



MEMORANDUM

TO: City of Urbana Sustainability Advisory Commission
FROM: Scott R. Tess, Environmental Sustainability Manager
DATE: Tuesday, August 5, 2014
RE: Staff Report

Climate Action Plan (CAP)

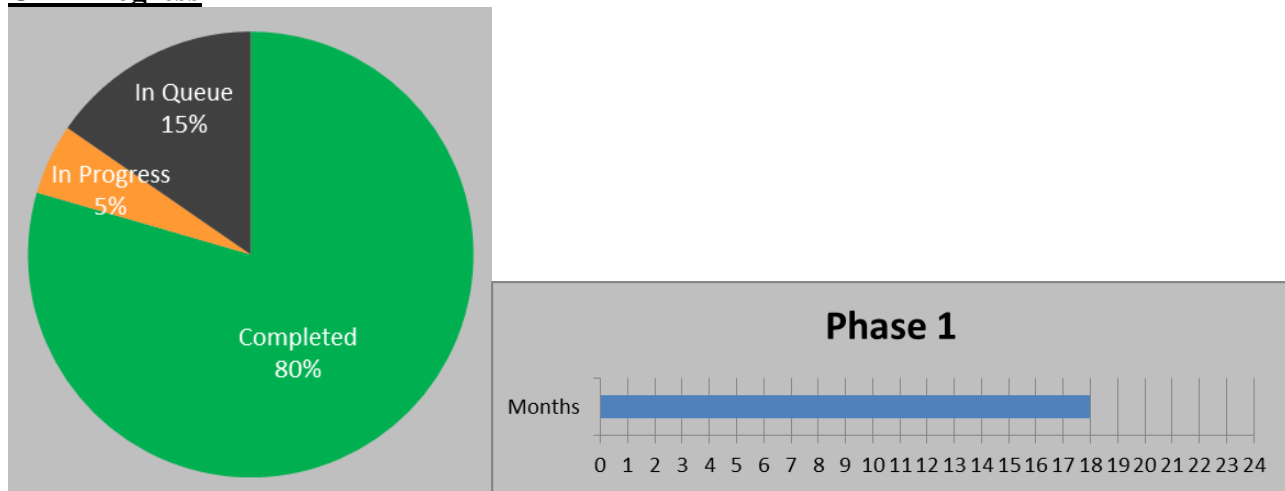
Goal 1: Action 1

There are currently 62 buildings registered for the U-C ENERGY STAR Challenge. There are currently 27 buildings that have submitted a 2013 Benchmark. Staff was interviewed by WDWS about the U-C ENERGY STAR Challenge following a press release about program progress.

Goal 3: Action 2

Staff partnered with the Champaign County Economic Development Corporation (EDC) to host an industrial facilities energy efficiency roundtable. As implemented, the event took a presentation and site visit format rather than a focus group. There may be opportunity to survey the attendees about barriers to energy efficiency.

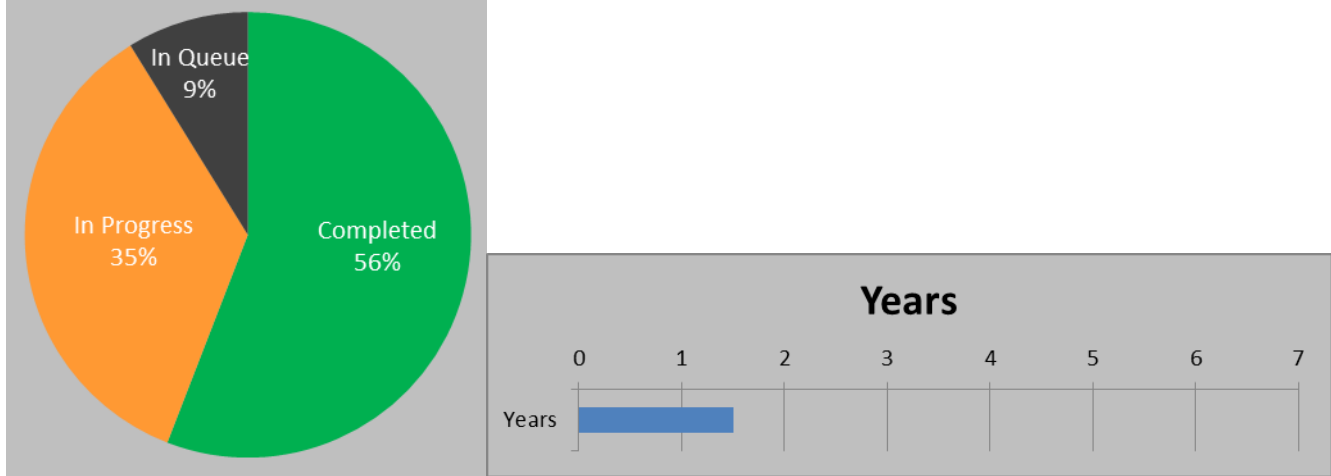
CAP Progress



Sustainable Water Management Plan

A new Integrated Water Quality Report and Section 303(d) List has been posted by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). Staff has excerpted Urbana relevant data and requested additional data from IEPA to produce the attached report.

Sustainable Water Management Plan Progress



U-Cycle

At this year's Sweetcorn Festival we will have public space recycling bins (obtained from the Keep America Beautiful grant) located next to every other garbage bin at the festival (50 recycling bins, in total); along with five corn compost bins set up at the festival (instead of only one). Volunteers will collect cardboard and other recyclables from festival vendors, and empty festival recycling containers and compost bins when necessary.

U-Cycle will begin a new promotion at this year's festival called, "Get Caught Recycling" where volunteers will randomly select individuals "caught" recycling at the festival and give them a prize from U-Cycle (reusable sports/water bottle). U-Cycle will continue to have a tent set up in "Green Alley" promoting the program, and set up kids recycling games and activities. The UBA also was actively seeking eco-minded vendors to come to the festival. Beverage cups at the festival are recyclable, and vendors are not allowed to use Styrofoam cups or containers, and are encouraged to use recycled and recyclable materials, whenever possible. Bicyclists will receive one free corn buck at the C-U Bikes tent in Green Alley.

Next SAC Meeting

Tuesday, September 2 at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers.