

Clean Fuel Regulations 101 & status update

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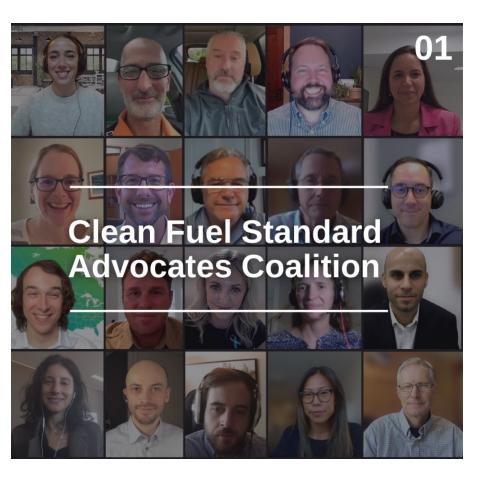
Agenda

- 1. Objectives for today's webinar
- 2. Clean Fuel Regulations: a brief history the "what & why"
- 3. Program mechanics the "how"
- 4. Program status, timelines, and regulatory outlook
- 5. Opportunities for policy innovation
- 6. Key resources & program materials

Clean Fuel Regulations: A brief history

- Sustained federal policy engagement to secure a Clean Fuel Standard by EMC, members, allies (2016–2022)
 - CFS Advocates (CFSA) successfully advocated for a stringent, technologyneutral policy to drive transport decarbonization:
 - https://clean50.com/projects/clean-fuel-standard-advocates-coalition/
 - https://cleanfuels2030.ca/

- Clean Fuel Regulations (CFR) were registered on June 21st, 2022, and subsequently published in Part II of the Canada Gazette on July 6th.
 - Requirements on suppliers of high-carbon fuel (gasoline & diesel) entered into force on July 1st, 2023.





CFS evolution 2016-2019 (pre-CG1)

Gaseous,

Solids

7Mt

2023

November 2016

December 2018

30Mt CFS

Liquids

23Mt

2022

30Mt CFS

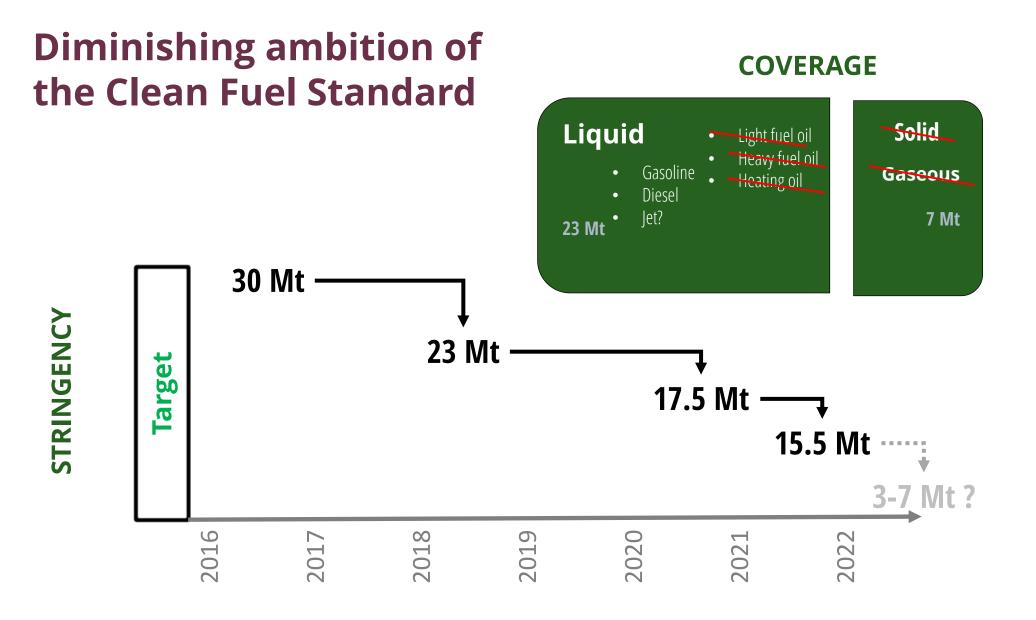
"The CFS will ... incent the use of a broad range of *lower carbon fuels, alternative energy sources and* technologies, such as electricity, hydrogen, and renewable fuels, including renewable natural gas." December 2017



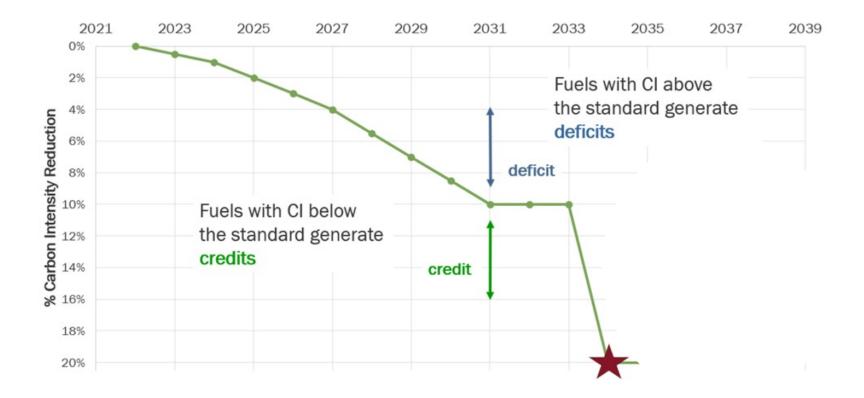
Non-fossil clean fuels

Gaseous, Solids

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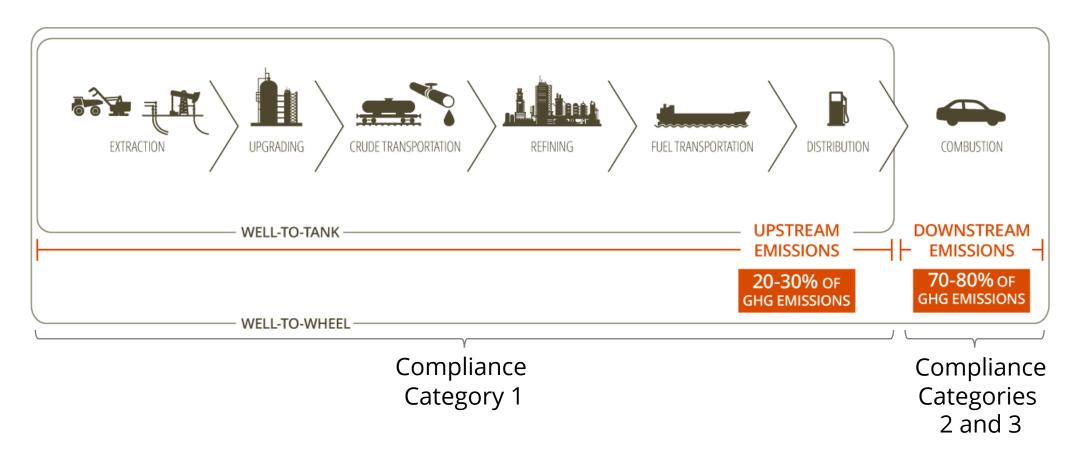


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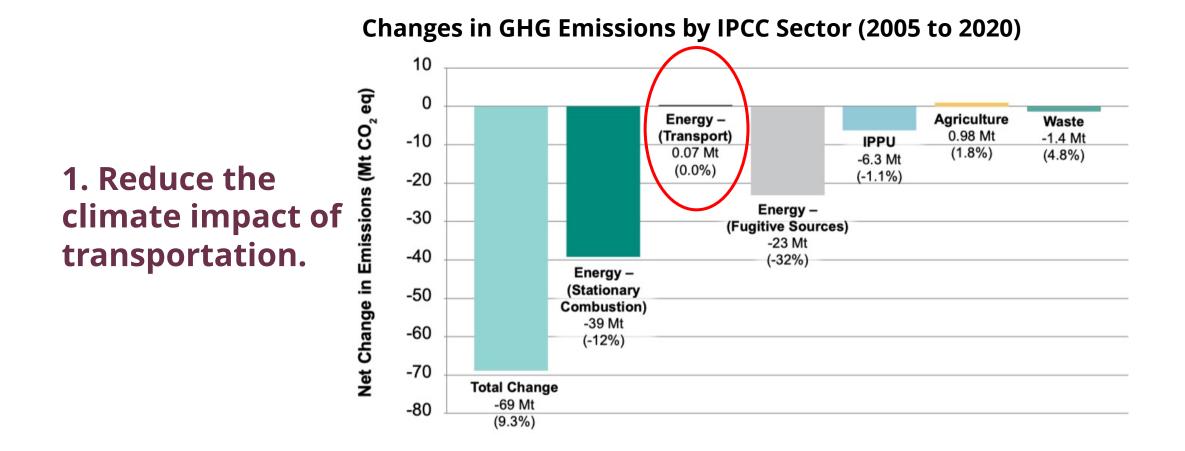


An economic equalizer for transport fuels & market-maker for clean energy.

What is it? A lifecycle approach



Why we need a CI-based fuel standard



Why we need a CI-based fuel standard

180 Other: Recreational, 160 Commercial and Residential 140 Freight Transport— Aviation and Marine 120 megatonnes CO2e 1. Reduce the 100 climate impact of Freight Transport— Heavy Duty Trucks, transportation. 80 Rail Passenger Transport— 60 'Bus, Rail and Aviation 40 Passenger Transport— Cars, Light Trucks and 20 Motorcycles 0 $(q^{0}, q^{0}, q^{0},$

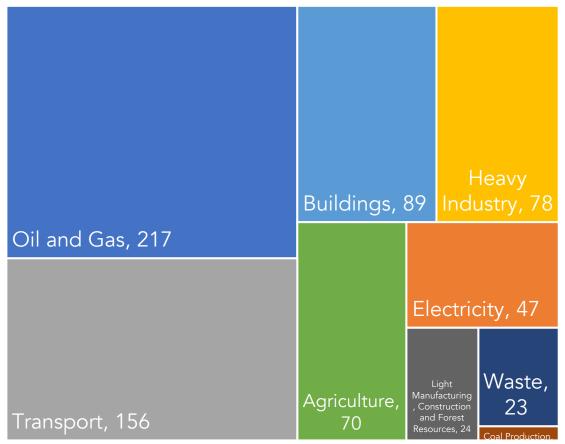
Environment and Climate Change Canada. National Inventory Report 2024: Greenhouse Gas Sources and Sinks in Canada 1990–2022. https://publications.gc.ca/site/eng/9.506002/publication.html

Canadian Transport Sector GHG Emissions, 1990–2022

Why we need a CI-based fuel standard

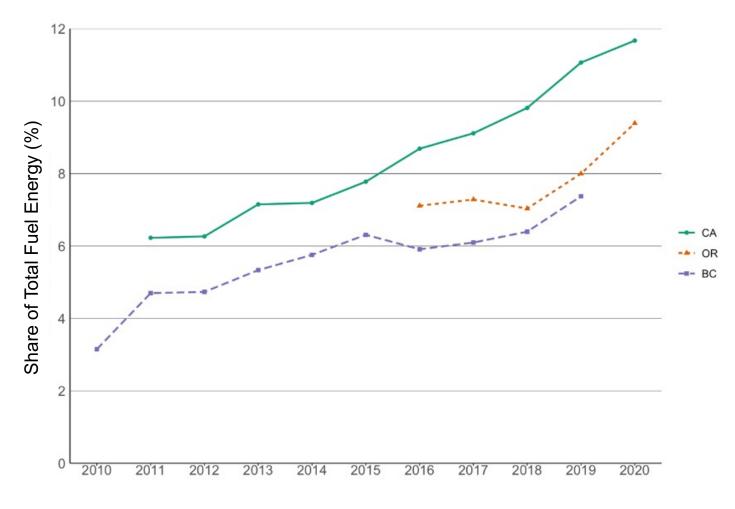
2022 Canadian GHG Emissions (Mt CO_2e) by Economic Sector

1. Reduce the climate impact of transportation.



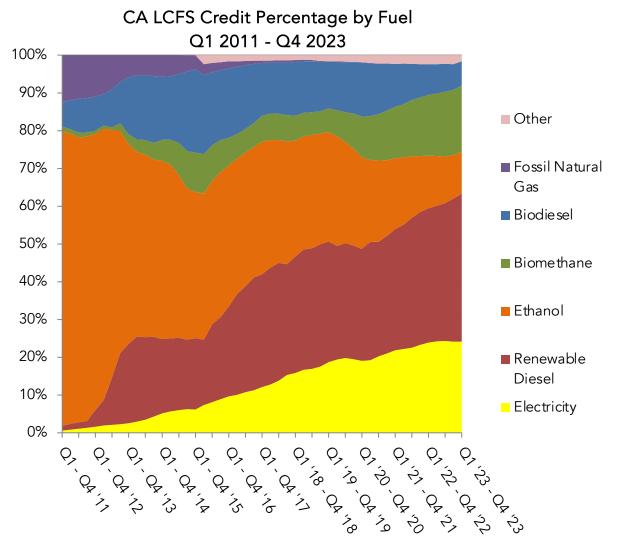
Environment and Climate Change Canada. National Inventory Report 2024: Greenhouse Gas Sources and Sinks in Canada 1990–2022. https://publications.gc.ca/site/eng/9.506002/publication.html

2. Grow clean energy and displace fossil fuel demand

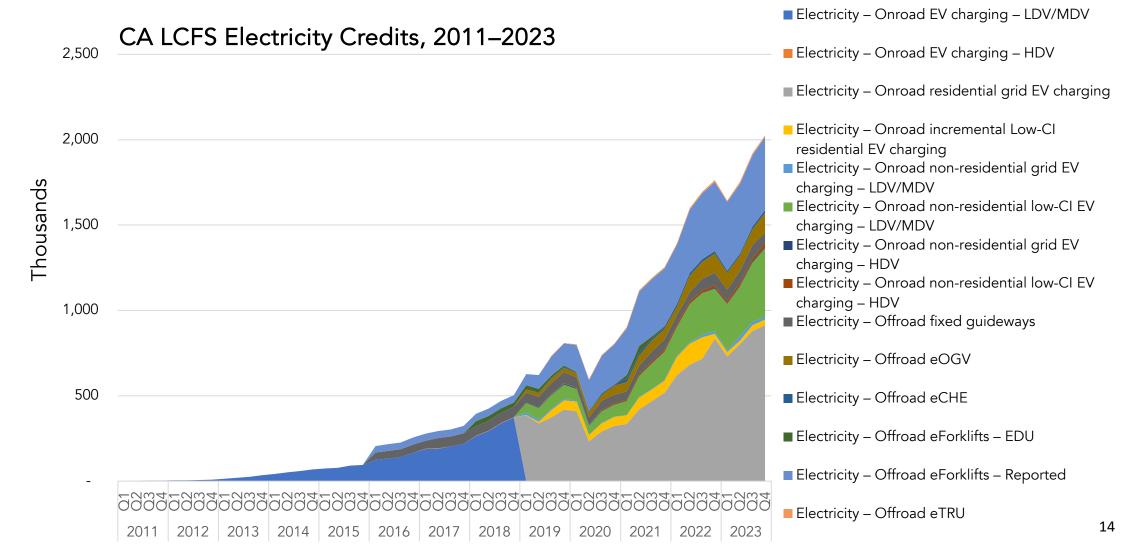


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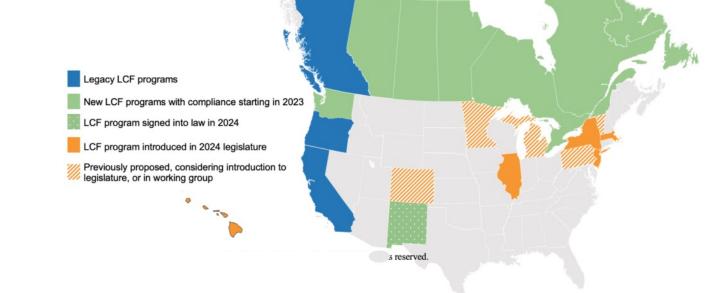
3a. Increase fuel diversity and resilience to fossil energy/price volatility.



3b. Increase fuel diversity and drive clean innovation.



North American low carbon fuel programs (March 2024)

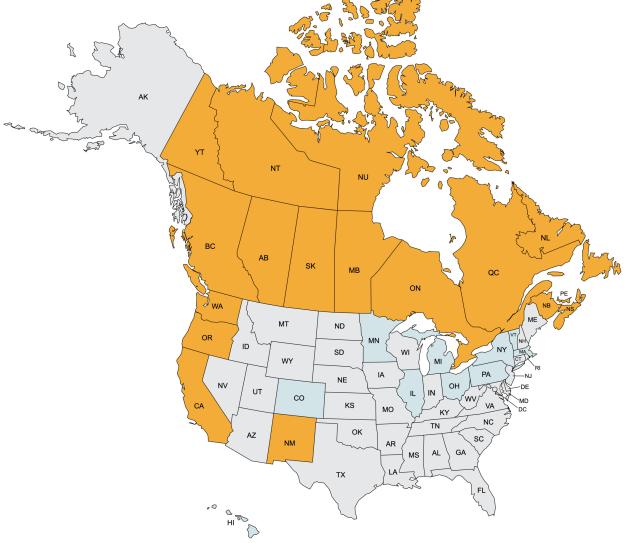


https://stillwaterpublications.com/low-carbon-fuel-program-proliferation-2024/

https://stillwaterassociates.com/as-lcfs-programs-proliferate-dont-get-behind-the-8-ball/

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North American LCFS



3. CFR program mechanics (i)

<u>3 main compliance strategies / credit-generating activities</u>

- 1. "actions that reduce the carbon intensity of fossil fuel throughout its lifecycle"
 - Includes: industrial process/facility energy efficiency (e.g. methane capture or LDAR, but must be beyond existing regulatory requirements); carbon capture and storage; enhanced oil recovery; co-generation; electrification; co-processing biocrude

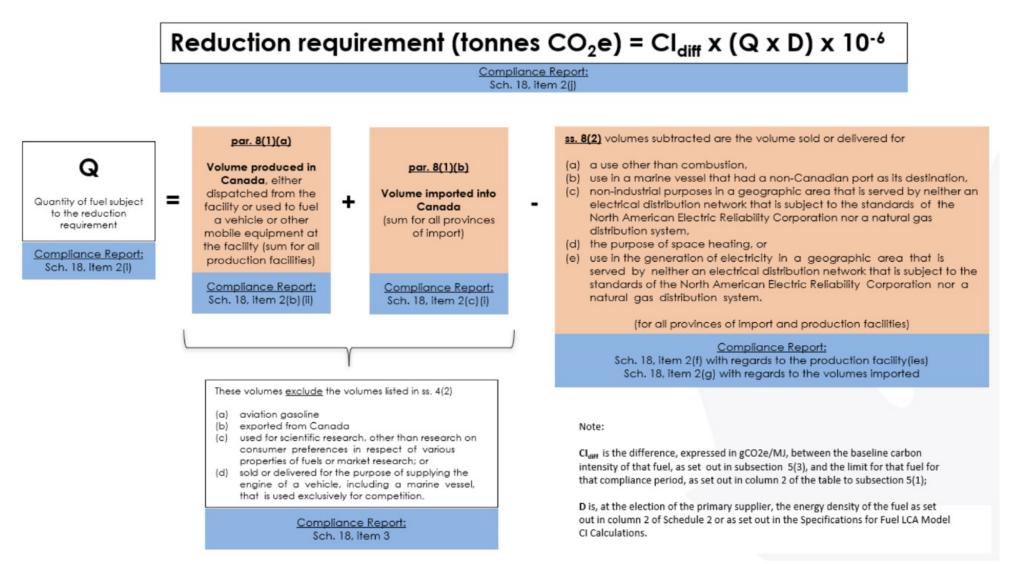
2. "supplying low-carbon fuels"

- will allow producers and importers of renewable or other low-carbon fuels to generate credits based on amount of energy (MJ) their products supply to the Cdn market annually.
- Includes: renewable natural gas (RNG), ethanol, biodiesel, renewable diesel (HDRD), hydro-treated vegetable oil (HVO), alternative jet fuel (biojet), biogas, synthetic fuels, renewable propane

3. "specified end-use fuel switching"

 liquid fuel stream: end-use fuel switching from a higher carbon intensity fossil fuel used for transportation (i.e., gasoline, diesel) to specified lower-carbon fuels will be eligible for credit generation: natural gas, propane, and non-carbon energy carriers such as electricity or hydrogen

Overview of reduction requirement calculation



CFR Program Mechanics (ii)

The beating heart of the CFR

Fuel carbon-intensity limits — CFR s. 5(1)									
Liquid	Limit for Each Compliance Period (gCO2e/MJ)								
Fossil Fuel	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030+	
Gasoline	91.5	90.0	88.5	87.0	85.5	84.0	82.5	81.0	
Diesel	89.5	88.0	86.5	85.0	83.5	82.0	80.5	79.0	



KEY DEFINITIONS (§1 Interpretation)

- i. Charging-network operator (CNO) means a person who operates a communication platform that collects data on the electricity supplied by a charging station and who is the owner of that data.
- ii. Charging-site host (CSH) means a person who owns or leases a charging station and who has the legal right to have the charging station installed.

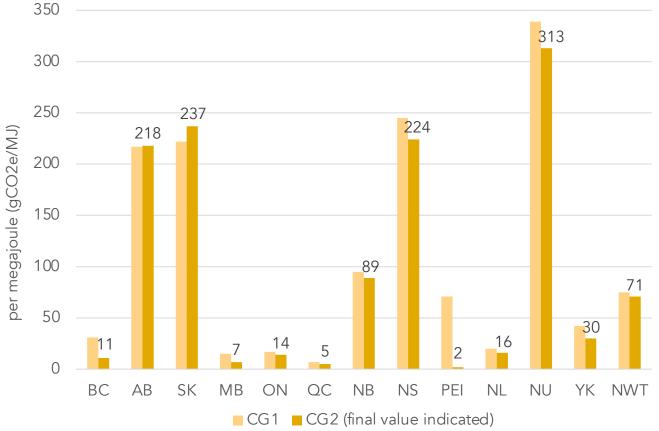


- iii. Charging station means a device that is used in Canada to charge the battery on board an electric vehicle by supplying electricity to the electric vehicle and that is capable of communicating with a server, whether through the Internet or using a cellular signal or connected vehicle communications, to report the quantity of electricity supplied and the time at which it is supplied.
- iv. Electric vehicle means a vehicle that is propelled by an electric motor whose source of electricity is a rechargeable battery that is charged from a source of electricity that is not on board the vehicle. It includes a plug-in hybrid electric vehicle.
- v. Fuelling station means a facility in Canada at which vehicles are supplied with fuel or with hydrogen used as an energy source and includes a mobile facility.

Key sections for e-mobility

- Section 101 (charging site host CSH)
- Section 102 (charging network operator – CSO)
 - Credits for residential charging of EVs will be **phased out** by the end of 2035 for charging stations installed by the end of 2030. Any residential charging station installed after the end of 2030 will not be eligible for credits.
- Section 103 (reinvestment requirements)
 - Expand charging infra. (including electricity distribution);
 - Reduce cost of EV ownership
- Section 107 (compliance credit transfer system – fair market value)
- Schedule 6, s. 9 (default provincial electricity CIs)

Default lifecycle carbon intensity of electricity by province/territory in draft (CG1) and final (CG2) Clean Fuel Regulations



Sources

grams carbon dioxide equivalent

Clean Fuel Regulations, Canada Gazette Part 2, Vol. 156, No. 14 (June 2022). Schedule 6, s.9.
 Clean Fuel Regulations, Canada Gazette Part 1, Vol. 154, No. 51 (Dec. 2020). Schedule 5, s.8.

CFR Program Mechanics (vi)

Other key characteristics of credit market structure (compliance flexibilities)

• Compliance Fund:

- 'strike price' for the fund(s) is proposed to be set at \$350/t in 2022 (indexed)
- obligated parties can pay into the fund to satisfy up to 10% of their compliance obligation in a given reporting period.
- Approved funds:
 - Emission Reduction Advancement Program (EVAP) –
 federal
 - <u>Newfoundland and Labrador Emissions Reduction</u>
 <u>Fund</u> (NLERF)
 - Emission Reduction Alberta



• Credit Clearance Market:

- CCM proposed price of \$300/t in 2022 (indexed)
- CCM participation is obligatory for regulated entities in a deficit position (i.e., short on compliance for a given reporting period); if there aren't enough credits pledged to the CCM, obligated parties must buy a share of available credits pro-rated to the extent of their remaining obligation.
- increases certainty on compliance costs, facilitates credit sales (including smaller-scale credit generators), strengthens incentives to invest in and produce low-CI fuels, and reduces probability of credit shortfalls.
- **Cross-class trading (gaseous credits)** up to 10% of annual obligation.
- **Deferral** of CI obligations for up to 10% of obligation (after every other flexibility has been exhausted) for up to 5 years.

CFR Program Mechanics (vii)

Credit generation process

- 1. Opt-in (registration in CATS)
- 2. Purchase and install equipment
- 3. Operate vehicles
- 4. Monitor energy volumes
- 5. Report & Validation
- 6. Receive credits
- 7. Monetize credits
- 8. Optional: Application for calculated/specific Cl



Fuel price impacts

May 18, 2023

A Distributional Analysis of the Clean Fuel Regulations

Estimated range in incremental fuel price impacts in 2030 (cents per litre, 2021 CAD)

Fuel pool	No credits go to market (All credits are self-created)	Some credits go to market (Some credits are self-created)	All credits go to market (No credits are self-created)
Gasoline pool	6	10	13
Diesel pool	7	12	16

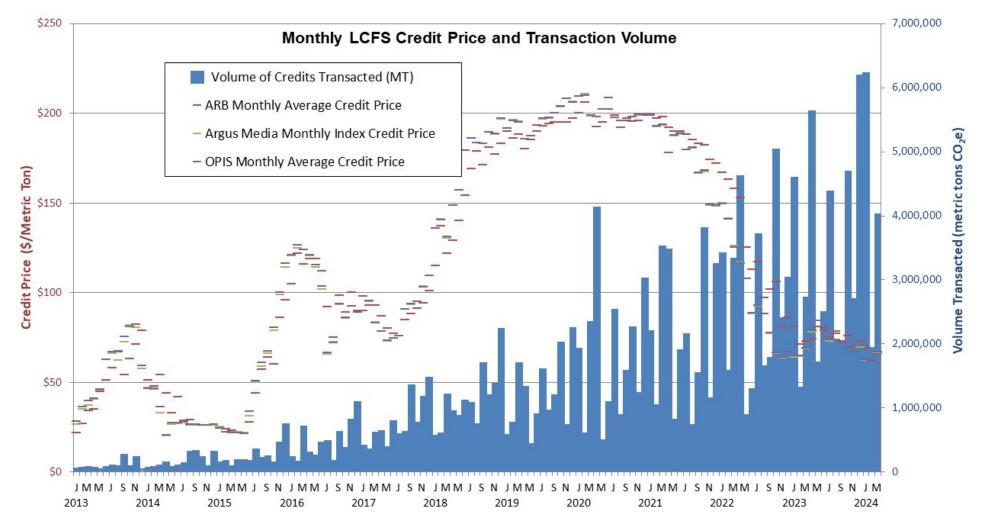
Source: Government of Canada 2022. CFR Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement, Table 23.





https://www.pbo-dpb.ca/en/publications/RP-2324-004-S--distributional-analysisclean-fuel-regulations--analyse-distributive-reglement-combustibles-propres

Credit Prices—California



Current status: State of the market

- Clean Fuel Regulations (CFR) were registered on June 21st, 2022, and subsequently published in Part II of the Canada Gazette on July 6th
- Credit-creation reporting so far:
 - CC1 & CC3: Annual credit-creation report for the period of June 21st to December 31st, 2022; and of Jan. 1–Dec. 31, 2023 (due April 30).
 - CC2 quarterly



- Little visibility on market properties to date
- BC LCFS prices regularly \$400-\$500/t (no cost containment)

Current status: State of the market

Figure 18: Lifecycle CI by fuel type within Canada, from 2010 to 2021 with an estimate for 2022.

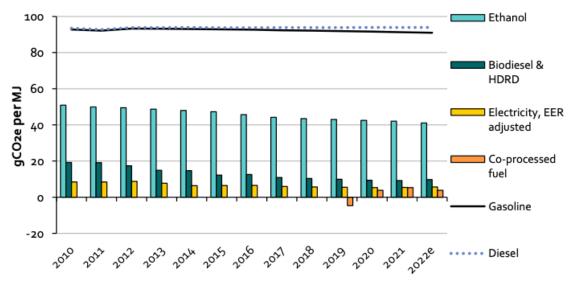
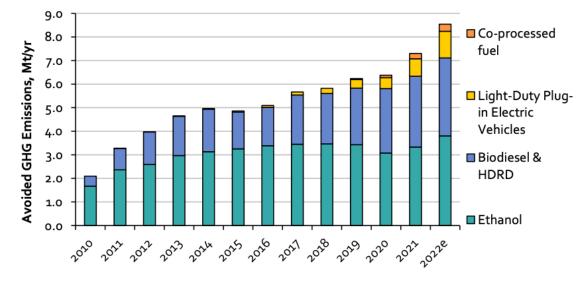




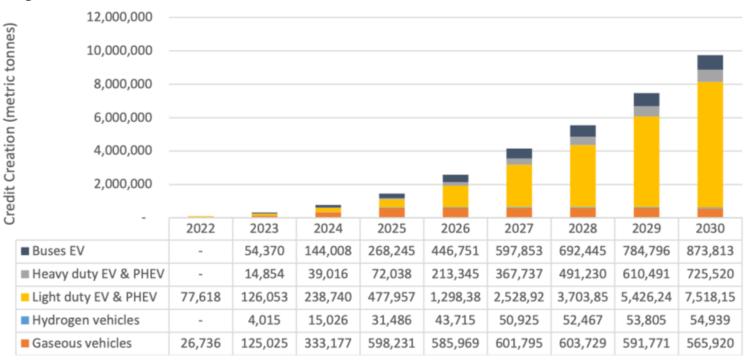
Figure 20: Avoided lifecycle GHG emissions 2010-2021, with an estimate for 2022



> https://www.naviusresearch.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/Biofuels-in-Canada-2023-2023-12-14.pdf

Current status: State of the market

Projected CC3 credit creation





> https://esmia.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/2023-12-29 ESMIA CFR ComplianceCosts FinalReport.pdf#page=53

Current status: Regulatory agenda

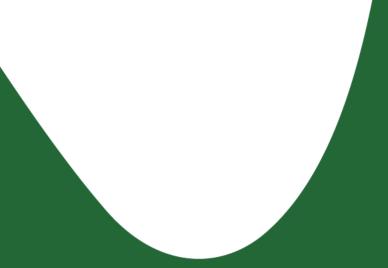
- Regulatory review (opportunity for amendment) anticipated in 2027
- Consultations ongoing
 - Fuel LCA Model update (June 2024)
 - Emission Reduction Funding Program
 - Land Use & Biodiversity
 - RFR Compliance Unit Roll-Over
 - Verification
 - Credit market data report*

- 164 active organization accounts in the Credit and Trading System (CATS) as of November 8th, 2023
 - more than 200 registration reports submitted
 - over 375 users (multiple users per organization)
- o Continuous development & guidance
 - Guidance for primary suppliers on exported crude oil
 - CC1 Quantification Methodologies
- Political risk!

Opportunities for policy innovation

**disclaimer: none of these proposals is an official EMC policy position.*

- Capacity crediting for DCFC
- Pooled EV incentives to streamline reinvestment requirements \rightarrow s. 103(b)
- New CFR-enabled financial products / financing structures for (i) ZE MHD vehicle acquisition; (ii) EV-ready retrofits
 - Role for Canada Infrastructure Bank?
- Consistent with EMC's 2030 EV Action Plan:
 - Pillar 2 (Medium, Heavy-Duty and Off-Road Fleet Electrification), Rec. 6
 - Pillar 3 (National EV Infrastructure Deployment Plan), Rec. 13, 18



My Canada drives electric.

Key CFR resources & program materials (I)

Government of Canada – ECCC – CFR main site
 <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/managing-pollution/energy-production/fuel-regulations/clean-fuel-regulations.html</u>

- ECCC Clean Fuel Regulations Google Drive (regularly updated)
 <u>https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1-DaMtrIJzDlmyiW9gB8IDJsARxI6Omeo</u>
- CFR Consolidated regulatory text: Government of Canada Justice Laws
 <u>https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-2022-140/page-1.html</u> [html]
 <u>https://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p2/2022/2022-07-06/pdf/g2-15614.pdf#page=5</u> [pdf]
- ECCC CFR Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement Canada Gazette, Part II
 - > <u>https://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p2/2022/2022-07-06/pdf/g2-15614.pdf#page=219</u> [pdf]
 - > https://www.gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p2/2022/2022-07-06/html/sor-dors140-eng.html [html]

Key CFR resources & program materials (II)

- Credit and Tracking System (CATS):
 <u>https://marchescarbone-carbonmarkets.canada.ca</u>
- CATS User Guide: Compliance with the Clean Fuel Regulations (update forthcoming)
 <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/managing-pollution/energy-production/fuel-regulations/clean-fuel-regulations/compliance.html</u>
- Fuel LCA Model: Database, Methodology, User Manual: https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/managing-pollution/fuel-life-cycle-assessment-model.html
- CFR Specifications for Fuel LCA Model CI Calculations and Data Workbook: Carbon Intensity Calculations for the Clean Fuel Regulations
 <u>https://data-donnees.az.ec.gc.ca/data/regulatee/climateoutreach/carbon-intensity-calculations-for-the-clean-fuel-regulations/en/Resources/?lang=en</u>

Other sources



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- California Air Resource Board (CARB)
 > LCFS Data Dashboard: https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/documents/lcfs-data-dashboard
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- 6. Mazzone et al. (2021) Multijurisdictional Status Review of Low Carbon Fuel Standards, 2010–2020 Q2: California, Oregon, and BC. https://escholarship.org/uc/item/080390x8
- Witcover et al. "Comparison of the Canadian Clean Fuel Regulations with Fuel Carbon Intensity Standards in California, Oregon and British Columbia." Joint Clean Climate Transport Research Partnership (JCCTRP) (October 2022). <u>https://decarbonisation.uqam.ca/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/sites/10/2022/10/WitcoverEtAl_JCCTRP_WG5_2022_Final_6oct2022.pdf</u>

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