

RNG Resources from EPA Partnership Programs

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Overview

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Terms Used in This Presentation

Biogas

Gas resulting from the decomposition of organic matter under anaerobic conditions. The principle constituents are methane and carbon dioxide.

Raw biogas has a methane content between 45 and 65 percent, depending on the source of the feedstock, and must go through a series of steps to be converted into RNG.

Renewable Natural Gas (RNG)*

Biogas that has been upgraded for use in place of fossil natural gas.

*RNG is a "term of art" and there is not at present a standard definition. This description has been developed by EPA's voluntary programs.

EPA Voluntary Methane Partnership Programs









Information for the Agriculture Sector

www.epa.gov/agstar



Success Stories

- Project profiles
- Interviews with operators

Market Trends

- National data for anaerobic digester projects
- Opportunities

Technical Information

- Guidelines and permitting
- Updated project handbook (coming soon)
- Operators guidebook (coming soon)

Collaboration

- Webinars
- Industry events



Information for the Landfill & LFG Energy Sector

www.epa.gov/lmop



Tools

- LFGcost-Web
- RNG Flow Rate Tool
- LFG Energy Benefits Calculator
- Conversion Tool

Technical Publications

- Project Development Handbook
- Fact sheets

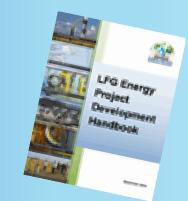
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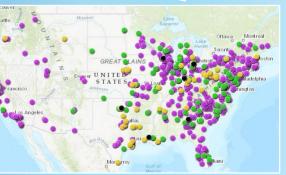
- Excel files and GIS map
- LFG energy projects
- Candidate landfills

Network

- Webinars and other events
- 1,000+ LMOP Partners
- Listserv messages









Information for the Oil and Natural Gas Sector

www.epa.gov/gasstar





Recommended Technologies

- Lessons Learned Studies
- Technology fact sheets
- Organized by equipment type

Technical Presentations

- Links to hundreds of presentations from industry experts, program partners, and stakeholders
- Searchable by title, speaker, and event

Outreach and Events

- Webinars (Program Updates and Data Analytics)
- Technology Transfer Workshops
- Partnership Workshops

Methane Emissions Videos

- Remote sensing leak detection
- Infrared methane videos









RNG Project Maps

Voluntary Methane Partnership Programs RNG Website



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Landfill Methane Outreach Program (LMOP)



About LMOP

Basic Information about Landfill Gas

Renewable Natural Gas

Benefits of LFG Energy Projects

LFG Energy Project Data and Landfill Technical Data

LMOP Partners

Join the Program

Publications, Tools and Resources

LMOP Webinars and Events

Frequent Questions about

Landfill Gas

Renewable Natural Gas

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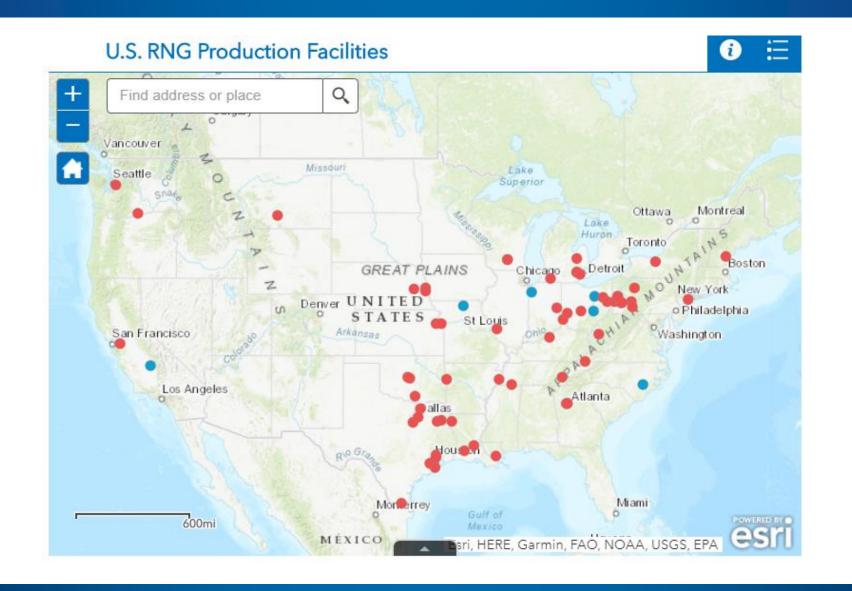
- Basic Information about Renewable Natural Gas (RNG)
- RNG Project Map
- Benefits
- Resources
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Basic Information about RNG

Renewable natural gas (RNG)* is a term used to describe biogas that has been upgraded for use in place of fossil natural gas. The biogas used to produce RNG comes from a variety of sources, including municipal solid waste landfills, digesters at water resource recovery facilities (wastewater treatment plants), livestock farms, food production facilities and organic waste management operations.

As a substitute for natural gas, RNG has many end uses:

RNG Project Map



Biogas Project Maps

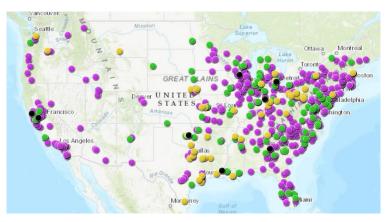
AgSTAR Project Map

https://www.epa.gov/agstar

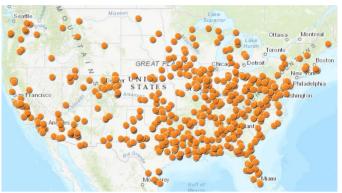


LMOP Project Map

https://www.epa.gov/lmop/lmop-national-map



LMOP Candidate Landfills



How Can We Work Together

- Project databases and maps
- Events and networking
- Webinars
- Listserv messages
- Technical information to facilitate project development

Upcoming Events and Program News

Global Methane Initiative Biogas Subcommittee Meeting and BioCycle REFOR19



Oct 28–31, 2019 Madison, WI

2019 Natural Gas STAR & Methane Challenge Workshop

Nov 4-6, 2019 Pittsburgh, PA





Methane Challenge Reporting is underway!

BMP Reports Due: October 4
ONE Future Reports Due: November 1

Methane Challenge Reporter with questions? Email: ghgreporting@epa.gov

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