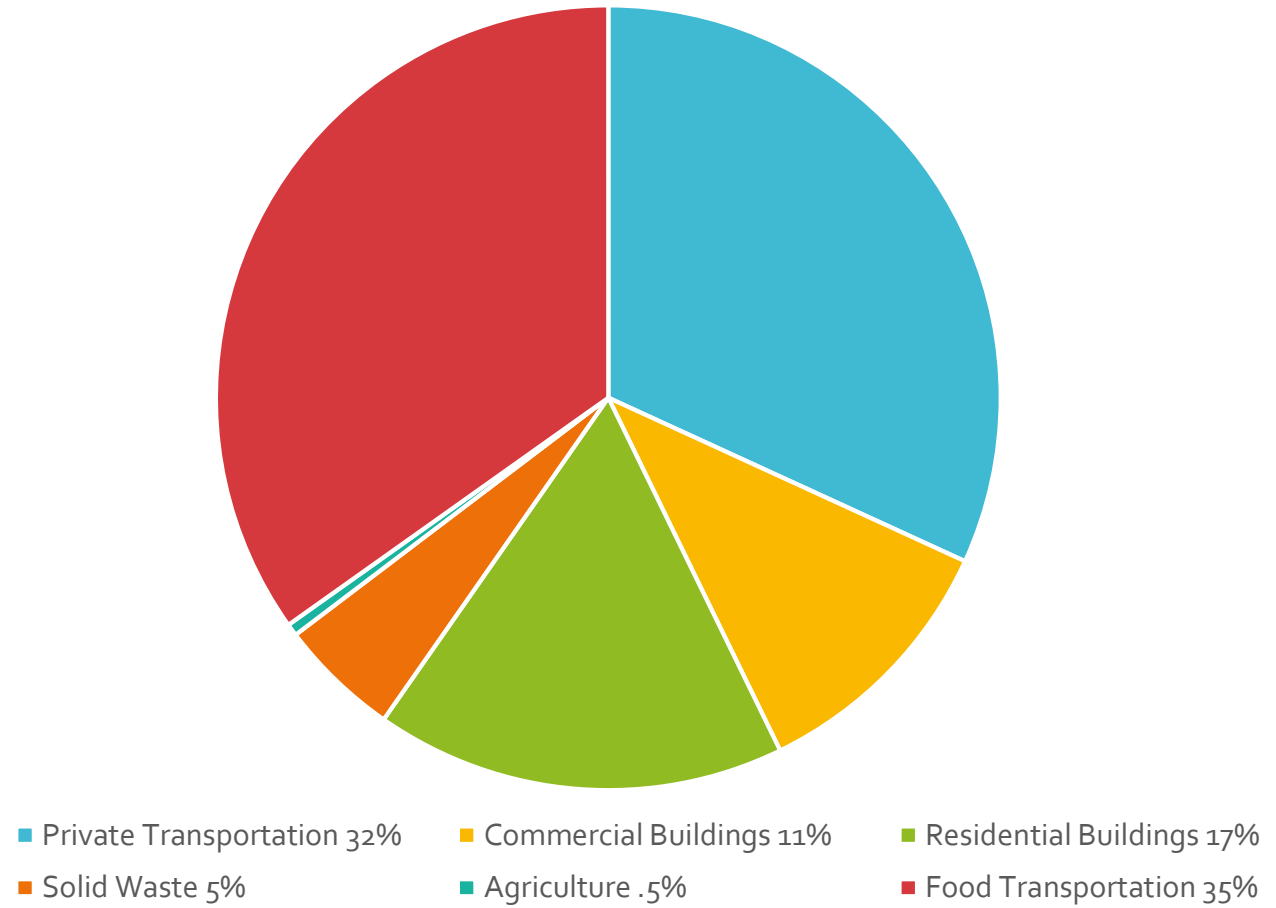


Central Saanich

The Land of Plenty

Plenty of Regional GHG Emmissions

2007 CRD GHG BASELINE
(calculated on annual private costs of energy and transportation)



Plenty of
opportunity
for transit and
trail systems



- 1) Lochside Trail
- 2) Swartz Bay & Mill Bay Ferry
- 3) Victoria Airport
- 4) Butchart Gardens
- 5) Cycling Friendly

Plenty of farmland & local food



- 60% (2,908 ha) of the District is in the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR)
- 34% of all agricultural revenue in the Capital Regional District
- 265 operators on the 181 agricultural enterprises and the full-time equivalent of about 222 person years of work that resulted in wages and salaries of \$5.9 million
- New farmers are having difficulty gaining entry into the sector due to high land values and/or the inability to locate lease land
- After paying operating expense, farmers achieve no/minimal income and no return to investment or management
- Regional initiatives are required to support Saanich Peninsula agriculture

Plenty of Community Vision in OCP



- Central Saanich Council is committed to working towards the creation of a **healthy, sustainable community** in which the citizens of Central Saanich can thrive while creating a **harmonious relationship with the natural environment**.
- Central to that philosophy is to **retain, protect and enhance the current rural village character** of Central Saanich, **its agricultural land base and environmentally sensitive areas**, while allowing for **modest low impact growth within the established urban settlement area**.
- To achieve this, the District of Central Saanich **will consider environmental, economic and social impacts during decision making about growth and change in our community**.

Plenty of challenges



- Urban Sprawl - developing rural lands for housing
- Large number of commuters & poor bus service to and within the Peninsula
- Lack of affordable housing and minimal intensification of the village centres
- Low tax base
- Plans to intensify Keating industrial area linked to a new interchange at Keating and Pat Bay and could generate 3600 jobs with only 5% being housed in Central Saanich
- Lack of political will and funding (transit, agriculture, affordable non-market housing)
- Low community engagement

Plenty of
help is needed
from our CRD
& First Nations
neighbours

