# OREGON 2017 NON-ROAD DIESEL ENGINE INVENTORY STUDY FINDINGS

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### Project Team

- Project Scope
- Data Collection Approach
- Emissions Modeling
- □ Key Findings
- Validation of Results
- Conclusions/Recommendations





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Lead Contractor

Good Company

Public fleet survey lead

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Logging sector survey lead, technical support for validation of study findings





- Authorized by House Bill 5006 in 2017
- Study conducted September 2018 April 2020
- Estimate non-road diesel equipment emissions for Oregon
  - Replace current EPA MOVES-Nonroad model defaults
    - □ Key inputs # units, hp, hours/year, age distribution
  - Improve accuracy using bottom-up activity estimates
  - Provide updates for emission reporting requirements and air quality modeling
  - Provide basis for future year emission estimates
- Characterize equipment owners/operators
  - Identify targets for potential grant/subsidy programs (retrofit, repower/replacement)





- Diesel non-road equipment > 25 hp operating in Oregon during 2017
  - 65 equipment types (e.g. tractors, backhoes, portable generators)
  - Excludes locomotives, commercial marine vessels, aircraft
- Characterize activity and emissions (criteria, GHGs, toxics)
  - 2017 calendar year
  - County-level
  - □ Temporal resolution annual, typical summer weekday



□ 3-pronged approach tailored to operator/industry categories

- □ Approach #1 Public Fleet Surveys
  - City, county, airports, marine ports, special districts, other agencies, schools/colleges/universities, municipal solid waste/material recovery
  - □ Known locations, easy to ID/contact
  - Attempt a full "census"



# DATA COLLECTION APPROACH

### Approach #2 - Random Sample Surveys

- Agriculture, logging, surface mining, crane/rigging companies
- Numerous operators, difficult to generalize equipment use
- Strong emphasis on data confidentiality
- Active trade association support was key to encouraging participation and ensuring validity of results for each category





- □ Survey Details Approaches 1 and 2
  - Equipment type
  - 🖵 Engine HP
  - Model year
  - Annual hours / temporal allocation
  - Location challenging for some equipment
  - □ Fuel consumption generally fleet-level



# **DATA COLLECTION APPROACH**

### □ Approach #3 - Industry-Specific Profiles

- Primarily construction sectors highway/road, commercial buildings, single family homes, utility work
- Also well drilling and agricultural support services
- Detailed project information available (e.g. # single family housing permits issued by county in 2017)
- Develop standardized project task lists and equipment productivity profiles
- Combine with available project details to estimate total activity





- □ Approach #3 Data Collection Process
- Developed standardized task lists and equipment productivity estimates in consultation w/ AGC, other industry stakeholders
- □ Solicited subject matter expert input to account for
  - Oregon-specific practices and task frequencies
  - Equipment type preferences
  - Regional variations (e.g. blasting/crushing required for site prep in Central Oregon)



# DATA COLLECTION APPROACH

- □ Approach #3 Data Collection Process Continued
- Conservatively estimate equipment needs for each task element
- Link activity profiles with physical quantities such as
  - Bid-item quantities for highway projects ODOT
  - New single-family housing units Census Bureau permit records
  - Square feet of building installation Dodge Analytics
  - Well drilling depths OWRD
- Estimate hours of use by equipment type and hp for each project
- Combine with engine age distributions (based on a separate industry survey) to estimate emissions





- Process survey and industry profile information (QA, gap-fill)
- □ Apply scaling factors and extrapolate activity to state level
- Allocate to county level by industry sector
- Adjust engine load factors where possible
- Run EPA MOVES-Nonroad model using updated hours of use, hp, and model year distributions
- Compare estimates from the current study with EPA MOVES model defaults



- Agriculture has the highest fuel consumption at the state level, followed by logging and construction
- Other sectors < 10% each
- Average agricultural tractor age (22 years) results in a relative increase in criteria pollutant emissions

#### 2017 Statewide Annual Fuel Consumption by Sector



2017 Statewide Annual PM<sub>2.5</sub> Emissions by Sector



- Geographic regions contribute various amounts to statewide emission totals
  - Portland Metro and Willamette Valley regions have the highest contributions to PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions, followed by Southeast/South Central and Northeast regions

#### 2017 Statewide Annual PM<sub>2.5</sub> Emissions by Region



- The relative contributions to activity and emissions can vary substantially across counties
- Examples demonstrate prevalence of different industries
  - Multnomah Construction
  - Lane Logging
  - Klamath Agriculture

#### Annual PM<sub>2.5</sub> Emissions by Sector – Selected Counties





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- Total statewide fuel consumption substantially lower than EPA defaults
- Total criteria pollutant emissions similar to EPA defaults
- Key differences across equipment categories
  - Construction/Mining
  - Logging
  - Industrial





■ MOVES ■ Study





- Engine tier level distributions have a substantial impact on emissions
- Survey data shown for key sectors
- MOVES tends to overestimate fraction of Tier 4s, underestimate Tier 0s
- Differences vary by industry sector

#### **2017 Engine Tier Level Distributions – Key Sectors**



Agricultural Equipment





#### **Construction/Mining Equipment**



- Summer season fractions estimated by sector
- Most sectors have a third or more of their activity during summer
- Strongest summer peaks seen for agriculture, logging, boating and lawn & garden

#### Summer Season Activity and Emission Fractions





□ Validation ensures study results are consistent & reasonable

- Two types of validation
- I. Internal consistency checks
  - e.g. compare reported vs calculated fuel consumption
  - Example from Agriculture survey







### □ II. External consistency checks

- Compare study's fuel consumption and activity estimates at the sector level with independent data sources
  - □ EIA Fuel Oil and Kerosene Sales Survey (FOKS)
  - Agricultural Census
  - Economic Census for Construction
  - Other sources e.g. FAA data for airport activity, USCOE data for marine ports





### Comparison with FOKS nonroad diesel fuel sales estimates



2017 Statewide Fuel Consumption Comparison (M gallons)

Study estimates somewhat higher fuel consumption than FOKS
Primary difference in the Logging/Other sector





The study provides a comprehensive assessment of nonroad diesel equipment activity and emissions for Oregon

Oregon is just the third state to develop a bottom-up, statewide profile for these equipment

The findings represent a substantial improvement to the activity and emission estimates used by the State compared with EPA's MOVES-Nonroad model





## Key findings

- MOVES generally over-estimates activity/GHGs
- Total CAP emission estimates generally consistent with MOVES at the state level, but findings shed light on county and region level distributions
- Agriculture sector dominates at the state level, followed by logging and construction
- MOVES substantially underestimates logging activity and emissions
- MOVES substantially overestimates construction activity and emissions, but sector is still notable in certain counties





### Remaining Uncertainties

- Certain emission estimates were based on limited data
  - Large landfill operations
  - □ Surface mining fuel efficiency factors (tons produced/gallon)
- Lacking Oregon-specific operation information for Transportation Refrigeration Units (~6% of total gallons)
- Significant uncertainty for railway maintenance equipment activity and emissions (~0.5% of total gallons)
- Future year activity and emissions projections are needed
  - Determine which industries and regions are expect to grow rapidly, which equipment are turning over the fastest, etc.







# EMISSIONS MODELING PARAMETERS

Fundamental emissions equation

Emissions<sub>p</sub>/yr =  $\sum$ (MYR)  $\sum$ (SCC)  $\sum$ (HP) Pop \* Power \* LF \* A \* EF<sub>p</sub>

Where:

*Pop* = *Number* of engines

Power = Average hp (for specific hp group)

LF = Load factor (% of rated power)

A = Activity (hr/year)

 $EF_p = Emissions$  for pollutant p (grams/bhp-hr) – function of model year  $\sum$ (SCC) = summation over each equipment type  $\sum$ (HP) = summation over each equipment hp group  $\sum$ (MYR) = summation over each equipment model year

