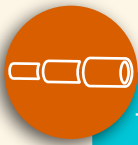


Setting Our Table

Capital Regional District Food & Agriculture Strategy

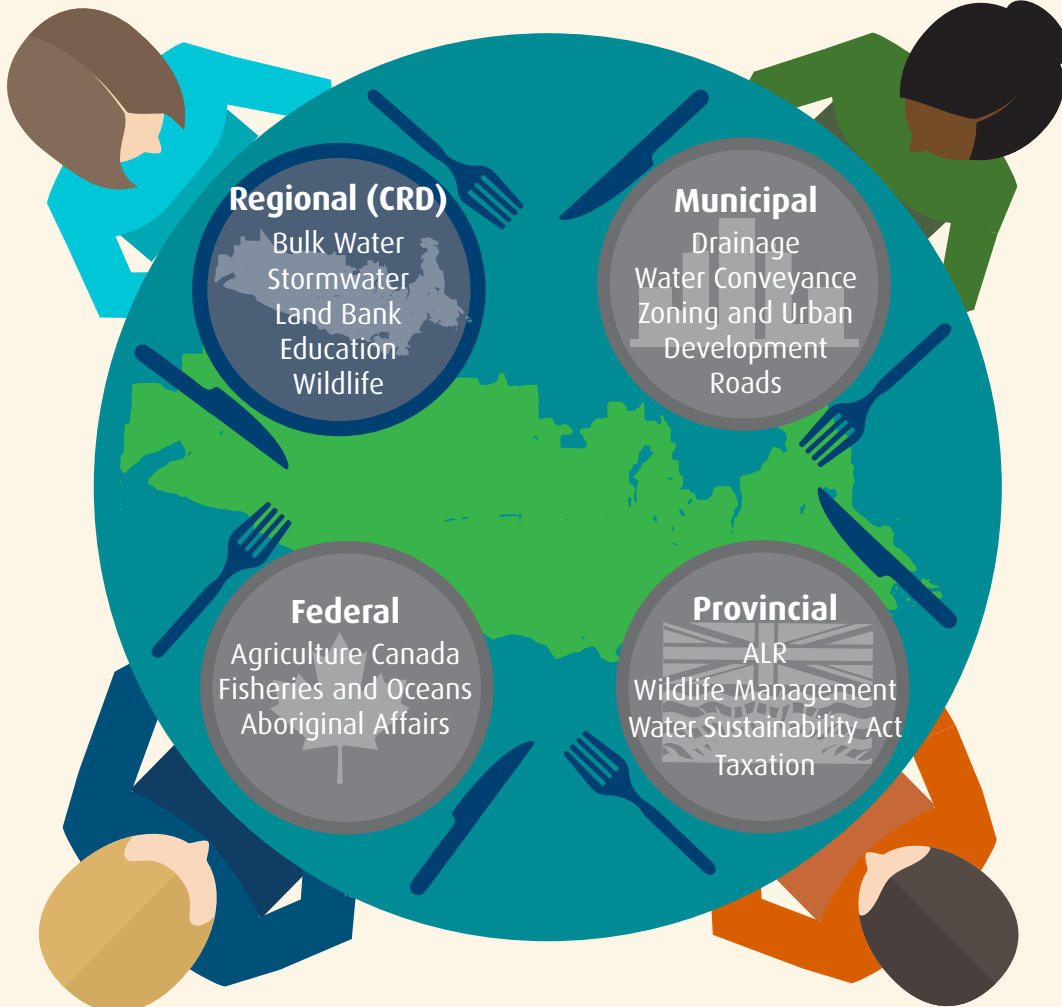


VISION

The Capital Region has a vibrant, valued and evolving local food and agricultural economy that is rooted in the principles of interdependence, reciprocity and respect; it recalls and re-establishes the intimate and important relationships between our land and waters, our food, and our community.



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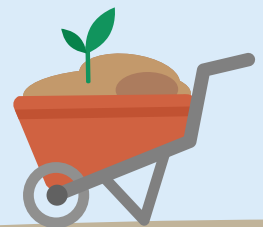


OUTCOMES

- Cleaner environment
- Reintroduction of traditional plants
- Improved population health
- Strengthened relationships and partnerships
- Broad participation
- Engaged citizens
- Increased knowledge of and access to traditional foods



- Economic viability
- Sector revitalization
- Reduced crop loss
- Increased sustainable harvest of traditional foods



RECOMMENDATIONS

- Support regional, cross-sector relationships, including a food and agriculture task force.
- Improve the CRD's capacity to address regional food and agriculture issues
- Support regional organic-matter recycling approaches that benefit food and agriculture
- Address chronic drainage issues across the region
- Continue to consider approaches to effectively address existing and emerging regional wildlife and invasive species issues
- Maintain affordability and improve access to irrigation water for food and agricultural operations
- Encourage a place-based regional food culture by building relationships between Aboriginal and non-aboriginal communities.
- Support Aboriginal food and agriculture-related activities, projects and events.
- Increase access to agricultural and food lands.
- Support regional economic development strategies for food and agriculture