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Innovations in Climate Action Planning: Oregon's "Roadmap to 2020"

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Overview

- Background/History
- Oregon's Global Warming Commission and the "Roadmap to 2020"
 - The process: joys and challenges
 - Recommendations of the Materials Management Committee
 - Feedback from the Commission
- Closing thoughts



Background/History

- 2004: Governor Kulongoski's Advisory Group on Global Warming
 - Technical Subcommittee on Waste and Materials
- 2006 - 2007: Climate Change Integration Group
- 2007: HB 3543
 - Established GHG reduction goals
 - By 2010, arrest growth in GHG emissions
 - By 2020, GHG emissions 10% below 1990 levels
 - By 2050, GHG emissions 75% below 1990 levels
 - Created the Oregon Global Warming Commission



Background/History, continued

- 2008 - 2010: New focus on materials management
 - 2008: DEQ begins work on consumption-based emissions inventory
 - 2008: Formation of West Coast Forum
 - 2009: EPA releases “foundation paper” (systems view of emissions)
 - 2009: Global Warming Commission Chair speaks at Association of Oregon Recyclers conference
 - 2009: Portland Climate Action Plan references systems-based view of emissions, materials life cycle, consumption
 - 2010: Ditto for Eugene
 - 2010: Metro releases a “systems-based” GHG inventory



Background/History, continued

- 2010: Election of a new Governor, Legislature
- 2010: GHG goal is achieved
- 2010: Global Warming Commission looks to 2020 and 2050
 - 2020 emissions 10% below 1990 levels: ~41% reduction per-capita
 - 2050 emissions 75% below 1990 levels: ~88% reduction per-capita



Roadmap to 2020

- Actions to achieve GHG reduction goal for 2020
 - Ideas, not mandates
 - Setting the foundation for achieving GHG reduction goal for 2050
 - Organized in 6 categories:
 - Energy (utilities)
 - Transportation and land use
 - Industrial emissions
 - Agriculture
 - Forestry
 - Materials management
- Corresponds with 6 “technical committees”



Materials Management Committee: Advantages

- Chaired by Angus Duncan, Chair of the Global Warming Commission
- Support from DEQ management to staff the committee
- “Pragmatic” approach to trans-boundary emissions
- Diverse and committed committee members
- Direction to “be bold”
- Inclusion of a vision
- Availability of analytical tools



Materials Management Committee: Challenges

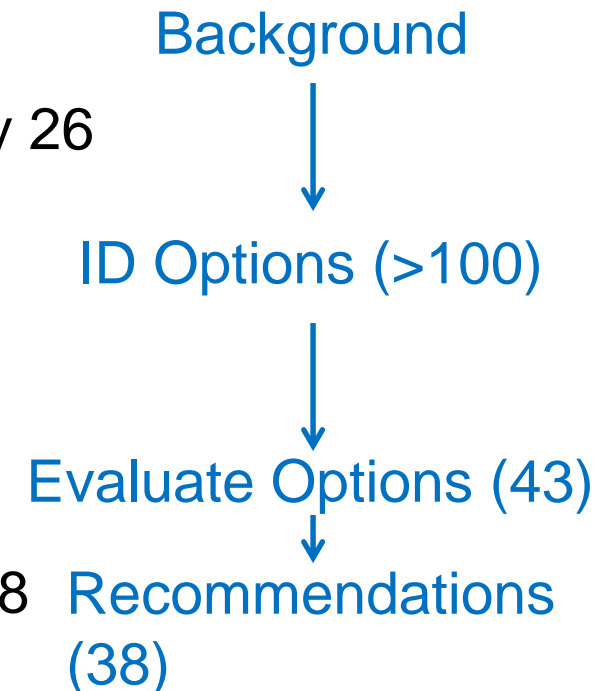
- Time! Time! Time!

START:

- Meeting #1: July 16
- Meetings #2 – #4: week of July 26
 - Upstream food
 - Upstream other
 - Downstream/discards management

FINISH:

- Meeting #5 (final): September 8
- Draft report: September 13
- Final report (to Commission):
September 16





Materials Management Vision and Recommendations

- Available (as revised) at <http://www.keeporegoncool.org/content/roadmap-2020>



Materials Management Vision for 2050

- Oregon as a leader
- Both production- and consumption-based emissions reduced 88% per-capita (from 1990 levels)
- Shifts to low-carbon production and consumption
 - New incentives and regulations
 - Level playing field for Oregon producers
 - Clear information on product footprints
 - Full-cost accounting
 - “Net zero” buildings
 - Full producer responsibility (full life cycle)
 - Consumer shifts in favor of services, education, savings, investments, low-carbon goods
 - Optimized end-of-life management (reuse, recycling, etc.)
- Significant co-benefits



Key Action 1: Advocate for a carbon price signal across the life cycle of materials

- Emissions cap and/or carbon tax
 - Details not debated by committee
- Should include imports
 - Border adjustment mechanism/carbon tariff
- Potentially very large GHG reductions: 3.4 – 20.6 MMTCO₂e in 2020 (not including direct use of fuels and electricity by consumers)



Key Action 2: Develop a consumption-based GHG inventory

- DEQ project currently underway
 - Draft methodology and results reviewed by a workgroup; hope to complete in spring 2011
- Recommended next steps:
 - Complete the DEQ project
 - Consider including consumption-based accounting in future State inventories
 - Additional research as needed into product categories identified as having high emissions, emissions intensity



Key Action 3: Easy-to-use life cycle metrics for different food types

- Food has large GHG impacts
- Develop and disseminate foundational data on industry-average “carbon footprints” of different food categories
 - Which categories are significant (and not)
 - Which life-cycle stages are significant (and not)
- Solid information enables voluntary actions by producers, retailers, and consumers
- GHG reductions of 0.1 – 0.7 MMTCO₂e in 2020



Key Action 4: Carbon footprinting, labeling of products

- Footprinting only, or footprinting+labeling
- UK experience:
 - “we manage what we measure”
 - footprinting helps some companies quickly reduce GHG impacts 15 – 20%
- Standards, incentives, and/or mandates
- Opportunities to partner with federal government and/or Western Climate Initiative
- GHG reductions of 0.2 – 3.3 MMTCO₂e in 2020



Key Action 5: Focus product stewardship upstream

- All parties involved in the design, production, sale and use of a product take responsibility for minimizing impact throughout all life cycle stages.
 - Greatest responsibility lies with whoever has the most ability to affect the life cycle environmental impacts.
- Current programs (E-Cycles, PaintCare) focus on end-of-life management.
- Much larger potential benefit if product stewardship can focus upstream.
- May focus on “upstream” emissions and/or “upstream” design
 - Design for appropriate durability, repairability, reusability, efficiency
- GHG reductions up to 0.4 MMTCO₂e in 2020



Key Action 6: Establish higher standards for new buildings: “net zero” plus offset of materials

- Materials may contribute ~15% or more to the GHG footprint of buildings
- Materials choices also impact energy consumption during occupancy
- “Net zero” buildings produce all of the operational energy that they use
- Requiring an offset for materials would incent optimized design, incent lower-carbon materials
- GHG reductions of 7.2 MMTCO₂e in 2020



Key Action 7: Consumer education, information, outreach

- Include materials management in outreach efforts
 - Consumption, waste prevention, low-GHG food choices
- Ideas: “carbon budgets”, social marketing approaches, carbon calculators, promotion of co-benefits
- GHG reductions up to 0.7 MMTCO₂e in 2020



Key Action 8: Reduce waste of food at retail, consumer levels

- In 2003, Americans wasted ~1,400 kcal per person per day
 - 40% of available food supply (up from 30% in 1974)
 - Significant GHG impacts
- Need better understanding of causes of food waste
 - Research first
 - Develop programs, policies based on research findings
 - May run the gamut from education to federal farm policy
- GHG reductions of 0.1 – 1.1 MMTCO₂e in 2020



Key Action 9: Conduct research on 2 downstream issues

- Highest/best use for organic wastes
 - Composting, anaerobic digestion, co-digestion
 - Consider GHG impacts and other criteria
 - Landfill disposal ban?
- GHG footprint of “conversion technologies” for wastes
 - Pyrolysis, gasification
 - Compare against traditional landfill disposal, mass burn, recycling



29 other Recommended Actions (Tier 2)

- Tax credits
- Achieve prevention/recovery goals
- Shift focus in solid waste planning to materials management
- Policies should treat externalities as internalized
- Low-carbon purchasing, green building
- “Do not mail” registry
- Packaging reduction
- Carbon footprint score for buildings
- Incentives for low-carbon building materials
- Change urban form
- Change code: larger homes must be more efficient
- Expand salvage of building materials



29 other Recommended Actions (Tier 2) (continued)

- Carbon-based metrics for measuring recycling
- Reduce MRF losses
- Expand product stewardship (downstream)
- Expand bottle bill
- Increase recycling outreach
- Require garbage/recycling service parity
- Develop compost markets
- Mandatory food waste collection
- Feed-in-tariff for anaerobic digestion
- Improved landfill research
- Require changes in landfill covers, gas collection
- Others



Commission Response

- Some confusion about materials management
- No silver bullet (except for a high price on carbon)
 - Lots of “eyedroppers”
- Some antipathy towards education, “social engineering”, “behavior modification” (unless done technologically)
- “Diet shifting” is a sensitive issue for some – description of one key action was changed
- Commission accepted committee’s recommended vision and actions for inclusion in “Interim Roadmap”
 - Public comment, revision in 2011



Closing Observations

- Implementation will be a challenge
 - Large list of options, prospect for new resources is dim
- No pushback over inclusion of trans-boundary/non-inventoried emissions
- Surprisingly, the Materials Management Committee (w/DEQ) conducted more analysis of emissions reduction potential than most other committees
 - But analysis still didn't go far enough
- A lot of power in a vision, done well
- Strong stakeholder support and good will to reduce emissions . . . to a point
- Solid mix of “discards management” and other “materials management” – good stretch of the proverbial envelope

Climate Change and Materials Management



Where have we come from,

where are we going

Materials Management



- **An approach to using and reusing resources most productively and sustainably throughout their life cycles,**
 - minimizing the amount of materials involved
 - minimizing associated environmental impacts.
- **Can result in significant GHG savings.**

Opportunity Knocks:



- **In 2006, the U.S. recycled over 80 million tons of municipal solid waste**
 - Equivalent to conserving 182 million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (MMTCO₂E).
 - Additional 300 MMTCO₂E in unrealized opportunities.
 - Source: *Opportunities to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions through Materials and Land Management Practices*. U.S. EPA, September 2009
 - 2009 numbers are similar
- **These opportunities are short term, high impact, lower cost and don't require huge changes in infrastructure.**

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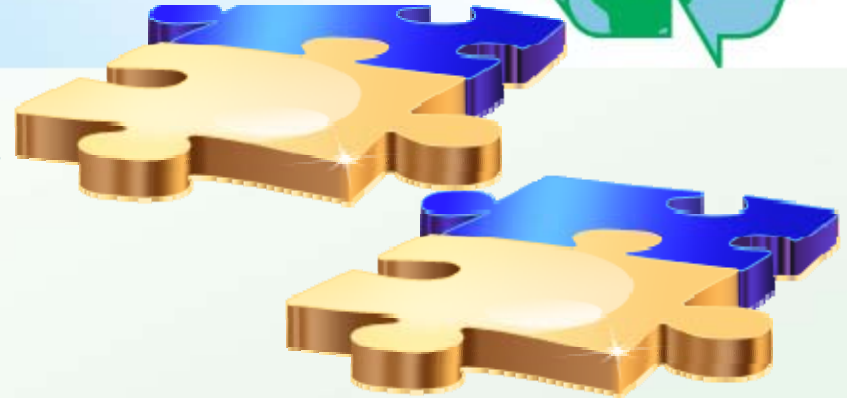


*Where have we come from,
where are we going*

We decided: Create Solutions Together



- West Coast Government Reps
- Get Educated
- Make a Plan
 - identify areas of collaborative effort and strategic actions to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions through improvements in *waste prevention, recovery, and disposal*
- Develop a Joint Statement
 - 2008 and 2009 Joint Statement
 - 2010 Joint Statement to be developed at Forum Annual Meeting
- Work together to develop solutions



Timeline – a lot in 3 years



- June, July & August 2008: First Climate/Materials Management Webinars
- September, 2008: West Coast Forum Meeting in Seattle
 - Objectives Created
 - Workgroups on Materials Management, Inventory, Research, Communications & Product Stewardship formed
- July 2009: WARM Webinar
- December 2009 West Coast Forum Video Conference Meeting with sites in Seattle, Portland, & Sacramento
 - Consumption Workgroup added
- 2010 Climate Action Toolkit Wiki built
- 2010 Consumption retreat
- 2010 New Governments engaged
- January 2011: West Coast Forum Video Conference Meeting with sites in Seattle, Portland, Los Angeles and Sunnyvale, CA.
 - What are our accomplishments from these two days???

2010 Priorities From the December 2009 Forum



- Identifying key opportunities to address the upstream GHG reduction inherent in **reducing and shifting consumption**. (*consumption workgroup*)
- Develop **communication tools and positive messaging** that reflects our work and reflects the thinking and work of others. (*outreach and communication workgroup*)
- Work towards the development of state, community and city level **inventories and action plans** that take a consumption based or systems based approach; (*inventory workgroup*)
- Engage in innovative and important **materials management projects**, such as carpet and organics management; (*materials management workgroup*)

2010 Priorities From the December 2009 Forum



- Articulate the connection between strategies such as **product stewardship** and the GHG emissions reductions associated with waste prevention; *(materials management workgroup)*
- Develop, communicate and coordinate actions around the necessary **research agenda** to support the above priorities. *(research workgroup)*
- Provide **concrete actionable tools** for policymakers, program managers and elected officials to make informed choices, provide to information to the public, create immediate actions and communicate effectively; *(all)*

Thanks to our Workgroup Leads – without you – it wouldn't happen.



- **Research –**
 - Babe O'Sullivan, City of Eugene
- **Materials Management**
 - John Davis, Mojave Desert and Mountain Recycling Authority
 - Bill Smith, City of Tacoma
- **Communications**
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 - Vicky Salazar, US EPA, Region 10
- **Inventory**
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 - Shannon Davis, US EPA Region 9
- **Product Stewardship**
 - McKenna Morrigan, Fellow, US EPA Region 10

Materials Management is Not Limited to Climate Action Planning



- **A lifecycle approach to public policy and strategic planning**
 - Energy Efficiency Plans
 - Sustainability Plans
 - Solid Waste Plans

If Understanding Materials Management Were Easy.....



Requires a
Different
Perspective



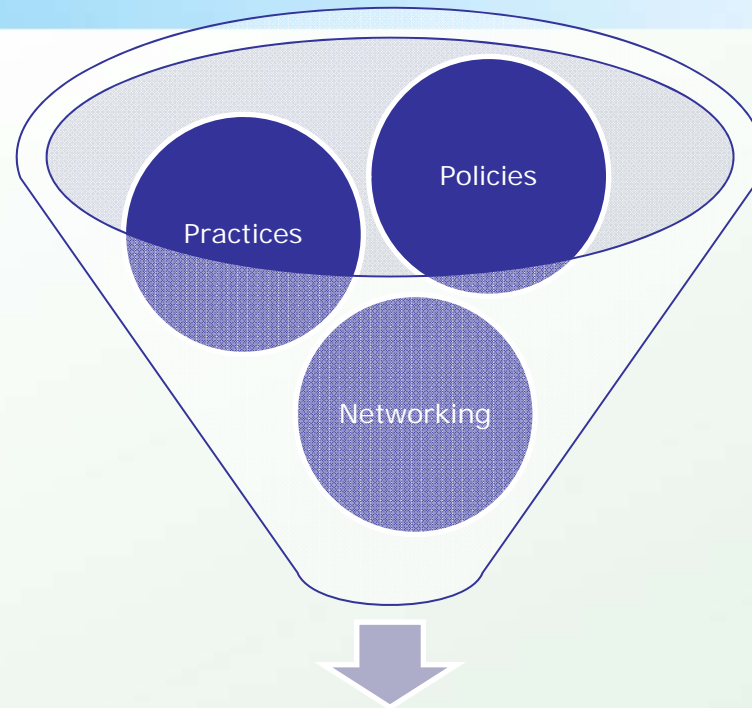
Demands
New
Thinking



Challenges
Long Held
Beliefs &
Behaviors



Tell Us What You Need



GHG Reductions

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Climate Action in Portland

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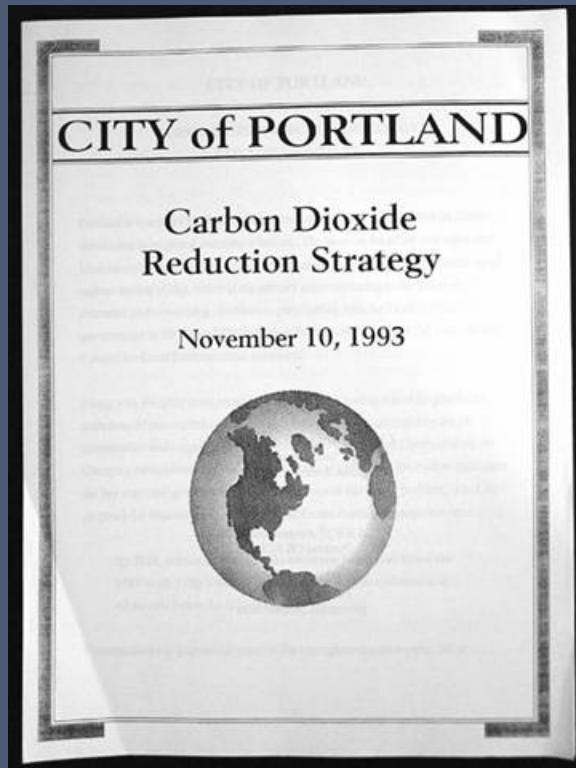


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Prior Climate Plans

1993



2001



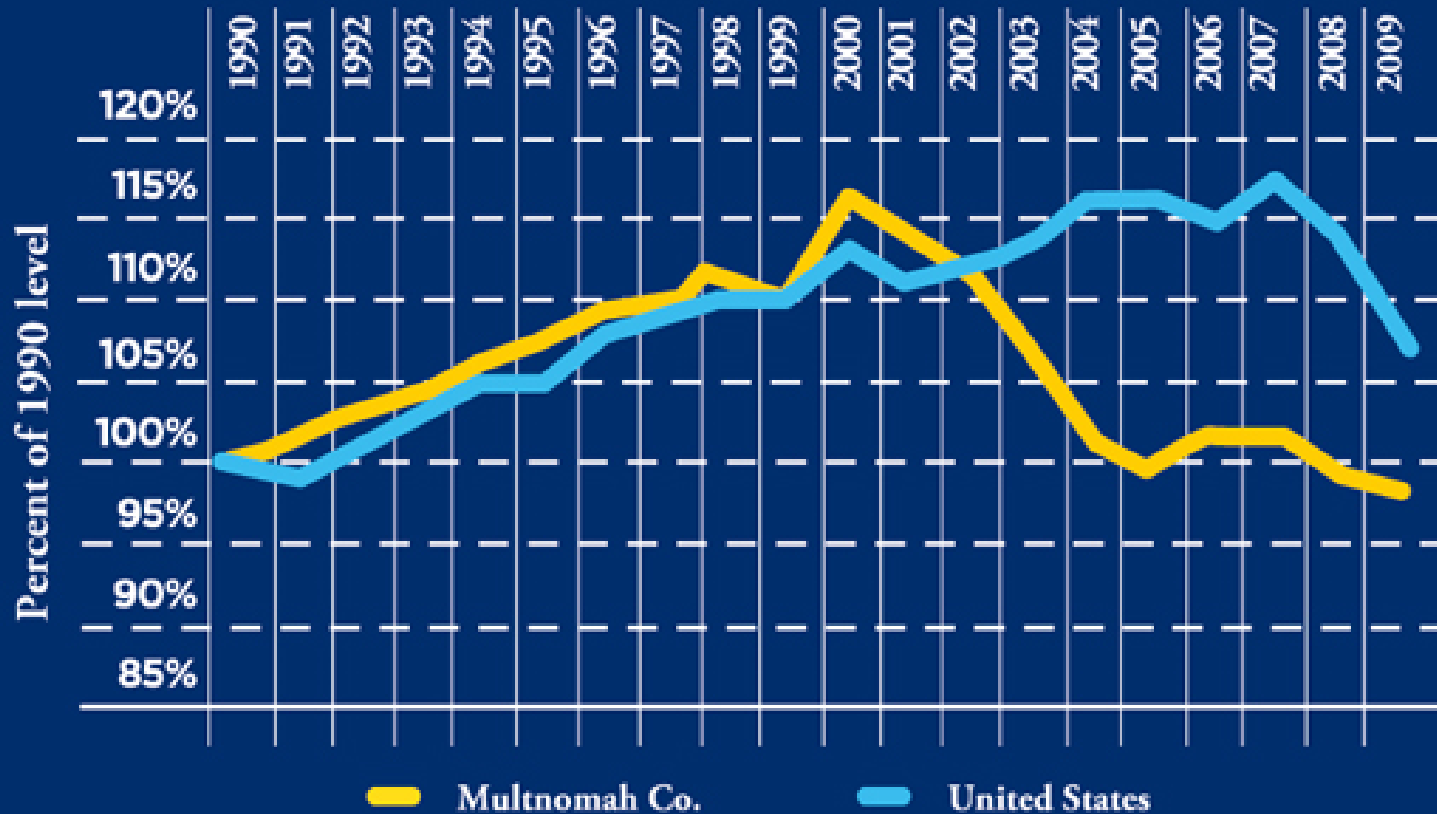
10% Below 1990 by 2010



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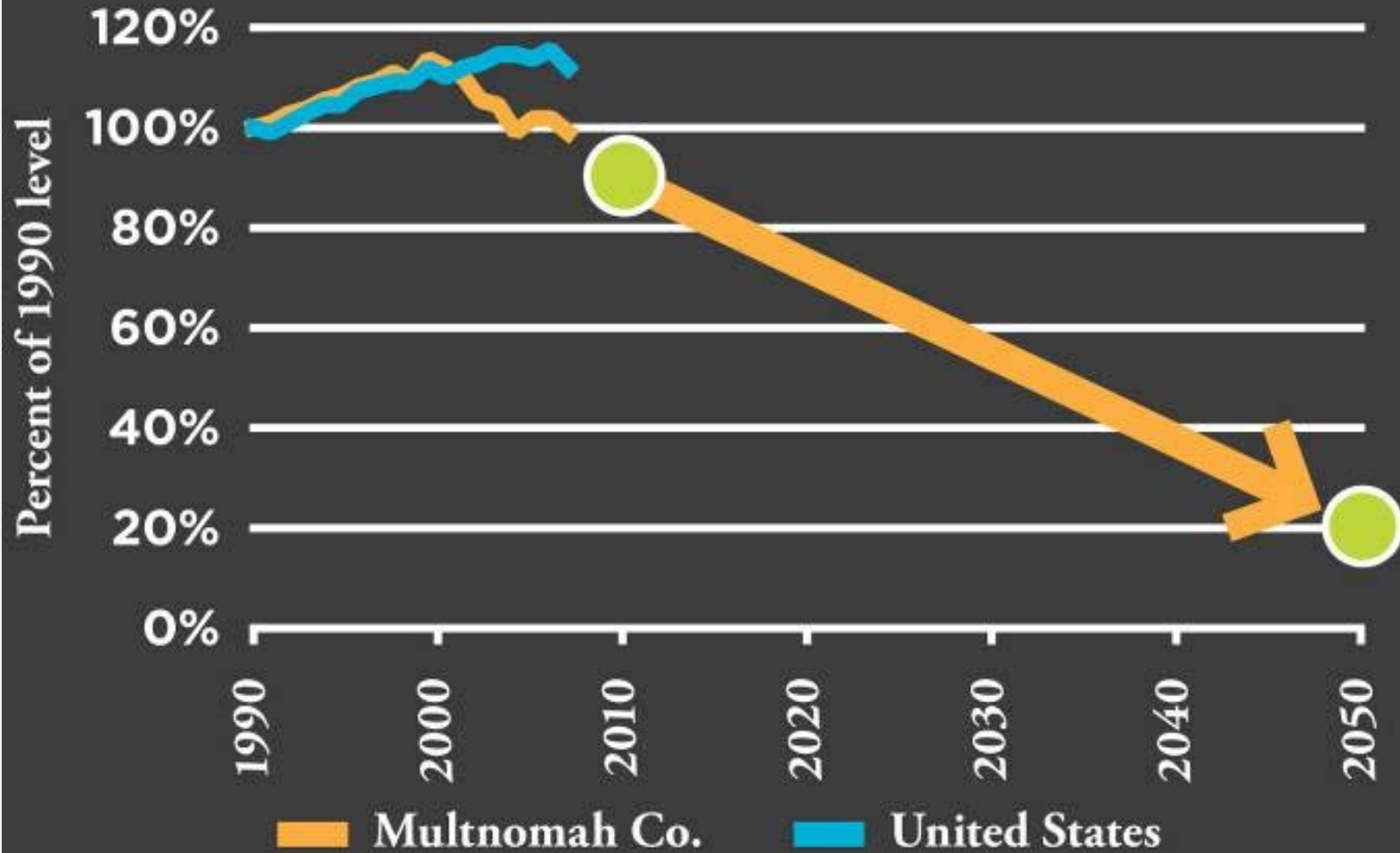
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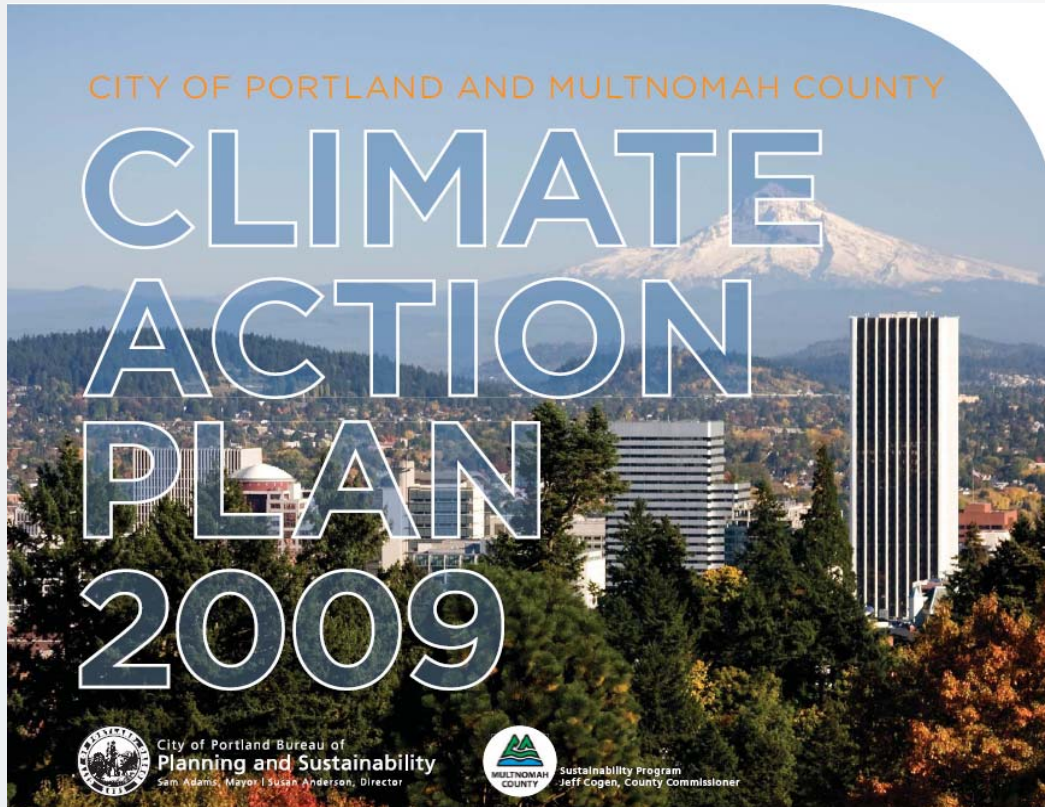
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Greenhouse gas emissions trend



Climate Action Plan



2050 Goal:

80% emissions reduction

2030 Interim Goal:

40% emissions reduction

2030 Objectives

2012 Actions



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Eight Climate Action Areas

1

BUILDINGS AND ENERGY

2

URBAN FORM AND MOBILITY

3

CONSUMPTION AND SOLID WASTE

4

URBAN FORESTRY AND NATURAL SYSTEMS

5

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

6

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

7

CLIMATE CHANGE PREPARATION

8

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS



3

CONSUMPTION AND SOLID WASTE

- Reduce total solid waste generated by 25% by 2030
 - Encourage durable, repairable, reusable
 - Reduce materials go to waste, including food
 - Reduce consumption of carbon-intensive consumer goods



3

CONSUMPTION AND SOLID WASTE

- Recover 90% of all waste generated
 - Mandatory commercial food waste collection
 - Assist 1,000 businesses
 - Construction and demolition debris, with priority for salvage and reuse
 - Public place recycling



3

CONSUMPTION AND SOLID WASTE

- Reduce carbon impacts of collection system
 - Weekly curbside collection of food scraps, compost and recycling
 - Every-other week garbage collection
 - Diesel particulate filters on hauling trucks





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By choosing local resources to borrow, share and repair the stuff we need, we open the door to new opportunities and experiences.



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Eugene Climate and Energy Action Plan



Today's Outline

- A bit about Eugene
- Eugene's Climate and Energy Action Plan
- Systems GHG inventories
- Eugene's CEAP recommendations
- Signs of progress

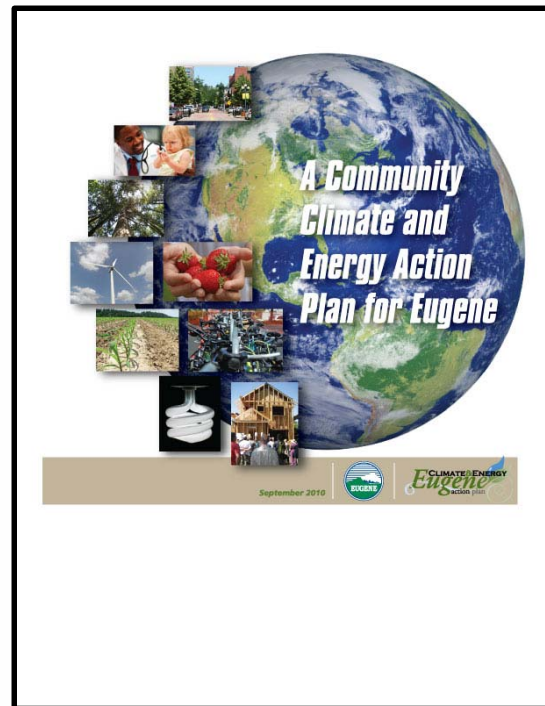
Eugene, Oregon

Population: 154,000

Size: 40.5 square miles



Eugene Climate and Energy Action Plan



Eugene's first CEAP approved by
City Council in September 2010

Eugene Climate and Energy Action Plan

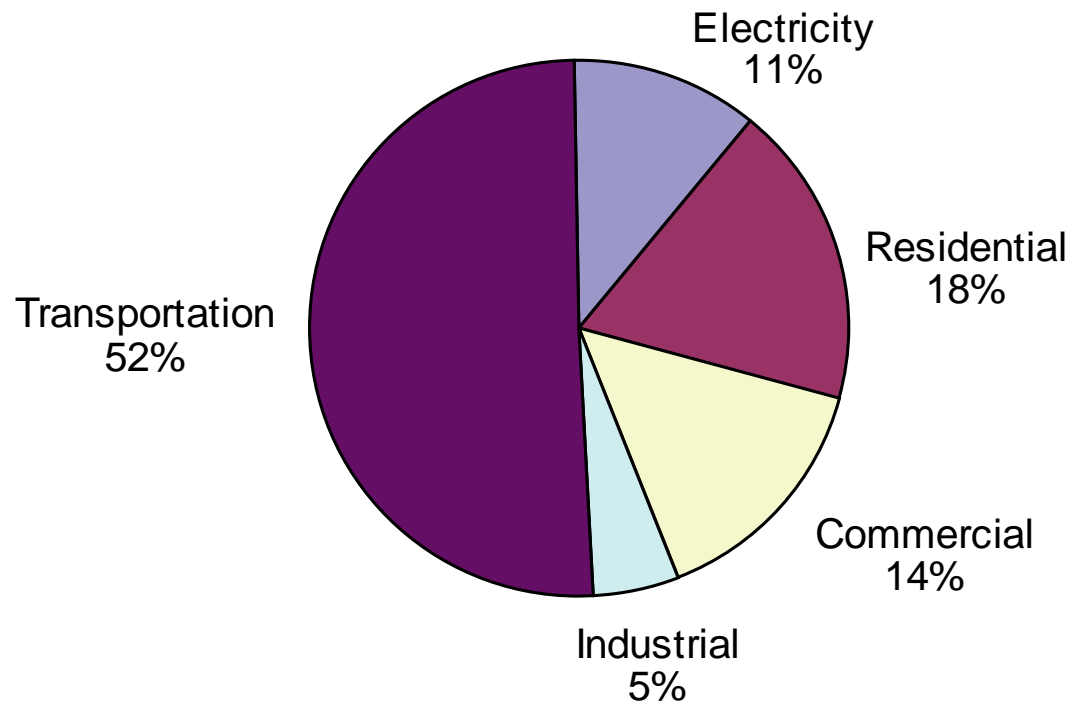
Plan goals:

- Reduce GHGs
- Adapt to climate change
 - Reduce exposure to rising and volatile fuel prices

Eugene Climate and Energy Action Plan

Eugene Sector-based GHG inventory (2007)

Eugene 2005 CO₂ Emissions from Fossil Fuels by Sector



Eugene Climate and Energy Action Plan

- Question: How do we accommodate our growing understanding of the influence of materials and consumption?
- Leave the door open on plan format
and
- Include *Consumption and Waste* as one of six sections of our plan.

Eugene Climate and Energy Action Plan

Plan broken into six sections:

- Buildings and Energy
- Food and Agriculture
- Land use and Transportation
- **Consumption and Waste**
- Health and Social Services
- Urban Natural Resources

Systems-based GHG inventories: The “bleeding edge”

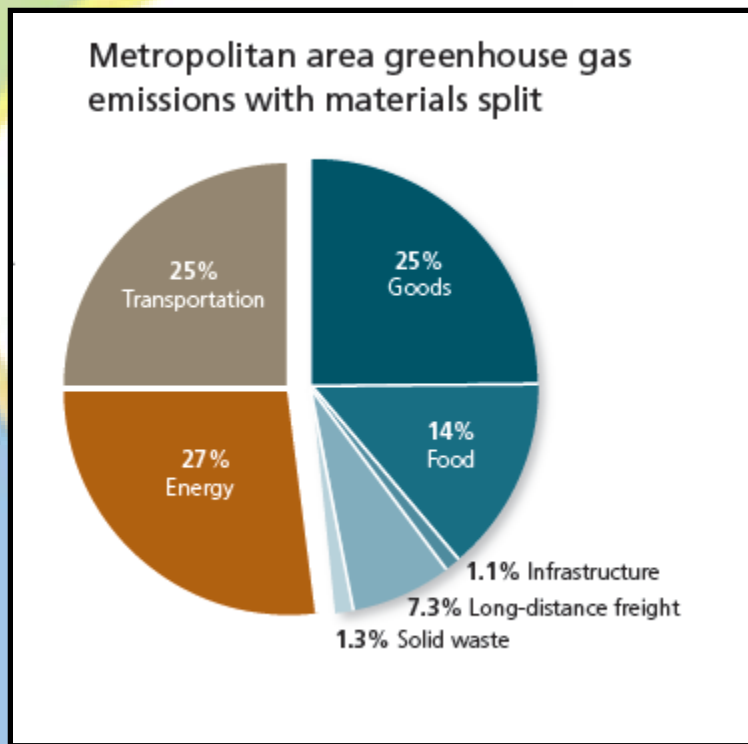
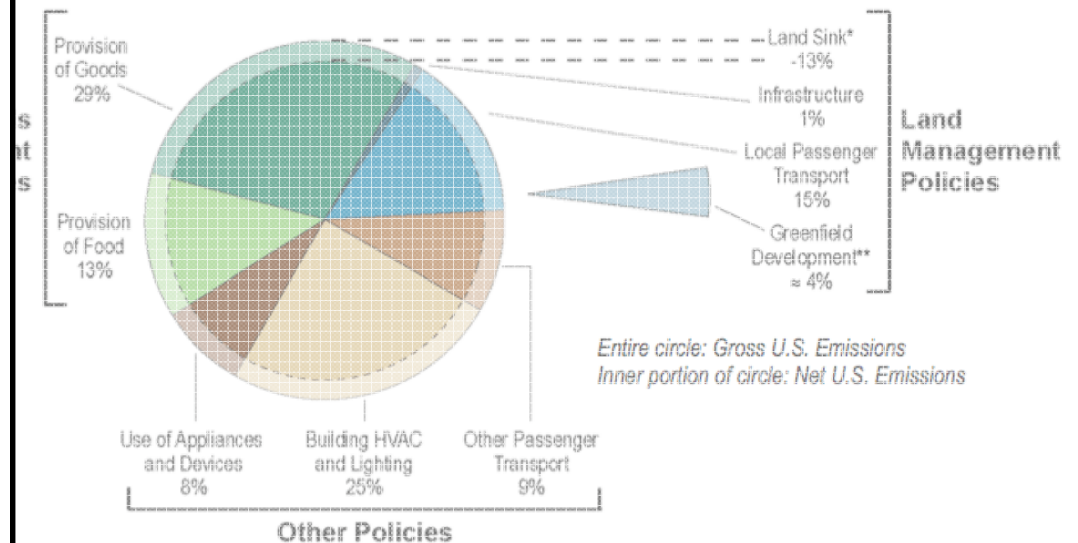


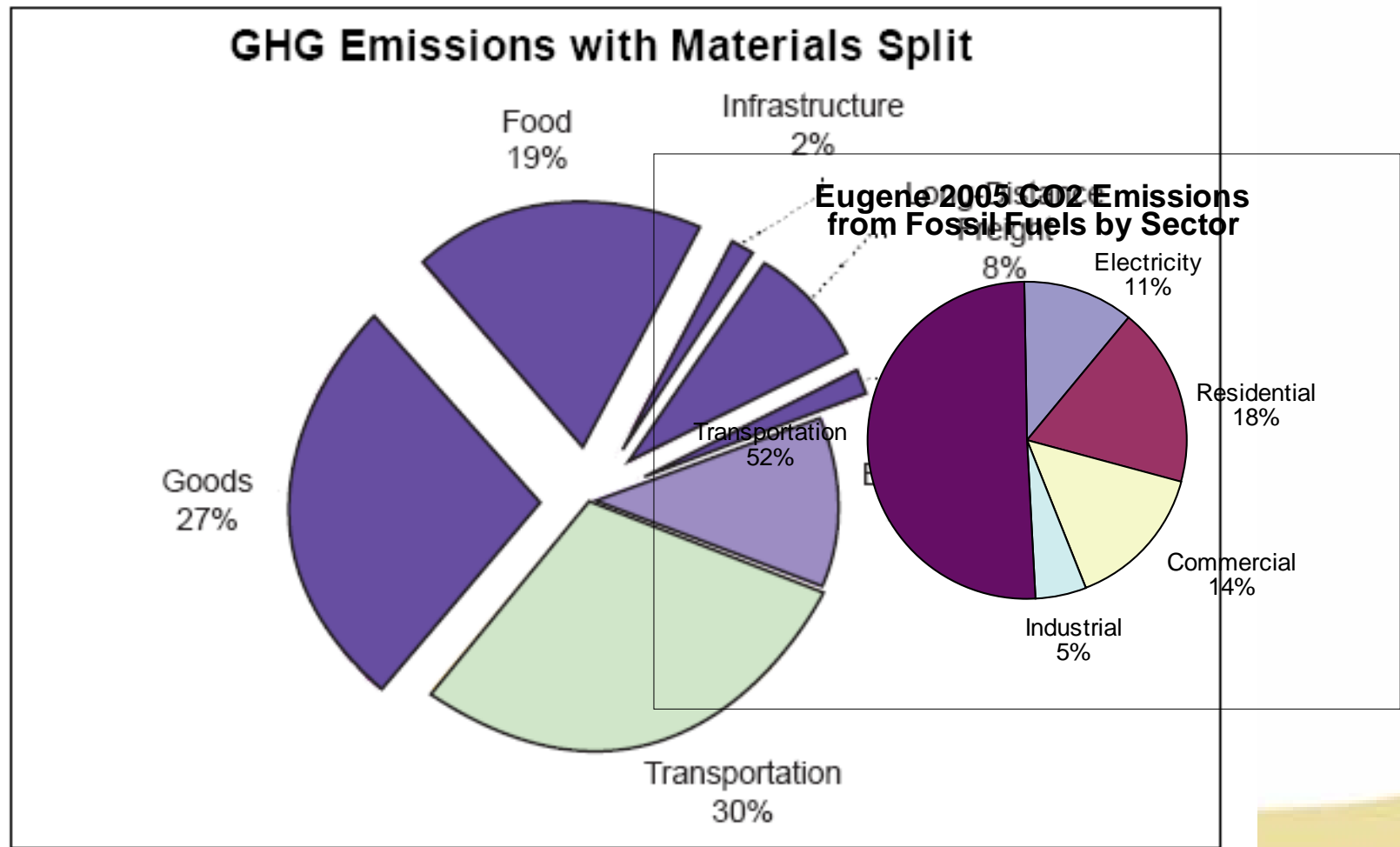
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Systems-Based View of U.S. GHG Emissions (2006)



Telling the story

- The timing was good:
Portland's CAP calls out consumption but doesn't rely on a systems based inventory.
- Lane Council of Governments (LCOG) working on Eugene/Springfield regional systems based GHG inventory.....

LCOG regional systems based inventory



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Specific recommendations:

Specific recommendations:

Consumption and Behavior change

- Lobby at the state level for better product labeling including GHG emissions labeling.

POWER CONTENT LABEL		
	PRODUCT	2007 CA
ENERGY RESOURCES	NAME* (projected)	POWER MIX** (for comparison)
Eligible Renewable	55%	10%
-- Biomass & waste	10%	<1%
-- Geothermal	11%	2%
-- Small hydroelectric	13%	6%
-- Solar	10%	<1%
-- Wind	11%	2%
Coal	16%	32%
Large Hydroelectric	12%	24%
Natural Gas	16%	31%
Nuclear	1%	3%
Other	<1%	0%
TOTAL	100%	100%
* 50% of this product is specifically purchased from individual suppliers.		
** Percentages are estimate annually by the California Energy Commission based on electricity sold to California consumers during the previous year.		
For specific information about this electricity product, contact Company Name. For general information about the Power Content Label, contact the California Energy Commission at 1-800-555-7794 or www.energy.ca.gov/consumer		

Specific recommendations:

Consumption and Behavior change

- Educate businesses and residents about the role of consumption in GHG emissions.

Specific recommendations:

Improve Commercial Sector Recycling

- Enact a local ordinance to increase waste recovery rates from *commercial* and *multi-family* buildings.



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- Enact an ordinance requiring all construction and demolition waste be sorted for reusable or recyclable materials.



Specific recommendations:

*Establish organics collection
and processing program*

- Establish a composting facility that can accept food wastes.
- Develop a food waste collection program and rate structure.

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- Conduct a pilot project at the municipal wastewater treatment plant to co-digest food waste and biosolids to generate electricity.



Specific recommendations:

Target carbon intensity

Follow research and incorporate findings from:

- 1) EPA West Coast Forum on Climate Change and Materials Management
- 2) Recommendations from the Oregon Governor's Global Warming Committee's Roadmap 2020 plan (Materials Management subcommittee).
- 3) Oregon DEQ systems-based GHG inventory.

Specific recommendations:

Consumption and recycling in city facilities

- *Set targets and create measurements* to increase the effectiveness of current sustainable purchasing policies



Specific recommendations:

Consumption and recycling in city facilities

- Reduce public agency purchase of greenhouse gas-intensive goods by 2014.



Progress

Composting commercial food waste

- One local commercial composting facility has a permit to accept food waste - and expects to begin accepting all types of food waste in June 2011.

Progress

Toward internal zero waste

- Completing internal operations zero waste plan.

Progress

Preparing an education campaign

Drawing on the work of others:

- Portland campaigns:
 - *Climate Action Now*
 - *Be Resourceful*

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WHAT IS GLOBAL WARMING?
Global warming is happening because we are putting too much carbon into the atmosphere by burning fossil fuels for energy. Combined with other greenhouse gases, it is making our air, water, soil and land warmer. The atmosphere naturally traps the heat from the sun, keeping our planet warm enough to live on. But too much of this heat-trapping gas is being added to the atmosphere, making it warmer than it should be. This is causing global warming.

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The impacts are much broader and more complex than a simple increase in temperature. Global warming is accompanied by changes in precipitation patterns, increased frequency and intensity of storms, wildfires, droughts, floods and rising sea levels.

CLIMATE-FRIENDLY ACTIONS YOU CAN TAKE AT HOME

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

TAKE ACTION TODAY!

- Turn energy and water saving devices off when not in use.
- Plug your microwave, toaster, chargers, cell phones and other appliances when you leave the house to save energy.
- Make your home cooler in the summer with fans, shades, and weatherstripping.
- Do simple maintenance by testing smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, doors and windows.
- Recycle your car, computer, printer and other electronics.
- Recycle your yard waste, including grass, leaves, and branches.
- Buy a car with a high fuel economy rating.
- Buy a car with a high fuel economy rating.

NEXT STEPS

- Set up a free home energy review with the local utility company.
- Buy energy-efficient light bulbs.
- Buy energy-efficient appliances.
- Buy energy-efficient windows.
- Buy energy-efficient doors.
- Buy energy-efficient water heaters.
- Buy energy-efficient air conditioning units.
- Buy energy-efficient refrigerators.
- Buy energy-efficient freezers.
- Buy energy-efficient washers and dryers.
- Buy energy-efficient dishwashers.
- Buy energy-efficient ovens.
- Buy energy-efficient microwaves.
- Buy energy-efficient toasters.
- Buy energy-efficient coffee makers.
- Buy energy-efficient blenders.
- Buy energy-efficient juicers.
- Buy energy-efficient food processors.
- Buy energy-efficient slow cookers.
- Buy energy-efficient crock pots.
- Buy energy-efficient rice cookers.
- Buy energy-efficient pressure cookers.
- Buy energy-efficient slow freezers.
- Buy energy-efficient chest freezers.
- Buy energy-efficient upright freezers.
- Buy energy-efficient A/C units.
- Buy energy-efficient heat pumps.
- Buy energy-efficient furnaces.
- Buy energy-efficient boilers.
- Buy energy-efficient water heaters.
- Buy energy-efficient hot water tanks.
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START PLANNING FOR CHANGE

- Talk to your family and friends about climate change.
- Join a local climate action group.
- Contact your local elected officials about climate change.
- Contact your local utility company about energy efficiency programs.
- Contact your local government about climate change.
- Contact your local business about climate change.
- Contact your local school about climate change.
- Contact your local community about climate change.
- Contact your local neighborhood about climate change.
- Contact your local city about climate change.
- Contact your local county about climate change.
- Contact your local state about climate change.
- Contact your local federal government about climate change.

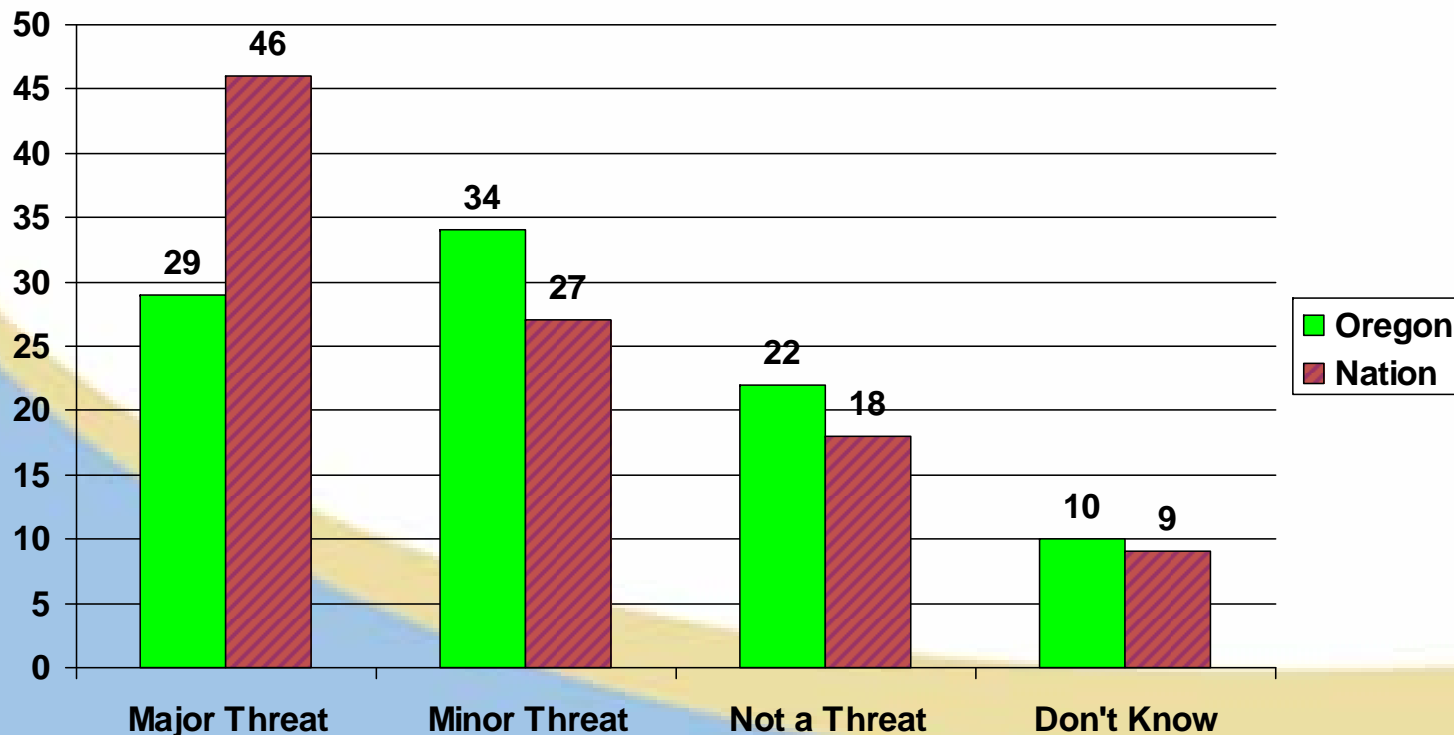
- EPA pilot project on sustainable consumption outreach
- Policy Interactive

Progress....and food for thought

“Looking ahead 50 years from today, do you think global warming will be a major threat to human life on earth, a minor threat, or not a threat?”

(Oregon & USA Compared)

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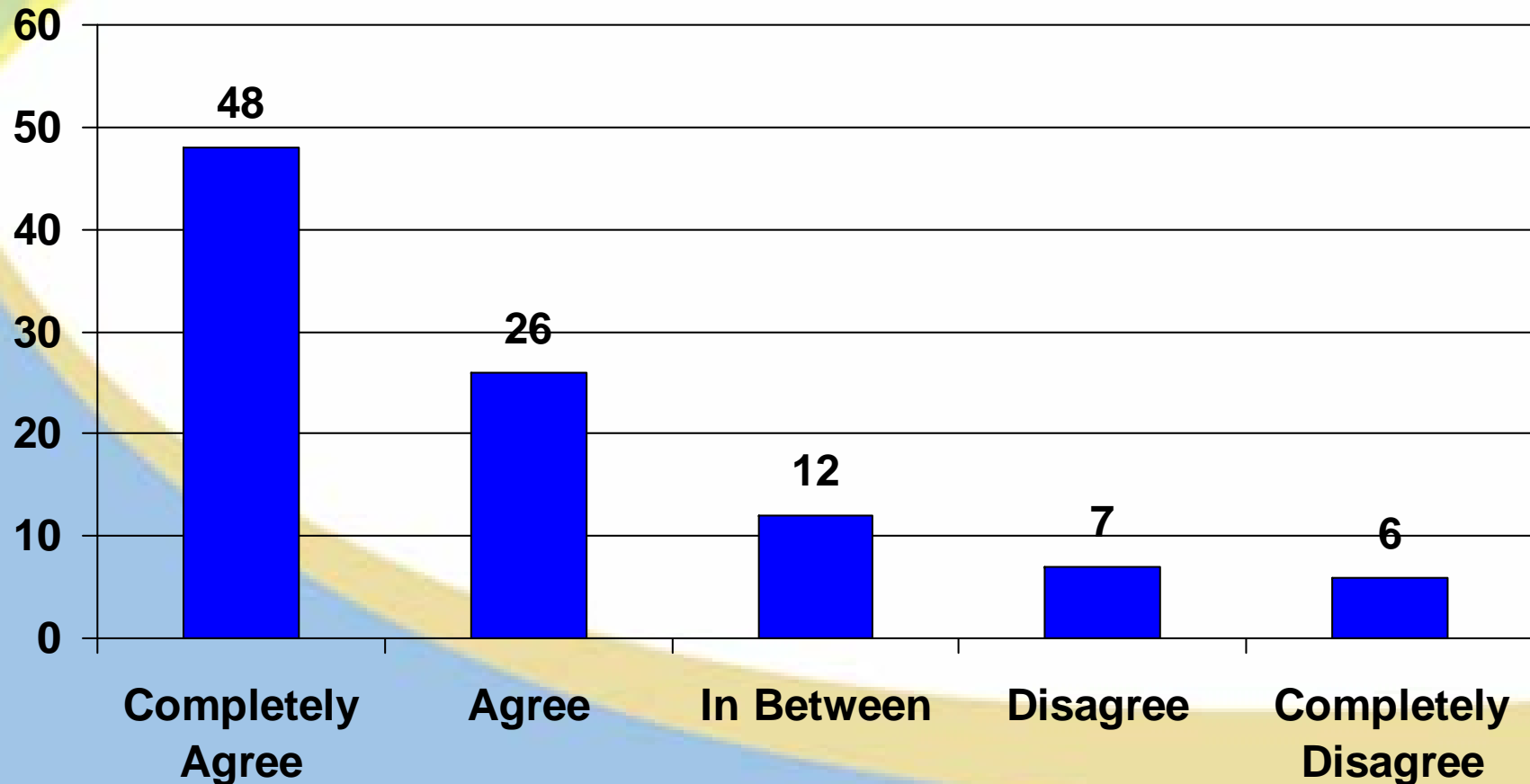


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Progress....and food for thought

"Our country would be a better place if we all consumed less."

(V1A) (PI November 2008 n=400)

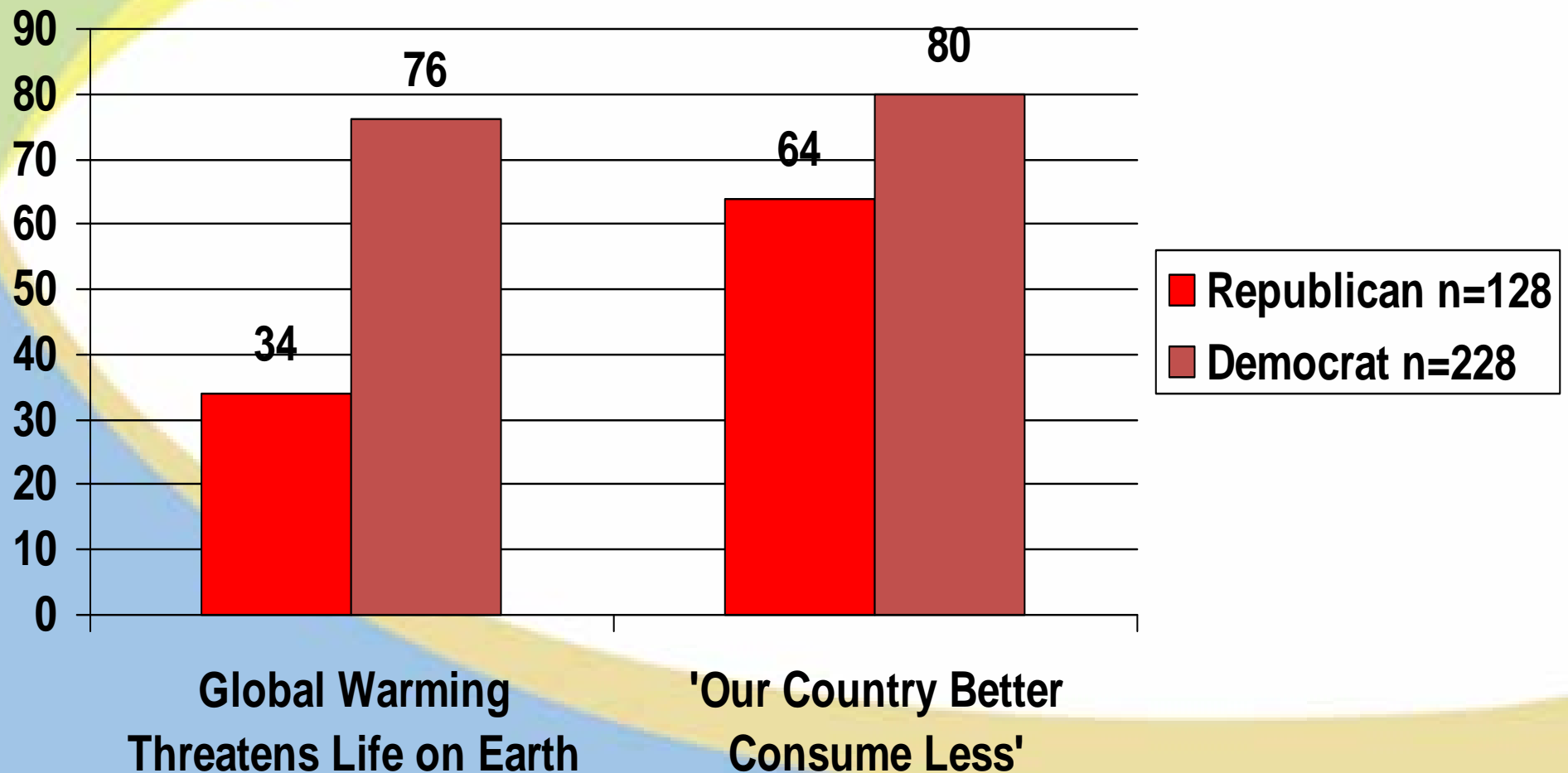


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Progress....and food for thought

Political Party Ideology Comparison Compare Global Warming / Consume less

PI November 2008 n=400 V4A/V1A (expressed as % Agreement of Sector)



Source: PolicyInteractive public opinion research - www.policyinteractive.org

Eugene Climate and Energy Action Plan





King County Climate Change Solutions



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Message from the Executive

Climate change is already affecting our community and will have increasing impacts in the coming years. This website reflects my strong commitment to making county actions, investments, and performance more transparent and accessible to the public...

Dow Constantine, King County Executive





Key Policies and Targets

King County Comprehensive Plan

- Collaborate to reduce regional climate pollution by at least 80% below 2007 levels by 2050

King County Strategic Plan

- Reduce climate pollution and prepare for the effects of climate change on the environment, human health, and the economy

Numerous specific efforts and policies on:

- Green building and sustainable development, flood protection, electric vehicles, energy efficiency and renewable energy...



Why is the County Taking Action?

New Revenue Sources

National Security

Risk Management

The Climate Imperative

Equity and Social Justice

Public Health

Puget Sound Protection

New Jobs

Leadership

Economic Development

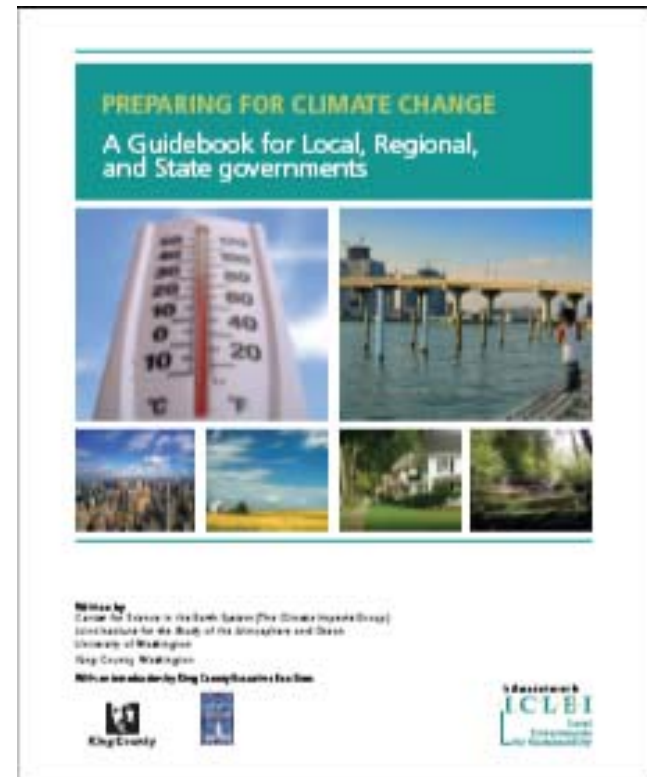
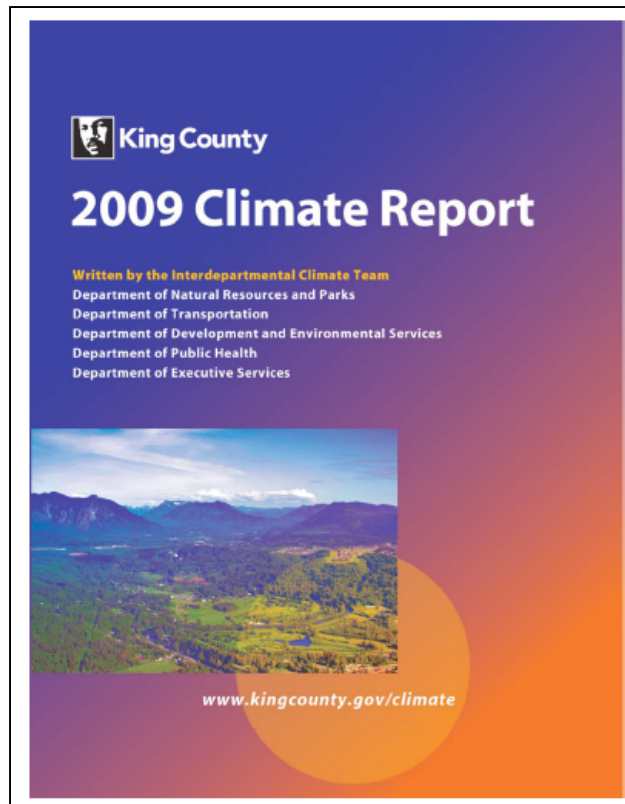
Reducing Energy Costs



King County Climate Solutions Highlights

- 2000
 - First greenhouse gas emissions inventory
- 2005
 - “The Future Ain’t What it Used To Be” climate conference
- 2006
 - Joined the Chicago Climate Exchange
- 2007
 - Developed a King County Climate Plan & an Energy Plan
 - Co-authored with UW the Climate Adaptation Guidebook
 - Flood Control District created
- 2008
 - Updated Green Building and Sustainable Development Policy
 - Transit Now!; Evergreen Fleet Initiative
- 2009
 - Completion of the Cedar Hills Landfill renewable project
- 2010
 - Implementation of \$6 million to support electric vehicles
 - 2010 King County Energy Plan
 - **Focus on integrating climate lens into all decision making**

Leadership; Mitigation; Adaptation; Assessment



See www.kingcounty.gov/climate for the latest



Leadership

COLLABORATION

OUTREACH AND EDUCATION

Climate change response - Windows Internet Explorer
http://www.kingcounty.gov/environment/climate.aspx

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Always at your service

Climate change
King County's response to climate change
You're in: Climate change response

Climate change response
Executive Message
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Site map

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Business

What Government can do
King County
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Climate change is a
Key steps for business
To protect and enhance Local, regional and



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Mitigation

Bus, bike, or walk instead of driving [More >>](#)



CLEAN MOBILITY



175 mile regional trail system promotes recreational opportunities and regional mobility [More >>](#)



GroCo is a soil-enhancing compost made with King County biosolids

[More >>](#)



Mitigation

WASTE TO RESOURCES AND ENERGY

ENERGY AND RESOURCE EFFICIENCY

King County Solid Waste Division Efforts...



Adaptation

BUILT ENVIRONMENT



NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

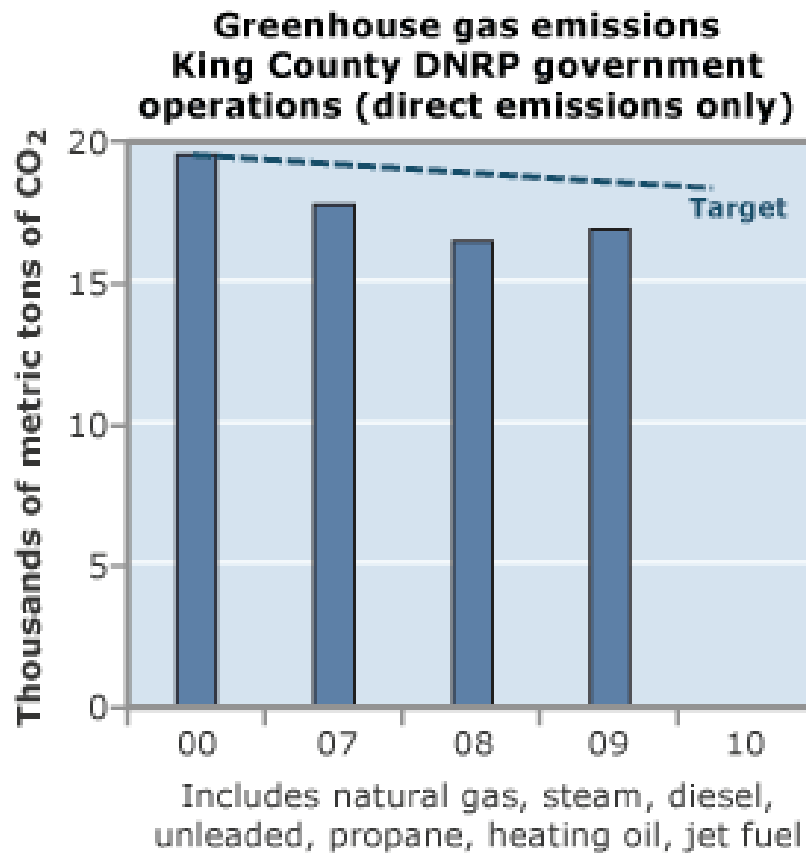




Assessment

OPERATIONAL GOALS

COMMUNITY GOALS



Community Inventories
and Measurement
Framework Project –
focus of 1/11 presentation

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Seattle's Climate Action Plan Update

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Carbon Neutral Seattle





Process

- **Phase 1: Building the Foundation**
 - Develop the analytical framework for understanding the emission reduction challenge ahead.
 - Fall 2010 – Spring 2011
- **Phase 2: Update the Action Plan**
 - Produce next generation plan with five year actions and strategic framework for ongoing decision making.
 - Spring 2011 – Spring 2012



Building the Foundation

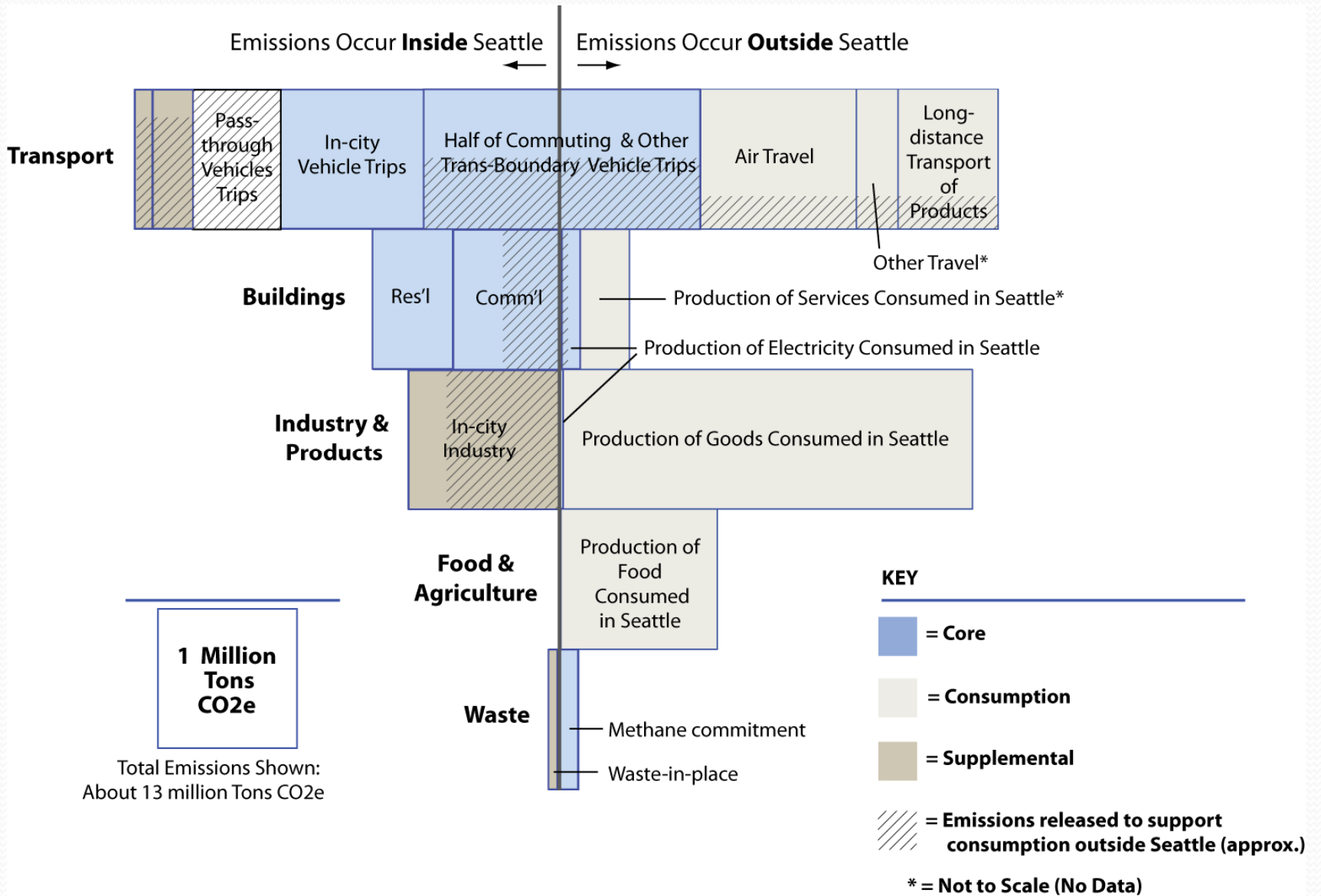
- **Updating the goal**
 - How far and how fast?
 - What emissions sources to count, and how to count them?
- **Establishing the baseline**
 - Where are we headed with existing actions
 - Where are we headed with or without federal action?
- **Sectoral analysis**
 - Opportunities and barriers for emissions reductions?
 - Emission sources can local communities more directly impact?
- **Scenario analysis**
 - What's possible with maximum effort?



Seattle's Climate Protection Goal

- **Carbon Neutral Emissions Goal**
 - Zero net greenhouse gas emissions by 2050
- **Carbon Neutral Community Goal**
 - What will Seattle look like if it's "carbon neutral."
 - % decrease in per capital VMT
 - % increase in Seattle vehicle fuel efficiency
 - Mode split targets
 - % decrease in per capita energy use
 - % of residents living in Urban Village/Urban Centers

Seattle GHG Emissions by Scope





Carbon Neutral Accounting Framework

- **Core Emissions Framework** based on a modified geographic inventory of sources over which the City has significant influence, like transportation and building energy. (Core emissions)
- **Household Emissions Framework** based on the life cycle emissions of goods and services consumed in Seattle to help residents take meaningful action to reduce their carbon footprint (Core + Consumption emissions)

Scenario Design

- **Baseline:** Business-as-usual perspective, accounts for expected developments and existing federal and state policies
- **Carbon Neutral Scenario:** Assume “maximum deployment” of strategies and technologies based on plausible penetration rates and available technologies
 - Buildings
 - Transport
 - Electricity/fuel supply
 - Waste management

Seattle Carbon Neutral Scenario Strategies

<p>Passenger Transportation</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Mobility, reducing VMT, and shifting travel modes: a) Transit, b) Land Use & Compact Development, c) VMT Pricing, d) Pay as You Drive (PAYD) Insurance, e) Parking, f) Bicycle infrastructure, g) Pedestrian infrastructure, h) Employer-Based Commute Programs2. Electrification3. Fuel Economy4. Biofuels	<p>Freight Transportation</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Reducing freight travel2. Electrification3. Fuel Economy4. Biofuels
<p>Residential Buildings</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. New Building Design2. Building Retrofit and Renovation3. Electrification of Existing Buildings4. Compact Neighborhoods	<p>Commercial Buildings</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. New Building Design2. Building Retrofit and Renovation3. Electrification of Existing Buildings



Next Steps

- Finalize the analytical work
 - Core emissions scenario
 - Consumption scenario – derived from King County work
- Climate Action Plan update
 - Community process to engage residents in action planning
 - Technical teams to develop action recommendations
 - Advisory body to vet recommendations
 - Strategic plan to guide City investment