

KING COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND PARKS (DNRP) IS 'BEYOND CARBON NEUTRAL'

King County DNRP has achieved an ambitious goal to become the first "carbon neutral" King County agency.

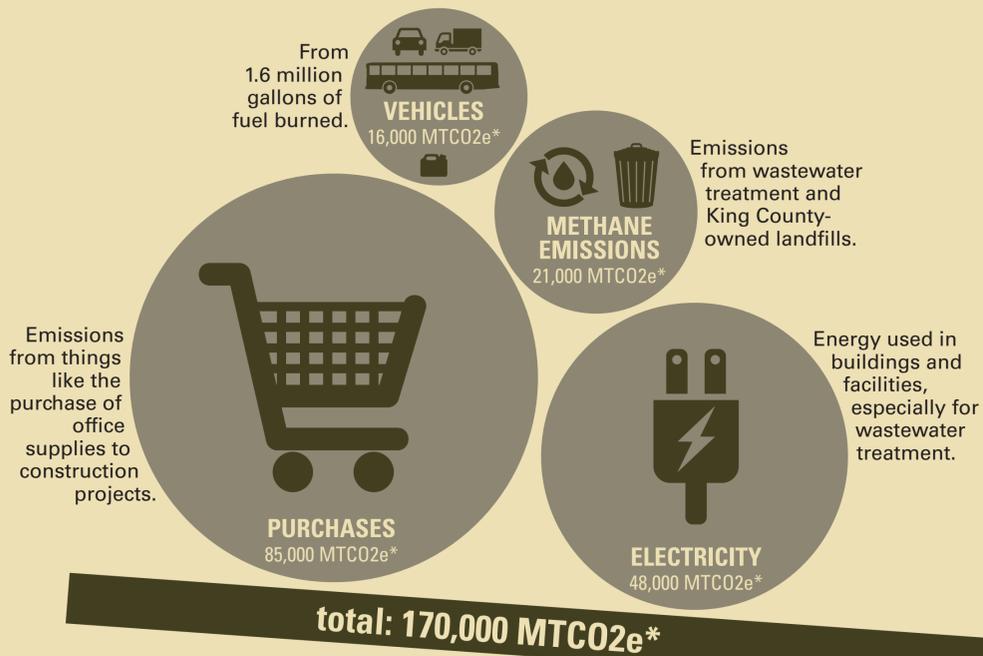
- Confronting climate change is one of King County Executive Dow Constantine's top priorities and is critical to DNRP's work to support sustainable and livable communities and a clean and healthy natural environment.
- It takes a lot of energy to treat wastewater, power and heat our buildings and facilities, run our fleet of vehicles, and manage our landfills.
- As an agency dedicated to people and the planet, we take responsibility for our footprint and we are committed to reducing and removing our GHG emissions.

WHAT IS CARBON NEUTRAL?

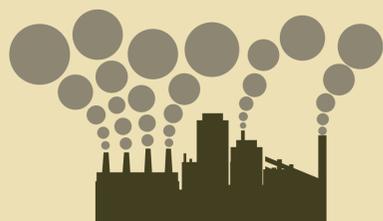
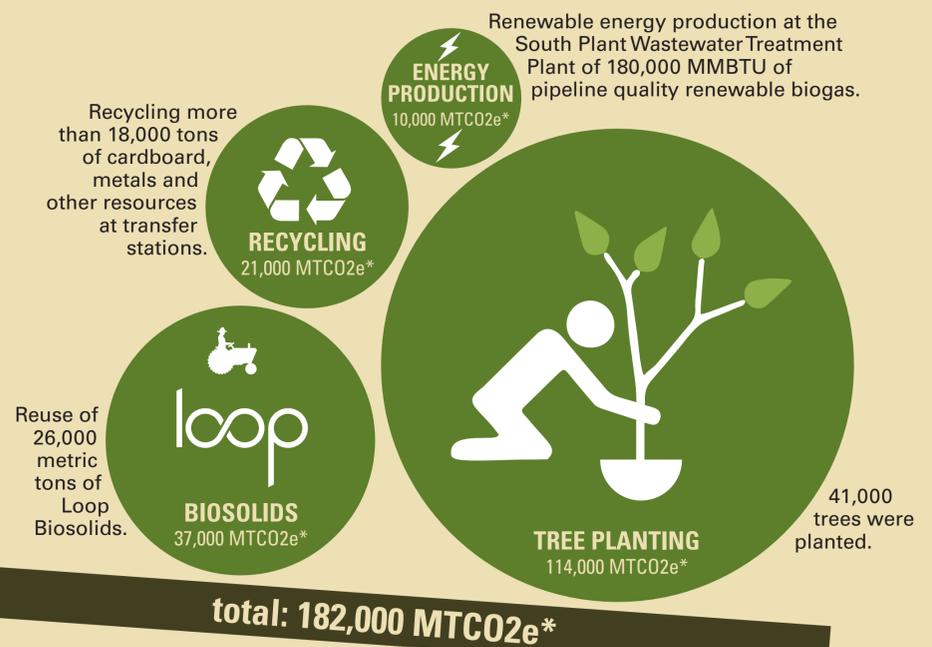
The net amount of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions emitted into the atmosphere is **reduced to zero** because it is balanced by actions to remove an equivalent amount of emissions.



DNRP'S 2015 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS SOURCES



DNRP'S 2015 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REMOVALS



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*MTCO2e = metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent

DNRP's "carbon neutral" confidence is attributed to its conservative GHG emissions accounting approach. DNRP's calculations were:

- Comprehensive in accounting for major sources
- Cautious in accounting GHG removals
- Improved by third party review of its methodologies



WHAT'S NEXT?

DNRP will continue smart investments in its operations and infrastructure to further "tip the balance" of its climate footprint towards an increasingly significant positive impact.



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