

# WEBINAR

NOVEMBER 15, 2024 CHARLES M. SCHULZ SONOMA COUNTY AIRPORT SUSTAINABILITY MANAGEMENT **PLAN** 



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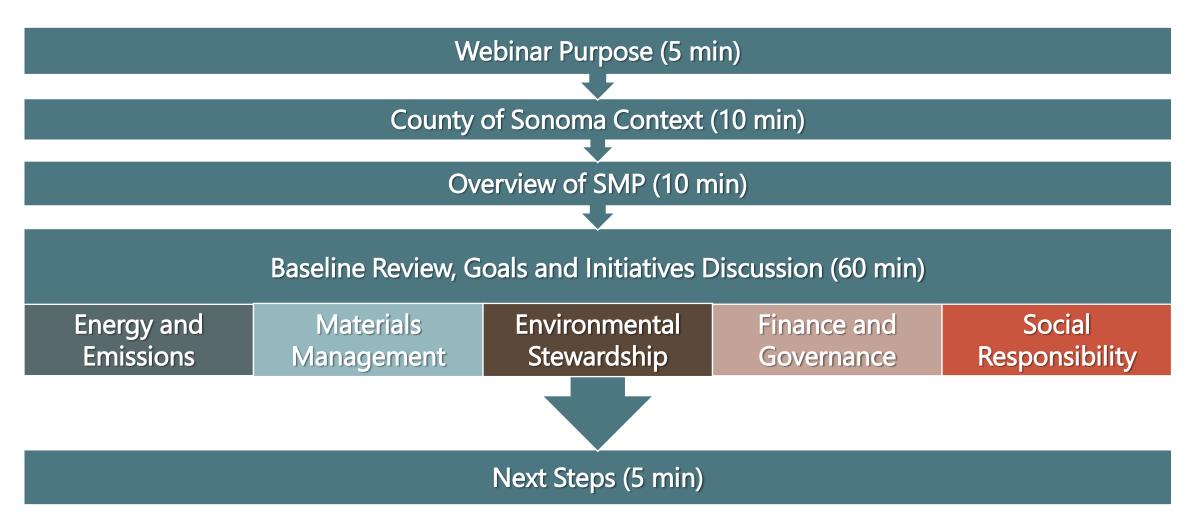


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## **AGENDA**







# **Meeting Format**

- Submit questions through the Q&A function
  - We will pause to address questions throughout the presentation
  - Any unanswered questioned will be summarized and answered after the workshop, a PDF will be posted on the SMP webpage
- Several polls have been included
  - Use your smartphone or computer to respond to polls (anonymous)
- A feedback form will be provided at the end for any additional thoughts/questions
  - This form will remain open for 2 weeks after the webinar
- Please use the transcript/translation feature for accommodation purposes



# Today's Objectives

Understand the background of the Sustainability Management Plan

Review sustainability progress at STS

Share and gain feedback on sustainability goals and initiatives for STS





Climate
Resilience
Comprehensive
Action Plan –
County of Sonoma







# Climate Action and Resiliency Pillar Goals

- Invest in wildfire resilience and preparedness
- Invest in community resilience and carbon neutrality
- Make County facilities carbon free, zero waste and resilient
- Maximize sustainability and emissions reductions in all County Fleet vehicles
- Maximize opportunities for adaptation through land conservation work and land use policies



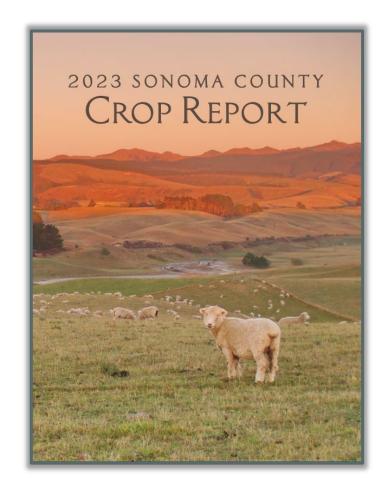


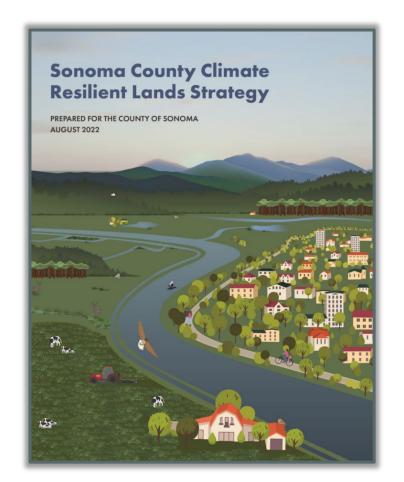
# Path to Carbon Neutral, Zero Waste, and Climate Resilient

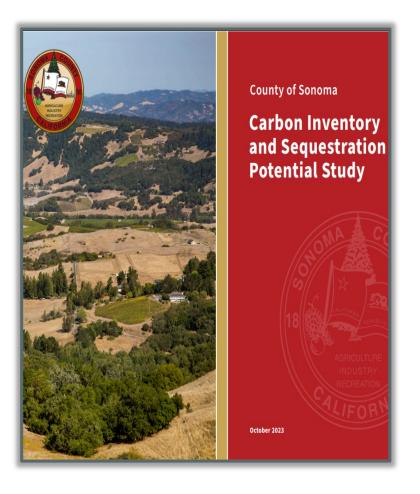












## **County Resources and Support**





## **County of Sonoma Climate Plan Measures**



**Transportation** 



**Zero Waste** 



**Nature-based Solutions** (Adaptation)

Water



Wildfire



**Natural and Working Lands** 



(See Attachment 4-B for Complete Measures)





#### Climate Resilience Comprehensive Action Plan

County of Sonoma
County Adminstrator's Office

August 2024



# **County Climate Action Plan: Approved September 2024**

- \$2.27MM in Funding Approved for Near-Term Measures
- \$460,000 for the Community Engagement Strategy (2024-2026)
- CARD Reorganization in County Administrator's Office





## **Community Climate Plan**

#### **Community Engagement Strategy**

- Advisory Committee of Community Voices
- Collaborative Engagement
- Culturally Relevant Venues & Events
- Identify Priorities, Needs, Barriers, Opportunities
- Prepare Prioritized Recommended Actions for County Support of Community Climate Resilience



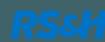






# SMP Project Background







## Sustainability Through an Airport Lens: EONS







# **Sustainability Drivers**

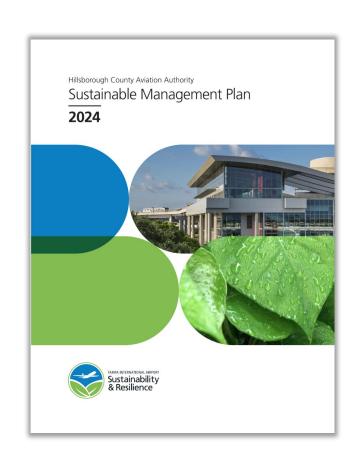
Federal and State Regulations County of Sonoma Sustainability Program Community Interests and Expectations Risk Management Resource Efficiency and Financial Benefits Alignment with Industry Trends Increased Access to Grant Funding





## Elements of a Sustainability Management Plan (SMP)

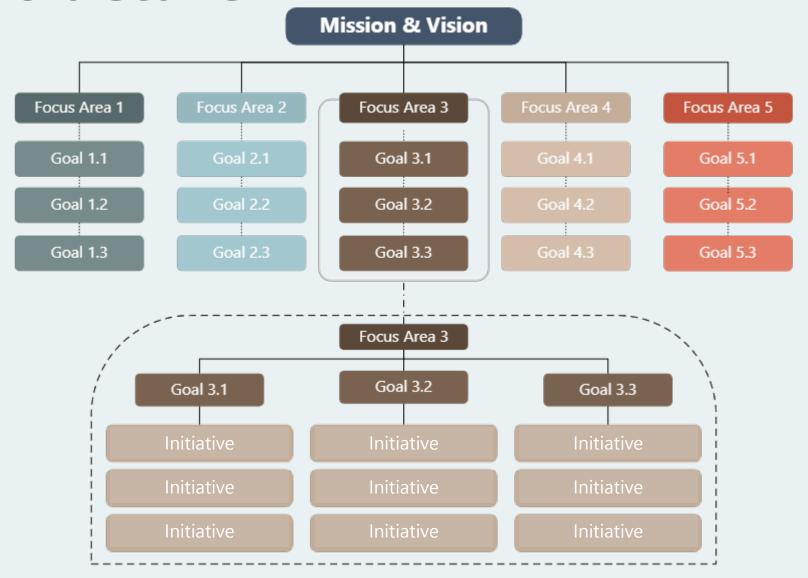
- Sustainability Mission and Vision
- Focus Areas
- Baseline Assessment
- Goals
- Project Development
- Implementation







## **SMP Structure**







# Sustainability Mission and Vision

#### Mission

To serve our community by sustainably operating the Charles M. Schulz Airport, emphasizing safety, economic viability, and responsible stewardship of natural resources.

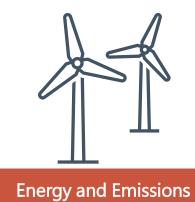
#### **Vision**

To provide innovative, sustainable, and resilient aviation services for future generations of Sonoma County residents and visitors.





## **Focus Areas**



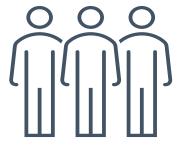




Environmental Stewardship



Finance and Governance



Social Responsibility





## **Alignment with County of Sonoma**

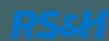
		County of Sonoma Strategic Plan Pillars				
		Climate Action and Resiliency	Healthy and Safe Communities	Organizational Excellence	Racial Equity and Social Justice	Resilient Infrastructure
STS SMP Focus Areas	Energy and Emissions	<b>~</b>	<b>~</b>			<b>~</b>
	Materials Management	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>		
	Environmental Stewardship	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>			
	Finance and Governance			<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
	Social Responsibility		<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>







# **Focus Areas**









## **Energy Emissions Overview**

Renewable Energy

**Energy Use** 

Resource Efficient Buildings

**Fleet Efficiency** 

**Electric Vehicle Infrastructure** 

Carbon Reduction Policies





## **Sustainability Successes: Solar Production**

4.03 GWh of energy generated since its implementation in 2022



#### Equivalent to:



312,851 Gallons of Gasoline



71,290 Trees Planted

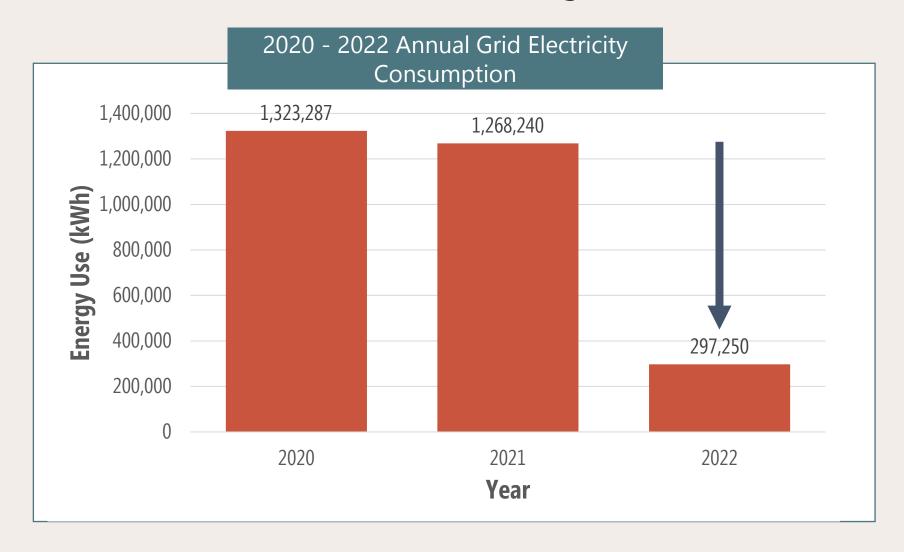


2.02 Million Gallons of Water Saved





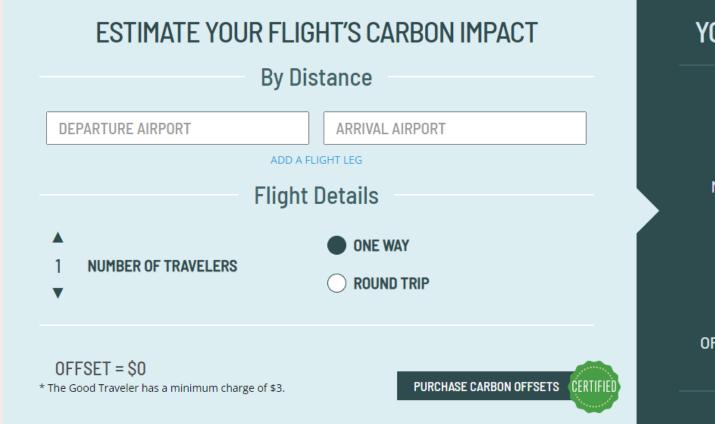
## **Solar Production and Electricity Offset**







### **Sustainability Successes: The Good Traveler**









### Sustainability Successes: Energy and Emissions



Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) offered through FBOs at Airport



Fleet Electrification in Progress



Electric Vehicle charging stations



Airport lighting has transitioned to LED





## **Energy and Emissions Proposed Goals**



Reduce energy use and increase resilience at existing airport facilities by achieving a 15% reduction in electricity use by 2030 from the 2021 baseline.



Support county net zero goal by reducing Scope 1 and 2 airport GHG emissions 90% by 2030, compared to a 2021 Baseline, and offsetting any remaining emissions.



Replace 50% of airport light duty trucks, non-road vehicles and equipment with electric, hybrid, zero emission or CARB compliant equivalents by 2030.



Install EVSE at the airport to support airport fleet electrification by 2030.





### **Potential Initiatives and Areas for Improvement**

Increasing Energy
Efficiency of Buildings

Investing in Additional
Clean Energy or
Offsets to Reduce GHG
Emissions

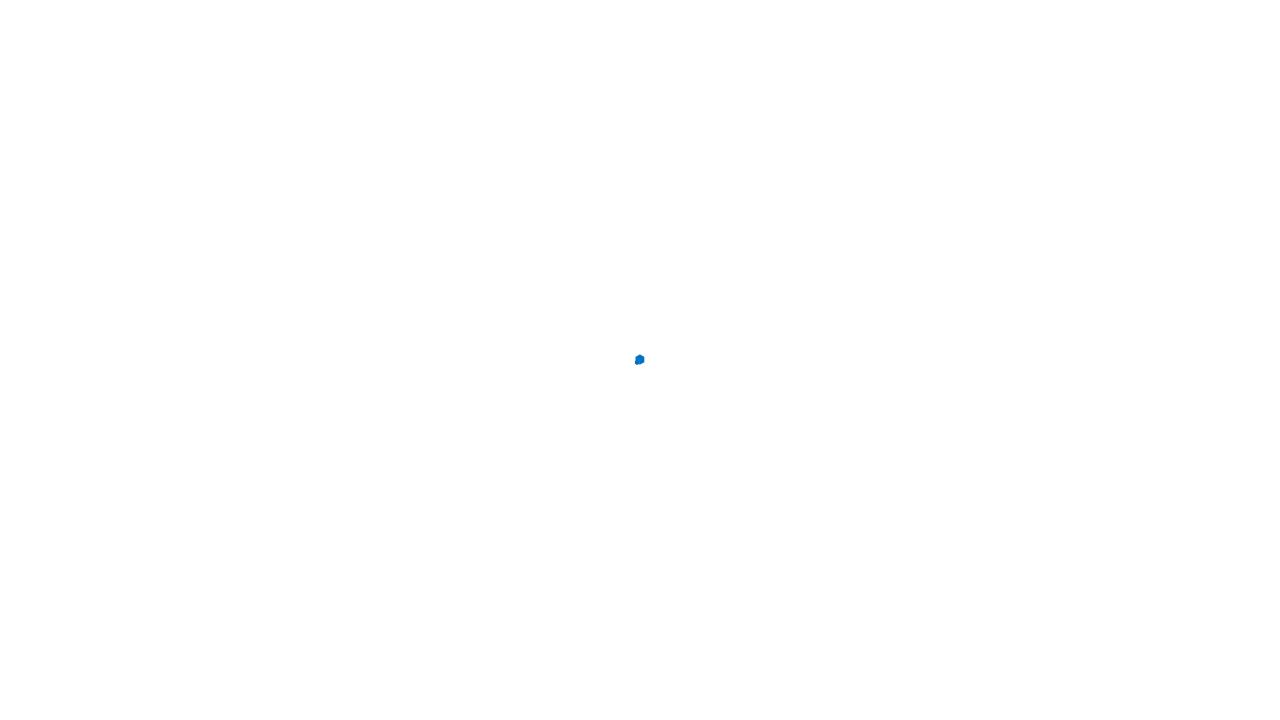
Promoting The Good Traveler Program

Participating in Third Party Sustainability Verification Programs (ACA, Envision, LEED)

Creating an
Electrification Plan for
Airport Vehicles









# Materials Management Overview

**Solid Waste** 

Recycling

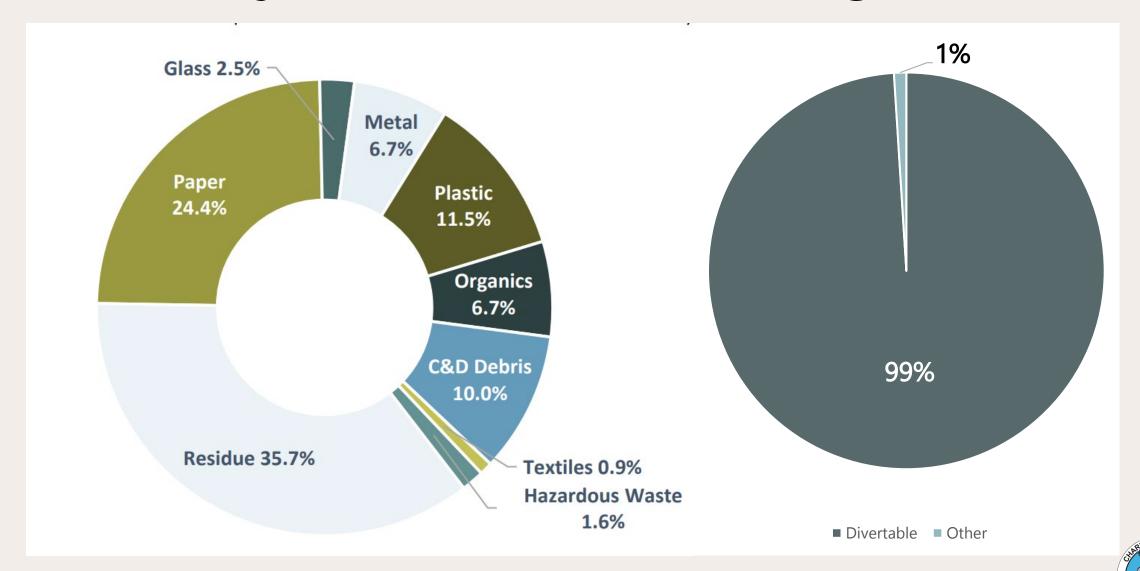
**Construction & Demolition Waste** 

Composting





### Sustainability Successes: Materials Management





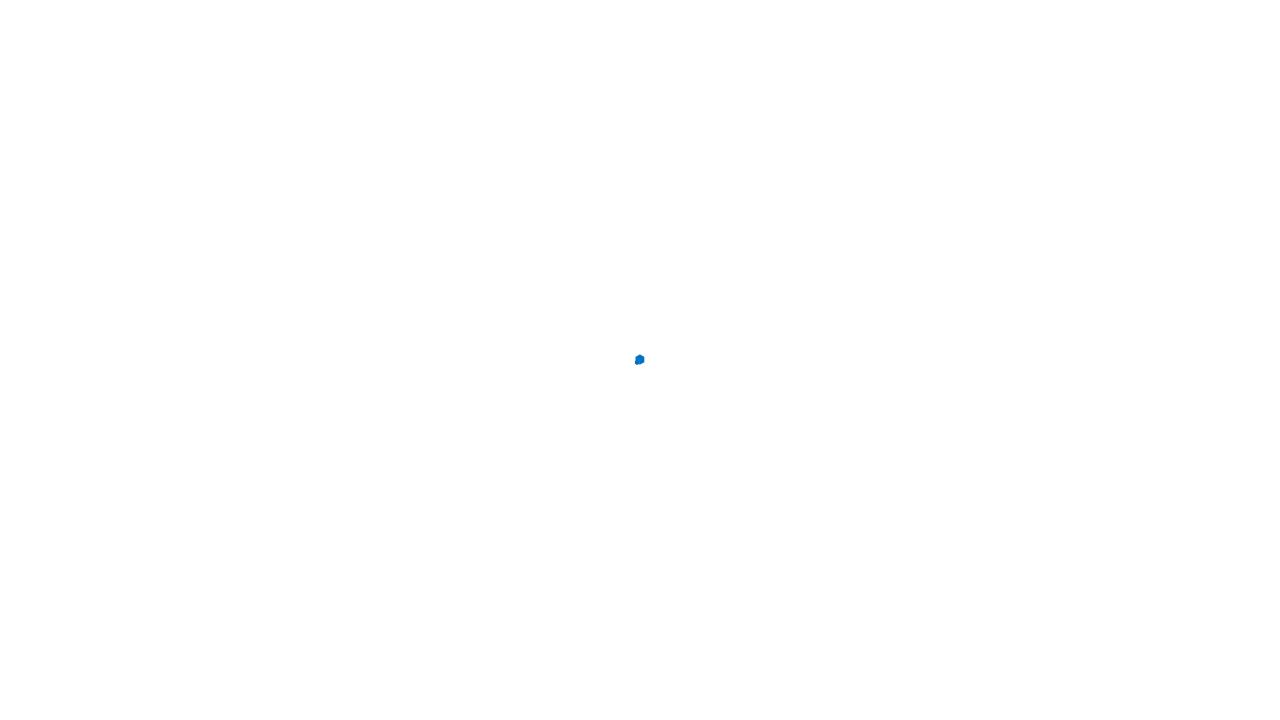
### Sustainability Successes: Materials Management



Triple-stream Bins are located throughout the Airport, encouraging passengers to dispose of their waste in the appropriate bins.







## **Materials Management Proposed Goals**



Track, document, and achieve waste diversion rates in line with applicable county and state targets by 2030.



Develop and implement a communications campaign to motivate travelers to divert recyclable and organic wastes, and work with airport tenants to increase recycling and compost diversion by 2030.



Require construction contractors to achieve a 75% construction and demolition waste diversion rate (or the rate set by Sonoma County if higher), for all major airport construction and renovation projects by 2030





#### **Potential Initiatives and Areas for Improvement**

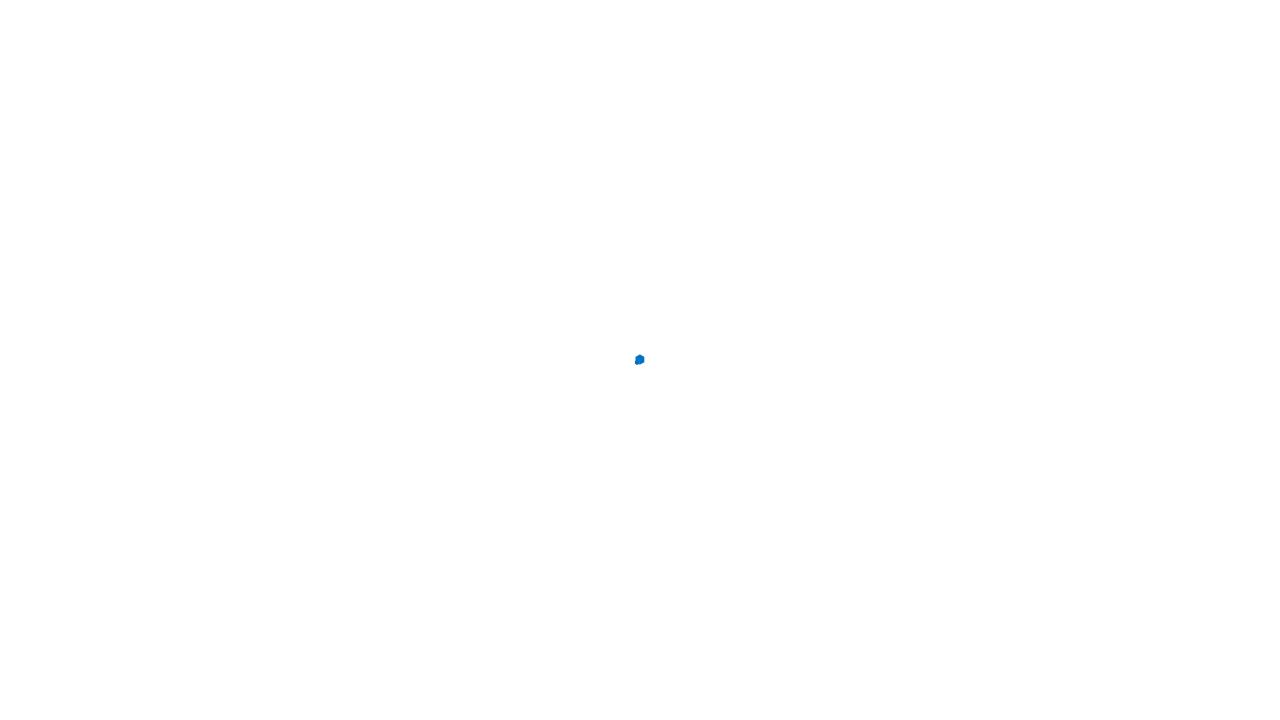
Implement Training
Programs for Staff and
Partners to Increase
Diversion Rates

Engage in a Food Donation Program Develop a Recycling Implementation Plan

Require Contractors to Adhere to a Waste Diversion Policy Through Construction Engage with the Community to Promote Proper Usage of Waste Bins









## **Environmental Stewardship Overview**

Water Use

**Stormwater Management** 

Wildfire Mitigation

**Air Quality** 

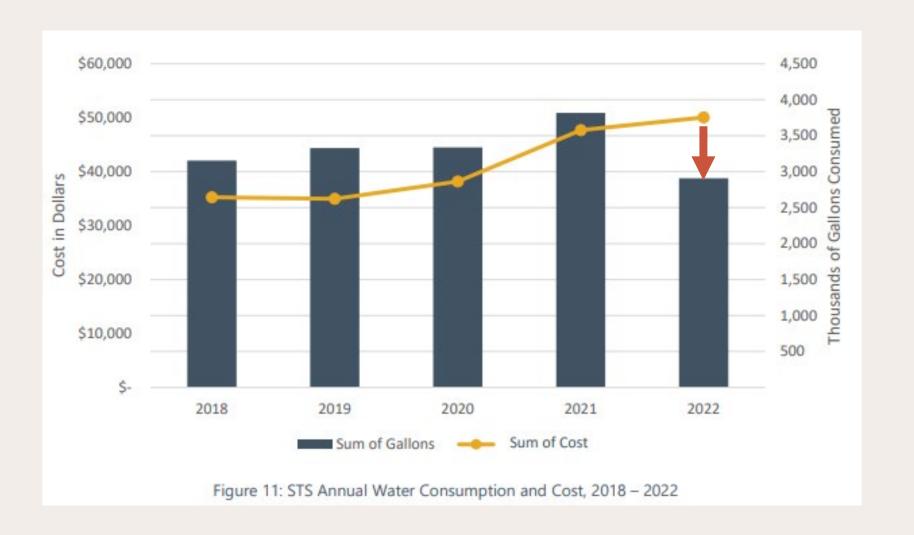
Indoor Environmental Quality

Landscaping





## **Sustainability Successes:**







#### **Sustainability Successes: Wildfire Resilience**



**400** Eucalyptus

Trees Removed in 2022

1,800 Expected to be Removed in the Future



### **Sustainability Successes: PFAS Elimination**

Replacing all
PFAS containing
firefighting
foam with nonPFAS foam by
the end of the
first quarter







## **Environmental Stewardship Proposed Goals**



Evaluate, prioritize, and implement water saving features into new and existing facilities and operations at the Airport by 2030.



Identify and implement methods to increase defensible space and harden airport buildings against wildfire in line with the county Wildfire Resilience Project by 2030.



Increase biodiversity on the airport property, promote native and pollinator friendly species, remove invasive species, and integrate best practices into land management activities by 2030.



Identify opportunities to improve carbon sequestration on airport property and begin implementing beneficial practices described in the Carbon Stock Inventory and Potential Sequestration Study by 2030.





#### **Potential Initiatives and Areas for Improvement**

Continue to Follow Low Impact Development and Green Infrastructure Requirements

Pursue Wildfire Mitigation Opportunities

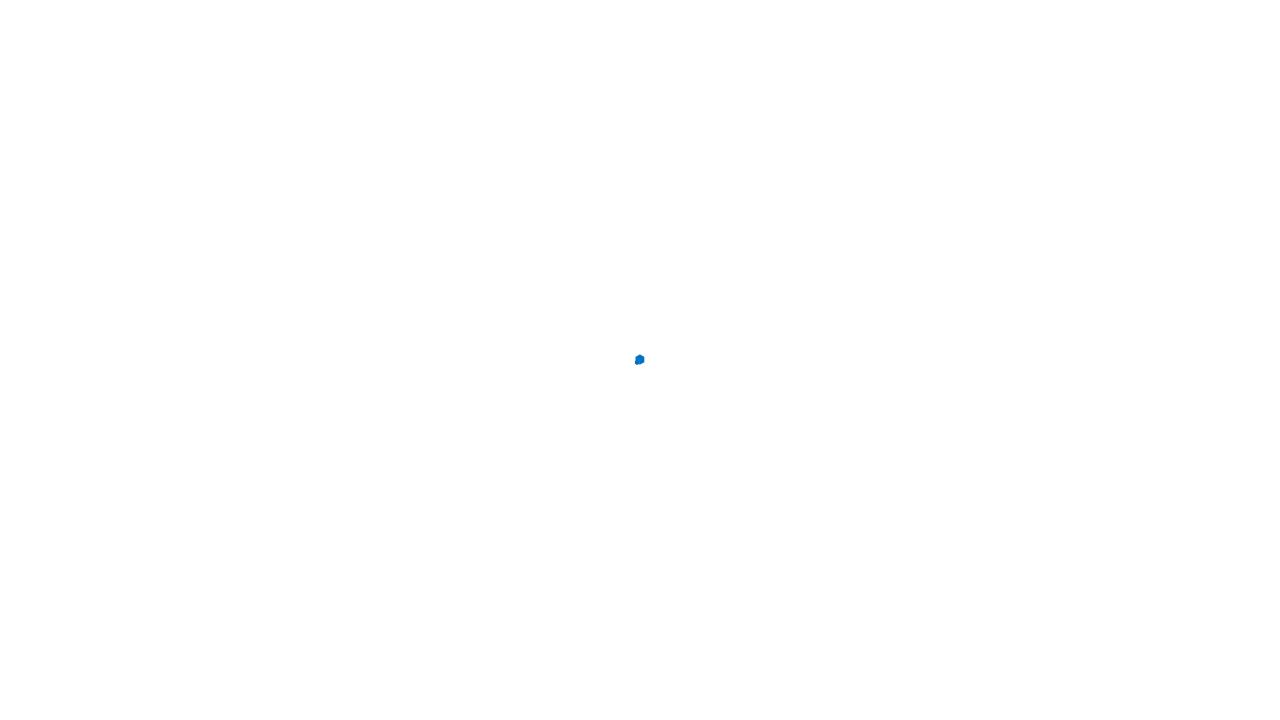
Manage Airport Land in a Way That Sequesters

Carbon

Integrate Sustainable Landscaping (Native Species, Pollinators, etc.) Perform a Water Audit to Increase Water Efficiency









### Finance and Governance Overview

**Revenue Sources** 

**Funding Opportunities** 

**Sustainable Purchasing** 

Capital Improvement Planning

Resilience





#### Sustainability Successes: Regional Economic Driver

**Supports** 

1,788

**Jobs Annually** 

**Generates** 

\$92.4 mil

**In Payroll** 

**Generates** 

\$34.6 mil

**In Tax Revenue** 

**Creates** 

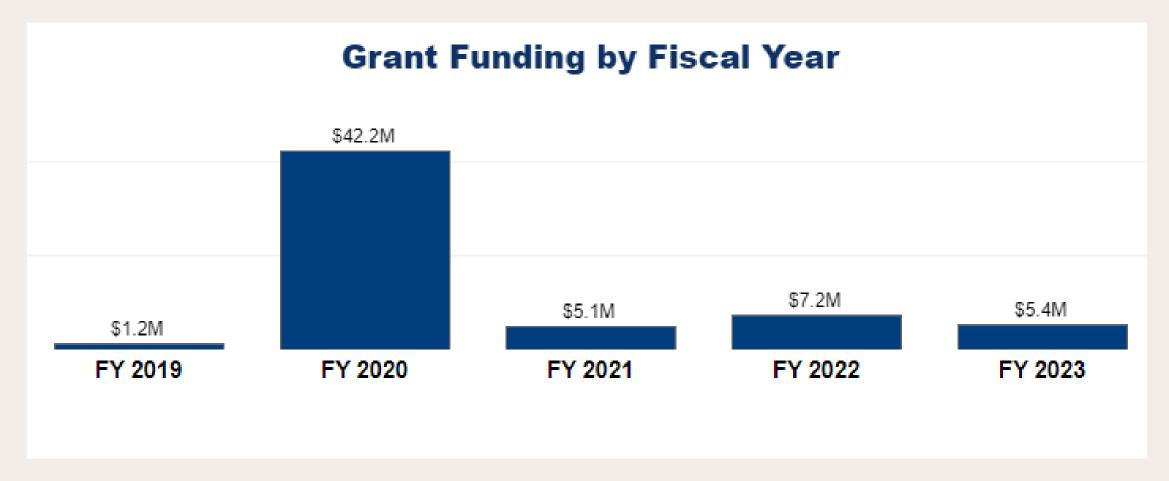
\$231.0 mil

**In Economic Output for the County** 





## **Sustainability Successes: Federal Funding**







## Sustainability Successes: Green Business Policies



#### Charles M. Schulz-Sonoma County Airport

#### **Environmental Policy Statement**

We strive to incorporate sustainability into our core operations through internal and external efforts. Specifically, we adopt the following policies and practices:

- 1. Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle.
- Avoid the use of toxic chemicals.
- Conserve energy, water, natural resources, and move away from fossil fuels where possible.
- 4. Promote environmental education, outreach, and awareness to our staff.





## Finance and Governance Proposed Goals



Secure grant funding and develop a climate resilience assessment and adaptation plan for the airport by 2030.



Update the current sustainable procurement policy and improve implementation for the airport and achieve 50% of qualifying purchases meet sustainable criteria by 2030.



Develop Sustainability Design Criteria or pursue sustainability in new construction through third party certifications by 2030 (i.e., LEED, Envision, Airport Carbon Accreditation, etc.).



Support and prepare for aviation sector transition to clean fuels and electrification by 2030.





#### **Potential Initiatives and Areas for Improvement**

Acquire Federal
Funding for a Climate
Vulnerability and
Adaptation Plan

Incorporate
Sustainability
Requirements into
Selection Criteria for
Tenants and in RFPs

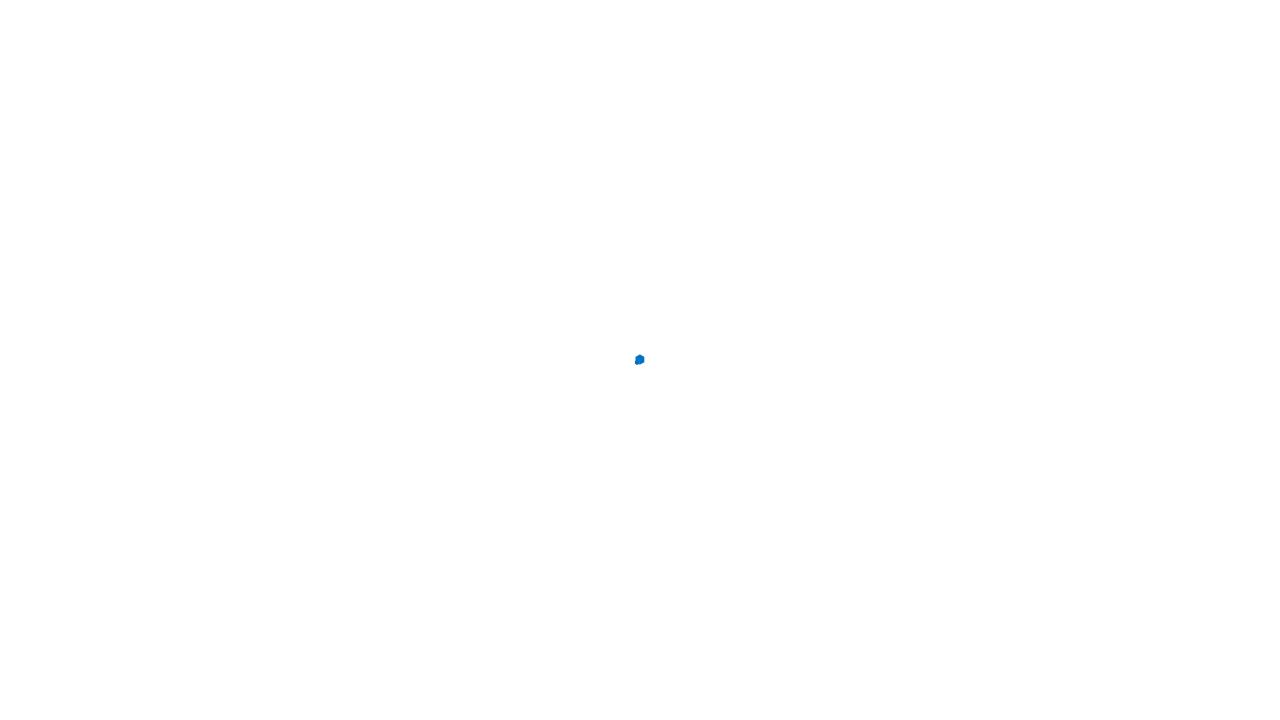
Improve
Implementation of
Existing Environmental
Policy

Integrate Sustainable
Design Standards into
CIP Projects

Complete Planning
Studies for the
Integration of SAF,
Unleaded AvGas, and
eVTOL into Operations







## SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY



## **Social Responsibility Overview**

Employee Attraction and Retention

Workforce Development **Community Engagement** 

Public Transportation

**Partnerships** 

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion





#### Sustainability Successes: Community Engagement









#### Sustainability Successes: Supporting Local Art and Business





#### Sustainability Successes: STS Good Neighbor Program







COMPLAINT













# Sustainability Successes: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Proposed Goal

**5.4%** FY 2025-2027

This goal represents the percentage of work anticipated to be performed by certified DBE firms on the Airport's FAA-assisted projects.





## **Social Responsibility Proposed Goals**



Provide sustainability, DEI, and workforce development training for airport staff and require it for new hires and current employees by 2030.



Develop outreach campaign for airport tenants and stakeholders aligned with county campaigns on energy efficiency, electrification, renewable energy, and energy storage; and encourage tenants/stakeholders to adopt green business certification program, by 2030.



Increase community awareness of STS's sustainability program and accomplishments by developing and implementing a targeted sustainability communications program by 2030.





#### **Potential Initiatives and Areas for Improvement**

Increase Airport
Accessibility Through
Public Transit

Increase Internal Workforce
Development

Provide and Track Sustainability and DEI Training to Employees

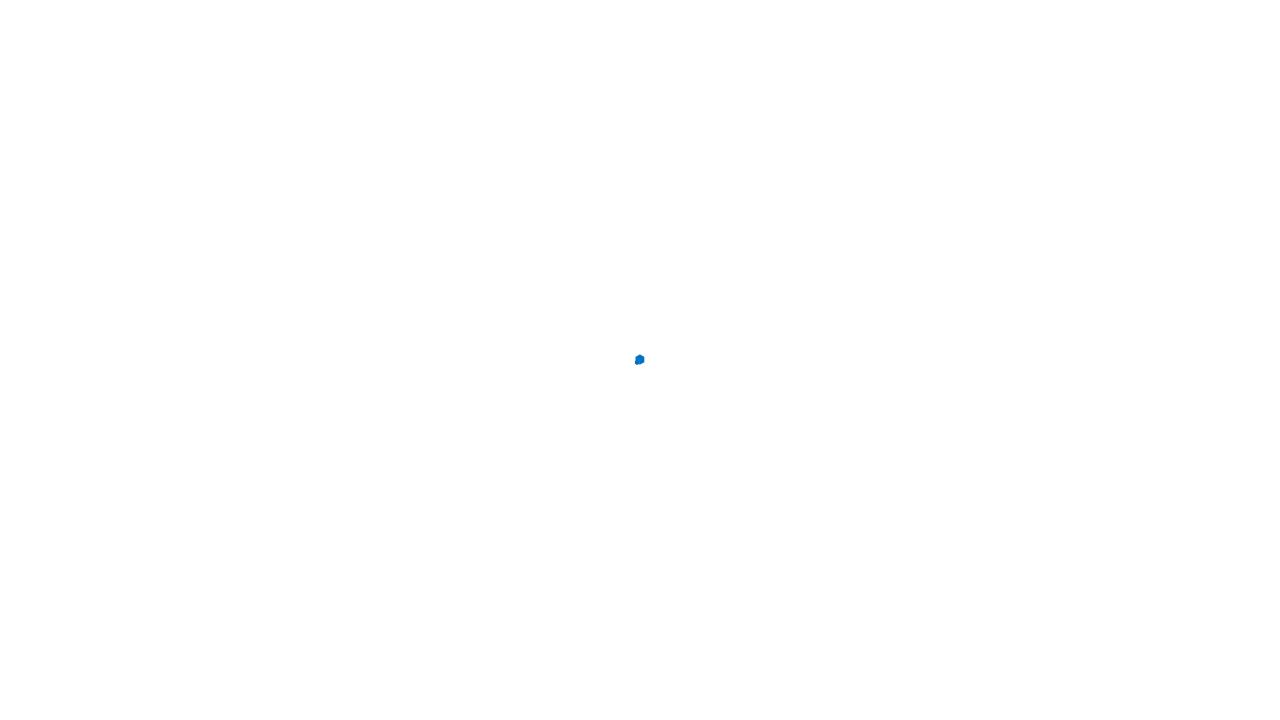
Engage Tenants and Concessionaires to Increase Sustainability

Establish a
Communication Plan to
Effectively and Equitably
Engage the Community

Provide Displays and Informational Services to Passengers Regarding Sustainability







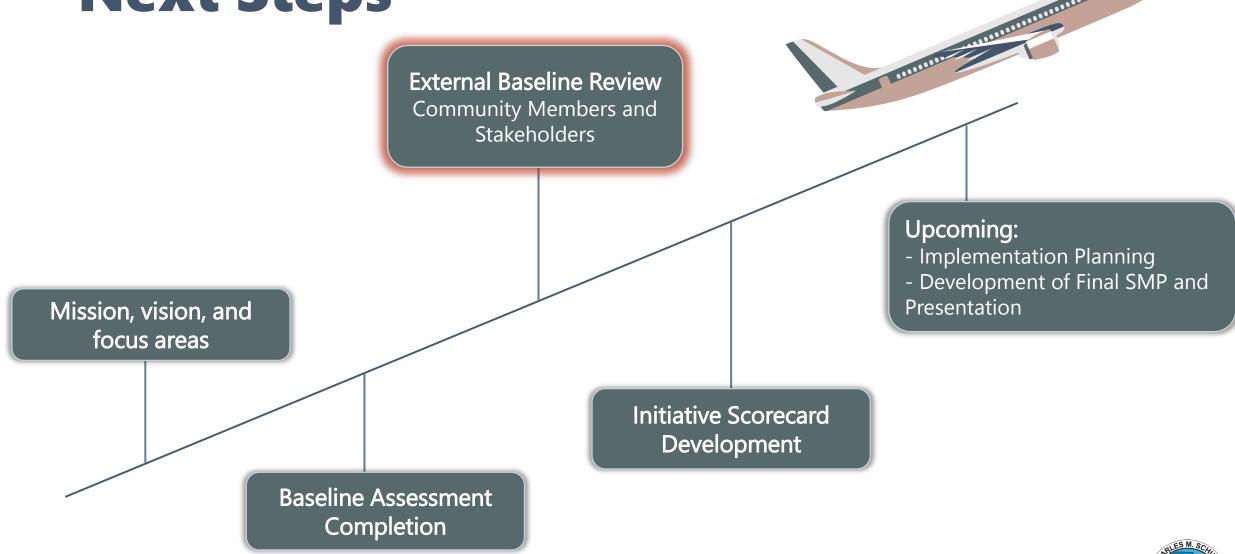


## **Next Steps**





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# QUESTIONS OR FEEDBACK?

STS Baseline Review Webinar Feedback Form





