

Innovation

# RENEWABLE GAS

Driving Emissions Reductions for California's Clean Energy Future

# SoCalGas:

## Largest Gas Distribution Utility in United States



**1 Trillion**  
cubic feet (Tcf)  
of natural gas  
delivered  
annually

**5%**  
of US gas  
deliveries

**135 Billion**  
cubic feet (Bcf)  
of natural gas  
storage  
capacity

**3%**  
of US storage  
capacity

Serving  
customers  
for over  
**140**  
Years

Nearly  
**100,000**  
Miles  
of distributions  
mains and  
service lines

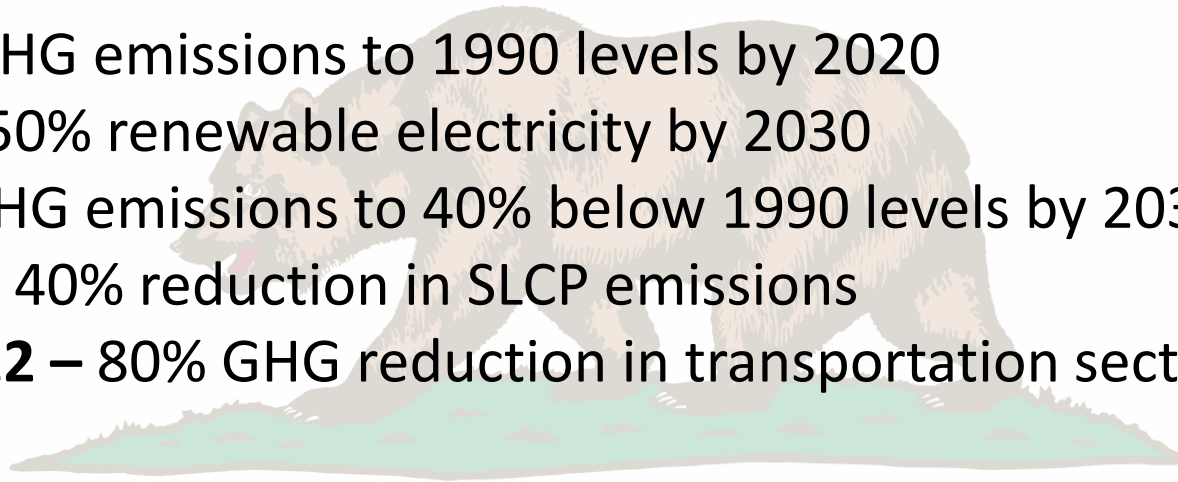
Over  
**3,500**  
Miles  
of natural gas  
transmission  
lines

# CALIFORNIA

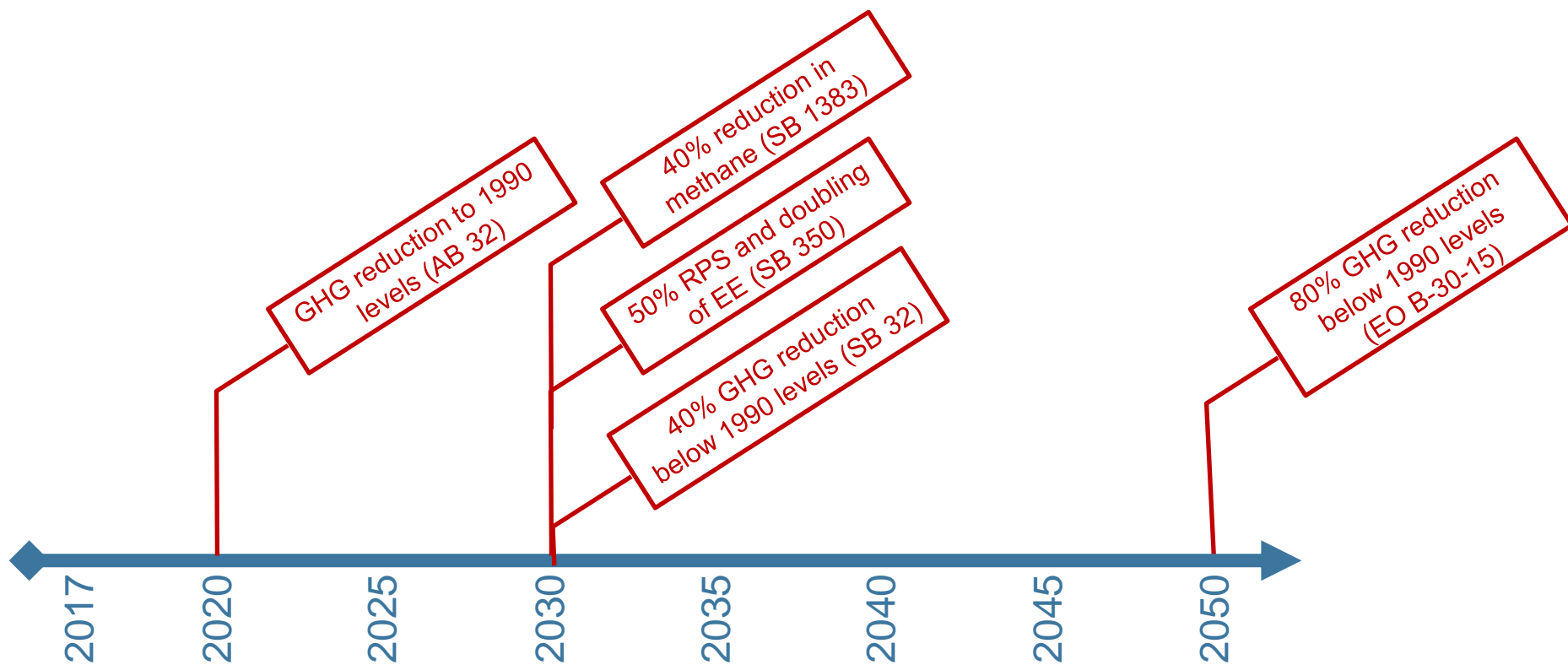
Is leading the way on environmental policy



- **AB 32** – GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020
- **SB 350** – 50% renewable electricity by 2030
- **SB 32** – GHG emissions to 40% below 1990 levels by 2030
- **SB 1383** – 40% reduction in SLCP emissions
- **EO B-16-12** – 80% GHG reduction in transportation sector by 2050



CALIFORNIA REPUBLIC



# CALIFORNIA

Tops the list...

- Largest economy in the US, and 6<sup>th</sup> in the world
- Most private sector job growth since the recession
- Most manufacturing activity, output, and exports in the US
- More clean tech venture capital than any other state, and second most globally
- Largest advanced energy industry in the US
- **WORST AIR QUALITY??**

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We have a

# DUAL CHALLENGE

## FEDERAL CLEAN AIR ACT

Reduce SMOG by at least

**55%**

by 2031 in the San Joaquin Valley  
and South Coast Air Basin

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## CA CLIMATE GOALS (AB32, SB32, SB1383, GOVERNOR'S EO)

Reduce greenhouse gas  
emissions to

**40%**

below 1990 levels by 2030  
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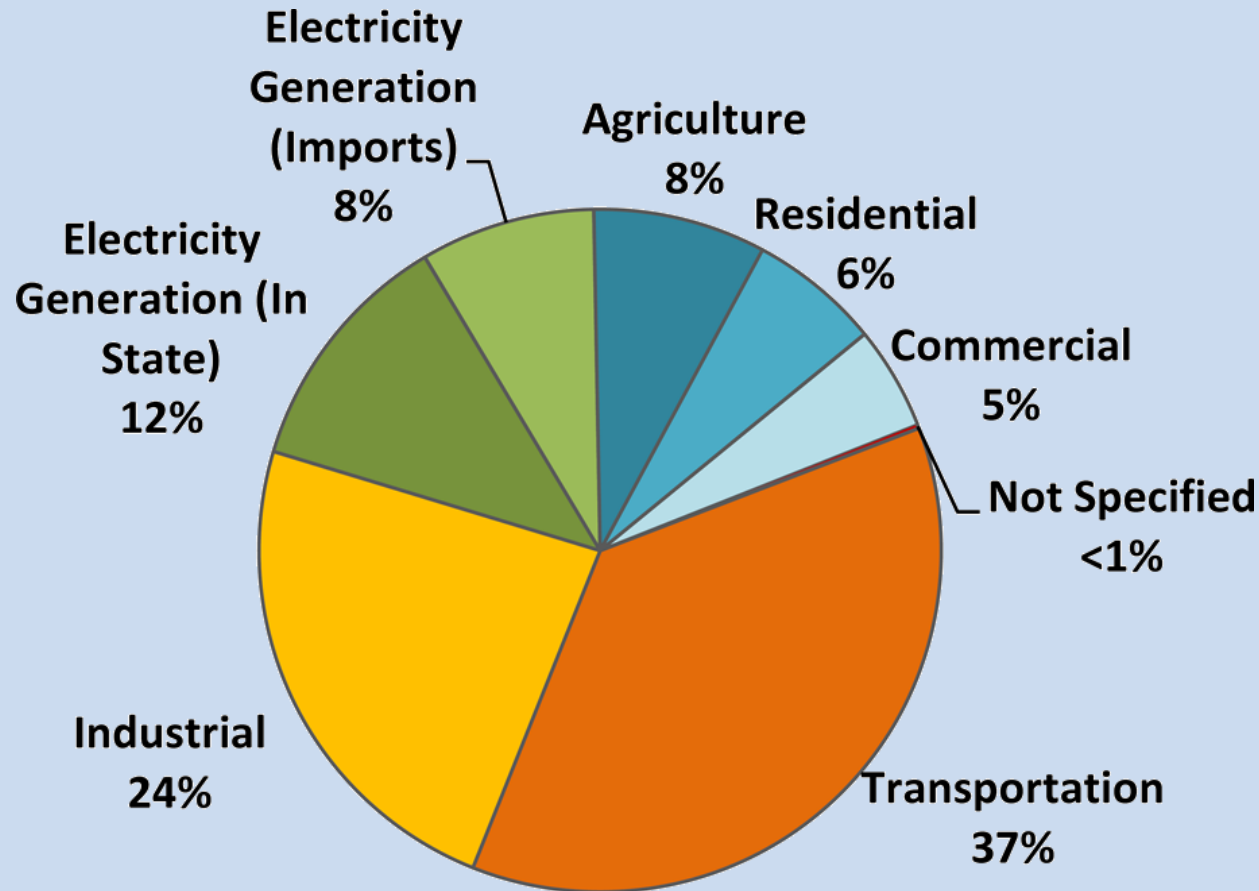
Reduce methane emissions by

**40%**

below 2013 levels by 2030

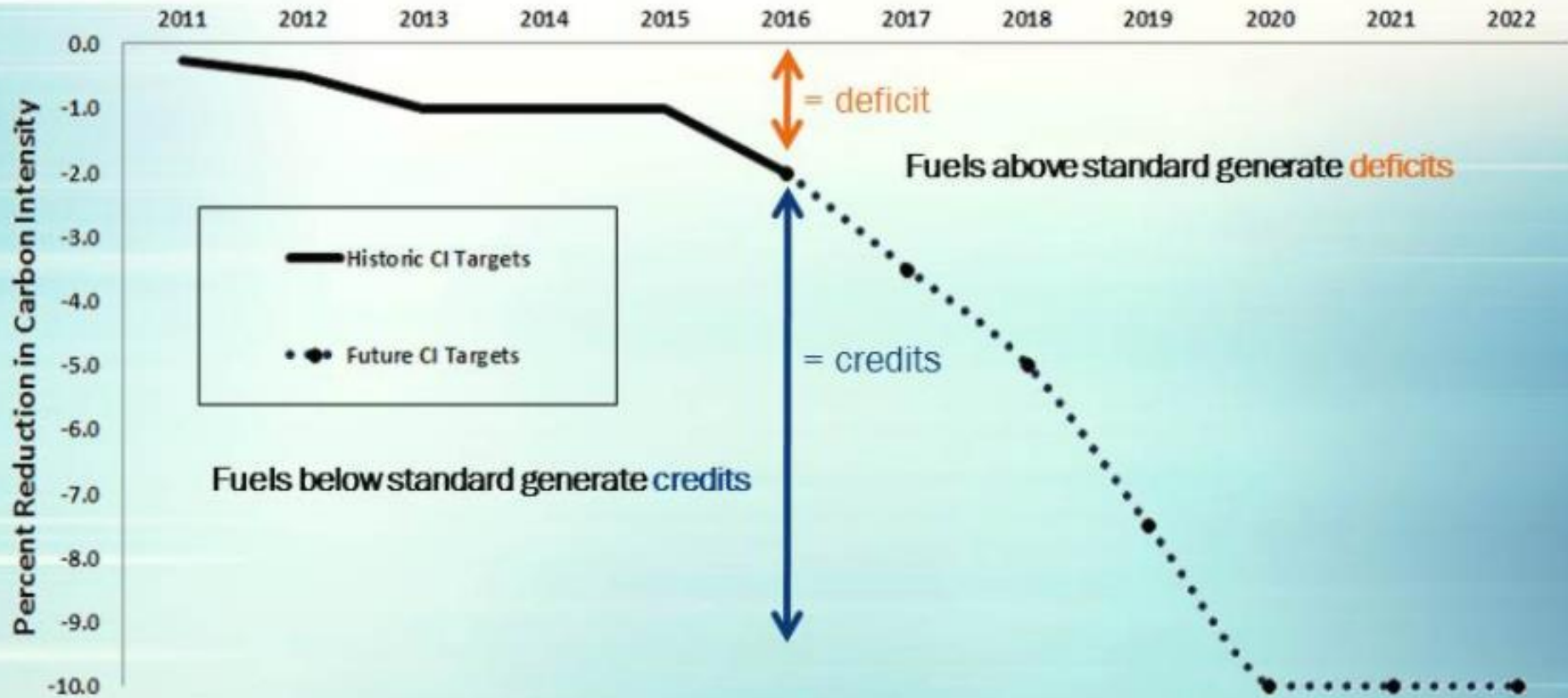


# WHERE DO CA'S GHGs COME FROM?



**2014 Total CA Emissions: 441.5 MMTCO<sub>2</sub>e**

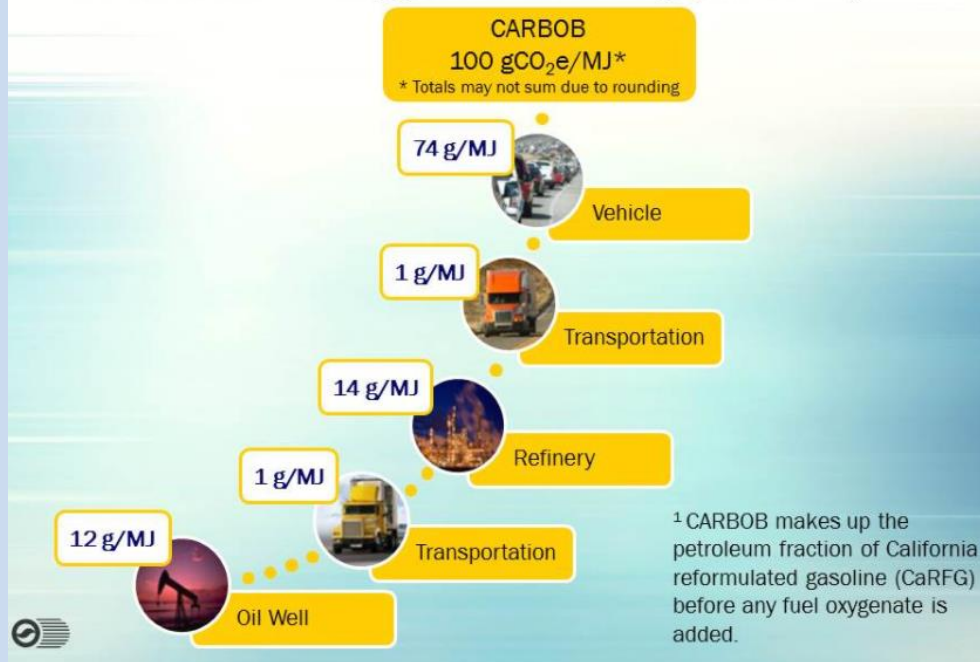
# LCFS's DECLINING CARBON INTENSITY





# WHAT IS A “WELL-TO-WHEELS” CI?

## Fuel Lifecycle for California Reformulated Gasoline Blendstock for Oxygenate Blending (CARBOB)<sup>1</sup>



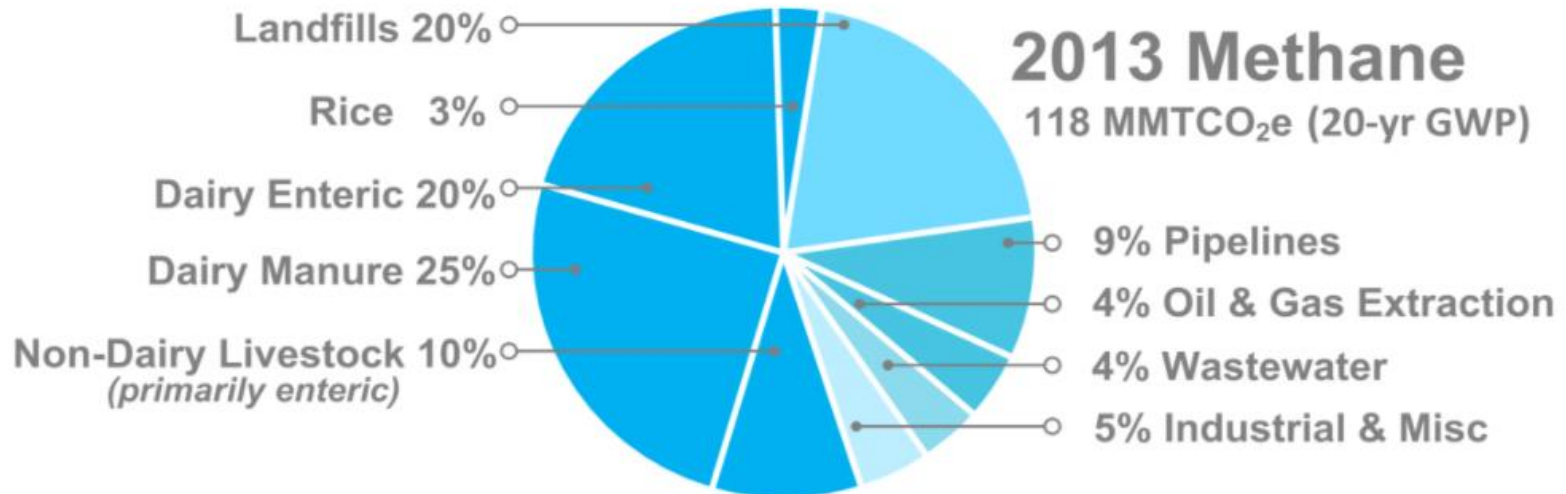
## Fuel Lifecycle for Landfill Gas to CNG



# WHAT ABOUT SLCPs?

## 20 Year Global Warming Potential (GWP) Inventories:

- Methane – 118 MMT
- HFC Gases – 40 MMT
- Black Carbon – 38 MMT



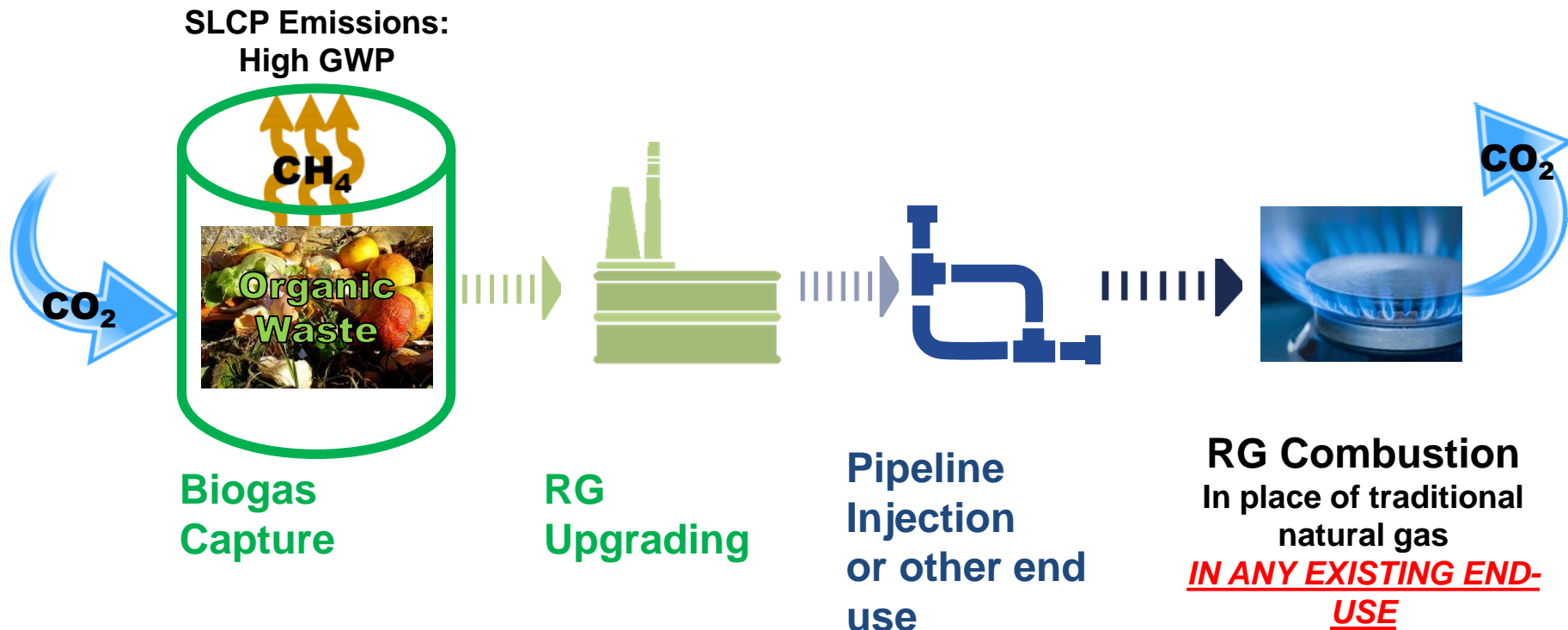
# SB 1383

## Renewable Gas Related Directives

- Establish/reiterate statutory goals ***to reduce landfilling of organic waste*** from 2014 levels: 50% by 2020 and 75% by 2025
- Establish ***energy infrastructure development and procurement policies*** to encourage biomethane [ARB, with PUC and CEC, by Jan 1, 2018]
- Develop ***pilot financial mechanism*** to reduce uncertainty associated with environmental credits (e.g. LCFS) in support of dairy RG for vehicles [ARB]
- Ensure pre-regulation dairy biofuels projects receive at least 10 years of LCFS revenue [ARB, by Jan 1, 2018]
- Develop recommendations to ***encourage the development and use of RG***. State agencies are authorized to implement policies based on these recommendations. [CEC, 2017 IEPR]
- ***Direct gas corporations to implement not less than 5 dairy RG injection pilot projects.*** Reasonable pipeline infrastructure costs are recoverable in rates. [PUC with ARB and CDFA, by Jan 1, 2018]

# What is Renewable Natural Gas?

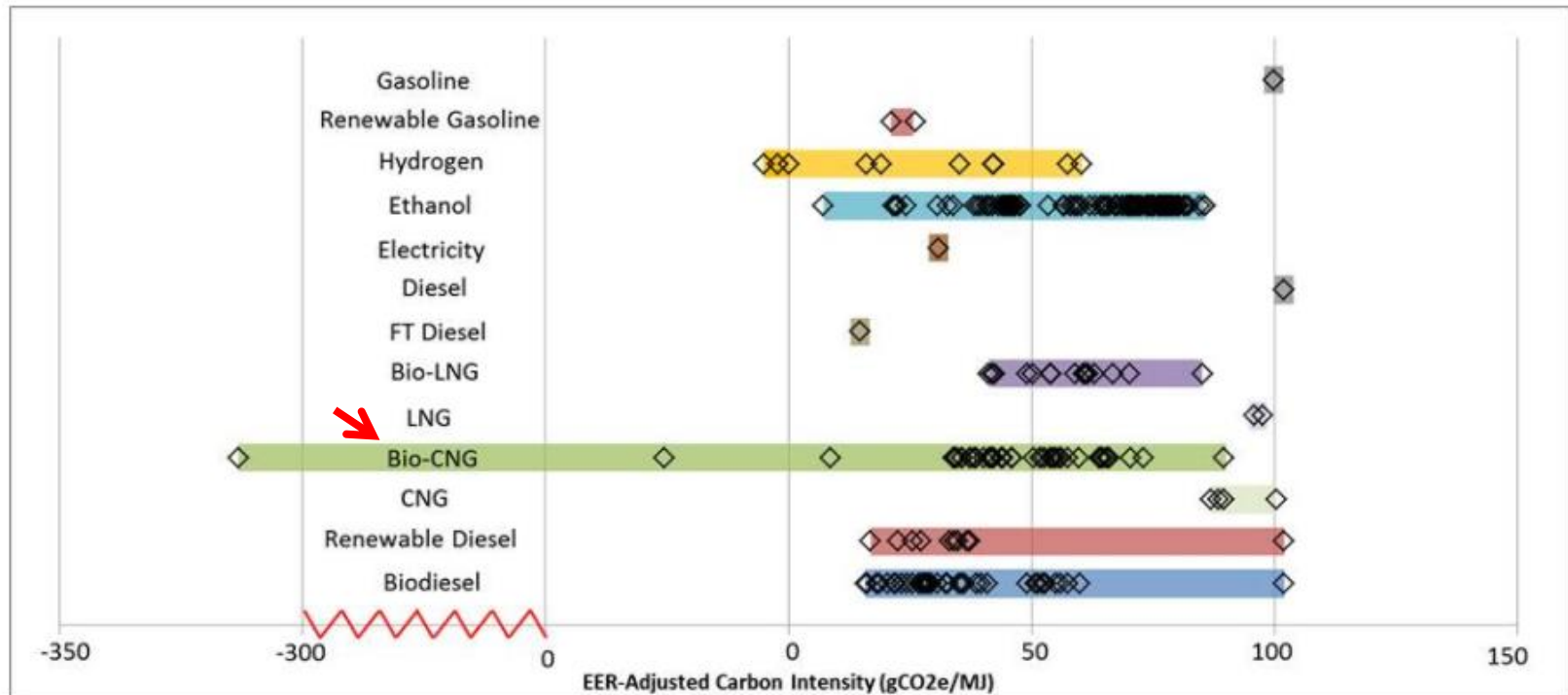
- Biogas is produced during the natural anaerobic digestion of organic waste.
- Anaerobic digestion breaks down waste at landfills, wastewater treatment plants, and manure lagoons
- Certain types of organic waste, such as forest biomass and agricultural residue, can break down through anaerobic digestion, but are better suited for thermo-chemical conversion (e.g. gasification) to produce RG
- Raw biogas and syngas can be processed to produce RG, which can be pipeline-injected and transported to customers anywhere on the pipeline network, or can be stored for use at a later time
- In addition to organic waste, Power-to-Gas technology can be used to create RG from renewable electricity



# RENEWABLE GAS

Provides MAJOR Benefits

Carbon Intensity Values of Current Certified Pathways (2016)



Last Updated 12/22/2016

***RG can reduce GHGs by up to 400%***

Source: ARB's LCFS Pathways.

<https://www.arb.ca.gov/fuels/lcfs/fuelpathways/pathwaytable.htm>



# The good news is, we have a **CLEAR FOCUS**

The Transportation Sector  
is responsible for

**80%**

SCAG & SJV's smog, and nearly

**40%**

of CA's GHG emissions

**HEAVY-DUTY  
Trucks** contribute the  
most smog-forming  
emissions in our region

**NEARLY 90,000**  
Heavy-duty Trucks travel  
on the I-5, I-710, and CA-99  
freeways on high traffic  
days

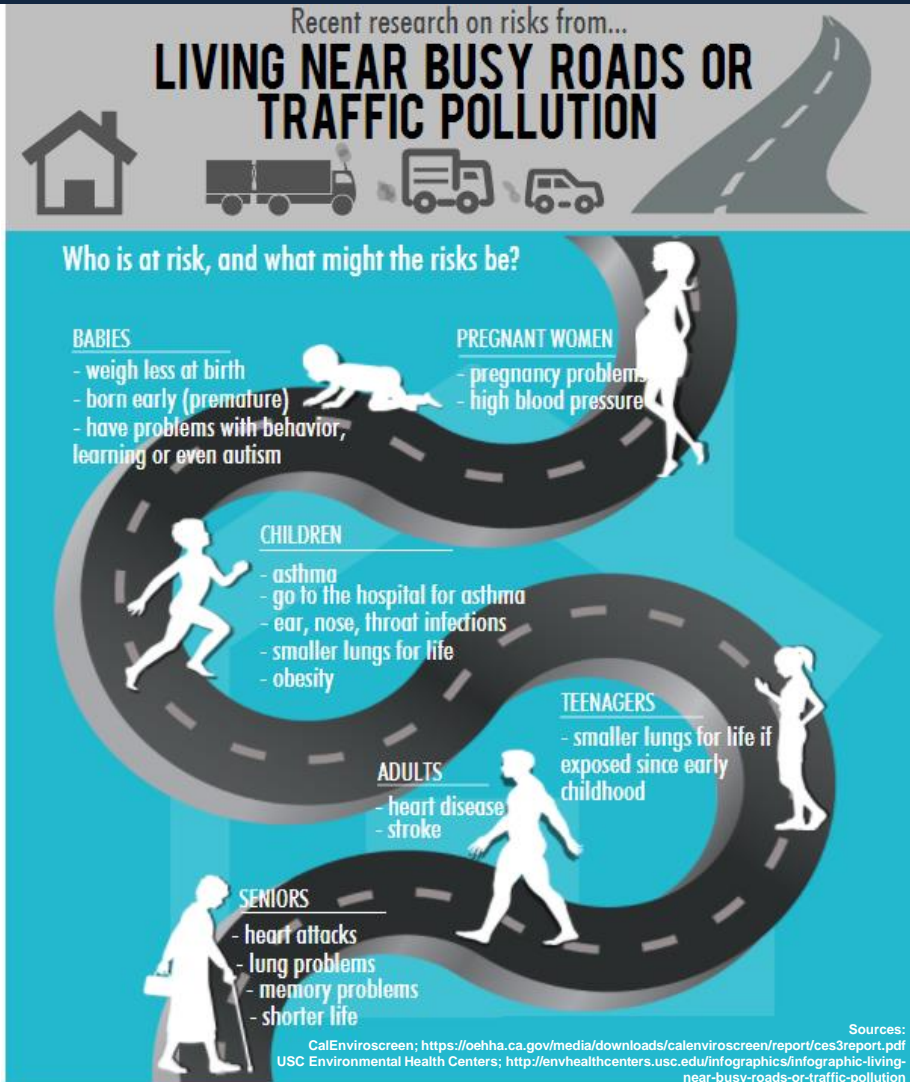
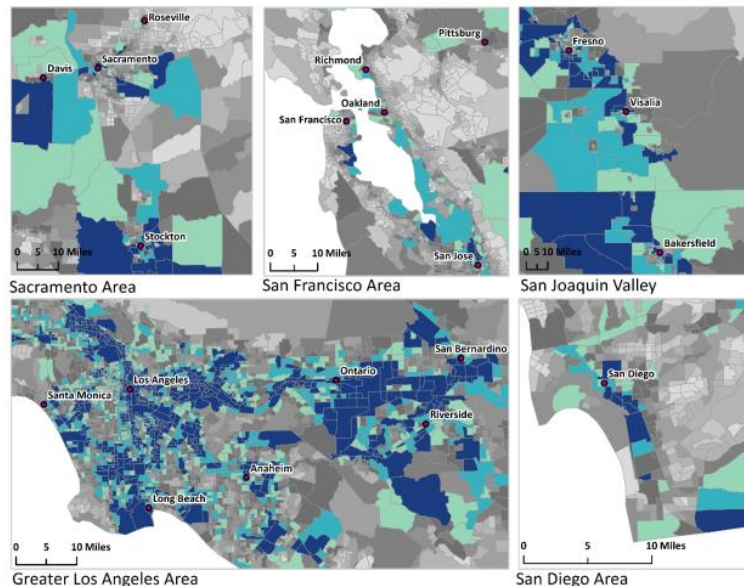
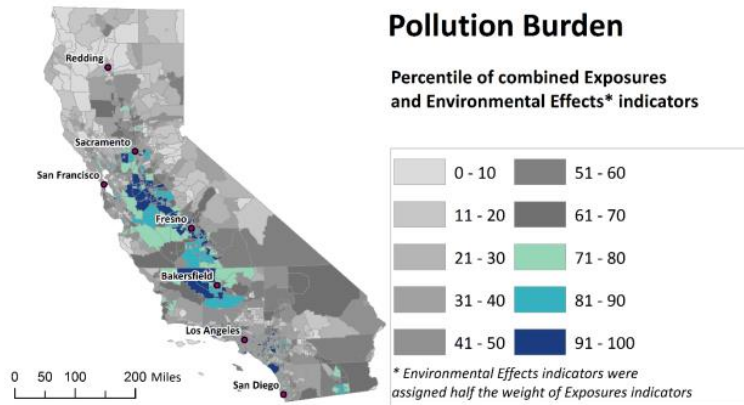
Sources: 2012 South Coast Air Quality Management Plan & California Air Resources Board (CARB), California GHG Emissions Inventory 200-2012, released in May 2014





# These transportation emissions have a **DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT** on disadvantaged communities

CalEnviroScreen 3.0



# MAKING FREIGHT SUSTAINABLE IN CA



**HEAVY-DUTY NGVs**  
using RG are California's  
best choice for reducing  
GHG emissions and smog

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Near-zero natural gas engines can  
reduce vehicle NO<sub>x</sub> emissions by  
**90% or more**

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By switching to renewable  
natural gas, we can reduce  
vehicle GHG emissions by  
**80% or more**

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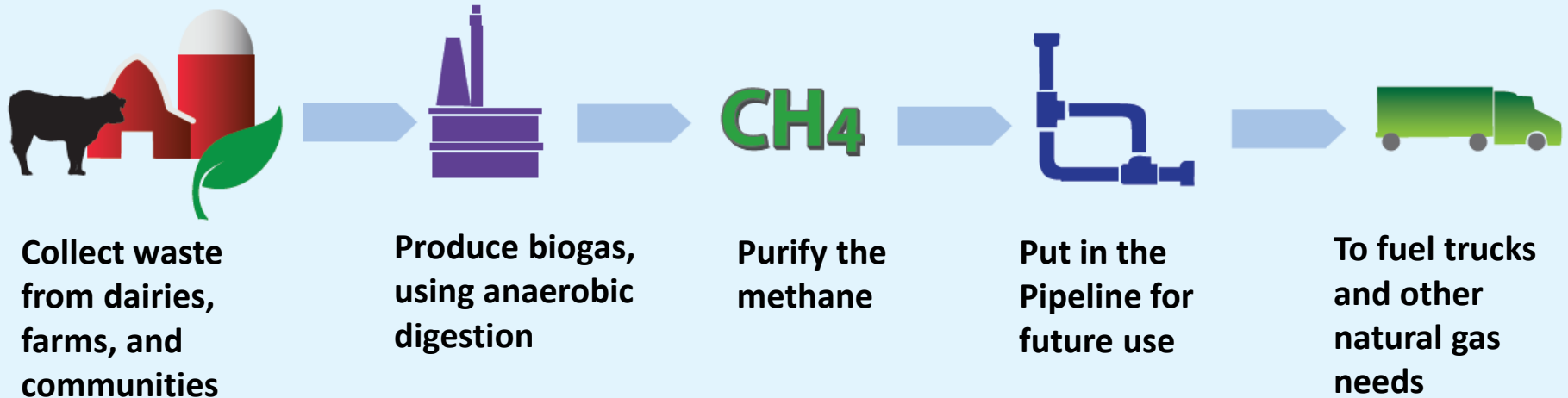
According to the Low Carbon Fuel  
Standard program, CA's NGVs are  
fueled with

**>60% RG today**

Clean, green

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Putting methane from organic waste to beneficial use





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## Practical benefits for California



### Waste to Biogas

Significantly  
Reduce Odors

Better Control of  
Waste Water

Enhanced  
Nutrient  
Recovery and  
Plant-availability

### Collect in Pipelines

Efficiently  
Transport Biogas

No Truck Traffic,  
Noise, or  
Emissions

Open Access  
System for  
Future Growth

### Process & Upgrade

Ensure Gas is  
Safe for Existing  
Pipelines

Ensure Proper  
Combustion and  
Consumer  
Safety

### Pipeline Injection

Efficient  
Transportation to  
Existing  
Customers

Flexible,  
Reliable, and  
Resilient Energy  
Network

No New  
Combustion  
Source

### End Use

Near-zero  
Emissions

Displaces  
Traditional Fuel

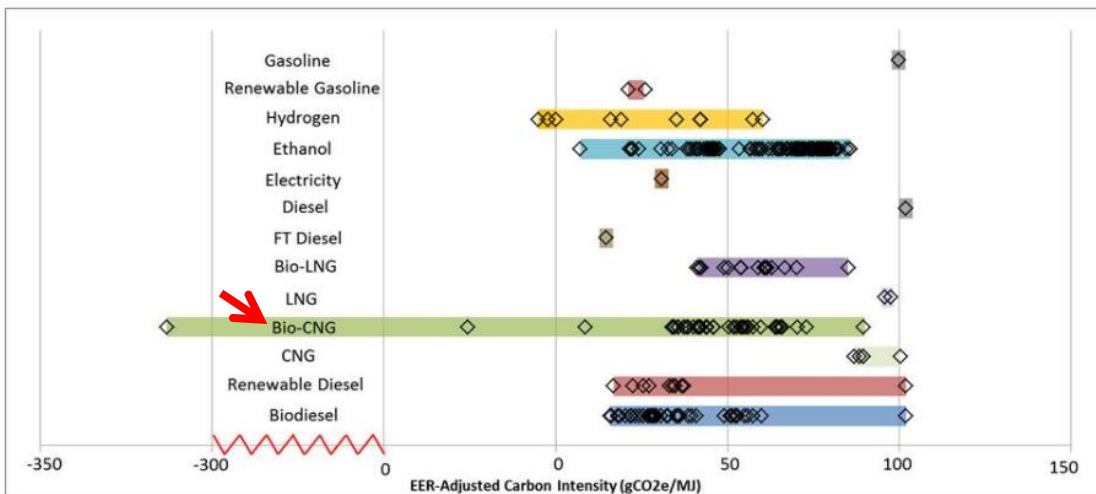
Clean, Reliable,  
Resilient Energy



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***RG can reduce GHGs by up to 400%***

California-sourced RG can replace **20% or more** of CA's residential natural gas use

Developing RG in CA Can:  
**Provide Local Fuel,  
Create Jobs,  
Improve Air and  
Water Quality, and  
Better Manage our  
Waste Streams**

In the future, **Hydrogen** and **Power-to-Gas** can complement these pathways

# HOW DO WE GET TO 2030?

**INVEST** in facilities to produce RG from California's waste, and *near-zero emissions heavy-duty natural gas trucks* to use RG

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**DELIVER RG** to customers. Today, RG provides the most value fueling heavy-duty trucks *to reduce GHG emissions and clean our air*, and it can easily be deployed via pipelines to meet other needs in the future





# HOW DO WE GET TO 2050?

**Establish** a Renewable Gas Standard

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**Invest** in facilities to produce RG from California's waste

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**Accelerate** the market adoption of NZE trucks

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**Deliver RG** to customers

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**Improve** the Certainty of RG's value



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## Production opportunities for municipalities

### Federal Renewable Fuel Standard

Produce 36 billion gallons of renewable fuel by 2023

### California's Low-Carbon Fuel Standard

Reduce Carbon Intensity of Transportation Fuels by 10% by 2020

### Potential Renewable Gas Production Opportunities:

Wastewater Treatment Plants  
Landfills

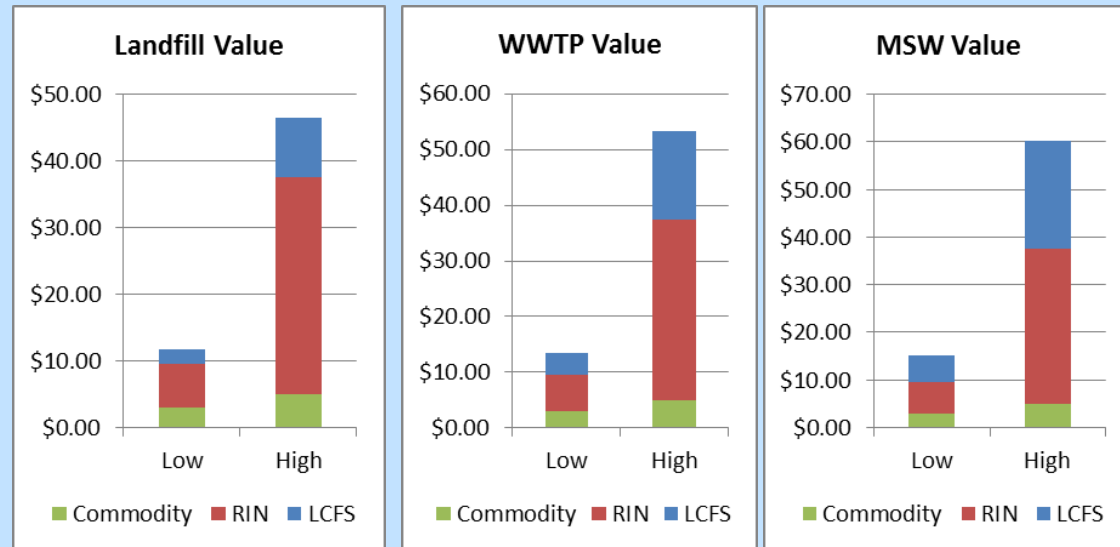
Landfill-diverted green waste

Dairies

Agricultural Residue

Forest Waste

### Estimated Potential Value of RG as a Transportation Fuel



- RG production and injection cost is typically \$8-15+/MMBtu, depending on several factors
- Incentives and new policies can help lower this cost
- SoCalGas' BCS Tariff

# WHY SOCALGAS®?

We are a part of the solution.



- » **Largest natural gas distribution** utility in the US, with 100,000 miles of existing pipelines to transport RG
- » Actively engaged in promoting **NGVs** and **RG**
- » Research new technologies to provide **low-carbon energy solutions** for our customers
- » SoCalGas' customers make up **more than half of all California residents**
- » SoCalGas® is an **experienced operator** of natural gas infrastructure – making important investments while maintaining the **lowest fuel cost** for customers.



# Conclusion

Developing RG and deploying clean trucks will allow us to:

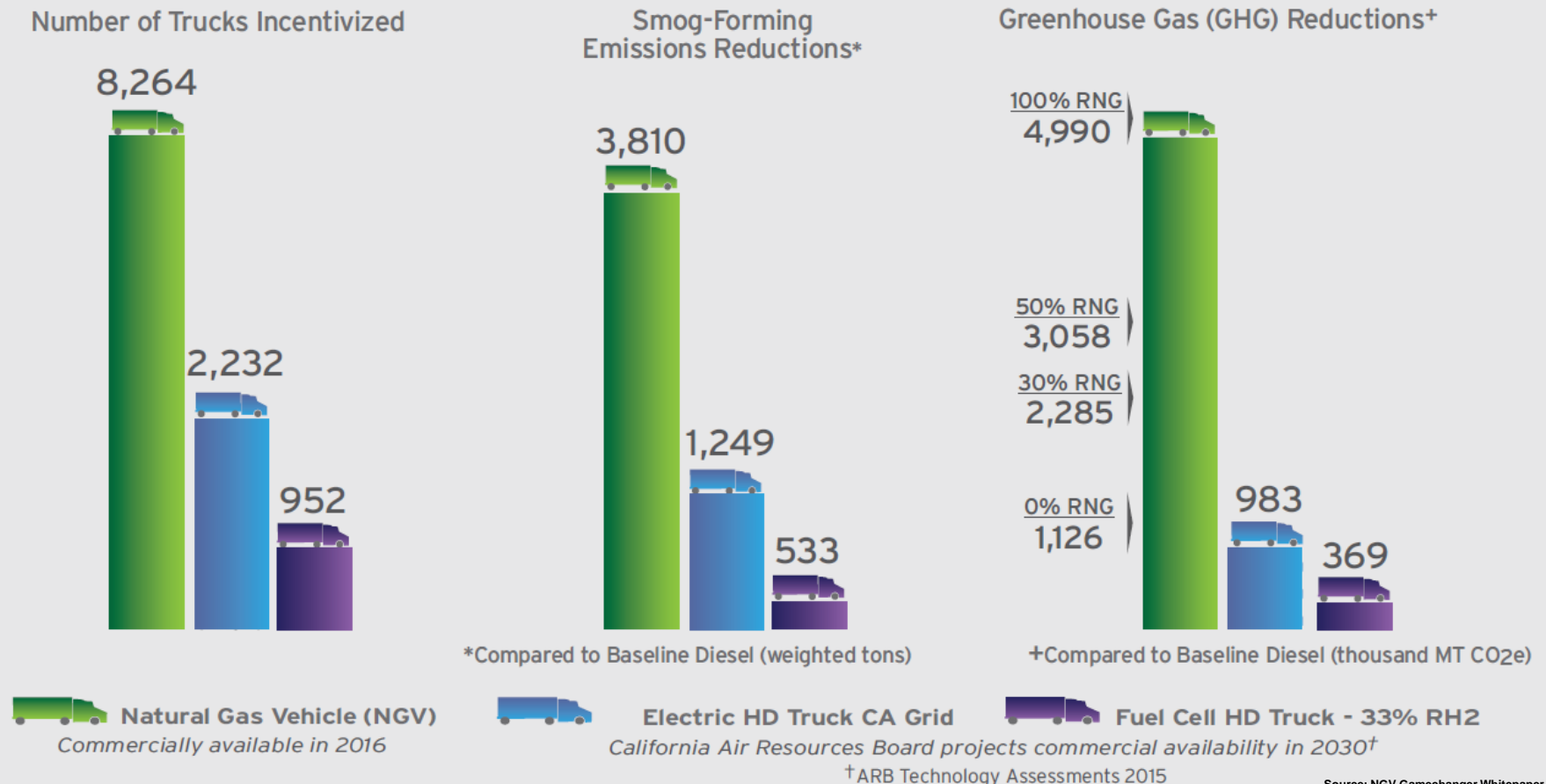
- **Meet clean-air goals sooner**
- **Diversify our green energy sources**
- **Improve energy reliability**
- **Help win the climate change fight**



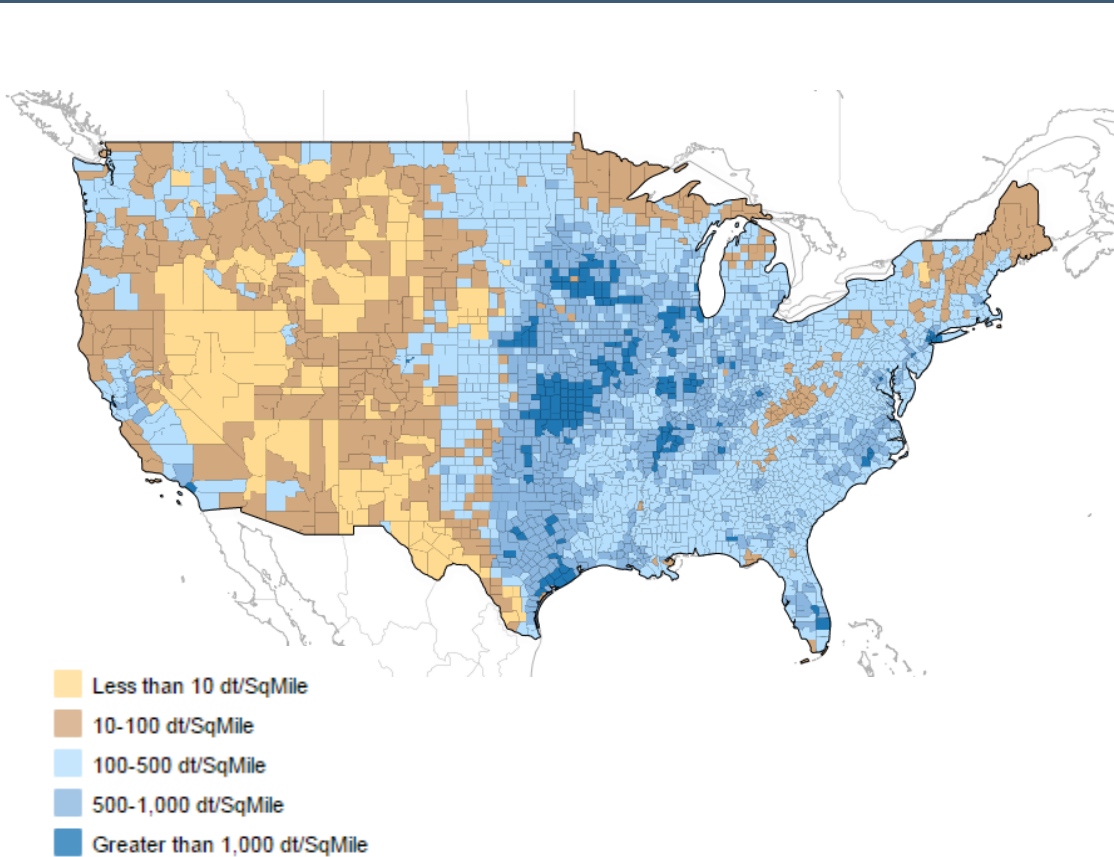
# APPENDIX

# HOW DO RG FUELED TRUCKS STACK UP?

**What a \$500 million investment in clean trucking can achieve:**



# UNITED STATES' RG PRODUCTION POTENTIAL



Nationally, we can produce  
**8 to 13 Tcf/y**  
of RG by 2030

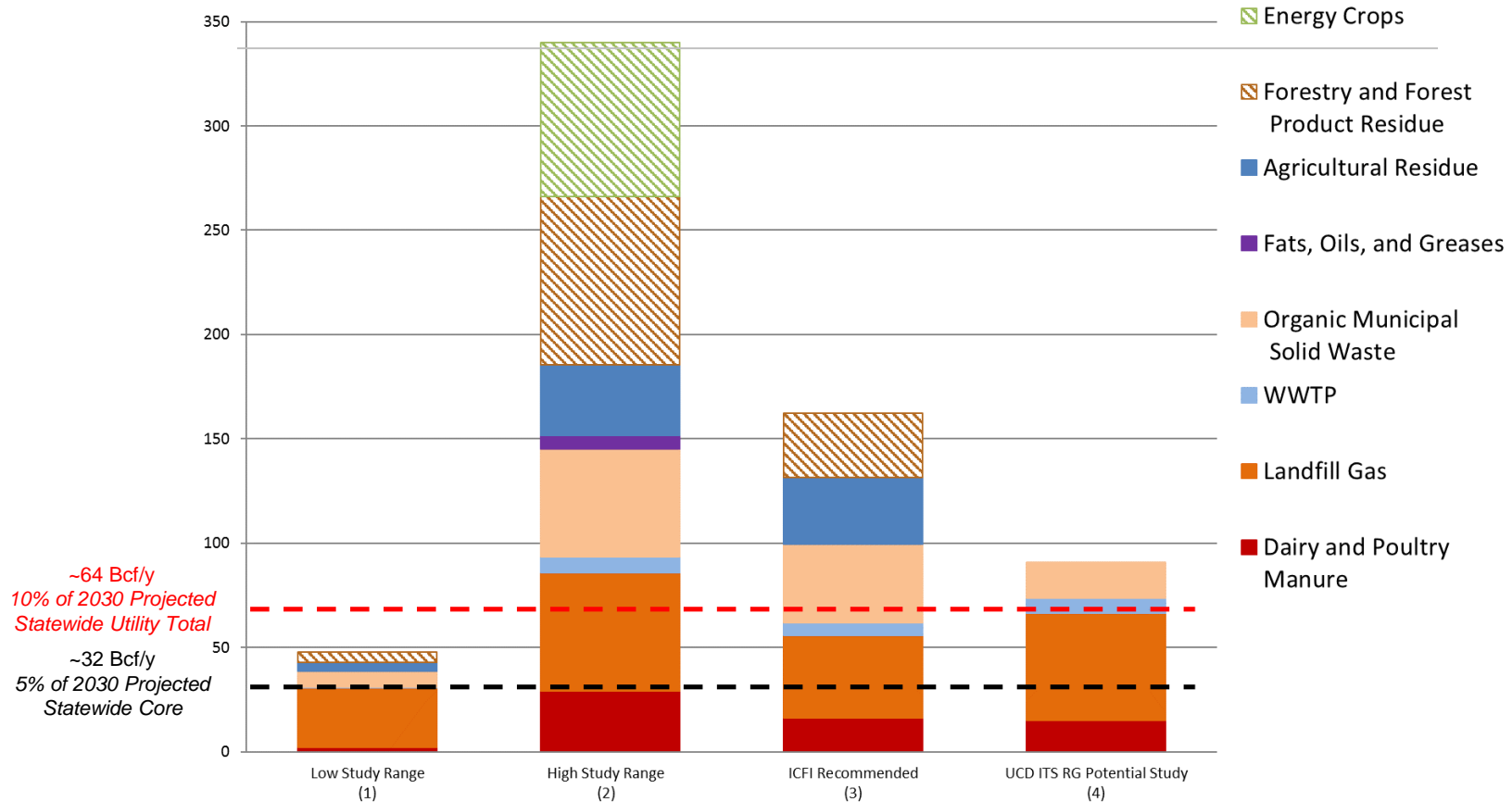
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This is roughly  
**5 to 8 times**  
California's total projected  
natural gas use in 2030

Source: U.S. Department of Energy. 2016. 2016 Billion-Ton Report: Advancing Domestic Resources for a Thriving Bioeconomy, Volume 1: Economic Availability of Feedstocks. M. H. Langholtz, B. J. Stokes, and L. M. Eaton (Leads), ORNL/TM-2016/160. Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, TN. 448p. doi: 10.2172/1271651.; 2030 Values achievable at \$60/Ton

# Comparison of CA RNG feedstock studies

RNG Production Potential in California (Bcf/year)



(1&2) Includes Data from: The Bioenergy Association of California Whitepaper (BAC), The American Gas Foundation potential study (AGF), The National Petroleum Council feedstock overview (NPC), and the U.S. DOE Billion Ton update (DOE).

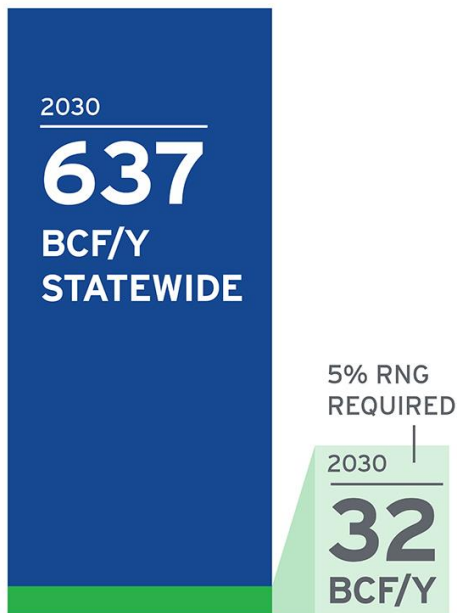
(3) Source: : ICF International, *Renewable Natural Gas Resource and Cost Assessment* conducted for SoCalGas, June 2015

(4) The Feasibility of Renewable Natural Gas as a Large-Scale, Low Carbon Substitute," Updated June 2016. Amy Myers Jaffe, Principal Investigator; STEPS Program, Institute of Transportation Studies, UC Davis



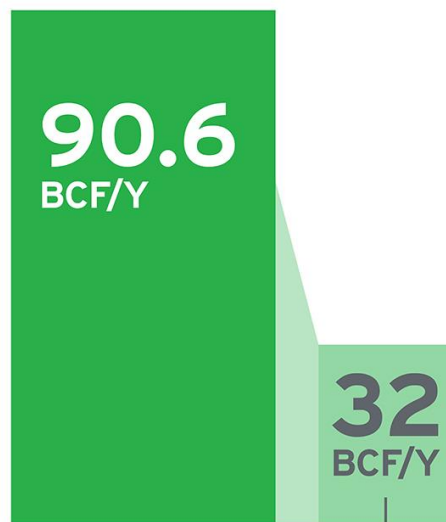
## 2030 PROJECTED CORE NATURAL GAS USAGE

RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, NGV



## RNG PRODUCTION POTENTIAL

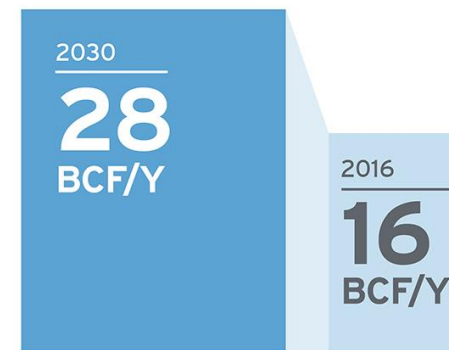
IN STATE



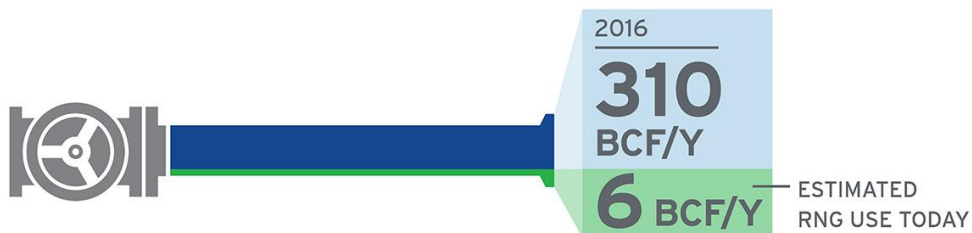
FROM DAIRY, WASTEWATER, LANDFILL  
& ORGANIC MSW RESOURCES IN CA

## 2030 PROJECTED NGV

USAGE STATEWIDE



## CURRENT SOCALGAS CORE CUSTOMER THROUGHOUT



# RNG PRODUCTION POTENTIAL

IN STATE

**90.6**  
BCF/Y

**32**  
BCF/Y

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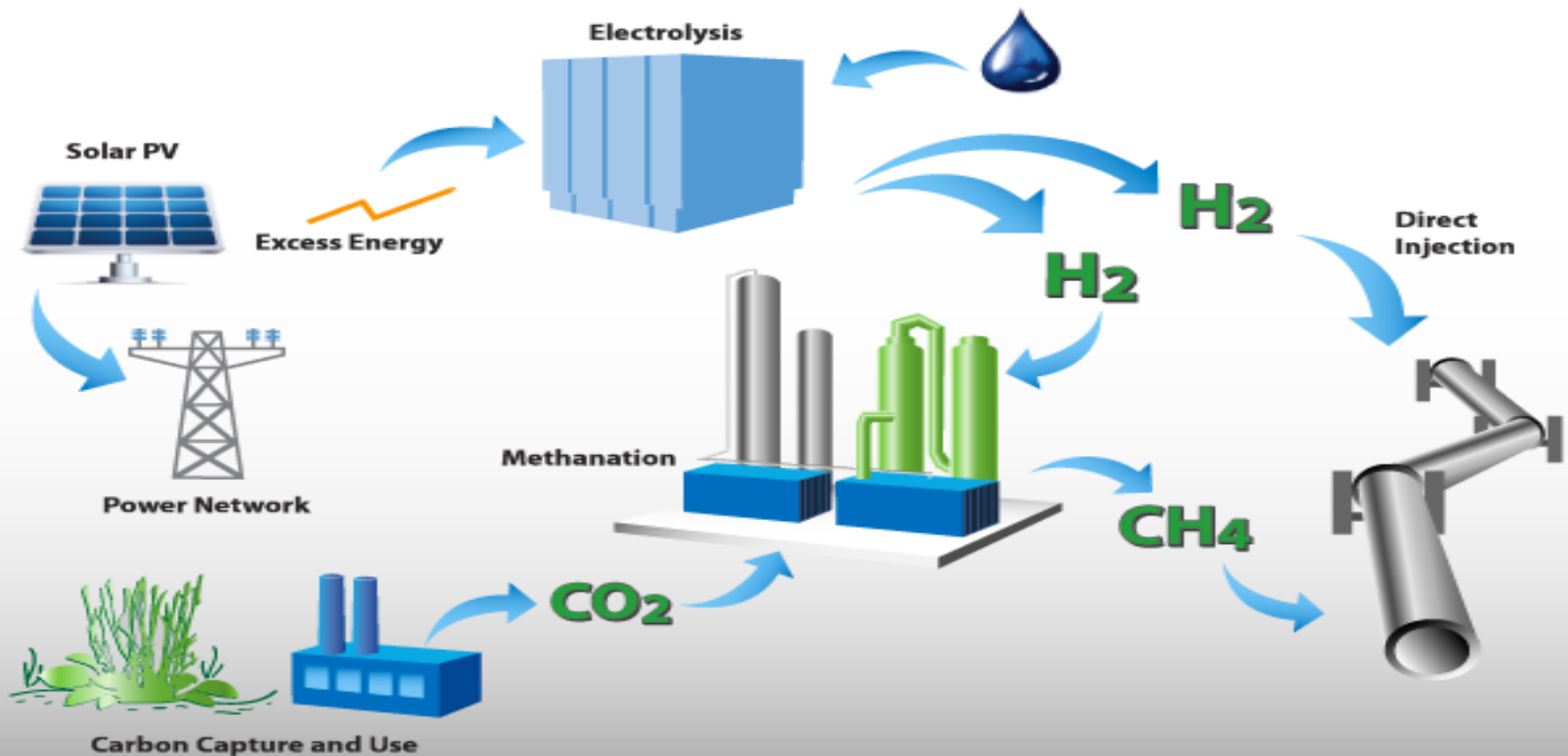


# Biogas Conditioning Tariff

- » **Summary:** The BCS Tariff is a new utility tariff that allows SoCalGas to design, install, own, operate & maintain biogas conditioning/upgrading equipment on or adjacent to the customers premise
  - SoCalGas will not own the biogas entering or the upgraded biogas leaving the biogas conditioning/upgrading facility
  - For pipeline injection, customer must pay for all costs associated with the interconnection facilities
  
- » **What is included in SoCalGas' turnkey solution?**
  - 100% of the upfront capital
  - Biogas conditioning/upgrading facilities design
  - Equipment and construction RFP
  - Vendor selection and management
  - Project/construction management
  - Facility operation and ongoing maintenance
  - Contract management

# De-Carbonizing the Pipeline:

Electrolysis of Excess Renewable Electricity (Power-to-Gas)

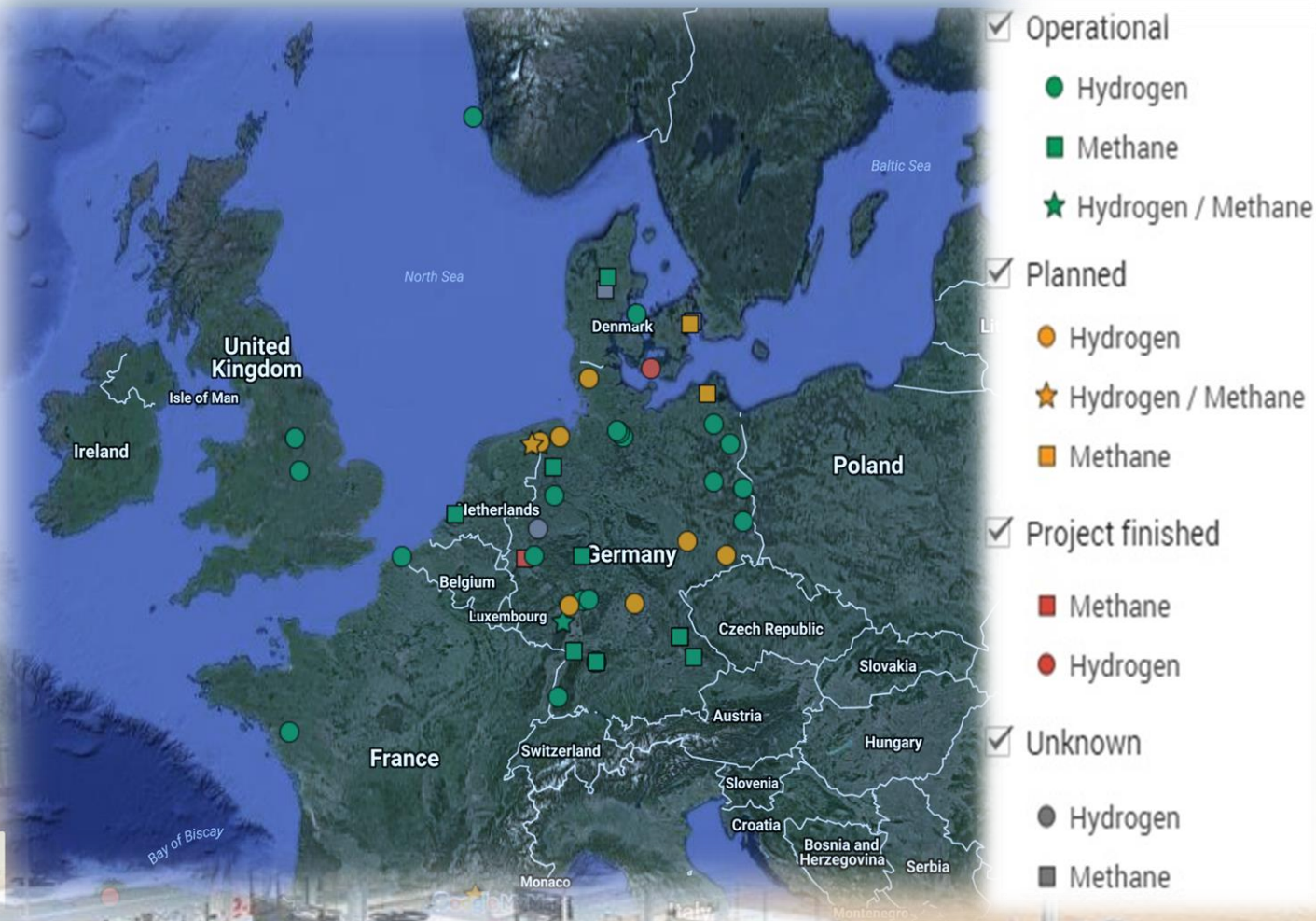




# Power-to-Gas Projects:

Provides green hydrogen pathway and grid storage

- 30 Projects Now Launched In Europe
- 20 Projects Launched in Germany in last 8 years, with at least 5 more in development



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# Current Projects In North America

## Commercial and Demonstration Projects

### Grid Injected Projects

- UC Irvine demonstration (hydrogen), Irvine, CA
- NREL demonstration (methanated hydrogen), Golden, CO
- IESO large scale commercial project (methanated hydrogen), Ontario, Canada

