

Are you an expert in urban rainwater management and green infrastructure practices? Join our Rain City Strategy Expert Panel and help support the development of the City of Vancouver's Rain City Strategy Implementation Plan! The City of Vancouver would like to cordially invite you to apply to join the Rain City Strategy Expert Panel. This is a unique opportunity to have a direct impact on how we implement sustainable urban rainwater management in our city using green infrastructure. If you have expertise in this field we invite you to submit an application by November 5, 2017. The application requirements are described below.

Background

The City of Vancouver is developing a long-term, high-level implementation plan, with an outlook to 2050, to guide the application of sustainable urban rainwater management strategies and green infrastructure practices on both public and private property. The intention of the implementation plan work underway is to develop strategies and actions that help improve Vancouver's water quality and proactively prepare for climate change impacts, while also supporting neighbourhood livability and biodiversity.

We are looking for Expert Panel members who are interested in sharing their wealth of knowledge, ideas, and expertise about sustainable urban rainwater management and green infrastructure practices. Expert Panel members will be selected through a public open call and will be chosen to provide advice and insight in the implementation planning process.

Rain City Strategy Vision:

Vancouver's rainwater is embraced as a valued resource for our communities and natural ecosystems

Goals:

1. Improve and protect Vancouver's **water quality**
2. Increase Vancouver's **resilience** through sustainable water management
3. Enhance Vancouver's livability by **improving natural and urban ecosystems**

Expectations of the Expert Panel

The intent of this Panel is to share insight and knowledge, identify opportunities, barriers and risks, and provide feedback on ideas, strategies, and actions under development by City staff. For more detail please see the attached Terms of Reference.

The Expert Panel will have up to 16 appointed members. The meetings are expected to take place from November 2017 until summer 2018. Meetings will most likely be 2 hours in length, and held on weekday late afternoons or evenings. Meeting frequency will be approximately every 4-6 weeks.

Application Requirements

If you would like to join the Expert Panel and would be able to make yourself available to attend meetings please complete **the application form** and email it along with your **CV** to rainwater@vancouver.ca. We will be accepting them until November 5, 2017. If you have any questions about the application or are interested in being kept updated on the Rain City Strategy please email rainwater@vancouver.ca.

The Green Infrastructure Team looks forward to hearing from you.