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Community Engagement and Climate Change: Collaborating on Climate Action

Increasingly local governments are facing complex issues that require community-wide input and collaboration in problem solving. For example, climate change is more than simply a technical or planning issue. It touches all aspects of communities. Residents and community organizations have a critical role to play in achieving emissions reductions, and engagement needs to be an intentional and explicit component of a climate action strategy.

But, how can we engage with diverse stakeholders who have multiple perspectives on issues? Is it possible for community engagement to be a process for community empowerment as well as to inform policy-making? What techniques for citizen engagement can take us beyond the familiar processes we have used for years such as public hearings and open houses?

Join us for an interactive discussion about the role that community engagement plays in successfully responding to climate change. We will emphasize how community engagement is a sound investment for good governance and is ultimately building capacity for the development of resilient communities. Three presenters will share information, frameworks and tools that will help you clarify needs around community engagement and provide examples of how one municipality is engaging with their community and how one organization is partnering with schools and local governments for collaborative programs that address climate change.

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Participants will have an opportunity to learn about:

- The role of citizens, schools and community organizations in local climate change strategies;
- A framework for looking at climate change through the lens of community engagement;
- A spectrum of community engagement approaches;
- On the ground examples about successful community engagement approaches in North Vancouver, BC.; and
- Examples of collaboration that involve schools, local governments and community organizations.

This webinar will be lead by:

- Kerri Klein, Provincial Facilitator, BC Healthy Communities
- Caroline Jackson, Environmental Coordinator, City of North Vancouver
- Darla Simpson, Executive Director, Pacific Resource Confirmation Society.

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