

Connecting to Ottawa's Emerging Downtown Districts

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Program Overview

The Energy Services Acquisition Program (ESAP) is modernizing the District Energy System (DES) which provides heating services to over 80 buildings and cooling services to 67 buildings in the National Capital Region (>1.6M m² of floor space), accommodating 55,000+ occupants

There are **two stages** to ESAP:

- Stage 1: DES Modernization
- Stage 2: Deeper Greening











Sneak Peak at the Design for Stage 1: Modernization

Cliff Plant – Historically







Architectural Design – Cliff Plant



View of the Cliff plant from Gatineau showing the exterior and the stainless steel stacks.





Aesthetic Design Overview - Cliff Plant



View of the Cliff CHCP from the NCC's multiuse pathway (MUP).





Architectural Design - Cliff Plant



View from the public meeting area. Notice the access from top to bottom by staircase and by elevator.



Architectural Design – Cliff Plant



View of the upper plateau blending walkways, seating areas, trees and plants and offering spectacular views.





Architectural Design – Tunney's Pasture Plant



View of the Tunney's Pasture CHCP looking towards the Ottawa River.



Architectural Design – Tunney's Pasture Plant



View of the Tunney's Pasture CHCP from the street in front.





- In Stage 1: Modernization, one of the most important benefits will be the creation of a thermal grid
- It will be able to distribute hot and cold water as energy sources
- This will include not only delivering energy but also receiving energy from other plants, buildings and waste heat sources





Stage 2: Plan for Low Carbon Heating and Cooling

- By 2025 the DES in the National Capital Region will be modern and highly efficient
- Cooling will use 100% clean electricity and will be carbon neutral
- Studies and pilot projects are underway to examine carbon neutral energy sources and how they can be used for heating



Community Solar Panels in Ottawa (orec.ca)



Stage 2: Enabling Low Carbon Government

- Modernizing the DES is a GOC priority that will provide long term financial savings and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reductions
- It is part of a portfolio of solutions for GHG reduction:
 - Smart buildings and plants
 - Reducing building energy demand with efficient retrofits
 - New building construction to highest standards
 - Adding renewable energy generation capacity
 on site



Geo-exchange well in Surrey, BC



Stage 2: Aligning with Net Zero Design

- Government of Canada direction is that "all new buildings should be constructed to be net-zero carbon ready at the latest in 2022"
- ESAP can help clients in the transition to Net Zero buildings
- We can act as thermal storage, accepting excess energy on sunny days for example, and being a source of heating on very cold days



Biomass Facility at UBC



Understanding Energy Demand



- The Load Duration Curve is the key to understanding energy demand
- Base Load produces the bulk of the annual energy use
 - Focus for low carbon sources
- Peak Demand is critical for customer comfort but is small % of total energy use
 - ➢ Focus for RNG, Offsets (ON elec.)

Heating

- Cooling
- Heating and Cooling





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How ESAP Can Expand The Network





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Ultimate Future DES Network





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Expansion Makes Sense Because of GHG Reductions



By 2030, GHG emissions will be reduced to less than 10% of 2005 baseline emissions if we complete Stage 2

Canada

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9%

Beyond Stage 2

Eliminate Carbon



Linking to LeBreton Flats and Tunney's Pasture

THE LIBRARY DISTRICT

The LeBreton Flats has been divided into five development areas. The Library District is closest to being shovel-ready. The library site is already before city hall to be rezoned.

Site parcels: 557 owned by City of Ottawa, 550 & 584 owned by NCC





Tunney's Pasture Master Plan Visualization



- Carbon free cooling and low carbon heating
- Cost of energy competes with 'business as usual' solutions
- Uses river water for 'free' cooling
- No heating/cooling generation equipment on-site
- Flexible, fuel agnostic, low carbon approach to heating
- Energy input flexibility easier to change sources in centralized DES
- Resiliency, redundancy and back up in case of emergencies
- Ability to accept energy from individual buildings or campuses
- State of the art refrigerant equipment provides LEED credit



Thank You -> Any Questions ?

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