

Regional Agricultural Compliance and Enforcement Strategy: Summary of Survey Results

1. How useful was the initial meeting on July 31, 2019 for the Regional Agricultural Compliance and Enforcement Strategy?
 - 59% of respondents found the meeting was very useful
 - 41% of respondents found the meeting was useful
 - Comments: more time to discuss individual communities issues
2. What are the top three issues impacting agricultural land in your jurisdiction?
 - #1 Deposition of fill (70%)
 - #2 Large footprint of production facilities, warehouses, and structures (46%)
 - #3 Storage of items such as vehicles, equipment, and scrap metals (46%)
 - #4 Multiple dwellings (39%)
 - #5 Illegal businesses (31%)
 - #6 Agri-tourism / non-farm uses (<8%)
 - Other: changes to ALC regulations unclear, minimal farming needed to obtain farm classification
3. What is the best way to communicate with the rest of the group regarding Central Okanagan agricultural issues, templates, success stories, etc.?
 - #1 In-person meetings (92%)
 - #2 E-mail list (62%)
 - #3 Communal webpage, conference calls (<23%)
4. What are the high priority areas requiring enforcement and compliance (specific neighbourhoods or communities) in your jurisdiction?
 - West Kelowna Wine Trail
 - Southeast Kelowna Wine Trail
 - Ellison (mentioned multiple times)
5. What tools would be helpful for you?
 - #1 Better collaboration and engagement with ALC staff (85%)
 - #2 An educational brochure to inform landowners of best practices on agricultural land (62%)
 - #3 An MOU between jurisdictions and the ALC (54%)
 - #4 A framework for the strategy (46%) – *completed*
 - #5 Funding sources and more collaboration/coordination from the RDCO (<20%)
6. How often would you like to see a regional collaborative meeting?
 - #1 Every 3 months (46%)
 - #2 Every 6 months (31%)
 - #3 Every 1-4 months (<16%)

7. What is the best way to inform the public in the Central Okanagan regarding the Agricultural Strategy?
 - #1 Create and share bulletins and educational materials (85%)
 - #2 News releases (46%)
 - #3 Host public meetings and/or attend community events (<23%)

8. How meaningful do you believe this strategy is to the Central Okanagan?
 - 77% of participants believe this strategy is very meaningful
 - 23% of participants believe this strategy is somewhat meaningful

9. Would your organization consider committing some staff time (in-kind) to assist with implementing the strategy and attending regional meetings?
 - 100% of respondents will consider committing in-kind staff time