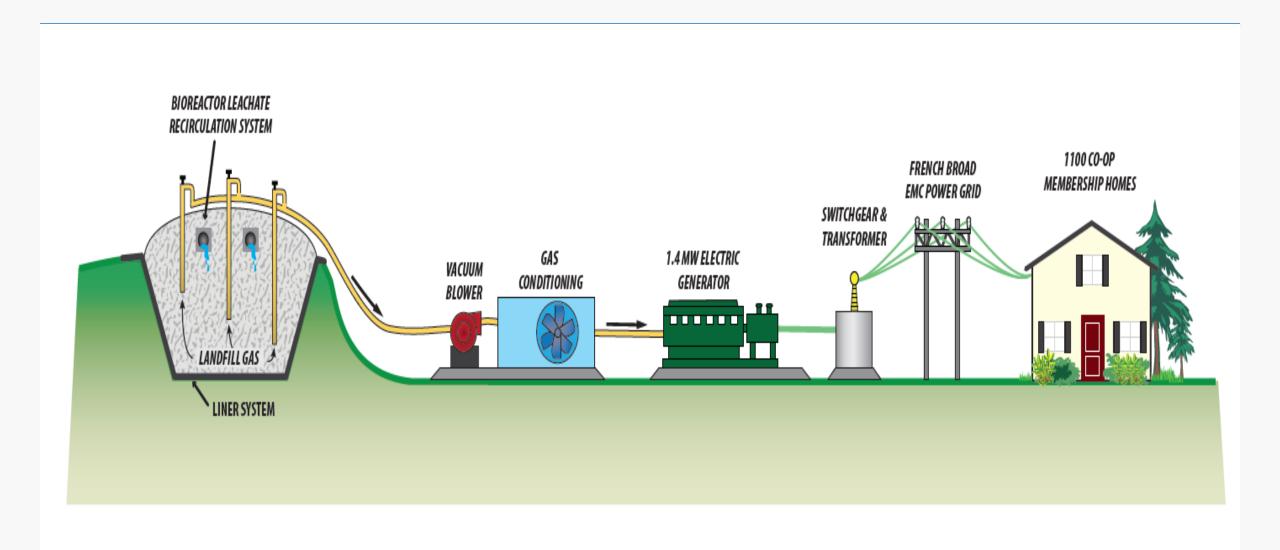


# SOLID WASTE

Landfill Gas to Energy Update

November 2nd, 2021

#### **Diagram of LFGTE Process**





#### Benefits of Landfill Gas to Energy

- Methane is a potent greenhouse gas our landfill gas collection system actively collects and combusts in the flare or the generator; significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions
- Landfill gas is used by the generator to produce renewable electricity.
- Duke is obligated to purchase renewable electricity we produce
- Duke's power purchase agreement allows continued production of renewable electricity for Buncombe County





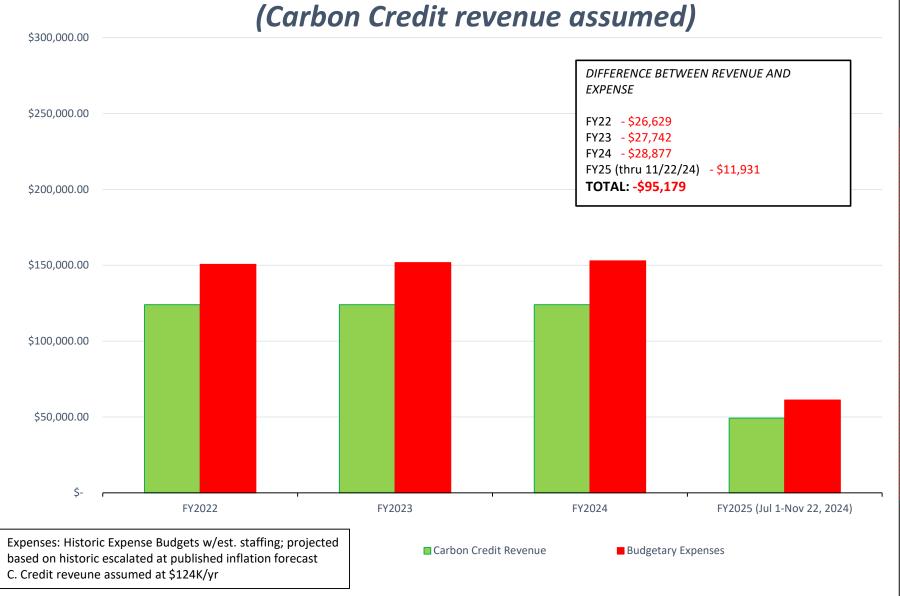
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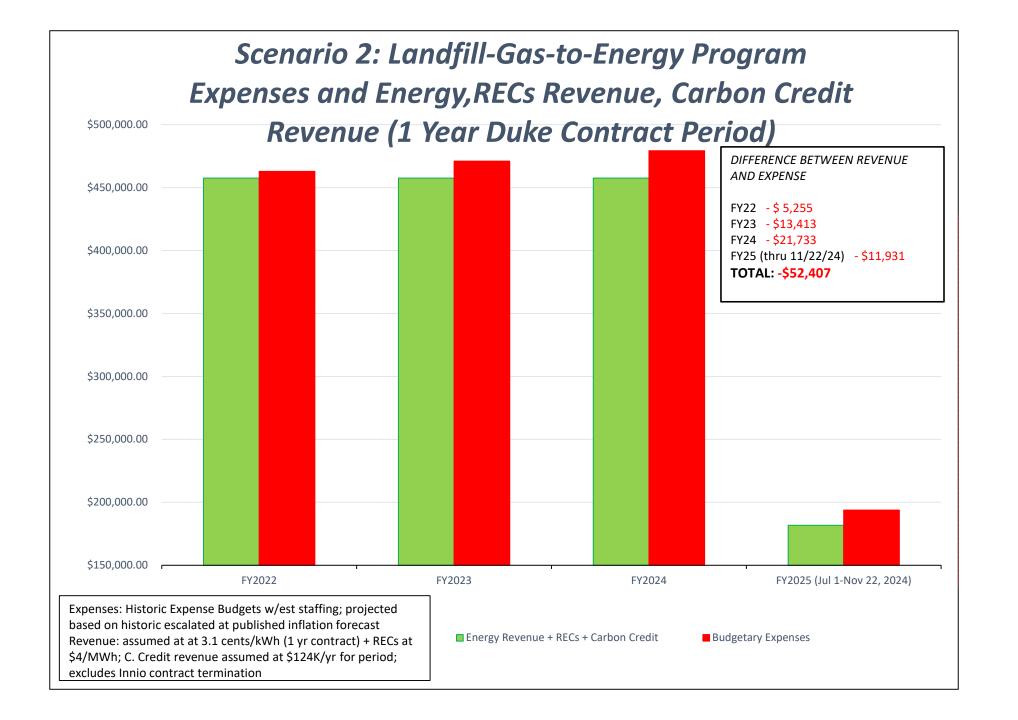
1. Landfill Gas Collection and Control System (Flare only)

2. LFGCCS and Produce Renewable Electricity with 1 year Duke PPA

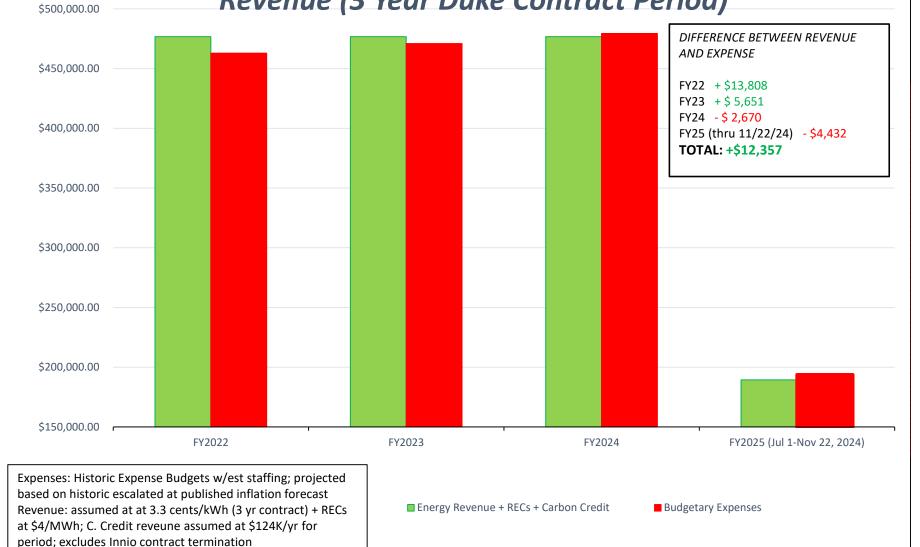
3. LFGCCS and Produce Renewable Electricity with 3 year Duke PPA











## Long-Term Financial Considerations

1. Capital Investment-The generator manufacturer recommends engine

block replacement at 60,000 OPH

- (Approx. July 2024)
- (\$567,000)
- 2. Annual \$75,000 loan repayment until FY32



Staff will need to analyze long-term financial impacts and return to the Board in 2023 with a recommendation on whether to continue renewable energy generation



#### **TIMELINE**

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## Staff Recommendation

- 3 year PPA contract is least expensive option and continues production of renewable electricity
- Evaluate other beneficial uses of landfill gas
- Return to the board in 2023 to discuss long-term strategy for LFGTE project



