

Clean Fuels Program: Electricity Rulemaking

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Through Q3 2020, the Clean Fuels Program has...

Reduced about 4.9 million tons of GHGs on a lifecycle basis

Met and exceeded its annual targets by about 730,000 tons of GHGs

Resulted in the biofuels used in the state getting cleaner

Significantly increased the blending rate of biomass-based diesels

Led to the introduction of renewable forms of diesel, propane, and biomethane

Enabled the state's utilities to invest more than \$20 million in transportation electrification activities



Clean Fuels Projects in Oregon

Columbia Pacific BioRefinery

Proposed: 95 mil gallons of renewable diesel/naptha



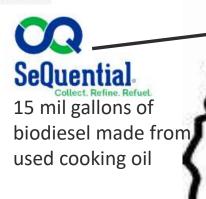
Proposed: 600 mil gallons of renewable diesel made from waste & virgin oils

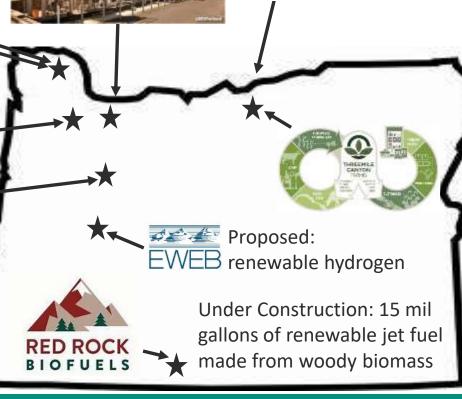


Ethanol made from food waste

Infrastructure:

- ❖ 2,000+ EV chargers
- ~2 dozen CNG dispensers,
- ❖ ~2 dozen LPG dispensers





Renewable natural gas captured from dairy manure

40 mil gallons of ethanol

made from corn

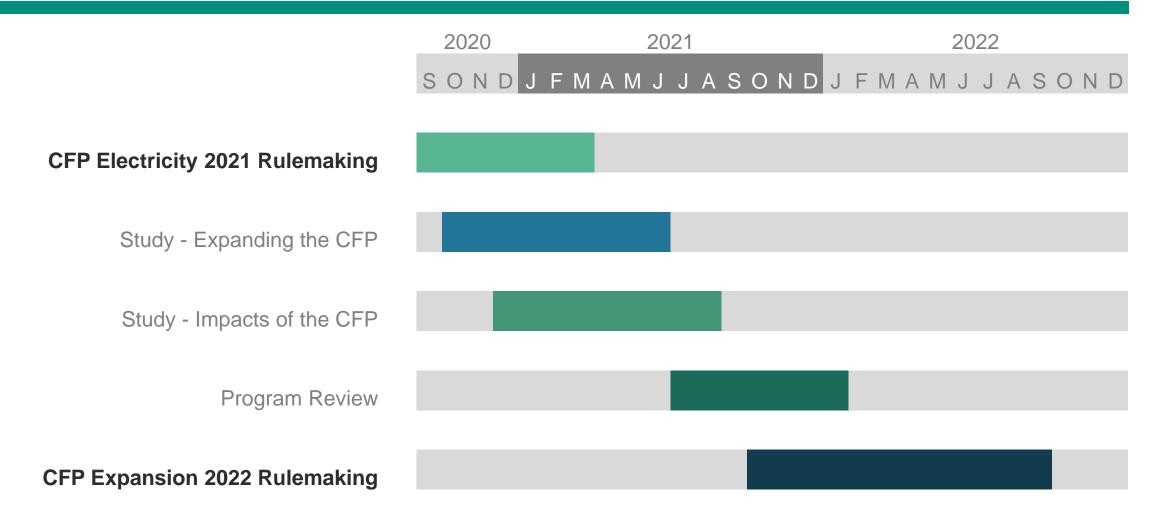


EV Partnerships & Collaborations





A Look Ahead for the Clean Fuels Program





Clean Fuels Program Electricity 2021 Rulemaking



Guiding Principles for CFP

To maintain the integrity of the Clean Fuels Program, we strive to:

- Achieve real and quantifiable GHG reductions
- Employ a technology- and fuel-neutral approach
- Use the best available science
- Provide the incentives for technology development, commercialization, and deployment that will produce permanent paths to decarbonizing the transportation sector

The Stakeholder Engagement Process

- Pre-RAC Brainstorming Webinar
- Rulemaking advisory committee
 - 17 members representing utilities, industry stakeholders, and community interests
 - 6 public meetings between Sept. and Dec. 2020
 - Averaged approximately 70 participants per meeting
 - Dozens of written comments were submitted
- Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
 - 32 written comments and 6 verbal comments received



Major Themes of CFP Electricity 2021

The goal of this rulemaking is to find ways to advance methods to accelerate the generation and aggregation of clean fuels credits in order to advance transportation electrification. The following are ways that DEQ and stakeholders feel that CFP can fulfill that goal by:

- Encouraging new types of electric vehicles
- Updating the calculation of the carbon intensity of electricity
- Encouraging the use of renewable electricity
- Focusing electrification investments in environmental justice communities
- Incentivizing the electrification of fleets



New Electric Vehicles

Eligible Application	Equipment
Electric Cargo Handling Equipment (eCHE)	Loader
ПП	Rubber-Tired Gantry Crane
	Rail Mounted Gantry Crane
	Automated Stacking Crane
	Side Handler
	Top Handler
	Reach Stacker
	Aerial Lift
	Excavator
Electric Ocean Going Vessel (eOGV)	Various shore power provided to an ocean going vessel at-berth

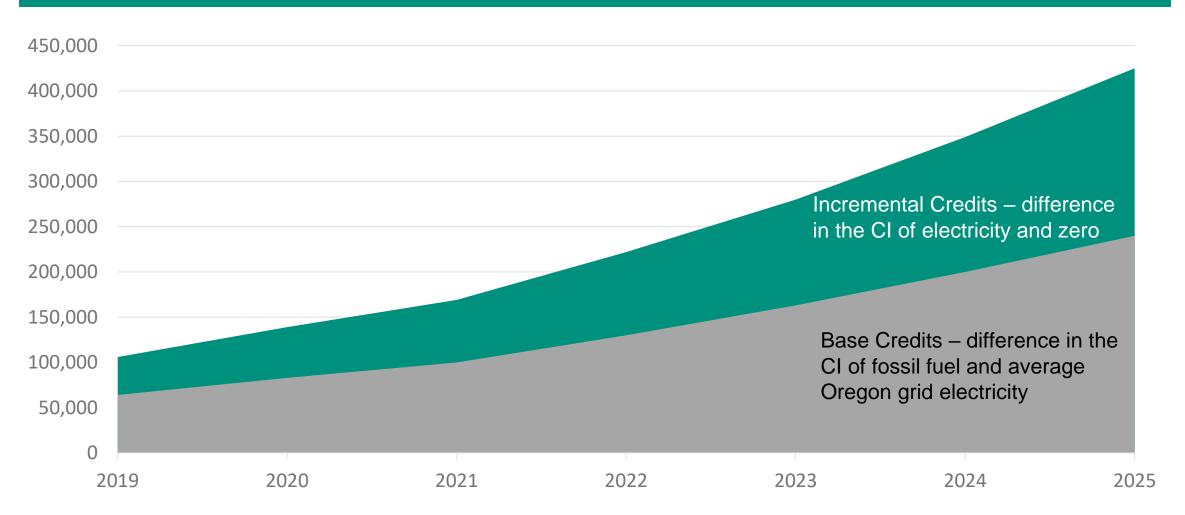
Calculating the Carbon Intensity of Electricity

Oregon's electricity is getting cleaner rapidly. In order for CFP to capitalize on this trend, the methodology to calculate the carbon intensity needed to be updated.

- 5-year rolling average → single year average
- 0.428 MT/MWh to replace Boardman
- Remove the utility-specific load from the statewide average



Renewable Electricity for Electric Vehicles



Example: Incremental Credits

In this example, TriMet is interested in generating incremental credits from their fixed light rail system by purchasing RECs.



Base Credits

- ∆ CI: 62.09 gCO2e/MJ
- Electricity Use: 55 million kWh
- Base Credits: 16,250
- Revenue: \$2,031,000



Incremental Credits

- ∆ CI: 33.02 gCO2e/MJ
- Incremental Credits: 8,690
- Cost of RECs @ \$5: \$275,000
- Revenue from credits @ \$125: \$1,086,000
- Net revenue from incremental credits: \$811,000



Credit Generators for Electricity

	Base Credits	Incremental Credits	
Public, workplaces, fleets, and multi-unit dwellings	Owner or operator of the charger	Owner or operator of the charger	
Transit agencies	Transit agency	Transit agency	
Forklifts, transportation refrigeration units, cargo handling equipment, ocean-going vessel shorepower	Owner/operator/service provider	Owner/operator/service provider	
Residential	Electric utility	Electric utility	
	Backstop Aggregator	Incremental Aggregator	



Incremental Aggregator

- DEQ issues an RFP to solicit for interested entities
- Both parties enter into a contract that lays out the responsibilities of the Incremental Aggregator, to:
 - purchase & retire RECs
 - sell the incremental credits
 - develop & implement an annual work plan of programs & projects
 - submit annual report & financial audit
- Incremental credits can be generated from residential & nonresidential charging that is unclaimed



CFP Equity Advisory Committee

The committee will work with DEQ and the Incremental Aggregator to prioritize investments that equitably distribute benefits and address the needs and interests of Environmental Justice Communities that are the most vulnerable to the adverse effects of air pollution and climate change.

Environmental Justice Communities are defined as: "communities of color, communities experiencing lower incomes, tribal communities, rural communities, coastal communities, communities with limited infrastructure and other communities traditionally underrepresented in public processes and adversely harmed by environmental and health hazards, including but not limited to seniors, youth and persons with disabilities."



Advanced Crediting

 The goal is to help lower the upfront costs of conversion to electric vehicles by issuing advanced credits. Normally, you generate credits on a quarterly basis by reporting how much electricity has been dispensed.



Advanced Crediting (up to 6 years)

Payback Period (up to 3 years greater than the advanced credits were approved for)

Regular Crediting

- Instead, we are proposing to issue advanced credits when the vehicle enters useful service.
 The advanced credits can be sold and the revenue can be spent to offset any costs. Credits
 generated are used to draw down the balance of the loan over an extended period of time.
 When the it is paid back in full, you return to regular credit generation.
- This provision is limited to public fleets (like transit and school buses) and entities that contract with them to provide a public service (like refuse haulers).



Example: Advanced Crediting

In this example, the Newberg School District has received a grant from PGE for a new electric school bus and is interested in applying for advanced credits to help buy more. DEQ will work with the school district as it develops its application.

Voor	Estimated			Doverne if anodite cold @ \$125
Year	Miles	kWh	Credits	Revenue if credits sold @ \$125
2022	15,000	27,900	36	\$ 4,498.64
2023	15,000	27,900	35	\$ 4,406.36
2024	15,000	27,900	35	\$ 4,314.08
2025	15,000	27,900	34	\$ 4,191.04
2026	15,000	27,900	34	\$ 4,191.04
2027	15,000	27,900	34	\$ 4,191.04
			Total:	\$ 25,792.19

Example: Purchasing an Electric School Bus

The cost of a Class A electric school bus is approximately \$400,000



Oregon Dept of Education \$280,000 over 10 years of tax depreciation

Oregon Dept of Education \$280,000 over 10 years of tax depreciation VW/DERA grant \$100,000 - \$120,000

\$25,792

CFP Other funds \$25,792 \$94,208



DEQ Recommendation to the EQC

DEQ recommends that the Environmental Quality Commission adopt the proposed new rules and rule amendments in Attachment A as part of Chapter 340 of the Oregon Administrative Rules.

