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Materials Management Emissions Reduction Strategies in Climate Action Plans

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- Develop ways to institutionalize sustainable materials management practices.
- Develop tools to help jurisdictions reduce the greenhouse gas emissions associated with materials





Agenda

- ❖ CCAP 101
- Consumption-Based Accounting Example and Oregon Results
- Local Government Examples
- Examples of Emissions Reduction
 Calculations
- Q&A



CPRG Planning Grants Overview

Jenny Stephenson

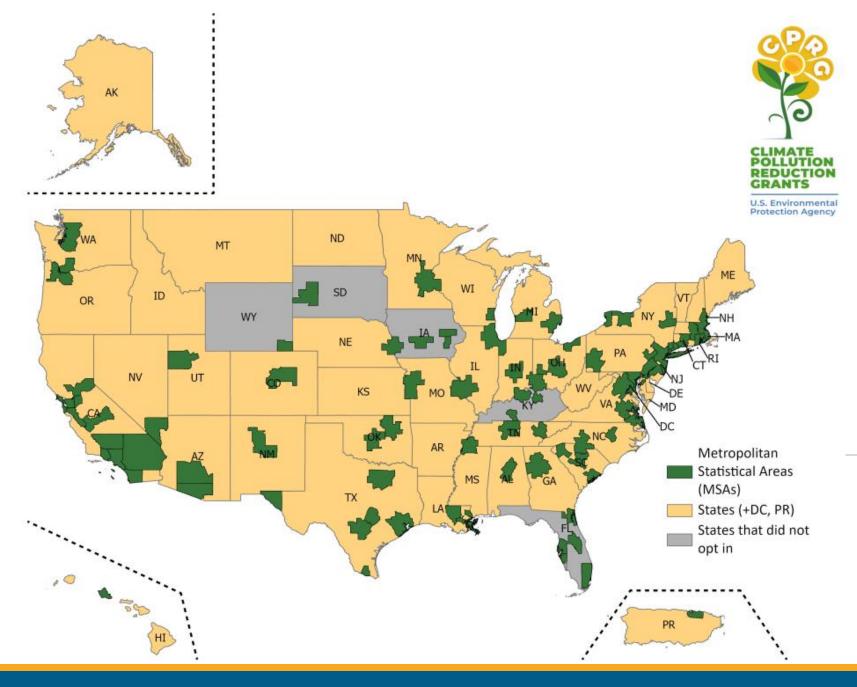
EPA Region 9 – Zero Waste Co-Lead of the CPRG Technical Assistance Forum on Waste & Materials Management





Authorized under the Inflation Reduction Act, EPA's CPRG program provides nearly \$5 billion in grants for states, local governments, Tribes, and territories to develop and implement ambitious plans to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other harmful air pollution and benefit low-income & disadvantaged communities

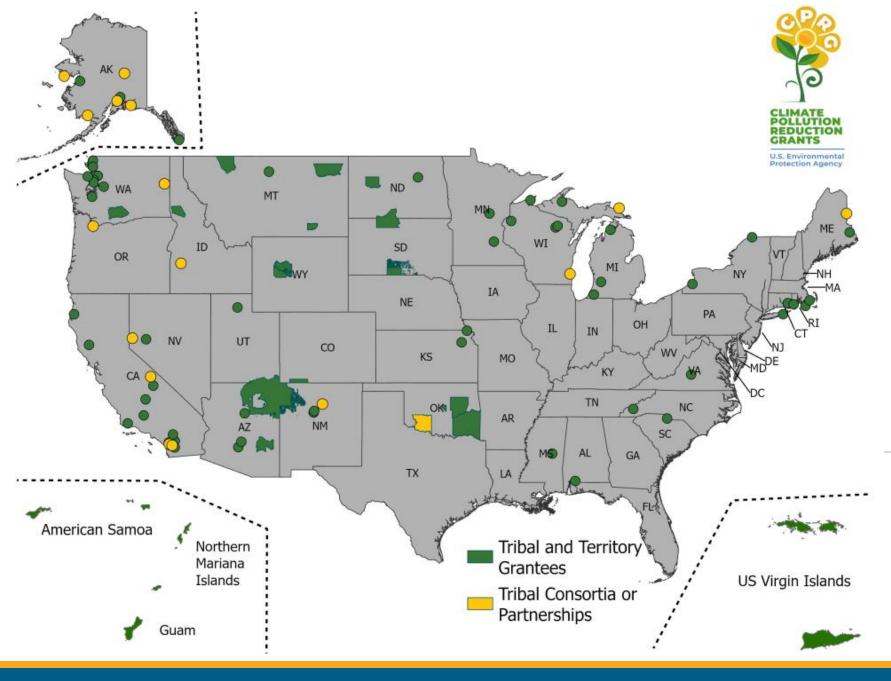
- \$250 million for noncompetitive planning grants to design climate action plans



Recipients of CPRG planning grants:

- 45 states
- The District of Columbia
- Puerto Rico
- 82 metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs)

https://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/about-cprg-planning-grant-information



Recipients of CPRG planning grants:

- 90 Tribes & Tribal consortia
- 4 territories

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Priority Climate Action Plans

- submitted Spring 2024
- posted online

https://www.epa.gov/inflationreduction-act/priority-climate-actionplans-states-msas-tribes-and-territories

Comprehensive Climate Action Plans

- due Dec 1, 2025 for states & MSAs



Covers GHG reduction measures across all significant sources/sinks and sectors

Establishes near-term and long-term GHG emission reduction targets

Adds additional required analyses to support robust implementation

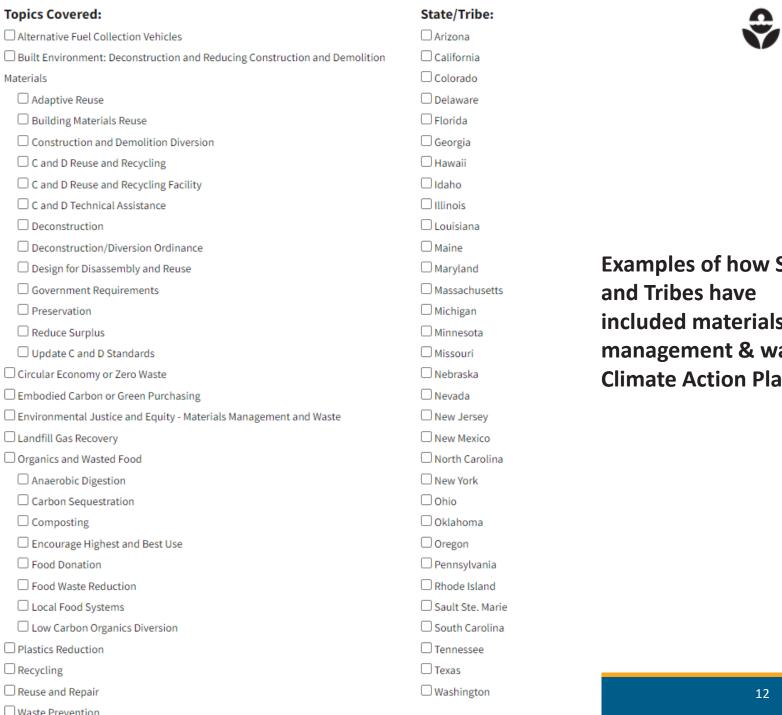


Greenhouse Gases from Waste and Materials Management

The waste management sectors include greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from significant sources such as landfills and wastewater treatment facilities.¹ In addition to emissions from management of waste, the production, transportation and consumption of consumer products also results in emissions (e.g., from fuel use for transport, electricity, etc.). ²

Materials Management & Waste measures in Climate Action Plans

https://www.epa.gov/smm/exam ple-government-climate-actionplans-address-materialsmanagement-and-waste





Examples of how States included materials management & waste in **Climate Action Plans**

Materials Management in Climate Action Plans

Jenna Throckmorton and Martin Brown Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

For West Coast Waste Management Forum October 30, 2024



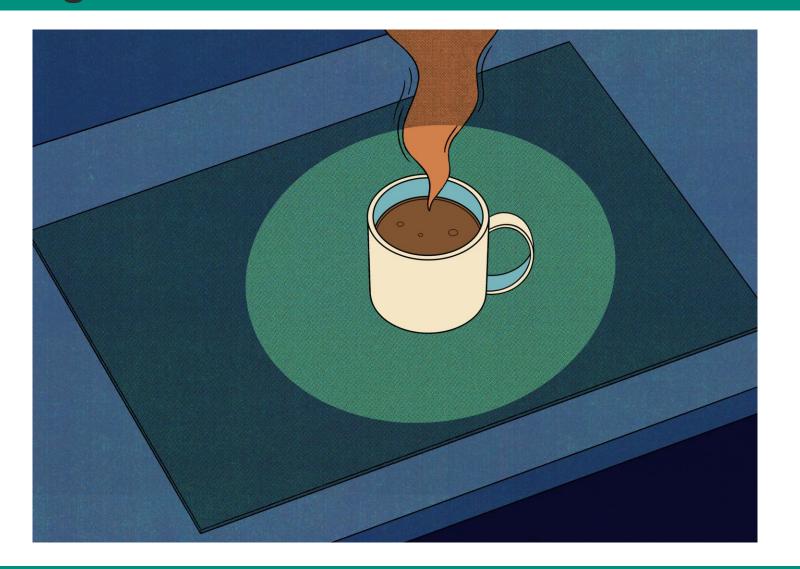


First – A Quick Refresher on Consumption-Based Emissions Accounting





Let's start with the emissions from my cup of coffee this morning...





There are emissions from heating water in Oregon...





... from roasting coffee in New Jersey...





...from growing and harvesting beans in Malabar...



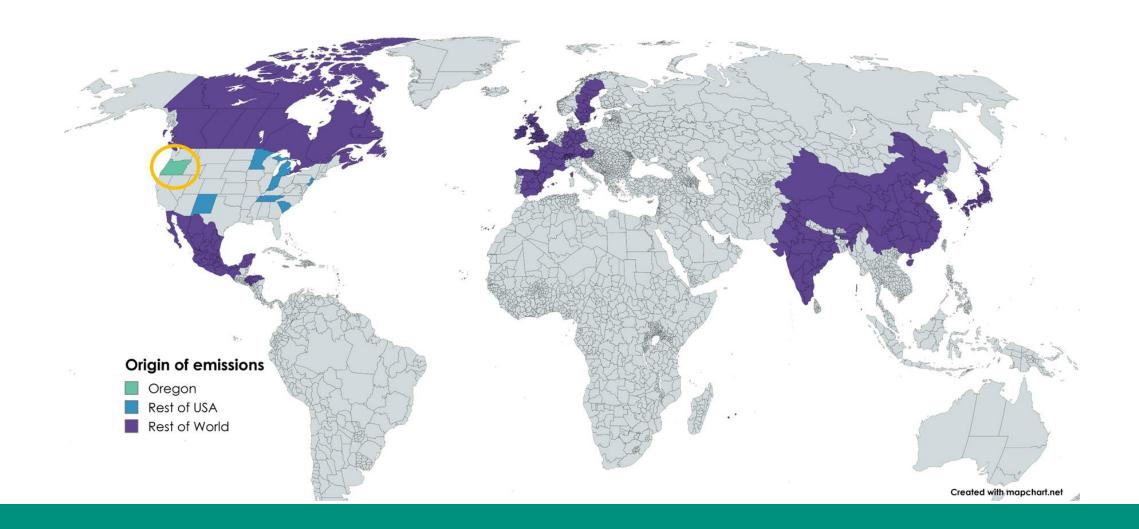


... from making trucks and parts all over the world.



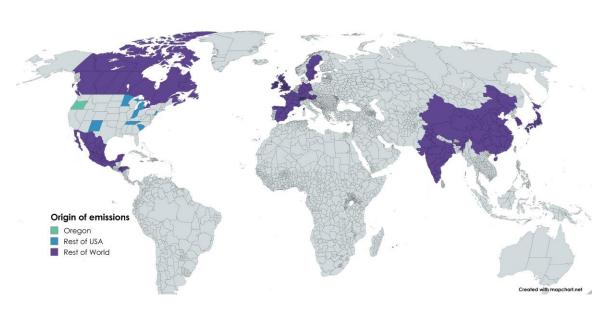


But sector-based accounting only accounts for emissions within the state





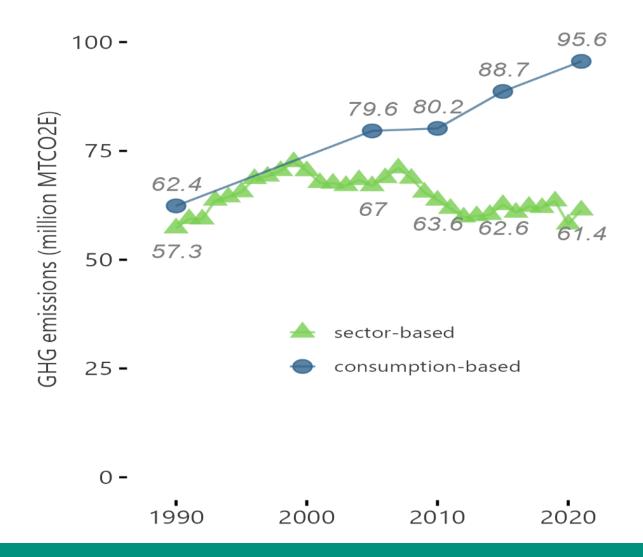
Consumption-based accounting sees beyond borders in two ways





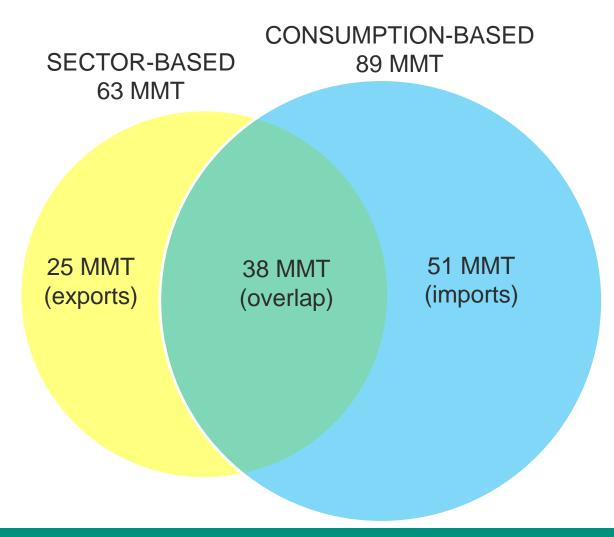


In recent decades, Oregon's sector-based emissions have flattened, but consumption-based ones have grown





Comparison of Oregon's sector- and consumption-based emissions, 2021

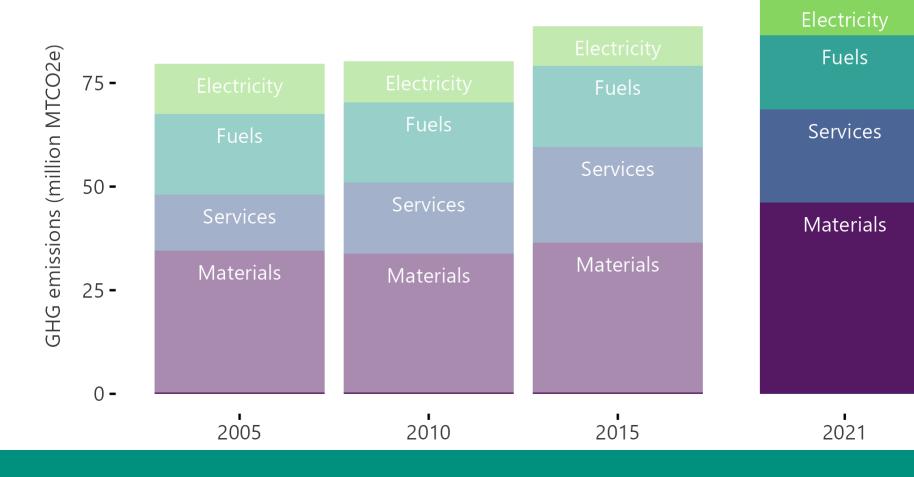




Materials are driving growth in total emissions

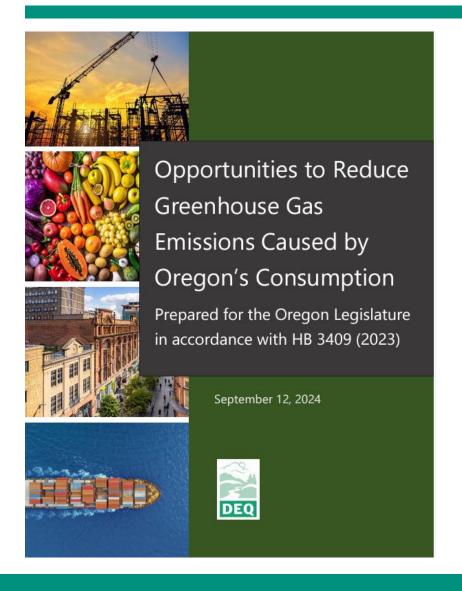
Changes in Oregon's consumption-based impacts, 2005-2021

by metacategory 100 -

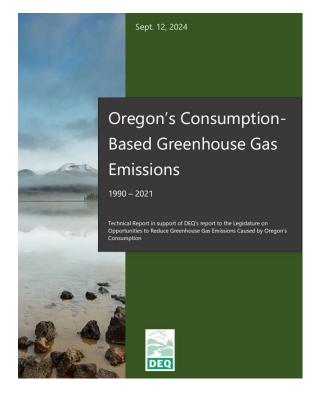


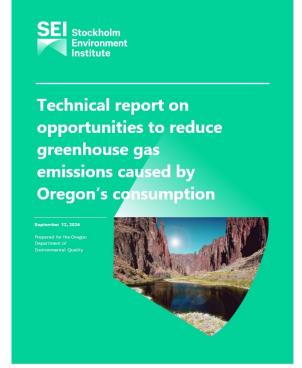


DEQ Reports



Companion Technical Reports





All available at: www.oregon.gov/deq/mm/pages/consumption-based-ghg.aspx



Qualitative Evaluation of Options

Outcomes evaluated:

- 1. Expanded smart growth
- 2. Enhanced building utilization
- 3. Smaller new home construction
- 4. Reduced embodied emissions in new construction
- 5. Reduced food waste (households)
- 6. Reduced food waste (non-residential)
- 7. Reduced meat and dairy consumption
- 8. Shift to lower-emission meat and dairy products
- 9. Reduced clothing consumption
- 10. Reduced electronics consumption
- 11. Reduced appliances and furnishings consumption
- 12. Lighter weight cars
- 13. Reduced air travel
- 14. Others (see SEI Section 3.17)

Types of policies:

- 1. Outreach and education
- 2. Information disclosure
- 3. Product regulations & standards
- 4. Financial incentives
- 5. Zoning and land use policies
- 6. Other regulatory requirements
- 7. Public investment
- 8. Public procurement standards& requirements
- Internal (government operations) policies and programs

Evaluation framework:

- Greenhouse gas reduction potential
- Likelihood and durability of impact
- 3. Ease of implementation
- 4. Ease of enforceability
- 5. Cost-effectiveness
- 6. Equity considerations
- 7. Job impacts
- 8. Health impacts
- 9. Environmental impacts



Thank you!

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Materials in CCAPs Opportunities & Resources

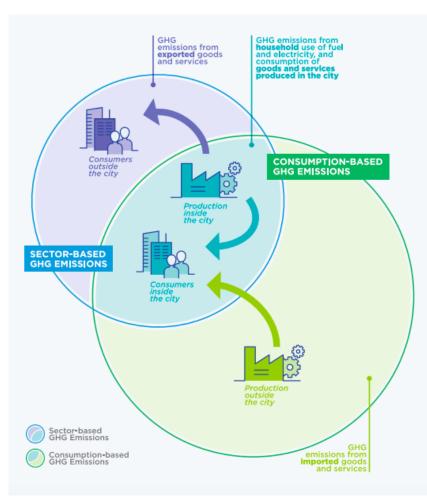
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Consumption-Based Emissions at the MSA/Local Level





Boxes of fruits and veggies sit at the Hunts Point Terminal Produce Market in New York City, the largest distribution center of its kind in the world. New analysis suggests that cities need to do a better job counting the embodied carbon of the products they import.

PHOTOGRAPH BY JOHN TAGGART, BLOOMBERG VIA GETTY IMAGES

Cities Emit 60% More Carbon Than Thought



ı. ~50,000 MTCO₂e CONSUMPTION-BASED COMMUNITY INVENTORY INVENTORY

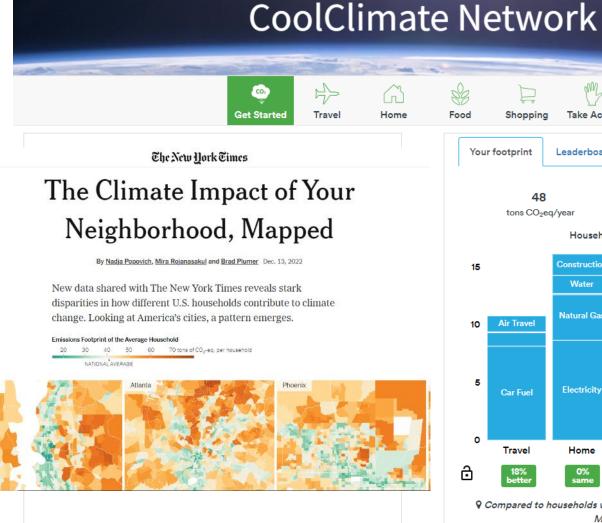
~300,000

MTCO₂e

Source: C40

Source: City of Albany, CA

Quick CBEI Tools





Shopping

Take Action

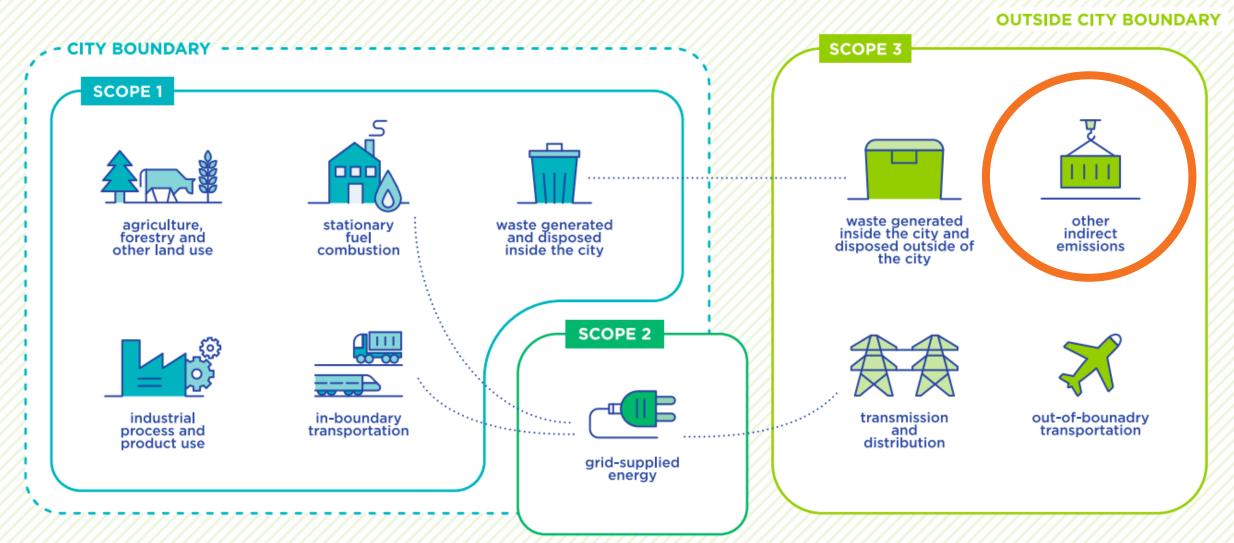


Coming in 2025:

CBEI for every city in California

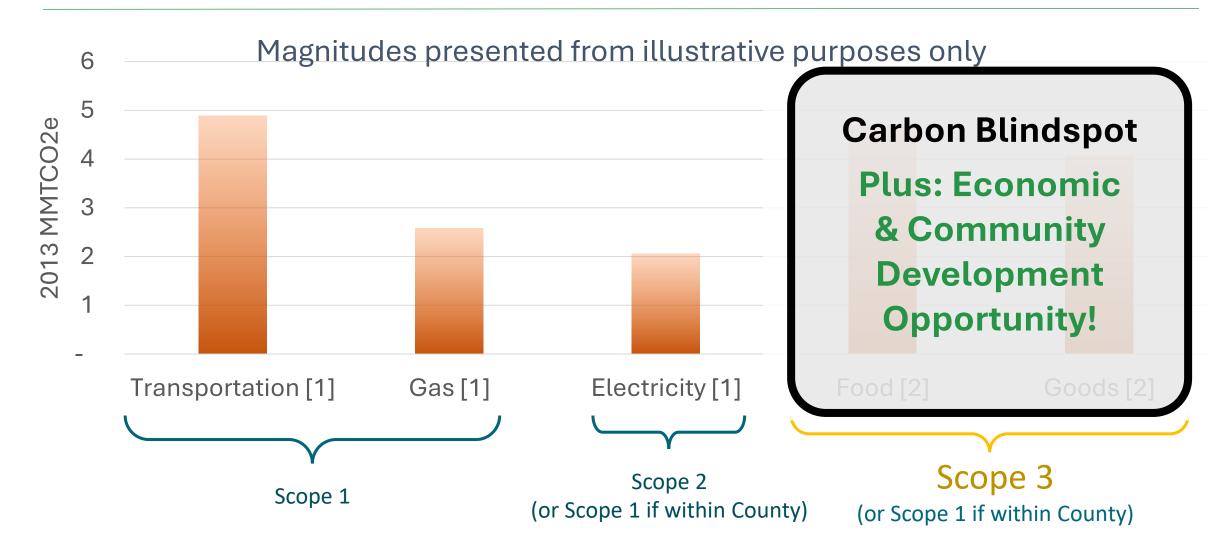
CoolClimate.org/calculator

CBEI and/or Specific Scope 3 Emissions Sources



Source: C40

CO2e Estimated for Alameda County (mixed data sources)



Sources: [1] MTC Vital Signs and [2] Cool Climate Network Bay Area CBEI.

Key Opportunity Areas



Food

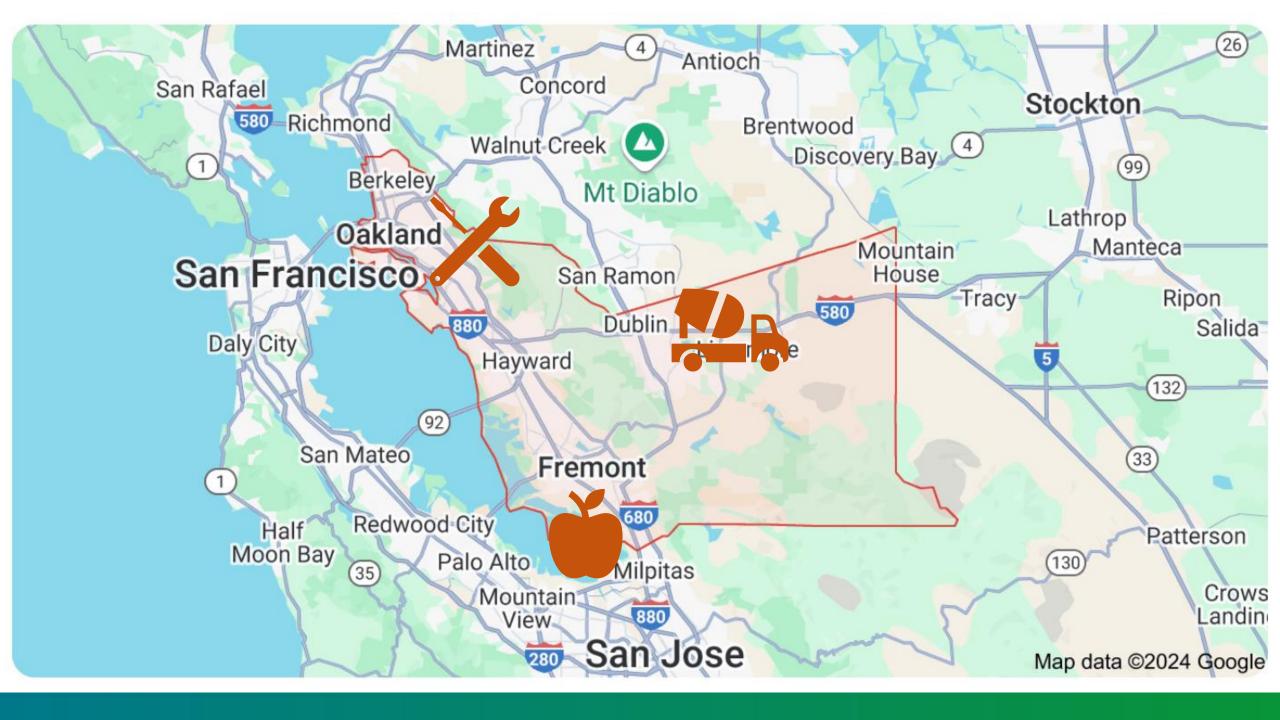
Community health
Food security
Economic opportunity

Construction

Housing intersection Economic opportunity Government influence

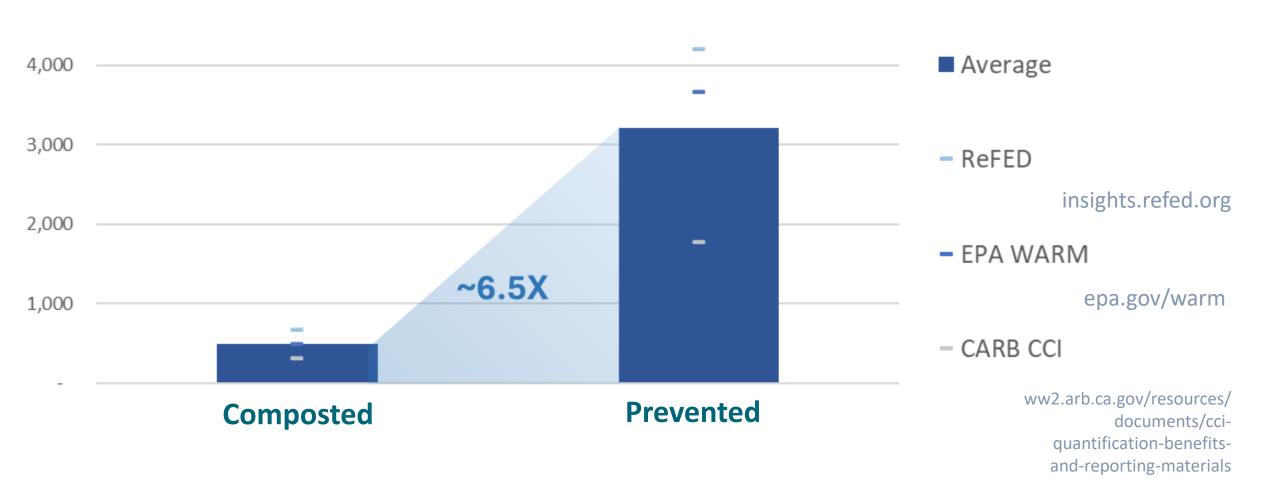
Durable Goods

Economic opportunity Resource sharing Community vitality



Landfill Diversion & Upstream Opportunities

MTCO2e Avoided per Short Ton of Food



Opportunities to Optimize Edible Food

- Effective distribution of food resources to feed people
- Promote food waste prevention practices
- Remove barriers where they exist (e.g. date labeling Calif AB 660)
- Help people stretch their food dollars



Opportunities to Increase Low-Carbon Food Options

- Awareness of where food comes from
- Government procurement (e.g. Good Food Purchasing Program)
- Support small farms with regenerative agriculture practices and low-carbon crops
- Support food retailers and restaurants to incorporate and market low-carbon options
- Connect rural and urban communities





Fremont: Food Security as Resilience

Measure AR-13: Improve food security.









Specific Actions to Achieve Measure AR-13

Community Level

AR-C-13.1 Support the development of farmers' markets and other venues where locally grown produce and fresh foods can be sold

AR-C-13.2 Support increased access to local food for limited income residents through promotion of food assistance programs/benefits and collaboration with local farmers' markets.

AR-C-13.3 Support existing community and school gardens and facilitate opportunities to expand community growing spaces with a focus on youth, non-native English speakers, and low-income residents

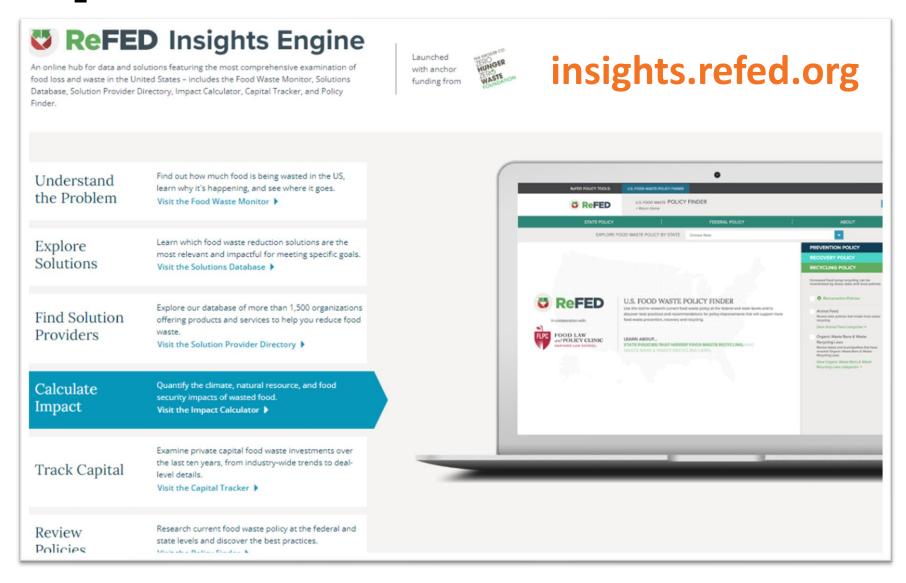
AR-C-13.4 Partner with regional organizations to support organic and regenerative urban agricultural practices, including community gardens, edible landscapes, and pollinator habitats

AR-C-13.5 Encourage low-carbon plant-based diets and develop outreach and tips for residents to reduce the GHG emissions associated with their food consumption

Consumptionbased emissions



Ideas & Impact Estimation Tools



Construction & Demolition Waste



600 million tons of C&D debris were generated in the United States in 2018, which is more than twice the amount of generated municipal solid waste. – EPA's 2018 Fact Sheet

Opportunities Beyond C&D Waste (End of Life)

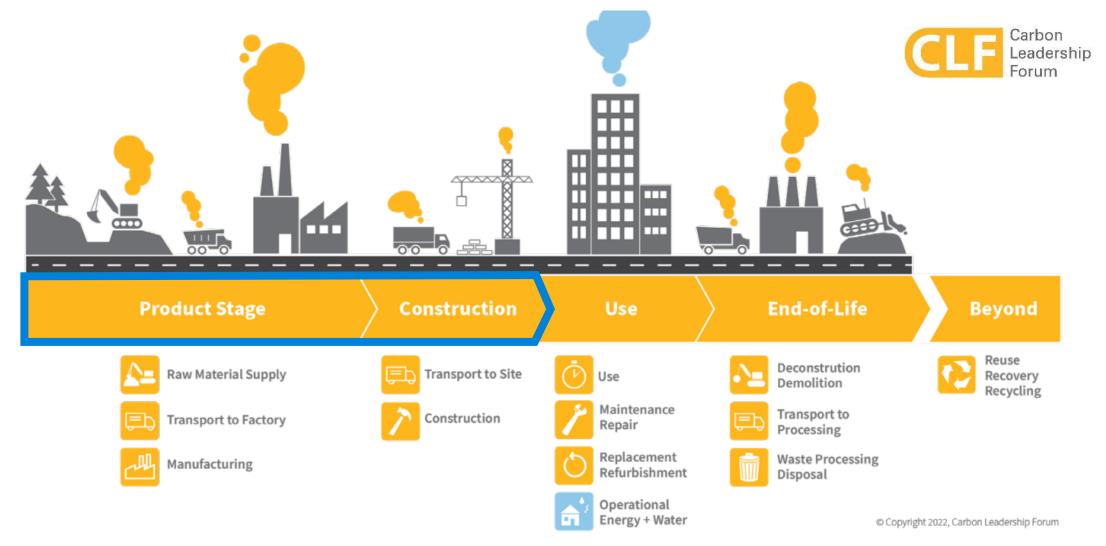


Figure 1. Embodied carbon (yellow) and operational carbon (blue) across the life cycle stage of a building

California's Green Building Code

Embodied Carbon Requirements for 100+SF nonresidential and 50+SF schools Effective July 1, 2024

Pathway	Mandatory
Option 1: Building Reuse	45% of the structure and enclosure to be reused
Option 2: Whole Building LCA (WBLCA)	10% reduction from baseline
Option 3: Prescriptive Approach	175% of industry-wide Environmental Product Declarations Global Warming Potential limits



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Adopt a Tier or lower square footage threshold



Pathway	Mandatory	Tier 1	Tier 2
Option 1: Building Reuse	45% of the structure and enclosure to be reused	75% of the structure and enclosure to be reuse	75% of the structure and enclosure to be reused AND 30% of interior non-structural elements to be reused
Option 2: Whole Building LCA (WBLCA)	10% reduction from baseline	15% Reduction from baseline	20% Reduction from baseline
Option 3: Prescriptive Approach	175% of industry-wide Environmental Product Declarations Global Warming Potential limits	150% of industry-wide Environmental Product Declarations Global Warming Potential limits	100% of industry-wide Environmental Product Declarations Global Warming Potential limits

Source: Urban Machine

Supporting Strategies

- Equitable access to embodied carbon skills for architects/engineers
- Deconstruction infrastructure and workforce
- R&D and entrepreneurs introducing new materials, products, construction methods
- Agriculture & Working Lands: Renewable sourcing of biobased materials





Source: Verdant Panel

Dublin: Reduce the Embodied GHG Emissions Associated with Building Materials

CLIMATE ACTION PLAN



Low Carbon Concrete Code Amendment adopted Sept 2024 to be effective Jan 2025

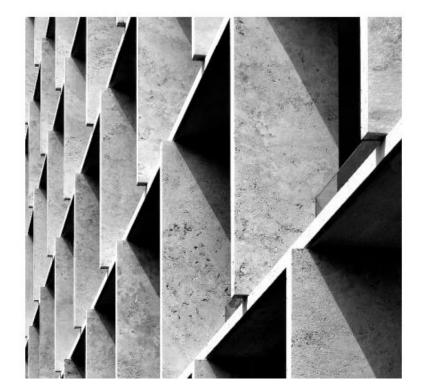
Measure MM-2 Actions

- Conduct outreach to the development community regarding low carbon concrete using the Bay Area Low Carbon Concrete Codes Project.
- 2 Present a low carbon concrete ordinance to City Council based on the Marin County model ordinance with specifications for residential and non-residential development applications.
- 3 Educate City staff, and the development community on the new reach code requirements.
- 4 Keep current on new model ordinances that identify other building materials to target for additional embodied carbon reductions.









+ Marin County,
Palo Alto, Santa Monica

Adoption support resources: stopwaste.org/concrete



GHG Reduction Targe	t Years			Instru	ıctions: Use to convert units
Policy Effective Year	2025	Instructions: Start here			_
Short-Term Target Year	2030		Unit of Measure for Embodied	Mt CO2e	-
Long-Term Target Year	2050		Carbon	PR COZE	<u>I</u> —
					

Projected Construction Growth

Instructions: Input projected residential unit and commercial and public construction growth anticipated for short-term and long-term target years. Update default values for distribution of growth within each typology

		Residential Units as % of Total Building Typology Units	Default Assumption	Default Assumption Source	Average Housing Unit Area (sq ft)	Default Assumption
	Single Family	59%	59%	Based on https://www.census.gov/construction/nrc/pdf/newresconst.pdf (2022 US Annual)	2300	2300
Residential	Two to Four Units	3%	3%	Based on https://www.census.gov/construction/nrc/pdf/newresconst.pdf (2022 US Annual)	1300	1300
	Five or More Units	38%	38%	Based on https://www.census.gov/construction/nrc/pdf/newresconst.pdf (2022 US Annual)	1000	1000
		Building Area as % of Total Building Typology Area	Default Assumption	Default Assumption Source		Default Assumption
	Low Rise (1-5 Stories)	40%	None available			None available
Commercial	Mid-Rise (6-10 Stories)	45%	None available			None available
	High Rise (>10 Stories)	15%	None available			None available
	Low-Rise (1-5 Stories)	50%	None available			None available
Public	Mid-Rise (6-10 Stories)	45%	None available			None available
	High Rise (>10 Stories)	5%	None available			None available



Embodied Carbon Reduction Measures

Instructions: Input a short-term and long-term reduction target for each embodied carbon reduction measure against the projected baseline and select policy coverage by building typology.

Low Carbon Materials				By 2030	
If an embodied carbon reduction target is set for certain construction materials, how .	If an embodied carbon reduction target is set for certain construction materials, how much could overall GHG emissions be reduced?			Total GHG Emissions Reduction by 2030 (Mt	Total % Emissions
	Short-Term	Long-Term	CO2e)	CO2e)	Reduction by 2030
Concrete Reduction Target	20%	40%			
Rebar Reduction Target	0%	0%			
Steel Reduction Target	0%	0%			
Glass Reduction Target	0%	0%			
Insulation Reduction Target	0%	0%			
Projec	ted Coverage by Building Typology				
Residential	0%	0%	23	114	0%
Single Family	0%	0%	23	114	0%
Two to Four Units	0%	0%			
Five or More Units	0%	0%			
Commercial	0%	0%			
Low-Rise (1-5 Stories)	0%	0%			
Mid-Rise (6-10 Stories)	0%	0%			
High-Rise (>10 Stories)	0%	0%			
Public	5%	5%			
Low-Rise (1-5 Stories)	0%	0%			
Mid-Rise (6-10 Stories)	0%	0%			
High-Rise (>10 Stories)	100%	100%			

Other High Impact Sectors



Apparel Electronics Appliances Furniture

Oakland: Materials as Key Green Economy Opportunities





MATERIAL CONSUMPTION + WASTE

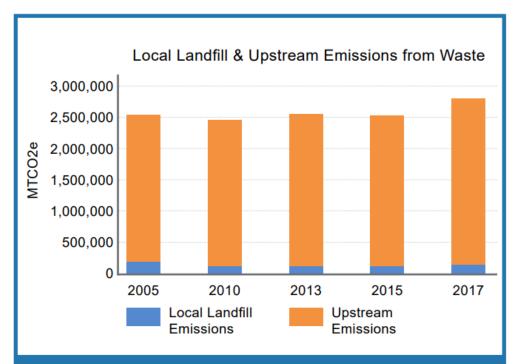
- » MCW-2 Strengthen Infrastructure and Partnerships for Edible Food Recovery
- » MCW-4 Support the Reuse, Repair, Recovery, and Refurbishment Economy
- » MCW-5 Expand Community Repair Resources
- » MCW-6 Establish a Deconstruction Requirements







Oakland: Upstream Emissions and Vision



While Oakland's landfill emissions decreased from 2005 to 2017, upstream consumption emissions (emissions involved in the extraction, manufacture, and transport of anything we buy and use) increased. This shows that our purchasing habits have a far larger impact on global emissions than the decisions we make when we throw things away.



EPA's Database of Examples of Materials in CAPs



increasing the use of natural materials, and moving towards more regenerative processes and materials. These are often pathways to affordability because lifetime

operating costs – including utility bills – are minimized through space and appliance efficiency, healthler indoor air, and reduced need for heating and cooling. The City will work with partners such as StopWaste to identify best practices for reducing embodied carbon while maximizing

affordability. This Action also has strong potential to

epa.gov/smm/example-governmentclimate-action-plans-address-materialsmanagement-and-waste





Thank you!

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Calculating emissions reductions for materials measures: some principles and examples

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My goal is to bring these calculations down to earth

I will:

- List some actual examples of measures for which Oregon DEQ has calculated emissions reductions
- Include both waste-based and pure consumption-based examples
- Name the models we used (and alternatives that you might use)

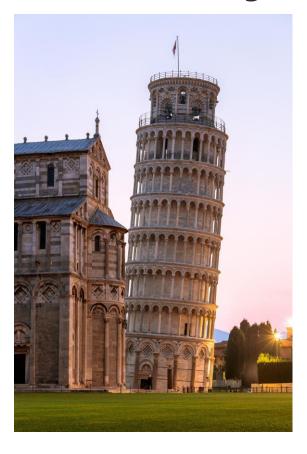
But first!

- Disclaimer: I am not EPA
- Fine details are being omitted to save time
- A little pep talk (next slide)

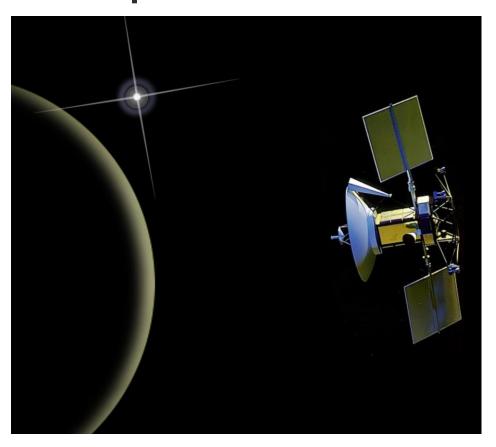


Don't get perfection paralysis!

Start with a rough estimate



Then improve the details





Ingredients of an emissions reduction calculation

- One or more inventories, and helpful supplementary data
- Projections of emissions in two scenarios
 - The BAU or "reference case" scenario
 - A scenario where you accomplish your measure
 - OR, a way to calculate the difference
- Explicit acknowledgment of contributing factors
- Cost estimates (\$)



Cost results can be surprisingly encouraging

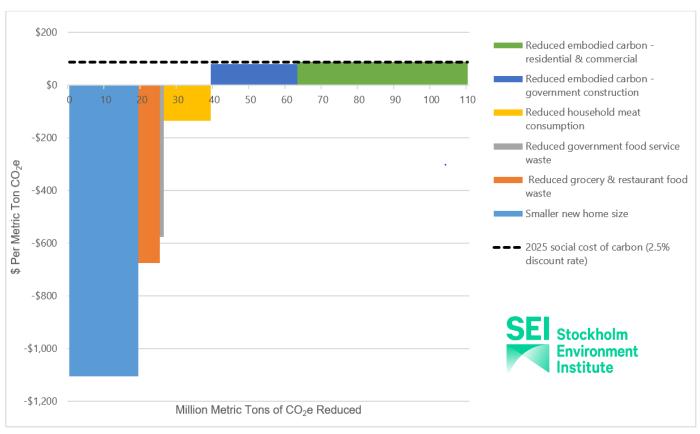


Figure 4-3. Abatement costs and 2025 social cost of carbon calculated using a 2.5% social discount rate

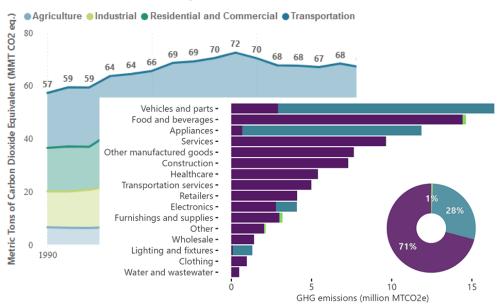
Full details in SEI's technical report at http://www.oregon.gov/deq/mm/pages/consumption-based-ghg.aspx



Start with 1+ inventories (totals, with useful categories)

Full state inventories

Greenhouse Gas Inventory 1990-2021

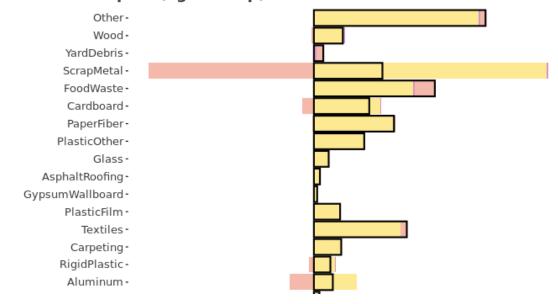


Sources of inventories:

- Your state/MSA territorial inventory
- EPA state inventory tool (territorial)
- USEEIO state models (consumption-based, check for availability)
- Consultants such as EcoDataLab (consumption-based)

"Sub-inventories" and supplemental data

GWP 100 impact (kg CO2 eq.)



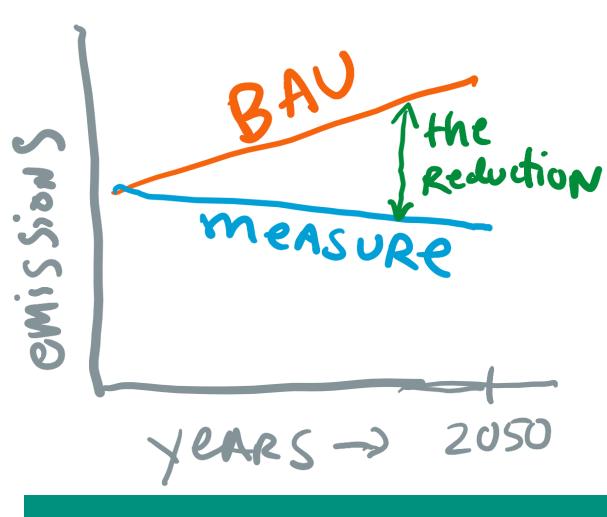
Oregon Waste Impact Calculator:

- Life cycle model of solid waste impacts
- https://rstudioconnect.deq.state.or.us/content/706a4 deb-f353-4d08-826d-85bf7856c154/



Then, project emissions into the future, and subtract!

It's super simple!



Ok, there may be complications ©

- Population will be changing in both scenarios
- Remember some tools are set by default to show you the difference. That may or may not be what you want.
- Watch out for complications that reduce your reductions.
- Celebrate synergies or side effects that increase your savings



Measure: food waste diversion to composting

Basic action	Divert food waste from landfilling and into composting
Relevant inventories and supplemental data	 State territorial inventory Life cycle impacts of state solid waste stream, in useful categories including "food"
Tool for measure-related emissions and/or emissions differences	Waste Impact Calculator(WARM would also work)
Notable factors in defining scenarios	Population growth;Transportation distances;Capacity limits
Comments	 WIC and WARM are life cycle models; need to convert to yearly impacts





Measure: food waste prevention*

Basic action	 Prevent food waste from being generated in the first place
Relevant inventories and supplemental data	 State consumption-based inventory Life cycle impacts of state solid waste stream, in useful categories including "food"
Tool for measure-related emissions and/or emissions differences	 Waste Impact Calculator WARM could also work A simple consumption approach could <i>also</i> work, see below
Notable factors in defining scenarios	Population growth;Realistic expectations
Comments	 WIC and WARM are life cycle models; need to convert to yearly impacts A consumption approach: combine spending on food with USEEIO supply chain GHG factors, available in Excel, see https://cfpub.epa.gov/si/si_public_record_Report.cf m?dirEntryId=349324&Lab=CESER



* This particular calculation performed by DEQ, but not used in any publication



Measure: smaller & retrofit housing (embodied carbon)

Basic action	 Subsidize the creation of more materially efficient housing, replacing conventional suburban SFR development
Relevant inventories and supplemental data	State consumption-based inventory
Tool for measure-related emissions and/or emissions differences	ARUP embodied carbon tool (available from StopWaste)
Notable factors in defining scenarios	Square footage;Housing forms;Anticipated material efficiencies
Comments	 There are many calculators for individual buildings, but the ARUP tool describes whole development patterns. Study the tool carefully as it is evolving.





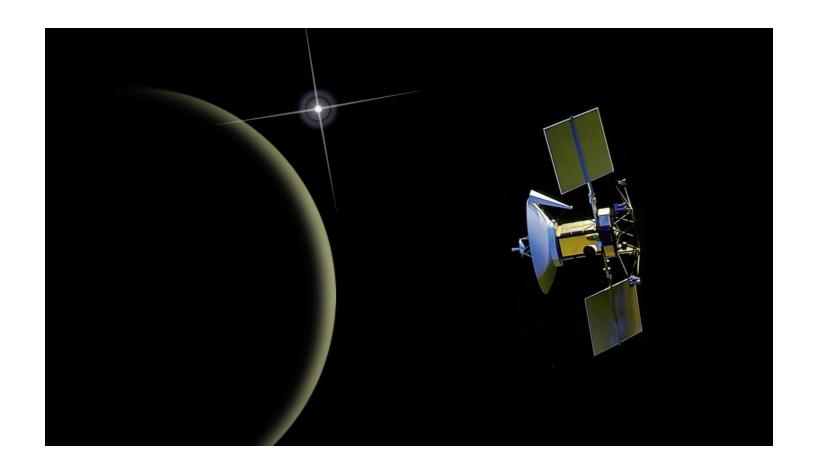
Measure: smart growth

Basic action	 Model the provision of new housing and civic services in more compact and walkable communities
Relevant inventories and supplemental data	 State consumption-based inventory Emissions intensities (emissions/\$) from state consumption-based inventory Statistical studies of CBE and transport in communities
Tool for measure- related emissions	 Consultant's custom projection of statewide all-sector consumption-based emissions under reference and treatment cases
Notable factors in defining scenarios	Economic growth projectionsVMT reductionsInfrastructure expenses
Comments	 Though complex to model, this measure can create sizable emissions reductions because it influences many sources of emissions at once: transport, housing, infrastructure, and domestic purchases.





To sum up, these calculations can take you a long way





Thank you!

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