Appendix F Implementation Plan

E.1: Acquire Clean Electricity Sources for the County

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Action Description	Form an opt-out municipal aggregation program to acquire 100% clean electricity for a portion of the community. A municipal aggregation program, also known as community choice aggregation (CCA), allows a municipality to negotiate for 100% clean or renewable electricity for all the electricity customers within their jurisdiction. Through a CCA, a municipality can purchase and manage their community's electric power supply from a preferred mix of energy sources while the utility continues to provide distribution, billing services, and outage management. In PWC, a CCA could only be formed with Dominion customers (NOVEC cannot participate in a CCA). If PWC develops an opt-out program, Dominion customers would automatically be enrolled in 100% clean electricity but can opt-out to revert to their traditional service and electricity energy source mix.
Related County Goal(s)	 Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030 Source 100% of PWC's county-wide electricity from renewable sources by 2035 Achieve 100% renewable electricity in PWC Government operations by 2030 Achieve 100% carbon neutrality in PWC Government operations by 2050
Climate Action Topic	Electricity
GHG Reduction Potential	Very High
Lead Department	Office of Sustainability
Supporting Departments/Partners	 Facilities and Fleet Management Finance Management and Budget Economic Development
Implementation Steps	 Release request for information (RFI) which will include: Study on electric grid capacity/feasibility to provide 100% clean electricity for the entire community Study on potential conflicts or complications of forming a CCA with Dominion but not NOVEC (note: NOVEC cannot partake in a CCA) Develop a CCA feasibility study Release a request for proposals (RFP) Hire an expert on CCA to manage contract under Office of Sustainability Assess conflicts with County government electricity purchasing contracts
Potential County Action Cost Range (2025-2030)	TOTAL: \$4M-\$5M • First Year Budget Requests: o Hiring new staff member: \$200k o Developing feasibility study: \$1M • Other Cost Considerations: o Start-up costs (\$3.7M – referenced from Loudoun County feasibility study)

	 Ongoing Cost Considerations: New staff salaries Changes in County goincrease or decrease 	overnment electricity costs (could
Performance Indicators	We participation rate in program % clean or renewable kWh provided to community Cost of electricity (\$/kWh)	Outcome Indicators CCA electricity emissions factor Community-wide electricity emissions

E.2: Promote Renewable Energy Incentive Programs and Develop Additional Solar Incentives

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Action Title	E.2: Promote Renewable Energy Incentive Programs and Develop Additional
	Solar Incentives
Action Description	Provide outreach and education on programs and incentives for residents and businesses to install renewable energy systems, such as solar tax credits, community solar programs, net metering, the multifamily shared solar program, solar renewable energy certificates and Solarize NOVA. Develop additional local renewable energy incentives, such as streamlined solar permitting, in partnership with stakeholders such as the Residential Solar Task Force and local utilities. This would include providing a centralized tool for residents and businesses to reference relevant federal, state, County, and utility incentives and programs.
Related County Goal(s)	Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005
	 levels by 2030 Source 100% of PWC's county-wide electricity from renewable sources by 2035
Climate Action Topic	Electricity
GHG Reduction Potential	Medium
Lead Department	 Development Services - Building Development Division Development Services - Land Development Division Real Estate Assessments Office of Sustainability
Supporting Departments/Partners	 Economic Development Residential Solar Task Force NOVEC and Dominion
Implementation Steps	 Develop a centralized webpage or tool on County website for residents and businesses to reference relevant federal, state, County, and utility incentives and programs (PACE, tax credits, multifamily shared solar program, net metering, community solar, solar renewable energy certificates (SRECs), Solarize NOVA)) Integrate Development Services' residential solar local incentives webpage information into tool and ensure tool is periodically updated Coordinate webpage or tool development with Action B.4: "Promote Energy Efficiency and Electrification Incentives" Work with Solarize NOVA to promote their services (a community-based outreach initiative sponsored by the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) that facilitates the deployment of solar energy to homes and businesses in Northern Virginia, through bulk purchasing and free solar site assessments) Provide education/outreach to commercial business networks and include incentive information in County presentations to new businesses or businesses considering locating to PWC
	 Develop Additional Incentives: Work with Residential Solar Task Force to develop new solar incentives Engage with SolSmart Virginia to help make commercial solar permitting faster, easier, and more affordable for businesses

	opportunity in the Zoning code • Reduce property taxes as incer	
Potential County Action Cost Range (2025-2030)	 First Year Budget Requests: Developing new incer Ongoing Cost Consideration: Developing new incer 	
Performance Indicators	Number of County solar installation permits with system size (kW) information Number of ground-mounted versus roof solar systems Track number of participants throughout county using Solarize NOVA data	Outcome Indicators Residential grid electricity use Residential building emissions Commercial grid electricity use Commercial building emissions

E.3: Incentivize Renewable Energy Use in Energy-Intensive Commercial Buildings

Action Title	E.3: Incentivize Renewable Energy Use in Energy-Intensive Commercial Buildings
Action Description	Incentivize the use of renewable energy in energy-intensive commercial buildings through a voluntary reporting program, real estate tax reductions, expedited permitting, height bonuses, or a reduction in proffers. As commercial building electricity use is forecast to generate roughly 28% of county-wide emissions by 2030, incentivizing emissions reductions in this sector is crucial towards meeting the 2030 GHG reduction target.
Related County Goal(s)	 Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030 Source 100% of PWC's county-wide electricity from renewable sources by 2035
Climate Action Topic	Electricity
GHG Reduction Potential	High
Lead Department	 Development Services Planning Office Economic Development
Supporting Departments/Partner	Businesses and Data Centers
Implementation Steps	Collaborate with data center companies/developers to discuss the following:
	 Other Incentives Determine the qualifications for buildings to apply to renewable energy incentive program (e.g., incentive only applies to commercial buildings with a minimum energy use intensity, building must procure a minimum % of renewable energy to attain incentive, etc.) Review the legality of offering incentives to specific commercial building types and excluding other types Evaluate the current number and projected new development of the qualified buildings in the county Develop County goals on the percent of qualified developments that will use the incentive Use County goals to determine the incentive type/amount and number of new staff needed to implement incentives

	 Evaluate the feasibility and effectiveness of different incentives for renewable energy use for commercial developments, such as: Height bonuses where permissible and with proper study on potential community impacts such as viewsheds or noise If a height bonus is granted, require a minimum distance from residential communities Consider offering a height bonus if the developer proffers renewable electricity Streamlined/expedited permitting Office of Sustainability could provide funding to Building Services to expand permitting team, or new funding could be allocated to Building Services team through increased permit fees elsewhere NOTE: Data centers are already granted expedited plan reviews/inspections by County as they are targeted industry/priority development Reduction on businesses taxes (e.g., real estate, BTP, BPOL taxes) to increase on-site renewable energy NOTE: Financial incentives might be ineffective at influencing data centers Reduction in proffers if a development was to proffer to a percent of renewable electricity use
Potential County Action Cost Range (2025-2030)	TOTAL: \$1M-\$10M
kange (2025-2030)	 First Year Budget Requests No additional first year costs (internal staff time)
	Ongoing Cost Considerations:
	 Costs dependent on incentive pursued and if new staff are needed
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators
	 information % of qualified developments using incentive (either square footage or # of developments) kWh of renewable energy purchased due to incentive

E.4: Promote Existing Green Power Products

Action Title	E.4: Promote Existing Green Power Products
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Action Description	Promote purchasing utility green power options within the community. Green power products allow customers to purchase renewable or clean electricity on a month-to-month basis through an added fee on their utility bill. Both Dominion and NOVEC offer 100% renewable electricity options.
Related County Goal(s)	 Reduce GHG emissions County-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030 Source 100% of County-wide electricity from renewable sources by 2035 Achieve 100% renewable electricity in County Government operations by 2030 Achieve 100% carbon neutrality in County Government operations by 2050
Climate Action Topic	Electricity
GHG Reduction Potential	High
Lead Department	Office of Sustainability
Supporting Departments/Partners	CommunicationsPublic WorksDominion and NOVEC
Implementation Steps	 Hire a new communications staff member through Office of Sustainability Evaluate cost of purchasing green power from Dominion and NOVEC (both offer 100% renewable options) compared to regular utility costs Work with Dominion and NOVEC to develop education and outreach program to promote green power product purchasing Work with Dominion and NOVEC to understand their capacity to provide 100% renewable electricity to PWC customers
Potential County Action Cost	TOTAL: ~\$1M
Range (2025-2030)	 First Year Budget Requests: Hiring staff member: \$200k Ongoing Cost Considerations: New staff salary: \$200k/year
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators

E.5: Install Solar on County Government Facilities

Action Title	E.5: Install Solar on County Government Facilities
Action Description	Develop solar projects on County government facilities through direct ownership or third-party ownership models such as Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs).
Related County Goal(s)	 Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030 Source 100% of PWC's county-wide electricity from renewable sources by 2035 Achieve 100% renewable electricity in PWC Government operations by 2030 Achieve 100% carbon neutrality in PWC Government operations by 2050
Climate Action Topic	Electricity
GHG Reduction Potential	Low
Lead Department	Fleets and Facilities Management
Implementation Steps	 Community Services Housing and Community Development Fire & Rescue Parks, Recreation & Tourism Public Works Adult Detention Center Complete solar feasibility study to identify ideal solar locations on County buildings (County already conducted a high-level feasibility study for roughly 65 facilities and identified 10 buildings that it is
Determinal Country Action Cost	 currently conducting a detailed solar feasibility study on) Identify funding source for solar installations Install solar on priority facilities identified through feasibility study
Potential County Action Cost Range (2025-2030)	TOTAL: ~\$9M • First Year Budget Requests: • Solar feasibility study already paid for and underway • Ongoing Cost Considerations: • Installing solar on top 10 buildings (including construction costs): \$9M
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators Size (kW) of solar installed on County facilities Electricity (kWh) produced by government solar systems Government utility electricity use Electricity emissions avoided through use of solar Government building emissions

$B.1: Incentivize \ {\tt Energy} \ {\tt Efficiency} \ {\tt and} \ {\tt Electrification} \ {\tt Retrofits}$

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Action Title	B.1: Incentivize Energy Efficiency and Electrification Retrofits
	Incentivize existing building energy efficiency and electrification retrofits through actions such as streamlined permitting or reducing real estate taxes.
Related County Goal(s)	Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030
Climate Action Topic	Buildings
GHG Reduction Potential	Medium
Lead Department	 Real Estate Assessments Development Services – Building Department
Supporting Departments/Partners	
Implementation Steps	 Determine the qualifications for buildings to apply to incentive program, such as a list of acceptable retrofits Develop County goals on the percent of qualified buildings that will use the incentive Use County goals to structure incentive type/amount and determine the number of new staff needed to implement incentive program Evaluate potential incentives for building upgrades or high energy performance, including: Reduction on real estate taxes Streamline/expedited permitting NOTE: Single family residential equipment replacements typically have same day permitting review, but commercial equipment replacement do not Office of Sustainability could provide funding to Building Services to expand permitting team, or new funding could be allocated to Building Services team through increased permit fees Consider prioritizing or offering larger incentives to low-income residents or building owners that rent to low-income families Provide education/outreach on energy cost savings from energy efficiency/electrification retrofits
Potential County Action Cost Range (2025-2030)	First Year Budget Requests: O Hiring staff member to coordinate/develop incentives: \$200k Ongoing Cost Considerations: New staff salary
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators Building permit data describing equipment replacement and fuel switching # of applications to real estate assessments Average permit time Outcome Indicators Community electricity use Community natural gas use Community natural gas use Average permit time

B.2: Propose Green Zoning Regulations

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Action Title	B.2: Propose Green Zoning Regulations
Action Description	Propose green zoning regulations to incentivize energy- and water-efficient buildings, multifamily and mixed-use areas, and transit-oriented developments. Green zoning involves revising zoning policies to require or incentivize developers to abide by certain sustainable development practices. This could include density bonuses, by-right zoning, or zoning overlays. Denser developments and multifamily housing units typically use less energy than other, more dispersed building types. Additionally, mixed-used and transit-oriented areas significantly reduce the need for vehicle travel, which would also reduce transportation emissions.
Related County Goal(s)	Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030
Climate Action Topic	Buildings, Transportation
GHG Reduction Potential	Medium
Lead Department	Planning Office
Supporting Departments/Partner Implementation Steps Potential County Action Cost	 Transportation Housing Watershed Parks and Recreation Economic Development/Community Development Study what incentives will best promote green developments: density bonuses, height bonuses, by-right zoning, zoning overlays, etc. Coordinate local policy revisions to zoning and plans to allow people to live closer to jobs Set environmental goals for green zoning regulations Conduct a green space or natural open space (NOS) assessment and define strategy for green/space NOS (coordinate with Action N.1: "Adopt Natural Open Space Requirements") Develop green zoning around green space strategy TOTAL: \$100k-\$1M
Range (2025-2030)	 First Year Budget Requests: Hiring consultant, including environmental assessment: \$500k Ongoing Cost Considerations: No additional costs beyond existing staff time
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators # of green certified buildings (e.g., LEED) Outcome Indicators Residential energy use and emissions Commercial energy use and emissions

B.3: Incentivize energy efficient and electric new construction

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Action Title	B.3: Incentivize energy efficient and electric new construction
Action Description	Provide incentives for developers to build to energy-efficient or all-electric new developments, such as streamlined permitting, a reduction in real estate taxes, or a reduction in proffers.
Related County Goal(s)	Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030
Climate Action Topic	Buildings
GHG Reduction Potential	Medium
Lead Department	Planning OfficeDevelopment Services
Supporting Departments/Partners	None identified
Implementation Steps	 Review legality of incentivizing/promoting certain fuel types in new construction Establish the type of new developments that should qualify for incentive (e.g., all new developments, developments over a certain size, etc.) Evaluate the projected new development of qualified buildings in the county Develop County goals on the percent of qualified developments that will use the incentive to build all-electric Use County goals to determine the incentive type/amount and number of new staff needed to implement expedited permitting or other incentives Evaluate potential incentives for all-electric new construction, such as: Reduction on real estate taxes Streamlined/expedited permitting for all-electric construction Office of Sustainability could provide funding to Building Services to expand permitting team, or new funding could be allocated to Building Services team through increased permit fees elsewhere Density or height bonuses where permissible and with proper study on potential community impacts such as viewsheds or noise If a height bonus is granted, require a minimum distance from residential communities
	 Reduction in proffers if a development was to proffer to a specific standard or uses all-electric equipment
Potential County Action Cost	specific standard or uses all-electric equipment TOTAL: >\$5M
Range (2025-2030)	 First Year Budget Requests: No additional first year costs (internal staff time) Ongoing Cost Considerations:
Porformance Indicators	Output Indicators Output Indicators Output Indicators
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators • % of new construction that is all-electric (use # of permits for all-electric new construction and permits for mixed-fuel new construction) Outcome Indicators • Community natural gas use

 # of applications to real estate
assessments
Average permit time

B.4: Promote Energy Efficiency and Electrification Incentives

Action Title	B.4: Promote Energy Efficiency and Ele	ectrification Incentives
Action Description	Provide outreach and education to restechnology, and incentives for building This would include providing a centralize businesses to reference relevant federa information, and County programs, am	energy efficiency and electrification. zed webpage or tool for residents and al, state, and utility incentives, C-PACE
Related County Goal(s)		50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030
Climate Action Topic	Buildings	
GHG Reduction Potential	Medium	
Lead Department	Office of Sustainability	
Supporting Departments/Partners	 Development Services Communications Office Economic Development Green Business Council 	
Implementation Steps	reference relevant federal, statinformation, and County progress Assign a dedicated staff member webpage and conduct outread Coordinate with other departed dedicated staff member Coordinate webpage or tool described Renewable Energy Incentive Proceedings Incentives Develop a physical/virtual Guichange regularly, Guidebook of	per to maintain and regularly update on to businesses and residents ments to report new incentives to evelopment with Action E.2: "Promote trograms and Develop Additional Solar debook for incentives (as incentives an direct to website) associations (HOAs) to promote
Potential County Action Cost	TOTAL: ~\$1M	
Range (2025-2030)	 First Year Budget Requests: Hiring staff member: Ongoing Cost Considerations: New staff salary 	
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators • # of residents/businesses reached through program	Outcome Indicators

B.5: Create Net-Zero Plan for County Government Facilities

Action Title	B.5: Create Net-Zero Plan for County Government Facilities	
Action Description	Develop a net-zero emissions building plan for County government facilities,	
Action Description	which will include implementing an energy benchmarking program and procuring 100% clean electricity for all County government operations.	
Related County Goal(s)	 Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030 Source 100% of PWC's county-wide electricity from renewable sources by 2035 Achieve 100% renewable electricity in PWC Government operations by 2030 Achieve 100% carbon neutrality in PWC Government operations by 2050 	
Climate Action Topic	Electricity, Buildings	
GHG Reduction Potential	Medium	
Lead Department	 Facilities and Fleet Management Finance – Risk and Wellness Services 	
Supporting Departments/Partne	ers Departments with facilities not managed by Facilities and Fleet:	
bupporting Departments/Fartne	Community Services	
	Housing and Community Development	
	Fire & Rescue	
	Parks, Recreation & Tourism	
	 Public Works 	
	Adult Detention Center	
Implementation Steps	 Develop a government operations GHG inventory 	
	 Hire consultant to develop Net Zero Plan Develop a plan that includes the following elements: Conduct a feasibility study for facility electrification Prioritize buildings for net-zero transition - identify buildings that would be exempt from full electrification Evaluate cost of purchasing 100% green power from Dominion and NOVEC Explore PPA and VPPA options (consider partnering with other municipalities to establish VPPAs) Hire employee to manage green power purchasing and energy benchmarking program Develop mandatory energy benchmarking program by streamlining existing bill capture program Conduct staff training for new technologies or processes for facilities (e.g., heat pumps) 	
Potential County Action Cost	TOTAL: \$10M-\$100M	
Range (2025-2030)	 First Year Budget Requests: Hiring staff member: \$200k Developing plan: \$200k NOTE: Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block	

	 Implementing Net Zero for All Facilities: \$30M Cost includes all facilities transitioning to net-zero (may not occur before 2030) Does not consider existing equipment replacement budget and any additional cost or savings from replacing equipment with electric options Ongoing cost of purchasing clean electricity through Dominion or NOVEC: \$5-10M Purchasing electricity through VPPA/PPA would be much cheaper and even generate revenue Implementing energy benchmarking program: <\$200k
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators

T.1: Improve Pedestrian and Bicycle Infrastructure and Enhance Connectivity

Action Title	T.1: Improve Pedestrian and Bicycle Infrastructure and Enhance Connectivity
Action Description	Improve active transportation infrastructure and improve sidewalk and trail
Action Description	connectivity to support walking, biking, and rolling, with improvements such as
	providing bike lockers, installing curb ramps, or installing traffic-calming
	designs like crosswalk islands or speed humps. This action would involve
	developing a strategic Active Transportation Plan that includes
	recommendations for prioritizing infrastructure improvements and outlines
	new active transportation policies, processes, and infrastructure.
Related County Goal(s)	Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030
Climate Action Topic	Transportation
GHG Reduction Potential	High
Lead Department	Transportation
	Parks, Recreation and Tourism
Supporting Departments/Partner	• Planning Office
	Watershed
	Service Authority
	 Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)*
	• Schools
Implementation Steps	Coordination:
	 Coordinate with other entities that are developing active
	transportation programming/infrastructure to align all efforts (e.g.,
	Schools, Parks, Transportation, Planning, and other supporting
	partners such as Watershed and Service Authorities)
	Continue coordination with the COG Bike and Ped subcommittee to
	complete the National Capital Bike Trail Network to increase access to
	opportunities and other activities via non-motorized modes
	Planning:
	Hire an active-mobility planning consultant to develop a strategic
	Active Transportation Plan that includes recommendations for
	prioritizing infrastructure improvements and outlines new active
	transportation policies and processes
	Ensure Active Transportation Plan development process includes
	extensive community engagement
	Evaluate expansion of Countywide Trails Plan in Comprehensive Plan
	o Review Trails and Blueways Council's Aspirational Trails Map
	and identify additional facilities to include
	Ensure elements of Active Transportation Plan are also is a several addressed for the Plan.
	incorporated into update of Countywide Trails Plan
	Incorporate the Trails and Blueways Council's Aspirational Trails Map into the forthcoming Parks, Regression and Tourism Master Plan
	into the forthcoming Parks, Recreation and Tourism Master Plan
	 Use forthcoming Transportation app to crowd-source data on barriers to pedestrian and bicyclist access to schools and transit and identify
	priority actions
	 Identify existing private facilities/community destinations that need
	bicycle facilities and evaluate incentives that could be provided to
	encourage visitor bicycle facilities
	 Evaluate use of counters to track usage of bicycle/pedestrian facilities
	or hire consultant develop bicycle/pedestrian facility usage counts
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	Incentives and Resources:	
	 Coordinate with developers of connectivity 	n improving bicycle and pedestrian
	include mobility requirement	
	part of development projects	
	showers throughout the cour	-
	Evaluate Business Improvement	siderations for future trails projects ent Districts as an alternate funding frastructure that VDOT does not need to
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Potential County Action Cost	TOTAL: ~\$50M	
Range (2025-2030)	estimate to impleme Ongoing Cost Considerations:	
	•	s of the Plans, could include
		ng) and repair/replacement (bike
Performance Indicators	stations, water foun Output Indicators	Output Indicators
renormance mulcators	 Miles of dedicated bike lane Miles of trails # or % of nodes connected # of bike racks approved as part of new developments 	 Commuting travel mode splits from the Census # or % of students walking or biking to school (through Schools tracking) Pedestrian and bicyclist morbidity and mortality (Health Authority) On-road transportation emissions

^{*}PWC can build public roads and sidewalks which are then adopted into the state system and maintained by VDOT. Any public road/sidewalk development proposed by PWC needs to be approved by VDOT and VDOT could override proposed development in any right-of-way.

T.2: Incentivize Transit-Oriented Development

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Action Title	T.2: Incentivize Transit-Oriented Development
Action Description	Incentivize transit-oriented development (TOD) within 1/2-mile of transit stations. This could be done through developer incentives, such as streamlined permitting, a reduction in real estate taxes, or a reduction in proffers, or zoning amendments, such as density bonuses, by-right zoning, or zoning overlays. The County could establish parking maximums, remove parking minimums, and require bicycle parking minimums in TOD areas.
Related County Goal(s)	Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030
Climate Action Topic	Transportation
GHG Reduction Potential	High
Lead Department	Planning OfficeTransportation
Supporting Departments/Partner	 Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) VRE Development Services
Implementation Steps	 Develop a TOD Action Plan Identify new incentives that would promote TOD, such as streamlined permitting, a reduction in real estate taxes, or a reduction in proffers Identify zoning amendments that would promote TOD, such as density bonuses, by-right zoning, or zoning overlays Update the Design and Construction Standards Manual (DCSM) to: Establish parking maximums and reduce parking minimums for TOD areas Enhance bike facilities within multifamily developments Require bike parking minimums in TOD areas
Potential County Action Cost	TOTAL: <\$500k
Range (2025-2030)	 First Year Budget Requests: Hiring a consultant for TOD Action Plan: \$200k Ongoing Cost Considerations: No additional costs beyond existing staff time
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators • % of qualified developments using incentive (using either square footage or # of developments) • Commuting travel mode splits from the Census • Transit ridership levels • On-road transportation emissions

T.3: Expand Existing Programs that Reduce Single-Occupancy Vehicle Trips

Action Title	T.3: Expand Existing Programs that Reduce Single-Occupancy Vehicle Trips
Action Description	Expand and promote programs that offer transportation demand management services, reduce transit fares, and support teleworking.
Related County Goal(s)	 Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030 Achieve 100% carbon neutrality in PWC Government operations by 2050
Climate Action Topic	Transportation
GHG Reduction Potential	Medium
Lead Department	Transportation
Supporting Departments/Partners	sPlanning Office Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC)
Implementation Steps Potential County Action Cost	 Support PRTC/OmniRide's Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Strategic Plan (Plan includes strategies for working with local employers) Evaluate opportunities to enhance the County TDM Program by updating the Design and Construction Standards Manual Continue to promote the Transit Fare Buy Down Program and support reduced transit fares Evaluate pursuing grant opportunities for additional transit fare reduction programs or expand existing programs Continue to work with VDOT to expand park and ride lots and encourage carpooling/ridesharing Promote the Transportation Planning Board's Commuter Connections program which encourages and incentivizes telework and transit use through employer-provided transit benefits, expanding telework options, providing transit and carpool benefits to employees, alternative work schedules, providing parking cash-outs for employees that drive and receive free paid parking, and reducing subsidized parking at work Update Comprehensive Plan to support development of infrastructure to aid in teleworking (e.g., rural broadband, free Wi-Fi hotspots) Work with private sector to encourage development to provide adequate infrastructure to support teleworking In the Design and Construction Standards Manual update, explore providing parking reduction to developers who commit to providing a certain % of teleworking employees Coordinate high speed internet infrastructure upgrades with transportation infrastructure projects TOTAL: \$0 (No net additional costs beyond existing staff time)
Range (2025-2030)	The state of the s
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators • % utilization of commuter lots (through periodic snapshots) • Transit ridership • On-road transportation emissions

T.4: Upgrade Public Transit Infrastructure

Action Title	T.4: Upgrade Public Transit Infrastructure
Action Description	Partner with County transit operators and VDOT to improve and provide new public transit infrastructure and build out transit nodes. Though PWC does not operate the public buses that service the County, PWC can help provide supportive infrastructure to help increase the efficiency and frequency of bus travel. However, as most public roads and bus infrastructure are maintained by VDOT, PWC will partner with VDOT to identify and develop transit priority treatments.
Related County Goal(s)	Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030
Climate Action Topic	Transportation
GHG Reduction Potential	Medium
Lead Department	Transportation
Supporting Departments/Partne	 Planning Office Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) Virginia Railway Express (VRE) Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)*
Implementation Steps	 Work with transit operators and VDOT to develop Transit Improvement Study Work with VDOT to identify corridors for transit priority treatments (e.g., priority bus lanes, dedicated or shared bus lanes, priority signaling, etc.) Identify grants in order to build out mobility hubs or transit centers Work with OmniRide and the broader community to identify priority locations for bus stops
Potential County Action Cost	TOTAL: \$100-\$250M
Range (2025-2030)	 First Year Budget Requests: Feasibility study for transit infrastructure: \$100-200k Ongoing Cost Considerations: Implementing feasible range of improvements by 2030: \$100-250M Implementing all priority treatments/improvements past 2030: \$250-500M May incur maintenance costs for mobility hubs and transit centers, but not other priority treatments maintained by VDOT
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators • Miles of dedicated transit lanes • Commuting travel mode splits from Census • Transit ridership • On-road transportation emissions

T.5: Incentivize Zero-Emission Vehicles and Charging

Action Title	T.5: Incentivize Zero-Emission Vehicles and Charging
Action Description	Develop incentives for residents and businesses to purchase ZEVs or install charging equipment, such as through streamlined permitting for EV chargers, "group-buy" programs for EV chargers, or EV purchasing co-ops.
Related County Goal(s)	Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030
Climate Action Topic	Transportation
GHG Reduction Potential	High
Lead Department	TransportationDevelopment Services
Supporting Departments/Partners	Facilities and Fleet Management
Implementation Steps Potential County Action Cost Range (2025-2030)	 Establish a workgroup to identify priority ZEV incentives Evaluate implementing streamlined permitting for EV chargers Consider making EV chargers a "permitted accessory use" so they do not require site plan review and are granted automatic approval Evaluate creating "group-buy" programs for charging stations or vehicles or establishing EV purchasing cooperatives Evaluate integrating EV charging standards into Design and Construction Standards Manual update Consider integrating electric bike purchasing and charging incentives TOTAL: >\$5M First Year Budget Requests No additional first year costs (internal staff time) Ongoing Cost Considerations: Funding for group-buy programs or cooperatives Potential additional staff
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators

T.6: Expand Public EV Charging Network

Action Title	T.6: Expand Public EV Charging Network
Action Description	Expand public EV charging infrastructure especially along main routes and in popular destinations. This would include developing an EV Infrastructure Plan to guide community deployment and considerations for electric bike charging.
Related County Goal(s)	Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030
Climate Action Topic	Transportation
GHG Reduction Potential	High
Lead Department	TransportationFacilities and Fleet Management
Supporting Departments/Partners	 Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Virginia Railway Express (VRE) Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC)
Implementation Steps	 Develop EV Infrastructure Plan for community deployment Conduct regional EV gap analysis to identify most critical gaps in EV charging network Install EV charging at publicly owned facilities Incentivize newly constructed buildings in the community to accommodate EV charging Implement combined solar and EV charger buying cooperatives (see Arlington County) Coordinate County-installed public EV charging with VDOT's National Vehicle Infrastructure (NVI) Plan Identify source of grant matching funds (no dedicated funding currently)
Potential County Action Cost	TOTAL: \$25-\$50M
Range (2025-2030)	 First Year Budget Requests EV Study: \$100-\$200k Ongoing Cost Considerations: Charger maintenance
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators # public EV chargers installed % utilization rate % of chargers currently working (i.e. uptime) Outcome Indicators On-road transportation emissions # of registered EV/ZEVs in County (EV Hub website)

T.7: Adopt Zero- or Low-Emissions County Fleet

Action Title	T.7: Adopt Zero- or Low-Emissions County Fleet
Action Description	Transition County fleet to zero- or low-emissions vehicles and ensure supporting infrastructure is open to other fleets.
Related County Goal(s)	Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030 Achieve 100% carbon neutrality in PWC Government operations by 2050
Climate Action Topic	Transportation
GHG Reduction Potential	Low
Lead Department	Fleets and Facilities Management
Supporting Departments/Partners	None identified
Implementation Steps	 Hire a consultant to develop an EV Fleet Transition Study Hire a consultant to develop an EV Charging Infrastructure Study (for both community-wide and County fleet charging) Evaluate if hybrid electric vehicles and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles should be included in fleet transition Identify funding source and tax incentives for EVs Purchase and install EVSE Purchase zero or low-emissions vehicles Conduct staff training on vehicle use
Potential County Action Cost	TOTAL: \$100M-\$1B
Range (2025-2030)	 First Year Budget Requests: EV Fleet Transition Study: \$200k EV Charging Infrastructure Study: \$200k Ongoing Cost Considerations: Installing charging infrastructure: \$100M Transitioning entire fleet (will most likely occur after 2030): \$1B Cost does not consider existing vehicle replacement budget and any additional cost or savings from replacing vehicles with low or zero emissions options Maintaining charger stations Annual EV fuel costs will be lower than gas or diesel vehicle fuel costs
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators • % total fleet that is low or zero-emission • GHGs offset, kWh used, # of sessions (from ChargePoint Chargers data) Outcome Indicators • Gasoline and diesel used by government fleet • County fleet emissions

N.1: Adopt Natural Open Space Requirements

Action Title	N.1: Adopt Natural Open Space Requirements
Action Description	Establish minimum Natural Open Space (NOS) guidelines to encourage preservation of NOS, if appropriate, in new development.
	NOS is "open space with natural resource benefits within the boundaries of a development such as native forests; topographic features; critical habitats for threatened and endangered species and species of special concern; natural creeks, streams and lakes; and natural wetlands that are set aside as an area to remain undisturbed during development and in perpetuity for the preservation of the natural resources contained therein and for the passive use and enjoyment of the residents of the development and/or the public at large."
Related County Goal(s)	 Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030 Become a Climate Ready Region and making significant progress to be
-10	a Climate Resilient Region by 2030
Climate Action Topic	Natural Resources, Climate Adaptation
GHG Reduction Potential	Unknown
Lead Department	Public Works - WatershedCounty Arborist
Supporting Departments/Partners	 Planning Office County Attorney's office Owners of open space areas (HOA's, commercial owners, environmental trusts, etc.)
Implementation Steps	 Review legal guidance with County Attorney regarding this action Incorporate natural open space (NOS) requirements for a larger variety of zoning districts instead of just an open space requirement Develop a NOS corridor overlay for the entire county and identify areas that should be targeted for preservation of substantial tracts to create wildlife habitat and facilitate safe wildlife movement Translate the new Conservation Residential concept that was approved with the updated Comp Plan into specific standards in the Zoning Ordinance – this would help to codify standards in those districts for requiring undisturbed open space that preserves forests. This district should also have standards for restoration of forests for open fields that will not be used for farming
Potential County Action Cost Range (2025-2030)	 TOTAL: \$100k-\$1M First Year Budget Requests: No additional first year costs (internal staff time) Ongoing Annual Cost Considerations: Potential costs from legal fees
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators Total area or % of NOS in the County Total area or % of open space in the County Acres of wildlife corridors Outcome Indicators Land use emissions Average carbon sequestration potential per acre of NOS

A.1: Develop Adaptation Plans for Critical Facilities

Action Title	A.1: Develop Adaptation Plans for Critic	cal Facilities
Action Description	Develop site-level adaptation plans for critical facilities and service areas	
	considering current and future climate of	change hazards.
Related County Goal(s)	Become a Climate Ready Region and ma	king significant progress to be a
	Climate Resilient Region by 2030	
Climate Action Topic	Climate Adaptation	
Climate Hazard	All Hazards	
Lead Department	Emergency Management	
Supporting Departments/Partners	 Facilities and Fleet Management (for 	or County facilities)
	 Risk and Wellness (for some County 	y facilities)
	 External critical facility owners 	
Implementation Steps	<u> </u>	es in the County and determine which
		nent has authority to create adaptation
	plans for	
	Review any existing adaptation plan	
	Develop adaptation plan framewor	k(s) for different types or groups of
	critical facilities	
	Complete adaptation plans for criti	cal facilities that PWC has authority
	over	
	Provide GIS data and technical supply	=
	1	at PWC does not have the authority to
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Potential County Action Cost	TOTAL: \$600K (consider starting goal ar	ound 2027 and completing in 3 years)
Range (2025-2030)	First Year Budget Requests: Hising staff to review.	work and develop template: \$200k
	 Hiring staff to review v Ongoing Cost Considerations: 	work and develop template: \$200k
		Emergency Management Planner):
	\$200K/year	Emergency Management Planner).
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators	Outcome Indicators
	% of County's critical facilities with	 # of critical facilities that begin
	adaptation plans	taking action on completed
	# of technical assistance requests	adaptation plans
	from external critical facility	
	owners that the County supported	
	each year	

A.2: Manage Stormwater Flooding Outside of the Floodplain

Action Title	A.2: Manage Stormwater Flooding Outside of the Floodplain	
Action Description	Increase understanding of flooding in areas outside of the delineated FEMA floodplain through modeling and/or historic flood records. Develop and implement mitigation actions to reduce stormwater flooding.	
Related County Goal(s)	Become a Climate Ready Region and making significant progress to be a Climate Resilient Region by 2030	
Climate Action Topic	Climate Adaptation	
Climate Hazard	Precipitation	
Lead Department	Emergency Management	
Supporting Departments/Partners	Public Works – WatershedVDOT	
Implementation Steps	 Review work done in this area by Emergency Management (including ongoing flood resilience plan which will include data development and filling in gaps in flood mapping) Develop mitigation actions for areas that are identified as vulnerable to stormwater flooding (including stormwater improvements, transportation infrastructure updates, building adaptation, etc.) Implement mitigation actions 	
Potential County Action Cost	TOTAL: >\$3M	
Range (2025-2030)	 First Year Budget Requests: No initial funding needed \$1.2M has already been allocated for the flood resilience assessment \$150K has been allocated for mitigation measures in FY23 \$600K requested for FY24 for implementation for mitigation measures Ongoing Annual: Implementation (will depend on the mitigation actions determined in the flood resilience assessment): \$500K/year 	
Performance Indicators	 Output Indicators KPI's in the flood resilience plan (will get updated as the plan progresses) Status of implementation on items that come out of the plan Outcome Indicators Reduction in closed roads and swift water rescues 	

A.3: Improve Power Resilience for Critical Infrastructure

Action Title	A.3: Improve Power Resilience for Critic	cal Infrastructure
Action Description	Improve the resilience of electrical infra services and infrastructure.	astructure for publicly owned essential
Related County Goal(s)	Become a Climate Ready Region and ma Climate Resilient Region by 2030	aking significant progress to be a
Climate Action Topic	Climate Adaptation	
Climate Hazard	Extreme Temperature; High Winds/Tori	nadoes
Lead Department	 Emergency Management Critical Infrastructure Owners County Energy Providers	
Supporting Departments/Partners	Facilities and Fleet ManagementParks & RecFire	
Implementation Steps	 Review work done in this area by E existing list of county buildings with Rank county buildings by criticality Complete electrical assessment stu Develop plan to fund backup powe Purchase and implement backup pocriticality, as funding is available 	dies r and/or micro grids
Potential County Action Cost	TOTAL: \$1.3M-6.0M	
Range (2025-2030)	Ongoing Annual:Opendent on selecter	for all facilities and annual maintenance
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators Mof critical infrastructure implemented with backup power Mof mission essential / primary mission essential functions supported with backup power	Outcome Indicators Reduced downtime for critical facilities

A.4: Implement Shoreline Protection and Nature-Based Solutions

Action Title	A.4: Implement Shoreline Protection and Nature-Based Solutions	
Action Description	Develop guidance to prioritize nature-based solutions for shoreline protection for coastal areas.	
Related County Goal(s)	Become a Climate Ready Region and making significant progress to be a Climate Resilient Region by 2030	
Climate Action Topic	Climate Adaptation	
Climate Hazard	Erosion (from sea level rise/storm surge)	
Lead Department	Public Works – Watershed Team	
Supporting Departments/Partners	 Development Services - Land Development Division Emergency Management Parks, Recreation and Tourism 	
Implementation Steps	 Compile available information and studies on existing and planned shoreline protection and nature-based solutions within the county including existing implementation progress for county properties Fund and implement nature-based solutions on existing County property in coastal areas Fund and implement incentive program to encourage coastal shoreline protection and nature-based solutions on existing private property 	
Potential County Action Cost	TOTAL: >\$5M	
Range (2025-2030)	 First Year Budget Requests One FTE to review existing studies/projects and develop plan for implementing nature-based solutions on existing County properties in the coastal zone: \$200K Ongoing Cost Considerations New staff salary 	
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators Outcome Indicators	
	 Shoreline miles where projects have been completed Decreased emergency shoreline stabilization projects 	

A.5: Restore Streams to Reduce Flooding

Action Title	A.5: Restore Streams to Reduce Flood	ing
Action Description	Develop and implement stream restoration flooding outcomes.	ation projects in support of reduced
Related County Goal(s)	Become a Climate Ready Region and m Climate Resilient Region by 2030	naking significant progress to be a
Climate Action Topic	Climate Adaptation	
Climate Hazard	Precipitation	
Lead Department	Public Works, Watershed Team	า
Supporting Departments/Partners	Planning OfficeEmergency Management	
Implementation Steps	and develop a list of potential s County-owned property with fo Secure funding for stream resto	tion projects, develop lessons learned, stream restoration project areas on ocus on flood mitigation potential oration projects projects with focus on flood mitigation
Potential County Action Cost	TOTAL: >\$5M	
Range (2025-2030)	 determine flood mitig Ongoing Cost Considerations: New staff salary Funding from stormwasupports current work For additional ramp-u 	rent stream restoration projects and ation potential: \$200K ater fee and DEQ grant funding c p current staff could support additional ltant for implementation
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators	Outcome Indicators None identified

A.6: Incentivize Technology for Residents to Make Homes Adaptive

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Action Title	A.6: Incentivize Technology for Residents to Make Homes Adaptive
Action Description	Provide additional incentives or subsidies for residents of low-income housing and rental properties to install or retrofit buildings with climate adaptive technologies to reduce energy, reduce water use, reduce waste heat, and minimize urban heat gain.
Related County Goal(s)	 Become a Climate Ready Region and making significant progress to be a Climate Resilient Region by 2030 Reduce GHG emissions county-wide to 50% below baseline 2005 levels by 2030
Climate Action Topic	Buildings, Climate Adaptation
Climate Hazard	High Heat
Lead Department	Office of Sustainability
Supporting Departments/Partners	Development ServicesDominion Energy
Implementation Steps Potential County Action Cost Range (2025-2030)	 Identify technology that the County would encourage use of to make homes adaptive If possible, identify buildings that have highest energy bills compared to other buildings of the same size/age. Or consider starting with older buildings to help prioritize outreach Review existing State/National funding programs that residents could use and advertise this available funding Develop new County-run incentive programs to encourage the use of adaptive technology TOTAL: >\$2.4M First Year Budget Requests: One FTE to support implementation (would include
	 One FTE to support implementation (would include assessments and plan development for the first year): \$200k Ongoing Cost Considerations: New staff salary Grant funding: \$200k/year One FTE salary: \$200K/year
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators • # of households contacted/year • % of residences (that have been identified as having the most benefit from adaptive technology) within the County that have been granted the incentive/grant

A.7: Plan Alternate Evacuation Routes for Flood-prone Areas

Action Title	A.7: Plan Alternate Evacuation Routes for Flood-prone Areas
Action Description	Develop localized evaluation routes throughout PWC and socialize with the public.
Related County Goal(s)	Become a Climate Ready Region and making significant progress to be a
	Climate Resilient Region by 2030
Climate Action Topic	Climate Adaptation
Climate Hazard	All Hazards
Lead Department	Emergency Management
Supporting Departments/Partners	None Identified
Implementation Steps	Review flood-prone areas that affect evacuation routes
	Develop alternative evacuation routes
	Develop plan to implement road closures and rerouting
	Implement plan
Potential County Action Cost	TOTAL: ~\$3.2M
Range (2025-2030)	First Year Budget Requests:
	 Gap analysis, vulnerability assessment, data pull and tool development: \$500k
	Ongoing Cost Considerations:
	One FTE salary: \$200K/year
	 Recurring costs (including data systems): \$250k
Performance Indicators	Output Indicators Outcome Indicators
	# of evacuation routes established None identified