

Aiming to be the first carbon neutral village in North America

Media Release

Eden Mills Going Carbon Neutral is a Recipient of Canada's Clean50 Top Project Award

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October 3, 2019...We are proud to announce that Eden Mills Going Carbon Neutral is a recipient of Canada's 2020 Clean50 Top Project Award.

Canada's Clean50 Top Project Awards www.clean50.com are amongst the awards announced annually by Delta Management Group and the Canada's Clean50 organization, to recognize the 20 best sustainability-oriented projects completed in Canada over the prior two years" states Gavin Pitchford, CEO, Delta Management Group. "Projects are chosen based on the four "I's criteria: Impactful, Innovative, Inspiring and can readily be Imitated.



"Delta's criteria in determining Project awards is to carefully consider a combination of actual measurable impact, demonstrated innovation, and the project's ability to inspire others to imitate it – and Carbon Neutral Heritage Energy Retrofit completed by Eden Mills Going Carbon Neutral is a terrific example".

One of the volunteers on the project's team, Linda Sword, will be amongst the 120 past and incoming Clean50 Honourees meeting on Thursday October 3rd at the "Clean50 Summit 9.0" in Toronto, to spend a day amongst peers and colleagues tackling critical sustainability challenges facing Canada" and vying for the title of "Top Sustainability Project of the Year."

Gavin Pitchford continues: "The cumulative accomplishments of Canada's Clean50 Top Projects in reducing and avoiding GHGs over the past 2 years adds up to a very big number. All Canadians should be grateful for the leadership these organizations have shown in the projects they have completed."

The community of Eden Mills isn't waiting around for government action to address climate change. In 2017, the community completed a retrofit of their Community Hall, bringing the heritage building to 94% carbon neutrality. This project is part of the community's larger grass-roots initiative, launched in 2007, to reduce CO2 emissions and increase carbon sequestration that involves residents, volunteers and youth along every step of the way, rendering the entire village 75% of the way to carbon neutrality.

This week with Eden Mills Going Carbon Neutral: A geo-thermal heating system is being installed at one residence. Edible Garden work bee on Saturday, October 5. A presentation on electric cars will be made by Tim Burrows of the Electric Vehicle Society on Thursday, October 10, 5:30 pm at the Eden Mills Community Hall.

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