# Alberta Land-use Knowledge Network

#### September 2020

## **Planning to Address Climate Change**

The Land-use Knowledge Network was launched in 2011 and the Land Use Planning Hub in 2018. These two tools continue to grow and support research-based land use decision making throughout the province If this newsletter was forwarded to you, please consider subscribing to our monthly publication.

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# New on the Land Use Planning Hub

The Land Use Planning Hub is an informal network that supports the implementation of Alberta's regional plans. It is regularly updated with news, resources, and information on regional planning in Alberta. It was launched in 2018 as a complement to the Land-use Knowledge Network. Check out the resources and join the conversation.

For more information about the Land Use Planning Hub, contact the website's coordinator, Jeff Wiehler.



#### Wildlife Coexistence and Land Use Planning

Land use planning strategies to protect habitat and promote healthy interactions between humans and wildlife in Alberta.



#### **Resources for Land Use Decision Making**

To support decisions related to agricultural land use, the Government of Alberta has collected tools and resources for land use decision making.



**Sharing Municipal Data** 

Area

#### Alberta Municipal Data Sharing Partnership

The AMDSP is a partnership of 161 urban and rural municipalities and First Nations from throughout the province. Municipal data is collected and standardized, and it is shared among the municipalities and beyond to mapping services, public agencies and businesses.

#### Alberta Land-use Framework Region Explorer

Explore the seven Land-use Framework regions and compare the status of regional plans and vital statistics.



Population

## An Ongoing Request for Feedback

We would appreciate your input on what we can do to provide the tools and resources on topics that align with your 2020 land use planning priorities. Please complete our two-question poll so we can customize our planning resources to fit your needs.



The Oldman Watershed Council is looking for input to assist in shaping OWC content and programming in relation to agriculture in the Oldman Watershed. Please consider completing their short 3-5 minute survey.



The 10 municipalities in the Calgary Metropolitan Region (CMR) are working together to develop a long-term plan for managed, sustainable growth in the region, and they have some choices to make. The CMR Board wants to hear from Albertans living and working in the Calgary Metro Region to understand their priorities when it comes to growth in the region. An online public engagement campaign was launched July 24<sup>th</sup> that will run through September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The CMR Board invites Albertans to visit this link to join the conversation.

Share your thoughts about priorities for regional growth by completing the online survey by September 4th:

## Resources

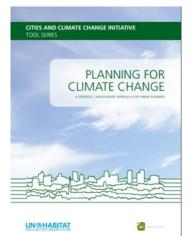
The Land-use Knowledge Network is a repository of a wide variety of resources to support your land use and planning research. Check out these items relating to stakeholder engagement planning...



#### **Policy on Climate Change Planning**

The Canadian Institute of Planners (CIP) recognizes that climate change planning (or, more accurately, climate change-informed planning) is the domain of all planners, including those working on energy, land-use, transportation, infrastructure, and community planning.

CIP envisions a future in which Canadian communities are planned, designed, developed, and managed to contribute to climate stability and to be more resilient in the face of unavoidable changes in the climate, and in the process, to become more liveable, prosperous, and equitable.



# UN Habitat: Planning for Climate Change: A Strategic, Values-Based Approach for Urban Planners

Planning for Climate Change: A strategic values-based approach for urban planners was developed for city planners and other professionals to better understand, assess and take action on climate change at the local level. While climate change is a global issue, this guide is specifically intended for urban communities in low and middle-income countries where the challenges are unique and the stakes of planning for climate change are particularly high.



Land use planning tools for local adaptation to climate change

# Government of Canada: Land Use Planning Tools for Local Adaptation to Climate Change

This document describes planning tools being used across Canada to help communities prepare for climate change, increase adaptive capacity and build resilience. It is directed to individuals and groups interested in climate change adaptation at the local level, including planners and other local government staff, elected officials, community organizations, local residents and business leaders.

Canada

#### Dekker, S. (2018). Cities leading climate action: Urban policy and planning. Routledge. (book)

MCCAC (2020, August 4). The definitive guide to achieving your municipal climate action plan. (webpage)

Sisson, P., Barber, M., & Walker, A. (2020, April 22). **101 ways to fight climate change: Even the smallest contributions can counter a global challenge.** (webpage)



#### **Municipal Climate Change Action Centre**

The MCCAC cares about how a changing climate impacts Alberta. They provide funding, technical assistance, and education to municipalities, schools, and community organizations, helping them lower energy costs, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and improve climate resilience. Since 2009, their award-winning work has supported hundreds of projects.



If you have an event, announcement, or new report that you would like to see included in our monthly newsletter, please email Linda with the details.

Many of the events noted here have been postponed due to the Covid19 pandemic. We will update our events pages as soon as we receive new information on each event. Stay safe everyone.

## September

No changes announced yet Alberta Professional Planners Institute (APPI) Annual Conference: Beyond Success: Growth by Failure 20–22 September, 2020, Lethbridge

#### 2020 AUMA Convention - Together We Can!

23-25 September, online

Cancelled Western Canada Water Conference and Exhibition 2020 22–25 September, Regina, Saskatchewan

### October

Save the Date Canadian Rural Revitalization Foundation Virtual Conference 1-2 October, 2020, online

**#UnexpectedSolutions: Creating resilient cities, together** 20 October – 26 November, 2020, **online** 

FCM's Sustainable Communities Conference 20-22 October, 2020, St. John's, NL

#### November

Save the Date, no changes announced yet RMA 2020 Fall Convention & Tradeshow 2-5 November, 2020, Edmonton

> North Saskatchewan Regional Plan (NSRP)

The North Saskatchewan Region contains a diverse landscape encompassing Rocky Mountain, rolling foothill and prairie parkland ecosystems. The North Saskatchewan Region includes headwaters forests that provide clean water to downstream communities, mountains foothills, and parkland that support a diversity of habitats that provide homes for species at risk and serves as a major source of recreation and tourism.

The North Saskatchewan Regional Advisory Council









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