
DCAS Welcomes America's Farmers to Talk Biofuels, Greenhouse Gas Reduction

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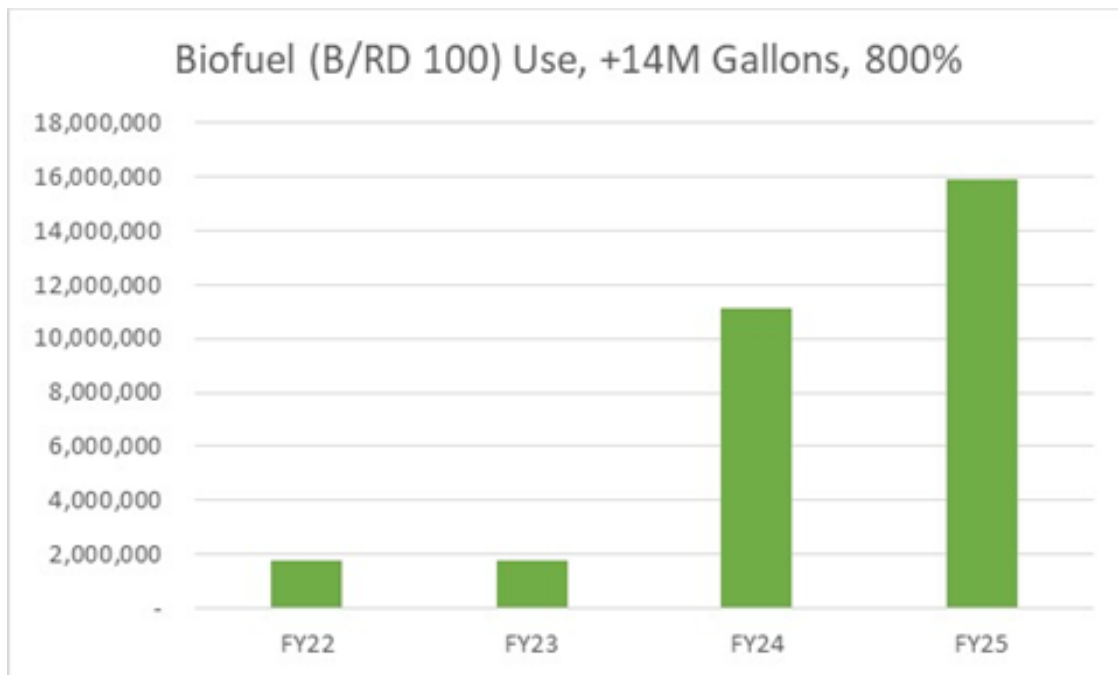


On December 15, DCAS welcomed back farmers from across the country to the Municipal Building to discuss biofuels and greenhouse gas reduction. Organized by the Clean Fuels Alliance, representatives from Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Michigan participated in the day long event which including a tour of the Staten Island Ferry.

The event coincided with the release by the NYC Mayor's Office of Climate & Environmental Justice (MOCEJ) of the annual [Greenhouse Gas Inventory](#) for FY24. In 2015, NYC committed to achieve 50 percent greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction for the City fleet by 2025 as compared to a 2006 baseline. The commitment was specific to the City on-road and off-road vehicle fleet. However,

the reporting by MOCEJ also shows the City government vessel and aviation program including the Staten Island Ferry and NYPD helicopters.

The city has its best achievement yet in greenhouse gas reduction with a 46.5% reduction through FY24 for the combined government transportation area of fleet, off-road, vessel, and aviation. Looking forward, from FY24 to FY25, fleet reduced over 400,000 additional gallons of gasoline use through electrification and hybrids and replaced 4.7 additional million gallons of fossil diesel with biofuels. We are well on the pace to exceed 50x25 for the City fleet, including vessels and aviation, and are now working on plans to meet or exceed 80x35 GHG reduction, the next target listed in the [NYC Clean Fleet Plan](#).



Biofuels were a big part of that. Our biofuel program mostly uses used cooking oil, waste animal fats, and soybean oil, NYC Parks began the use of biofuels in City government in 2005 with a donation. NYC has since used well over 500 million blended gallons of biofuels in transportation fuel and also heating oil.

We made the biggest jump ever in the last two years, going to full use of renewable diesel and biodiesel to replace all fossil fuel in the city fleet, off-road equipment, and New York City Department of Transportation Staten Island Ferry. We also increased use of biodiesel in heating from 5 to 10 percent consistent with NYC and NY State law. We are testing renewable diesel in additional agency vessel programs now including at DEP, NYPD, and FDNY.

DCAS has been pursuing a three-part fleet sustainability strategy: replace fossil diesel with biofuels, electrify everything we can as soon as possible, and implement hybrids and other efficiencies where appropriate.

This strategy has worked, and we are achieving our greenhouse gas reduction targets, with much more to do. We appreciate the continuing engagement of the Clean Fuels Alliance on these efforts and the partnership with all the fleet operating city agencies.

This show highlights vendors who support the New York City's Clean Fleet and Vision Zero initiatives, and daily operations. Vendors will offer a wide array of products to improve vehicle safety. The show will also highlight vehicles and equipment with alternative fuels and emissions-reducing technologies, along with the latest in light and heavy-duty vehicles, trucks, horticultural equipment, tools, fleet services, and more!

**Thursday,
May 21, 2026
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

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Rome wasn't built in a day, and New York City is still growing and changing after 400 years of history. We have the responsibility to make smart decisions today that will pay off in the future, and that's exactly how we continue to Get Stuff Done in this administration. This past week, our agencies delivered more projects for

working-class families that will be major improvements for our city once completed:

- We made major progress on our plan to build housing on city-owned land by [turning 100 Gold Street into 3,700 new homes](#) — 25% of which will be permanently affordable units — alongside a new older adult center.
- We announced a new directive for all city agencies to evaluate ways to incorporate [new language translation technology](#) into their work to ensure city functions and resources are more accessible to all communities, including non-English speaking communities.
- We're fulfilling another State of the City commitment by investing [\\$1 billion in the Coney Island community](#) to provide 1,500 new homes to working-class New Yorkers, as well as help us make renovations to the entire boardwalk and Abe Stark Sports Center

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