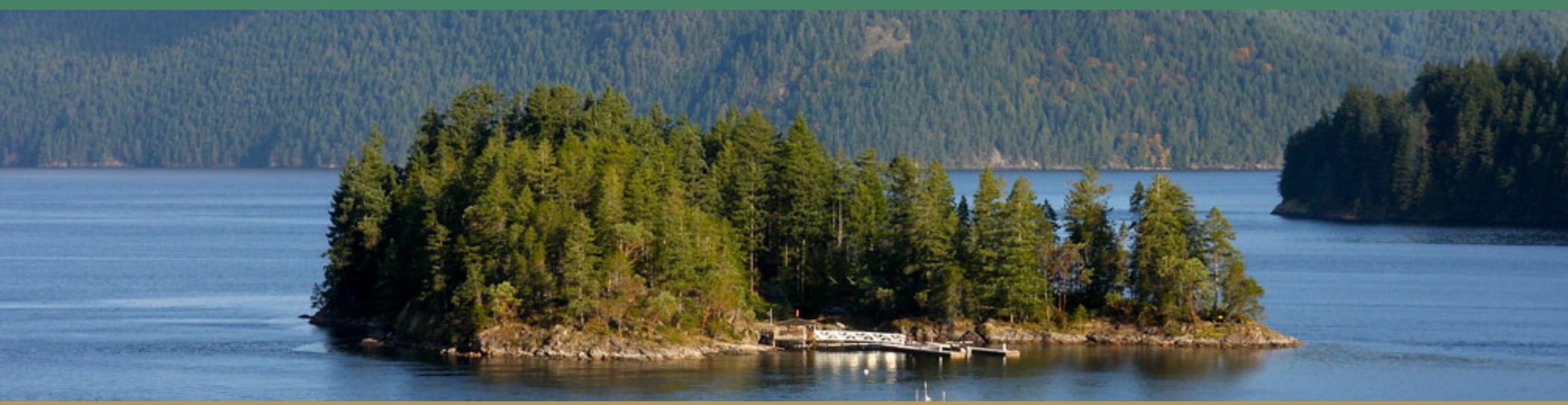


Climate Ready Infrastructure Service (CRIS): Lessons Learned from Future-Proofing B.C. Communities



Climate Ready Infrastructure Service

Le Service pour des infrastructures adaptées au climat



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What is the CRIS?

The Climate Ready Infrastructure Service (CRIS)

is a capacity building program delivered by the Canadian Urban Institute and funded by the Government of Canada.

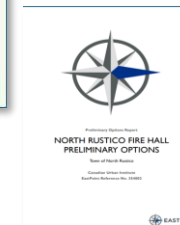
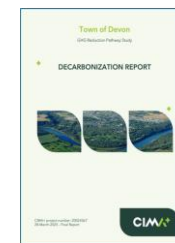
It connects local governments with populations of around 30,000 or less with climate experts to integrate a climate mitigation or adaption lens into public infrastructure.

The CRIS is part of the Climate Toolkit for Housing & Infrastructure (CTHI), a suite of three resources supporting local governments in achieving Canada's National Adaptation Strategy and 2030 Emissions Reduction Plan goals.

CRIS offers free services to support infrastructure projects:



Tailored support from a member of the Roster of Climate and Infrastructure Experts



A Technical Options Report that outlines practical and cost-effective options to build lasting, future-proof infrastructure.



CRIS in Action



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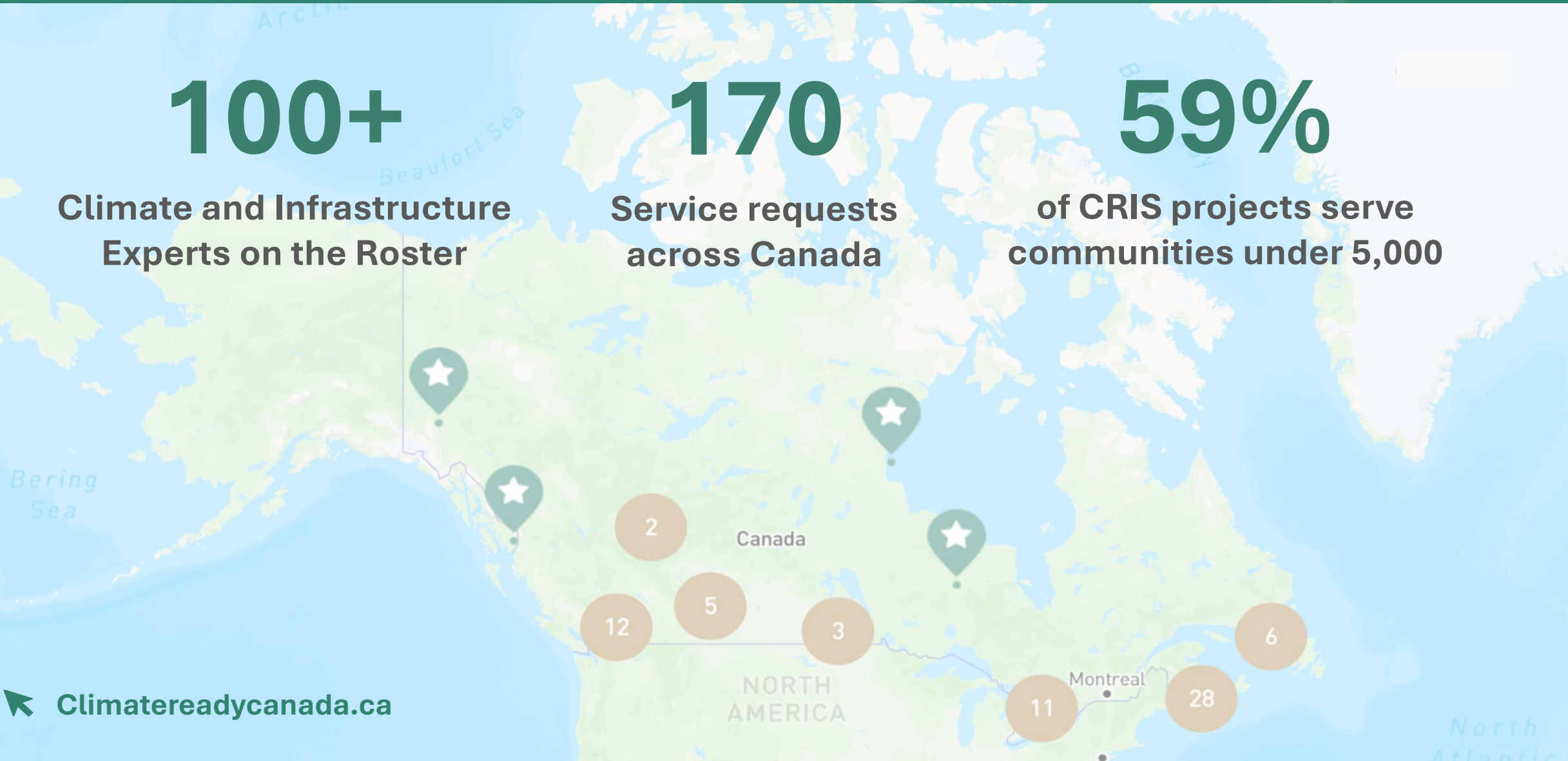
**Climate and Infrastructure
Experts on the Roster**

170

**Service requests
across Canada**

59%

**of CRIS projects serve
communities under 5,000**



British Columbia Context



Communities in B.C. are facing increased climate hazards like wildfire, flooding, and drought, paired with higher energy costs and aging infrastructure.

Smaller municipalities need support to build low-carbon resilience into infrastructure projects.



The Climate Ready Infrastructure Service



Strongest provincial uptake

38 projects currently underway across the province of B.C.



Low-carbon resilience

Wildfire resilience, flooding, drought/hydrological modelling, energy efficiency, and climate hazard analysis are top priorities for B.C. communities.



Building partnerships

Launched a dedicated cohort supporting fire department upgrades offered in partnership with the Fire Chiefs' Association of B.C.

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