

Green Procurement (2013–2014)

National Battlefields Commission (NBC) Report on Green Procurement Activities in Accordance with the Policy on Green Procurement – Part 7
<p data-bbox="235 401 548 432">Strategies and comments</p> <p data-bbox="284 474 1365 638">i) Method: An assessment of the past three years of the action plan in terms of sustainable development has been completed. Most of the objectives were achieved. However, the drafting of a second schedule has been postponed because a change of supplier became necessary along the way. Some projects have also been postponed because of budget cuts.</p> <p data-bbox="284 678 1146 709">ii) Procurement management procedures and monitoring measures:</p> <ul data-bbox="284 743 1360 873" style="list-style-type: none">- Make employees, suppliers and subcontractors more aware of responsible procurement concepts;- Continue to include sustainable development criteria in calls for tenders, such as noise reduction in the park and the use of less polluting vehicles. <p data-bbox="284 913 1065 945">iii) Green procurement to reduce impacts on the environment:</p> <ul data-bbox="284 978 1338 1276" style="list-style-type: none">- Purchase of an electric vehicle;- Continued conversion to LED lighting in the parking areas and in the park in order to eliminate the use of mercury lamps;- Conversion of the heating system in the workshop from fuel oil to propane;- Leasing of smaller vehicles;- Gathering up of logs that are cut on the Plains of Abraham and use of a mobile saw to cut them into planks;- Increased use of conference-call meetings and reduction in the amount of travel;- Use of recycled paper to print NBC letterhead and envelopes. <p data-bbox="284 1316 1365 1411">iv) Training: The NBC was unable to participate as expected in a discussion and information day on green procurement practices because Public Works and Government Services Canada did not provide this activity this year.</p> <p data-bbox="284 1451 1325 1612">v) Performance assessment: Given the many problems that arose with the supplier selected for the implementation of a second three-year plan, the NCB was unable to produce the said plan. However, the objectives were achieved in all of the activities reviewed during the assessment of the first three-year plan. A new plan and schedule will therefore be drawn up in the coming months.</p>