

Clean Transportation: Biofuels

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- U. S. Department of Energy Clean Cities Program
- Mission To advance the energy, economic, and environmental security of the U.S. by supporting local decisions to reduce petroleum use in transportation.

The San Diego Regional Clean Cities Coalition was established in 1996 to:

- Build partnerships to support clean vehicle deployment
- Promote alternative fuels including: Electricity, propane, natural gas, biodiesel and ethanol
- Help fleets and consumers make informed decisions about fuel technologies



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Increasing Use of Alternative Fuels

- Greater availability of vehicles
- Rising price of gasoline and diesel
- Growing concern about the environment & new regs
- More infrastructure to support fleets & consumers



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Biodiesel is a domestically produced, renewable fuel that can be manufactured from new and used vegetable oils, animal fats, and recycled restaurant grease. Biodiesel's physical properties are similar to those of petroleum diesel, but it is a cleaner-burning alternative. Using biodiesel in place of petroleum diesel significantly reduces emissions of toxic air pollutants.

What is a biodiesel blend?

Biodiesel can be blended and used in many different concentrations, including B100 (pure biodiesel), B20 (20% biodiesel, 80% petroleum diesel), B5 (5% biodiesel, 95% petroleum diesel), and B2 (2% biodiesel, 98% petroleum diesel). B20 is a common biodiesel blend in the United States.

Can I use B20 in my vehicle's diesel engine?

For vehicles manufactured after 1993, biodiesel can be used in diesel engines and fuel injection equipment with little biodiesel blends above B5 in on-highway vehicles manufactured in model year 2007 and later. In these vehicles, high levels of fuel may accumulate in the engine lubricant under certain conditions. It's not known whether those high levels of biodiesel might affect lubricant performance.

Check your OEM's website or speak with a dealer to determine which biodiesel blend is right for your vehicle. You can also find general and manufacturer-specific information on

Will biodiesel per as well as diesel?

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2014 Vehicle Buyer's Guide

- Natural Gas
- Propane
- Biodiesel
- Electric
- Hybrid
- Ethanol Flex-Fuel











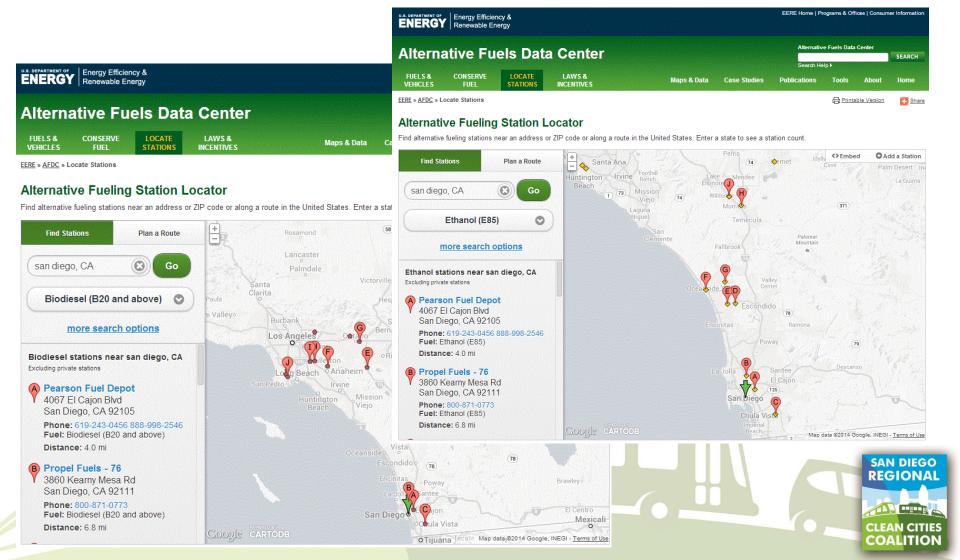
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Why Biofuels?

- Renewable fuel made from agriculture products (corn, soy) and recycled oils
- Use in existing vehicles
- Domestically produced
- Getting cleaner over time
- Reduces greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs) & tailpipe emissions



Today's Speakers







- Andy Christman is Biodiesel Sales Specialist at New Leaf Biofuels.
 Andy's work focuses on bringing biodiesel to commercial and industrial sectors as well as fleet implementation.
- Jorge Parra is Regional Operations Manager, at Propel Biofuels. Jorge leads the company's efforts to grow the renewable fuels infrastructure in California through renewable fuel sales on both the consumer and fleet levels, cultivating strong relationships with site operating partners, and promoting a positive fueling experience.
- Michael Lengyel is a Senior Management Analyst with the City of Chula
 Vista's Public Works Department. In this role he oversees the budget for
 the Public Works Operations Division, which includes the City's fleet
 operations.

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