

PSPC MANAGEMENT ACTION PLAN
Response to the Recommendation from the Auditor General of Canada Spring Report 2024

Report Ref. No.	OAG Recommendation	Departmental Response	Description of Final Expected Outcome/Result	Expected Final Completion Date	Key Interim Milestones (Description/Dates)	Responsible Organization/ Point of Contact (Name, Position, Tel #)	<i>Indicator of Achievement</i> (For Committee Use Only)
42.	To meet its responsibilities under the 2006 Policy on Greening Government and improve its ability to propose environmentally preferable options, Public Services and Procurement Canada should establish and implement a systematic, standardized approach to challenging the architectural plans submitted that includes criteria that will enable the department to measure the effectiveness of the challenge function in identifying ways to reduce embodied carbon in federal real property projects.	<p>Agree</p> <p>To implement this recommendation, Public Services and Procurement Canada will complete the work that has been on-going since December 31, 2022 when TBS published the new TBS Standard on embodied carbon in construction.</p> <p>PSPC will finalize this ongoing work so embodied carbon is fully integrated into its existing systematic and standardized quality control process for reviewing design mandate deliverables.</p>	PSPC will incorporate an embodied carbon challenge function into its established design review process to maximize the department's effectiveness in identifying ways in reducing embodied carbon in federal real property projects under its responsibility. The department will also develop and implement a monitoring process to measure effectiveness of the challenge.	Fall 2024	<p>Key interim milestone A: Complete analysis of existing processes and policies that mandate quality control of design mandate deliverables.</p> <p>Target Date of Completion: Spring</p> <p>2024 Key interim milestone B + C:</p> <p>B: Integration of a systematic and standardized process for challenging design deliverables to maximize embodied carbon reductions in construction projects.</p> <p>C: Development and implementation of a monitoring system to measure effectiveness of the challenge function.</p> <p>Target Date of Completion: Fall/Winter 2024.</p>	Mark Quinlan Assistant Deputy Minister, Real Property Services	