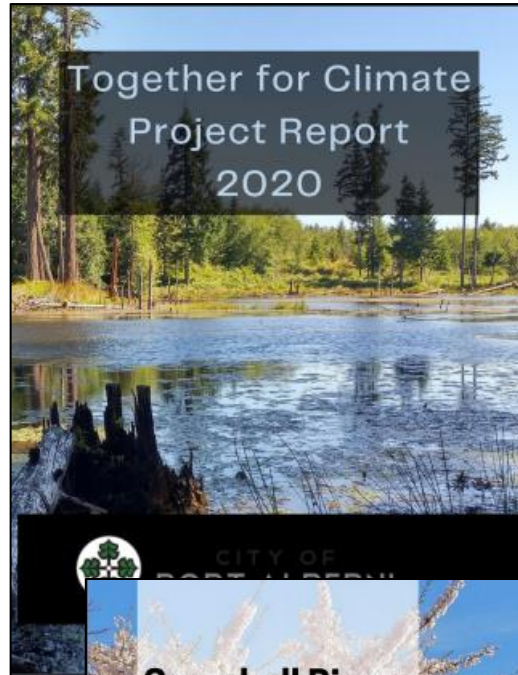
Climate Plan

100% Renewable
& Resilient Saanich



Cowichan Valley Regional District
Climate Change Adaptation Strategy
Working Draft v.4

Prepared by ICLEI Canada
For: Cowichan Valley Regional District



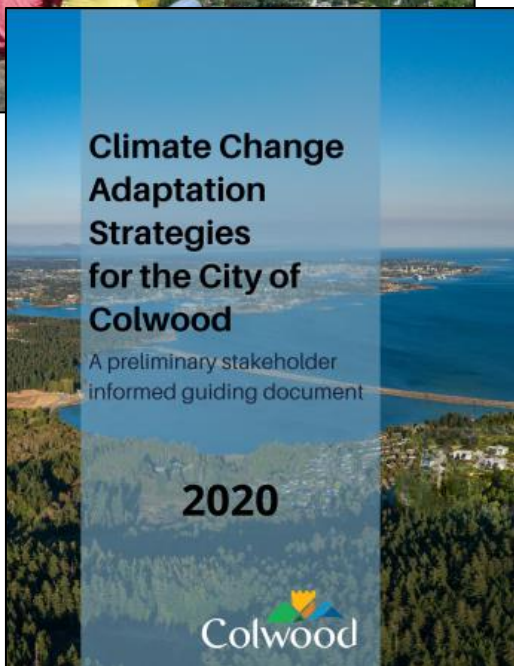
Together for Climate Project Report 2020



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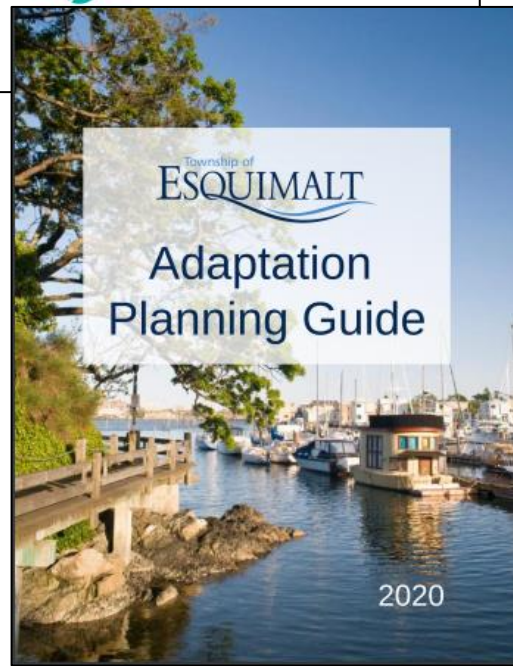
Community Climate Change Adaptation Priorities for the Capital Region District 2020



Climate Change Adaptation Strategies for the City of Colwood

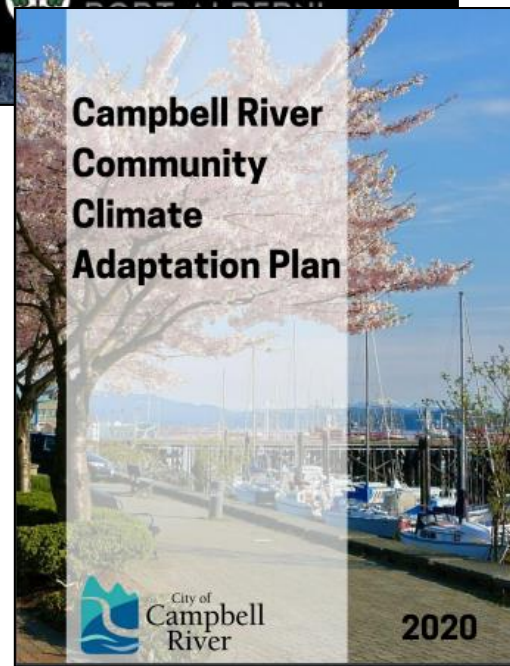
A preliminary stakeholder
informed guiding document

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Township of ESQUIMALT Adaptation Planning Guide

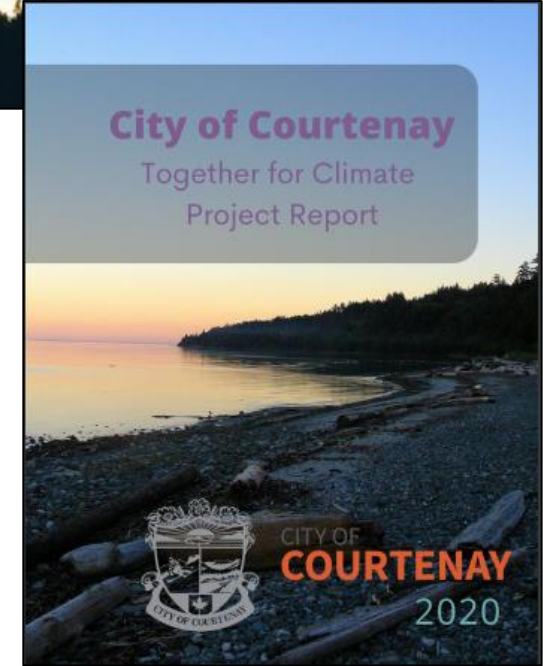
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Campbell River Community Climate Adaptation Plan



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City of Courtenay Together for Climate Project Report



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Lessons Learned

- The work should continue after the project ends - ensuring project outputs are useful for differing circumstances
- Adaptability and flexibility are essential to our work as climate practitioners
- We all move at a different pace



Identifying a Need: Cultural Heritage Planning & SLR

- Several T4C communities had concerns about the impacts of SLR on cultural/archaeological/indigenous sacred sites
- Question – what was the role of local governments in managing these sites and protecting them from SLR?
- ICLEI Canada partnered with an archaeologist specializing in cultural heritage
- Developed resource: *Considering Sea Level Rise and Cultural Heritage: A Resource for Municipalities*
 - Background information and strategies for municipal planners incorporating cultural heritage into sea level rise management and planning



Find out more online!

- The Together for Climate project page can now be found on ICLEI's website!
 - www.icleicanada.org/project/together-for-climate-project/
- The webpage includes:
 - Adaptation Plans and Guiding documents for the participating local and regional governments
 - T4C Output Report - documenting the process and lessons learned
 - *Considering Sea Level Rise and Cultural Heritage: A Resource for Municipalities*



Thank you!

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QUESTIONS?





Thank you to
all our T4C
participants!
