

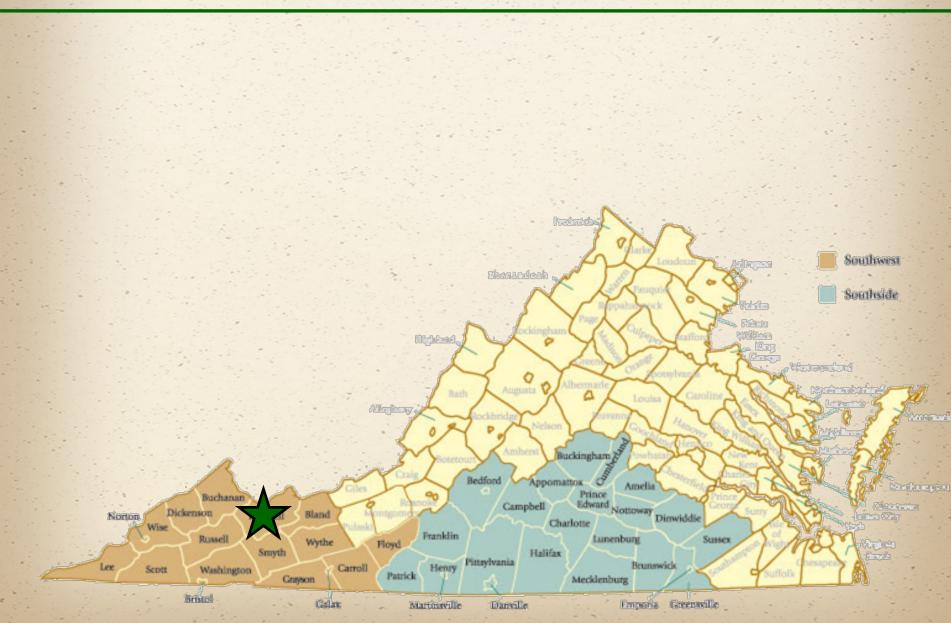
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### **Clean Energy R&D Center**



## Tazewell County (VA) Landfill



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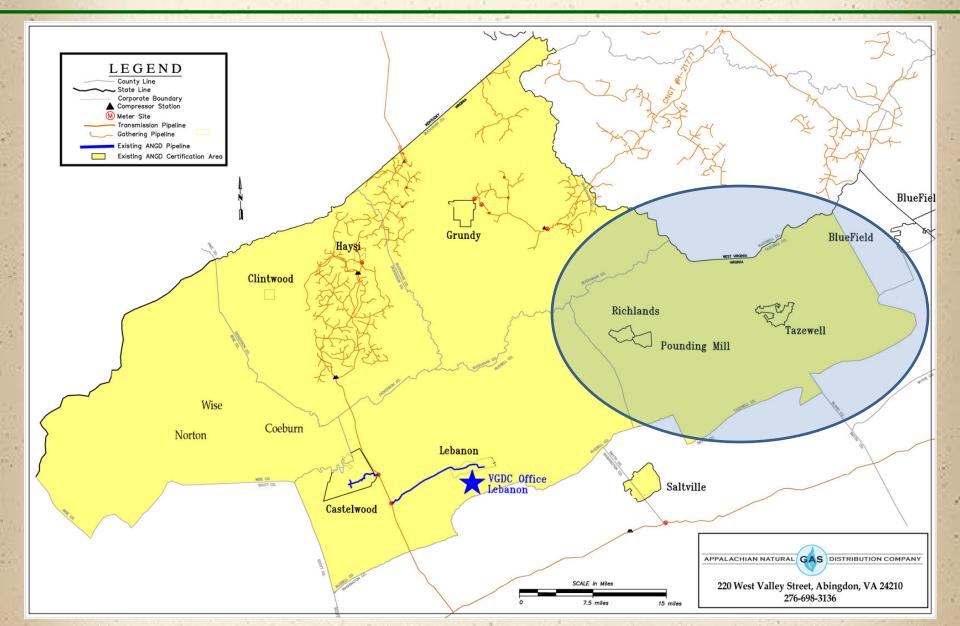
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Electricity project didn't pencil out

- No viable users of low/med-Btu gas
- Closest gas line is ~8 miles away



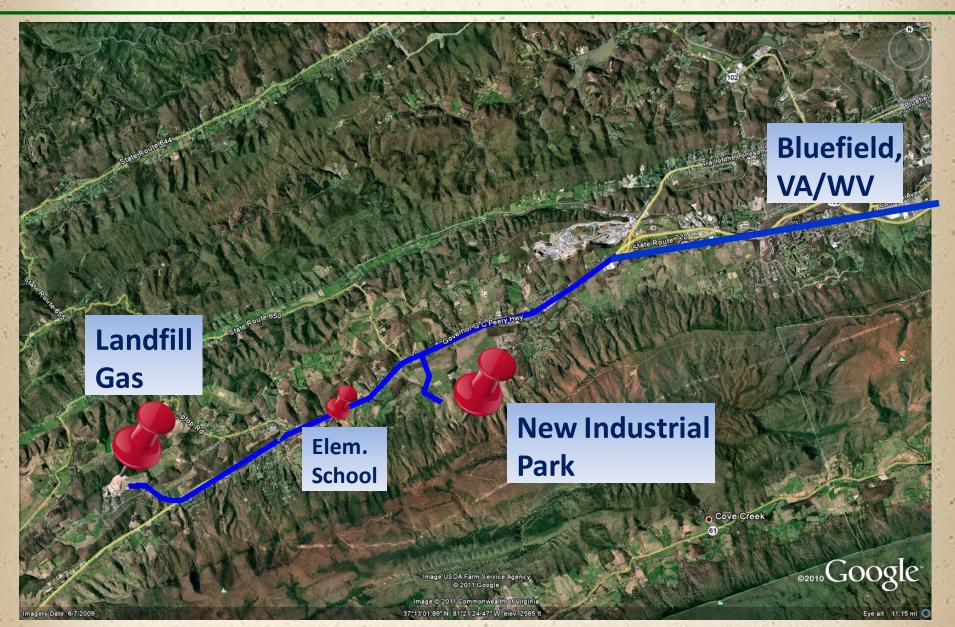
#### Appalachian Natural Gas Dist.



#### Tazewell County, VA



# **Pipeline-Grade LFG Project**



## **LFG Purification Process**

- "AdvanSorb™": PSA purification of LFG to gas pipeline specs
- Key innovations:



- O<sub>2</sub> reduced from 1-4% to <0.2%
- N<sub>2</sub> reduced from 6-15% to <2.0%
- CO<sub>2</sub> reduced to <2.0%
- High CH<sub>4</sub> purity: >96%+
- High CH<sub>4</sub> yield: >90%



#### **Renewable Natural Gas Production**

325 scfm @ Tazewell County Landfill

x 60 x 24 x 365 x 90% x 50%

= 75 million cubic feet/year

... of pipeline-grade natural gas 600,000 GGE



#### **Project Partners**

- Tazewell LFG Development, LLC
- Tazewell County IDA
  SWVA Higher Ed. Center Foundation
- Renew Fuels, Inc.
- Civil engineers:
  - Thompson & Litton (Tazewell, VA)
  - Draper Aden Associates (Blacksburg, VA)



#### **Economic Development**

 Gas Collection and Control System @ no cost to County

Expanded natural gas service

Regional supply chain

Revenue for County and non-profit

Possible CNG station



#### **Regional Job Creation**

Company HQ

Regional supply chain:
 pressure vessels, control systems, skid fabrication, adsorbent

• 0&M

 Opportunities at abandoned underground coal mines (gob gas)



#### Revenue

Carbon credits

• Green gas premium

 Renewable Fuel Standards and Renewable Identification Numbers (RINs)

• Visibility into project ROI ...



#### **Renewable Fuel Standards: RINs**

**EPA** says:

"all oil companies that market petroleum in the U.S. are required to produce a given quantity of renewable fuel or to purchase credits, called [RINs]"



## **Renewable Fuel Standards: RINs**

 "Only biogas that is used as renewable fuel can generate RINs. Biogas includes ... landfill gas, manure digester gas, and sewage waste treatment gas." 40 CFR §80.1401.

 Inject into the pipeline at one point ... and withdraw at another point. 40 CFR §80.1426(f)(11)(ii)



# let nothing be

wasted