## CMAQ EMISSIONS CALCULATOR TOOLKIT

The purpose of the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program Emissions Calculator Toolkit (CMAQ Toolkit) is to help a user with limited modeling experience estimate emission reductions associated with implementation of a CMAQ-funded project. The CMAQ Toolkit uses emission rates and activity data based on national-scale runs of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Motor Vehicle Emission Simulator (MOVES). This document explains the use and methodology of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements Tool.

Emission estimates from the CMAQ Toolkit are not intended to meet specific requirements for State Implementation Plans (SIPs) or transportation conformity analyses. For further information regarding the specific setup of MOVES used to generate the emission rates provided in this tool, please refer to the Emissions Data Documentation associated with this emissions calculator.

#### **On-Road Diesel Repower or Replacement**

The diesel repower/replacement project emission reductions calculator estimates emission reductions for repowering/replacing heavy-duty diesel vehicles (excluding transit vehicles) of a given model year with a newer diesel vehicle of a more recent model year.<sup>1</sup> Emission reductions are estimated by calculating the reduction in both running and starts emissions, as well as, if applicable, extended idling emissions (referred hereafter as hotelling hours) and comparing it to the emissions from the replacement engines or vehicles.<sup>2</sup>

This document is organized into three sections – User Guide, Tool Methodology, and Examples – to aid the user in understanding and interpreting results from the calculator. The User Guide gives direction for the user to properly input values into the tool and provides definitions of both user inputs and tool outputs. The Tool Methodology outlines the steps taken by the tool to calculate emission reductions, as well as any assumptions that are made by the tool. This Tool Methodology includes all equations used within the tool. The Examples section aims to give some examples of how to properly input information into the tool, including some examples for use with the optional Activity Calculator, for advanced analysis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CMAQ projects must benefit air quality through demonstrated emission reductions. See the CMAQ guidance at www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/air\_quality/cmaq/ for a full list of projects that may be eligible for CMAQ funds. <sup>2</sup> The most current version is dated February 2019. To verify the version, check the date on the Introduction page of the tool. Release notes are included in the Change Log tab, which can be viewed by right-clicking on any tab in the tool, selecting "Unhide", and revealing the tab.

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#### **USER GUIDE**

This section lists the units and description for each user input and tool output. A description of emission reductions reporting and error messages as well as other assumptions inherent in the tool are provided.

#### **User Inputs**

The tool's input section functions like a wizarding tool, with questions intending to help the user input proper information for emission reductions calculations in a step-by-step process. The inputs for this tool should be specific to only the vehicles that will be repowered/replaced. The user-defined inputs for this type of project are described below:

User Input	<u>Units</u>	Description
Evaluation		Use the dron-down menu to choose a year between 2019 and 2020
year		ose the drop-down mend to choose a year between 2019 and 2030.
Vehicle miles		Click on the box if you have annual vehicle miles traveled for the vehicles to be
traveled		repowered/replaced. This option may be checked concurrently with the vehicle
(check box)		population and/or vehicle hotelling hours options.
Vehicle		Click on the box if you have the number of vehicles to be repowered/replaced.
population		This option may be checked concurrently with the vehicle miles traveled and/or
(check box)		vehicle hotelling hours options. The default value is 'checked'.
Vehicle		Click on the box if you have annual vehicle hotelling hours for the vehicles to be
hotelling		repowered/replaced. This option is only available for combination long-haul
hours (check		trucks and may be checked concurrently with the vehicle miles traveled and/or
box)		vehicle population options.
Total vohiclos		Input the total value of annual vehicle miles traveled for all the vehicles to be
miles traveled	miles	repowered/replaced (i.e. 60,000 miles each for 10 vehicles would result in an
miles traveled		input of 600,000 miles).
Repower/		
replacement	vohiclos	Input the number of vehicles to be repowered/replaced. The default value is 1
vehicle	venicies	vehicle.
population		
Total vehicle	icle hours	Input the total value of hotelling hours for all the vehicles to be
hotelling		repowered/replaced. This option is only available for combination long-haul
hours		trucks.
Renower/		Use the drop-down menu to choose the appropriate vehicle type among heavy-
replacement		duty diesel (non-transit vehicle) vehicles. Vehicle types included: school bus,
		refuse truck, single unit short-haul truck, single unit long-haul truck,
venicie type		combination short-haul truck, and combination long-haul truck.
		Only applicable for combination long-haul trucks. If the repower/replacement
		vehicles will result in the addition of an auxiliary power unit, use the drop-down
AUU APU		menu to select 'Yes'; otherwise select 'No'. If the vehicle to be replaced and the
		vehicle that is replacing that vehicle both have auxiliary power units, select 'No'.

User Input	<u>Units</u>	Description
Model year of vehicles to be repowered/ replaced		Input the model year of the vehicles to be repowered/replaced. If you have a range of years, you may either input the individual years and vehicles separately or input a representative year for the vehicles to be retrofit. The model year cannot be later than the project year. Please refer to CMAQ policy for guidance regarding appropriate model years eligible for funding.
Repower/ replacement vehicle model year		Input the model year of the repower/replacement vehicles. If you have a range of years, you may either input the individual years and vehicles separately or input a representative year for the vehicles to be retrofit. The model year cannot be later than the project evaluation year or precede 1986.

Once the parameters are input, click on the 'Calculate Output' to calculate results. Emission reductions results will not automatically update, so any time changes are made to the input parameters, this button must be pushed to calculate the updated emission reductions. If you would like to return to default settings, please click on the 'Reset to Default Values' button.

#### **Tool Outputs**

#### Fleet Performance

The tool-produced outputs for this type of project are detailed below:

Output	<u>Units</u>	Description
Total vehicle miles		The total vehicle miles traveled annually by the
traveled, annual activity	miles	repower/replacement vehicles, either input by the user or
for vehicles to be		calculated from vehicle population or total hotelling
repowered/replaced		hours (if applicable) using national activity rates.
Total vehicle population,		The number of vehicles to be repowered/replaced, either
annual activity for	vohiclos	input by the user or calculated from total vehicle miles
vehicles to be	venicies	traveled or total hotelling hours (if applicable) using
repowered/replaced		national activity rates
Total hotelling hours,		The number of vehicles to be repowered/replaced, either
annual activity for	hours	input by the user or calculated from total vehicle miles
vehicles to be	nours	traveled or vehicle population using national activity
repowered/replaced		rates.

#### **Emission Reductions**

Emission reductions are calculated for five pollutants – carbon monoxide (CO), particulate matter with diameters of 2.5 microns or less ( $PM_{2.5}$ ), particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less ( $PM_{10}$ ), nitrogen oxides (NOx), volatile organic compounds (VOC), as well as greenhouse gases in terms of carbon dioxide equivalent ( $CO_2e$ ) – in kilograms per day, and total energy consumed (TEC) in million BTU.

To get annual emission reductions, multiply these values by 365. In the event that a different annualization is desired, users are recommended to multiply their daily results by 365 and then divide by their chosen number of working days in a year, e.g. 250 working days.

#### Error Messages

The error messages that the user may encounter in this tool, the reason for these error messages and their remedy is listed in the table below: (Note: Once you correct the error, please press 'Calculate Output' to clear errors).

Error Message	Reason for Error	Solution		
Error! Choose at least one	No activity type was	Please choose an activity type to use		
activity type	chosen	the tool		
Error! Model years cannot be later than project year Year Input Error: This tool includes model years between 1989 and 2030. Please choose appropriate years within this range.	Invalid input for model year	Input a model year that is no earlier than 1989 and no later than the project year. This is applicable to both model year of vehicles to be repowered/replaced as well as the repower/replacement vehicles		
Error! Please completely fill out inputs before calculating output	All of the inputs required for emission reductions calculations have not been chosen	Please choose an appropriate project year, vehicle type, and/or model year		
Warning: less than one vehicle is represented by the input activity values	The result is representative of a partial vehicle, based on national ratios of VMT to vehicle population	Just a warning, this is acceptable to get results.		

#### Other Assumptions

While only one piece of activity information is required to use this tool, activity for vehicle miles traveled and vehicle population, as well as hotelling hours, where applicable, are, in fact, required for proper calculation of emission reductions. In the case where one piece of activity information is provided, the tool utilizes national activity rates obtained from a MOVES2014b run for the activity not provided to calculate emission reductions. Providing all relevant activity information for this tool may provide the best estimation of emission reductions from a diesel repower/replacement project.

#### **TOOL METHODOLOGY**

Emission reductions (ER), reported in kilograms/day for the total number of vehicles to be repowered/replaced, are calculated for a given pollutant as shown in the following equation:

$$ER = \frac{[(e_o - e_n)_r \cdot VMT + (e_o - e_n)_s \cdot (e_o - e_n)_h \cdot HH]}{365}$$
(1)

in which

eo emission rates of the vehicles that will be repowered/replaced,

en emission rates of the repower/replacement vehicles,

 $(e_{o}, e_{n})_{r}$  = annual running and crankcase running diesel emission reductions for a given vehicle type and model year in the given project year (kilogram/mile),

(e<sub>o</sub> - e<sub>n</sub>)<sub>s</sub> = annual start and crankcase start diesel emission reductions for a given vehicle type and model year in the given project year (kilogram/vehicle),

 $(e_{o} - e_{n})_{h}$  = annual extended idle and crankcase extended idle diesel emission reductions (or auxiliary power

emissions) for a given vehicle type and model year in the given project year (kilogram/hour),

VMT = total annual vehicle miles traveled for the vehicles to be repowered/replaced (miles),

POP = total number of vehicles to be repowered/replaced, and

HH = total hotelling hours for the vehicles to be repowered/replaced (hours).

Both vehicle miles traveled and vehicle population (as well as hotelling hours, for combination long-haul trucks) are required for proper calculation of emission reductions. These activity values may be provided by the user. If not all the activity is provided by the user, the other activity is calculated leveraging national values using the applicable equations:

$$VMT = POP_{user} \left(\frac{VMT_{national}}{POP_{national}}\right)$$
(2)

$$VMT = HH_{user} \left(\frac{VMT_{national}}{HH_{national}}\right)$$
(3)

$$POP = VMT_{user} \left(\frac{POP_{national}}{VMT_{national}}\right)$$
(4)

$$POP = HH_{user} \left(\frac{POP_{national}}{HH_{national}}\right)$$
(5)

$$HH = VMT_{user} \left(\frac{HH_{national}}{VMT_{national}}\right)$$
(6)

$$HH = POP_{user} \left(\frac{HH_{national}}{POP_{national}}\right)$$

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(7)

in which

POP<sub>user</sub> = number of vehicles to be repowered/replaced, provided by the user,

VMT<sub>user</sub> = vehicle miles traveled for vehicles to be repowered/replaced, provided by the user (miles),

HH<sub>user</sub> = hotelling hours for vehicles to be repowered/replaced, provided by the user (hours), POP<sub>national</sub> = national population for diesel vehicles of the specified model year and vehicle type in the

given project year,

VMT<sub>national</sub> = national vehicle miles traveled for diesel vehicles of specified model year and vehicle type in

the given project year, and

HH<sub>national</sub> = national hotelling hours for diesel vehicles of specified model year and vehicle type in the

given project year.

The activity, emission rates and savings are calculated using annual values. This is divided by 365 to get daily values, which are reported in kilograms/day in the tool. In the event that a different annualization is desired, users are recommended to multiply their daily results by 365 and then divided by their chosen number of working days in a year.

#### EXAMPLES

Example 1a: Replacement for School Buses (Population known)

County X in State Y would like to replace their 15 model year 2001 school buses with model year 2029 buses.

In the repower/replacement tool, the following inputs would be chosen as shown:

INPUT	User Guide					
Note: Inputs for this tool should be specific to the vehicles to be replaced/repowered.						
(1) What is your project evaluation year?	2029	Reset to Default Values				
(2) What is the repower/replacement vehicle type?	School Bus					
(3) What is the model year of the vehicles that will be repowered/replaced?	2001					
(4) What is the model year of the repower/replacement vehicles?	2029					
(5) What activity data do you have? Note: You must choose at least one	Vehicle Miles Traveled Vehicle Population Vehicle Hotelling Hours					
(6) Input the annual activity for the total number of vehicles to be repowered/replaced	Total Vehicle Miles Trans       15     Repower/Replacement       Total Vehicle Hotelling	veled Vehicle Population Hours				

Project evaluation year: 2029

Vehicle Population [check box]: selected

Repower/Replacement Vehicle Population: 15

Repower/Replacement Vehicle Type: School Bus

Model year of vehicles to be replaced: 2001

Model year of replacement vehicles: 2029

These are all of the inputs required to calculate the emission savings created by the replacement, which are given in the image below:

	OUTPUT			
FLEET PERFORMANCE				
Annual A Re EMISSION REDUCTIONS	Activity for Vehicles to be powered/Replaced	Total Vehicle Total Vehicle Total Hotellii	Last Updated: 2/24 Miles Traveled Population ng Hours	I/2019 2:38:55 PM
	Pollutant	<b>Total</b> kg/day		
	Carbon Monoxide (CO)	1.83127		
	Nitrogen Oxide (NOx)	3.97457		
	Particulate Matter <2.5 μm (PM <sub>2.5</sub> )	0.26661		
	Particulate Matter <10 μm (PM <sub>10</sub> )	0.28980		
	Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC)	0.84385		
	Carbon Dioxide Equivalent (CO2e)	53.95101		
	Total Energy Consumption (MMBTU)	0.70396		

In the absence of replacement-specific vehicle miles traveled data, this tool utilizes national rates to calculate emission benefits. For school buses, this tool estimates that the fifteen model year 2001 vehicles travel 209,263 miles annually, which may be an appropriate value for the repower/replacement project.

The emission reductions in kg/day and TEC reductions in millions of British Thermal Units (MMBTU) are:

Carbon Monoxide (CO): 1.83127 Nitrogen Oxide (NOx): 3.97457 Particulate Matter (PM2.5): 0.26661 Particulate Matter (PM10): 0.28980 Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC): 0.84385

Carbon Dioxide Equivalent (CO<sub>2</sub>e): 53.95101 Total Energy Consumption (TEC): 0.70396

#### Example 1b: Replacement of School Buses (Population and VMT known)

County X knows that the 15 model year 2001 school buses that they want to replace are actually driven an average of 15,000 miles annually. In this case, input the following as shown below:

INPUT	User Guide					
Note: Inputs for this tool should be specific to the vehicles to be replaced/repowered.						
(1) What is your project evaluation year?	2029	Reset to Default Values				
(2) What is the repower/replacement vehicle type?	School Bus					
(3) What is the model year of the vehicles that will be repowered/replaced?	2001					
(4) What is the model year of the repower/replacement vehicles?	2029					
(5) What activity data do you have? Note: You must choose at least one	<ul> <li>✓ Vehicle Miles Traveled</li> <li>✓ Vehicle Population</li> <li>✓ Vehicle Hotelling Hours</li> </ul>					
(6) Input the annual activity for the total number of vehicles to be repowered/replaced	225,000     Total Vehicle Miles Tra       15     Repower/Replacement       Total Vehicle Hotelling	veled t Vehicle Population ; Hours				

Project evaluation year: 2029

Vehicle Miles Traveled [check box]: selected

Vehicle Population [check box]: selected

Total Vehicle Miles Traveled: 225,000 (to account for 15 vehicles traveling an average

15,000 miles each)

Repower/Replacement Vehicle Population: 15

Repower/Replacement Vehicle Type: School Bus

Model year of vehicles to be replaced: 2001

Model year of replacement vehicles: 2029

OUTPUT					Calculate Output
FLEET PERFORMANCE					
Annual A Re EMISSION REDUCTIONS	Activity for Vehicles to be powered/Replaced	Metric 225,000 15	Total Vehicle Total Vehicle Total Hotelli	Last Updated: 2/24 Miles Traveled Population ng Hours	I/2019 2:48:01 PM
	Pollutant		<b>Total</b> kg/day		
	Carbo	n Monoxide (CO)	1.96970		
	Nitro	ogen Oxide (NOx)	4.27345		
	Particulate Matte	er <2.5 μm (PM <sub>2.5</sub> )	0.28658		
	Particulate Matt	ter <b>&lt;10</b> µm (PM <sub>10</sub> )	0.31150		
	Volatile Organic C	ompounds (VOC)	0.90647		
	Carbon Dioxide Equivaler	nt (CO2e)	57.97961		
	Total Energy Consumption	(MMBTU)	0.75626		

The emission savings can then be calculated, as shown below:

Please note in this example that the annual activity reported in the tool matches the inputs into the tool.

The emission reductions in kg/day and TEC reductions in millions of British Thermal Units (MMBTU) are:

Carbon Monoxide (CO): 1.96970 Nitrogen Oxide (NOx): 4.27345 Particulate Matter (PM2.5): 0.26859 Particulate Matter (PM10): 0.31150 Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC): 0.90647

Carbon Dioxide Equivalent (CO<sub>2</sub>e): 57.97961 Total Energy Consumption (TEC): 0.75626

# Example 2: Replacement of School Buses (Advanced Example with Activity Calculator)

Let's suppose that County X knows that their school bus fleet travels less than the national averages but they do not have specific information for the model year 2001 vehicles they are replacing. However, County X does know the total vehicle miles traveled for the 330 vehicles in their county's fleet is 3,565,425 miles. In this case, the activity calculator can be used to leverage the data inherent in MOVES to get a better estimate for vehicle miles traveled activity.

In this case, the activity calculator can first be used to determine the information that is specific for the model year 2001 vehicles that are being replaced.

Going to the activity calculator tab, input the following as shown in the image below:

(1) What is your project evaluation year?	2029 Reset to Default Values				
(2) For your aggregate fleet, what is the composition?	One Vehicle Type				
(3) Your aggregate fleet includes which fuel types?	All Fuels				
<ul> <li>(4) What activity data do you have for the aggregate</li> <li>Ievel you have specified? Please check the box and</li> <li>input the appropriate value next to it.</li> <li>Note: You must choose (and provide) at least one.</li> </ul>	3,565,425Total Vehicle Miles Traveled330Total Vehicle PopulationTotal Hotelling Hours				
For total VMT and total hotelling hours, are these annual or daily values?	O Daily  Annual				
(5) What is the specific vehicle type applicable for your project?	School Bus				
(6) What is the specific model year of this vehicle type that will be affected by the project?					

Project year: 2029
Fleet composition: One Vehicle Type
Aggregate Fleet: All Fuels
Total Vehicle Miles Traveled [check box]: selected
Total Vehicle Miles Traveled: 3,565,425
Total Vehicle Population [check box]: selected
Total Vehicle Population: 330
Annual/daily values: Annual
Specific vehicle type: School Bus
Model year of affected vehicles: 2001

Pressing Calculate gives an intermediate step of the calculated annual activity for the 2001 vehicles that will be replaced, as in the image below:



The annual activity for this fleet is 10,804 miles per vehicle, which is less than the national average. Next, the project-specific vehicle population can be input. By leaving this blank, the tool uses the distribution for vehicles by model year that occurs at the national level.

A second calculate button is then pushed to give specific activity values for the 2001 school buses to be replaced, as shown below. These values are sent to the repower/replacement tool by pressing the button labeled, "Send Activity Data to Diesel Repower/Replacement Tool".

INPUT User Guide Note: Inputs for this tool should be specific to the vehicles to be replaced/repowered. Reset to Default Values (1) What is your project evaluation year? 2029 (2) What is the repower/replacement vehicle type? School Bus (3) What is the model year of the vehicles that will be repowered/replaced? 2001 (4) What is the model year of the repower/replacement vehicles? 2029 (5) What activity data do you have? Vehicle Miles Traveled Note: You must choose at least one ✓ Vehicle Population Vehicle Hotelling Hours Total Vehicle Miles Traveled 108,043 (6) Input the annual activity for the total 10 **Repower/Replacement Vehicle Population** number of vehicles to be repowered/replaced **Total Vehicle Hotelling Hours** 

In the repower/replacement tool, the inputs should now look like this:

The only additional input that needs to be provided for proper calculation of the emissions is the model year of the vehicles that will replace the model year 2001 school buses (2029).

OUTPUT				Calculate Output	
FLEET PERFORMANCE					
Annual A Re EMISSION REDUCTIONS	Activity for Vehicles to be powered/Replaced	Metric 108,043 10	Total Vehicle Total Vehicle Total Hotellii	Last Updated: 2/24 Miles Traveled Population ng Hours	I/2019 2:55:11 PM
	Pollutant		<b>Total</b> kg/day		
	Carbon Monoxide (CC		0.94407		
	Nitrogen Oxide (NOx)		2.05212		
	Particulate Matter <2.5 μm (PM <sub>2.5</sub> )		0.13783		
	Particulate Matter <10 μm (PM <sub>10</sub> )		0.14981		
	Volatile Organic O	Compounds (VOC)	0.43737		
	Carbon Dioxide Equivale	nt (CO2e)	27.91230		
	Total Energy Consumption	n (MMBTU)	0.36474		

Emission benefits then are calculated and reported as follows:

The emission reductions in kg/day and TEC reductions in millions of British Thermal Units (MMBTU) are:

Carbon Monoxide (CO): 0.94407 Nitrogen Oxide (NOx): 2.05212 Particulate Matter (PM2.5): 0.13783 Particulate Matter (PM10): 0.14981 Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC): 0.43737

Carbon Dioxide Equivalent (CO<sub>2</sub>e): 27.91230 Total Energy Consumption (TEC): 0.36474