

QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. Is your sustainability planning effort successful? Yes/No/Maybe, Why/Why Not?
2. What methodology are you using to develop your plan (e.g. The Natural Step, ICLEI (Local Governments for Sustainability), other?). Would you use this methodology again?
3. How much time (city personnel, citizen, contract, etc.) was spent on developing the plan(s) person days or mix of person days. Was this too much/too little. Please explain.
4. What was the total start-to-finish time frame for plan development (estimate if not completed).
5. How much money has been spent on the plan development total (estimate these figures if not yet completed).
6. Did the city/municipality/county government (council, mayor, commissioners) approve your plan? How did that go?
7. What are your next steps for your plan? (Action, nothing, ?) Why?
8. What lessons have you learned that you would be interested in passing on to us, a city of 20,000 people with a dwindling budget but interested non-the-less?
9. If citizen activities were involved, what process did you undertake (e.g. standard planning processes, citizen driven, "lead" by the side with primarily citizen input.
10. Other comments?

City	Description	Assignment	Contact Name/Number	Weblink
General	General Sustainability Listing		Keep Oregon Cool League of Oregon Cities	http://www.keeporegoncool.org/content/local-initiatives http://www.orcities.org/LinkClick.aspx?link=Publications%2fNewsletters%2fLFAug+2010-FINAL.pdf&tabid=873&mid=13139&language=en-US
West Lynn	2005 City Council formed a task force of citizens with knowledge and expertise in different aspects of sustainability. Its purpose was to make recommendations to the Council on what would be necessary to make serious progress toward a sustainable community	Caia		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://westlinnoregon.gov/publicworks/sustainability • http://westlinnoregon.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/Strategic_Plan.pdf
Bend	Create a 5 year action plan for sustainable operations within the city government of Bend. City has a sustainability action plan (see link)	Megan		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.ci.bend.or.us/sustainability/index.html • http://www.ci.bend.or.us/sustainability/docs/Sustainability_ActionPlan_w_ExecSummary.pdf
Corvallis	The Corvallis Sustainability Coalition was formed in January 2007, following a gathering of representatives of local organizations	Jim McGinnis	info@sustainablecorvallis.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.sustainablecorvallis.org/aboutus

	working on different aspects of sustainability initiated by the Natural Step.			
Lincoln City	The Lincoln City Community Sustainability Committee was established to increase awareness and actions that foster a more sustainable living agenda for residents and visitors to thrive economically, socially, and environmentally.	Jim McGinnis		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.lincolncity.org/CityGovernment/CityCommittees/CommunitySustainabilityCommittee/tabid/5383/language/en-US/Default.aspx • 12 sustainability tips for the Lincoln City Community
Gresham	More talks about it's accomplishments. No formal plan that I can see.	Caia		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City's Sustainability Policy • http://greshamoregon.gov/city/sustainability/ • Brochure
Lake Oswego	The Lake Oswego City Council adopted the City of Lake Oswego Sustainability Plan on November 20, 2007. A Steering Committee comprised of City staff developed the City's Sustainability Plan. I think that this is an Internal plan for city operations.	Larry		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City Council Resolution Adopting the Sustainability Plan • Lake Oswego Sustainability Plan Page • 2008 accomplishments list
McMinnville	The report is the culmination of many months of consideration, review and contemplation on the part of the Sustainability Committee. The Committee consists of representatives from nearly every City Department as well as representatives from McMinnville Water and Light and the local environmental group, Cool Mac. The Committee has been meeting regularly since September 2008 to address the commitments put forth in Resolution 2008-20 and will continue to work to meet the City's 2009 sustainability goals. This report does not include recommendations for promoting sustainability as that topic will be better covered and directed once the Sustainability Committee receives further instruction from the City Council.	Melanie		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of McMinnville 2009 Action Plan for Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions
Portland	Visit the City's Climate Protection page to view their Draft Climate Action Plan 2009 . The City also provides information about what the local government is doing to reduce emissions and what the community has already achieved . The Portland Development Commission's Sustainability Program lists PDC's sustainability plans and upcoming sustainability events. You'll also find links to green building resources and other climate change reports and videos.	Risa		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

<p>Eugene</p>	<p>In 1999 The City commits to promoting a sustainable future that meets today's needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs.</p> <p>In 2008, in response to increasing concern about global climate change and the potential for volatile and rising fuel prices, Eugene's City Council asked staff to develop Eugene's first Community Climate and Energy Action Plan. On September 15, 2010, Eugene's City Council unanimously endorsed Eugene's first Community Climate and Energy Action Plan</p> <p>Process: The CEAP advisory team was assembled in May 2009 and was composed of 11 community members and representatives of partner agencies. In June 2009, the team began providing input on the public outreach and general planning processes. The group brought expertise to the public meetings, observed and participated in topic discussions, provided feedback on the development of the plan and the plan document, and provided background data.</p> <p>The Public Engagement Process News releases, print and online calendars, website announcements, and emails invited members of the public to participate in seven public forums. A kickoff event was held in September 2009 and one public forum was held on each of the six topics between October 2009 and March 2010. More than 500 members of the public participated, sharing concerns about climate uncertainty and fuel price volatility, and weighing in on what should be the community's highest priorities. Below are the six topics or action areas: HHBuildings and Energy HHFood and Agriculture HHLand Use and Transportation HHConsumption and Waste HHHealth and Social Services HHUrban Natural Resources</p> <p>The process for identifying action items for each of the six topic areas was as follows: 1. A strategy list was compiled using information submitted by regional experts and gleaned from municipal- and state-level climate and energy plans from across the nation. The list was reviewed by the topic specialists, refined, and then used as a starting place for the public forums. 2. Topic specialists were identified from across the community. Eight to twelve expert community members with broad knowledge of the topic and the ability to bring a variety of perspectives to the public forums were invited to assist with the plan. The topic specialists contributed to the development of the strategy lists, provided technical information support at the public forums, and assisted with the prioritization of strategies. A complete list of Topic Specialists can be found in Appendix 3.</p>	<p>Shelly Lotz</p>	<p>City of Eugene Office of Sustainability, City Manager's Office 99 West 10th Ave., Suite 116, Eugene, OR 97401 Matt McRae, <i>Principal Author</i> 541-682-5017 www.eugene-or.gov/sustainability <i>Printed</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainability Principles • http://www.eugene-or.gov/portal/server.page?open=512&objID=730&PageID=0&cached=true&mode=2&userID=2 • Climate and Energy Action Plan • Food Security Memo
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	<p>3. Public forums were held to engage members of the community who are interested in climate and energy challenges as they relate to each of the six topics. Each of the forums were attended by 50 to 120 community members, including topic specialists, CEAP advisory team members, neighborhood leaders, and Sustainability Commissioners. Forum participants reviewed the strategy list for the subject topic, provided perspectives on which actions should be given the highest priority, identified missing actions or strategies, and provided detail on how individual actions could be implemented.</p> <p>4. Topic specialists reviewed proposed actions in greater detail, provided input on priorities, clarified ideas, identified opportunities and challenges, and helped to ground the process in Eugene's unique economic, social, and environmental conditions.</p> <p>5. Advisory team members weighed information from background documents, input from the public forums and the topic specialist meetings, and offered their varied perspectives on each topic area. The team completed a final review of the strategies and reviewed and commented on the draft Community Climate and Energy Action Plan.</p> <p>6. Additional Research was conducted after the draft was released to clarify some of the relative costs and benefits of actions. This adds confidence that the priorities included in the plan are the best places for our community to take action. Targets and measures were also added.[8] This information is compiled in the attached spreadsheet, Appendix 1.</p> <p>Updating the plan: Our understanding of the complex issues around climate change and greenhouse gas sources is continually improving, and as our community moves forward on the priorities included in this plan, it will be important to revisit, revise, and update Eugene's Community Climate and Energy Action Plan every three to five years.</p>			
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