GREENHOUSE GAS DRIVERS OF CHANGE

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Tracking Progress Towards Shared Goals

- Region Forward
- Regional Greenhouse Gas Reduction Goals
- National and International Pledges, such as Compact of Mayors and Paris Agreement
- Reporting Initiatives such as CDP, STAR Communities, Sustainable MD



Drivers of GHG Change Project

- MWCOG is a partner on a national grant team under the US Department of Energy CLEAP (Cities Leading through Energy Analysis and Planning) Program. Two main tasks include:
 - Develop new inventory (2015) and condition last inventory (2012).
 - Support development of a GHG drivers of change model and toolkit for local community-scale inventories. Test model with 2 regional inventory years.



Project Timeline

Month	Activities
October – December 2017	 GHG Inventory Work Session One-on-one meetings with local jurisdictions Adjustments/additions to 2012, 2015 inventories
January –March 2018	 Complete 2005 GHG inventory conditioning Review GHG inventory and drivers of change results and draft report with committees
April – June 2018	 Final ClearPath entries Final spreadsheets and fact sheets to local govts Final GHG Inventory Methodology Guide Finalize Regional GHG Trends Report
July 2018	GHG drivers of change workshop



GHG Methodology Basics

- US Communities Protocol and Global Protocol for Communities
- Global Warming Potential Factors from IPCC 4nd Assessment
- Activities-based inventory
- Consistent, reliable data sources for all years, all COG members

Emissions Types

Built Environment

Transportation and Mobile

Wastewater Treatment

Agriculture

Solid Waste Treatment

Some Process and Fugitive

Greenhouse Gases

Carbon dioxide (CO2)

Methane (CH4)

Nitrous oxide (N2O)

Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs)

Perfluorocarbons (PFCs)



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Regional GHG Trends, 2005 - 2015

- GHG emissions decreased 10%
- Per capita emissions decreased 19%





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Leading Drivers of Change, 2012-2015





Population Drivers, 2012-2015





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