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Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy 2013-14

The Federal Sustainable Development Strategy (FSDS) outlines the Government of Canada's commitment to improving the transparency of environmental decision-making by articulating its key strategic environmental goals and targets. The Government will be consulting the public in 2013-14 regarding the second three-year cycle of the FSDS (2013-16). The 2013-16 FSDS will be finalized in 2013-14. It will be presented as part of the year end performance reporting for 2013-14.



Public Safety Canada contributes to Theme III – Protecting Nature and Theme IV - Shrinking the Environmental Footprint – Beginning with Government, as denoted by the visual identifiers.

These contributions are components of the Emergency Management Program and the Internal Services' activities. Please visit Public Safety Canada's website for additional details on the Department's activities to support [sustainable development](#). For complete details on the Federal Sustainable Development Strategy, please see the [website](#).

Canada's [Federal Sustainable Development Strategy](#) (FSDS) outlines the Government of Canada's priorities for sustainable development, separated under 4 different themes. The FSDS brings together goals, targets, and implementation strategies developed through the regular course of decision-making throughout the Government of Canada. The 2010-2013 Federal Sustainable Development Strategy (FSDS) continues to guide Public Safety Canada's (PS) sustainable development activities, but 2013-14 will be a transition year for the FSDS; the FSDS 2013-16 will be finalized in 2013-14; and the FSDS 2013-2016 will be the basis for performance reporting starting with the 2013-14 Departmental Performance Report (DPR).

Departmental Sustainable Development Vision

PS exercises national leadership to ensure the safety and security of Canada and Canadians. The Department contributes to Canada's resiliency through the development and implementation of innovative policies and programs, as well as the effective engagement of domestic and international partners. PS is committed to managing its business in the most environmentally sustainable manner possible.

Departmental decision-making and sustainable development

Managing Sustainable Development

In accordance with the Federal Sustainable Development Act (FSDA), PS integrates environmental, economic and social factors in the making of all decisions. In 2013-14, PS will

continue to align sustainable development with its internal policies and operational processes, reinforcing a new way of thinking and acting to shape long-standing habits and procedures.

With the FSDS being updated in 2013-14, PS will review its Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy (DSDS) in the coming year and will seek support from the senior management team, by obtaining approval of an updated DSDS in 2013-14, if appropriate. When reviewing its DSDS, PS will engage and strengthen the dialogue among internal stakeholders; consult with the Federal Sustainable Development Strategy experts at Public Works and Government Services Canada; and share best practices with partners within the PS Portfolio.

Furthermore, PS will continue its proactive, coordinated communications approach, including with its regional offices, to ensure that internal communications are consistent with key federal government sustainable development messaging. Through a combination of existing communications channels, the Department will strive to increase staff awareness and encourage action on sustainable development initiatives. The Department will also encourage action on sustainable development initiatives by ensuring that green procurement is integrated into the corporate planning cycle and sustainable development goals are identified in branch business plans.

Information on Departmental Implementation Strategies

In the coming year, PS will contribute to two themes within the FSDS. As co-lead with Environment Canada, the Department will be responsible for a new target under Theme III- Protecting Nature. Additional details on PS's contribution to Theme III will follow the approval of the 2013-16 FSDS, and review of PS's DSDS. Under Theme IV – Shrinking the Environmental Footprint – PS is planning to continue with the following activities in 2013-14:

- Implementing processes, plans and tools to reduce its volume of computers and office equipment;
- Ensuring that surplus electronic and electrical equipment is reused, disposed of and/or recycled in accordance with Treasury Board Secretariat Directive on Disposal of Surplus Material;
- Implementing measures to reduce paper consumption;
- Raising awareness of the importance of greening the Department's operations; and
- Including environmental considerations in purchasing decisions in conjunction with traditional interests of price, performance and availability.

Strategic Environmental Assessment Planned Highlights and Commitments

PS does not have planned environmental assessments in 2013-14.

Additional departmental sustainable development activities/initiatives not captured in the FSDS (optional)

In 2013-14, the Department has not identified additional departmental sustainable development activities/initiatives.

Greening Government Operations – “Public Safety Canada is committed to demonstrating environmental, economic and social responsibility in support of sustainable development.”

Greening Government Operations				
Activity	Greening Government Targets	Performance indicator	Branch	Completion Date
Greening Meetings (GGO 8.9)	Public Safety Canada will adopt a guide for greening meetings.	Presence of a green meeting guide	CMB	Completed
Reducing printing units (GGO 8.7)	Each department will achieve an 8:1 average ratio of office employees to printing units by March 31, 2013.	Ratio of departmental office employees to printing units at the end of the given fiscal year, where building occupancy levels, security considerations and space configuration allow.	CMB	Completed
Reusing or recycling all surplus electronic and electrical equipment (EEE) (GGO 8.6)	Public Safety Canada will reuse or recycle all surplus electronic and electrical equipment (EEE) in an environmentally sound and secure manner.	Existence of implementation plan for the disposal of all departmentally-generated EEE. Total number of departmental locations with EEE implementation plan fully implemented, expressed as a percentage of all locations, by the end of the given fiscal year.	CMB	March 31, 2014
Reducing internal paper consumption (GGO 8.8)	Public Safety Canada will reduce internal paper consumption per office employee by 20% from its 2010-11 baseline data.	Cumulative reduction (or increase) in paper consumption, expressed as a percentage, relative to baseline year selected.	CMB	March 31, 2014
Green Procurement (GGO 8.10)	Office computers will have an 4 year life cycle average in the Department.	Average life of office computers in the Department.	CMB	Achieved, but considered an ongoing target.
	Public Safety Canada will ensure that 95% of	Percentage of toner cartridges that are	CMB	Achieved, but considered an

	toner cartridges purchased are remanufactured or recycled.	remanufactured or recycled.		ongoing target.
	95% of paper purchases will contain a minimum of 30% recycled content and/or have forest management certification or EcoLogo or equivalent certification.	Volume of paper purchased that meets target requirements, relative to the total volume of all paper purchased.	CMB	March 31, 2014
Training, employee performance evaluations, and management processes and controls, as they pertain to procurement decision-making (GGO 8.11)	Green procurement objectives will be included in 100% of the performance evaluations of functional heads of procurement and material management.	Percentage of managers and functional heads of procurement and material management that have included green procurement objectives in their performance evaluations.	CMB	Achieved. Will ensure that any newly hired functional heads have green procurement objectives included in their performance evaluations.
	90% of materiel managers, procurement officers and acquisition cardholders will have taken a recognized Green Procurement training course.	Percentage of materiel managers, procurement officers and acquisition cardholders that have taken a green procurement training course.	CMB	Achieved. Will ensure that any newly hired materiel managers, procurement officers and acquisition cardholders take a Green Procurement training course.
	A minimum of three management processes and controls will be greened.	Number of greened management processes and controls	CMB	March 31, 2014

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