PISCATAWAY BIOENERGY FACILITY

Accokeek, Maryland

This facility will turn **Poop to Power** by transforming how
WSSC Water handles biosolids.
Construction on the \$271M
facility began in spring 2019
and was completed in fall 2024
on time and on budget.





WHAT ARE BIOSOLIDS?

The nutrient-rich organic material resulting from wastewater treatment. Biosolids from two of WSSC Water's water resource recovery facilities (WRRFs) are being delivered and treated at the Piscataway Bioenergy Facility, with deliveries from the other four WRRFs coming soon.



HOW IS BIOENERGY PRODUCED?

Biosolids go through a state-of-the-art digestion process generating methane gas, which is captured and upgraded on site to Renewable Natural Gas (RNG).





CLASS A BIOSOLIDS

The amount of biosolids left over from the new treatment process will be significantly reduced and cleaner (Class A). In the future, they can be marketed as a soil amendment for gardens, lawns and farms.



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Generating approximately \$4 million in revenue per year. Contracting with Montgomery County to sell the RNG from this facility to power their Ride On buses. Anticipate generating \$700,000/vr from the sale of RNG and approximately \$3.2 million/yr from the sale of renewable fuel credits.



Supported hundreds of skilled craft workers during design and construction. Now supporting 20 new full-time jobs.



Further reducing WSSC Water's greenhouse gas emissions by recovering CO₂ from the upgraded methane gas and exhaust gas from the on-site generators.

\$1.9M/year in cost savings

Reduction in biosolids hauling and management costs attributed to reduced volumes through the innovative process.

1.5M/year in cost savings

Reduction in chemical costs attributed to no longer needing lime for biosolids stabilization (achieved via thermal hydrolysis and digestion).

Supporting **Diverse Businesses** Paid to MBE/SLBE firms

MBE/SLBE firms participated in the design and construction phases

Supported nearly MBE/SLBE



Surpassed the project's 13.32% MBE/SLBE goal

Achieved 16.72% as of October 2024

Federal/State Partnership

To date, through loans and grants, the state has approved **\$195,461,500** in federal/state funding for the project.

