



Greenest Region Compact Framework

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Background



- **The Greenest Region Compact was adopted by the County Board in 2019**
 - **141 Communities**
 - **6 Million Residents**
 - **Largest regional sustainability collaborative in the country**
- **“The Framework is designed to help communities assess their current initiatives, select suitable goals and actions, and tailor objectives and strategies to advance their own sustainability agendas.”-GRC Website**
- **The Framework was updated for 2022 by Sustainability Program Manager**

Background

- There are 49 goals within the Compact designated into 10 sustainability categories
- The Greenest Region Compact Framework is a tool designed to assess current initiatives and advance sustainability agendas



Climate



Economic Development



Energy



Land



Leadership



Mobility



Municipal Operations



Sustainable Communities



Water



Waste & Recycling

Climate



Climate 2019

Already Achieved	2
In Progress	4
Planned for the next 6 Months	2
Planned for next 12-18 Months	4
Interested in Pursuing	4
Not Planned	3
Not Relevant	3

Climate 2022

Already Achieved	8
In Progress	8
Planned for the next 6 Months	0
Planned for next 12-18 Months	1
Interested in Pursuing	2
Not Planned	2
Not Relevant	1

Economic Development



Economic Development 2019

Already Achieved	0
In Progress	5
Planned for the next 6 Months	0
Planned for next 12-18 Months	3
Interested in Pursuing	1
Not Planned	0
Not Relevant	3

Economic Development 2022

Already Achieved	5
In Progress	3
Planned for the next 6 Months	0
Planned for next 12-18 Months	1
Interested in Pursuing	2
Not Planned	1
Not Relevant	0

Energy



Energy 2019	
Already Achieved	6
In Progress	7
Planned for the next 6 Months	2
Planned for next 12-18 Months	9
Interested in Pursuing	7
Not Planned	2
Not Relevant	0

Energy 2022	
Already Achieved	11
In Progress	10
Planned for the next 6 Months	1
Planned for next 12-18 Months	0
Interested in Pursuing	5
Not Planned	9
Not Relevant	1

Land



Land 2019	
Already Achieved	34
In Progress	7
Planned for the next 6 Months	0
Planned for next 12-18 Months	3
Interested in Pursuing	7
Not Planned	0
Not Relevant	27

Land 2022	
Already Achieved	17
In Progress	30
Planned for the next 6 Months	5
Planned for next 12-18 Months	18
Interested in Pursuing	11
Not Planned	5
Not Relevant	2

Leadership



Leadership 2019	
Already Achieved	0
In Progress	4
Planned for the next 6 Months	0
Planned for next 12-18 Months	1
Interested in Pursuing	3
Not Planned	0
Not Relevant	3

Leadership 2022	
Already Achieved	7
In Progress	1
Planned for the next 6 Months	2
Planned for next 12-18 Months	0
Interested in Pursuing	1
Not Planned	0
Not Relevant	0

Mobility



Mobility 2022

Already Achieved	14
In Progress	14
Planned for the next 6 Months	2
Planned for next 12-18 Months	0
Interested in Pursuing	0
Not Planned	9
Not Relevant	2

Municipal Operations



Municipal Operations 2019		Municipal Operations 2022	
Already Achieved	2	Already Achieved	15
In Progress	11	In Progress	7
Planned for the next 6 Months	2	Planned for the next 6 Months	1
Planned for next 12-18 Months	6	Planned for next 12-18 Months	2
Interested in Pursuing	11	Interested in Pursuing	3
Not Planned	0	Not Planned	5
Not Relevant	0	Not Relevant	0

Sustainable Communities



Sustainable Communities 2022

Already Achieved	14
In Progress	23
Planned for the next 6 Months	5
Planned for next 12-18 Months	6
Interested in Pursuing	2
Not Planned	10
Not Relevant	0

Water



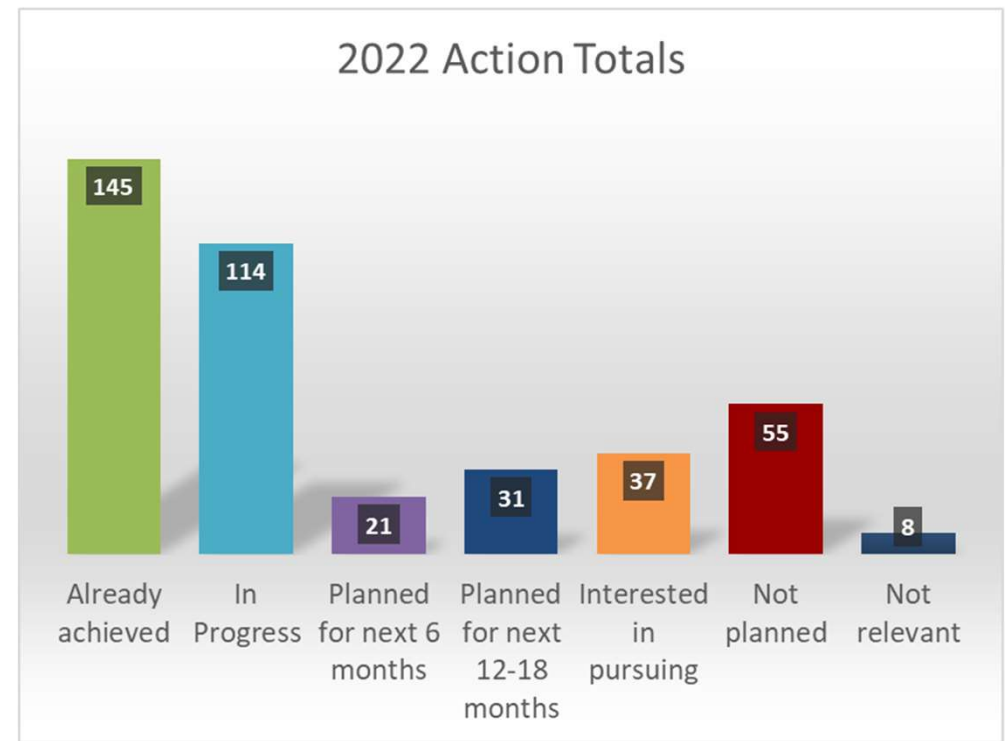
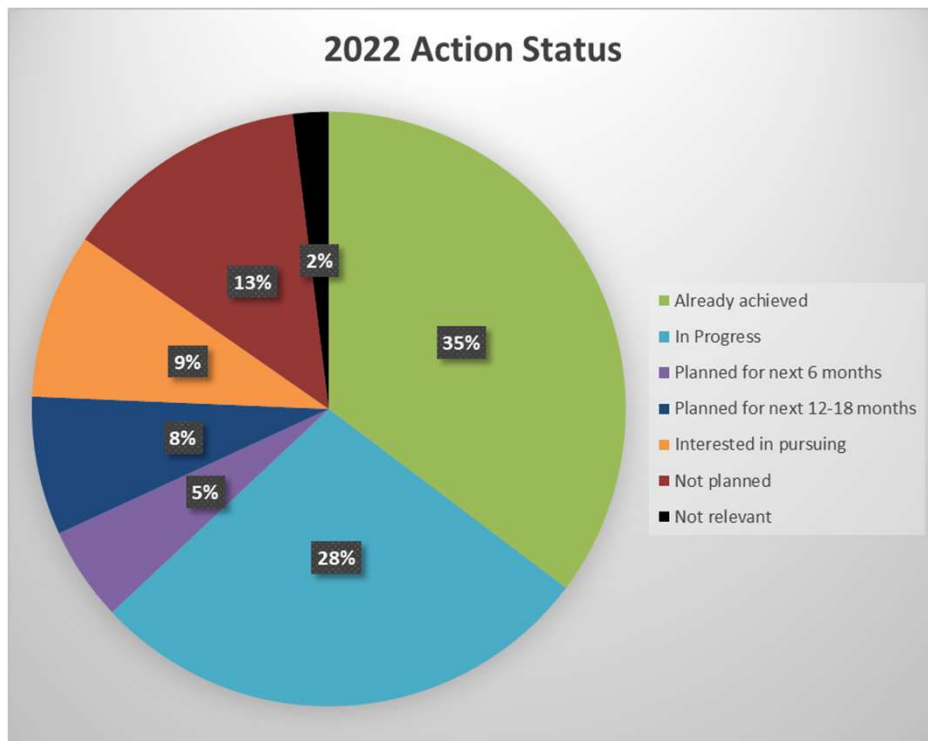
Water 2022	
Already Achieved	41
In Progress	15
Planned for the next 6 Months	5
Planned for next 12-18 Months	3
Interested in Pursuing	8
Not Planned	9
Not Relevant	1

Waste & Recycling



Waste & Recycling 2022	
Already Achieved	13
In Progress	3
Planned for the next 6 Months	0
Planned for next 12-18 Months	0
Interested in Pursuing	2
Not Planned	5
Not Relevant	1

Achievement of Objectives



Takeaways



- The County is moving toward meeting the goals in the Compact
- These achievements have continued to occur in the midst of a global pandemic
- There are more strategies and actions in the Framework able to be undertaken by the County
- The completed Framework will be submitted to MMC staff
- The Framework exercise has given a good overview of the County's initiatives for Sustainability Program Manager

Recommendations



- **Ideally achieve a 95% adoption for objectives and strategies in the Compact**
- **Provide a complete updated version of the Framework for public viewing on the Lake County website**
- **Pursue Metropolitan Mayor's Caucus environmental grants to meet objectives in the Compact**
- **Be active members of Metropolitan Mayor's Caucus committees, such as their Environment Committee**



Questions