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Purpose:

Compare and contrast sustainability metrics for the purposes of identification and proposal of core metrics effective for the design, development and improvement of space systems & associated infrastructure



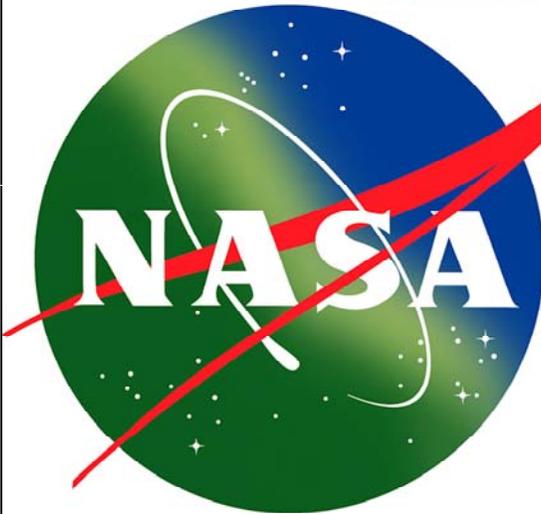
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NASA Metrics for Strategic Sustainable Performance



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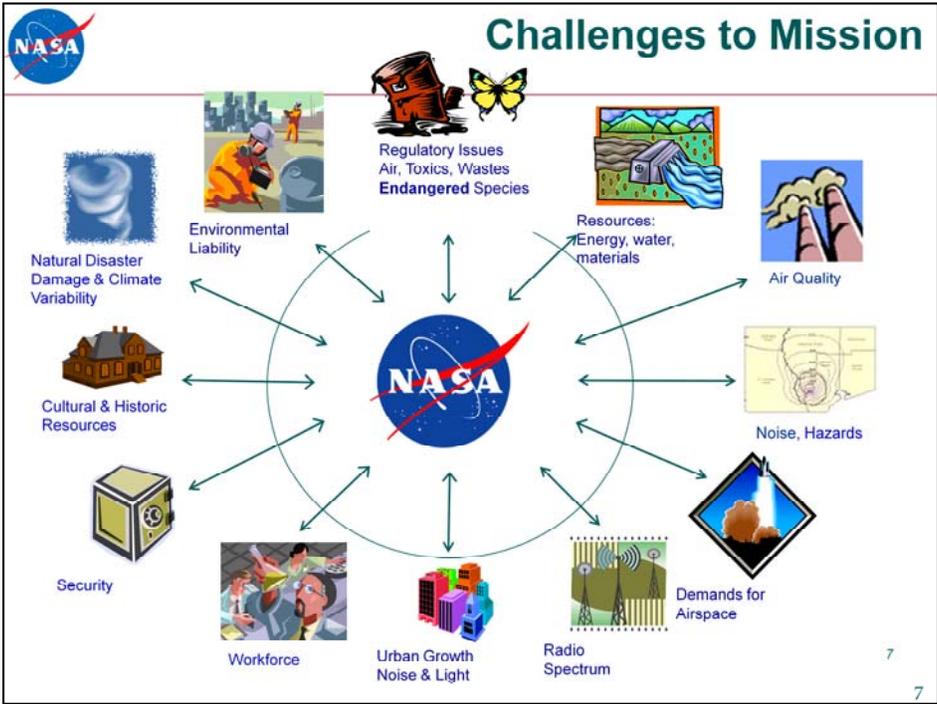
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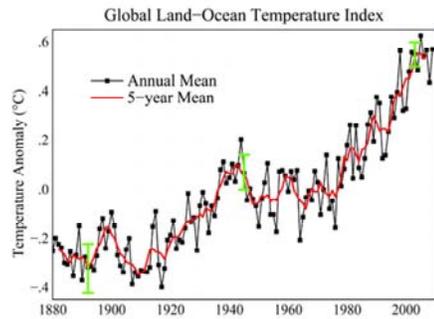
Agenda

-  Purpose
-  Internal and External Drivers
-  NASA's Strategic Sustainability Performance Plan
-  NASA's Sustainability Metrics
-  Recommended Core Metrics



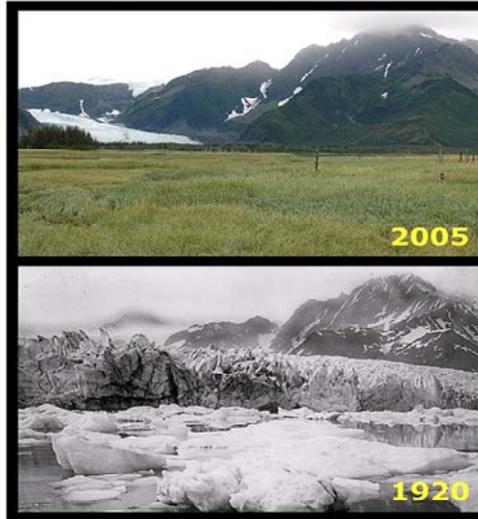


Climate Change



This graph illustrates the change in global surface temperature relative to 1951-1980 average temperatures. The green error bars represent the uncertainty on measurements. Source: NASA

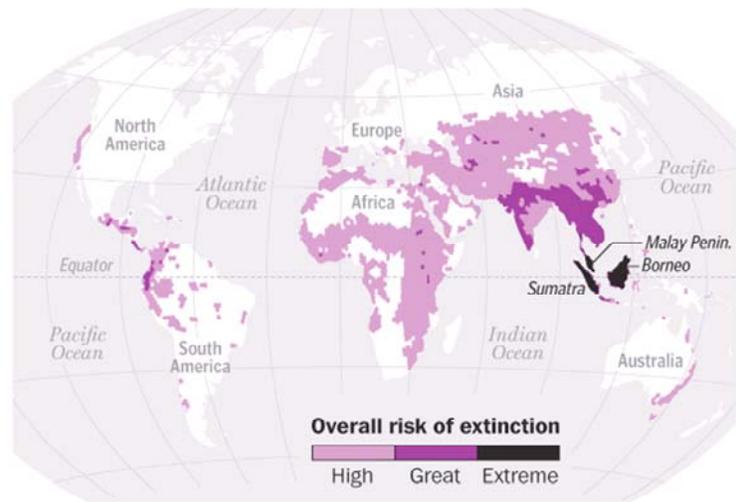
Pedersen Glacier



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Risk of Biological Extinction



The risk of extinction for birds, mammals and amphibians is increasing across the globe, most drastically in parts of Asia.

SOURCE: Science/AAAS | The Washington Post - Oct. 27, 2010

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Creatures could disappear from the earth, with one-fifth of all vertebrates and as many as a third of all sharks and rays now facing the threat of extinction

Forces such as habitat destruction, over-exploitation and invasive competitors move 52 species a category closer to extinction each year, according to the research, published online Tuesday by the journal Science. At the same time, the findings demonstrate that these losses would be at least 20 percent higher without conservation efforts now underway.

NASA has practiced the principles of sustainability for many years

Partnership

Partnering with Prince George's County, MD and the U.S. EPA, NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center awarded a contract to Bore Energy for delivery of up to 543.9 million of landfill gas over a period of 10 years to be used as the Center's primary heating fuel. The contract provides for construction of a landfill gas recovery facility, a pipeline to deliver the gas to the Center, and conversion of two central heating plant boilers to allow them to burn the gas, as well as natural gas and diesel fuel oil. The project will save Goddard \$1 million a year in heating costs and will prevent as much pollution as taking 100,000 cars off the road.

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**Environmental Assurance Initiative
January - June 2009 Status Report**

September 10, 2009

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- ⚡ GSFC buys landfill methane
 - First in U.S. government
- ⚡ MSFC and LaRC buy steam from waste-to-steam plants



NASA Strategic Sustainable Performance Metrics

NASA Environmental Policy:

...support NASA's mission, protect mission resources and mitigate environmentally driven risks to mission, while maintaining environmental stewardship of assets, meeting environmental responsibilities, and maintaining compliance with applicable legal and other requirements.



The Big Goal within EO 13514



EO 13514 and sustainability go far beyond energy and GHG reductions.

To establish an integrated strategy towards sustainability in the Federal Government and to make reduction of greenhouse gas emissions a priority for Federal agencies....

Create a clean energy economy that will:

- increase our Nation's prosperity
- promote energy security
- protect the interests of taxpayers
- safeguard the health of our environment

AND

**The Federal Government
must lead by example!**



NASA's New Senior Sustainability Officer

Olga Dominguez – AA for
Office of Strategic
Infrastructure



New Responsibilities:

- Prepare targets for agency-wide greenhouse gas emissions reductions
- Prepare and submit NASA's multi-year Strategic Sustainability Performance Plan (SSPP) to CEQ and OMB
- Coordinate with appropriate agency offices and organizations in the preparation of the SSPP
- Monitor & report NASA's performance and progress in implementing the SSPP, and
- Report annually to the NASA Administrator on the adequacy and effectiveness of the agency's SSPP



NASA is Required to...

NASA shall:

- **increase energy efficiency**
- **measure, report, and reduce their greenhouse gas emissions from direct and indirect activities**
- **conserve and protect water resources through efficiency, reuse, and stormwater management**
- **eliminate waste, recycle, and prevent pollution**
- **leverage agency acquisitions to foster markets for sustainable technologies and environmentally preferable materials, products, and services**
- **design, construct, maintain, and operate high performance sustainable buildings in sustainable locations**
- **strengthen the vitality and livability of the communities in which NASA facilities are located**
- **inform NASA employees and contractors about these goals and objectives and involve them in their achievement**



NASA's Sustainability Policy

NASA's sustainability policy is to execute NASA's mission without compromising our planet's resources so that future generations can meet their needs.

Sustainability also involves taking action now to provide a future where the environment and living conditions are protected and enhanced and in that future NASA will have the resources it needs to perform its Mission.

NASA is committed to the intent of Executive Order 13514.

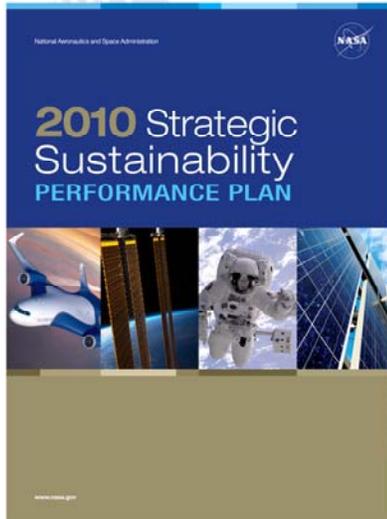
NASA is integrating sustainability principles and methods into existing systems, processes and decision-making, influencing both long-term planning and short-term actions.

Sustainability will gradually become part of NASA culture.



NASA Strategic Sustainable Performance Plan

EO 13514 required NASA to prepare and submit to CEQ and OMB a multi-year Strategic Sustainability Performance Plan.



- Started formal sustainability planning process within NASA
- In 2011, it will streamline and consolidate reporting requirements
- Initiated conversations and coordination between different NASA offices
- Aligned activities, efforts, and projects outlined in SSPP with NASA budget submission
- Initiated inclusion of sustainability into other NASA plans, policies, and activities

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A multi-year strategic plan

Includes policy statement committing NASA to compliance with environmental and energy statutes, regulations, and Executive Orders

Identifies existing, relevant agency activities, policies, plans, procedures, and practices needed to meet sustainability goals and targets

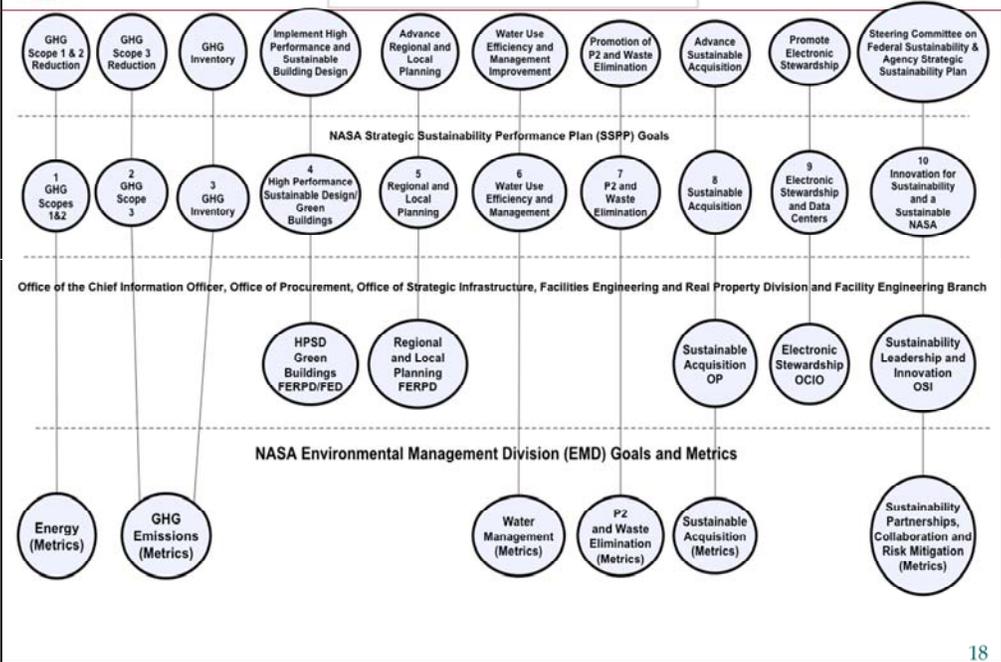
Documents new or revised policies, plans, procedures, and practices, when necessary

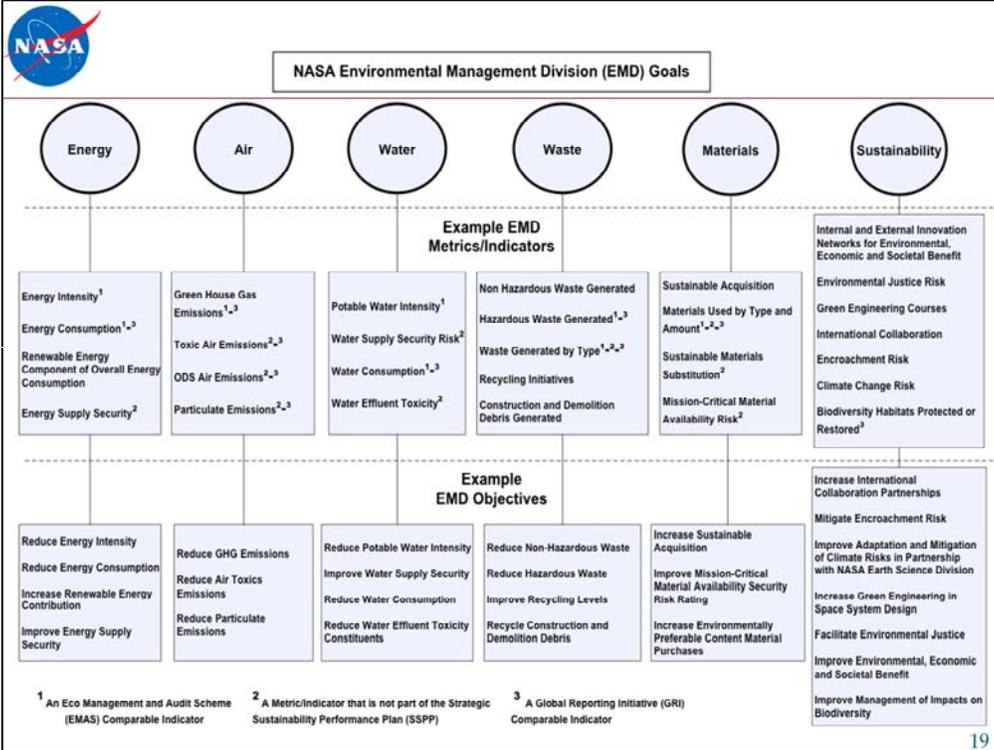
Includes sustainability goals and targets (from external requirements), including greenhouse gas reduction targets

Identifies specific agency goals, a schedule, milestones, and approaches for achieving results, and quantifiable metrics



Executive Order 13524 National Goals







NASA Strategic Sustainable Performance Metrics

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP SCORECARD National Aeronautics and Space Administration

	CURRENT STATUS (As of January 1, 2010) ¹	PROGRESS	COMMENTS
ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP Senior Official: Olga M. Dominguez, Assistant Administrator, Office of Infrastructure and Administration Lead EOP Analysts: Cyndi Vallina and Dana Arnold	 Green <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EMS report card: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> _X_ ≥80% green & ≤5% red on EMS metrics (G) ___ <10% red on EMS metrics (Y) Green purchasing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> _X_ Agency has affirmative procurement program (APP) for all green products and services, demonstrates & monitors compliance, develops corrective actions if applicable, and conducts training (G) ___ Agency has APP and representative acquisitions for all covered areas (Y) Sustainable design/green bldgs²: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> _X_ Implements Guiding Principles and is on track to meet the 15% goal by 2015 (>3 percent sustainable) (G) ___ Implements Guiding Principles on all new building projects & leased space (>1.75 percent sustainable)(Y) Electronic stewardship (ES): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> _X_ Acquires ≥ 95% EPEAT-registered electronics; enables power mgmt features on 100% of eligible PCs laptops & monitors; strives to extend life to ≥4 years & uses sound disposition practices (G) ___ Has ES plan & on track to implement goal by Dec 2010 (Y) 	 Green <p>Actions taken since January 1, 2010:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implemented corrective actions at Centers with a "Yellow" EMS status; 13/16 facilities are addressing sustainability through their EMSs. Issued task order to update environmental training to include sustainable practices and will release update in agency training system. Audited APP at >10% of facilities. Provided >20 representative contracts. Implemented SBIP & ES milestones. Achieved LEED certification for 3 additional buildings. Submitted draft Data Center Consolidation Plan & initial inventory. <p>Planned actions for next six months:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit all required energy, FRPP & environmental reporting by due dates. Address sustainable practices through EMSs at remaining 3 facilities. Conduct green purchasing monitoring & corrective action; review 25% applicable FY11 Q1 contract actions to demonstrate compliance with 95% sustainable acquisition goal. Re-bid ODIN contract, with increased emphasis on EPEAT, power management, end-of-life management, & improved data reporting requirements. Implement planned actions for SSPP Goal 4 on Sustainable Green Buildings. Implement planned actions for SSPP Goal 9, Electronic Stewardship & Data Centers. Finalize agency data center consolidation plan per the FDCCI. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NASA Progress remains Green as it completed all planned actions. OMB approves NASA's Sustainability Plan (SSPP), which displays an outstanding leadership commitment, agency-wide integration, tracking, accountability, and communication. NASA's partnering internally to solve mutual risk, improving system design and use of communities of practices initiatives are exemplary. To strengthen its SSPP for 2011, NASA should include: a statement that directly links sustainability to mission; more detailed information to support acquisition goal; and identification of resources for electronic stewardship.

¹ Status will be updated annually to reflect performance data collected at the end of each fiscal year. Progress will be assessed twice annually (Jan/July).
² Each agency is required to ask GSA to institute sustainable design in contracts and leases on its behalf.

July 2010



Energy Requirements

Topic	Requirement
Energy Intensity	reduce Btu/gsf 3% annually from FY 2003 baseline for FY 2006-2015 (30%)
Water Intensity	reduce gal/gsf 2% annually from FY 2007 baseline for FY 2008-2020 (26%)
Renewable Energy	increase percentage of total electricity from renewable sources 3% FY 2007-2009 5% FY 2010-2012 7.5% FY 2013+

- a. Energy intensity (BTU/gsf): energy intensity reductions of 3% a year from a 2003 baseline (30% by 2015). FY 2010: 15%
- b. Water Intensity (gal/gsf): water intensity reductions of 2% a year from a 2007 baseline (16% by 2015). FY 2010: 6%
- c. Renewable electricity requirement (%): 3% of electricity consumption through FY 2009; 5% FY 2010-2012; 7.5% thereafter.

Additional metering of federal buildings required:

- a. Electricity by FY 2012
- b. Natural Gas and Steam by FY 2016

- Federal Agencies are very energy dependent due the nature of our missions
- Rising costs and the volatile political environment in oil rich nations are risks to our energy supplies
- An aging electrical grid infrastructure both internally at our facilities and externally in the community poses a risk because energy may not be available at critical times
- Because of these reasons and because it saves \$'s and helps our Nation become energy independent, we the Federal Government need to:

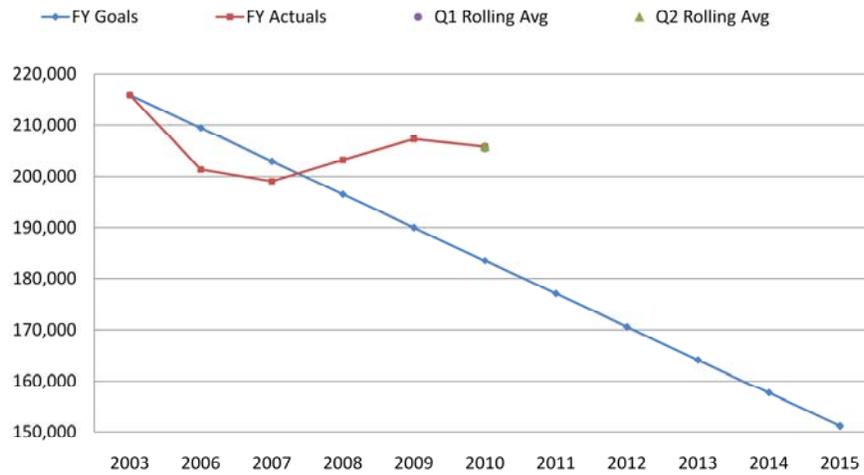
Conserve energy, become more efficiency and use alternative energy

Reduces cost of operation
Provides more maneuverability
Releases the US from foreign dependency
Reduces Mission Risks and
Increases Opportunities
Protects our Future



NASA Strategic Sustainable Performance Metrics

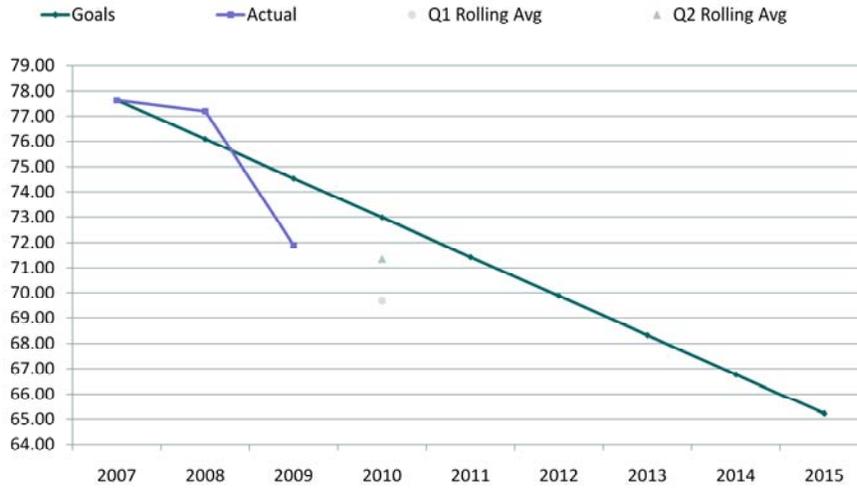
NASA - Energy Intensity (BTU/GSF)





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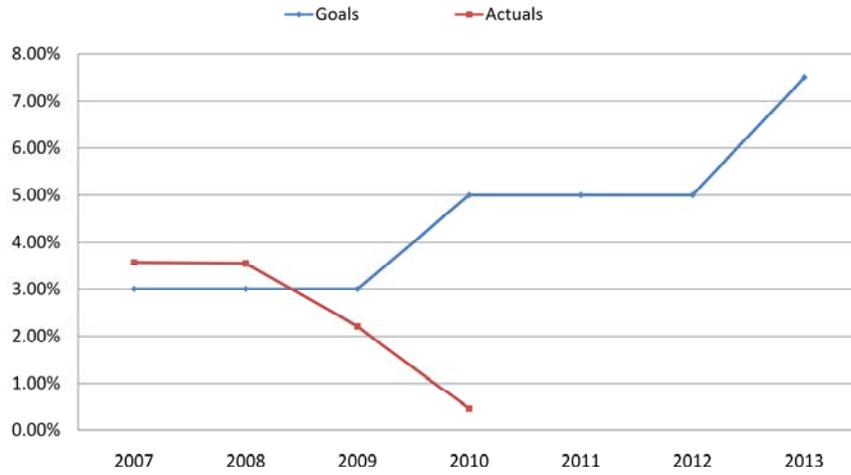
NASA - Water Intensity (GAL/GSF)





NASA Strategic Sustainable Performance Metrics

NASA – Renewable Energy





Core Strategic Sustainability Performance Metrics

Recommended Common Core Metrics

- Energy Intensity
- Renewable Energy Usage
- Water Intensity

Possible Additional Core Metrics

- Solvent Usage
- Green House Gases
- Solid Waste Recycling
- Hazardous Material Use Reduction
- Conflict Minerals



Conflict Minerals

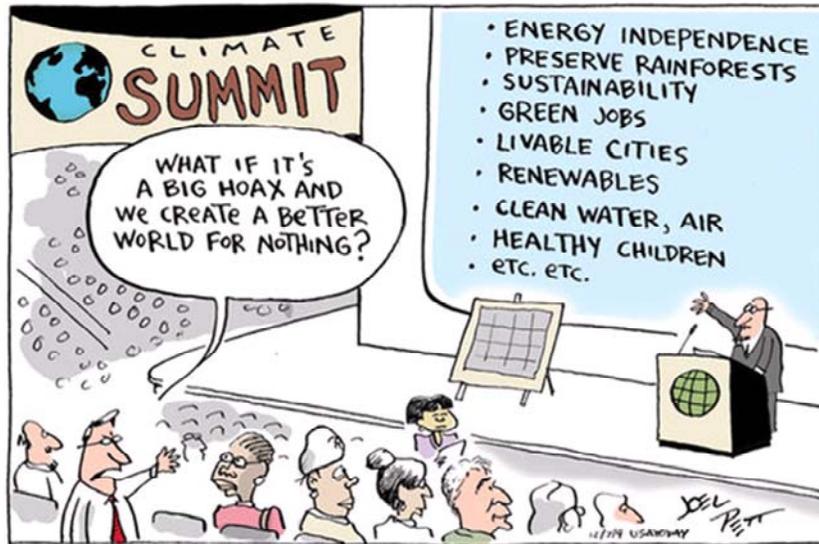
- Finance Reform Bill signed July 2010
- Companies must publically disclose what they are doing to prevent conflict minerals from being used
- Must report to Securities Exchange Commission whether products contain "conflict materials" from Democratic Republic of the Congo or one of the nine surrounding Countries.



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Environmental Management Division
<http://oim.hq.nasa.gov/oia/emd/index.html>

Technology Evaluation for Environmental Risk Mitigation
<http://teerm.nasa.gov/>

FedCenter (Government Environmental Portal)
<http://www.fedcenter.gov/>

Clean Joint Group on Pollution Prevention
<http://www.jgpp.com/index.html>



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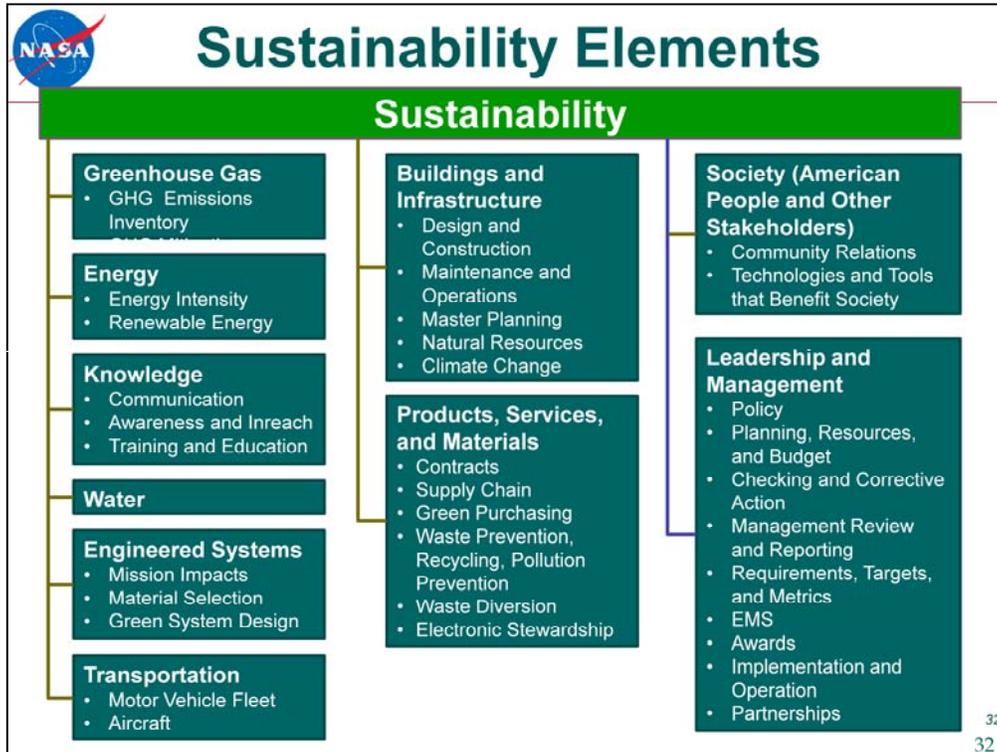
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 NASA Performance on Supporting Metrics		
Topic	Requirement	NASA FY 2009
electricity metering, appropriate buildings	install building-level meters on 10% FY 2008, 25% FY 2009, 50% FY 2010, 75% FY 2011, 100% FY 2012	79%
new building design performance	achieve energy efficiency design performance 30% better than code for FY 2007+	30% for all 10 new designs
sustainable design/green buildings	incorporate sustainable practices in 15% of building inventory by FY 2015	3%

•Will briefly summarize NASA-wide performance on 3 enabling metrics from statutory and Executive Order requirements that contribute to performance on key metrics:

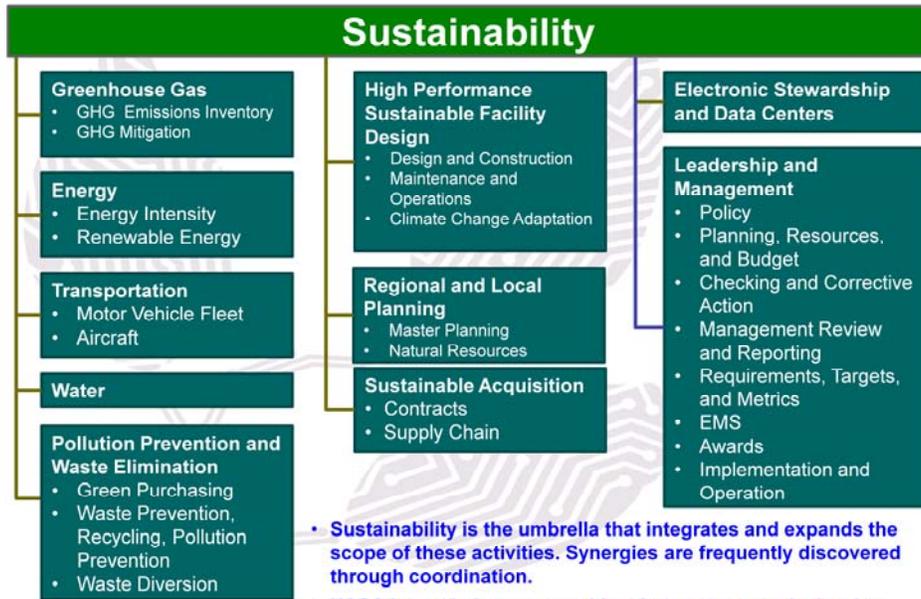
- Install building-level electricity meters on 10% of appropriate buildings by FY 2009; NASA actual 79%--better than goal. 25% FY 2009, 50% FY 2010, 75% FY 2011, 100% FY 2012
- For new building designs started in FY 2007 and beyond, achieve energy efficiency design performance 30% better than code; NASA actual all 10 new building designs expected to achieve 30% better than code--matches goal.
- Incorporate sustainable practices in 15% of building inventory by FY 2015; NASA actual 3%. Performed sustainable buildings survey in conjunction with annual deferred maintenance survey.



Note from Christina - in the draft SSPP outline that we've further flushed out and you will see soon, this element category might contain different subelements.



Integrating NASA groups creates value



- Sustainability is the umbrella that integrates and expands the scope of these activities. Synergies are frequently discovered through coordination.
- NASA has existing communities that manage work, develop plans, etc, for the majority of elements listed above..



NASA Strategic Sustainable Performance Metrics

EMD Goal	Indicator Type	EMD Core Indicators (1-EMAS & 2-GRI Comparable)	Metric
Energy	Core	Energy Intensity ¹ (Efficiency)	Energy Consumption per Gross Square Foot (# MW)
		Energy Consumption ^{1,2}	# Total (MW or GJ)
	Additional	Renewable Energy Contribution	% Renewable Energy
		Energy Supply Security Risk	Center Energy Supply Risk Score #
Air	Core	Green House Gas Emissions ^{1,2}	# Million Tons CO2 Equivalent (MTCO2e)
		Toxic Air Emissions ^{1,2}	# Tons
		ODS Air Emissions ^{1,2}	# Tons
		Particulate Air Emissions ^{1,2}	# Tons
Water	Core	Potable Water Intensity ¹ (Efficiency)	# Gallons per Gross Sq/Ft
		Water Consumption ^{1,2}	# Mm Gallons or M ³
	Additional	Water Effluent Toxicity	# Pounds Toxics
		Water Supply Security Risk	Water Supply Risk Score # by Center
Waste	Core	Waste Generated by Type ^{1,2}	Type by # Tons
		Hazardous Waste ^{1,2}	# Tons
	Additional	Recycling Initiatives	Recycling Success Score #
		Non-Hazardous Waste	# Tons
		Construction and Demolition (C&D) Debris	# Tons



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EMD Goal	Indicator Type	EMD Core Indicators (1-EMAS & 2-GRI Comparable)	Metric
Materials	Core	Materials Used by Type and Amount ^{1,2}	# Tons by Type
	Additional	Sustainable Acquisition	Contract "Green Procurement" Success Score (4 or 5 out of 5)
		Sustainable Materials Substitution	# Tons/lbs/Gallons Environmentally Preferable Materials
		Mission-Critical Material Availability Risk	Mission-Critical Material Availability Security Risk Score #
Sustainability	Additional	Internal and External Innovation Networks for Environmental, Economic and Societal Benefit	% of Networks that include consideration of Agency effects on EE&S
		Environmental Justice Risk	Environmental Justice Risk Score at each Center
		Green Engineering Courses	Participant Course Rating Score Average of 4
		International Collaboration	# of Active International Partnerships
		Encroachment Risk	Center Encroachment Risk Rating Score
		Climate Change Risk	Center Climate Change Risk Rating Score
		Biodiversity Habitats Protected or Restored	# acres of Habitat Protected or Restored

Core Indicator: Indicator that is comparable across organizations and boundaries.