

EPA's Proposed Increases in Renewable Fuel Levels



The U.S. EPA Landfill Methane Outreach Program (LMOP) is pleased to provide its Partners and other interested stakeholders information about **proposed updates to the Renewable Fuel Standard**.

Public Hearing: June 9, 2016

Public Comment Period Ends: July 11, 2016

Last week, EPA proposed increases in renewable fuel volume requirements across all types of biofuels under the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) program. The proposed increases would boost renewable fuel production and provide for ambitious yet achievable growth.

The Clean Air Act requires EPA to set annual RFS volume requirements for four categories of biofuels: cellulosic biofuel, biomass-based diesel, advanced biofuel, and total renewable fuel. EPA implements the program in consultation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of Energy.

The proposed volume increases are shown in the following table:

Fuel	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Cellulosic biofuel (million gallons)	33	123	230	312*	n/a
Biomass-based diesel (billion gallons)	1.63	1.73	1.90	2.00	2.1*
Advanced biofuel (billion gallons)	2.67	2.88	3.61	4.0*	n/a
Renewable fuel (billion gallons)	16.28	16.93	18.11	18.8*	n/a

(*Proposed Volume Requirements)

EPA will hold a public hearing on this proposal on **June 9, 2016** in Kansas City, Missouri. The period for public input and comment will be open through **July 11, 2016**.

For more information on the proposal, see

<https://www.epa.gov/renewable-fuel-standard-program/proposed-renewable-fuel-standards-2017-and-biomass-based-diesel>.

For more information on the public hearing, see

<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-05-25/pdf/2016-12358.pdf>.

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