

# CEC Operational Plan 2013-2014


## Development process

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JPAC Meeting, 24-25 April 2013, Calgary  
US NAC-GAC Meeting, 25 April



# Critical Path 2013



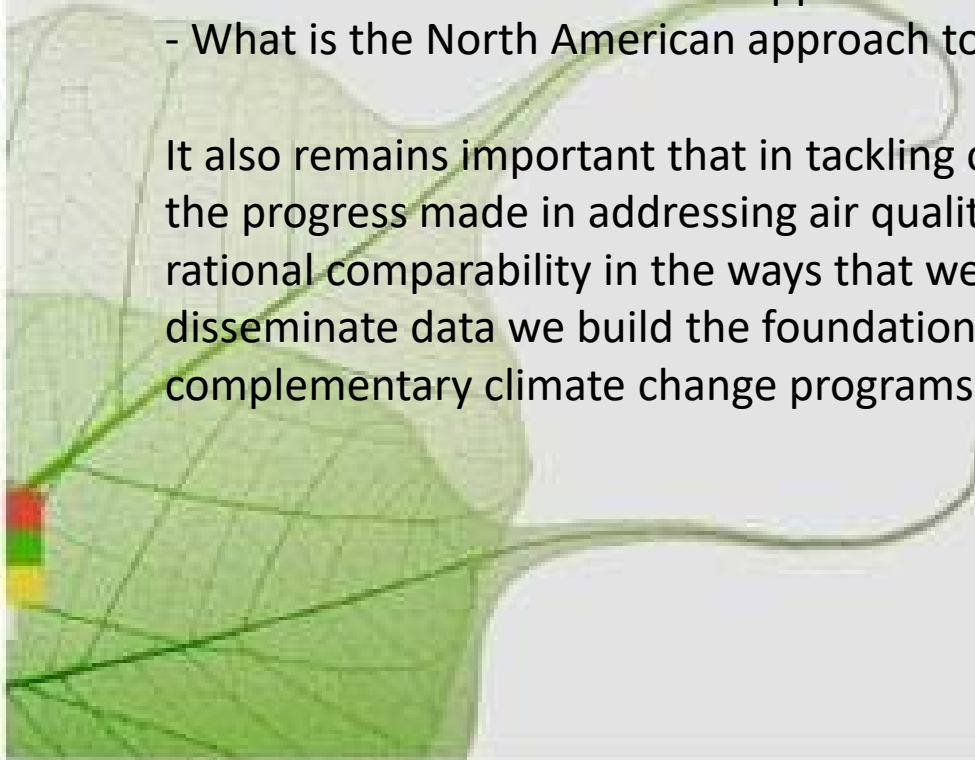
4-6 March	Project executive summaries sent to Parties and JPAC
18 April	GSC guidance regarding project clusters/storylines
15 May	Project detailed descriptions to be sent to Parties and JPAC
15 May–14 June	JPAC public consultation
19 June	JPAC Advice to Council on draft OP13-14
End of June	Council pre-approval of final draft OP13-14
11 July	Council endorsement of the OP13-14

# Climate Change – Air Quality Cluster

**Storyline:** Projects support work on three categories of carbon: “black,” “blue,” and “green”. In particular:

- How do we measure emissions and/or sinks?
- What is the North American approach to mapping (green/blue)?; and
- What is the North American approach to mitigating (black)?

It also remains important that in tackling climate change, we do not abandon the progress made in addressing air quality. By continuing to establish rational comparability in the ways that we collect, analyze, report and disseminate data we build the foundation for development of complementary climate change programs in North America.



# Climate Change – Air Quality Cluster (cont'd)

## **Proposals** in support of the storyline:

- AirNow-International Project Steering Committee
- Blue Carbon proposal
- North American Black Carbon Emissions Estimation Guidelines
- North American Forest Carbon Project: Integrated Modeling and Assessment of Forest Carbon Dynamics and Climate Change Mitigation Options
- North American Informational On-line Platform on Climate Change
- Improving Conditions for Green Building Construction in North America
- Improving Indoor Air Quality to Reduce Exposure to Airborne Contaminants in Alaskan Native Population and Other Indigenous Communities in North America

# *Greening Transportation in North America Cluster*

**Storyline:** Lowering emissions from key aspects of the transportation sector—ground and maritime transportation.

**Proposals** in support of the storyline:

- Improving the Economic and Environmental Performance of the North American Truck and Bus Manufacturing Supply Chain
- Greening Transportation at the Border
- Reducing Emissions from Goods Movement via Maritime Transportation in North America



# *Waste in Trade in North America Cluster*

## **Storyline:**

- Greening the end of life cycle;
- Facilitating trade within the region; and
- Putting in place enforcement protocols throughout the life-cycle

## **Proposals** in support of the storyline:

- Enhancing Environmental Law Enforcement in North America (waste component)
- Reducing Negative Impacts from Selected Vehicle Batteries, including SLABs in North America
- Sound Management of Electronic Wastes in North America



# Cross-cutting Projects

- Catalyzing North American Grasslands Conservation and Sustainable Use Through Partnerships
- Enhancing Environmental Law Enforcement in North America
- Big Bend-Rio Bravo Collaboration for Transboundary Landscape Conservation
- Enhancing Trilateral understanding of Chemicals in Products in North America
- Close-out of Past Environmental Monitoring/Assessment, Chemical Inventory & Mercury Activities in Mexico

## **Approved by Alt-Reps as a regular CEC program:**

- Tracking Pollutant and Transfers in North America