

## Task Charter for Goal 7, Initiative 3, Task 1.

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**Task Name:** Task 7.3.1: Energy Conservation

**Task Sponsor:** Provost/VC for Academic Affairs and VC for Administration & Finance

**Task Group Leaders:** Director of Facilities Management

**Task Description:** Establish and implement aggressive energy conservation goals which will enable UW-River Falls to continue to serve as a leader in energy conservation within the UW-System and as a model for higher education nationally.

**Task Objectives:** Encourage, promote, and implement energy conservation measures.

**Task Outcomes  
(Deliverables):**

1. Identify goals for the reduction of energy usage based on BTU/GSF, carbon and other greenhouse gas reduction that are consistent with state mandates and recommend their adoption by the Sustainability Council and the Chancellor.
2. Identify a range of energy conservation opportunities (ECOs).
3. Provide the campus community with opportunities to suggest energy conserving ideas.
4. Identify the criteria and prioritize these ECOs according to the established criteria.
5. Develop a schedule for implementation of conservation projects that is consistent with established University goals and state mandates.
6. Seek funding for conservation projects.
7. Implement those conservation projects that are funded.
8. Where feasible, measure the energy savings and actual payback period.
9. Coordinate conservation efforts with the educational/promotional efforts identified in Goal 7, Initiative 2.
10. Regularly update the Sustainability Council on progress of implementing ECOs. Annually report on success of conservation efforts to the Sustainability Council, the campus, and other relevant groups.

**Scope:**

In Scope

Out of Scope

**Appropriate Governance Mechanism/Process:**

- 1. Review by UW-RF Executive Council**
- 2. Ratification by the UW-RF Faculty Senate**

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**To be filled out by Task Team: (Working Groups – Feel free to add your input into these sections, too)**

**Assumptions:** The term “Sustainability Council” is arbitrary and is only intended to suggest that a future as yet unnamed “committee” will be developed as part of 7.1.1.

Energy conservation opportunities should be considered based on educational opportunities, demonstrated capacity, and applied research benefits.

**Stakeholders:**

**Timeline and Milestones:**

**Task Team – Membership and Roles:** This should be a fairly small task team and should include members who are knowledgeable in electrical and HVAC systems. The chair should sit on the Sustainability Council.

**Metrics/Evaluation/Assessment:**

**Risks and Mitigation:**