



Dallas-Fort Worth Air Quality Improvement Plan Comprehensive Action Plan

North Central Texas Council of Governments

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Comprehensive Air Quality Planning

Dallas-Fort Worth Air Quality Improvement Plan: Comprehensive Action Plan (CAP)*

Outlines through 2050:

- Comprehensive Emissions Inventory and Projections
- Targets and Measures to Improve Air Quality in All Sectors

Includes:

- Comprehensive Stakeholder Engagement
- Air Quality Planning for All Emissions of Local Concern
- Integrating NCTCOG Regional and Statewide Efforts**

Potential Impact of Regional Growth:



Nonattainment and
Conformity Lapse



Section 185 Fees (*Failure to
Attain Fees*)



Constrained Resources and
Lacking Infrastructure



Health Impacts

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**TCEQ's Comprehensive Roadmap to Reduce Emissions <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/agency/climate-pollution-reduction-grants>



EPA CAP Guidelines and Requirement Overview

Emissions Inventory (EI) and Projections

- All Sectors (*to the extent possible*)
- All counties/region covered by CAP
- Short-term Projections (i.e. 2030 or 2035)
- Long-term projection (i.e. 2050)

Target

- Be actionable, ambitious, and achievable
- Take into consideration local conditions (**not previously adopted National targets**)
- Consider technical/economic feasibility

Measure Requirement(s)	Included Today?
Description, including clear responsible parties	
Quantified CO ₂ e Emissions Reduced in 2050 to support CAP Goals	
Cost	
Community Benefits	
Implementation Authority and Responsibilities	
Funding Opportunities	
Criteria Air Pollutant Reduced in 2030/2050	
Implementation Timelines and Milestones	
Metrics for Tracking Progress	
Workforce Analysis	



Key Data Sources For EI and Projections

When possible NCTCOG Used Sources Which:

- Are specific to NCTCOG region; or Texas specific;
- Had already been vetted/approved/included in other plans;
- Assumed no/minimal improvements to current emission rates (*to be conservative*)

Materials Management

[NCTCOG Materials Management Plan](#)

[North Central Texas Organic Waste Gap Analysis Study](#)

[EPA Facility Level Information on Greenhouse Gases Tool](#)

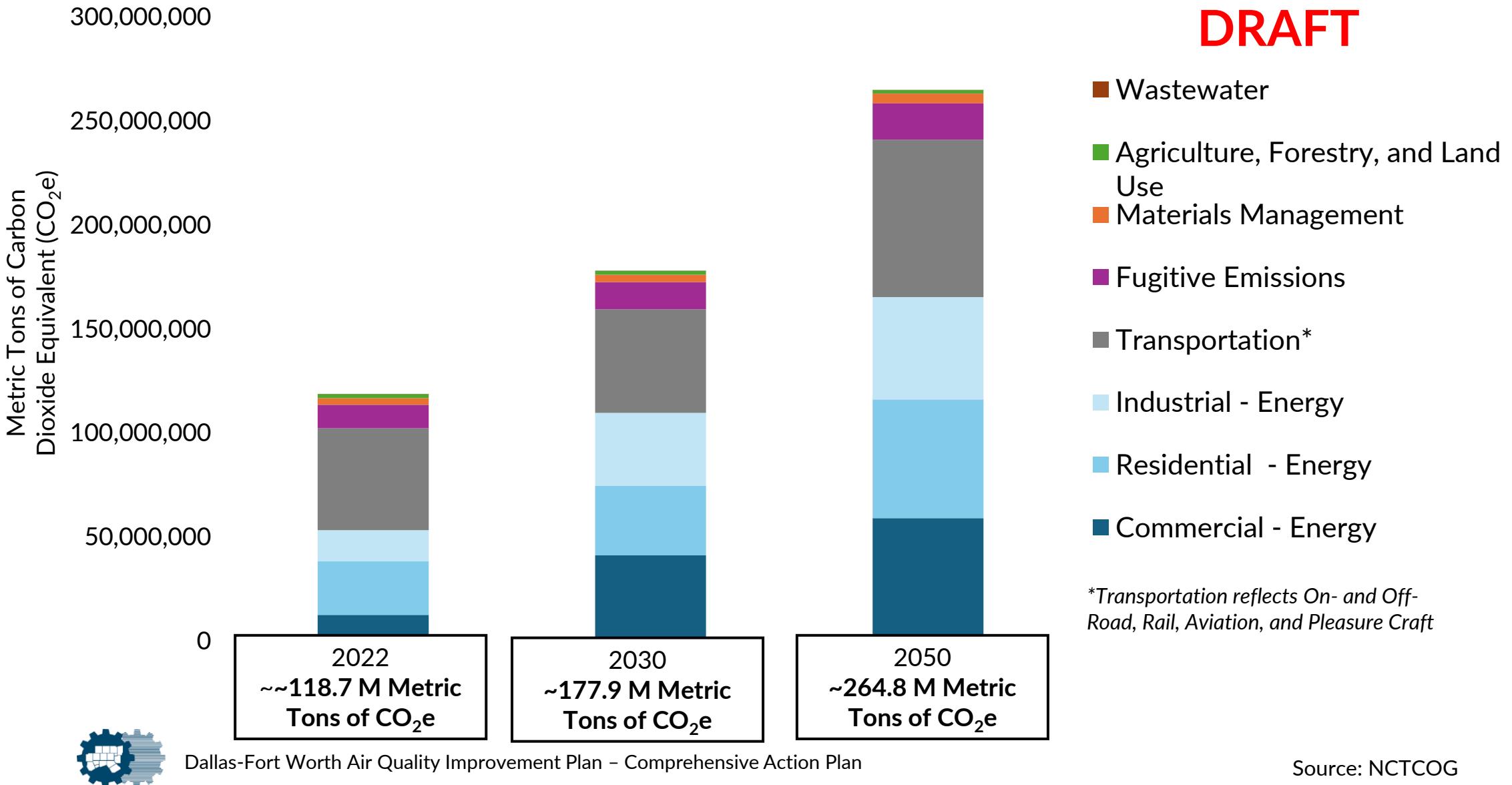
[Population Growth](#)

[Employment Rate of Change](#)



Emissions Inventory and Projections Results

All sectors, Carbon Dioxide Equivalent (CO₂e), Metric Tons/Year NCTCOG 16-county area



Emissions Inventory and Projections

Percent Change In NCTCOG 16-County Carbon Dioxide Equivalent Emissions		
Sector	2022-2030	2022-2050
Commercial- Energy	229%	371%
Residential- Energy	29%	121%
Industrial – Energy	135%	229%
Transportation	2%	55%
Materials Management	13%	46%
Agriculture, Forestry, Land Use	-7%	-20%
Fugitive Emissions	16%	55%
Wastewater	15%	53%
Total	50%	123%

Forecasted Changes by 2050



¹Increase in Electricity Demand of 214%



²Increase in Vehicle Miles Traveled of 81%



³Increase in Water Demand of 97%

¹ERCOT 2025 Long-Term Load Forecast Reports, www.ercot.com/gridinfo/load/forecast

²NCTCOG 2050 Demographic Forecast; www.nctcog.org/executive-director/nctcog-executive-board – November 2024 Item 15

³ 2026 Region C Water Plan; https://www.twdb.texas.gov/waterplanning/rwp/plans/2026/C/RegionC_2026_RWP_Volumel.pdf





Materials Management Targets and Measures

Methodology to Selecting Material Management Measures

Step 1: Review Priority Action Plan Measures Against EPA Requirements for Comprehensive Action Plan

Step 2: Compare Measures for consistency with NCTCOG's Regional Solid Waste Management Plan 2022-2042.

Step 3: Update Measures and Collect Input from Stakeholders/Committees

Step 4: Receive Approval from the Resource Conservation Council



Development Materials Management Targets

- Surveyed local governments, waste facility permit holders, and other stakeholders
 - Survey was distributed from July 15, 2025, to August 22, 2025.
- Engaged with NCTCOG's Resource Conservation Council for input on targets.
- Consulted NCTCOG's Regional Solid Waste Management Plan 2022-2042 and Organic Waste Gap Analysis Study, as well as TCEQ's 2022 Municipal Solid Waste Report.



Materials Management Overview

DRAFT: Materials Management Sector Target:

25% Reduction of 2050 CO₂e emissions; ~ 1,200,000 metric tons of CO₂e in 2050



Organic Material

- Expand Compost Opportunities to Increase Waste Diversion Efforts
- Divert Organic Waste Into Waste-to-Energy Systems

Provides ~20% of CO₂e Reduction Goal



Construction and Demolition

- Expand Regional Construction Material Recycling Efforts

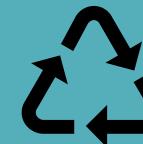
Provides ~2% of CO₂e Reduction Goal



Waste Disposal Facilities and Processes

- Implement Western Regional Resource Management Center
- Implement Landfill Gas Collection & Management Systems

Provides ~21% of CO₂e Reduction Goal



Recycling

- Upgrade Existing Facilities to Optimize Load Weights
- Construct Additional Recycling Centers Across the Region
- Expand Tire Recycling Efforts

Provides ~56% of CO₂e Reduction Goal

For more information regarding these measures please see Materials Management Handout.



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Upcoming Meetings/Input Opportunities:

Go to www.publicinput.com/dfwAQIP for more information and for draft documents



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