Local Government Energy Reporting

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Regional Energy Management Project

Partnership Within NCTCOG, Between Transportation and Environment & Development Staff

Purpose

- Expand Local Government staff capabilities in Energy Management topics
- Increase compliance with the state mandated energy reporting requirements
- Improve accuracy of emissions reduction data associated with reduced energy use

Outcome



- Demonstrate the value and benefits of increasing regional energy management/efficiency education
- Assess the impact of focused regional outreach to serve as an example for replication by regional organizations statewide

Local Government Energy Reporting Requirement



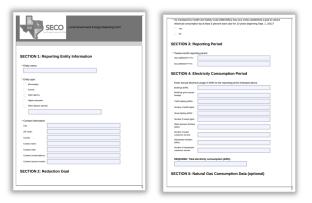
Section 388.005 (c) Texas Health and Safety Code

Purpose: Aid efforts to attain federal air quality standards by reducing demand for electricity generation

Requirements: All political subdivisions, institutes of higher education, and state agencies in the 42 Ozone Nonattainment and Near Nonattainment Counties must establish a **goal of reducing electric consumption by at least 5% each state fiscal year for 7 years** beginning September 1, 2019 **and to submit an annual report** to the State Energy Conservation Office (SECO)

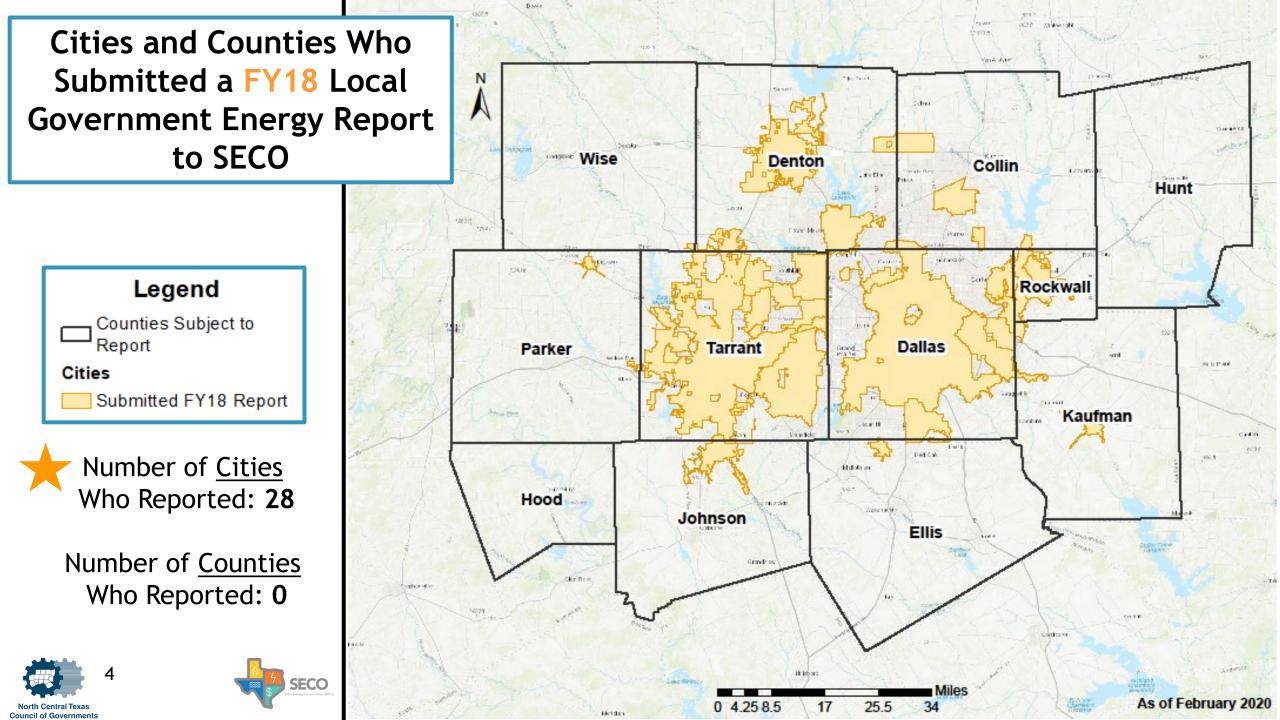
Issues: Lack of Awareness, Inconsistency in Reporting Year-to-Year



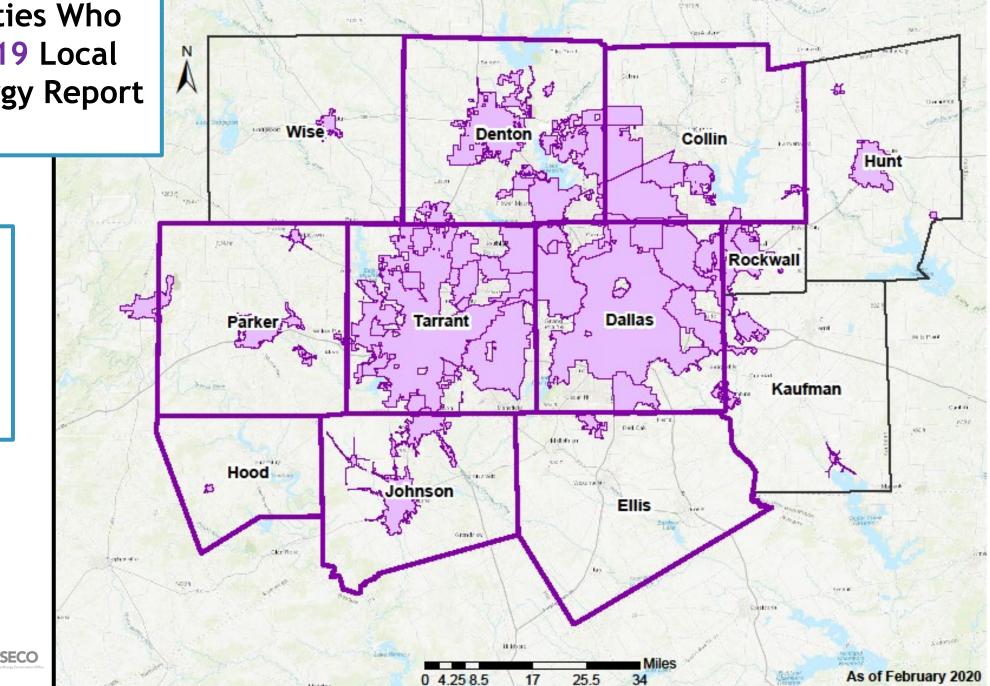


Reports used by Texas A&M Energy Systems Laboratory (ESL) to estimate nitrogen oxide reductions associated with energy conservation/energy efficiency measures

ESL submits annual report to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)



Cities and Counties Who Submitted a FY19 Local **Government Energy Report** to SECO



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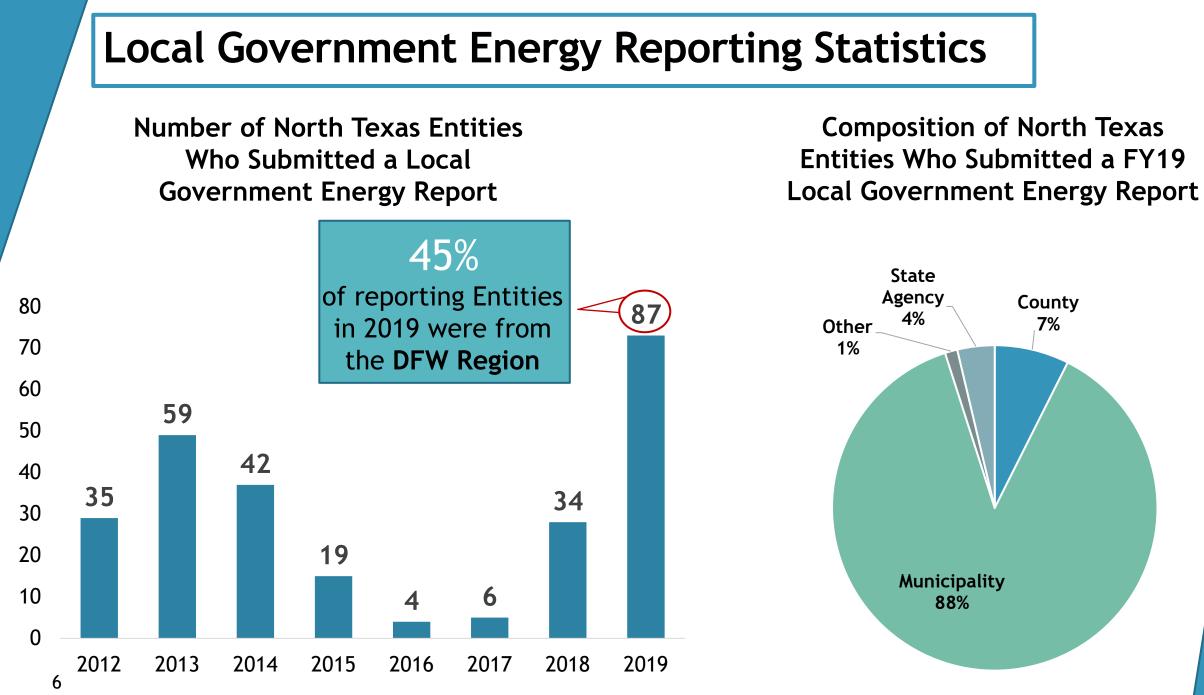
Legend Counties Subject to Report Cities Submitted FY19 Report Counties Submitted FY19 Report

Number of <u>Cities</u> Who Reported: 56

Number of <u>Counties</u> Who Reported: 8

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Source: State Energy Conservation Office (SECO), March 2020

Local Government Energy Reporting Toolkit

- ✓ ENERGYSTAR Building Portfolio Manager "How-To" Document
- ✓ SECO's Preliminary Energy Assessment (PEA) Program Handout
- ✓ Blank FY19 Energy Report Form Template
- ✓ Whitepaper: Effectiveness and Transparency of Energy Reporting Requirements for Local Governments in Texas
- ✓ Energy Efficiency Reporting Matrix
- \checkmark Example correspondences for peer regional agency outreach



Free individualized assistance to entities interested in learning more about the local government energy reporting requirements, how to fill out the annual reporting form, and answer any questions.

Working group of local governments to identify barriers preventing compliance to the state mandated local government energy reporting requirements and potential opportunities to improve the effectiveness of the requirement.



2020 Workshops + Trainings

Recorded and Available Online!

January

Webinar 1

Leveraging COG Programs and Funding to Support Energy Management for Your Members

February

Webinar 2

Understanding Municipal Utility Bills & Tracking Energy Consumption

Webinar 3

May

Financing Energy Efficiency Projects for Facilities and Services

July

Webinar 4

Procurement Strategies for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy- Details to Come!

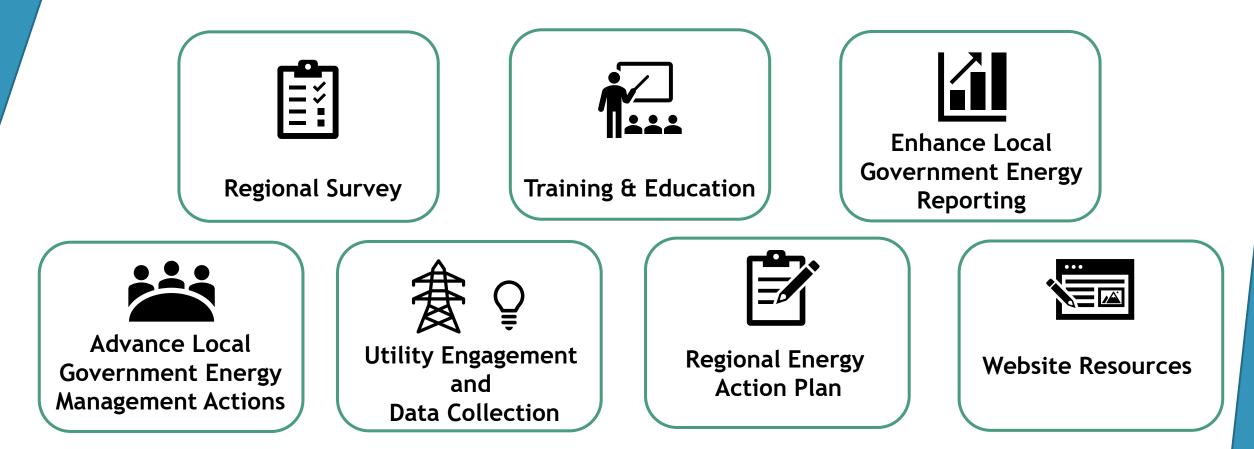
Other Events Include:

- SolSmart Working Group
- LGER Working Group



Sign-up to stay in the loop on Energy Efficiency and Management Trainings/Webinars/Workshops

Plans for Ongoing Regional Energy Management Work





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