# Annual Sustainability Report



2013 Report

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## Executive Summary

#### Introduction

Eagle Wing Tours is an adventure whale watching company based in Victoria, BC. They have measured, reported and offset their carbon footprint annually for four years. Eagle Wing Tours operates out of Fisherman's Wharf with a fleet of three boats and three transportation/company vehicles and is the first carbon neutral whale watching company in Victoria.

In 2013, Eagle Wing Tours increased their total passengers by 8.3% and total trips by 4.2%. In 2012, they started offering longer tours increasing emissions, however, at the same time they optimized their booking practices top maximize passengers per boat - effectively reducing emissions per passenger. The reporting scope for Eagle Wing Tours increased in 2011 to include deliveries to the office and in 2012 to include shipping emissions for boat parts and all paper sources. In 2013, Eagle Wing Tours added another vehicle to their fleet.

The emissions data for 2010 through 2012 has been restated based updated emissions factors and reporting standards.

#### **General Information**

Parameter	Description			
Company Name	Eagle Wing Tours			
Contact Information	Brett Soberg info@eaglewingtours.com (250) 384-8008			
Company Description	One floating office, three boats, two company vehicles			
Reporting Principals	Aligned with those defined in <i>The Greenhouse Gas Protocol: A Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard, Revised Edition (The GHG Protocol, www.ghgprotocol.org).</i> Emissions factors approved by Offsetters.			
Year of Inventory	December 1, 2012 - November 31, 2013			
	Scope 1 (Direct Emissions) - Gasoline, Diesel (fuel for 3 ships + vehicles)			
Inventory Boundary	Scope 2 (Indirect Emissions from Purchased Electricity) - Purchased Electricity (BC Hydro)			
	Scope 3 (Indirect Emissions from Other Sources)  - Office Paper, Other Paper, Waste, Water, Flights, Ferries, Shipping, Deliveries & Service Calls, Staff Commuting			
Primary Measurement	Carbon Dioxide Equivalent (CO₂e)			

## **Inventory Results**

Parameter	Value (tCO₂e)		t	CO₂e b	y Scop	е
Scope 1	492.1	99.2% of total emissions				492.1
Scope 2	0.1	0.0% of total emissions	0.1			
Scope 3	3.8	0.8% of total emissions	3.8			
Total GHGs	496.0		0	200	400	600



## Carbon Footprint

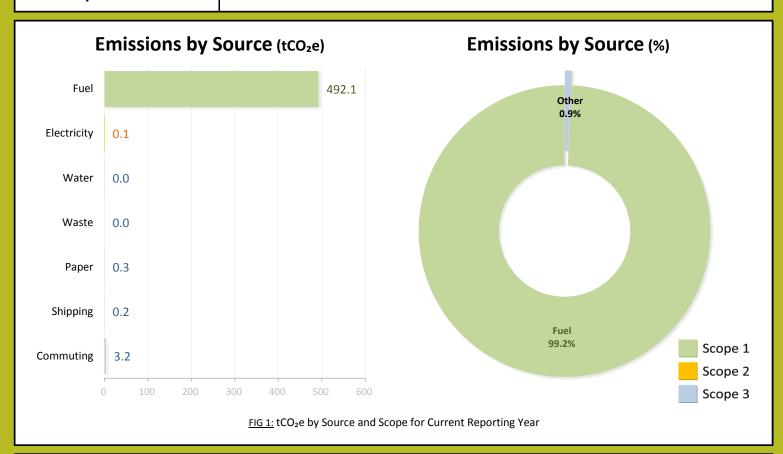
## **Eagle Wing Tours**

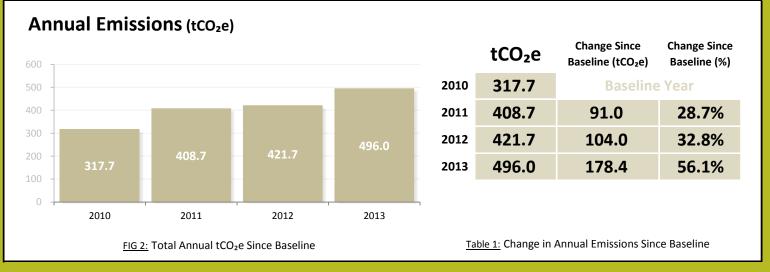
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Report completed Apr 30, 2014

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Total Emissions for Eagle Wing Tours for 2013 comes to **496.0 tCO₂e**. An increase in business (total customers seated) resulted in a emissions increase of ~17.6% over last year.









**113.4** Cars



**22.5** Homes

Total Emissions (tCO₂e): 496.0



## Fuel

In 2013, total number of passengers increased by 4.2% while number of trips increased by ~8.3%. While more passengers were taken out in 2013, fewer passengers were seated during each trip. Fuel consumption per trip has also increased. A drop in emissions per passenger is expected in 2014 with the addition of a more efficient boat and installation of fuel saving technologies.

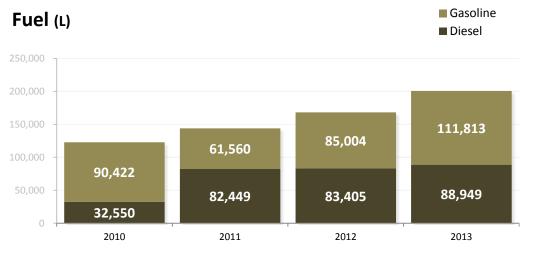
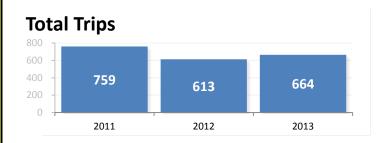
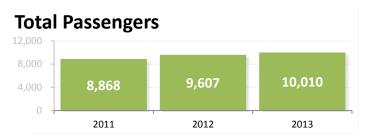
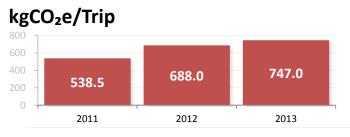


FIG 4: Annual Fuel Consumption by Type







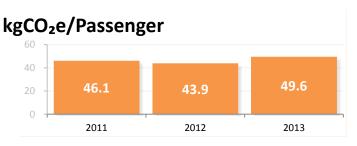


FIG 4.1: Annual Per-Trip and Per-Passenger Data, 2011-2013

#### **Gold Wing 2013 Voyage Statistics**



EAGLE WING TOURS, CON						
assengers	Trips	Avg. Psngrs.		Pass		
5,922	279	21		1,		

#### **Eagle Wing 2013 Voyage Statistics**



Passengers	Trips	Avg. Psngrs.
1,200	110	11

#### Serengeti 2013 Voyage Statistics



Passengers	Trips	Avg. Psngrs.
2,888	275	11

Table 3: Fuel KPIs for Current Year

L / Day

550.0

tCO₂e Change **Since Baseline** 

58.6%

tCO<sub>2</sub>e

492.09

% of Total tCO₂e for Current Year

99.2%

tCO<sub>2</sub>e Equal to...





# Electricity

Electricity reduction strategies are in place at the Eagle Wing Tours office. All Electronics are turned off or unplugged when not in use. Recharging of equipment is scheduled to eliminate over-charging.

Electricity use is measured based on square footage, and is not metered separately from surrounding businesses. As such, changes in use will not be seen.

## Electricity (kw)

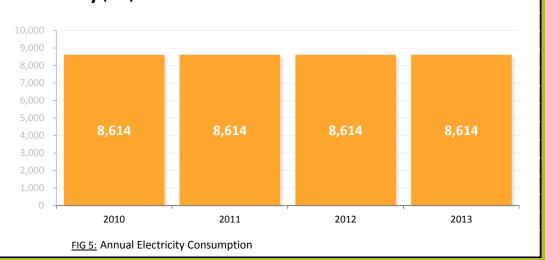


Table 4: Electricity KPIs for Current Year

kW / Day

24

tCO₂e Change Since Baseline

46.2%

tCO₂e

0.10

% of Total tCO₂e for Current Year

0.02%

Use Equal to...



**0.0**Homes/Yea

## Water

Minimal water is used on site. It is measured based on square footage, and is not metered separately from surrounding businesses. As such, changes in use will not be seen.

## Water (m3)

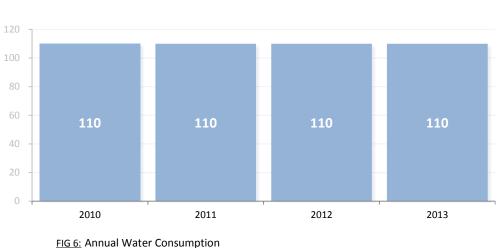


Table 5: Water KPIs for Current Year

m<sup>3</sup> / Day

0.3

m³ Change Since Baseline Year

0.0%

tCO₂e

0.04

% of Total tCO₂e for Current Year

0.01%

**Volume Equal to...** 



581
Baths\*/Year

<sup>\*</sup> Volume in one "bath" = 50Gal



<sup>\*</sup> Electricity factor updated April 29, 2014 - lowered by ~86% from previous year.

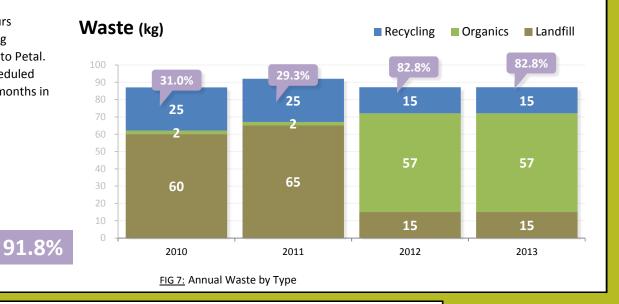
Waste

In 2012, Eagle Wing Tours introduced a composting program through Pedal to Petal. A full waste audit is scheduled for the busier summer months in 2014.

**Current Year's** 

**Diversion Rate** 

0.2



<u>Table 6</u>: Waste KPIs for Current Year

kg / Day tCO₂e Change Since Baseline

91.8%

tCO₂e

0.02

% of Total tCO₂e for Current Year

0.005%

**Volume Equal to...** 



0.0
Trucks/Year

## Paper

All office paper used at Eagle Wing Tours is 'Step Forward' 80% tree-free wheat paper. In 2012 the scope increased to include all paper products including toilet paper and disposable cups. In 2012, a large round of brochures was printed. An electronic waiver system is being implemented in 2014 to further reduce paper use.

Average % of Recycled Content

kg / Day

0.4

66.1%

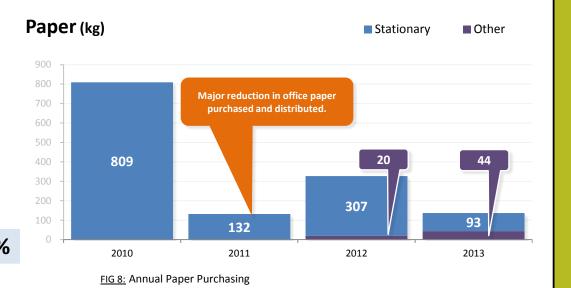


Table7: Paper KPIs for Current Year

tCO₂e Change
Since Baseline

tCO₂e

tCO₂e
for Current Year

0.1%

Trees Harvested...

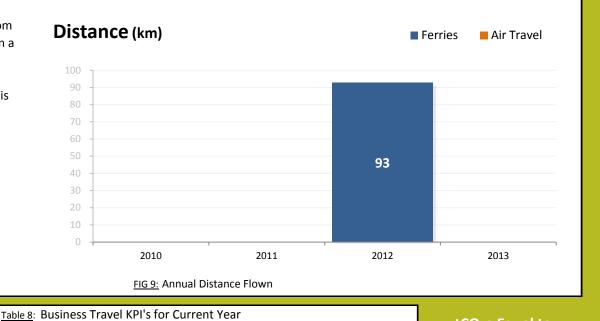


**1**Trees/Year

<sup>\*</sup> New landfill emission factor in 2014. Increase of ~27% over previous year. Volume in 1 "truck" = 12t

## Business Travel

A business trip was taken from Victoria to San Juan Island on a zodiac with other whale watching company owners - emissions associated with this trip are negligible.



km / Day

0

tCO₂e Change Since Baseline

0.0%

tCO₂e

0.00

% of Total tCO₂e for Current Year

0.0%

tCO₂e Equal to...



O.O
Cars/Year

## Shipping

In 2012, the scope increased to include shipping emissions for boat repair parts.

# Air Shipping (t-km) 350 250 200 First year measuring total distance for shipment of repair parts. 330 330 330 330 Fig. 10: Annual MT/km by Shipping Method

t-km / Day

tCO₂e Change Since Baseline **0.0%**  tCO₂e

Table 9: Shipping KPI's for Current Year

0.20

% of Total tCO₂e for Current Year

0.04%

tCO₂e Equal to...



**0.0** 

<sup>\*</sup> Data for 2013 was estimated based off of 2012 totals



# Staff Commuting

Most Eagle Wing Staff get to work by driving. Due to early hours and long distances traveled, transit and cycling are not options for many staff.

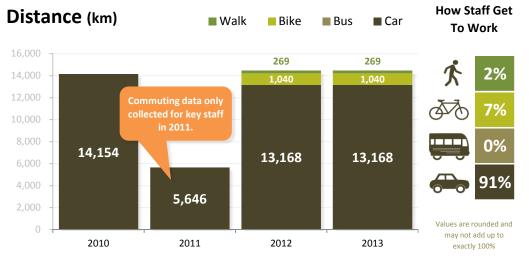


FIG 11: Annual Commuting Distances and Commuter Count by Method

tCO₂e / Day

0.009

Table 10: Staff Commuting KPI's for Current Year tCO₂e Change **Since Baseline** 

-17.4%

tCO<sub>2</sub>e

3.19

% of Total tCO2e for Current Year

0.6%

tCO₂e Equal to...



## Deliveries 6 Service Calls

Deliveries and service call emissions were first tracked in 2011. A more in depth study was made into the deliveries and service calls in 2012 - in particular the maintenance calls from the mechanic. More work was done on the boats internally in 2013 - reducing the need for the mechanic to be on site.

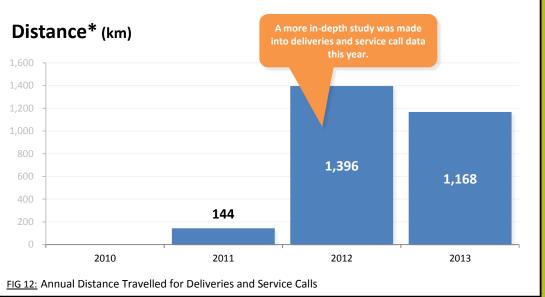


Table 11: Delivery & Service Call KPI's for Current Year tCO₂e Change % of Total tCO2e Visits / Week tCO<sub>2</sub>e Since 2012 for Current Year 11.2 -16.3% 0.08 0.02%

tCO<sub>2</sub>e Equal to...



<sup>\*</sup> Standard distance of 2km and < 1t of product assumed for each delivery or service call.



<sup>\*</sup> Number of staff did not change from 2012 to 2013, therefore same data was used.

## Additional Information

## **Carbon Reduction Strategies**

Eagle Wing Tours has been measuring and offsetting their carbon emissions for four years. Their largest emissions source is the fuel used to power their boats and to transport their guests to and from Fisherman's Wharf. Eagle Wing Tours strives to minimize environmental impact through optimizing the efficiency of their tours. After their first assessment with Climate Smart in 2010, a sustainability action plan was put in place to reduce emissions wherever possible. They monitor boat maintenance, driver performance, and capacity minimums to maximize efficiency and drive down emissions per passenger. In 2012 they reduced their number of trips by ~14.3% while increasing their passengers by ~7.7% and while introducing longer tours managed to reduce emissions per passenger. In 2013, however, their per passenger emissions increased. In early 2014, Eagle Wing Tours purchased a more efficient boat with greater capacity that will replace one of the current boats and further reduce emissions per passenger.

#### Table 12: Achievements and Goals in Carbon Reduction

#### **Achievements**

#### **CLIMATE ACTION**

- Carbon Neutral for four years
- Efficient Volvo Penta D9 diesel engines exceed EPA regulations
- Composting program for cups and other food waste
- Purchase 80% tree free paper

#### **CONSERVATION**

- Introduced \$2 wildlife fee (Industry first!) to support the
   Pacific Salmon foundation and the Centre for Whale Research
- 1% For the Planet members
- Founding members of ViSTA and the Earth Day Garbage Showdown
- Coordinated World Oceans Day at Fisherman's Wharf
- Environmental education is a key part of every tour

#### **AWARDS**

- 2013 EcoStar Award for Community Environmental Leader
- 2013 Tourism Vancouver Island Tourism Sustainability Award

## **Moving Forward**

- Purchase renewable energy from Bullfrog power
- Install fuel treatment system to increase fuel efficiency
- Launch a more efficient boat (remove less efficient boat)
- Replace Goldwing motors with larger more efficient motors
- Researching opportunities to convert motors to biodiesel and/or hybrid electric

## **Information on Inventory Uncertainty**

- \* Land vehicle fuel calculated based on financial records for fuel allowances and purchases and averaged 2013 fuel costs
- \* Electricity and Water data has been estimated based on amount billed and office square footage. Eagle Wing is not independently metered from other businesses on the pier.
- \* 2013 staff commuting, waste data and shipping data recorded as the same as previous year.



## References

Table 13: Emissions Factor Reference Table			
Emission Source	Per Unit	CO₂e (kg)	References
Natural Gas Light Fuel Oil Propane	GJ <b>50.3014</b> <b>2.6260</b> <b>1.5410</b>		http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/cas/mitigation/pdfs/BC-Best-Practices-Methodology-for-Quantifying- Greenhouse-Gas-Emissions.pdf
Gasoline Diesel Bio-Diesel (Locally Made*)	L	2.2718 2.6765 0.0000	http://www.ghgprotocol.org/ http://www.smellbetter.org/
BC Hydro Electricity	kW	0.0120	http://publications.gc.ca/collections/collection_2013/ec/En81-4-2011-3-eng.pdf
Plane (0-463km) Plane (463-1,108km) Plane (> 1,008km) Float Plane BC Ferries Public Transit	psg-km	0.3266 0.1834 0.1654 0.2130 0.1480 0.1158	http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/cas/mitigation/pdfs/BC-Best-Practices-Methodology-for-Quantifying- Greenhouse-Gas-Emissions.pdf
Taxis Accommodation	km Night	0.1443 12.6300	
Landfill Waste Organics (Compost) Recycling (Mixed)	kg	1.2512 0.0000 0.0000	http://www.ec.gc.ca/ges-ghg/default.asp?lang=En&n=AA11E35B-1  (No end-user emissions for materials sent to compost/recycling facilities)
Municipal Water	m3	0.3441	http://www.watergovernance.ca/factsheets/pdf/FS Water Use.pdf
Paper (Virgin) Paper (100%PCR)	Ream	6.3580 4.0100	http://www.printoutlet.ca/stockweight.php
Light Ground Shipping Heavy Ground Shipping Rail Shipping Barge Shipping Short-Sea Shipping	t-km	0.0310 0.0720 0.0272 0.0310 0.0160	http://www.cefic.org/Documents/IndustrySupport/Transport-and- Logistics/Best%20Practice%20Guidelines%20-%20General%20Guidelines/Cefic- ECTA%20Guidelines%20for%20measuring%20and%20managing%20CO2%20emissions%20from%20transport%20operations%20Final%2030.03.2011.pdf
Deep-Sea Shipping  Air Shipping		0.0057 0.6020	

	GLOSSARY of TERMS & UNITS					
CFL	Compact Fluorescent Light.	m	Cubic meter: Unit of measurement equal to 1,000 Litres, used			
GHG	Greenhouse Gas (emissions): Atmospheric gasses contributing to		here to quantify water.			
	the greenhouse gas effect, including Carbon Dioxide (CO₂), Methane (CH4), Nitrous Oxide (N2O), etc.		Metric Tonnes per kilometer: A unit of measurement used in shipping.			
			6 Post-Consumer Recycled Content (by percent.)			
GJ	<b>Gigajoule</b> : Unit of natural gas equal to 38.26 L, or 1/6 the volume of a barrel of oil.	psg-kr	Passenger Kilometer: Unit separating total emissions between passengers per km.			
HVAC	Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning.	Rear	Standard unit of paper measurement equal to 500 sheets, with			
KPI	Key Performance Indicators (Highlights.)		10 reams in a box.			
kW	kW Kilowatt: Unit of energy equal to 1,000 Watts, commonly used		Models of common fluorescent tube lighting.			
	for electrical billing.	tCO <sub>2</sub>	e Metric Tonnes of Carbon Dioxide Equivalent: GHGs have			
LED	Light Emitting Diode: Efficient lighting technology.		different warming potential, measured collectively as CO₂ equivalent, hence "e".			
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