# **LMOP Webinar**

Renewable Natural Gas from LFG and Sustainability at L'Oréal

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# Welcome and Agenda

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LMOP and Renewable Natural Gas

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**Questions and Answers** 

Wrap Up and Poll Questions

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# LMOP and Renewable Natural Gas



#### Introduction to LMOP

#### U.S. EPA's Landfill Methane Outreach Program (LMOP):

- Established in 1994
- Voluntary program that creates partnerships among landfill owners and operators, states, municipalities, energy users and providers, and the landfill gas (LFG) industry and communities

Mission: To work cooperatively with industry and stakeholders to reduce or avoid methane emissions from landfills by encouraging the recovery and beneficial use of biogas generated from organic municipal solid waste.



## LMOP Partners (as of September 2018)

#### There are more than 1,000 LMOP Partners

#### **Benefits of LMOP Partnership:**

- Opportunities to participate in LMOP events, webinars, etc.
- Recognition for commitment to renewable energy
- Use of LMOP logo on Partner website (within guidelines)
- LMOP support for groundbreaking or ribbon cuttings
- Information about new developments, events, and other LFG related information

To join the Partnership, visit our website at: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/lmop/join-landfill-methane-outreach-program">www.epa.gov/lmop/join-landfill-methane-outreach-program</a>



#### **EPA Voluntary Programs Involved in RNG**



Encourages the recovery and beneficial use of biogas generated from organic municipal solid waste.



Encourages oil and natural gas companies to adopt cost-effective technologies and processes that improve operational efficiencies and reduce methane emissions.



Promotes the use of biogas recovery systems to reduce methane emissions from livestock waste.

## **Background: What is RNG?**

- Renewable natural gas (RNG) is a "term of art" used to describe biogas that has been upgraded for use in place of traditional fossil natural gas
- Biogas for RNG production can come from <u>MSW landfills</u>, and digesters at <u>water recovery facilities</u>, <u>livestock farms</u>, <u>food production</u> facilities and <u>organic waste</u> management operations
- RNG has many end uses: in <u>thermal applications</u> (e.g., heating, drying, steam, hot water), to <u>generate electricity</u>, for <u>vehicle fuel</u> or as a <u>bio-product feedstock</u>
- RNG can be used locally at the site where the gas is created or it can be injected into natural gas transmission or distribution pipelines

#### **Waste Types Used to Make RNG**

Municipal Solid Waste



Sewage Sludge



Yard and Crop Wastes

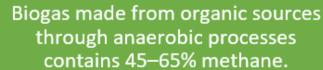


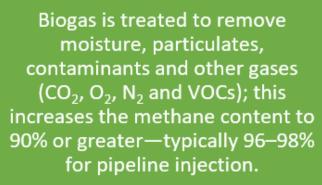
Food and Food Processing Wastes



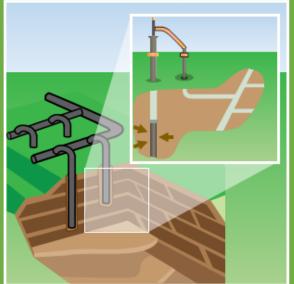
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The resulting product is renewable natural gas (RNG).

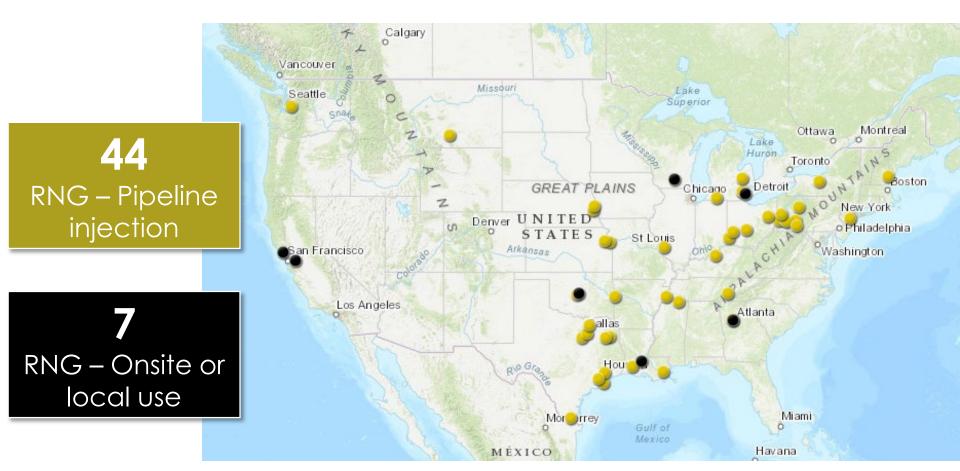


Landfills



**Anaerobic Digesters** 

# Map of Landfill Gas to RNG Projects

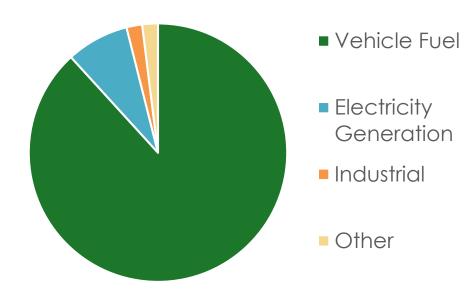




#### Landfill Gas to RNG End Uses

- As of September 2018, there are 51 operational LFG to RNG projects
- The majority of those projects are producing RNG for use as vehicle fuel
  - 38 inject the RNG into natural gas pipeline
  - 7 use the fuel locally (at or near the site)

# LFG to RNG Projects by End Use



Example uses of RNG as vehicle fuel:

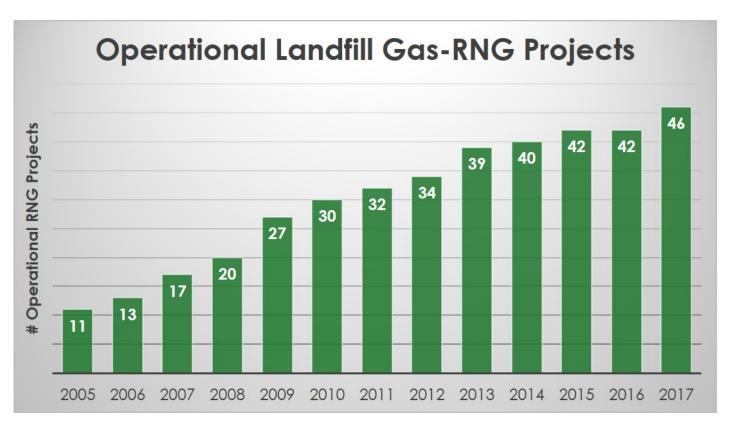
- Waste hauling and collection trucks
- County vehicles
- City buses





# Landfill Gas to RNG Projects Over Time

The first recorded Landfill Gas – RNG project came online in 1975 at the Palos Verdes Landfill in CA

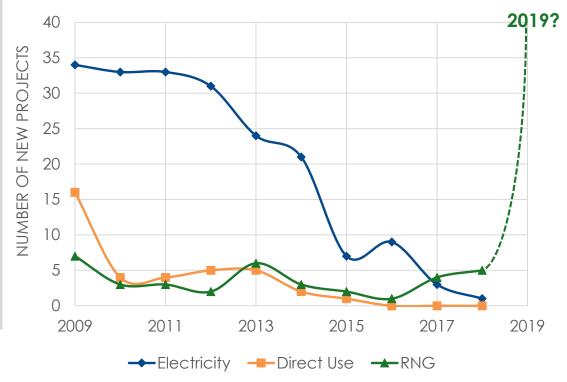




## Growth of New Landfill Gas Energy Projects

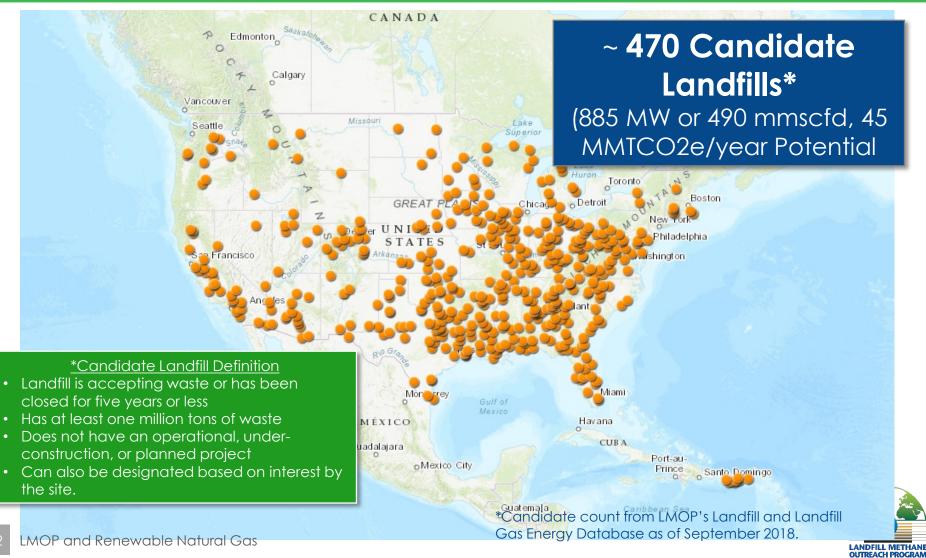
- LMOP Database identifies 39 planned or under-construction RNG projects
- The majority have a planned start date within the next year
- If all come online as planned, the number of operational LFG to RNG projects would nearly double

# NEW LFG ENERGY PROJECTS BROUGHT ONLINE (ALL TYPES)





#### **LMOP Candidate Landfills**



## **Existing Resources on RNG**

- LFGcost-Web: High Btu and onsite CNG module
  - A preliminary financial feasibility model for LFG energy projects
  - Available at <a href="https://www.epa.gov/lmop/list-publications-tools-and-resources">https://www.epa.gov/lmop/list-publications-tools-and-resources</a>
- RNG Flow Rate Tool (NEW)
  - o A tool to help landfills quickly estimate normalized gas flows for RNG projects
  - Available at <a href="https://www.epa.gov/lmop/list-publications-tools-and-resources">https://www.epa.gov/lmop/list-publications-tools-and-resources</a>
- Project Development Handbook
  - Basic information about LFG energy project development
  - Available at <a href="https://www.epa.gov/lmop/landfill-gas-energy-project-development-handbook">https://www.epa.gov/lmop/landfill-gas-energy-project-development-handbook</a>
- Listserv messages
  - o Contact us via program websites to sign up



# Consolidated RNG Webpage – Under Development

- Basic information about RNG
- Map and database of projects
- Webinar and event recordings
- Links to papers
- Links to EPA voluntary programs
  - o AgSTAR, LMOP, Natural Gas STAR, Green Power Partnership



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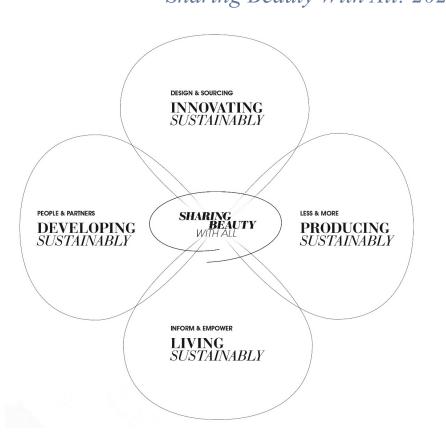
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# How We Got Here Sharing Beauty With All: 2020 Strategy





#### **Producing Sustainably**

Reduce our environmental footprint (CO<sub>2</sub>, Water, Waste) by **60%** for our Operations facilities

#### Producing Sustainably

#### Path to Carbon Neutrality – Energy Portfolio



17 renewable energy projects



45 miles of solar panels



84% reduction in carbon emissions



100% renewable electricity



#### USA OPERATIONS DIRECTED BIOGAS PROJECT 2018 – SUSTAINABLE INNOVATION

Reduction of 20% of global CO<sub>2</sub> Footprint for L'Oréal

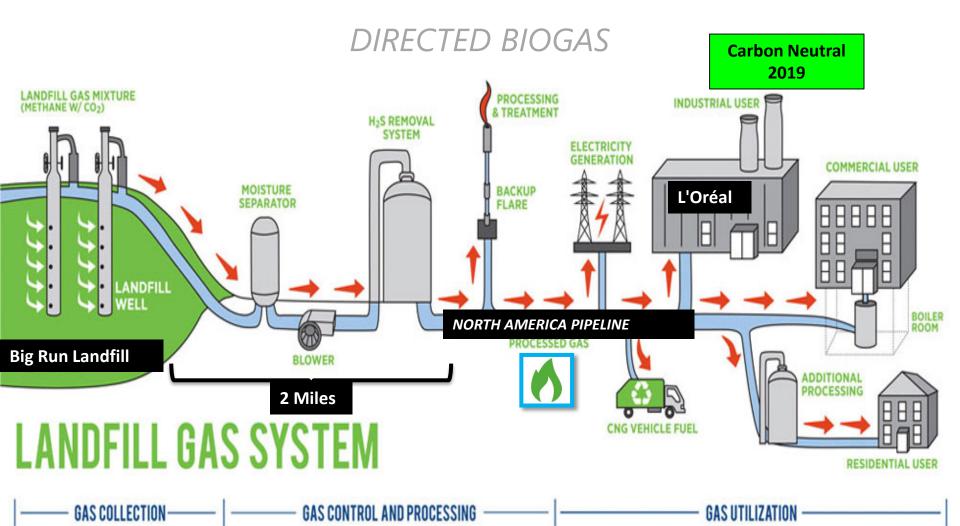
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Anaerobic Digester - Carbon Offsetting - Landfill BioGas -

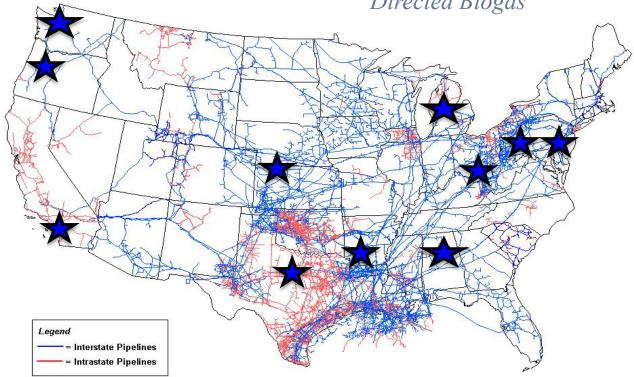
- Capital / Time Investment Intensive
- Feed Stock Concerns
- Cost of Stock / Supply of Stock
- Maintenance / Headcount
- Electricity Consumption Concerns

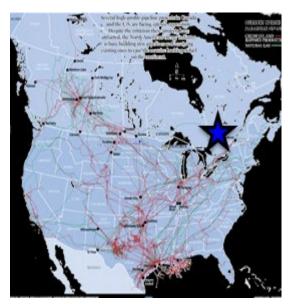
- Not recommended by Group
- Reputation for "Greenwashing"
- Continuing to burn brown gas
- Need Project

- Single long term solution
- Multiple Agency support
- Community Impact Locally (Jobs)
- Media attention
- Biogas Purchaser / No Capex / limited exposure



The Solution
Directed Biogas





Source: Energy Information Administration, Office of Oil & Gas, Natural Gas Division, Gas Transportation Information System

# The Solution Directed Biogas

# FLORENCE, KENTUCKY **ASHLAND, KENTUCKY: BIG RUN LANDFILL Directed Biogas** 15-year RNG purchase agreement Big Run Landfill in Kentucky

## L'ORÉAL **OPERATIONS**

Landfill gas, predominantly consisting of methane - a greenhouse gas 25 times more damaging to the climate than CO2 - is collected from the Big Run Landfill in Ashland, Kentucky.

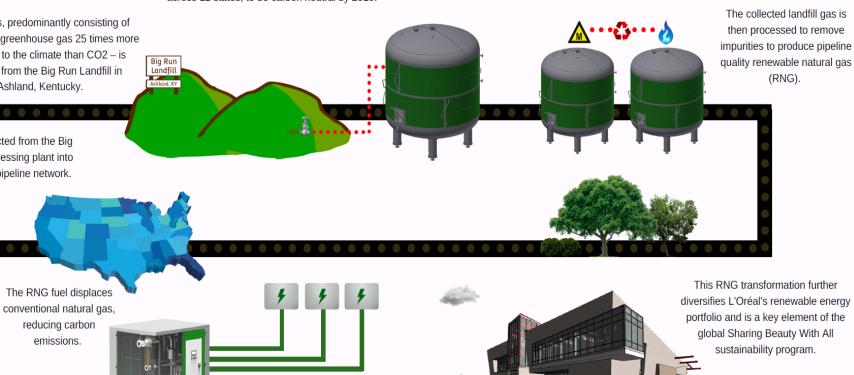
reducing carbon

emissions.

The RNG is injected from the Big Run Landfill processing plant into the natural gas pipeline network.

#### **Biogas Transformation**

L'Oréal USA Operations has signed a 15-year purchase agreement for renewable natural gas (RNG) from a Kentucky landfill. RNG or biomethane, is derived from many abundant renewable sources, including decomposing organic waste in landfills, wastewater treatment, and agriculture. This scalable, financially viable solution will propel L'Oréal USA Operations, including 21 manufacturing and distribution facilities across 12 states, to be carbon neutral by 2019.



# Questions

Q&A

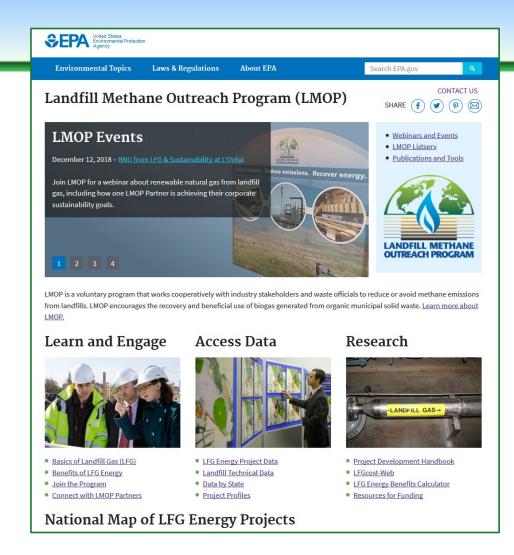
Wrap Up

**Contact Information** 



# Wrap Up

- The slides and recording from today's webinar will be posted on the LMOP website
- To learn more about LMOP or LFG energy, visit our website at epa.gov/lmop
- Please complete the poll questions – we appreciate your feedback





## Thank You

Please reach out with any questions or comments

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