

2024-25 ETF Priority Areas

Addressing Climate Change

1. Climate Change education and awareness in support of the province's Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP).
2. Support NGOs, local communities, and Indigenous communities to increase local capacity to participate in climate change actions and deliver on provincial climate change priorities related to implementing the CCAP.
3. Directly support climate change actions that align with the province's CCAP.
4. Bridging Climate Change information gaps to support implementing the province's CCAP.

Increasing Environmental Awareness

1. Support for projects with a potential wide reach (participant number and various audience groups) and coverage (provincial scope).
2. Support for youth and k-12 programming as well as public and community education.

Managing Our Waste

1. Waste Diversion (i.e., Reuse, Recycling, Organics diversion, Reduction of Food Waste, Environmentally-sound alternatives to plastics, Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection and disposal, and Reuse initiatives).
2. Waste Education and Awareness (i.e., Education on Reuse, Recycling, Organics, and Education on environmentally-sound alternatives to plastics).

Protecting Our Environment

1. Watershed management (i.e., Water sampling, field measurements, benthic/other environmental sampling, Education, Creation or implementation of watershed management plan, Alignment with other management or action plans).
2. Habitat restoration and replanting of wetland, coastal, and riverside habitat; aquatic connectivity (i.e. assessing culverts, fish passageways, etc.).
3. Bridging information gaps and mapping (on climate change & prediction and environmental effects, environment threats, and environmental health monitoring).
4. Gather wetland/coastal/riverside erosion data).
5. Education on wetland functions and the importance of wetlands for a healthy environment.
6. Promote the protection and delineation of wetlands.
7. Actions towards protection of habitats in environmentally significant areas of the province (based on the GNB database).

Building Sustainable Communities

1. Development of local government climate change adaptation and GHG mitigation plans, including assessment and studies that are precursors to the development of the plan.
2. Implementation of priority elements that are not capital expenditures from local government adaptation plans and GHG mitigation plans.