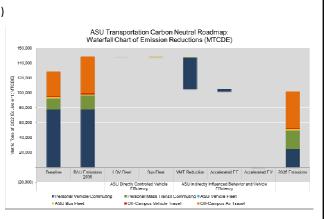


# ASU TRANSPORTATION-RELATED EMISSIONS AND MITIGATION STRATEGIES

• Transportation – 38% of total MTCDE emissions (FY12)

Fleet 0.3%
Employee commuting 6.5%
Student commuting 19.8%
Directly-financed air travel 7.6%
Study abroad air travel 3.4%

- BAU modeling shows 17% increase by 2035
- Getting to a zero footprint by 2035 is challenging!
- Reduce transportation emissions by 33% from BAU:
  - Reduce driving need, distance
  - Influence behavior and how cars are used
  - Use more efficient vehicles for remaining demand
  - Set carbon credit or renewable energy strategy for air travel and remaining transportation footprint





# **MAC CASE STUDY**

- Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (MSP) governed by Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC)
- Project details:
  - 3 MW PV on terminal 1 parking ramps
  - 8,705 PV panels and string-level inverters
  - 7,743 LED fixture conversions
  - 4 EV charging stations
  - 20 year guarantee with O&M services
  - 3-year PR/media sponsorship
- Financing:
  - 21 year muni lease financing with 0.75% net effective interest rate
  - 100% QECB funding with participation by 7 neighboring cities and counties
  - Grant from Xcel Energy
- Results:
  - 10 million kWh/year reduced energy requirements
  - 235 construction jobs
  - 6,813 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e reduction per year









## MASSACHUSETTS DOT CASE STUDY

## Massachusetts powers solar systems

DOT plugs cost-saving panels along highways Sunday, May 31, 2015 By: Marie Szaniszlo

Large swaths of green pasture along Massachusetts highways are being transformed into solar power fields that state transportation officials say could save taxpayers \$15 million over the next 20 years.

**Ten sites ... along the Mass Pike** have been selected for the first phase of the project. And the Department of Transportation is canvassing another three sites along state highways for the second phase, with the goal of producing at least **6 megawatts of solar power**, said Michael Verseckes, a DOT spokesman.

"MassDOT's development of solar (energy) facilities within the state highway layout is driven by the desire to create energy savings by producing electricity locally and economically, optimize the use of underutilized state land and reduce greenhouse gas emissions via renewable power generation technologies," Verseckes said.

After a lengthy procurement process, the DOT selected Ameresco Inc., a Framingham renewable-energy company, last June to design, finance, construct, operate and maintain the solar panels ...



PHOTO: John Wilcox
BRIGHT: Solar panel fields, such as one near the Mass Pike in Framingham,
above, will help save on electricity costs.





Boston Herald, "Massachusetts powers solar systems", 5/31/2015.

# GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES HAVE MANY PRIORITIES TO ADDRESS AT ONCE

#### NEEDS

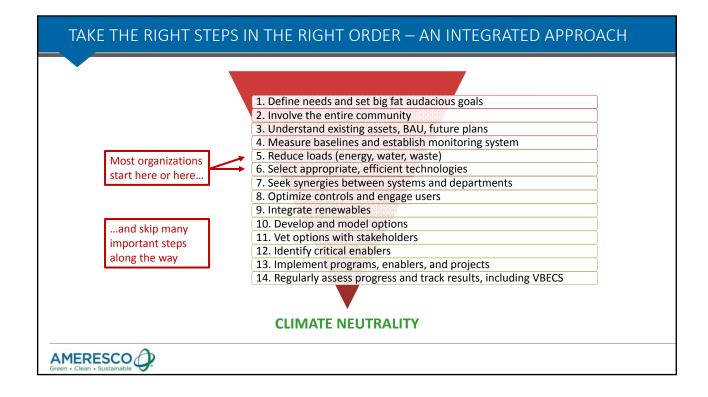
- Asset performance and management
- Reduced operating costs
- Reduced capital requirements
- Modernized facilities
- Environmental compliance
- Resiliency
- No technical or financial risk
- Meet mandates
- GHG emissions reductions from transportation



#### CHALLENGES

- Rising operating costs
- Aging infrastructure
- Lack of capital
- Revenue projects are decreasing
- Deferred maintenance
- Issues related to rising taxes, floating bonds
- Climate change mitigation will change transportation business models

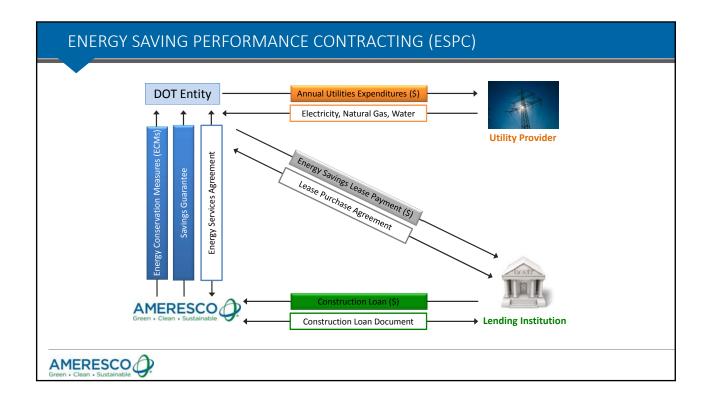


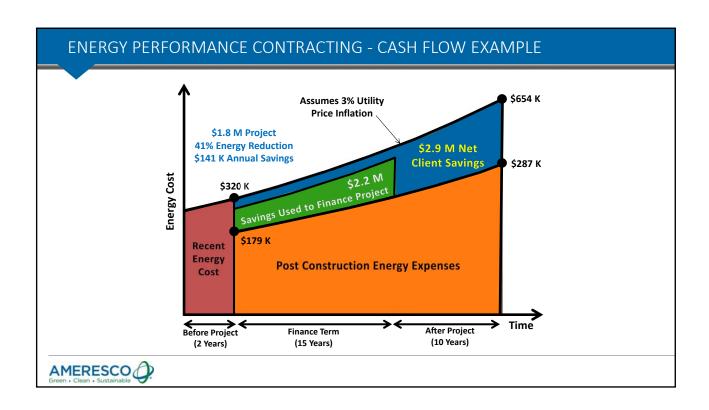


### MAKING PROGRESS TOWARD CLIMATE NEUTRALITY

- The Climate Neutrality Continuum:
  - commitment → inventory → planning → goal-setting → resources →
     partnering → implementation → M&V → reporting → refine & improve
- Projects:
  - Demand-side: lights, buildings, vehicles
  - <u>Infrastructure</u>: utilities, networks, fleets, back-up power, materials
  - Supply-side: renewables, energy storage, smartgrid
  - Transportation: reduce VMT, behavioral programs, efficient vehicles, offsets
  - <u>Critical enablers</u>: policies, programs, organizational & institutional initiatives
- Partnering and best practices:
  - SSTI; structured financing; P3; performance contracting; power purchase agreements; best-of-class support







### THE ECONOMICS OF SOLAR

- Implementation cost
  - Varies by application, scale
- Investment Tax Credits (30% of system cost)
  - Expiration December 31, 2016
- Utility Incentives Different Every Market
- Avoided cost calculations and escalation rates
  - Time of Use
  - Solutions for \$0.06/kWh to \$0.12/kWh, depending on escalation, technology integration and etc
- Demand Savings
  - Battery / Controls Solutions
  - Shifting Rate Structures (Energy to Demand Shift)
  - 15 minute utility data reviews



### FINANCIAL APPROACHES

- □ Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) 15 to 25 year financing for solar only options in which there are no up-front costs and Customer pays for each kilowatt-hour generated by solar. The PPA rate and annual escalation may provide flexibility to achieve goals. Customer does not own solar generating assets. Customer may purchase solar assets at end of agreement for additional cost.
- □ Lease Purchase (Lease) 10 to 25 year financing for all technology options included in the proposal in which lease payments are satisfied by energy savings. Customer pays low interest financing due to good credit. Additionally, Customer owns all equipment and solar generating assets. Low interest rates typically provide better return rates even without utilizing federal ITC.
- □ Up Front Contribution No financing required as this utilizes available funds and/or future bond dollars to achieve highest return, own assets and potential to minimize operational dollars with capital dollars.





Finance Type	PPA	LEASE	Up Front Contribution
Contract Term	15-25 years	15-25 years	N/A
Term Ownership	3 <sup>rd</sup> Party/AMERESCO	Customer	Customer
Upside on over production	3 <sup>rd</sup> Party/AMERESCO	Customer	Customer
End of Term Ownership	Buyout option available	Customer	Customer
Up Front Capital Investment	Not Required	Not Required	Yes
QECB Participation	Not Available	Available	Available
Ability to Blend Technologies	No	Yes	Yes
Long Term Debt on Books	No	No	N/A
Interest Rate	Based on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party/AMERESCO	Based on Customer Credit (Good)	N/A
ITC Monetized	Yes	No	No
O&M	3 <sup>rd</sup> Party/AMERESCO	Customer or AMERESCO	Customer or AMERESCO

