



Silicon Valley Clean Cities Coalition Newsletter

The Silicon Valley Clean Cities Coalition is one of 100 DOE-funded Clean Cities Coalitions in the nation. Silicon Valley Clean Cities Coalition is a partnership of public & private agencies, businesses, and interested citizens dedicated to the advancement of alternative fuels in order to improve the air quality in Silicon Valley and reduce petroleum consumption.

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Idle-Reduction Campaign

Silicon Valley Clean Cities Coalition is pleased to announced the availability of IdleBox, a new tool in the Coalition's arsenal of resources to help managers of light-and medium-duty fleets in the Bay Area save money and support a cleaner environment.



IdleBox includes a variety of tools from the U.S. Department of Energy, such as fact sheets, signs, posters, and idling calculators, to help fleets implement idling reduction. Reducing unnecessary idling can be easy to put into practice and often require or little, financial investment. Fleet managers and others interested in learning more about how to reduce vehicle idling should contact Silicon Valley Clean Cities Coordinator. [Click here to learn more.](#)

DOE Announces \$22 Million in Funding to Accelerate and Use of Other Sustainable Transportation Technologies

On June 6, the Energy Department (DOE) announced



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\$22 million to support research, development, and demonstration of innovative plug-in electric vehicle (PEV) and direct injection engine technologies, as well as community-based projects to accelerate the adoption of light, medium, and heavy duty vehicles that operate on fuels such as bio-diesel, electricity, hydrogen, natural gas and propane. [Click here to learn more.](#)

What is Renewable Diesel (RD) and Can It Be Used to Fuel Vehicles?

Renewable Diesel (RD) is an ultra clean burning, sustainable, petroleum-free "drop-in" replacement fuel for diesel engines. RD, also known as hydrogenation-derived renewable diesel (HDRD), is the product of fats or vegetable oils and considered a second generation alternative diesel fuel. RD meets the petroleum diesel ASTM D975 and CARD specifications. This allows it to be legally used in existing diesel infrastructure and vehicles and in any diesel engine in place of petroleum-based fuels.



In Northern California, Golden Gate Petroleum is the primary distributor of Renewable Diesel. Golden Gate Petroleum was the first company globally to focus on the distribution of RD as a drop-in replacement fuel versus a blend stock petroleum diesel. Since 2013, Golden Gate Petroleum has delivered over 63 million gallons of Renewable Diesel to its customers, including State of California, City & County of San Francisco, Caltrans, City of Oakland and San Jose Unified School District.

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