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Maple Ridge Hosting Climate Action Summit to Inform City's Climate Strategy

Maple Ridge, BC: The City of Maple Ridge will hear from local, regional and provincial elected officials, Indigenous partners, experts and academics, community leaders, stakeholders and members of the public at the city's **Climate Action Summit** on **Thursday, April 13** at the **Albion Community Centre**.

Mayor Dan Ruimy and Council will engage with the community, as Maple Ridge looks for environmental solutions the city can employ in alignment with community, stakeholder and government decision makers.

"A priority for Council is to collaborate with our community partners and other levels of government to address challenges and opportunities for Maple Ridge," said Mayor Ruimy. "We're delivering on that commitment with the Climate Action Summit, the first of three leadership summits. We're bringing together a group of leaders, key partners and community members to listen, learn and help shape a plan that will take action locally to do our part globally for future generations."

The **Honourable George Heyman, BC's Minister of the Environment and Climate Change Strategy** will open the summit as its keynote speaker.

A plenary panel discussion, followed by smaller breakout sessions for community groups and stakeholders will round out the day. Information and ideas discussed at these facilitated workshops will be gathered and collated to help inform the city's Climate Action Strategy and Action Plan. More details regarding the event and these sessions will be announced soon.

The Climate Action Summit is the first of three Leadership Summits being planned by the Mayor and Council for 2023. Affordable Housing and Economic Development will be the topics at the centre of the next two summits, which are currently in the planning stage.

For more information or registration details for the one-day Climate Action Summit on April 13 visit the City website at www.mapleridge.ca/summit