



Climate Smart Communities – Capital Region Custom Service Strategy for Watervliet December 2013

IN-PERSON CONSULTATION DATE: November 21, 2013

COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Mike Manning

CSC REGIONAL COORDINATOR SUPPORT TEAM MEMBERS PRESENT:

Todd Fabozzi, CDRPC

Angela Vincent, VHB

Jim Yienger, Climate Action Associates

CLIMATE PROTECTION PRIORITIES

1. Develop a Community Climate Action Plan.
2. Create a checklist of energy efficiency components that inspectors can use onsite for code inspections.
3. Implement City-wide composting.
4. Develop a Climate Adaptation Plan.

CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITY SERVICE RECOMMENDATION

Develop a Climate Action Plan that builds off of the results for Watervliet from the Capital District Regional Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory and other relevant local, regional and state plans and programs.

CLIMATE PROTECTION ISSUE TO BE ADDRESSED

After a greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions inventory is completed, a climate action plan is the next step in developing and prioritizing actions for a community to reduce overall emissions and mitigate climate change. Using existing studies and plans as a foundation, including the Regional GHG Emissions Inventory and the 2008 Watervliet Climate Action Plan, the City can identify strategies to reduce GHG emissions from the various sectors (i.e., residential, commercial/industrial, transportation) that are consistent with local, regional and state-wide climate protection efforts. The Plan will also review the actions identified in the CSC Certification Program for potential strategies.

PLEDGE ELEMENT TO BE ADDRESSED

Pledge Element 2: Set Goals, Inventory Emissions, Move to Action

POTENTIAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE AND FINAL DELIVERABLES

Resources:

- Capital District Regional Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory
- Watervliet Climate Action Plan – 2008 Government Operations
- Watervliet Comprehensive Plan
- Capital Region Sustainability Plan
- Climate Smart Communities Certification Program actions

Deliverable:

An outline and sample strategies for a community-wide Climate Action Plan.



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TIMELINE FOR COMPLETION OF STRATEGY

TASK	WHO	TIME					
		Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
Review existing plans (local and regional), GHG Emissions Inventories (LG and Community-wide), and other projects for priorities and sample strategies	Angela Vincent, VHB and City staff/stakeholders						
Draft an outline for the Climate Action Plan	Angela Vincent, VHB						
Create a list of sample strategies based on the existing Climate Action Plan, Regional Sustainability Plan, and CSC Certification Program	Angela Vincent, VHB						
City reviews draft and VHB makes changes	City Staff and VHB						
Final Delivery to City	Todd Fabozzi (CDRPC)						

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I, _____, hereby acknowledge receipt of this Climate Smart
(Elected official/staff)

Communities Custom Service Strategy (Strategy) for Watervliet. The City

is committed to working with CDRPC and VHB to implement this Strategy. We look forward to furthering our climate protection efforts through the Climate Smart Communities Program.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Primary Contact Person for this Project: _____