Employee Impacts

Objective:

Minimize King County's operational environmental footprint

Strategy:

Encourage King County employees to reduce their environmental impact

Why is this strategy important?

King County employees can make a significant reduction in the County's operational environmental footprint in their day-to-day activities. Commuting to work, using resources while at work, and using alternative fuel vehicles on County business all help minimize the County operational environmental footprint.

How is our performance?

King County's Commute Trip Reduction program tracks commute methods for King County employees. In the 2011-2012 survey cycle, 61.3 percent of King County employees commuted to work by means other than Single Occupancy Vehicle.

At work, King County employees are using less paper. King County employees reduced their purchases of copy paper by 9.5 percent between 2010 and 2011.

King County employees are driving fewer miles on a per capita basis as well as overall. This reduces the County's greenhouse gas emissions.

Moving forward

King County has set a goal of reducing copy paper purchases by 20 percent between 2010 and 2013. Employees will continue to work toward meeting that goal, which will mean decreasing copy paper purchases by an addition 10.5 percent in 2012 and 2013.

King County Fleets and Facilities encourages carpooling when using County vehicles.

Technical Notes

1. Employee miles driven includes vehicles in the King County Motor Pool Fleet. The per employee miles driven uses total King County employees, even though not all employees use the King County Motor Pool Fleet. Changes in number of positions as well as changes to fleet membership make detailed comparisons difficult at this time. Employees from the following divisions are included in the fleet: Council Administration, DOT Marine Division, Sheriff's Office, AFIS, Radio Operations, DPER, WLRD Administration, WLRD Noxious Weed, Federal Housing

2. Reference for the 20% paper reduction is Ordinance 17074 or KCC 18.20.

Charts and Maps

**Miles Driven in King County Fleet Vehicles**

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Data Source: King County Fleets Division
Copy Paper Purchased by King County

Cases of Paper Purchased:
- 2010: 18,140
- 2011: 16,417
- 2012: 14,343

Target (14,512 cases: 20% below 2010 total purchases)

Data Source: King County Environmental Purchasing Program

King County Copy Paper with 100% Recycled Content

- 2010: 15%
- 2011: 19%
- 2012: 24%

Target: 100% of all copy paper purchased is 100% recycled content