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Alameda County's Vehicle Fleet Named One of 20 Greenest in North America

Green Fleet Magazine has named Alameda County's vehicle fleet the <u>17th Greenest Fleet</u> in North America. It is the fifth time Alameda County has been recognized as one of the 40 greenest fleets in North America in the magazine's annual awards program. It is also the highest ranked fleet of all California Counties, ahead of Sonoma, Sacramento, and San Bernardino. The <u>Government Green Fleet Award</u> recognizes federal, state, and local fleets that demonstrate sustainable practices in fleet composition, fuel and emissions, policy and planning, fleet utilization, education, and executive and employee involvement. California was strongly represented with 12 of the top 40 fleets in North America from the state.

Alameda County operates a large fleet of vehicles that enables our employees to deliver necessary services to residents. Alternative-fuel vehicles and green practices have been essential components of the County's transportation program for many years.

The County's vehicle fleet includes 175 gas/electric hybrids and 21 electric vehicles, which together save more than \$200,000 in annual fuel costs. In fact, more than half of the motor-pool vehicles that employees share for on-the-job travel are hybrid.

In addition to the County's "Greenest Fleet" honor, Alameda County General Service Agency's Transportation Services Manager, Doug Bond, was also named a "<u>Sustainability All-Star</u>" for the third year in a row. Awarded at the 2013 Green Fleet Conference to 40 fleet managers and vendors, the award honors significant sustainability achievements, professional longevity, and innovation in reducing emissions and fuel consumption.