



## Staff Report

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**Report To:** South Huron Council

**From:** **Dan Best, Chief Administrative Officer/Deputy Clerk**

**Date:** December 18 2017

**Report:** CAO 17.31

**Subject:** Partners for Climate Protection

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### Recommendations:

**That** South Huron Council receives the report of Dan Best, Chief Administrative Officer regarding the Partners for Climate Protection; and

**That** the proposed resolution prepared by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) as attached as an Appendix to this report be endorsed; and

**That** the Municipality of South Huron communicates to FCM its support and interest in participating in the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) program.

### Purpose:

Council Approval

### Background and Analysis:

The Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) program is a network of Canadian municipal governments that have committed to reducing greenhouse gases (GHG) and to acting on climate change. Since the program's inception in 1994, over 300 municipalities have joined PCP, making a public commitment to reduce emissions. PCP membership covers all provinces and territories and accounts for more than 65 per cent of the Canadian population.

PCP is the Canadian component of ICLEI's Cities for Climate Protection (CCP) network, which involves more than 1,100 communities worldwide. PCP is a

partnership between the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and ICLEI — Local Governments for Sustainability.

The program empowers municipalities to take action against climate change through a five-milestone process that guides members in creating GHG inventories, setting realistic and achievable GHG reduction targets, developing local action plans, and implementing plans using specific, measurable actions to reduce emissions.

PCP receives financial support from FCM's Green Municipal Fund.

### **Operational Considerations:**

There were no operational considerations required to be examined as a result of the recommendations outlined in this report.

### **South Huron's Strategic Plan:**

Section 6.2.1 of the Municipality of South Huron 2015- 2019 Strategic Plan identifies key priorities and strategic directions. The following elements are supported by the actions outlined in this report:

- ✓ Administrative Efficiency and Fiscal Responsibility
- ✓ Increased Communications and Municipal Leadership
- ✓ Transparent, Accountable, and Collaborative Governance
- ✓ Dedicated Economic Development Effort

### **Financial Impact:**

the financial implications as a result of the actions outlined in this report are undetermined at this time.

### **Legal Impact:**

There are no legal implications as a result of the actions outlined in this report

### **Staffing Impact:**

The staffing implications as a result of the actions outlined in this report are undetermined at this time

### **Policies/Legislation:**

None

**Consultation:**

Ontario Region Climate Advisor Team, FCM

**Related Documents:**

Introduction to the PCP Program

Respectfully submitted,

**Dan Best, Chief Administrative Officer/Deputy Clerk**