



Lanark County Climate Action Plan

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Background

“Municipal Governments influence or control half the source of Canada’s Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions. The first step in making a difference starts municipally.”

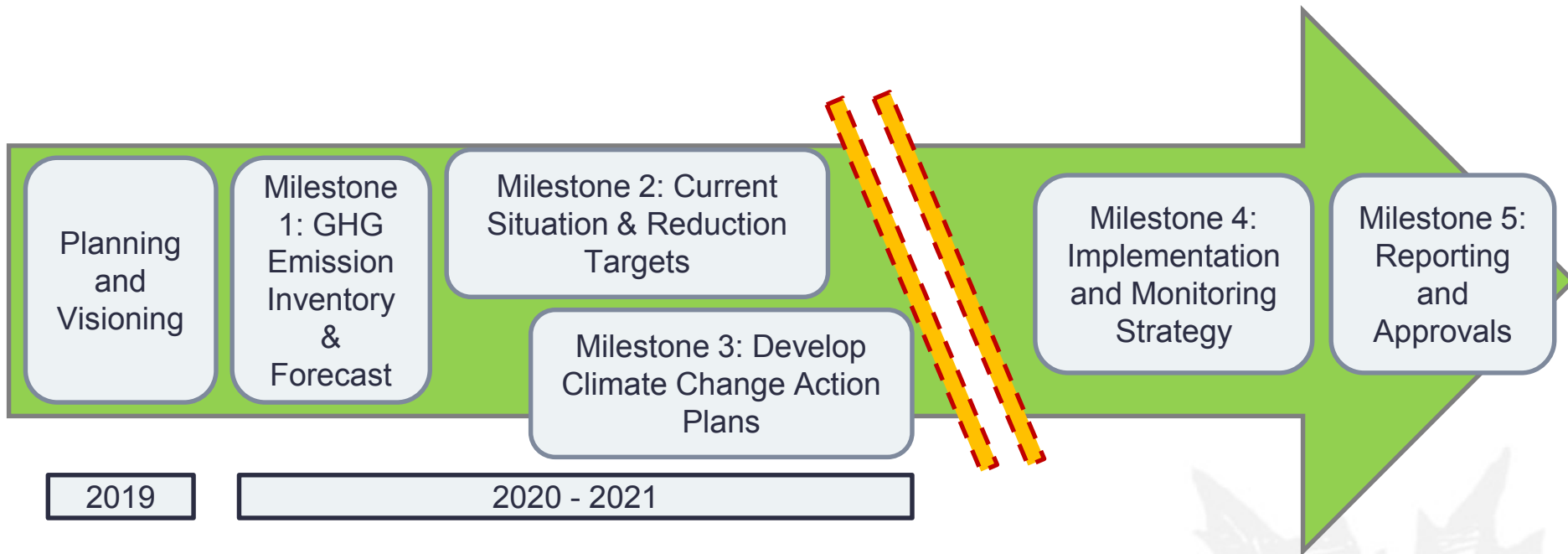
Start by joining the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Program

- PCP is a partnership between the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and Local Governments for Sustainability (ICLEI)
- PCP is a network of over 450 Canadian municipal governments that have committed to reducing greenhouse gases (GHG) and acting on climate change



PCP Milestones and Climate Action Plan Trajectory

Step 1: Pass a resolution to join the PCP program



Lanark County Climate Action Plan

Lanark County **Corporate**
Climate Action Plan

Lower-tier Municipal
Corporate Climate
Action Plans

Lanark County **Community** Climate
Action Plan

Represents whole community

Encompasses all lower-tier municipalities:

- Beckwith
- Carleton Place
- Drummond / North Elmsley
- Lanark Highlands
- Mississippi Mills
- Montague
- Perth
- Smiths Falls
- Tay Valley

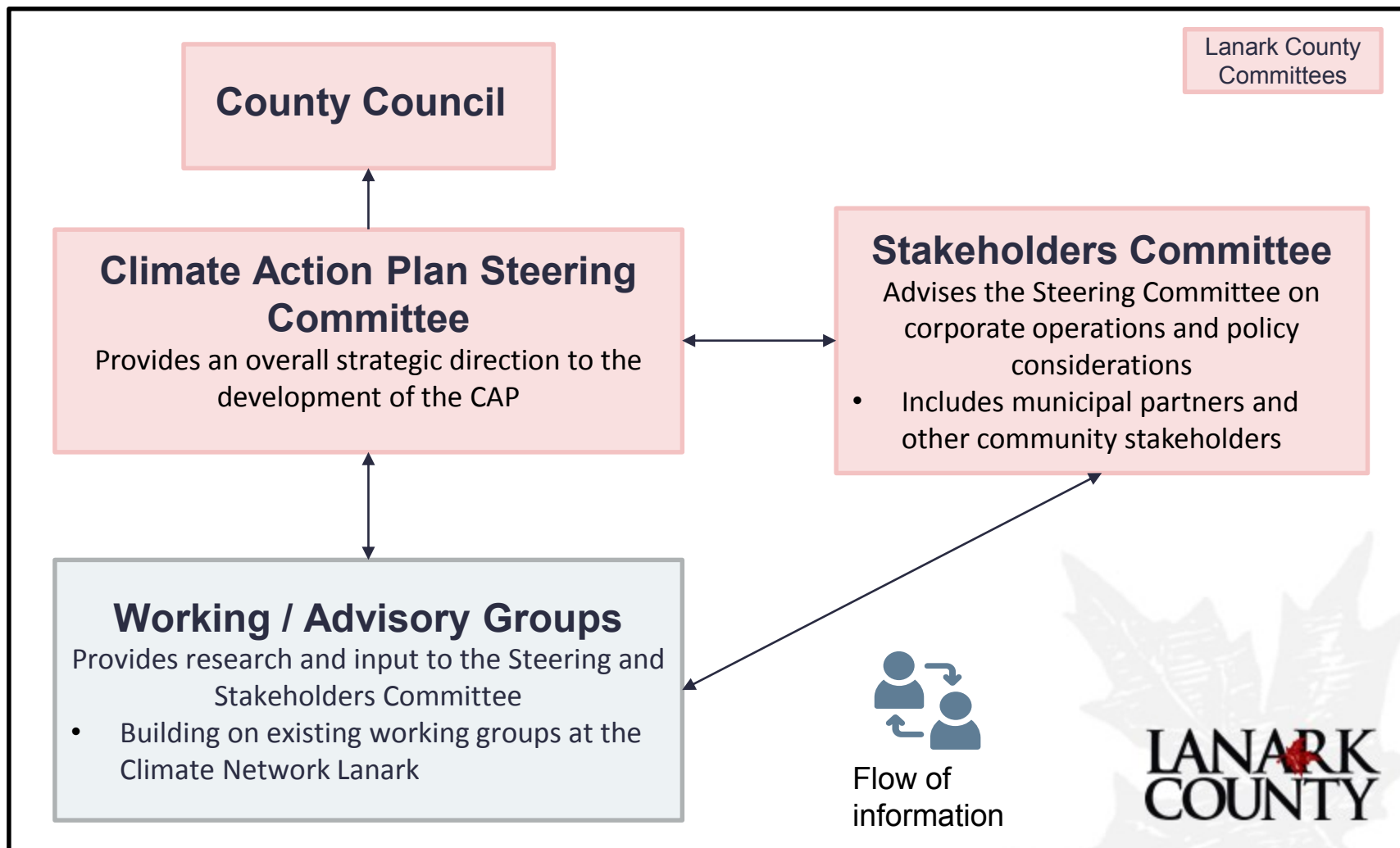
Climate Action Plans

- Tay Valley and Perth have previously completed a corporate and community Climate Action Plan

Corporate Climate Action Plan

- Lower-tier municipalities are encouraged to complete their own **corporate** Climate Action Plans
- Smiths Falls has passed the resolution to join the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) program and is completing milestone 1 for corporate planning
- Montague has expressed intent to sign up for the PCP program

Climate Action Plan (CAP) Committee Structure



Climate Network Lanark

- Susan Brandum
 - *Volunteer Co-Founder and Co-Director of CNL with Gord Harrison*
 - *Wrote Tay Valley Township's Climate Action Plan*
- Formed in 2019, a project of non-profit Lanark County Stewardship Council
- An affiliation of some 200 people and local organizations promoting climate action in Lanark County and Smiths Falls
- Encouraged Lanark County Council to develop a Climate Action Plan, now encouraging all lower-tiers to work with County and to develop their own Corporate CAPs



Questions

- Municipal resources and time required to produce a Corporate CAP?
- Reporting requirements to FCM's Partners for Climate Protection (PCP)?

Municipal Resources and Savings

■ Corporate CAP

- *Milestone 1 - Emissions based on data in annual Conservation and Demand Management Report and the Waste Datacall*
- *Milestone 2 - Target calculated with assistance of PCP*
- *Milestone 3 - Action recommendations, advice from network of 450 municipalities that have plans*
- *Perhaps one week of time*

■ Savings

- *Carbon fee will increase. Knowing how to avoid it saves money*

■ Specific funds for Municipalities with CAPs - \$1 billion allocated:

- Community Efficiency Financing
- Sustainable Affordable Housing
- Collaboration on Community Climate Action

Reporting to PCP

■ Required:

- *Monitor and re-evaluate Corporate GHG emissions annually during the budget setting process. Easily done with the Conservation and Demand Mgmt report and the waste Datacall*
- *Every two years the municipality is required to report on its progress to the PCP program, with the assistance of the PCP. Again, much synchronicity with the Conservation and Demand Mgmt report and waste Datacall*

■ Nice to do:

- *Advised that the community be integrated into the process so that it can contribute to monitoring and evaluation. (EAC?)*
- *Celebrate successes!*

Thank You

Any Questions?