

Area of Collaboration

To explore what value municipalities are seeking to extract through collaboration on 'green fleet' initiatives that will optimize fleet operations and strategic planning we conducted a table group activity. We separated all participants into 3 working groups where we asked the groups to spend 20 minutes on discussing areas of collaboration. The goal was to identify 1-3 areas where most of the municipalities can work together. Below are the results from this activity.

1. Broadening considerations for sustainable fleet strategy implementation – 13 municipalities
 - resilience
 - facilities/infrastructure/asset management
 - policy alignment
 - structuring and sharing multi year contracts for purchasing/procurement

- King
- Hamilton
- Burlington
- Oshawa
- CVC
- London
- Caledon
- Peel Region
- Dufferin County
- Clarington
- Brampton
- Toronto
- Whitby

2. Sharing data and quantifying results for fleet initiatives – 10 municipalities

- fleet monitoring efforts
- Pilot projects
- AVL systems/Fleet Carma Analytics
- difficulty of comparing across jurisdictions
- training/educating fleet folks

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3. Sharing the pathways to achieve ambitious GHG targets – 10 municipalities

- where the marketing going/ where we need to go

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4. Sharing procurement resources – 9 municipalities

- best practices

- term of references, RFPs, evaluation, LCA criteria, anti-idling policies and HR connection

- previously employed consultant + experience

- addressing by-law limitations for joint procurement/ co-operation

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5. Evaluating alternative fuels for heavy vehicles -9 municipalities

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6. Sharing educational strategies – 9 municipalities

- maintenance considerations
- culture change
- communicating the why
- dispelling myths
- replacement vehicle suitability

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7. Quantifying and demonstrating collective “green”/sustainable technology demand -7 municipalities

- influencing manufacturer
- vendor of record contracts

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8. Sharing life-cycle costing evaluations – 4 municipalities

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- Caledon
- Clarington
- Whitby

Next steps:

Commitments for sharing resources:

- Toronto:
 - resilience approach to sustainable fleet
 - fleet monitoring
- Burlington: RFP for AVL systems
- Peel Region:
 - buy-in to strategy engagement with fleets and other departments - monthly directing report and data for AVL (manual input into AVL – tell us what you have done/ what benefits come out of that)
 - how to expand EV charging
 - 3rd party consultancy experience
- Hamilton:
 - multi-year agreement on procurement and sharing assumptions
 - 3rd party consultancy experience
- Whitby:
 - 3rd party consultancy experience
- York Region
 - vehicle suitability checklist
 - employee policy

Needs:

- Tracking sheet who is doing what/ who to contact (within the green fleet working group as well as with external consultancy)
- Tool that participants can ask a question and get someone from the group to answer it
- Hub with resources
- Meetings to brainstorm next steps/evaluate previous work – every 4 months/6 months
- Webinars to share resources/experience