

City of Richmond

# CLIMATE ACTION

e-Newsletter



## Connect with Nature and Other Citizen Scientists

### Join the City Nature Challenge 2023

The City of Richmond, in collaboration with the Richmond School District 38, is participating in the family-friendly City Nature Challenge from April 28th to May 1st 2023. This international event encourages people to record and upload photos and sounds of wild plants and animals in their city. Every observation contributes to biodiversity science. Record 50+ observations to be entered into a prize draw.

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## Public Works Open House is Back

### Enjoy food, activities and entertainment

Come and enjoy the annual Public Works Open House which is back in action. There will be fun activities for children and families, live music and food trucks all while learning about the important work our outside workers do to keep our community running smoothly and safely.

Join us at City of Richmond's Works Yard  
Saturday, May 13, 2023  
11:00-3:00  
5599 Lynas Lane

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## Check Out the City Work in Your Neighbourhood

### Capital Projects Highlights

Visit the Capital Project Highlights online on LetsTalkRichmond.ca to learn about new and on-going capital construction works in your neighbourhoods and throughout Richmond. Learn more and submit questions from Thursday, April 6 to Sunday, May 7, 2023.

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## EV Charging Expansion

### At work, and on-the-go

Currently 4% of all light-duty cars in Richmond are electric vehicles, and this is forecast to grow to 33% by 2030, and 100% by the 2040s. Richmond was the first city to require that all new residential parking spaces have Level 2 EV charging infrastructure. Staff are now drafting similar recommendations for new employee, customer and visitor parking spaces, to widen the options to charge their vehicle at work or on-the-go.

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## Sturgeon Bank Sediment Project

### Phase one complete

Sturgeon Bank, a 5,152 hectare tidal marsh and flats located along the West Dyke, is crucial for Pacific salmon and migratory birds. Since the 1980s, at least 160 hectares of tidal marsh have died off. The Sturgeon Bank Sediment Enhancement Pilot Project aims to restore the marsh by adding Fraser River sediment. Led by Ducks Unlimited Canada, the first annual sediment addition was completed in February 2023. A healthy marsh enhances ecological resilience and mitigates flood risk for Richmond.

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## We Heard you Richmond

### Richmond is going circular

The City has developed a proposed Circular City Strategy to set Richmond on a path to achieve 100% circularity by 2050. The Strategy is guided by 6 directions and 84 actions that reimagines the flow of resources, materials, nutrients, products and energy. Watch for the updated strategy that includes public feedback we received this winter.

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## Activated Youth

### Climate Action Conference

Students from JN Burnett Secondary hosted their first “Youth Climate Action Conference” on Thursday March 2, 2023. All Richmond High School climate clubs were invited to an overview presentation of Richmond’s Community Energy and Emission Plan 2050.

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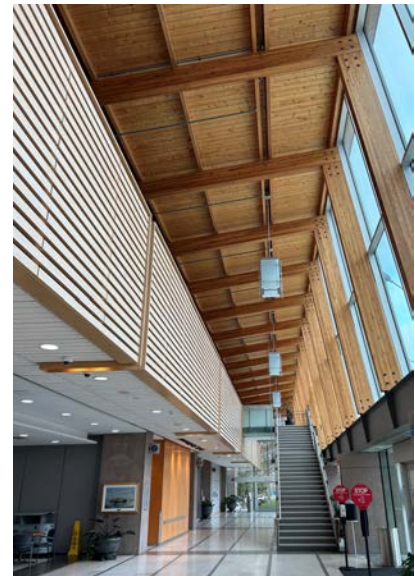
## Greenhouse Gas Reduction Master Plan

### New energy studies

The City of Richmond is making progress towards a cleaner and more sustainable future by partnering with BC Hydro and FortisBC to conduct energy studies at 16 of its corporate buildings. The goal is to create a plan that reduces emissions from the corporate buildings, and achieves a target of net zero operational emissions by 2050.

For more information on our Community Energy and Emissions Plan 2050:

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## Surrey Session

**Monday May 29, 2023**

Join Metro Vancouver’s Climate Action Dialogues for a bold conversation on the urgency and economic case for climate action in this region. Climate 2050 is Metro Vancouver’s climate strategy, with goals for a carbon neutral, resilient region by 2050.

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## Vancouver Session

**Tuesday May 30, 2023**

Dialogues will provide stimulating perspectives on how climate action aligns with the new economic imperative to build for a net zero future. The Dialogues are designed to be engaging and focus on the steps and pace needed to move forward on climate action in this region.

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# Climate Action in the Arts



## Free Workshops at Terra Nova Nature School

### Learn about climate and weather through plants

"Garden Time" is a community engaged artist project working in partnership with the Sharing Farm and Terra Nova Nature School. The project focuses on a variety of plant and agricultural crop species and their ability to teach vital lessons about how climate and weather patterns are changing and affecting local ecology. Through free and accessible photo-based art activities, workshops and events, young learners, community members and the general public will learn, observe and engage in dialogue on these vital issues.

Visit the artist Aaron Friend Lettner artist project blog for more information on upcoming events.

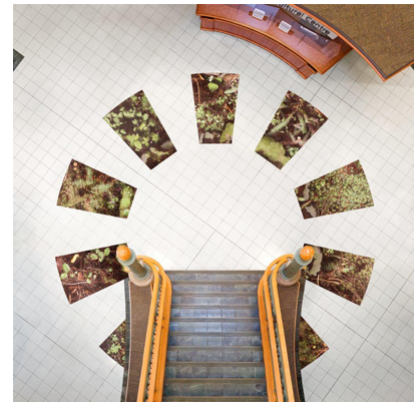
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## Richmond Art Recognized by David Suzuki

### Check out Forest Floor

"Forest Floor" is large-scale photographic installation at the Richmond Cultural Centre rotunda floor, commissioned by the City of Richmond. Out of 550 submissions across Canada, local artist Laara Cerman was awarded a prize by the David Suzuki Re-wilding art prize for creating innovative art that expresses the importance of nature in their communities.

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