## **Town of Thurso**



## List of initiatives

- Replacement of street lights with energy efficient ones
- Increased awareness of the responsible use of drinking water (watering plants, etc.):
  watering by-law implemented
- Improved drinking water treatment facilities
- Separation of rainwater and sewage networks
- Modulation of snow removal route
- Discontinued use of dust suppressant on one stretch of road
- Less frequent waste pickup
- Implementation of a specific leaf pickup in the fall and small-scale branch pickup for composting by the town
- Paperless council
- Support for tree-planting: bypasses, river shorelines, unstable land, and in a buffer area created between the industrial and residential sectors
- Implementation of a cloth diaper subsidy program (\$250/application)
- Implementation of pickups for hazardous waste (2001) and computer equipment for recycling (2011)
- Renovation of town hall
- Renovation of the pool
- Construction of retention ponds
- Adoption of a pool-filling by-law
- Distribution or sale at discounted price of low-flow shower heads and water-saving devices for toilets
- Awareness campaign and subsidy program for the purchase of rain barrels
- Use of ethanol mixture to replace regular fuel
- Increased awareness of grass-cycling
- Co-generation from sewage sludge
- Implementation of small-scale composting
- Change of waste disposal site (Gatineau)
- Implementation of a public transportation pilot project: mini-bus to Gatineau
- Implementation of a park-and-ride for the mini-bus and to promote carpooling
- Implementation of an anti-idling campaign (awareness and Web site)
- Development of an active mobility plan
  - Construction of a bypass in the town's east end
  - Drafting of a sustainable development plan