

Municipal CC_PO Survey - All Ontario

1. Introduction

Thank you for participating in this University of Guelph Study.

This questionnaire is intended as an initial step in identifying Ontario municipalities' capacity to respond to impacts resulting from climate change and peak oil (when we reach the maximum rate of global oil extraction, after which rates of production decline, leading to higher prices and potential shortages). We hope to uncover innovative practices, and future-oriented strategies.

Your responses will be compiled with all other responses from across Ontario, and will not be traced back to you in the final report.

Researchers may contact you directly for more information, should you choose to provide your contact information.

Where we had a planning department contact we sent this questionnaire directly to this department. Where we did not have this information we have provided the questionnaire to the municipal clerk or administrator. We invite these individuals to either complete the questionnaire or to direct it to the staff member most likely to have responsibility in these areas.

We are grateful for your commitment of time, and expect that this survey will take less than 10 minutes to complete. Those who provide contact information at the end of the survey will be entered into a draw for a \$100 gift certificate at Grassroot (<http://www.grassrootsstore.com/>).

This research is funded through the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs partnership with the University of Guelph. If you have any questions, please contact Wayne Caldwell at wcaldwel@uoguelph.ca.

Sincerely,

Dr. Wayne Caldwell, and the University of Guelph Research Team

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2. Background

For the purposes of the survey, we refer to "Municipal government" as the local governing body and support staff. The term "Broader community" refers to other non-municipal community activities.

1. Please identify your municipality:

2. Please describe your personal level of awareness on the following issues:

	Completely Aware	Somewhat Aware	Neither Aware/Unaware	Somewhat Unaware	Completely Unaware
Peak Oil	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Climate Change	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

3. Please describe your municipal government's level of awareness on the following issues:

	Completely Aware	Somewhat Aware	Neither Aware/Unaware	Somewhat Unaware	Completely Unaware
Peak Oil	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Climate Change	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

4. Please describe your perception of the broader community's level of awareness on the following issues:

	Completely Aware	Somewhat Aware	Neither Aware/Unaware	Somewhat Unaware	Completely Unaware
Peak Oil	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Climate Change	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

5. Please rate your municipal government's capacity and the broader community's capacity to respond to the threats and opportunities presented by climate change and peak oil:

	1. Low capacity	2.	3. Medium capacity	4.	5. High capacity
Municipal government	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Broader community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

6. Is there a staff person within your municipal government who is responsible for awareness on climate change?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

If yes, and if it is someone other than yourself please provide their title and contact information/e-mail.

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7. Is there a staff person within your municipal government who is responsible for awareness on peak oil?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

If yes, and if it is someone other than yourself, please provide their title and contact information/e-mail.

3. Community Responses to Climate Change and Peak Oil

1. In your locality, how often do you see evidence that the following people are planning for climate change?

	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
Municipal politicians	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Municipal staff	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Members of the broader community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please describe any evidence you see

2. In your locality, how often do you see evidence that the following people are planning for peak oil?

	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
Municipal politicians	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Municipal staff	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Members of the broader community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please describe any evidence you see

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3. The following activities are associated with creative response to climate change and peak oil. Please identify all that apply to your local government and/or broader community:

	Municipal government	Broader community
Local Food Promotion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Economic Development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Integrated Community Sustainability Planning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Energy Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Energy Projects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Constructed Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Innovative practices for stormwater management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Separating sewers from stormwater	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ecosystem protection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ecosystem restoration	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ecological waste management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Standards for ecological buildings (e.g. LEED, Net Zero)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Organized tree planting events	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Energy conservation or retrofit program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Education and/or awareness events on climate change and rising oil prices	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Social events around climate change and peak oil (festivals, celebrations, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Municipal procurement policies favoring local/sustainable products	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local currencies/money/Local Exchange Trading Systems/Time Banks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transition Towns initiative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please explain any particular municipal or community activities that you are aware of in your locality:

4. Are you aware of creative responses to climate change and peak oil undertaken by other municipalities that you think we should be aware of? If so, please name them.

5. In responding to CLIMATE CHANGE, please rate your MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT on the following:

	1 (Low)	2	3	4	5 (High)
Innovation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Future-orientation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Collaboration	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

6. In responding to PEAK OIL, please rate your MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT on the following:

	1 (Low)	2	3	4	5 (High)
Innovation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Future-orientation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Collaboration	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

7. In responding to CLIMATE CHANGE, please rate your BROADER COMMUNITY on the following:

	1 (Low)	2	3	4	5 (High)
Innovation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Future-orientation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Collaboration	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

8. In responding to PEAK OIL, please rate your BROADER COMMUNITY on the following:

	1 (Low)	2	3	4	5 (High)
Innovation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Future-orientation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Collaboration	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

4. Geographic Information

1. What position do you hold in your municipality?

- Municipal planner
- Administrator/Clerk
- Other Municipal employee
- Head of Council
- Municipal Councillor
- Volunteer (please describe)
- Other (please describe)

Description:



2. In what Ontario region are you located?

- North-East
- North-West
- Central
- South-West
- East

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3. How would you describe the municipality you work for?

- Remote
- Rural / Small Town
- Urban / Suburban

5. Contact Information

1. All information from this survey will be aggregated to ensure confidentiality.

Please provide your contact information. We will not share your information.

Our research team may contact you for further details.

Those who provide contact information will be entered into a draw for \$100 at Grassroots (<http://www.grassrootsstore.com/>).

Please be reminded that responses from this survey will be aggregated regionally and for all of Ontario.

Name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

6. Thank you!

Thank you for your time and assistance in identifying current practice and responses in Ontario municipalities and communities.

For more information, please contact Dr. Wayne Caldwell at wcaldwel@uoguelph.ca