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Sustainable Operations Update

December 12th, 2025



University Wide Sustainability

Administrative Operations

- Sustainable Operations
- Energy Management
- Resource Management
- Emissions Tracking
- Campus Built and Natural Environment

Office of Research

- Research
 - Institute for a Sustainable Future
 - Other Institutes and Centers
 - Graduate and Undergrad Research
- Applied Research
- Corporate Partnerships

Curricular, Co-Curricular and Extra Curricular

- Sustainability Focused Degree
 Programs and Certificates
- Sustainability Related Courses
- Student Clubs and Councils
- Student Life Programs
- Purdue Online and Purdue Global Offerings

Collaboration, Engagement Across Campus, Event Planning, Campus Education



Administrative Operations

2025 Recognition

#6 U.S. University

Times Higher Education
Sustainability Impact Ranking

#17 U.S. University

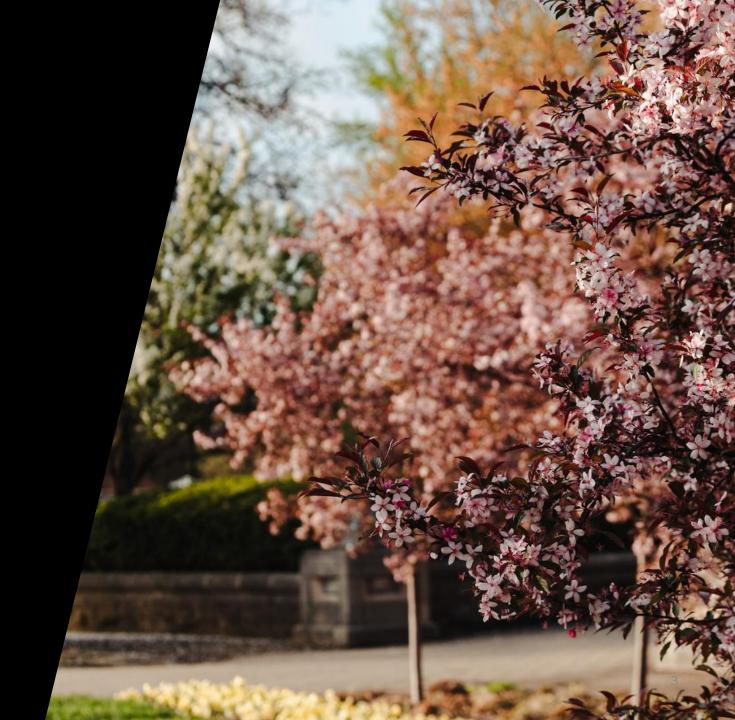
Sustainability in Higher Education, QS World University

Bee Campus USA

Inaugural recognition in 2025

Tree Campus USA

Received annually since 2009



Purdue West Lafayette Emissions

√39%

REDUCTION IN GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS FY11-25

604K metric tons (FY11) to 369K metric tons (FY25)

个39%

GROWTH IN WEST LAFAYETTE CAMPUS STUDENT ENROLLMENT

39,726 (FY11) to 55,119 (FY25)

个18%

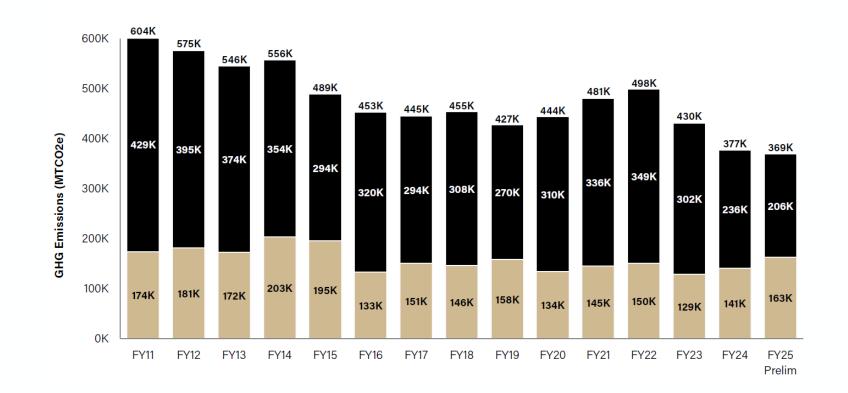
GROWTH IN PURDUE OWNED GROSS SOUARE FOOTAGE (GSF)

17,648,695 (FY11) to 20,873,491 (FY25) Reflects West Lafayette campus proper (only owned space, no farms)

GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS BY SCOPE



Fiscal Years 2011 - 2025



Other Operational Accomplishments

55,000+ tons of materials recycled (FY11-25)

19 buildings certified (e.g., LEED), 7 buildings in certification process (FY11-25)





~4,000 trees planted on campus (FY20-25)

At least **2,500,000,000 gallons** of water saved (FY11-FY25)

19% decrease in total energy use per square foot (FY11-25)



10 miles of new and improved bicycle infrastructure installed (FY14-25)



Sustainable Operations

1

Advance Towards a Low Carbon Future

- Continue leadership role in the pursuit of nuclear energy in Indiana
- Perform energy optimization within campus buildings
- Optimize campus utility systems to improve energy efficiency and reduce emissions

2

Consume Responsibly & Minimize Waste

- Reduce campus water use per square foot
- Reduce per capita waste material going to the landfill
- Develop sustainability criteria for purchased goods and services

3

Cultivate a Thriving Built and Natural Environment

- Analyze and update sustainability standards for new construction and major renovations
- Achieve Tree Campus and Bee Campus recognitions annually



Small Modular Reactor Interest

WHY?

- > Safe, reliable and affordable utility services while ensuring a sustainable future
- > Plan for steam and electric generation asset replacements that meet campus needs

BEST SOLUTION

NEAR CAMPUS SMR or MICROREACTOR

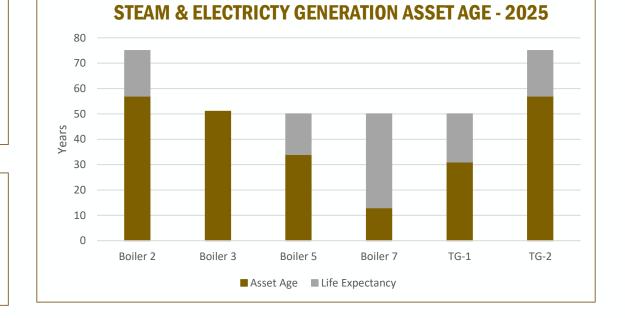
Replace existing electricity and steam, generated and produced Provide research opportunities

Greatest impact on GHG emissions reduction
Cost commensurate with existing operations

BETTER SOLUTION

IN STATE SMR, PURDUE OFF TAKER

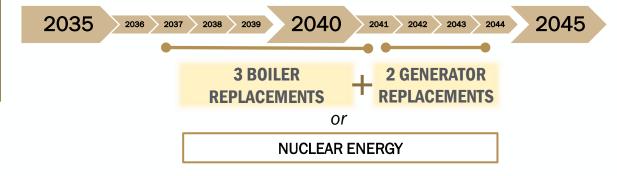
Replace existing electricity, generated and procured Continue to reduce GHG emissions Cost commensurate with existing operations



GOOD SOLUTION

IN STATE SMR

Establish supply chain, lower cost of future SMRs Help reduce carbon intensity of the grid





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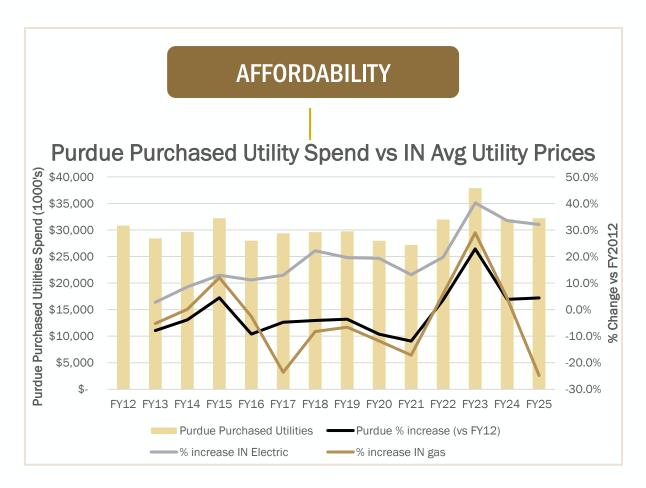
Energy and Utilities - Objectives

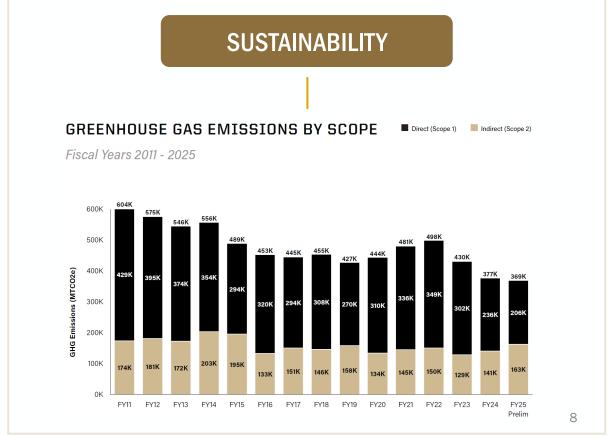
RELIABILITY











Purdue University

State Leadership

GLOBAL NUCLEAR ENERGY ECONOMIC SUMMIT

November 5-6, 2025 | Purdue West Lafayette

Purdue Announces...

- Small Modular Reactor Online Credential Program
- Creation of Institute for Energy Innovation
- Strategic Partnership with BWXT



- > First American Nuclear Announces Offices and Investment in Indiana
- > AES Indiana Announces Next Steps in SMR Studies for Indiana

FUTURE EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES IN PLANNING...

520+

SUMMIT ATTENDEES

Including policy makers, leaders from nuclear, finance, utilities, and skilled trades organizations, along with faculty, staff and students





THANK YOU

