### **Climate Action Consulting**



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# **CAPABILITY STATEMENT**

In business since 2011, Peak Sustainability Group (formerly Kulshan Services) was founded by David Roberts after three decades in public service. We help businesses and communities catalyze breakthrough solutions to complex challenges. Our multi-disciplinary team of environmental and sustainability professionals support clients in addressing compelling economic, business, environmental, and social issues of our time. We create maximum value, multiple-benefit outcomes and progress on the problems you care about. We love working with empowered leaders to discover new possibilities, facilitate inclusive and sound decision-making, and create a resilient path forward. When every day is a big day, we promise to be a reliable, qualified partner navigating the journey with you.

## **OUR TEAM**

Peak's Climate Action team specializes in supporting communities, municipalities, ports, and special-purpose districts as they navigate their climate action journey. We will work with you to assess the risks that climate hazards pose to your community and identify ways to build resilience (adaptation). We can help your community reduce greenhouse gas emissions (mitigation) and chart a roadmap to net zero emissions. We also offer community engagement expertise and can facilitate interactive workshops, trainings, and meetings surrounding climate topics.

#### Sarah Parker, Team Lead

Sarah is passionate about policy solutions that promote climate resilience, equity, and holistic wellbeing of people and the planet. She loves engaging diverse populations in productive conversations about environmental and climate change challenges and applying her knowledge of climate and energy policy.



- Skills:
  - Education and outreach
  - Energy policy
  - Climate planning and policy

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**David Roberts** 

David inspires others to discover new possibilities. As a leader, coach, and strategic facilitator, he finds his greatest joy when helping others accomplish goals and experience success.

Skills:

- Facilitation
- Strategic planning
- Collaborative decision making
- Strategic communications

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- Climate change
- Sustainability
- Watershed planning
- Community engagement

Stakeholder engagement Research, writing, and editing

Qualitative research design and implementation



#### Keith Wolf, PhD

Keith thrives in complex and challenging situations and working with clients, stakeholders, and teams. He can be counted on to bring projects to a successful outcome and do it with enthusiasm and adaptability.

Skills:

- Climate, Sustainability, Resiliency and ESG
- Regulatory Compliance including state, federal, • tribal government, and municipal environmental law
- Natural resource management and policy
- Restoration, resilience, construction and engineering design projects

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#### Kat Klass

Kat loves applying research and information to maximize outcomes. She dives into how processes can be streamlined and communicated for holistic success. With her adaptative mindset, she thrives in dynamic situations and engages clients with effective flexibility.

Skills:

- Sustainability planning •
- Systems thinking and mapping
- Stakeholder engagement
- Research and subject interviews

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#### Natalie Sacker

Natalie is passionate about using data and strategic planning to help businesses, organizations, and local governments do better for their communities and use their power to positively address the challenges of climate change.

Skills:

- US Community Protocol-compliant inventories
- ICLEI Community GHG Inventory •
- Carbon Disclosure Project compliance and reports

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Additionally, the Climate Action team is supported by a multi-disciplinary group of sustainability professionals within Peak's Ecosystem Health, Business Sustainability, and Strategic Communications teams. Our team members and affiliates enjoy helping clients discover new possibilities, inform sound decision-making, and decide on a path forward.

## CORE COMPETENCIES

Build strategies that address future unpredictability due to the impacts and risks from a changing climate. Plan ahead, strategize, initiate, and gain strategic foresight. Assess the threats to infrastructure, health and safety, and systems that your community relies on. Catalog assets and opportunities. Engage community, examine alternatives, and prioritize actions. Apply science-based decision making to building a resilient roadmap for the future.

Climate Resilience Roadmap™

- Decision support, database and analytical modeling
- Predictive modeling, project software and data management, and analysis

- GHG inventory
- Science communication
- Project management





Climate planning and policy development

- Data analysis

- - Research and data collection
  - Local Climate Planning
  - Sustainable business principles and practices

- Community and stakeholder education, ۲ outreach and engagement
- Mitigation and adaptation strategy research
- Data development, analysis, measurement, • and integration
- Risk assessments and preparedness analysis
- Greenhouse gas inventories
- Best practices for watersheds, shorelines, and habitat

## CLIENT PROJECTS AND TESTIMONIALS

### City of Bellingham – Climate Action Research

Bellingham, WA

Scope of work:

Researching and analyzing alternative approaches to maximize amount of "green energy" used • by the City's electricity consumers

### Port of Bellingham – Climate Action Strategy

Bellingham, WA

Scope of work:

- Evaluating climate change impacts to port operations
- Identifying mitigation and adaptation goals, strategies, and actions

### Sustainable Lands Strategy

Snohomish County, WA

Scope of work:

- Providing facilitation for the Executive Committee
- Coordinating with the leads of the Stillaguamish and Lower Skykomish Integration Teams and Facilitator •
- Supporting the Communications Group with outreach and community engagement strategies .

"Kudos to Peak for their facilitation role in guiding the SLS and IT work over the last year or more. We are seeing some good momentum, not without conflict (that is to be expected), but great to see the IT/SLS framework start to take shape and a robust work plan to direct this work. Thank you all for your efforts to advance integrated floodplain management and collaboration in these watersheds."

Jessica Hammill, Project Specialist IV, Snohomish County Public Works

### City of Bellingham – Climate Action Plan Task Force

Bellingham, WA

Scope of work:

- Facilitation and administrative support during Task Force meetings ٠
- Produced planning frameworks and research to assist Task Force in its work
- Produced final report to inform and direct the City's climate change mitigation and adaptation strategies for the • next 10-15 years

"I worked with the Peak team for over a year on a large and complicated project to develop a climate strategic action plan for the City of Bellingham. During this time I was impressed by Peak's reliability, consistency, and steady commitment to excellence. Particularly toward the end of the project, when we had an overwhelming amount of work to do in a compressed period, not only did Peak cheerfully facilitate the final process of information gathering, writing, and editing, they were continually working to the very end, under tight deadlines, to improve the product. I would recommend Peak without reservations for similar projects involving work of high analytical and political complexity, and with critical real-world importance.

Mark Gardner | City of Bellingham, City Council Legislative Analyst



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### City of Bellingham – Climate Protection Action Plan Update

Bellingham, WA

Scope of work:

- Updated the City's Climate Action Plan with new emissions inventories to track progress
- Added new emissions forecasts and planning scenarios to meet city government and community climate goals

"Peak has produced a technically-sound and politically-sensitive update to the City's Climate Protection Action Plan. Their teams' research, coordination, and flexibility make for excellent project partners." **Clare Fogelsong |City of Bellingham, Public Works** 

## **COMPANY INFORMATION**

<u>NAICS Codes</u>: 541620 (Environmental Consulting Services), 541370 (GIS), 541611 (Administrative/General Management), 561499 (All Other Business Support Services) 
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