Clean Air - A Municipal Perspective

Air quality is important to residents of Halifax Regional Municipality according to responses and feedback to various surveys, both independent and commissioned. HRM has initiated an overall Sustainable Environment Strategy that includes an integrated approach to clean air, land, water and energy options. A municipal Sustainability (State of the Environment) Reporting System is also being put in place to monitor and measure progress.

With respect to Clean Air, major corporate initiatives include:
- Clean Air Strategy
- Corporate and Community GHG Emission Reduction Plans
- Climate SMART
  - Climate Change Mitigation Strategy
  - Climate Change Adaptation Strategy

There are a number of action items coming out of these strategies and plans, including such things as Biofuels, Reduced Idling Programs, District Energy Plans, Community Energy Planning, Energy Performance Contracts, Pesticide Use Reduction, vehicle and bus emission reduction, etc., all contributing to cleaner air.

The brief 10 Minute overview will focus on these municipal plans, strategies and action items towards cleaner air in HRM.