# **WSDOT Propane Autogas Pilot**

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## **2012 Fuel Usage Snapshot:**



## Washington State Mandates

- Governor directed 5% fuel reduction
- Reduce emissions below 2005 levels
- Use 20% biodiesel
- By 2013, 40% of all fuel use must be from electricity or biofuel
- By 2015, 100% of all fuel use must be from electricity or biofuel

Compressed natural gas, liquefied natural gas, or propane may be substituted for electricity or biofuel if the department of commerce determines that electricity and biofuel are not reasonably available.



## Why Propane Autogas?

#### **Domestically Produced**



#### **Reduced Emissions**

- 12% Less CO<sub>2</sub>
- 20% Less Nitrogen Oxide
- 60% Less Carbon Monoxide

#### Fewer Lbs. of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced Compared to Gasoline:

Work Trucks 3/4 - 1 Ton

• 4,669 lbs. per year



#### **Reduced Fuel Costs**

#### AUTOGAS VS GASOLINE PRICES



Note: The average cost of autogas reflects the 50-cent-per-gallon federal tax credit through the end of 2011.



- AUTOGAS

# **WSDOT Autogas Pilot**

- User Buy In
- Test Site in Vancouver
- 30 vehicles
- Mechanic Training
- Integrated with our Fueling System



## **Propane Autogas Systems**

#### **Dedicated Autogas**

### Duel Fuel Autogas or Gasoline







## **Vapor Injection System**













## **Conversion Costs**

WSDOT Installing Kits	Cost
Conversion Kit*	\$5,000
WSDOT Labor to install	
20 to 25 hrs @\$40.00 hr	\$1,000
Install costs to hook up vendors	
fueling station to ours	\$1,000
	\$7,000
*Kit is reusable	
Private Sector Installation	Cost
Labor**	\$500
Conversion Kit*	\$5,000
	\$5,500
** minimum order is 150 vehicles	
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# **WSDOT Autogas Pilot Results**

#### **Customer Satisfaction**

- Performance
- Range
- Ease of Fueling

#### Maintenance

- PM Intervals
- Longevity of system
- Vendor Support

### Emission Reductions Fuel Cost Savings



## **Fuel Costs**

## **Emissions**

Data as of July 2012	Gas	Autogas	Variance
Avg. MPG	9.30	8.48	(0.8)
Cost per Gallon	\$3.30	\$1.34	\$1.96
Cost per Mile	\$0.36	\$0.16	\$0.20
Cost over Lifecycle (150,000 miles)	\$54,000	\$24.000	
Potential Savings		\$30,000	

#### Work Truck 3/4 - 1 Ton

#### Work Truck 1/2 Ton & Full Size SUV

Data as of July 2012	Gas	Autogas	Variance
Avg. MPG	15.64	13.29	(2.4)
Cost per Gallon	\$3.30	\$1.34	\$1.96
Cost per Mile	\$0.21	\$0.10	\$0.11
Cost over Lifecycle (150,000 miles)	\$31,500	\$15,000	
Potential Savings		\$16,500	

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Data as of July 2012	Gas	Autogas	Variance
Avg. MPG	25.25	20.69	(4.6)
Cost per Gallon	\$3.30	\$1.34	\$1.96
Cost per Mile	\$0.13	\$0.06	\$0.07
Cost over Lifecycle (125,000 miles)	\$16,250	\$7,500	
Potential Savings		\$8,750	

	Baseline Year		
Source of GHG Emissions	2005 Total GHG Emissions	*2020 Target GHG Emissions MT CO <sub>2</sub> e	**2020 Target Reduction MT CO <sub>2</sub> e
Vehicle Fleet	34,352	29,199	(5,153)

- We have about 1000 gas work trucks
- Based on pilot data, the potential exists to save 2 MT CO2e per work truck per year
- By replacing half of our work trucks, over the next 10 years, we could reduce CO2e by 1000 MT per year

 Due to the 36 mpg requirement for new car purchases, propane would not be a viable option

