

TOWN OF CORTE MADERA

GREENHOUSE GAS INVENTORY FOR COMMUNITY EMISSIONS FOR THE YEAR 2024

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

THE TAKEAWAY:

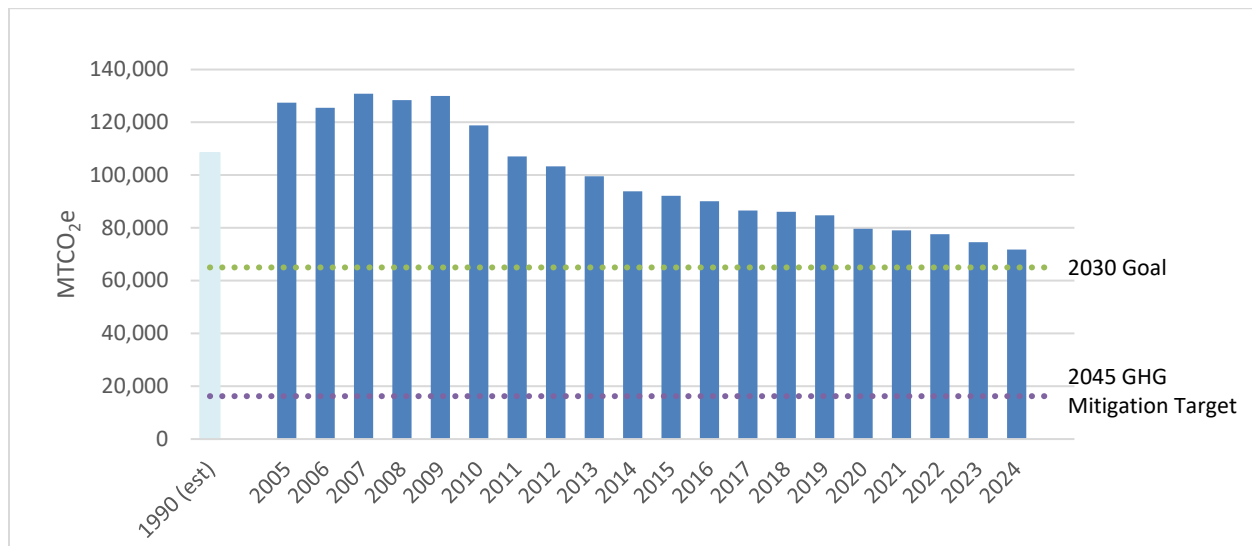
COMMUNITY EMISSIONS DOWN
44% SINCE 2005, OR 34%
BELOW 1990 LEVELS

Corte Madera publishes annual community greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions estimates through the Marin Climate & Energy Partnership (MCEP). Annual inventories help the Town to more closely monitor its progress in meeting its local goal to reduce community emissions 40% below 1990 levels by 2030. In addition to the community inventories, MCEP periodically prepares inventories for government operations

emissions. Municipal emissions accounted for less than 1% of community emissions when the municipal inventory was last conducted for year 2015.

This report reviews emissions generated from the community from 2005 through 2024, the most recent year for which data are available. The inventory shows that the Corte Madera community has reduced emissions 44% since 2005 and GHG emissions were 34% below estimated 1990 levels in 2024. Emissions dropped from about 127,507 metric tons carbon dioxide equivalents (MTCO₂e) in 2005 to 71,856 MTCO₂e in 2024. The community emissions trend and targets are shown below. Corte Madera needs to reduce emissions by another 6,827 MTCO₂e to meet the 2030 target and by another 55,598 MTCO₂e to meet the State's zero net emissions target for 2045, which includes a GHG mitigation target of 85% reduction below 1990 levels.

FIGURE 1: CORTE MADERA GHG EMISSIONS AND TARGETS



Recognizing the need for a collaborative approach to greenhouse gas reductions, city and county leaders launched the Marin Climate and Energy Partnership (MCEP) in 2007. The Town of Corte Madera is a member of MCEP and works with representatives from the County of Marin and the other Marin cities and towns to address and streamline the implementation of a variety of greenhouse gas reduction measures. Funding for this inventory was provided by the Marin County Energy Watch Partnership, which administers public goods charges collected by PG&E. Community inventories are available on the MCEP website at marinclimate.org and are used to update the [Marin Sustainability Tracker](http://MarinSustainabilityTracker.org).

INTRODUCTION

PURPOSE OF INVENTORY

The objective of this greenhouse gas emissions inventory is to identify the sources and quantify the amounts of greenhouse gas emissions generated by the activities of the Corte Madera community in 2024. This inventory provides a comparison to 2005 and estimated 1990 emissions and identifies the sectors where significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions have occurred. In some instances, previous year emissions were updated with new data and/or recalculated to ensure the same methodology was employed for all inventory years. In particular, on-road transportation emissions were revised due to an update in the California Air Resources Board EMFAC model, and waste emissions were updated using results from a new Marin countywide waste characterization study.

General Methodology

This inventory uses national standards for the accounting and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions. The [U.S. Community Protocol for Accounting and Reporting of Greenhouse Gas Emissions, version 1.2 \(July 2019\)](#) was used for the quantification and reporting of community emissions. Quantification methodologies, emission factors, and activity and source data are detailed in the appendix.

Community emissions are categorized according to seven sectors:

- Built Environment - Electricity
- Built Environment – Natural Gas
- Transportation
- Off-Road Vehicles and Equipment
- Waste
- Water
- Wastewater

CALCULATING EMISSIONS

Emissions are quantified by multiplying the measurable activity data – e.g., kilowatt hours of electricity, therms of natural gas, and gallons of diesel or gasoline – by emission factors specific to the energy source. Most emission factors are the same from year to year. Emission factors for electricity, however, change from year to year due to the specific sources that are used to produce electricity. For example, electricity that is produced from coal generates more greenhouse gases than electricity that is generated from natural gas and therefore has a higher emission factor. Electricity that is produced solely from renewable energy sources, such as solar and wind, has an emission factor of zero.

This inventory calculates individual greenhouse gases – e.g., carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide – and converts each greenhouse gas emission to a standard metric, known as “carbon dioxide equivalents” or CO₂e, to provide an apples-to-apples comparison among the various emissions. Table 1 shows the greenhouse gases identified in this inventory and their global warming potential (GWP), a measure of the amount of warming each gas causes when compared to a similar amount of carbon dioxide. Methane, for example, is 28 times as potent as carbon

dioxide; therefore, one metric ton of methane is equivalent to 28 metric tons of carbon dioxide. Greenhouse gas emissions are reported in this inventory as metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalents, or MTCO₂e.

TABLE 1: GREENHOUSE GASES

Gas	Chemical Formula	Emission Source	Global Warming Potential
Carbon Dioxide	CO ₂	Combustion of natural gas, gasoline, diesel, and other fuels	1
Methane	CH ₄	Combustion, anaerobic decomposition of organic waste in landfills and wastewater	28
Nitrous Oxide	N ₂ O	Combustion, wastewater treatment	265

Source: IPCC Fifth Assessment Report (2014)

TYPES OF EMISSIONS

Emissions from each of the greenhouse gases can come in a number of forms:

- **Stationary or mobile combustion** resulting from the on-site combustion of fuels (natural gas, diesel, gasoline, etc.) to generate heat or electricity, or to power vehicles and equipment.
- **Purchased electricity** resulting from the generation of power from utilities outside the jurisdictional boundary.
- **Fugitive emissions** resulting from the unintentional release of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere, such as methane from waste decomposition.
- **Process emissions** from physical or chemical processing of a material, such as wastewater treatment.

UNDERSTANDING TOTALS

The totals listed in the tables and discussed in the report are a summation of emissions using available estimation methods. Each inventoried sector may have additional emissions sources associated with it that were unaccounted for due to a lack of data or robust quantification methods. For example, greenhouse gas emissions associated with air travel and the production of goods outside the community's boundary are not included in the inventory. Additionally, the community inventory does not include refrigerants released into the atmosphere from the use of air conditioning in cars and buildings.

COMMUNITY INVENTORY

COMMUNITY INVENTORY SUMMARY

In 2005, the activities taking place in the Corte Madera community resulted in approximately 127,507 metric tons of CO₂e. ¹ In 2024, those activities resulted in approximately 71,856 metric tons of CO₂e, a reduction of 44% from 2005 levels, which is equivalent to 34% below estimated 1990 levels.

The community inventory tracks emissions in seven sectors:

- The **Built Environment – Electricity** sector represents emissions generated from the use of electricity in Corte Madera homes and commercial, industrial, and governmental buildings and facilities.
- The **Built Environment – Natural Gas** sector represents emissions generated from the use of natural gas in Corte Madera homes and commercial, industrial, and governmental buildings and facilities. Propane used as a primary heating source is also included, although it represents less than 1% of emissions in this sector.
- The **Transportation** sector includes tailpipe emissions from passenger vehicle trips originating and/or ending in Corte Madera, as well as tailpipe emissions generated by medium and heavy-duty vehicles and traveling on Marin County roads based on the Town's share of certain truck-generating industries. Emissions from buses serving Corte Madera while travelling on roads within the jurisdiction are also included. Electricity used to power electric vehicles is embedded in electricity consumption reported in the Built Environment- Electricity sector.
- The **Waste** sector represents fugitive methane emissions that are generated over time as organic material decomposes in the landfill. Although most methane is captured or flared off at the landfill, approximately 25% escapes into the atmosphere.
- The **Off-Road** sector represents emissions from the combustion of gasoline and diesel fuel from the operation of off-road vehicles and equipment used for construction and landscape maintenance.
- The **Water** sector represents emissions from energy used to pump, treat and convey potable water from the water source to Corte Madera water users.
- The **Wastewater** sector represents stationary, process, and fugitive greenhouse gases that are created during the treatment of wastewater generated by the community, as well as emissions created from electricity used to convey and treat wastewater.

Table 2 shows how emissions in each sector have changed since 2005. The greatest reductions have occurred in the Built Environment – Electricity sector (-18,846 MTCO₂e), followed by the Transportation sector (-18,630 MTCO₂e) the Built Environment – Natural Gas sector (-16,498 MTCO₂e) sector. Figure 2 shows the relative contribution of emissions from these sectors in 2024. The Transportation sector contributes the largest share of GHG emissions (78%), followed by the Built Environment – Natural Gas sector (24%). The likely reasons for the largest emissions decreases are described in the remainder of this report.

¹ Baseline and historical emissions are recalculated in the annual inventory to integrate new data and improved calculation methodologies and to ensure consistent comparison across each year. For this reason, emission levels may differ from levels reported in previous inventories.

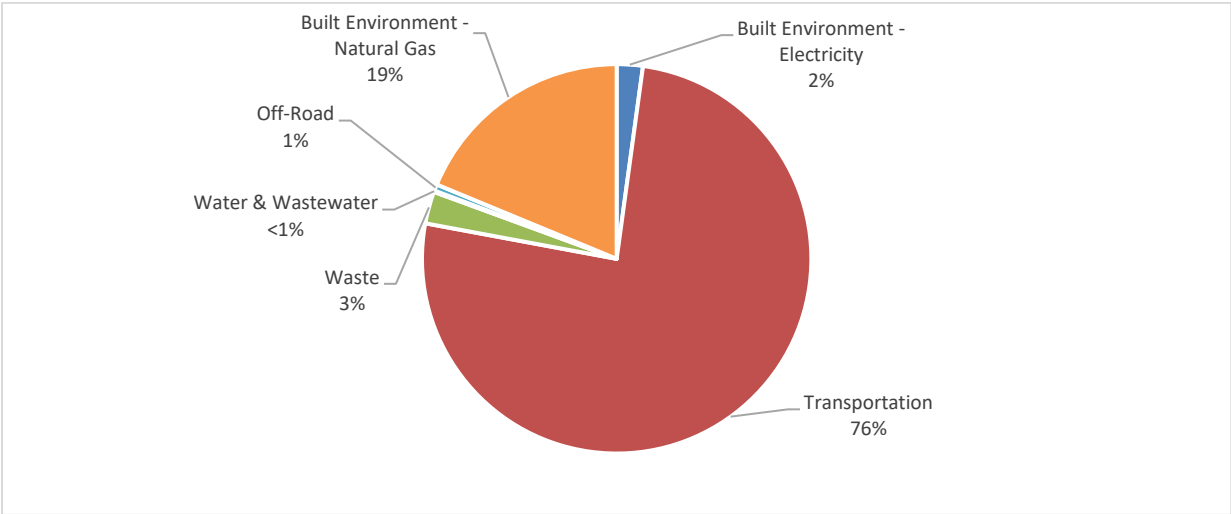
TABLE 2: EMISSIONS SUMMARY BY SECTOR (MTCO₂E), 2005 THROUGH 2024

Year	Built Environment - Electricity	Built Environment - Natural Gas	Transportation	Waste	Off-Road	Water	Wastewater	Total	% Change from 2005	% Change from 1990 ²
1990 (est.) ¹								108,381		
2005	20,402	29,981	73,067	3,066	663	115	212	127,507		
2006	18,550	29,882	73,103	3,028	696	101	204	125,565	-2%	
2007	24,872	28,587	73,422	2,712	855	135	256	130,839	3%	
2008	24,725	27,676	72,756	2,247	671	124	260	128,460	1%	
2009	22,748	28,157	76,212	1,968	558	124	233	130,001	2%	
2010	16,963	28,168	71,016	1,925	489	70	191	118,822	-7%	
2011	13,402	20,338	70,767	1,879	474	50	177	107,086	-16%	
2012	13,467	16,666	70,583	1,954	463	53	188	103,374	-19%	
2013	12,142	16,202	68,523	1,985	456	61	185	99,554	-22%	
2014	10,692	13,810	66,678	2,009	448	55	160	93,851	-26%	
2015	10,546	14,130	64,771	2,083	439	43	156	92,166	-28%	
2016	8,424	14,943	63,630	2,456	427	31	143	90,055	-29%	
2017	4,392	15,148	63,976	2,568	413	9	107	86,613	-32%	
2018	4,543	15,698	62,980	2,373	412	3	100	86,109	-32%	
2019	5,359	16,096	60,532	2,264	392	0	84	84,727	-34%	-22%
2020	3,318	14,684	59,131	2,110	382	0	85	79,710	-37%	-26%
2021	3,431	15,210	58,209	1,743	386	0	85	79,063	-38%	-27%
2022	2,760	14,836	57,868	1,673	390	0	83	77,610	-39%	-28%
2023	1,505	15,462	55,241	1,897	394	0	83	74,582	-42%	-31%
2024	1,555	13,483	54,437	1,915	382	0	83	71,856	-44%	-34%
Change from 2005	-18,846	-16,498	-18,630	-1,151	-281	-115	-129	-55,651		
% Change from 2005	-92%	-55%	-25%	-38%	-42%	-100%	-61%	-44%		

¹ Per California Air Resources Board guidance, 1990 levels are estimated at 15% below 2005 levels.

² In 2020, Corte Madera adopted an updated Climate Action Plan that established a goal to reduce emissions at least 40% below 1990 levels by 2030. This column will track that progress over time.

FIGURE 2: EMISSIONS BY SECTOR, 2024

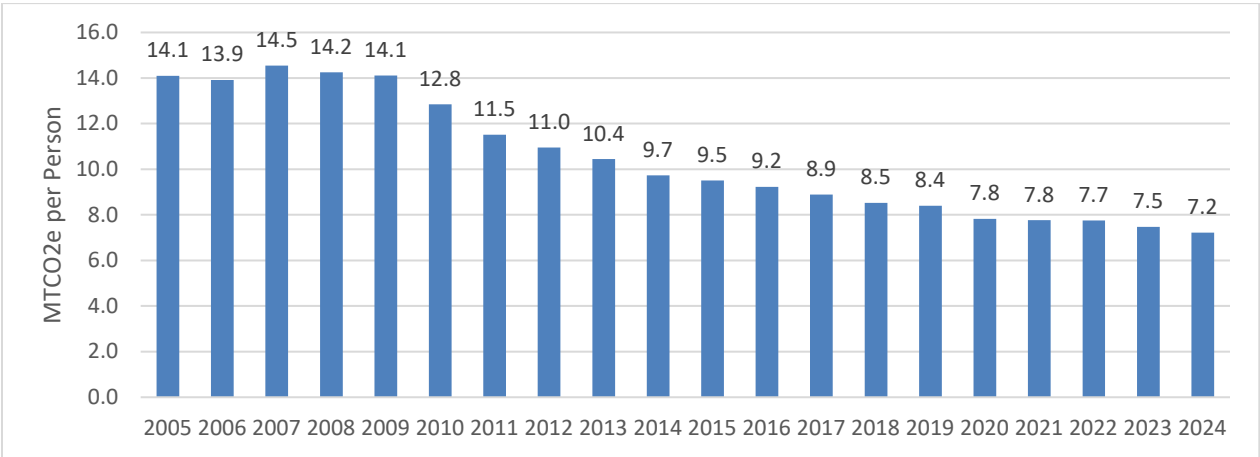


PER CAPITA EMISSIONS

Per capita emissions can be a useful metric for measuring progress in reducing greenhouse gases and for comparing one community’s emissions with neighboring cities and against regional and national averages. That said, due to differences in emission inventory methods, it can be difficult to produce directly comparable per capita emissions numbers. Per capita emission rates may be compared among Marin jurisdictions, although some jurisdictions may have higher rates due to the presence of commercial and industrial uses.

Dividing the total communitywide GHG emissions by residents yields a result of 14.1 metric tons CO₂e per capita in 2005. Per capita emissions decreased 49% between 2005 and 2024, falling to 7.2 metric tons per person. Figure 3 shows the trend in per capita emissions over time. It is important to understand that this number is not the same as the carbon footprint of the average individual living in Corte Madera, which would include lifecycle emissions, emissions resulting from air travel, the manufacturing and distribution of products and food, etc.

FIGURE 3: EMISSIONS PER CAPITA



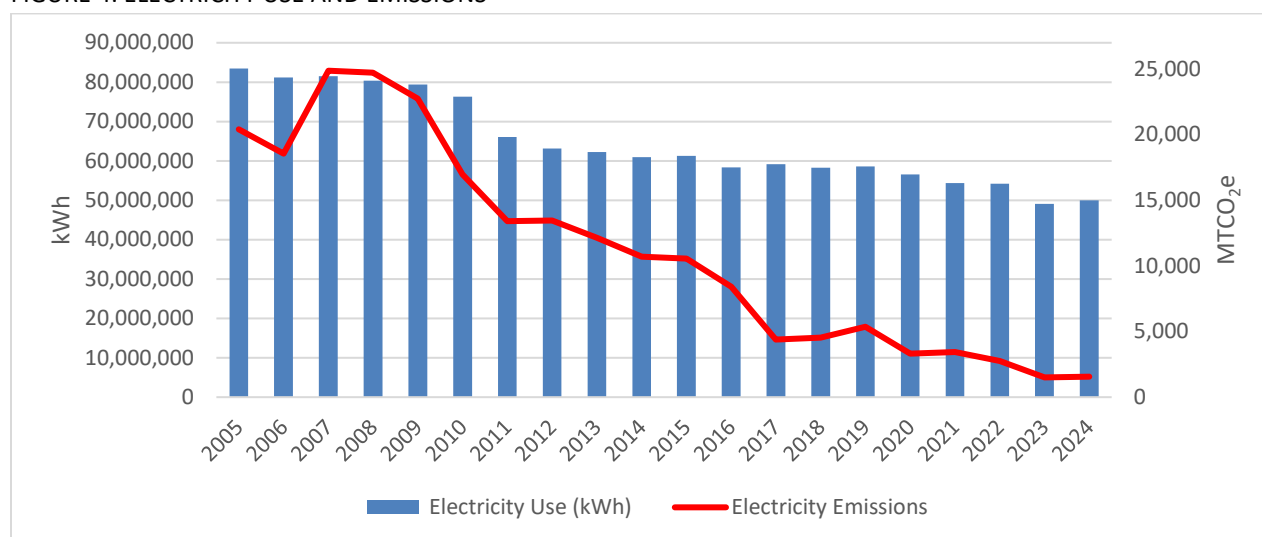
SIGNIFICANT SOURCES OF EMISSIONS

The following sections provide a year-by-year analysis of the changes in GHG emissions from use of electricity, natural gas, transportation, and water, the disposal of waste, and the treatment of wastewater. Whenever possible, each section discusses the change in emissions from previous years and the likely influence of state and local programs or policies and external factors on reducing emissions.

BUILT ENVIRONMENT – ELECTRICITY

Purchased electricity consumption in homes and businesses in Corte Madera decreased 40% between 2005 and 2024.² This is due to improved energy efficiency and conservation, solar PV installation, and the closing of the WinCup plant in 2011. Greenhouse gas emissions from this electricity use decreased 92% since 2005, as shown in Figure 4. This is primarily due to the lower carbon intensity of electricity. In 2024, PG&E electricity came from a mix of renewable (23%), large hydroelectric (12%), nuclear (63%), and natural gas (2%) energy sources.³ MCE Light Green electricity came primarily from renewable (69%) and large hydroelectric (31%) sources.⁴ In 2024, 12.1% of MCE electricity purchased by Corte Madera customers was 100% renewable Deep Green electricity, including electricity purchased by the Town government. The Corte Madera Climate Action Plan targets an 86% decrease in electricity emissions by 2030, a level achieved in 2022.

FIGURE 4: ELECTRICITY USE AND EMISSIONS



² Due to California Public Utility Commission data privacy rules, PG&E-generated electricity usage by non-governmental commercial customers was not reported in 2024. This artificially reduces the total amount of electricity purchased by the community, but most likely does not significantly affect the overall GHG emissions due to the high GHG-free content of PG&E electricity in 2024.

³ PG&E 2024 Power Content Label, <https://www.energy.ca.gov/filebrowser/download/7281>. Nuclear and large hydro sources are considered GHG-free.

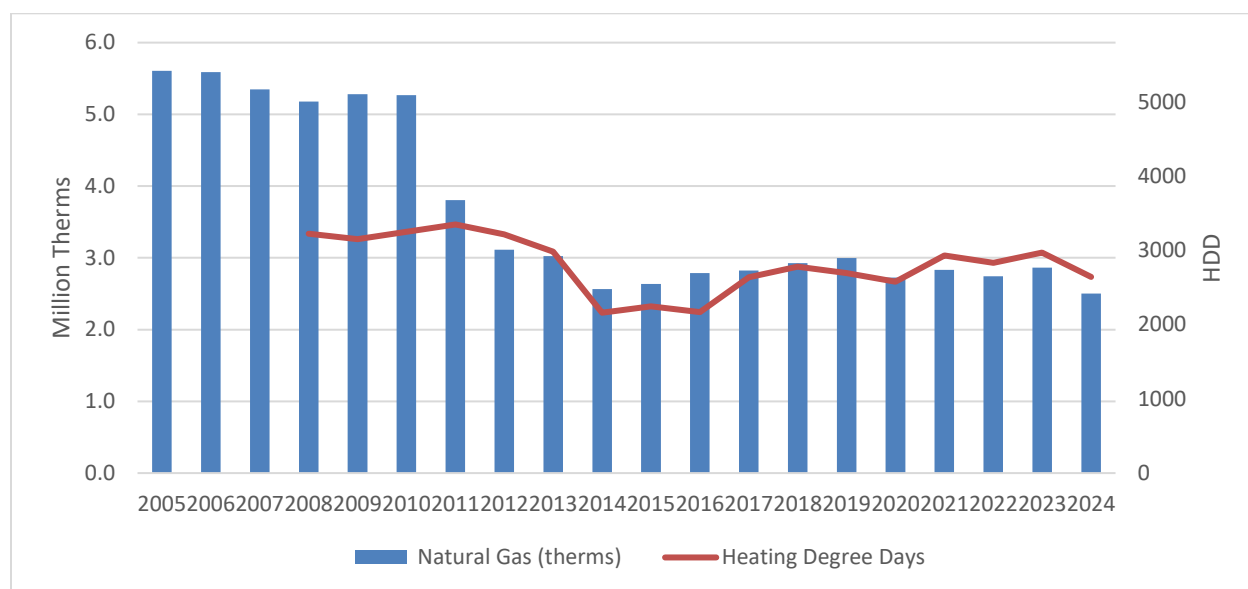
⁴ MCE 2024 Power Content Label, <https://www.energy.ca.gov/filebrowser/download/7276>.

BUILT ENVIRONMENT – NATURAL GAS

Natural gas is used in residential, commercial, and industrial buildings to provide space and water heating and power appliances. Use of natural gas is highly variable depending on the weather conditions. Figure 5 shows how natural gas consumption tracks heating degree days, a measure of how much heat is needed to warm a building; as temperatures rise, natural gas use typically goes down.⁵

Natural gas consumption decreased 13% between 2023 and 2024 and was 55% below the 2005 level, primarily due to the closing of the WinCup plant in 2011. Reduction in natural gas use may also be attributed to energy efficiency programs, rebates, and State and local building codes. The Town’s Climate Action Plan targets a 71% decrease in natural gas consumption between 2005 and 2030.

FIGURE 5: NATURAL GAS USE AND HEATING DEGREE DAYS



TRANSPORTATION

Transportation activities accounted for approximately 71% of Corte Madera’s emissions in 2024. According to the transportation model and annual data the Town uses to calculate passenger and commercial vehicle miles, vehicle miles traveled (VMT) have decreased approximately 2% since 2005.

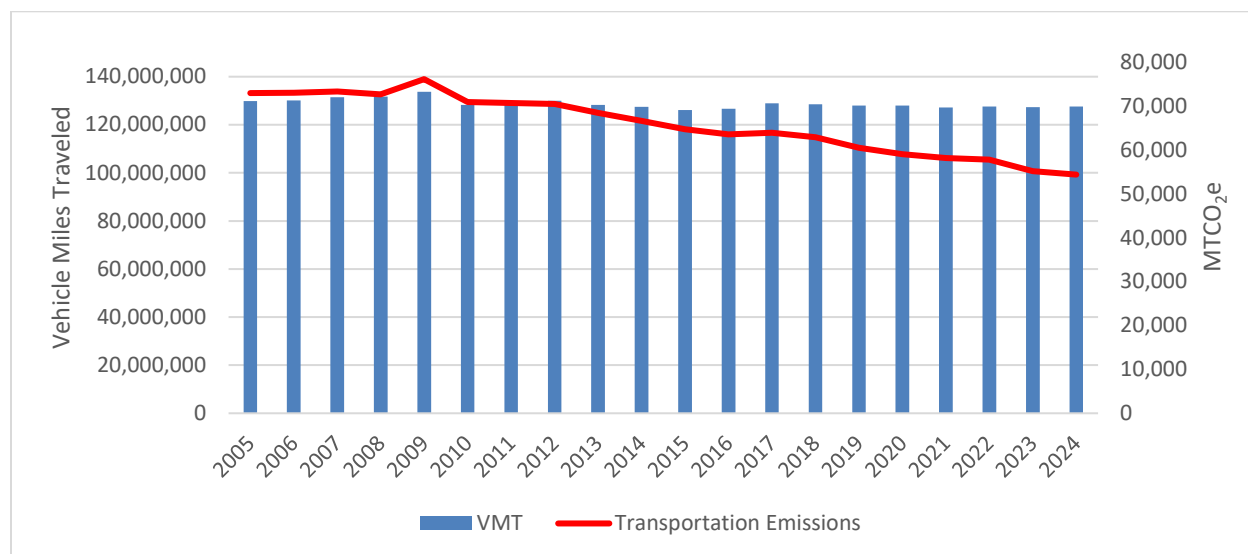
Transportation emissions have decreased 25% since 2005 due to the reduction in VMT as well as more fuel-efficient and alternatively fueled cars (see Figure 6). As shown in Figure 7, most of the miles associated with travel in Corte Madera come from passenger vehicles, which accounted for 75% of transportation emissions in 2024. Marin County

⁵ Heating Degree Days (HDD) are a measure of how much heating is necessary given the recorded temperatures for a particular weather station for a given time period. They are computed relative to a base of 65°F. HDD values for Corte Madera (Richmond weather station) were accessed through the Energy Star Portfolio Manager Degree Days Calculator, <https://portfoliomanager.energystar.gov/pm/degreeDaysCalculator>.

continues to be a leader in zero-emission vehicles (ZEVs) – second only to Santa Clara County – with 23,346 ZEVs in Marin at the end of 2024, or about 11% of registered automobiles. ZEVs include battery electric cars, plug-in hybrid electric cars, hydrogen fuel cell cars, and zero-emission motorcycles. Corte Madera had 1,105 ZEVs by the end of 2024, or 14% of registered light-duty vehicles.⁶ The Climate Action Plan targets at least 25% of passenger vehicles registered in Marin and traveling in Corte Madera to be ZEVs by 2030 and a 31% decrease in transportation emissions.

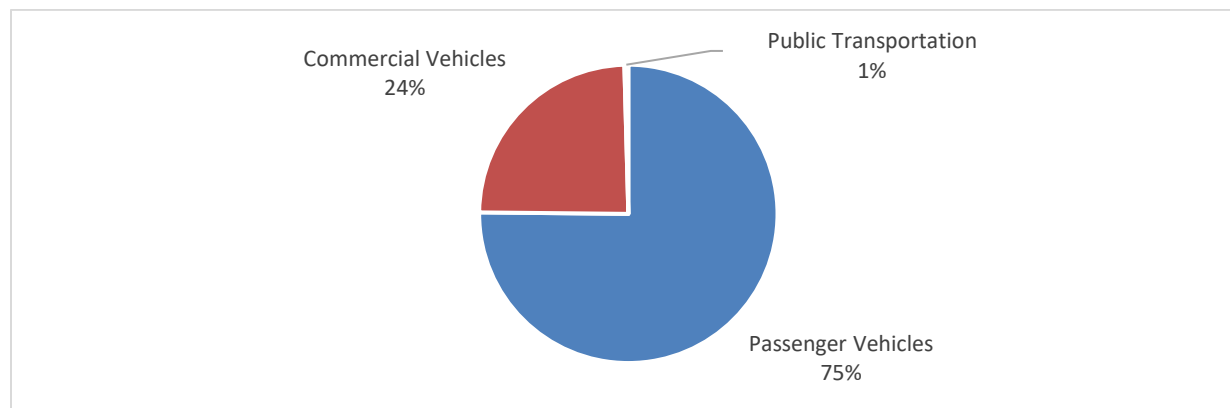
While it is difficult to pinpoint exactly how each land use and transportation policy affects emissions, the Town has undertaken many efforts to reduce transportation emissions. The Town encourages workforce housing and has made it easier for residents to use carbon-free modes of transportation, such as bicycling and walking, through improvements to the transportation network. In Fall 2022, the Town adopted a green building reach code that increased requirements for electric vehicle infrastructure in new construction, to facilitate EV adoption. In 2024, this ordinance was updated to include enhanced electric vehicle infrastructure requirements during certain residential renovation project types, such as panel upgrades.

FIGURE 6: VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED AND TRANSPORTATION EMISSIONS



⁶ 876 BEVs, 224 PHEVs, and 5 fuel cell EVs.

FIGURE 7: TRANSPORTATION EMISSIONS BY VEHICLE CATEGORY

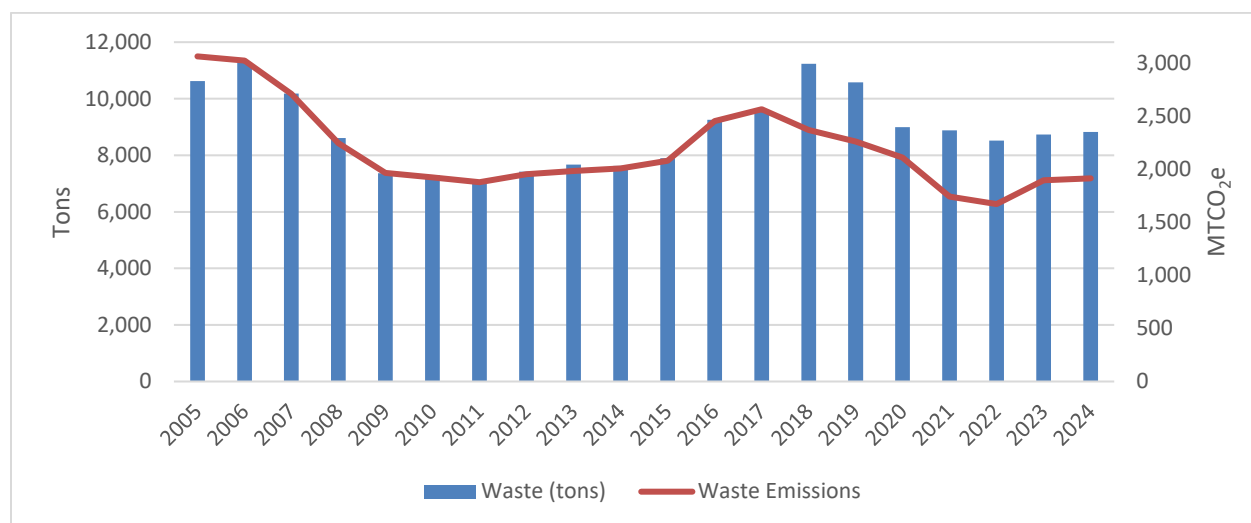


Note: Public Transportation represents emissions from Marin Transit and Golden Gate Transit fixed-route buses.

WASTE DISPOSAL

Waste generated by the community increased 1% between 2023 and 2024 and was 17% below the 2005 level by 2024, as shown in Figure 8 (based on countywide disposal data). Total landfilled waste includes alternative daily cover.⁷ Emissions from waste disposal decreased 38% due to the lower organic content of landfilled waste and material used for alternative daily cover. The Climate Action Plan's target is to reduce waste disposal emissions 84% below the 2005 level by 2030.

FIGURE 8: DISPOSED WASTE AND EMISSIONS



⁷ Alternative daily cover is material other than earthen material placed on the surface of the active face of a municipal solid waste landfill at the end of each operating day to control vectors, fires, odors, blowing litter, and scavenging.

WATER USE

Per capita water use declined 27% since 2005, as shown in Figure 9 (based on Marin Water district-wide data). Emissions, which are based on an estimate of energy used to pump, treat, and convey water from the water source to the Town limits, dropped 100% between 2005 and 2024 due to the water agencies' use of carbon-free electricity. Marin Water purchases MCE Deep Green for its electricity needs, and the Sonoma County Water Agency, which supplies approximately 20% of Marin Water's water, uses renewable and carbon-free sources for its electricity.

FIGURE 9: PER CAPITA WATER USE

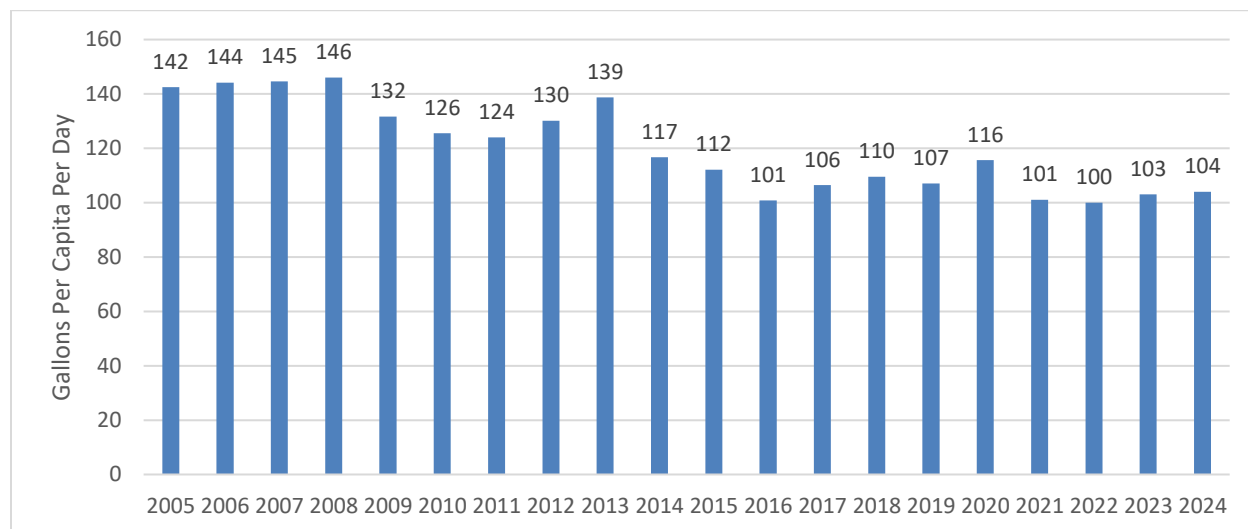
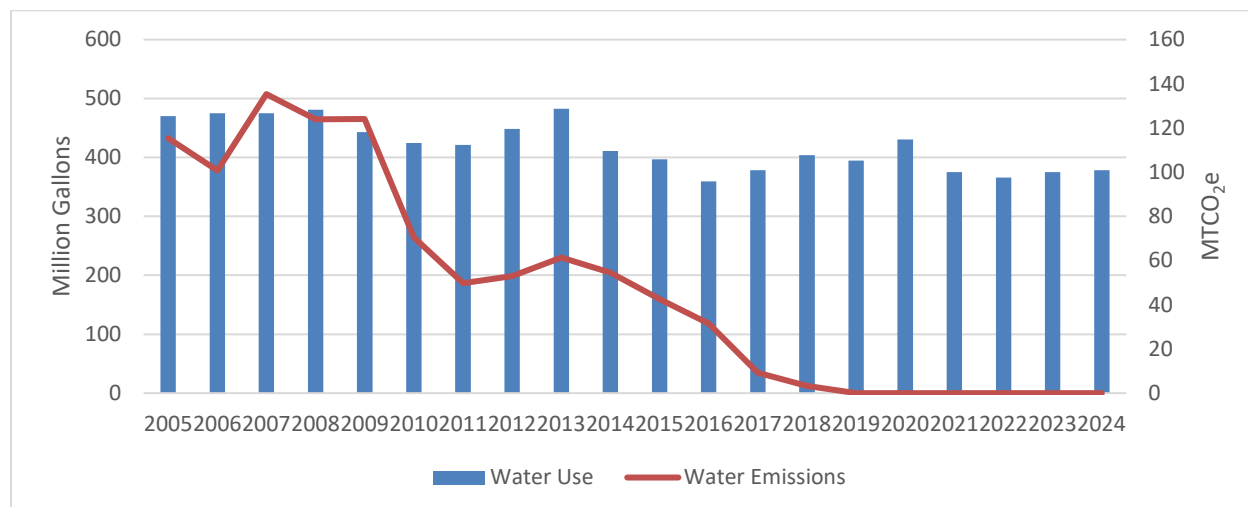


FIGURE 10: WATER USE AND EMISSIONS



Source: Marin Water

Corte Madera's Climate Action Plan's goal is to reduce annual water consumption 26% below the 2005 level by 2030, to 350 million gallons. In 2024, the community consumed approximately 378 million gallons of potable water.

MMWD provides rebates and programs to reduce water use. Rebates are available to replace fixtures with high-efficiency clothes washers and to purchase cisterns and rain barrels. MMWD provides free home and landscape water-use evaluations as well as free high-efficiency showerheads and faucet aerators.

WASTEWATER

The Central Marin Sanitation Agency (CMSA), located in San Rafael, has two anaerobic digesters that process primary sludge, thickened waste-activated sludge, and organic waste to produce biogas. The biogas is used to generate heat and renewable electricity via the cogeneration system. CMSA normally produces 100% of the facility's power needs, and, at times, exports renewable energy to the grid, which is procured by MCE. As a result, emissions from the use of energy in the wastewater treatment process have essentially been eliminated.

Greenhouse gas emissions are also created from the wastewater treatment process itself. Overall, wastewater emissions have declined 61% since 2005.

APPENDIX: COMMUNITY INVENTORY

Community GHG Emissions Summary Table

Jurisdiction: Town of Corte Madera

Population: 9,957 (CA Department of Finance)

Number of Households: 4,029 (CA Department of Finance)

Inventory Year: 2024

Date Prepared: June 14, 2026

Reporting Framework: Communitywide Activities

ID	Emissions Type	Source or Activity	Included, Required Activities	Included, Optional Activities	Excluded (IE, NA, NO or NE)	Notes	Emissions (MTCO ₂ e)
1.0	Built Environment						
1.1	Use of fuel in residential and commercial stationary combustion equipment	Both	•				13,483
1.2	Industrial stationary sources	Source			NE		
1.3	Power generation in the community	Source			NO		
1.4	Use of electricity in the community	Activity	•			Includes transmission and distribution losses	1,555
1.5	District heating/cooling facilities in the community	Source			NE		
1.6	Use of district heating/cooling facilities in the community	Activity			NE		
1.7	Industrial process emissions in the community	Source			NO		
1.8	Refrigerant leakage in the community	Source			NE		
2.0	Transportation and Other Mobile Sources						
2.1	On-road passenger vehicles operating within the community boundary	Source			IE	Obtained data for the preferred activity-based method instead	
2.2	On-road passenger vehicles associated with community land uses	Activity	•				40,803
2.3	On-road freight and service vehicles operating within the community boundary	Source			IE	Obtained data for the preferred activity-based method instead	
2.4	On-road freight and service vehicles associated with community land uses	Activity	•				13,429
2.5	On-road transit vehicles associated with community land uses	Activity		•			205
2.6	Transit rail vehicles operating within the community boundary	Source			NO		
2.7	Use of transit rail travel by the community	Activity			NE		
2.8	Inter-city passenger rail vehicles operating within the community boundary	Source			NO		

2.9	Freight rail vehicles operating within the community boundary	Source			NO		
2.10	Marine vessels operating within the community boundary	Source			NE		
2.11	Use of ferries by the community	Activity			NE		
2.12	Off-road surface vehicles and other mobile equipment operating within the community boundary	Source		•			382
2.13	Use of air travel by the community	Activity			NE		
3.0	Solid Waste						
3.1	Operation of solid waste disposal facilities in the community	Source			NO		
3.2	Generation and disposal of solid waste by the community	Activity	•			Includes alternative daily cover	1,915
4.0	Water and Wastewater						
4.1	Operation of water delivery facilities in the community	Source			IE	Energy use is included in 1.1 and 1.4.	
4.2	Use of energy associated with the use of potable water by the community	Activity	•				0
4.3	Use of energy associated with the generation of wastewater by the community	Activity	•				0
4.4	Process emissions from the operation of wastewater treatment facilities located in the community	Source			NO		
4.5	Process emissions associated with the generation of wastewater by the community	Activity	•				83
4.6	Use of septic systems in the community	Source			NE		
5.0	Agriculture						
5.1	Domesticated animal production	Source			NE		
5.2	Manure decomposition and treatment	Source			NE		
6.0	Upstream Impacts of Communitywide Activities						
6.1	Upstream impacts of fuels used in stationary applications by the community	Activity			NE		
6.2	Upstream and transmission and distribution (T&D) impacts of purchased electricity used by the community	Activity			IE	Transmission and distribution losses are included in 1.4.	
6.3	Upstream impacts of fuels used by water and wastewater facilities for water used and wastewater generated within the community boundary	Activity			IE	Included in 4.2 and 4.3.	
6.4	Upstream impacts of select materials (concrete, food, paper, carpets, etc.) used by the whole community.	Activity			NE		

Legend

IE – Included Elsewhere: Emissions for this activity are estimated and presented in another category of the inventory. The category where these emissions are included should be noted in the explanation.

NE – Not Estimated: Emissions occur but have not been estimated or reported (e.g., data unavailable, effort required not justifiable).

NA – Not Applicable: The activity occurs but does not cause emissions; explanation should be provided.

NO – Not Occurring: The source or activity does not occur or exist within the community.

Community Emissions Data Sources and Calculation Methodologies

Sector/ID	Emissions Source	Source and/or Activity Data	Emission Factor and Methodology
1.0 Built Environment			
1.1 Stationary Combustion	Stationary Combustion (CO ₂ , CH ₄ & N ₂ O)	Known fuel use (meter readings by PG&E) and estimated fuel use (American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, and U.S. Energy Information Administration Household Site Fuel Consumption data).	Default CO ₂ , CH ₄ & N ₂ O emission factors by fuel type (U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1 Tables B.1 and B.3). U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix C, Method BE.1.1 and BE.1.2.
1.4 Electricity Use	Electricity Use (CO ₂ , CH ₄ & N ₂ O)	Known electricity use (meter readings by PG&E and MCE) and estimated direct access electricity consumption. Non-governmental commercial PG&E electricity consumption was not provided and excluded from the analysis.	Verified utility-specific emission factors (PG&E and MCE) and eGrid subregion default emission factors. U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix C, Method BE.2.1.
	Electric Power Transmission and Distribution Losses (CO ₂ , CH ₄ & N ₂ O)	Estimated electricity grid loss for the Western region from eGrid.	U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix C, Method BE.4.1.
2.0 Transportation and Other Mobile Sources			
2.2 On-Road Passenger Vehicle Operation	On-Road Mobile Combustion (CO ₂)	Estimated passenger vehicle miles traveled associated with origin and destination land uses (Metropolitan Transportation Commission, CAPVMT Data Portal 2.0 (mtcanalytics.org)).	CO ₂ for on-road passenger vehicles quantified in the EMFAC2025 v.2.0.0 model. Passenger vehicle emissions calculated according to U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix D, Method TR.1.A.
	On-Road Mobile Combustion (CH ₄ & N ₂ O)	Estimated vehicle miles traveled associated with origin and destination land uses (Metropolitan Transportation Commission, CAPVMT Data Portal 2.0 (mtcanalytics.org)).	CH ₄ and N ₂ O for on-road passenger vehicles quantified in the EMFAC2025 v.2.0.0 model. Passenger vehicle emissions calculated according to U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix D, Method TR.1.A.
2.4 On-Road Freight and Service Truck Freight Operation	On-Road Mobile Combustion (CO ₂)	Estimated commercial vehicle miles traveled within the boundary (Metropolitan Transportation Commission utilizing Plan Bay Area 2050).	CO ₂ for on-road commercial vehicles quantified in the EMFAC2025 model v.2.0.0. Emissions allocated utilizing LEHD data according to U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix D, Method TR.2.A.
	On-Road Mobile Combustion (CH ₄ & N ₂ O)	Estimated commercial vehicle miles traveled within the boundary (Metropolitan Transportation Commission utilizing Plan Bay Area 2050).	CH ₄ and N ₂ O for on-road commercial vehicles quantified in the EMFAC2025 v.2.0.0 model. Emissions allocated utilizing LEHD data according to U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix D, Method TR.2.A.
2.5 On-Road Transit Operation	On-Road Mobile Combustion (CO ₂)	Estimated vehicle miles traveled within the boundary (Marin Transit and Golden Gate Transit) and estimated diesel fuel efficiency for the transit fleet (Golden Gate Transit). Fuel type provided by Marin Transit and Golden Gate Transit.	Renewable diesel emission factor provided by NEXGEN . U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix D, Method TR.4.A.
	On-Road Mobile Combustion	Estimated vehicle miles traveled within the boundary (Marin Transit and Golden Gate Transit) and estimated diesel fuel	Renewable diesel emission factor provided by NEXGEN . U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix D, Method TR.4.B.

	(CH ₄ & N ₂ O)	efficiency for the transit fleet (Golden Gate Transit). Fuel type provided by Marin Transit and Golden Gate Transit.	
2.12 Off-Road Vehicles and Equipment	Off-Road Mobile Combustion (CO ₂)	Estimated fuel use from OFFROAD 2021 v.1.0.1 for Lawn and Garden and Construction equipment. All categories are allocated by share of countywide households.	CO ₂ emissions calculated according to U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix D, Method TR.8. Emission factors provided in Table TR.1.6.
	Off-Road Mobile Combustion (CH ₄ & N ₂ O)	Estimated fuel use from OFFROAD 2021 v.1.0.1 for Lawn and Garden and Construction equipment. All categories are allocated by share of countywide households.	CH ₄ and N ₂ O emissions calculated according to U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix D, Method TR.8. Emission factors provided in the Local Government Operations Protocol Table G.11 and G.14.
3.0 Solid Waste			
3.2 Solid Waste Generation and Disposal	Fugitive Emissions from Landfilled Waste (CH ₄)	Estimated landfilled tons based on reporting to CalRecycle by Marin County Solid and Hazardous Waste JPA and allocated to jurisdiction based on the share of the countywide population. Waste characterization based on the Statewide Waste Characterization Study (2008, 2014, 2018, and 2021), Zero Waste Marin Waste Characterization Study (2025), and Alternative Daily Cover by Jurisdiction of Origin and Material Type as reported to CalRecycle.	Emission factors calculated utilizing U.S. Community Protocol for Accounting and Report of Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Version 1.1, July 2013, Appendix E, Method SW.4.
4.0 Water and Wastewater			
4.2 Water Supply & Conveyance, Treatment and Distribution	Electricity Use (CO ₂)	Water consumption (district-wide gpcd) provided by Marin Water. Sonoma County Water Agency (SCWA) water delivery amount provided by SCWA . Electricity use estimated using the CEC report, "Refining Estimates of Water-Related Energy Use in California," 2006.	Verified utility-specific emission factors (PG&E, MCE and SCWA). Emissions calculated according to U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix F, Method WW.14.
	Electricity Use (CH ₄ & N ₂ O)	Water consumption (district-wide gpcd) provided by Marin Water. Electricity use estimated using the CEC report, "Refining Estimates of Water-Related Energy Use in California," 2006.	eGrid subregion default emission factors. Emissions calculated according to U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix F, Method WW.14.
4.5 Treatment of Wastewater	Stationary Emissions from Combustion of Digester Gas (CH ₄)	Known amount of digester gas produced per day and known percent of methane in digester gas provided by Central Marin Sanitation Agency.	Emissions calculated according to U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix F, Method WW.1.a.
	Stationary Emissions from Combustion of Digester Gas (N ₂ O)	Known amount of digester gas produced per day and known percent of methane in digester gas provided by the Central Marin Sanitation Agency.	Emissions calculated according to U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix F, Method WW.2.a.
	Process Emissions from Wastewater Treatment Plant without Nitrification or Denitrification	The estimated population served by the wastewater treatment plant provided by the Central Marin Sanitation Agency.	Emissions calculated according to U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix F, Method WW.8.

	Fugitive Emissions from Effluent Discharge (N ₂ O)	The estimated population served by the wastewater treatment plant provided by Central Marin Sanitation Agency. Assumed significant industrial or commercial input.	Emissions calculated according to U.S. Community Protocol v. 1.1, Appendix F, Method WW.12(alt).
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