



# environmental SUSTAINABILITY PLAN


## What We Heard


The City engaged with Coquitlam residents in 2019 to ensure that the five theme areas proposed for Coquitlam’s first Environmental Sustainability Plan resonated with residents. We asked respondents to prioritize actionable items and to identify potential areas for refinement.


### We engaged with the community in a variety of ways:


**1,100+**  
survey respondents

**3,400+**  
respondent comments

**16** in-person  
consultation sessions\*

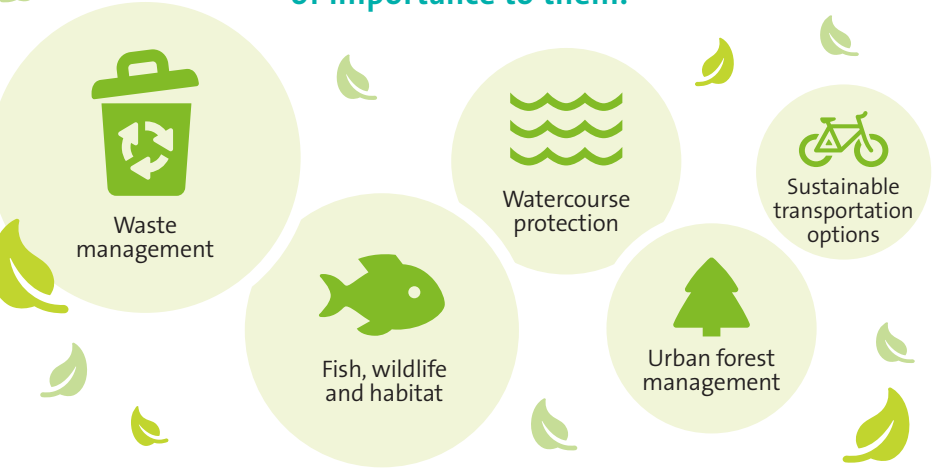
**4** pop-up engagement  
booths

**6,500+** website views  
(letstalkcoquitlam.ca/enviro)

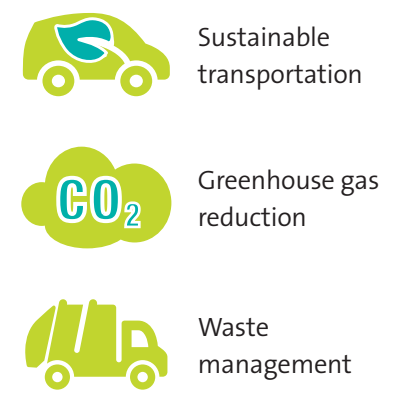
**350+**  
YouTube video views

*\* In-person consultation sessions with a variety of stakeholders including City Advisory Committees, the Urban Development Institute, the Coquitlam Youth Council and the Coquitlam River Watershed Roundtable.*






### Respondents ranked the top 5 topics of importance to them:



### Respondents ranked the top 3 areas they would like the City to focus on:



### Respondents shared their ideas on how to advance their top topic areas:

 Climate Action	 Built Environment	 Waste Management	 Water Management	 Natural Areas, Wildlife and Habitat
<div>Reduce greenhouse gases through sustainable transportation</div> <div>Consider alternative energy sources such as solar power</div> <div>Provide incentives to support climate action</div>	<div>Enhance public transit services and walking and cycling infrastructure</div> <div>Requirements, policies and incentives for energy efficient buildings (BC Energy Step Code)</div> <div>Integrate nature into urban design</div>	<div>Expand of curbside and depot recycling services</div> <div>More education/ support for residents to manage waste sustainably</div> <div>Ban or limit single-use items (ex. plastic)</div>	<div>Increase enforcement of watering restrictions</div> <div>Enhance water conservation education</div> <div>More enforcement and requirements related to development near watercourses</div>	<div>More protection and enhancement of parks, natural areas and habitat</div> <div>Tree retention and replacement requirements</div> <div>Increase tree planting initiatives</div>

### How can the City of Coquitlam help you live a more environmentally sustainable lifestyle?

Top three responses:

1. Increasing and enhancing sustainable transportation

2. Wider variety of options for recycling and reduction of single use plastics

3. More education, communication and promotion