



**THOMPSON RIVERS UNIVERSITY**

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The Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE)  
ATT Steering Committee: Sustainability Tracking Assessment & Rating System  
2401 Walnut Street Suite 102  
Philadelphia, PA 19103

**RE: Thompson Rivers University STARS Submission**

Dear STARS Steering Committee,

On behalf of Thompson Rivers University I am pleased to submit our 2018 Sustainability Tracking Assessment & Rating System (STARS) Report.

In 2007 Thompson Rivers University (TRU) prioritized sustainability as a founding value and key priority in the Institution's first Strategic Plan. In 2013, "Increasing Sustainability" was identified as one of five institutional Strategic Priorities over the next five years. TRU's Strategic sustainability Plan (SSP) was developed using the STARS report as a framework and provides a focus for TRU's efforts toward sustainability over the same period. The SSP is comprehensive in nature, and includes more than 130 recommended strategies across for key areas: Operations & Planning, Advocacy & Engagement, Learning and Administration.

The STARS report has become a key part of the measuring and planning process and helps ensure that TRU improves on an already solid track record of embedding sustainability throughout every level of the institution. The 2018 report indicates significant progress in many key areas, reaffirming the entire campus community is fully engaged, and committed towards positive change.

We appreciate the leadership provided by AASHE and the opportunity to participate. This is TRU's third STARS report and I affirm the submission and data within, collected and analyzed by The Office of Environment & Sustainability, to be accurate.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alan Shaver".

ALAN SHAVER  
President and Vice-Chancellor