Oyster River Cooperative School District

Ecological Footprint Report

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Oyster River Sustainability Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

A. The Sustainability Committee

The Oyster River Cooperative School District's (ORCSD) Sustainability Committee was established after the pass of Warrant Article # 7 in March 2011. The Committee, nicknamed "The Green Oyster," consists of 19 members from the ORCSD schools, the school board, the University of New Hampshire, and the three towns. The Committee's mission statement is "...to facilitate a sustainability forum...with the five principles of sustainability (Renewability, Substitution, Interdependence, Adaptability, and Institutional Commitment) in the areas of food, energy, transportation, school curriculum and community outreach."

The ORCSD consists of the following schools and facilities:

Mast Way Elementary School (K-4)

Oyster River High School (9-12)

Moharimet Elementary School (K-4) SAU Office
Oyster River Middle School (5-8) Service Building

The schools reside in three adjacent towns along the New Hampshire seacoast area: Durham (Oyster River Middle and High School), Lee (Mast Way Elementary), and Madbury (Moharimet Elementary).

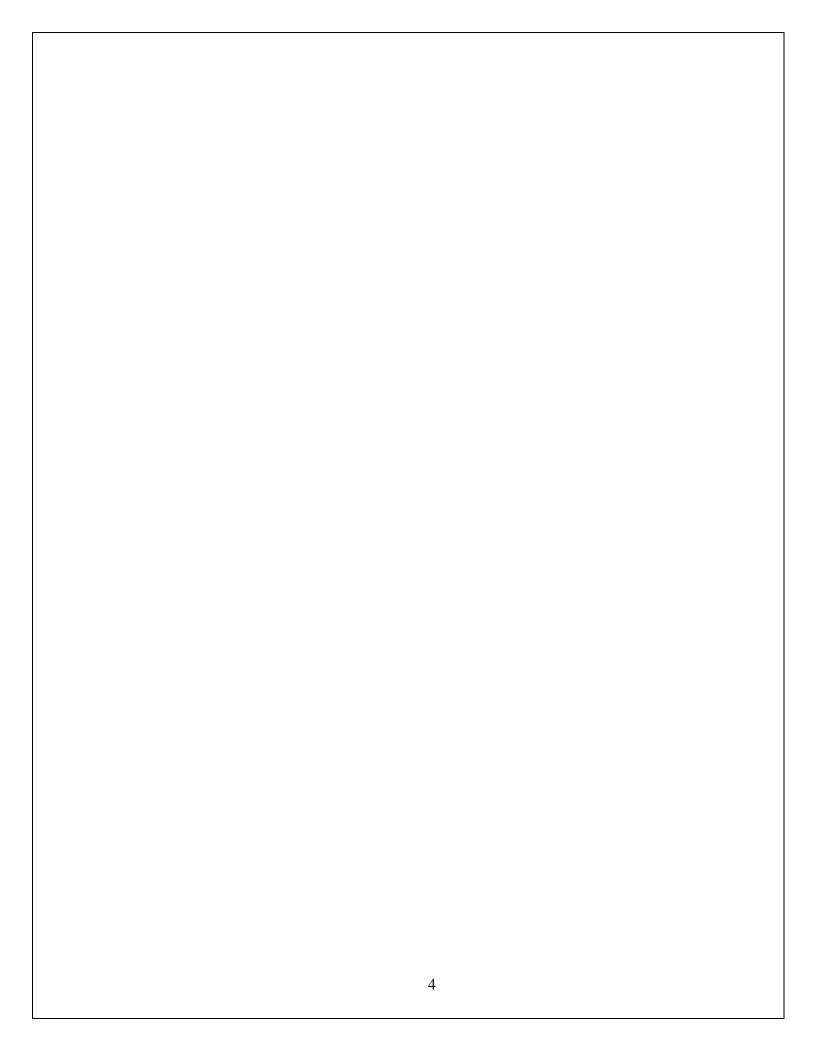
B. Purpose of this Document

The purpose of this document is for ORCSD Sustainability Committee to create an ecological footprint of the district by benchmarking the following sectors:

Solid Waste & Recycling Transportation Water Consumption **Energy (Natural Gas and Transportation) Electricity**

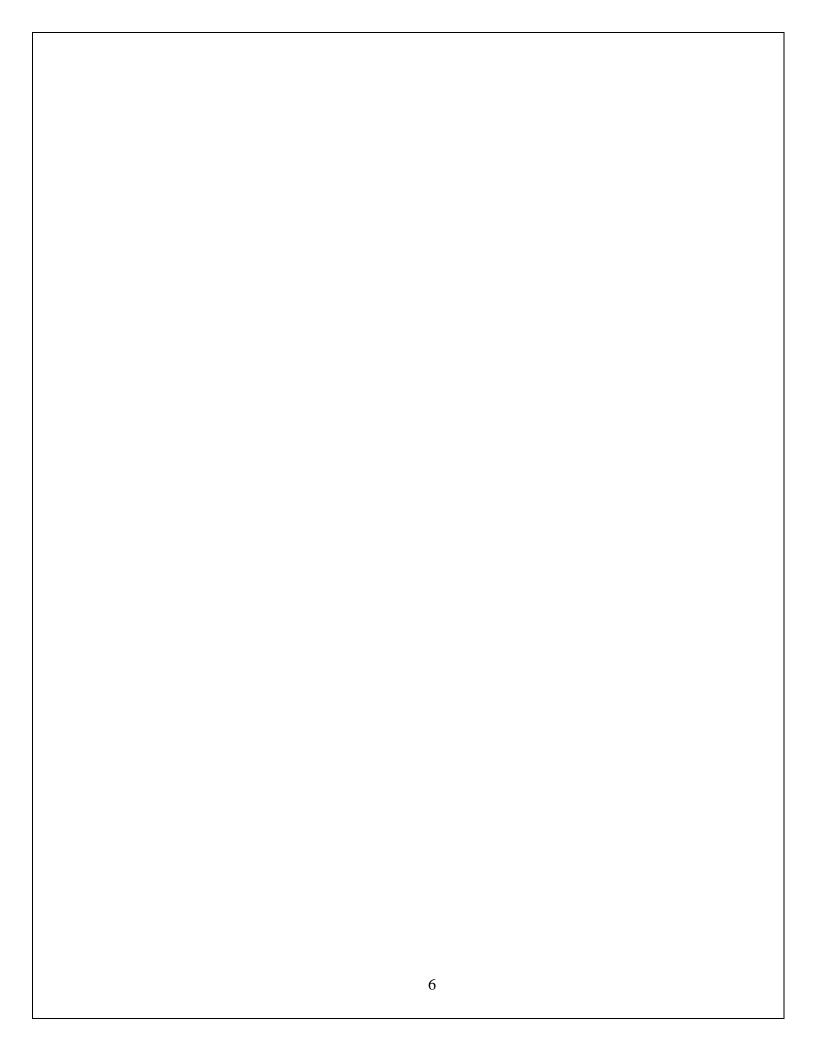
C. Layout of this Document

This document is divided into three sections. Part I represents the total measurements for the five sectors in terms of cost and metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent emitted (MTCO₂E). Totals were determined for the entire district and, where applicable, totals were compared to previous fiscal schools years. Part II is for an individual school assessment that incorporates each school and facility across the five sectors and, again, compares previous fiscal school years where applicable. Part III concludes with recommendations about decreasing the ORCSD's ecological footprint, suggestions to include in the footprint in the future, and the remaining appendices.





Total Measurements for: Solid Waste & Recycling, Transportation, Water Consumption, Energy, and Electricity



II. TOTALS

A. Total Costs (FY 2010-11)

	Costs						
	Waste:		Fleet: Water:	Energy:		Electricity:	
	Solid Waste	Recycling	Upkeep	water.	Propane	Natural Gas	Electricity.
Mast Way	\$3,761.17	\$1,884.48	-	-	\$53,054.76	-	\$35,072.18
Moharimet	\$9,519.16	\$2,001.89	-	-	\$29,430.84	-	\$48,365.79
Middle School	\$3,759.44	\$1,758.10	-	\$1,758.10	-	\$73,430.37	\$92,630.84
High School	\$4,546.35	\$1,710.10	-	\$1,710.10	-	\$125,021.73	\$252,896.61
SAU	(Included in HS)	(Included in HS)	1	\$312.31	-	-	\$7,725.60
SB	N/A	N/A	1	\$322.23	-	\$3,606.37	\$14,745.76
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Totals	\$21,586.12	\$7,354.57	\$202,690.08	\$4,102.74	\$82,485.60	\$202,058.47	\$451,436.78

Total Cost (FY 2010-2011) \$971,714.36

B. $MTCO_2E$ (FY 2010-2011)

$\mathrm{MTCO}_2\mathrm{E}$							
	Waste:	Waste: Fleet:		Energy:		Electricity:	
	waste.	Pieet.	Water	Propane	Natural Gas		
Mast Way	ı	ı	-	147.69	-	171	
Moharimet	-	-	-	82.58	-	191	
Middle School	ı	1	-	-	231	404	
High School	1	1	-	-	446	1,156	
SAU	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	25.7	
SB	1	1	-	-	12	75.8	
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Totals	-	1,131	-	230.27	689	2023.5	

Total MTCO₂E of all Sectors (FY 2010-2011) 4,073.77

III. SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING

Waste Management Companies:

The operating companies involved in the collection of the ORCSD's solid waste are Waste Management and Casella for the district's recycling. In June 2011, Casella merged with the recycling company Pine Tree. As of currently, Pine Tree collects the District's recycling on a flat rate basis: explaining the relative consistent monthly costs for removal.

Additional Offices:

The solid waste and recycling costs and total tons accumulated generated by the SAU office, located on Coe Drive near the High School, are included in the High Schools averages.

Discrepancy with Moharimet Elementary School Averages:

Moharimet Elementary School previously had two (2) 10-yard containers and paper totes that were continuously emptied: resulting in higher costs for waste removal than the other schools in the district. Moharimet currently has one (1) 10-yard container for the 2011-2012 school year.

Oyster River High School Waste Compactor:

The High School currently uses a trash compactor for its solid waste that is emptied when it is full. This may not be done during consecutive months and for months when it is not emptied no cost is averaged into the school's totals (See 'Solid Waste: Monthly Cost' graph).

A. Solid Waste and Recycling: Total Costs (FY 2010-11)

Table 1: Total Costs for All Schools (FY 2010-2011)

School	Solid Waste	Recycling
Mast Way Elementary	\$3,761.17	\$1,884.48
Moharimet Elementary	\$9,519.16	\$2,001.89
Middle School	\$3,759.44	\$1,758.10
High School	\$4,546.35	\$1,710.10
Totals (\$)	\$21,586.12	\$7,354.57

Total Cost (Solid	
Waste and	\$28,940.69
Recycling)	

B. Solid Waste: Monthly Costs



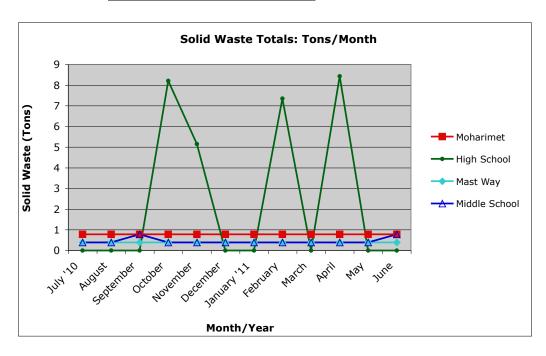
D. Recycling: Monthly Costs

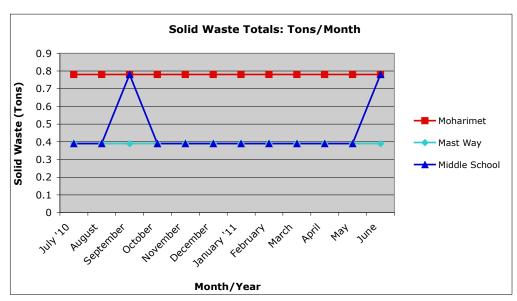


F. Tons of Solid Waste

Table 2: Tons of Solid Waste (FY 2010-11)

School	Tons of Solid Waste
Moharimet	9.36
High School	29.14
Mastway	4.68
Middle School	5.46
Total	48.64





<u>Note</u>: Graph excludes High School data for better representation of remaining schools

IV. TRANSPORTATION FLEET

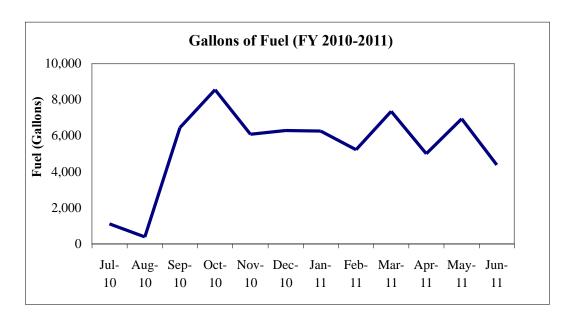
A. Totals: All Variables for the Transportation Fleet

Table 3: Totals from July 2010- June 2011			
Miles Driven	539,068.00		
Fuel Consumed			
(Gallons) 127,251.70			
Maintenance (\$)	\$30,878.72		
Repairs (\$)	\$160,423.82		
Body Work (\$) \$11,388.29			
Tires (\$) \$0.00			

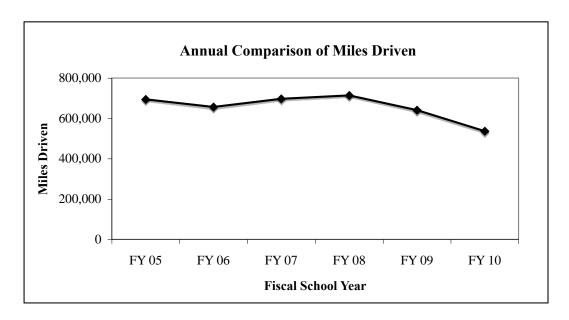
B. Total Carbon Dioxide Emissions

Fuel Consumed	
(Gallons)	$MTCO_2E$
127,251.70	1,131

C. Monthly Fuel Consumption



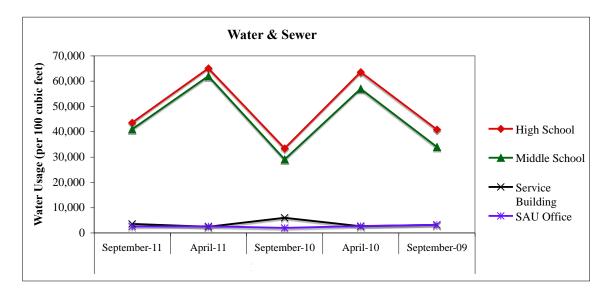
D. Annual Comparison of Miles Driven by the Fleet



V. WATER CONSUMPTION

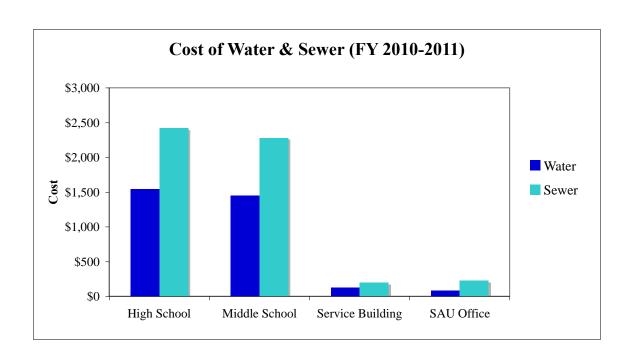
<u>Omitted Data</u>: Due to Mast Way and Moharimet Elementary Schools' water source being drawn from a well, they were excluded from this report. The amount and cost of water consumed by the High School, Middle School, SAU Office, and the Service Building are the only facilities included in this report.

Read Date & Usage (per 100 cubic feet)						
	September-			September-		September-
School/Building	11	March-11	April-11	10	April-10	09
High School	43,601	-	65,091	33,454	63,558	40,880
Middle School	41,000	62,000	-	29,000	57,000	34,000
Service Building	3,541	-	2,404	5,960	2,608	3,157
SAU Office	2,470	-	2,578	1,922	2,710	3,150



	Cost of Water & Sewer				
School/Building	Water	Sewer	Total		
High School	\$1,543.47	\$2,424.11	\$3,967.58		
Middle School	\$1,451.40	\$2,279.60	\$3,731.00		
Service Building	\$125.35	\$196.88	\$322.23		
SAU Office	\$87.54	\$224.77	\$312.31		

Rates (per 100 cubic feet)		
Water	Sewer	
\$3.54	\$5.56	

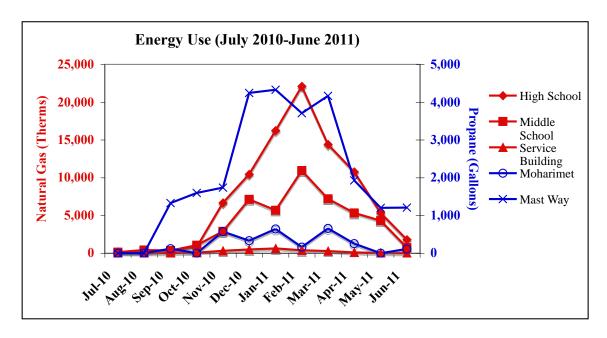


VI. ENERGY

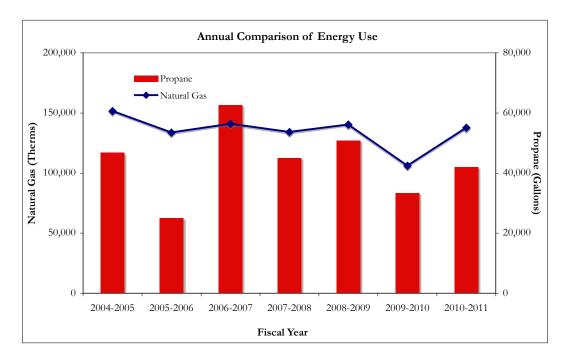
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School	Total: Energy (FY 2010-2011) School Energy Type Total Cost MTCO ₂ E						
High	Natural Gas						
School	(Therms)	89,192.96	\$125,021.73	446			
Middle	Natural Gas						
School	(Therms)	45,499.65	\$73,430.37	227			
Mast Way	Propane (Gallons)	25,438.30	\$53,054.76	148			
	Propane						
Moharimet	(Gallons)	14,224.10	\$29,430.84	83			
Service	Natural Gas						
Building	(Therms)	2,398.37	\$3,606.37	12			

Total MTCO ₂ E	916
Total: Cost	\$284,544.07

A. Energy Usage (FY 2010-2011)



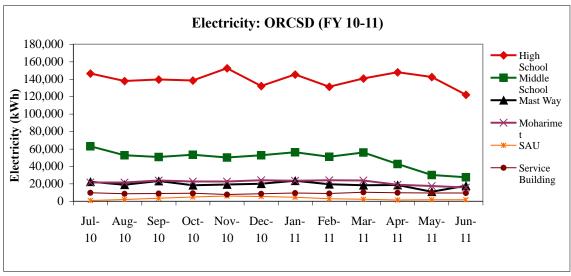
B. Annual Comparison of Energy Usage



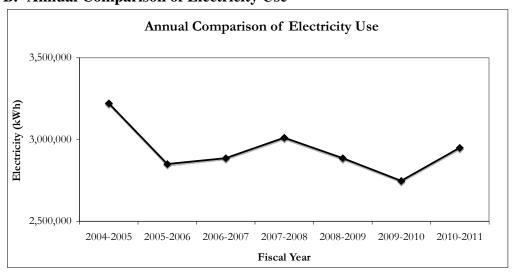
VII. ELECTRICITY

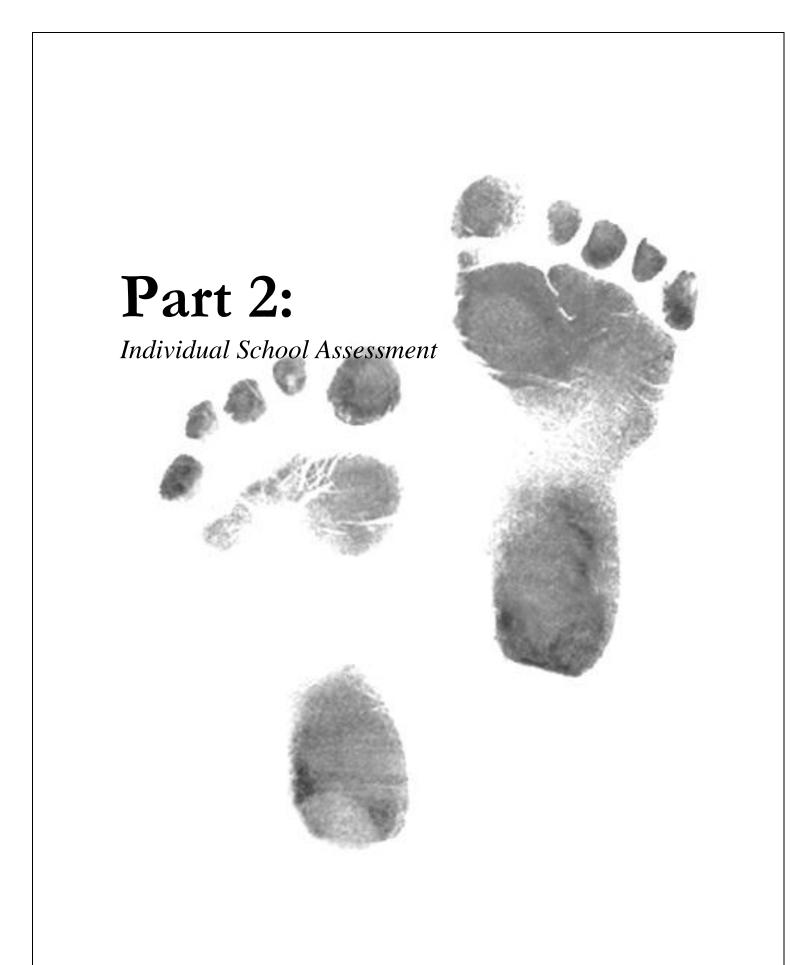
ELECTRICITY (FY 2010-2011)				
School	kWh	$MTCO_2E$	Cost	
High School	1,676,400	1,156	\$252,612.66	
Middle School	586,200	404	\$92,630.84	
Mast Way	247,840	171	\$35,072.18	
Moharimet	277,120	191	\$42,330.13	
SAU Office	37,200	25.7	\$7,725.60	
Service Building	109,870	75.8	\$14,745.76	
Totals	2,934,630	2,024	\$445,117.17	

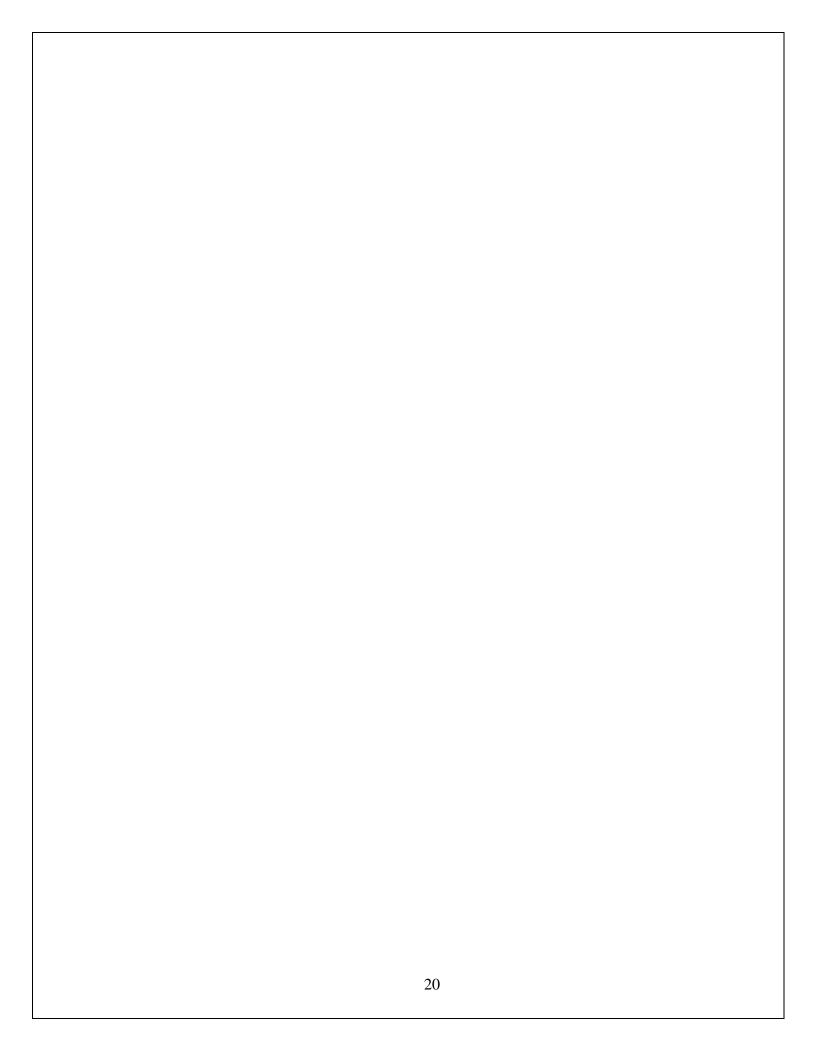
A. Electricity Use (FY 2010-2011)



B. Annual Comparison of Electricity Use







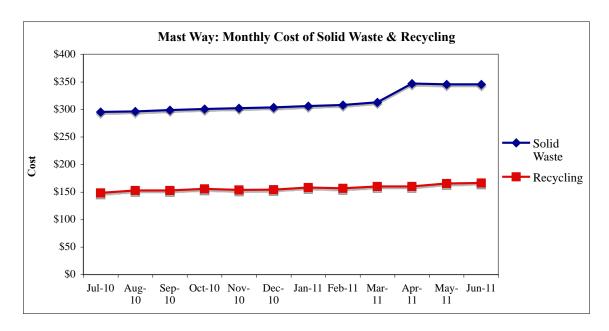
I. MAST WAY ELEMENTARY

A. Solid Waste & Recycling

i. Totals

Mast Way had the lowest costs for both solid waste and recycling disposal as well as the lowest tons of solid waste generated.

Solid Waste	Tons of Solid Waste	Recycling	Total (FY 2010-2011)
\$3,761.17	4.68	\$1,884.48	\$5,645.65



ii. Seasonal Data

Season	Solid Waste	Recycling	Tons of Solid Waste	Total
Summer	\$890.56	\$453.91	1.17	\$1,344.47
Fall	\$906.39	\$463.66	1.17	\$1,370.05
Winter	\$926.61	\$474.84	1.17	\$1,401.45
Spring	\$1,037.61	\$492.07	1.17	\$1,529.68

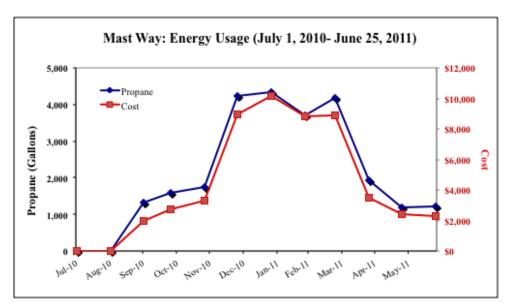
B. Water Consumption

Due to Mast Way Elementary's water being extracted from a well, its averages and patterns of consumption are not included in this report.

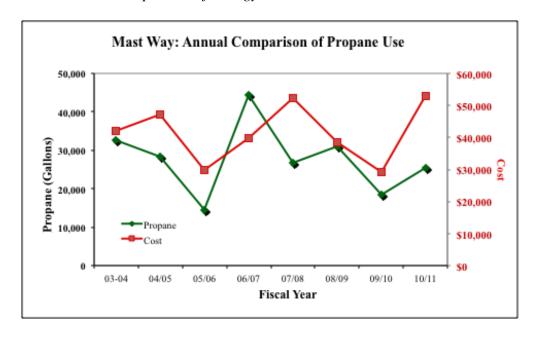
C. Energy

i. Totals & Monthly Use

Utility Data: Mast Way			
Start Date	July 1, 2010		
End Date	June 25, 2011		
Propane			
(Gallons)	25,438.30		
Cost	\$53,054.76		



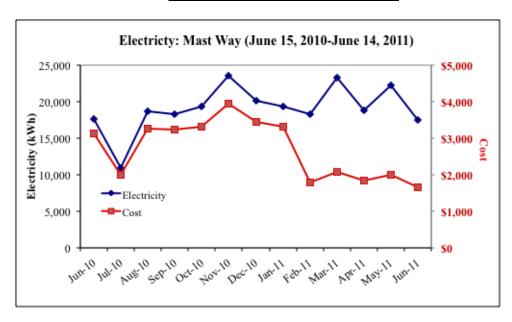
iii.Annual Comparison of Energy Use



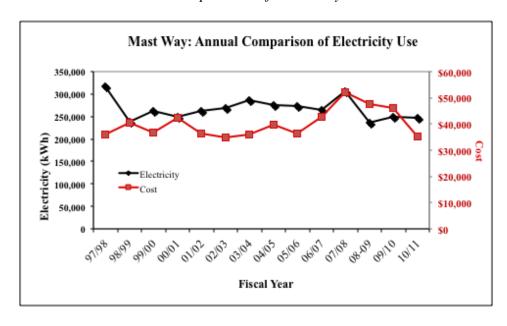
D. Electricity

i. Totals & Monthly Uses

Electricity: High School			
Start Date	June 15, 2010		
End Date	June 14, 2011		
Usage (kWh)	247,840.00		
Cost	\$35,072.18		



ii. Annual Comparisons of Electricity Use

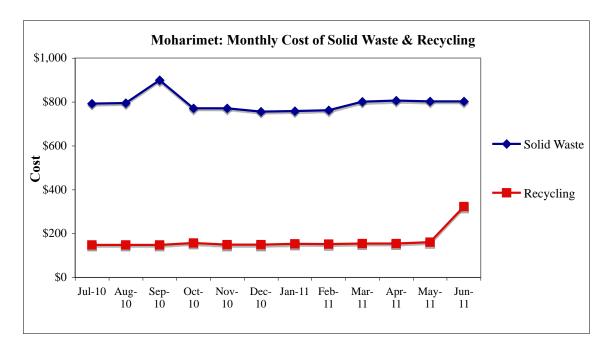


II. MOHARIMET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

A. Solid Waste & Recycling

i. Totals

Solid Waste	Tons of Solid Waste	Recycling	Total (FY 2010 -2011)
\$9,519.16	9.36	\$2,001.89	\$11,521.05



ii. Seasonal Data

Season	Solid Waste	Recycling	Tons of Solid Waste	Total
Summer	\$2,486.70	\$445.03	2.34	\$2,931.73
Fall	\$2,297.70	\$456.25	2.34	\$2,753.95
Winter	\$2,322.54	\$461.10	2.34	\$2,783.64
Spring	\$2,412.22	\$639.51	2.34	\$3,051.73

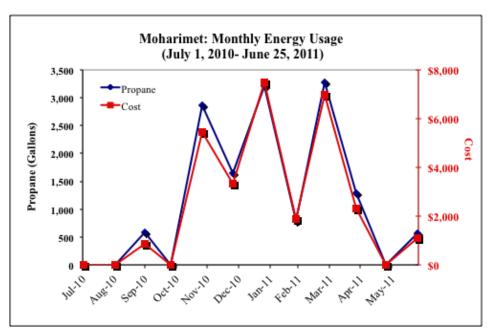
B. Water Consumption

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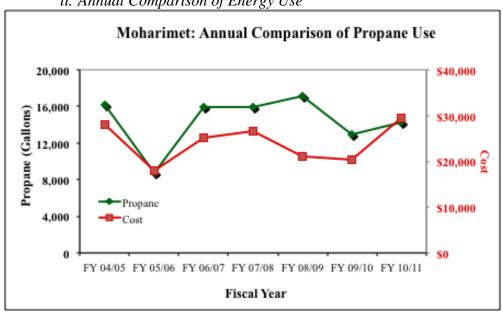
C. Energy

i. Totals & Monthly Use

Utility Data: Moharimet			
Start Date	June 16, 2010		
End Date	July 15, 2011		
Propane			
(Gallons) 14,224.			
Cost	\$29,430.84		



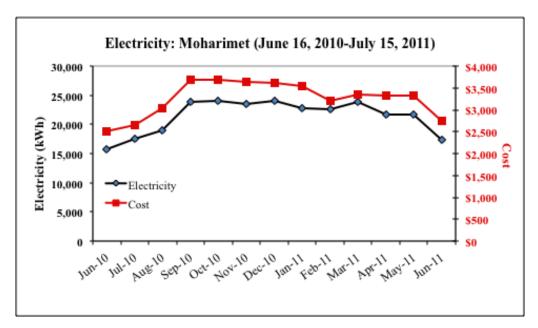
ii. Annual Comparison of Energy Use



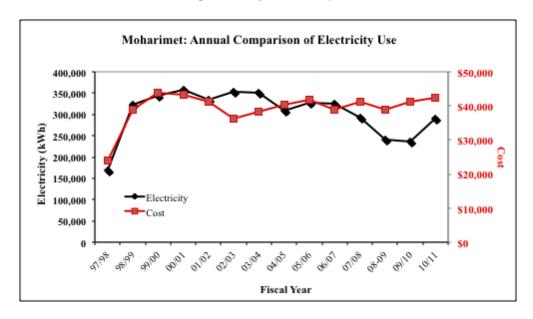
D. Electricity

i. Totals & Monthly Use

Electricity: Moharimet		
Start Date	July 1, 2010	
End Date	June 25, 2011	
Usage		
(kWh)	290,967.03	
Cost	\$48,365.79	



ii. Annual Comparison of Electricity Use

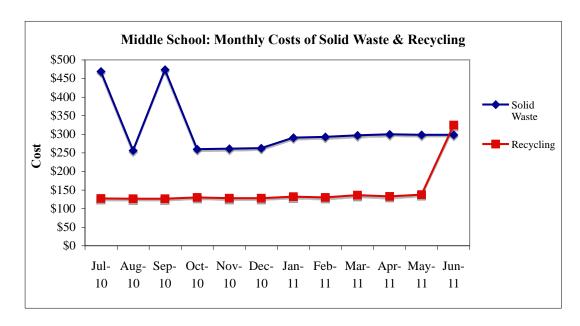


III. OYSTER RIVER MIDDLE SCHOOL

A. Solid Waste & Recycling

i. Totals

	Tons of Solid Waste	Recycling	Total (FY 2010 -2011)
\$3,759.44	5.46	\$1,758.10	\$5,517.54



ii. Seasonal Data

Season	Solid Waste	Recycling	Tons of Solid Waste	Total
Summer	\$1,198.82	\$380.43	1.56	\$1,579.25
Fall	\$783.57	\$385.33	1.17	\$1,168.90
Winter	\$880.22	\$397.61	1.17	\$1,277.83
Spring	\$896.83	\$594.73	1.56	\$1,491.56

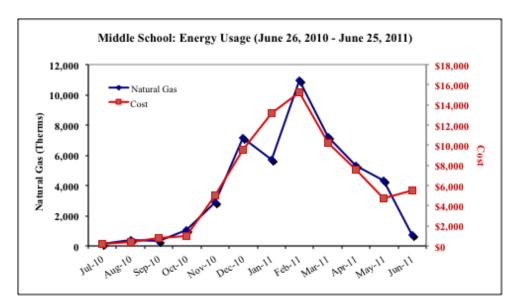
B. Water Consumption

School/Building	Read Date	Usage (per 100 cubic feet)	Cost of Water & Sewer			
Middle School	September-11	41,000	Water	Sewer	Total	
	March-11	62,000	\$1,451.40	\$2,279.60	\$3,731.00	
	September-10	29,000				
	April-10	57,000				
	September-09	34,000				

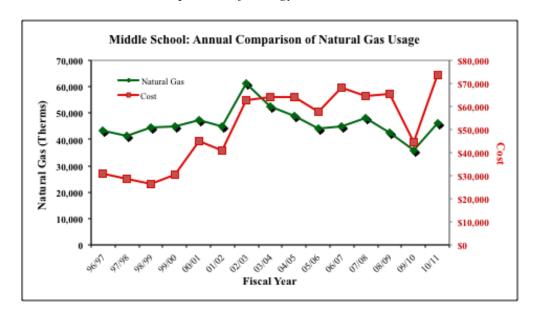
C. Energy

i. Totals & Monthly Uses

Utility Data: Middle School				
Start Date	June 26, 2010			
End Date	June 25, 2011			
Natural Gas				
(Therms)	46,243.34			
Cost	\$73,430.37			



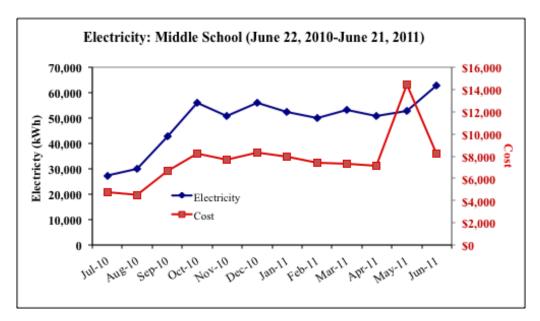
ii. Annual Comparison of Energy Use



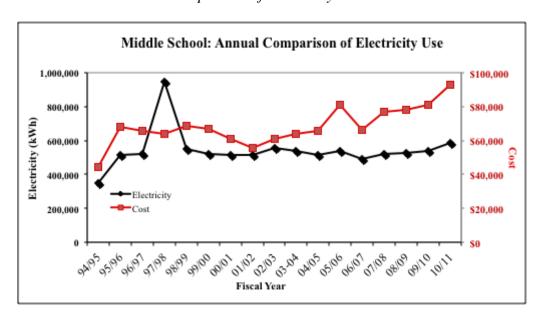
D. Electricity

i. Totals & Monthly Use

Electricity: Middle School				
Start Date	June 22, 2010			
End Date	June 21, 2011			
Usage				
(kWh)	586,200.00			
Cost	\$92,630.84			



ii. Annual Comparison of Electricity Use

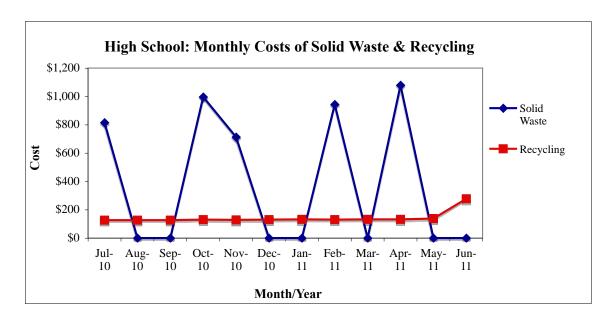


IV. OYSTER RIVER HIGH SCHOOL

A. Solid Waste & Recycling (including SAU Office)

i. Totals

Solid Waste	Tons of Solid Waste	Recycling	Total (FY 2010 -2011)
\$4,546.35	29.14	\$1,710.10	\$6,256.45



ii. Seasonal Data

			Tons of	
Season	Solid Waste	Recycling	Solid Waste	Total
Summer	\$815.46	\$380.43	0	\$1,195.89
Fall	\$713.36	\$390.51	13.36	\$1,103.87
Winter	\$942.95	\$394.61	7.35	\$1,337.56
Spring	\$1,079.12	\$546.73	8.43	\$1,625.85

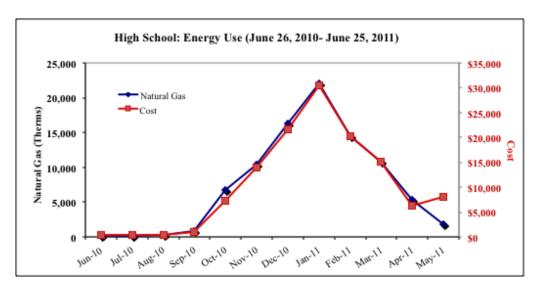
B. Water Consumption

		Usage (per 100	Cost of Water & Sewer		
School/Building	Read Date	cubic feet)			
High School	Sep-11	43,601	Water	Sewer	Total
	April-11	65,091	\$1,543.47	\$2,424.11	\$3,967.58
	September-10	33,454			
	April-10	63,558			
	September-09	40,880			

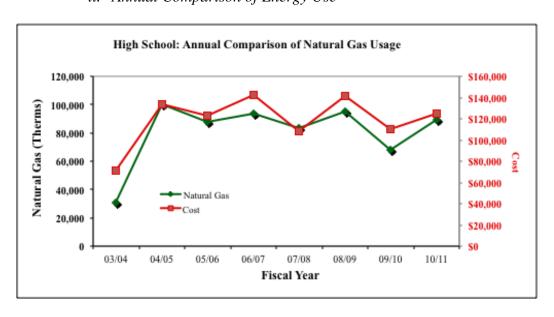
C. Energy

i. Totals & Monthly Use

Utility Data: High School				
Start Date	June 27, 2010			
End Date	June 26, 2011			
Natural Gas Usage				
(Therms)	89,192.96			
Cost	\$125,021.73			



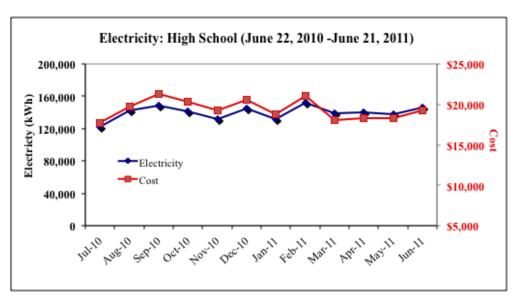
ii. Annual Comparison of Energy Use



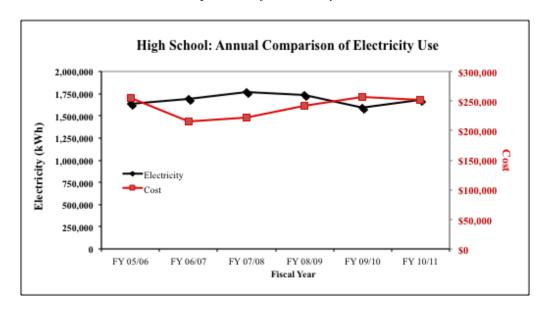
D. Electricity

i. Totals & Monthly Use

Electricity: High School				
Start Date	June 23, 2010			
End Date	June 26, 2011			
Usage (kWh)	1,676,967			
Cost	\$252,896.61			



ii. Annual Comparison of Electricity Use



V. SAU OFFICE

A. Solid Waste & Recycling

The SAU Office's solid waste & recycling is included in the High School totals.

B. Water Consumption

School/Building	Read Date	Usage (per 100 cubic feet)	C	ost of Water & S	ewer
SAU Office	September-11	2,470	Water	Sewer	Total
	April-11	2,578	\$87.54	\$224.77	\$312.31
	September-10	1,922			
	April-10	2,710			
	September-09	3,150			

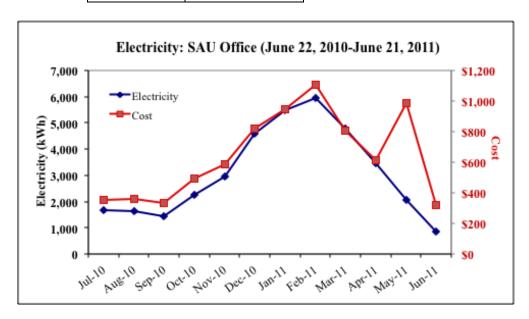
C. Energy

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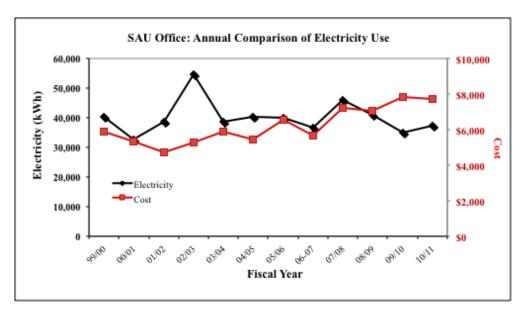
D. Electricity

i. Totals & Monthly Uses

Electricity: SAU Office				
Start Date	June 22, 2010			
End Date	June 21, 2011			
Usage				
(kWh)	37,200			
Cost	\$7,725.60			



ii. Annual Comparison of Electricity Use



VI. SERVICE BUILDING

A. Solid Waste & Recycling

Similar to the SAU Office, the Service Building's solid waste and recycling costs and tonnage is included in the High School's averages.

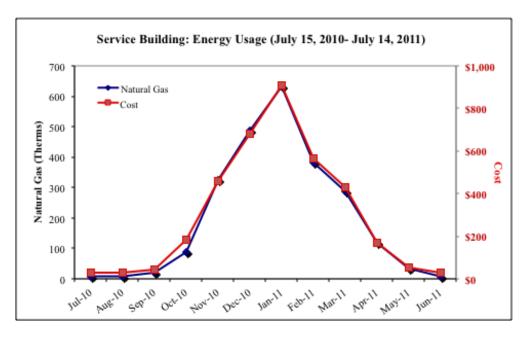
B. Water Consumption

School/Building	Read Date	Usage (per 100 cubic feet)	Cost of Water & Sewer		
Service Building	September-11	3,541	Water	Sewer	Total
	April-11	2,404	\$125.35	\$196.88	\$322.23
	September-10	5,960			
	April-10	2,608			
	September-09	3,157			

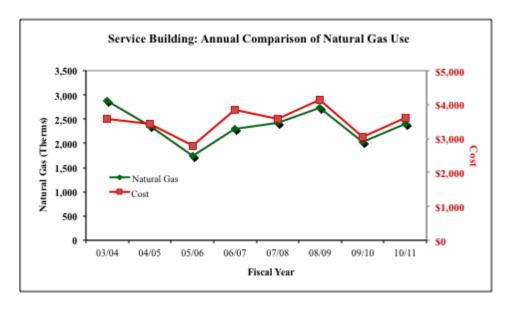
C. Energy

i. Totals & Monthly Use

Utility Data: Service Building							
Start Date	July 14, 2010						
End Date	July 15, 2011						
Natural Gas Usage							
(Therms)	2,398.37						
Cost	\$3,606.37						



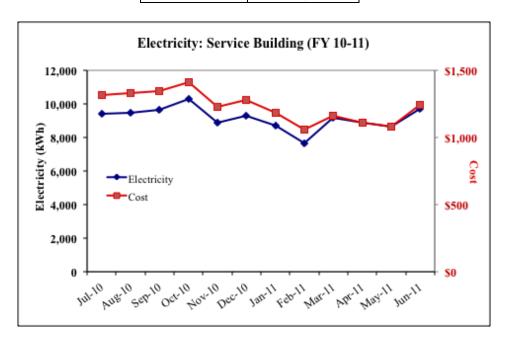
ii. Annual Comparison of Natural Gas Use



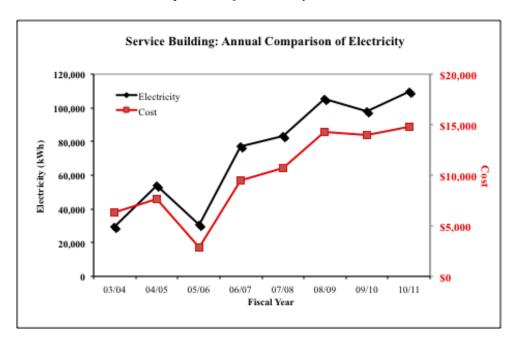
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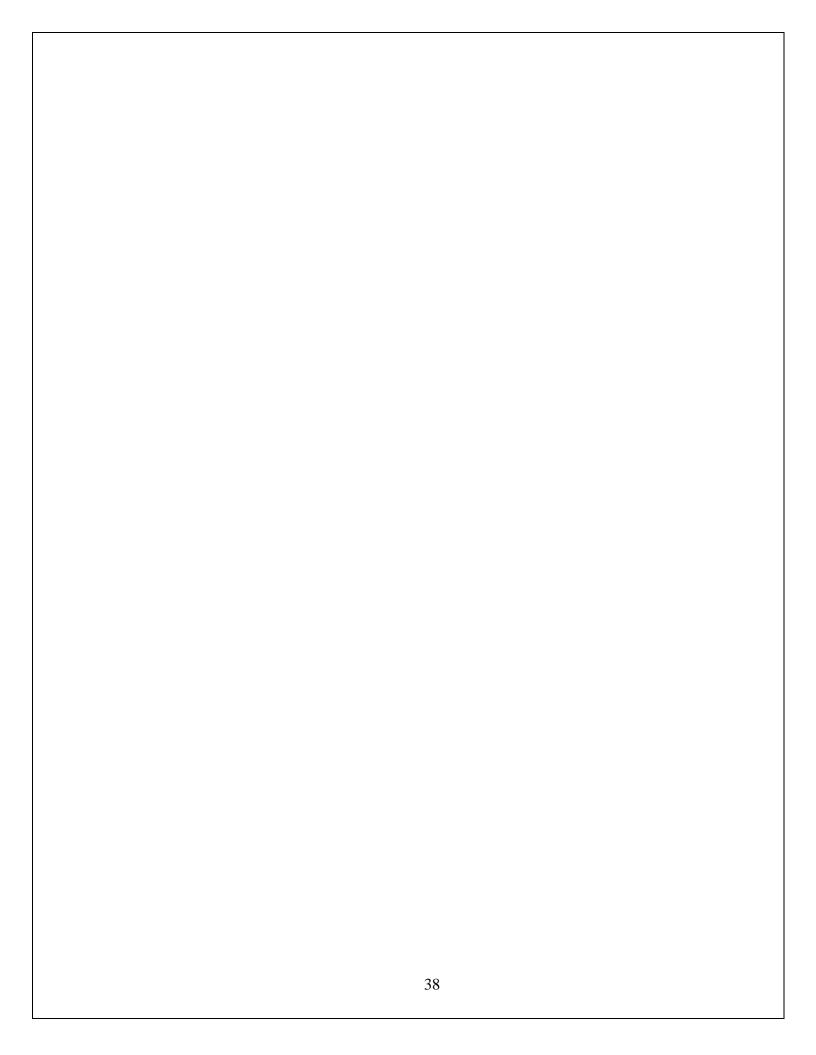
i. Totals & Monthly Use

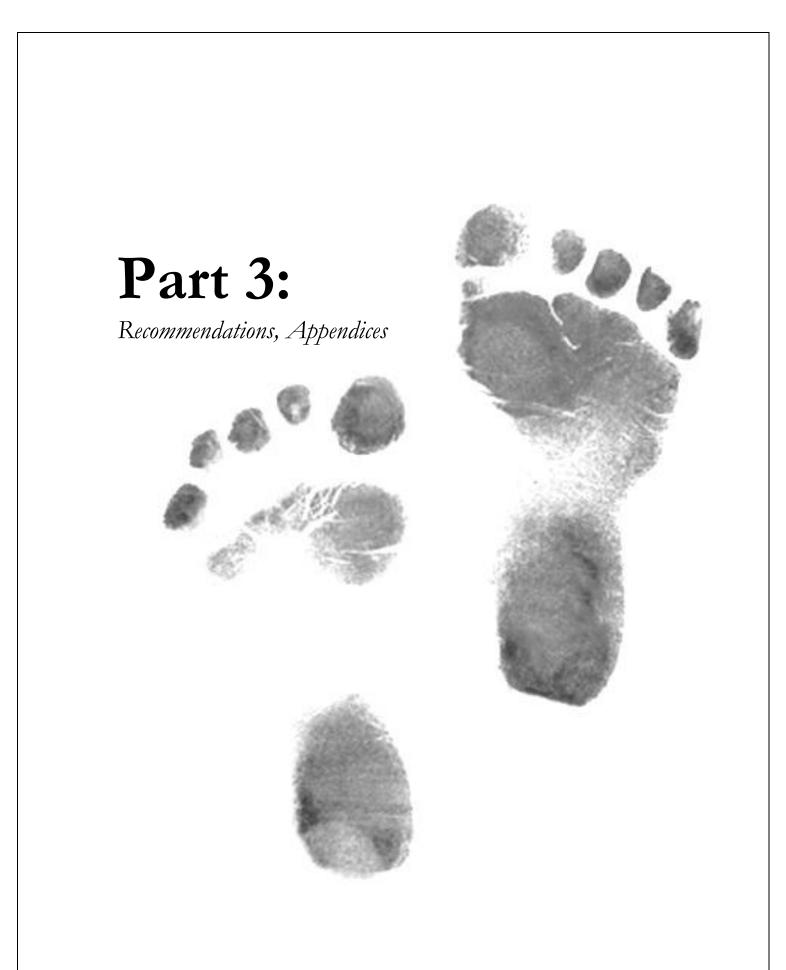
Electricity: Service Building						
Start Date	June 22, 2010					
End Date	June 21, 2011					
Usage (kWh)	109,870					
Cost	\$14,745.76					

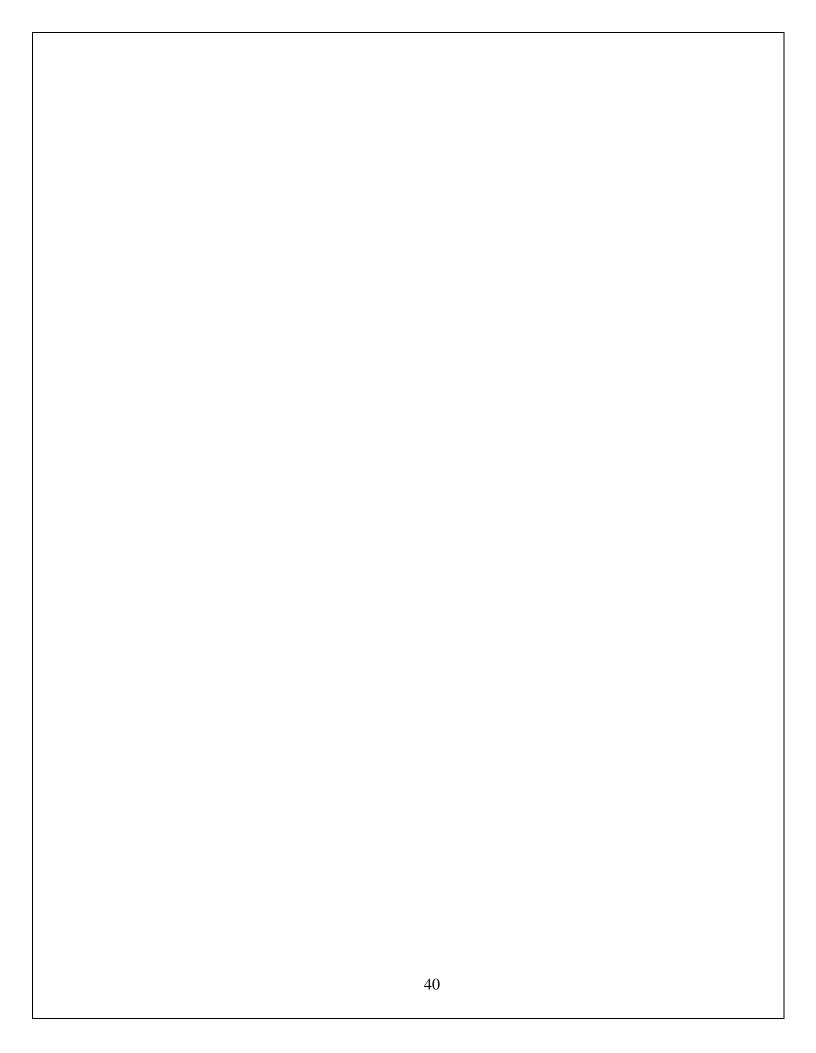


ii. Annual Comparison of Electricity Use









I. RECOMMENDATIONS

- Utilize the Ecological Footprint document as a tool to identify leverage points in each of the five sectors to meet the sustainable goals of the Committee. Suggested points include:
 - 1. The cost invested in electricity throughout the district: being about 47% of total costs in all the sectors during the FY 2010-2011 and an increase from past fiscal years after a pattern of declined consumption.
 - 2. The increase in solid waste and recycling costs and tonnage in each school subsequent to the timing of winter and summer school breaks (specifically in December and June).
 - 3. The High School's energy and electricity consumption: being the highest in the district for both variables.
 - 4. The increased consumption of water in the High School, Middle School, Service Building and SAU Office, which increased during FY 2010-2011 from previous years.
- Record missing data measurements to be incorporated into future fiscal school year's ecological footprints, specifically for:
 - o Total monthly tonnage of recycling for each school
 - Water consumption for Mast Way and Moharimet Elementary Schools
 - o Cost of fuel consumption for the transportation fleet
 - o Investment costs of Biodiesel 20 (B20) by the transportation fleet
 - o Use of hydration centers in the schools

Appendix A: FINAL ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT

Total Metr Equivale Elec	Energy			ш	Water Consump	Transportation Fleet		Waste		Can		
Total Netric Tons of CO2 Equivalent (Energy & Electricity)		Pinnane		Natural Gas	unuiy		Water Consumption		rtation Fleet	Recycling	Solid Waste	Categories
All schools & facilities	Moharimet Elementary	Mast Way Elementary Moharimet Elementary		High School Middle School Service Building		All cohools & facilities	Recorded twice each year (omitting Mast Way and Moharimet Elemenatary well systems)		Total buses: 40	Single-stream recycling	Price: based on tonnage collected	Description
MTCO,E	MTCO ₂ E	Gallons (on demand)	MTCO ₂ E	Therms (per consumption)	MTCO ₂ E	kWh	per 100 cubic feet	МІСОЕ	Gallons (gasoline)	Cost	Tons of solid waste	Measurement
3,236	258	44,424	757	151,466	2,221	3,221,575						2004-2005
2,769	135	23,271	669	133,763	1,965	2,850,352					(Da	2005-2006
3,045	350	60,334	705	140,922	1,990	2,885,353					(Data not available for annual comparison)	2006-2007
2,995	247	42,601	671	134,228	2,077	3,011,363	-			•	e for annual con	2007-2008
2,970	279	48,102	701	140,244	1,990	2,885,376	٠			•	tparison)	2008-2009
2,607	182	31,341	531	106,179	1,894	2,747,393	Sept 09: 81,187 April 10: 125,876					2009-2010
2,953	230	39,662	689	137,835	2,034	2,949,044	Sept 10: 70,336 April 11: 132,073	1,131	127,252	\$7,354.57	48.64	2010-2011
												2011-2012
												2012-2013
												2013-2014
												2014-2015

Appendix B: Calculations and Sources

The following measurements were used for the calculations in this report as cited by the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Greenhouse Gas Equivalencies Calculator (found at: http://www.epa.gov/cleanenergy/energy-resources/calculator.html):

• Electricity: KiloWatt Hours (kWh):

 6.8956×10^{-4} metric tons CO_2 / kWh

• Transportation Fleet: Gallons of Gasoline

 $0.125 \text{ mmbtu/gallon} * 71.35 \text{ kg CO}_2/\text{mmbtu} * 1 \text{ metric ton/1,000 kg} = 8.92*10^{-3} \text{ metric tons CO}_2/\text{gallon of gasoline}$

- Energy
 - Natural Gas (Therms)

 $0.1~mmbtu/1~therm * 14.47~kg~C/mmbtu * 44~g~CO_2/12~g~C * 1~metric ton/1000~kg = 0.005~metric tons <math display="inline">CO_2/therm$

o Propane (Gallons)

12.8 pounds CO₂/Gallon propane * 2204.62 pounds CO₂/ MTCO2E