

Oregon Clean Fuels Timeline and Process

2008:

- Coalition of business and public interest groups forms around Governor Kulongoski's climate and clean energy priorities, which includes proposal for Clean Fuels Program (Low-Carbon Fuels)

2009:

- HB 2186 introduced to create clean fuels program and reduce carbon pollution from transportation fuels 10% over ten years.
- 4 legislative public hearings held
- 6 legislative committee work sessions held
- HB 2186 passed by Legislature and signed into law by Governor Kulongoski

2010-2011:

- DEQ holds 13 full-day Advisory Committee meetings.
 - 29 members representing fuel producers, fuel providers, fuel consumers, utilities, NGOs, Businesses, local governments participate.
- DEQ holds special workshop on life cycle analysis models
- DEQ issues fuels assessment and biomass assessment
- DEQ conducts outreach to fuel importers and fuel producers
- Macroeconomic analysis done and shows fuel savings and job benefits for Oregon
- DEQ issues draft rules and 174-page final report with Advisory Committee recommendations.
- For a complete list of Advisory Committee meetings and materials, see: <http://www.deq.state.or.us/aq/committees/advcomLowCarbonFuel.htm>

2012:

- DEQ moves forward with Phase 1 rule making, which requires reporting by fuel importers and fuel providers.
- 102 written comments and 16 verbal comments received
- Public hearing hosted by EQC
- DEQ adopts Phase 1 rules in December

2013:

- SB 488 introduced to lift sunset from the Clean Fuels Program
- Clean Fuels coalition formed with 120 business, health, labor, agricultural and public interest supporters
- 2 legislative public hearings held: 25 supportive written comments submitted, 13 opposed written comments submitted. 18 supportive verbal testimonies, 13 opposition verbal testimonies.
- 2 legislative works sessions held
- SB 488 stalls on a 15-15 tie vote in the Senate

2014:

- February: DEQ directed to move forward with Phase 2 rule making
 - 3 full-day Advisory Committee meetings held
 - 20 members representing fuel importers, fuel providers, fuel consumers, local governments, and public interest groups participate
- Supreme Court declines to hear appeal of California's LCFS, affirming decisions of the 9th District federal circuit court that the program is constitutional
- Interim hearing on Clean Fuels Program held
 - DEQ provides update on Phase 1 outreach and implementation
 - California provides update on 3 years of implementation of the Low Carbon Fuel Standard
- EQC holds two public hearings
 - 75% of in-person testimony is supportive
 - Over 75% of the 742 written comments is supportive

2015:

- EQC adopts Phase 2 rules in January
- SB 324 introduced to reauthorize Clean Fuels Program
- 3 legislative hearings and one legislative work session held, thus far
- Clean Fuels Works coalition numbers nearly 150 members strong

Over 2,000 days since Governor Kulongoski signed the bill authorizing the Clean Fuels Program and over 2,000 days of missed economic opportunity for Oregon.