

COMMUNITY ENERGY AND EMISSIONS PLANNING

AN OVERVIEW

A community energy and emissions plan (CEEP), is a tool that helps define community priorities around energy to improve efficiency, cut emissions, enhance community resilience, manage future risks, and drive economic development¹. It considers energy early in the land-use and infrastructure planning process and identifies opportunities to integrate local energy solutions.

While there is no standard approach for developing a CEEP, there are several common elements found in CEEPs:

Targets



Emission reduction targets in each sector

Actions



Detailed actions to help them reach the targets

Gaps



Lack of support of higher levels of government and limited capacity of local government²

Tools



Current and future energy usage data/assumptions and energy maps

General



Meet the recommended criteria identified by the FCM PCP program and emphasize the importance of partnerships

¹ There is currently no standard approach for developing and implementing a CEEP. This definition has been developed by the Community Energy Planning: Getting to Implementation in Canada team. For a list of other CEEP definitions visit <http://gettingtoimplementation.ca/category/faqs/>

² Murphy, R., Pardy, A., Bragiewicz, M., Zuehlke, B., & Jaccard, M. (2021). Why is there an implementation gap in community energy planning?. *Canadian Planning and Policy / Aménagement Et Politique Au Canada*, 2021(2), 11–34. <https://doi.org/10.24908/cpp-apc.v2021i2.13956>