

# BC Climate Action Toolkit

## Urban Forests and Climate Change

### Appendix b: Urban Forestry Other Resources

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## Tools

- **Integrated Pest Management**, Ministry of Environment, [www.env.gov.bc.ca/epd/ipmp](http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/epd/ipmp)  
The Ministry of Environment administers the British Columbia Integrated Pest Management Act and Regulations, which regulates the sale, use and handling of pesticides in the province and promotes an Integrated Pest Management approach to managing pests.
- **Classifying the Natural World**, Ministry Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, [www.for.gov.bc.ca/hfd/library/documents/treebook/classifying.htm](http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hfd/library/documents/treebook/classifying.htm)  
The biogeoclimatic zones maps display large geographical areas with similar plants, soil and climate to assist with the ecological management of resources in British Columbia.
- **Tree Species Compendium**, Ministry Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, [www.for.gov.bc.ca/hfp/silviculture/Compendium](http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hfp/silviculture/Compendium)  
The Forest Practices Branch has designed this compendium as a general reference for making decisions about tree species feasibility and suitability.
- **Native Plant Database**, Evergreen, <http://nativeplants.evergreen.ca/>  
The Evergreen Native Plant Database is a detailed list of native species that includes information on average heights and spread of plants, as well as their sun, soil and moisture needs and their wildlife value.
- **Invasive Species Council of British Columbia**, [www.invasiveplantcouncilbc.ca](http://www.invasiveplantcouncilbc.ca)  
The Invasive Plant Council of BC led the development of the Invasive Plant Strategy that outlines an action plan to address the exponential increase in invasive plant populations throughout the province.

## Publications

- *The Climate Action Plan*, [www.livesmartbc.ca/plan](http://www.livesmartbc.ca/plan)  
The Climate Action Plan is B.C.'s roadmap to a new, prosperous, green economy for the province. The Plan outlines strategies and initiatives to take B.C. approximately 73 per cent towards meeting the goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 33 per cent by 2020.
- *The Green Bylaws Toolkit*, [www.greenbylaws.ca/](http://www.greenbylaws.ca/)  
The Green Bylaws Toolkit provides information for conserving sensitive ecosystems and green infrastructure.
- *A Guide to Green Choices*, [www.cd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/planning/greenchoices.htm](http://www.cd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/planning/greenchoices.htm)  
The guide provides ideas and practical advice for communities in British Columbia.

## Links

- **Climate Action Secretariat**, Ministry of Environment, [www.climateactionsecretariat.gov.bc.ca](http://www.climateactionsecretariat.gov.bc.ca)  
British Columbia's Climate Action Team presents recommendations for strategies and interim emissions targets to assist the Province in achieving its greenhouse gas emission reduction target of 33 per cent by 2020.
- **Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations**, [www.gov.bc.ca/for/](http://www.gov.bc.ca/for/)  
The Ministry of Forests and Range works to build a strong and diverse forest sector through revitalization, while maintaining high environmental standards, to ensure long-term jobs and economic benefits.
- **Pacific Carbon Trust**, <http://pacificcarbontrust.com/>  
The Pacific Carbon Trust delivers quality made-in-B.C. greenhouse gas offsets to help clients reduce their carbon footprint and drive the growth of B.C.'s low-carbon economy. See Open Calls for current forest offset opportunities.

## Urban Afforestation Organizations

- **Evergreen**, [www.evergreen.ca](http://www.evergreen.ca)  
Evergreen is a not-for-profit organization that makes cities more livable by deepening the connection between people and nature.
- **Tree Canada**, [http://www.treecanada.ca/site/?page=programs\\_urbanforestry&lang=en](http://www.treecanada.ca/site/?page=programs_urbanforestry&lang=en)  
Tree Canada is a not-for-profit, charitable organization that provides education, technical assistance, resources and financial support through working partnerships to encourage Canadians to plant and care for trees in an effort to help reduce the harmful effects of carbon dioxide emissions.