



The California Energy Commission and Biofuels

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California Transportation Statistics





GHG EMISSIONS

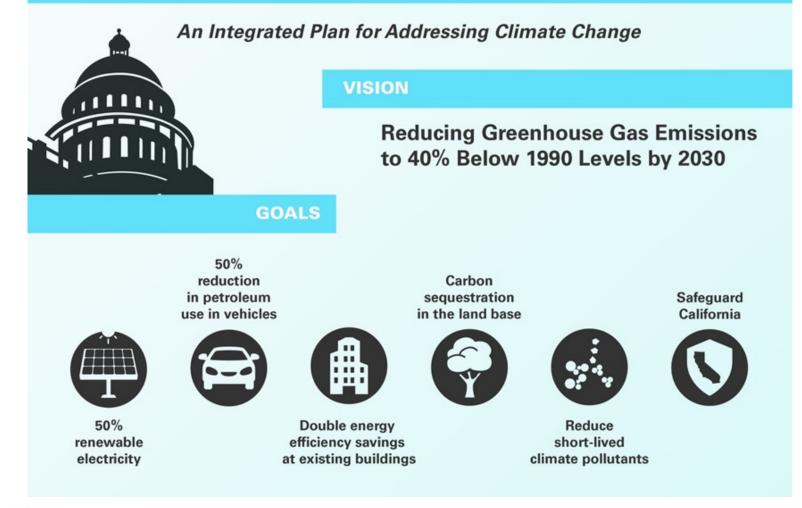
440.4 MMT CO2e (2015) 39% from transportation

AIR QUALITY

Severe Non-Attainment for Ozone San Joaquin Valley & South Coast PETROLEUM CONSUMPTION 13.9 billion gallons gasoline 3.3 billion gallons diesel



CALIFORNIA CLIMATE STRATEGY





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Guiding Policies and Regulations



Policy Objective	Goals
AB 32 SB 32; E.O. B-30-15 E.O. S-3-05	Reduce GHG Emissions to 1990 levels by 2020, 40% below 1990 levels by 2030, and 80% below 1990 levels by 2050
SB 1383	Reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants to 40% to 50% below 2013 levels by 2030
Low-Carbon Fuel Standard	Reduce carbon intensity of transportation fuels by 10% by 2020
Clean Air Act	Reduce NOx by 80% by 2023
E.O. B-16-2012; ZEV Regulations	1 million EVs by 2020 and 1.5 million EVs by 2025; Infrastructure to accommodate ZEVs
E.O. B-32-15 Sustainable Freight	Improve freight efficiency and transition freight movement to zero-emission technologies



Feedstock	Amount Technically Available	Billion Cubic Feet Methane	Million Gasoline Gallon Equivalents
Landfill Gas	106 BCF	53	457
Animal Manure	3.4 M BDT	19.5	168
Waste Water Treatment Gas	11.8 BCF	7.7	66
Fats, Oils and Greases	207,000 tons	1.9	16
Municipal Solid Waste (food, leaves, grass)	1.2 M BDT	12.7	109
Municipal Solid Waste lignocellulosic fraction)	6.7 M BDT	65.9	568
Agricultural Residue (Lignocellulosic)	5.3 M BDT	51.8	446
Forestry and Forest Product Residue	14.2 M BDT	139	1,200
BIOGAS POTENTIAL		351	3,030



California's Urgent Need

- Forest fires pollute the air, decimate the forest, burn the soil, and hurt the watershed.
- Impacts already being felt and expected to worsen.
- The time is now to rapidly reduce emissions of black carbon that affect climate change.





Purpose of the ARFVTP

"...to develop and deploy innovative technologies that transform California's fuel and vehicle types to help attain the state's climate change policies."

Health and Safety Code 44272(a)

Complementary state goals

- Improve air quality
- Increase alternative fuel use
- Reduce petroleum dependence
- Promote economic development





ARFVTP Funding To-Date

Fuel Type	Cumulative Awards (in millions)	Percent of Funding	Cumulative Number of Agreements
Biomethane	\$60.9	8%	20
Ethanol	\$48.5	6%	20
Biodiesel	\$51.2	7%	21
Renewable Diesel	\$27.8	4%	8
Electricity	\$266.5	36%	179
Hydrogen	\$139.2	19%	74
Natural Gas	\$99.0	13%	151
Propane	\$6.0	1%	31
Multiple/Other	\$46.8	6%	88
Total	\$745.9		592



As of September 1, 2017

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Biofuels Project Funding

(as of 10/31/2017)







Altex Technologies Corporation

CR&R, Inc.

Crimson Renewable Energy LP

ARFVTP Biofuels Production Awards						
Fuel Type	Awards Made	Funds Awarded (in millions)				
Gasoline Substitutes	15	\$32				
Diesel Substitutes	25	\$75				
Biomethane	20	\$61				
Total	60	\$168				



Biofuels Project Benefits



 135.7 million gallons per year funded capacity (diesel gallon equivalents)



- 1,300,000 Metric Tons CO2e/year
- 24.1 gCO2e/MJ volume weighted average carbon intensity



- 572 long-term / 1,589 short-term jobs
- \$105.8 million in annual tax benefits
- \$84.4 million (80%) in DACs

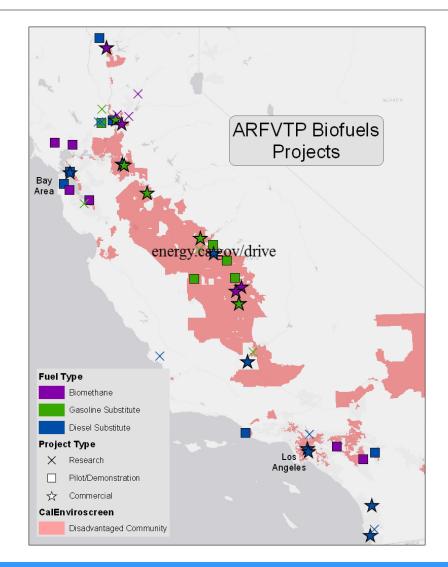


Disadvantaged Communities

- Over \$500 million public and private investment statewide
- \$390 million (78%) in disadvantaged communities



Biofuel Project Locations energy.ca.gov/drive





Opportunities for Meeting California's Climate Change Goals

Large commercial facilities

High volumes of low-carbon fuels

Community scale facilities

Matching production with locally available feedstock supply

Transformative technologies

 Advancements to increase yield, productivity, or cost effectiveness, and hurdle blend wall

New feedstock utilization

woody biomass

Sustainability

Commercial-Scale Facilities











40+ million gallons/year

Supports 200 direct and indirect jobs

Renewable diesel and jet fuel



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AltAir Fuels, LLC

Community-Scale Facilities



Blue Line Transfer, Inc.



Transformative Technologies for Woody Biomass

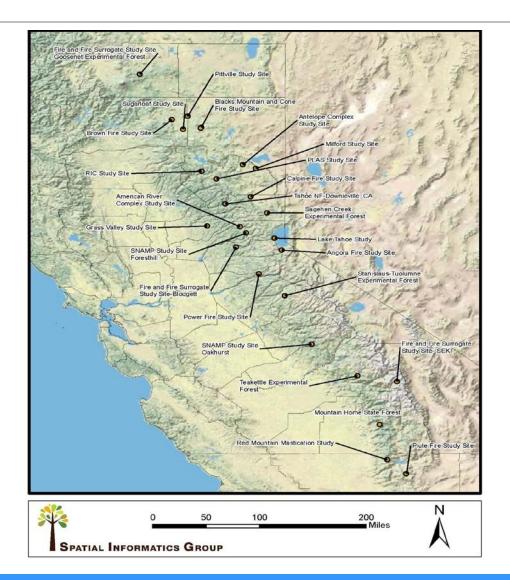


G4 Insights





Biomass Utilization Sustainability Project







\$25 million Proposed

Demonstration facilities – early 2018 Commercial facilities – late 2018

Liquid and gaseous (non-petroleum) fuels Biomethane, diesel substitutes, gasoline substitutes, renewable hydrogen

Focus on waste-based feedstocks

Woody biomass, wastewater, municipal solid waste



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Thank You

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