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Driving Together Toward a Green
Tomorrow
November 2023



Nicholas Trucking Unveils Emissions-Reducing, Cost-Cutting Propane Trucks

Nicholas Trucking runs many USPS delivery routes across PA, has adopted clean, economic, safe propane fueled trucks.

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EP-ACT'S 30TH ANNUAL STAKEHOLDER MEETING



30 YEARS... INTO THE FUTURE!

Please Join us for our **30th Annual Stakeholder Meeting**. This meeting will help you understand the State of the Coalition, and where we expect to be in the next 30 years. This annual event is always held on the Tuesday - **November 21st** - prior to Thanksgiving, a work day that will help ease you in to the holidays.

Our panel will include presentations on next generation fuels available NOW, 30 years of Clean Cities advancing the choice for transportation energy and much more. Our meeting will be followed by our **renowned networking luncheon**, this is really where the rubber meets the road.



Mike Cecere
National Accounts Clean Energy
Presenting on Renewable Natural Gas



Kareem Afzal
PDC Machines
Presenting on Hydrogen



Danny Falcone
SVE Approved
Presenting on Renewable Deisel



Bridget Kidd
Senior VP of PERC
Presenting on Renewable Propane

Tuesday November 21, 2023

DVRPC Headquarters - 190 N Independence
Mall W, 8th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19106
Program 10-12 pm, Networking Luncheon 12-1 pm

Registration is required and limited to 50 attendees

[Click Here to Register](#)



CHARGE@WORK

POWERING WORKPLACE CHARGING

Join our Informational Webinar on Nov 15th 12-1:00 EST

Join EP-ACT, PRCC, and Stak Mobility and others. Hear from experienced **leaders in mobility reorganization**. By leveraging our e-mobility expertise and commitment to diversity, we aim to **build an equitable e-mobility infrastructure**. This isn't just a transition, it's a transformation towards a sustainable future.

Registration Required
click below to register

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Charge@Work is a United States Department of Energy funded program designed to bring Electric Vehicle charging to American workers by engaging workplaces, public officials, and community leaders to start workplace charging programs

Sign the Pledge to show your Commitment & Get Started:

- [Sign up](#) to receive more information
- Consider hosting an EV ride-and-drive event for workers
- Gauge employee interest by deploying an employee survey on topics like commuting distance, travel patterns, car ownership, future car plans, and thoughts on a workplace charging program
- Identify stakeholders who could be involved in the planning, installation, and management of the program
- Introduce employees to the benefits of a workplace charging program

[If you would like to discuss working with us on your project click here](#)

www.Chargeatwork.org

We can Support your workplace charging project from idea to implementation with our technical planning, installation, and incentive program expertise

Nicholas Trucking Invests in Propane

Nicholas Trucking has invested in clean, safe, and economic propane to power their supplemental USPS Routes



With help from EP-ACT, Nichols Trucking Secured a \$93,000 in funding from Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection Driving PA Forward program

With the funding, they secured three Ford F-750 propane vehicles with an additional five trucks planned within the year

Propane vehicles emit fewer greenhouses gases, smog, and hydrocarbons. The new engines are 90% cleaner than the EPA's most stringent standards

2023 Clean School Bus Rebate Program

The EPA's Rebate program offers at least \$500 million in funding for clean school buses and zero-emission school buses with the potential to modify this figure based on the application pool and other factors

Applications for the program are due by 4 p.m. ET on January 31, 2024

EPA is also working closely with the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation (Joint Office) to provide school districts with support as they plan for and implement adding electric school buses to their fleets..



To learn more [Click Here!](#)

Alternative Fuel Corridors

Round 7 of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law's AFC funding

As part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), the Department of Transportation is required to invest in Alternative Fuel Corridors (AFCs)

The Federal Highway administration reviewed and evaluated applicants in round 7 of nominations submitted in may of this year. EP-ACT working in conjunction with PennDOT will assist the implementation of PAs newest AFCs.

Round 7 Designations Include

- **EV Charging:** Designations in 11 States, American Samoa, Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and Puerto Rico
- **Hydrogen:** Designations in 13 states
- **Compressed Natural Gas (CNG):** Designations in 1 State
- **Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)**
- **Propane:** Designations in 1 State

Corridors must support freight and goods movement (Freight EV Corridors). In the Request for Nominations, FHWA proposed the National Highway Freight Network as the preliminary designation for Freight EV Corridors, with an option for States to make recommended changes.

Hydrogen

I-76: Between the PA/OH Border and PA/NJ Border

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I-79: Between the PA/WV border and the I-79/SR 5/SR 290 Interchange

I-81: Between the PA/MD border and the PA/NY Border

I-83: Between the PA/MD border and I-83/I-81 Interchange at Harrisburg

I-90: Between the PA/OH border and PA/NY Border

I-95: Between the PA/DE border and the PA/NJ Border

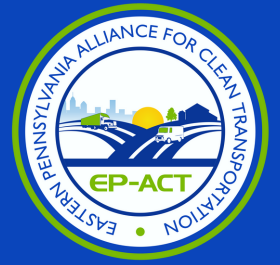
Electric Vehicles

I-180: Between the I-180/US 15/US 220 interchange at Williamsport and the I-180/I-80/SR 147 interchange

For more information, click below

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National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure - Round 1A Priority Locations



PennDOT has released the draft NEVI Round 1A Priority Locations map. The map is interactive and can be found through the link below

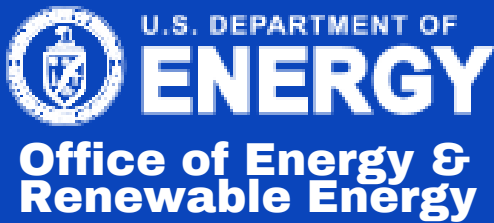
The map displays the corridor-groups that will compete for funding, the priority level of each corridor-group, and 1-mile polygons off of each exit and highway segment so viewers know which locations are eligible to apply

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Informational Meeting Wednesday, November 8 6:00-8:00 p.m.

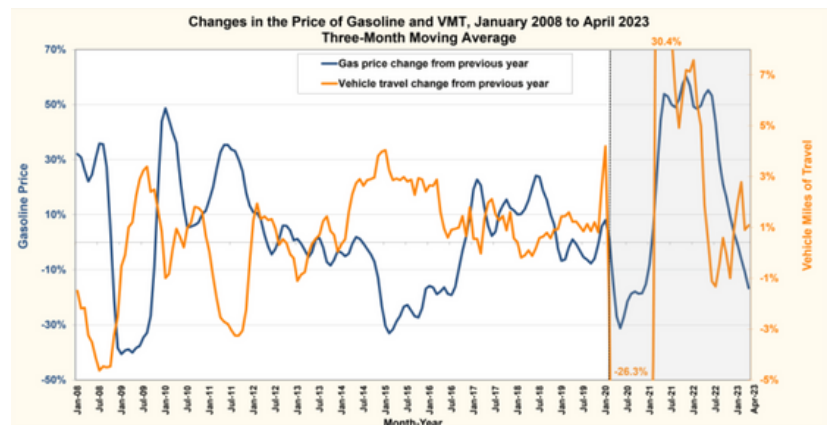
Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission (SPC)
42 21st Street, Suite 101, Pittsburgh PA 15222



Fact of the Week #1313:

Relationship between Vehicle Miles Traveled and Gasoline Prices Has Not Returned to Historical Pattern Following the Pandemic

Historically, there has been somewhat of an inverse relationship between vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and gasoline prices. In the past, a rise in gasoline prices was typically followed by a decrease in discretionary travel, leading to a decrease in VMT. This set up a pattern where the gasoline price and VMT trendlines almost mirrored each other. In 2020, during the COVID-19 pandemic, there were severe disruptions in VMT that broke that pattern. Gasoline prices and VMT were both going down at the same time from March 2020 to March 2021 and then both increased thereafter. In early 2022 both gasoline prices and VMT experienced another large decline with the VMT decline preceding the decline in gasoline prices.



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To learn more about the fact of the week, or sign up to get alerts, click the link below

EP-ACT THANKS YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

New Members and Valued Stakeholders

Continued Support

- University of Pennsylvania
- West Chester University
- Haverford School District
- Norristown Area School District
- Wilson School District
- Radnor Township School District
- Upper Moreland School District
- Air & Gas Technologies
- Oxford Engineering
- PGW
- Rowan Energy Integration



New Members

- Tri-County Transit
- TransEdge Trucking
- Sordoni Construction
- Township of Lower Merion
- Lightility





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