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M&V: Using Option B vs. Using Option C



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What is M&V?

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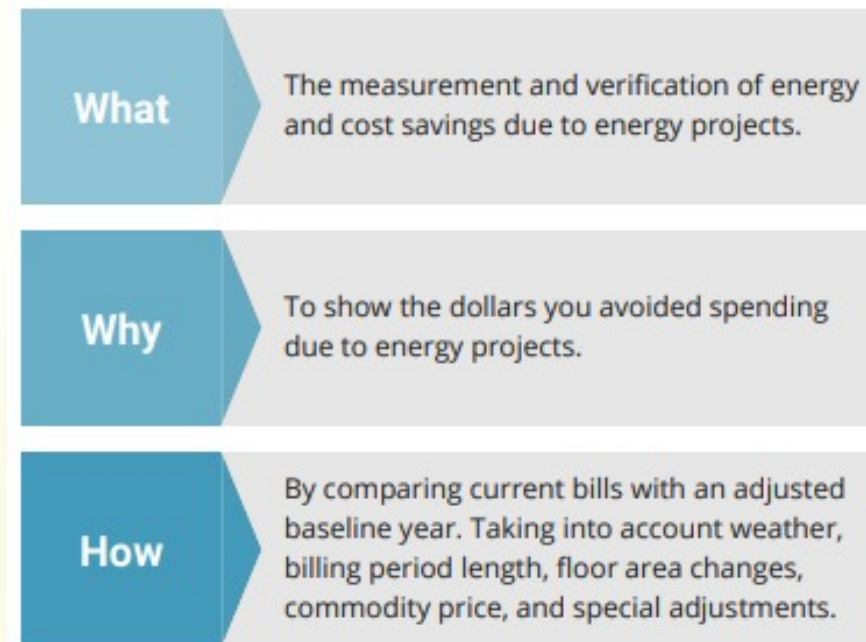
M&V is a standardized procedure, regulated by ISO 50015:2014 (Measurement and Verification of Energy Performance) and included in the framework of ISO 50001:

“The purpose of M&V is to provide confidence to interested parties that reported results are credible... [including] appropriate accuracy and management of uncertainty” (ISO 50015)

Why is M&V important?

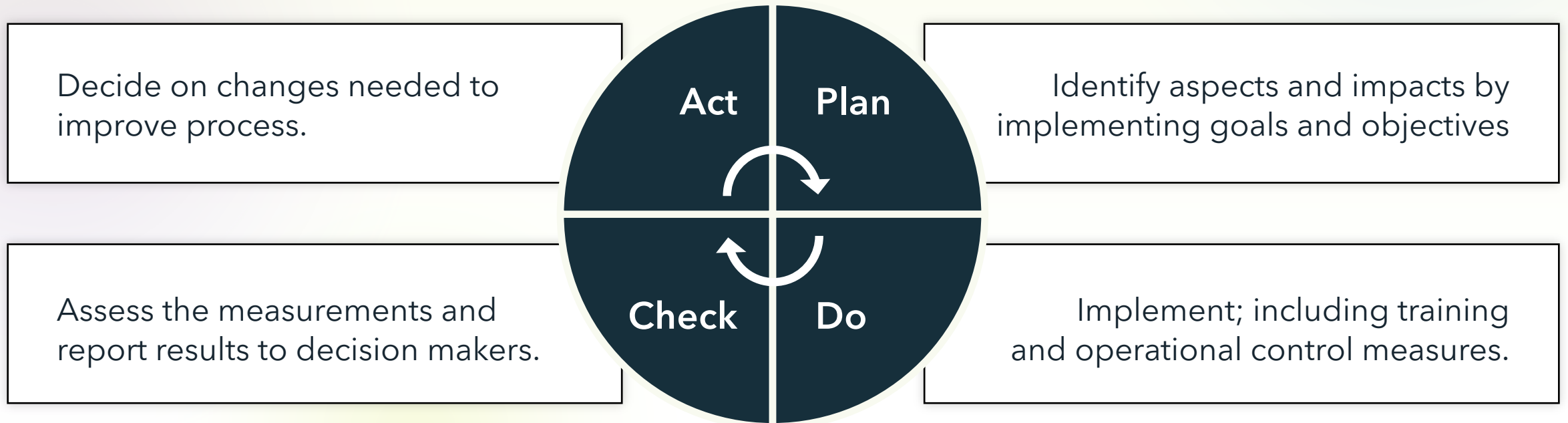
“Measurement and verification” (M&V) of energy and cost savings resulting from an energy efficiency initiative is necessary because you can’t simply compare year-to-year out of pocket expenditures.

You have to compare **what you did spend** with how much **you would have spent** in the absence of energy efficiency, in other words how much you avoided spending.



ISO 50001: 2011 Energy Management

ISO 50001 creates a broad framework for an organization to implement an energy reduction program using the ISO PDCA continuous improvement process.



Available IPMVP Options

ISO 50015 and IPMVP

ISO 50015 “does not specify calculation methods”, it only establishes a common set of principles and guidelines.

The M&V practitioner selects the calculation methods and obtains approval by the parties involved via the M&V Plan.

Historically the most common calculation methods have been those in IPMVP, managed by an international nonprofit agency called The Efficiency Valuation Organization.

www.EVO-World.org

IPMVP Options

Retrofit Isolation



OPTION A
Retrofit Isolation:
Key Parameter(s) Measurement

OPTION B
Retrofit Isolation:
All Parameter Measurement

Whole Facility



OPTION C
Whole Facility

OPTION D
Calibrated Simulation

Benefits of Option B



Option B // Retrofit isolation

All parameters associated with the energy conservation measure must be measured and cannot be estimated. In other words, you are creating an M&V project which focuses only on some appliances/circuits and not on the entire building's power consumption.




For example, consider the installation of a variable speed drive. The power drawn as well as the hours of operation will have to be measured in order to determine any energy savings.

Option B // Retrofit isolation pros and cons

PROS:

-  Savings reports correlate closely with production changes
-  Actual savings determined from direct metered usage

CONS:

-  Not reconciled to total facility utility costs
-  The calculation of baselines for complex processes can be challenging
-  Requires extensive metering

Case Study Option B

New Zealand based BMS specialist

SmartAnalytics M&V streamlines ECM evaluation and reporting for New Zealand based BMS specialist



Success story // The project

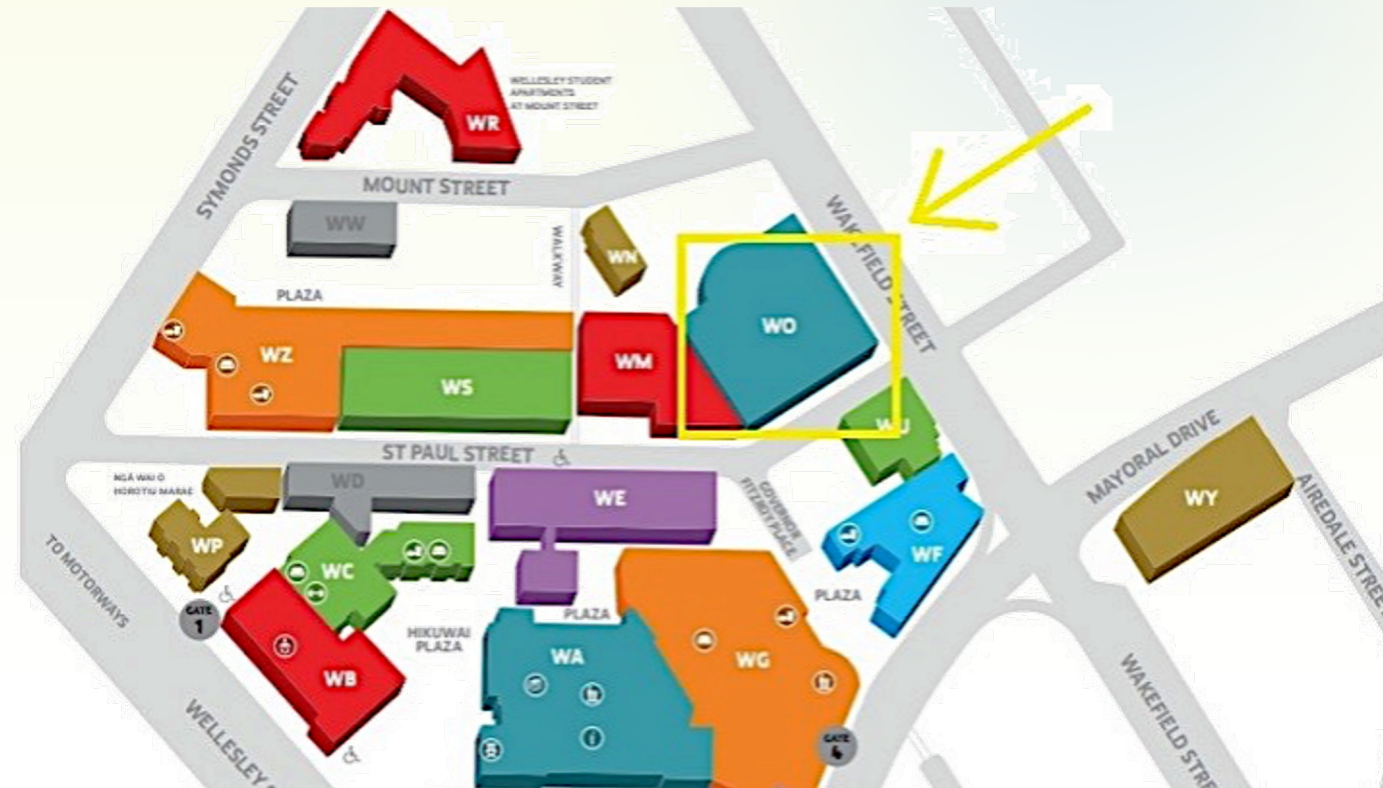
Auckland University of Technology, WO Building

Area: 10,472 m² - ~113k sq ft

Energy Usage: ~1,302,821 kWh/year

Energy Cost: ~180k NZD/year (~110k\$)

Optimization Target: 10% savings

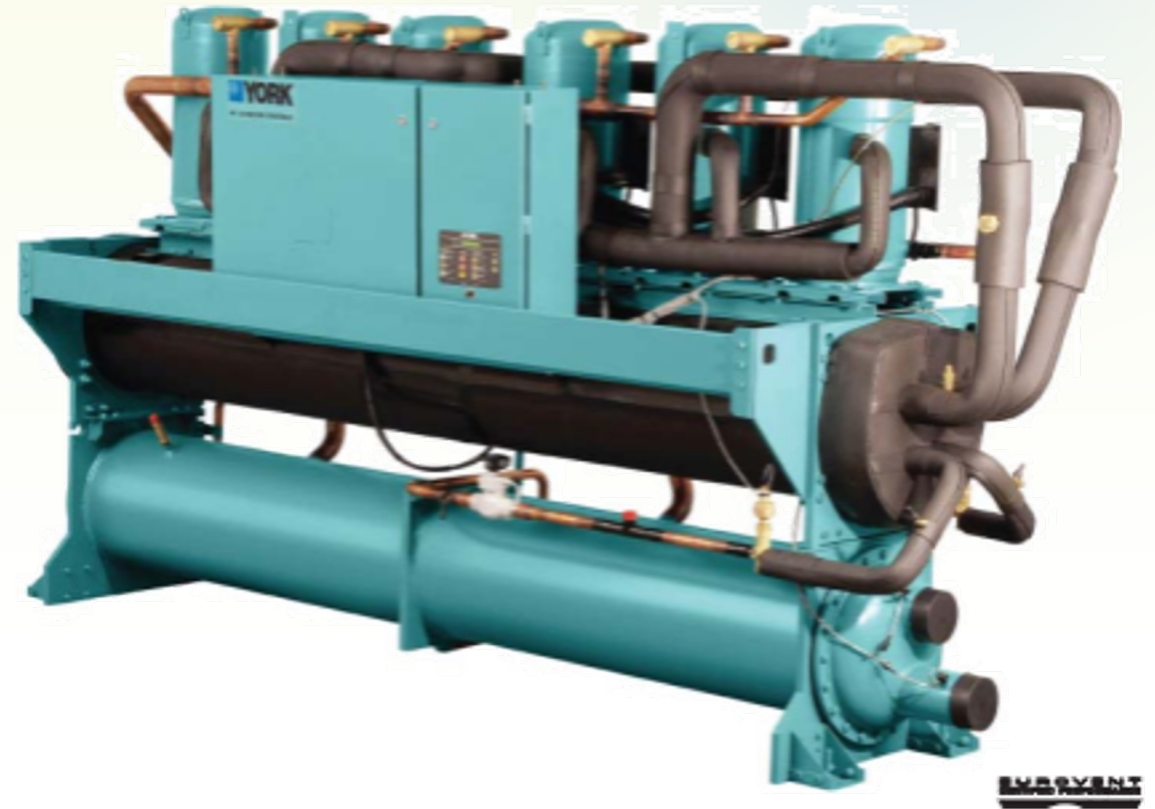


The ECMs

Replacement of chiller and cooling tower

Adjustments to Air Handling Units (AHU)

- Supply air pressure and temperatures setpoints reset
- Disabled after-hours AHU requirement during weekends
- AHU Modulation Controller changed from PI to PID



Results



20.4%

Energy and
CO₂e emission saved



NZD 34,440

Annual savings
(~23k\$)



7.5 years

Est. Payback period

Next steps

**Continue
monitoring**

*Avoid slip
backs*

**Investigate further
energy saving
opportunities**

*Maintain building
performance*

**Commence work
on other university
buildings**

*Incorporate
lessons learned*

Benefits of Option C

Option C // Whole facility



This approach is taken where the energy use of the whole facility needs to be measured. Several independent variables may need to be considered such as heating/cooling degree days, changes in floor area, hours of operation, use of spaces, occupancy, etc...

Option C is of value where several energy conservation measures have been introduced and the overall picture for the facility is required or you only have utility bill information.



Easy to get started and to do portfolio-wide savings reporting.

Option C // Whole facility pros and cons

PROS:

-  Evaluates performances of the entire facility
-  Factors in interactions amongst ECMs and between ECMs and the rest of the facility

CONS:

-  No separation of impacts from different ECMs
-  Impact on savings coming from unexplained variations of energy usage can be difficult to capture

 Easy access to utility bill data

Option C methodology in Utility Management

Establish baseline from utility bills

Determine weather sensitivity

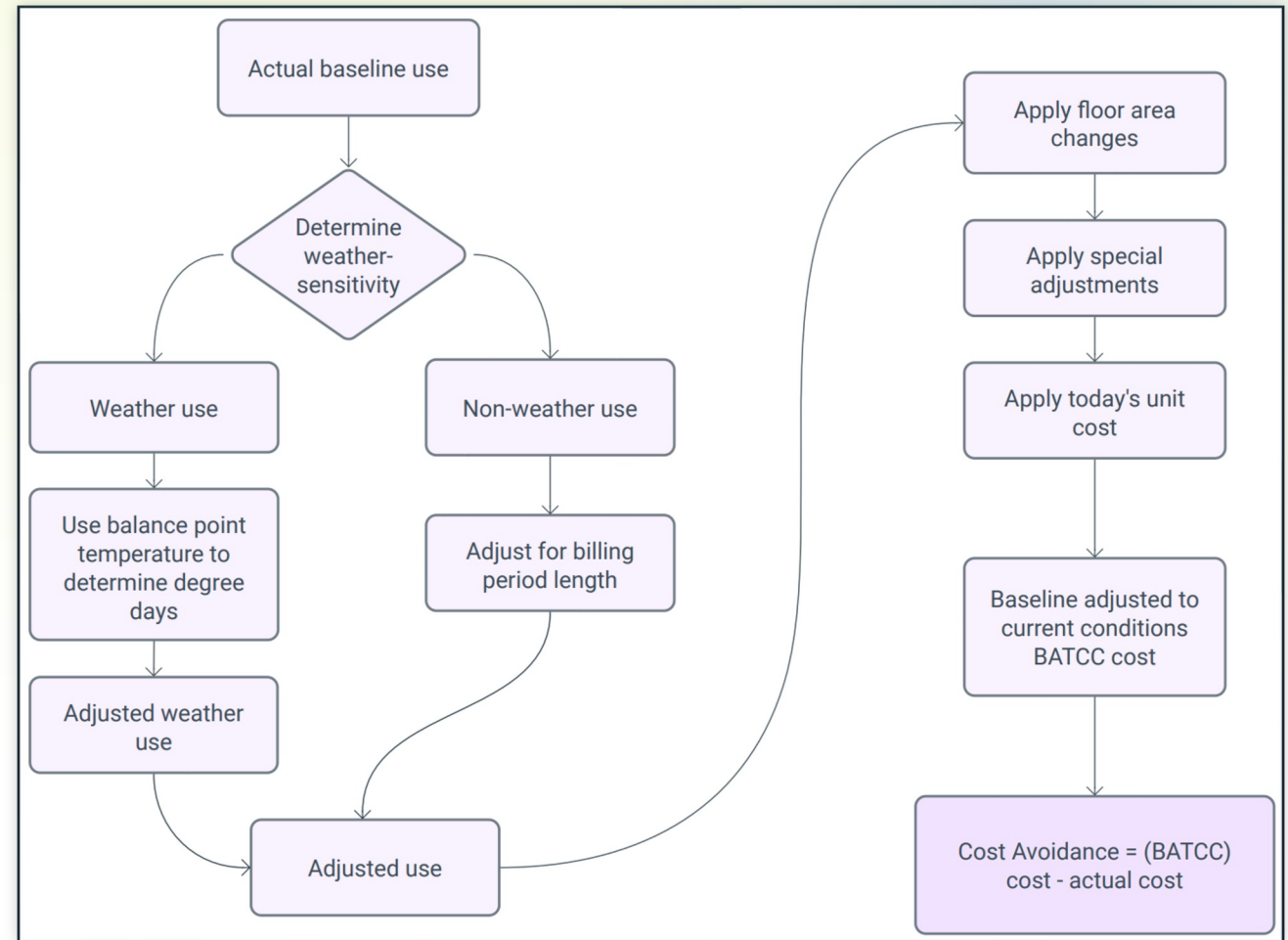
Calendarize bills – adjust for billing length

Adjust for floor area

Special adjustments

Apply cost – today's unit cost

Consider other savings – rebates, refund, demand response, rate reduction...



Case Study Option C

Neil Armstrong Elementary School

UtilityManagement M&V verifies energy savings from behaviour-based program for Virginia school district



Success story // The project

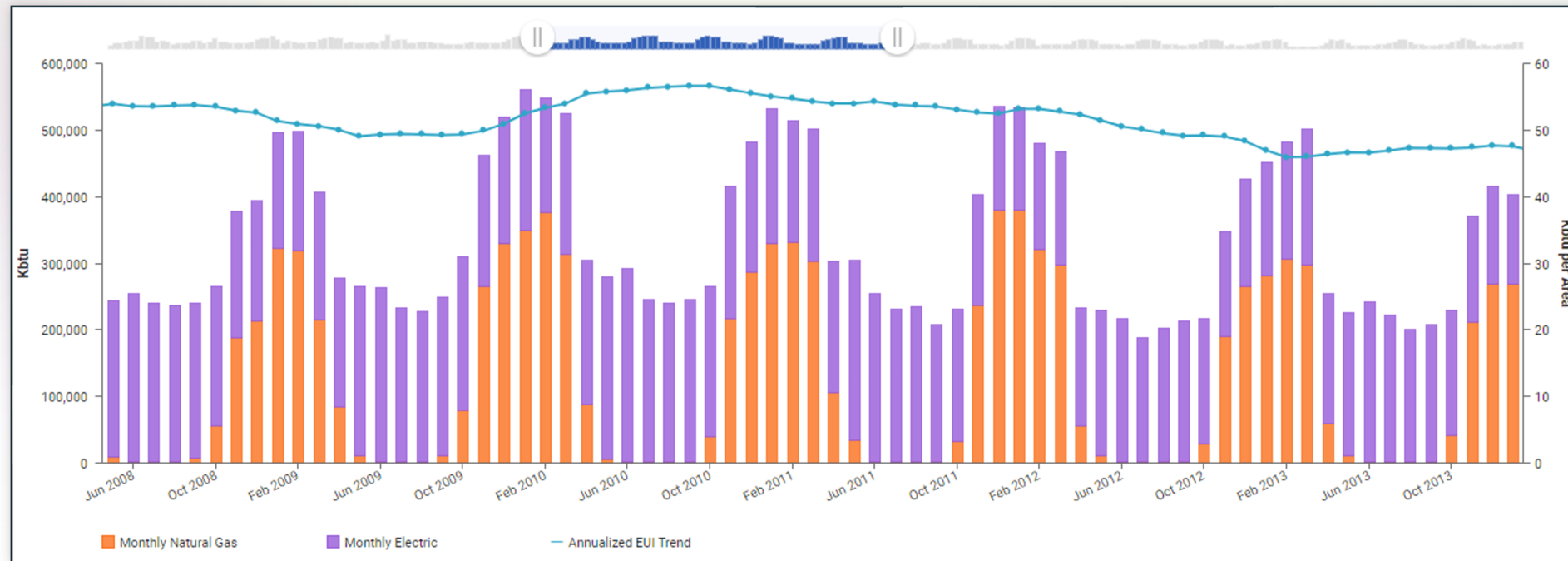
Neil Armstrong Elementary School

Area: 80,000 ft² = ~7,432 m²

Energy Usage in Base Year: 3,805,228 Kbtu/year

Energy Cost in Base Year: \$81,608

Optimization Target: 15% savings



Success story // The project

Zero-Cost Energy Conservation Opportunities

- System schedules
- Turn off lights
- Turn off computers and monitors
- Seasonal water temperature adjustments
- Economizers
- Take advantage of natural light

Low-Cost Energy Conservation Opportunities


- Programmable thermostats
- Repair broken valves
- Occupancy sensors for lighting, HVAC
- Reduce lamps in over-lighted areas
- Use rebated programs for lighting upgrades
- Calibrate sensors

Establish Baseline

Settings


Baseline start

02/01/2013




Baseline length

12 months




Savings start

02/01/2014



Method


Current Average Unit Cost




☒ Adjust by Floor Area


Pre-baseline years added to weather analysis


0 years




Cool above 

60°F



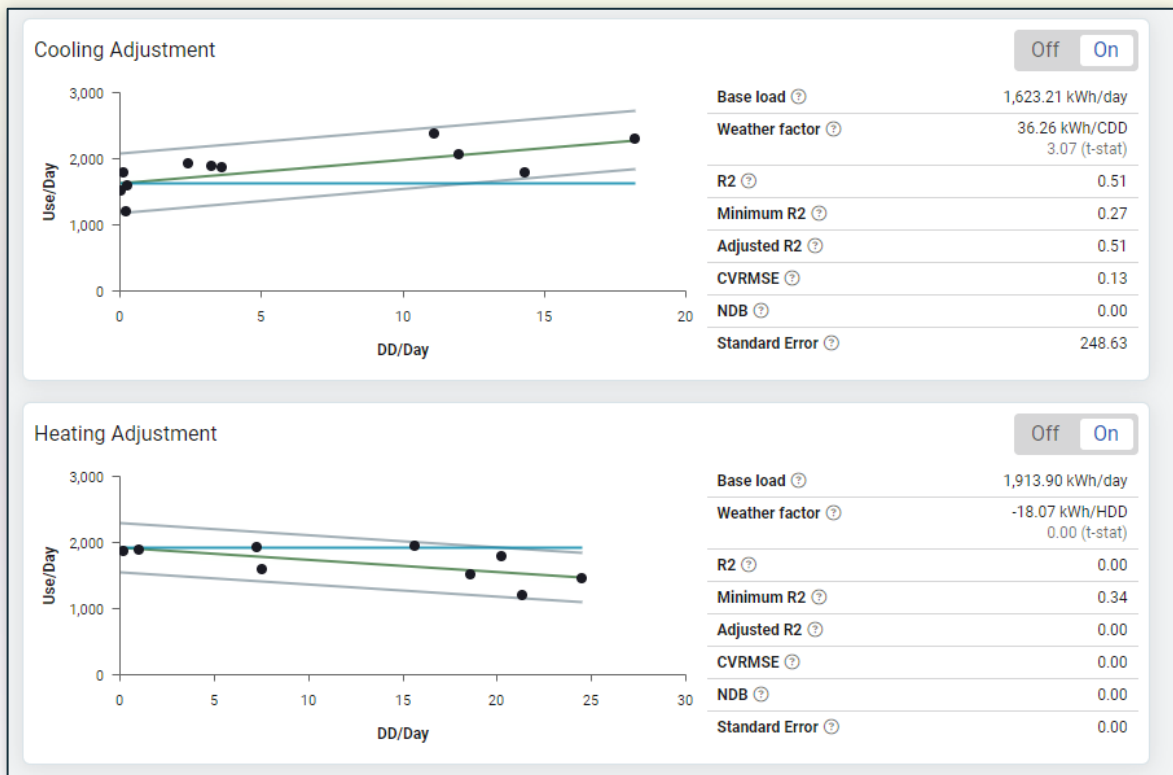
Heat below 

55°F

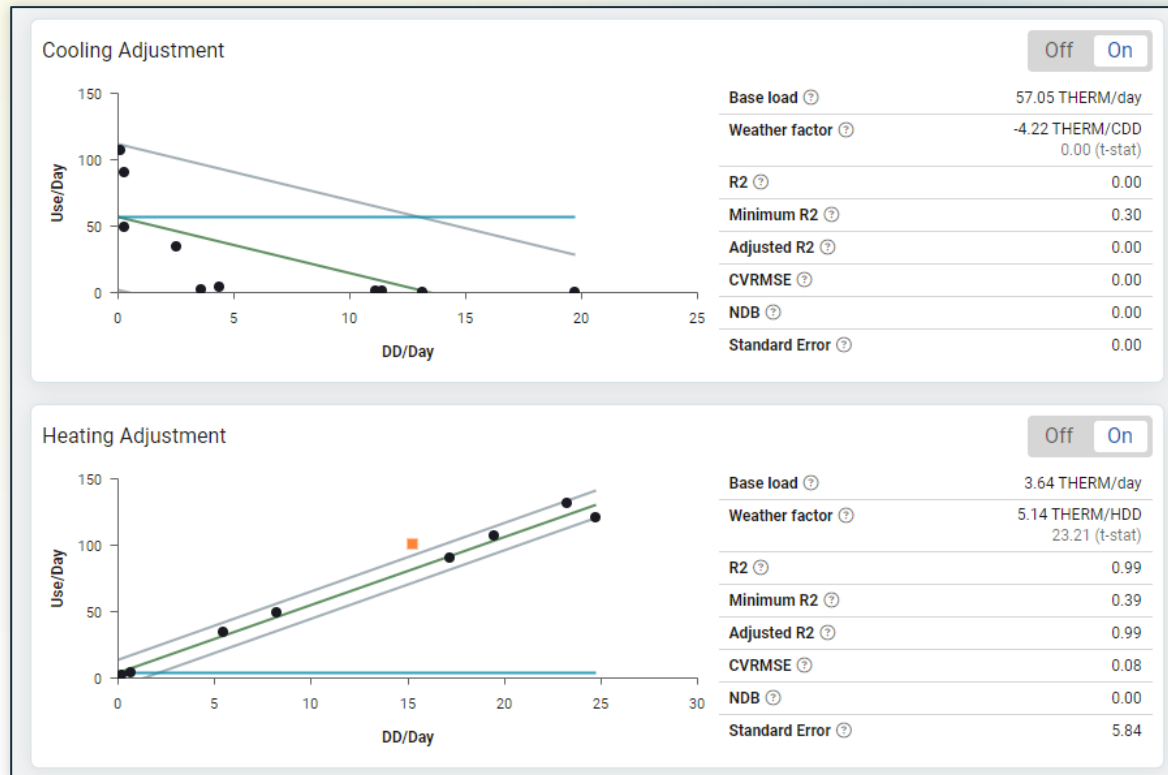


Adjust for weather

Electricity



Natural Gas



● data point ■ outlier ○ user-removed — best fit — 2 standard deviations — base load

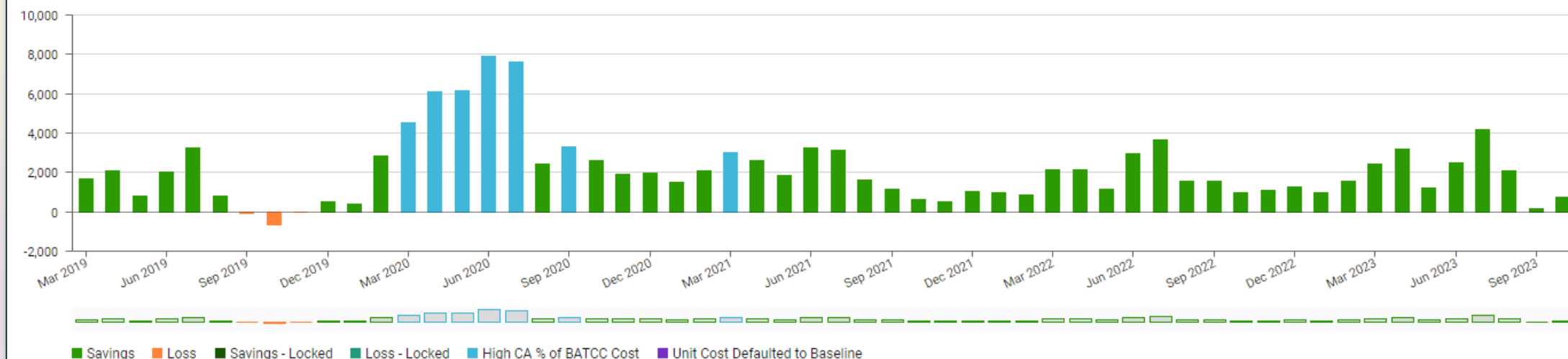
i Statistics are compliant with **IPMVP Option C**

Make special adjustments

		Start	End	Frequency	Value	Category	Method
▼	1	06/01/2014	06/30/2014	Continuous	15.5000	Schedule Change	Add 15.5% to the total BATCC use
AST Additional Occupied Days - CE							
▼	2	10/01/2016	12/31/2016	Continuous	1.7000	Occupancy	Add 1.7% to the total BATCC use
A-170727-4777 Community Use JWN 170727*updated per FCPS. Ssmith 05142019							
▼	4	01/01/2018	01/31/2018	Continuous	160.0300	Extreme Weather	Add 160.03 per day to the BATCC non-weather use
January 2018 additional runtime							

Calculate the savings

Savings Trends



Billing Period	Cost			Cost Avoidance		Cooling		Heating		Use			Use Avoidance	
	Baseline	BATCC	Actual	Amount	%	DD	Adj.	DD	Adj.	Baseline	BATCC	Actual	Amount	%
Nov 2023	\$ 4,500	\$ 6,720	\$ 5,942	\$ 778	11.6%	38	✓	134		50,312	51,110	45,193	5,917	11.6%
Sep 2023	\$ 6,076	\$ 8,972	\$ 8,783	\$ 189	2.1%	470	✓	0		65,626	68,056	66,624	1,432	2.1%
Aug 2023	\$ 4,815	\$ 7,297	\$ 5,216	\$ 2,082	28.5%	485	✓	0		51,611	54,040	38,625	15,415	28.5%
Jul 2023	\$ 6,393	\$ 8,793	\$ 4,607	\$ 4,185	47.6%	489	✓	0		68,942	66,295	34,738	31,557	47.6%
Jun 2023	\$ 6,928	\$ 8,675	\$ 6,161	\$ 2,513	29.0%	231	✓	0		73,040	68,616	48,735	19,881	29.0%
May 2023	\$ 4,388	\$ 5,876	\$ 4,679	\$ 1,197	20.4%	55	✓	29		48,308	47,836	38,091	9,745	20.4%
Apr 2023	\$ 5,868	\$ 8,078	\$ 4,893	\$ 3,185	39.4%	121	✓	73		64,979	66,248	40,124	26,124	39.4%

Calculate the savings

Explanation of Savings

< Aug 2023 >

Close

FCPS [Fairfax County PS - VA] > ARMS-304 [Armstrong Elementary School] > ⚡ ARMS - E - Main [210008589637]

Savings for Aug 2023



36.26 KWH/CDD
Cooling

N/A
Heating

Date	Non-weather use		Weather use		Cost		Adjustments				Cooling degree days		Heating degree days	
	Baseline	BATCC	Baseline	BATCC	BATCC	AUC	Floor area	Special	Other	Weather	Baseline	Current	Baseline	Current
> 07/20/2023	1,257.0 kWh	1,257.0 kWh	870.3 kWh	652.7 kWh	\$ 257.88	\$ 0.135				✓	24	18	0	0
> 07/21/2023	1,257.0 kWh	1,257.0 kWh	761.5 kWh	543.9 kWh	\$ 243.19	\$ 0.135				✓	21	15	0	0
> 07/22/2023	1,257.0 kWh	1,257.0 kWh	725.3 kWh	507.7 kWh	\$ 238.29	\$ 0.135				✓	20	14	0	0
> 07/23/2023	1,257.0 kWh	1,257.0 kWh	689.0 kWh	543.9 kWh	\$ 243.19	\$ 0.135				✓	19	15	0	0
> 07/24/2023	1,257.0 kWh	1,257.0 kWh	616.5 kWh	652.7 kWh	\$ 257.88	\$ 0.135				✓	17	18	0	0
> 07/25/2023	1,257.0 kWh	1,257.0 kWh	398.9 kWh	725.3 kWh	\$ 267.67	\$ 0.135				✓	11	20	0	0
> 07/26/2023	1,257.0 kWh	1,257.0 kWh	398.9 kWh	652.7 kWh	\$ 257.88	\$ 0.135				✓	11	18	0	0
> 07/27/2023	1,257.0 kWh	1,257.0 kWh	543.9 kWh	870.3 kWh	\$ 287.26	\$ 0.135				✓	15	24	0	0
> 07/28/2023	1,257.0 kWh	1,257.0 kWh	543.9 kWh	870.3 kWh	\$ 287.26	\$ 0.135				✓	15	24	0	0
> 07/29/2023	1,257.0 kWh	1,257.0 kWh	435.2 kWh	797.8 kWh	\$ 277.46	\$ 0.135				✓	12	22	0	0

51,611 KWH	Actual baseline use		
54,040 KWH	BATCC use	\$ 7,297	BATCC cost
38,625 KWH	Actual current use	\$ 5,216	Actual current cost
15,415 KWH	Use avoidance	\$ 2,082	Cost avoidance

Other Savings

Edit Other Savings

Cancel

Save

Category

Utility Rate Reduction

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Add New...

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Demand Response

Meter Consolidation

Other

Rebate

Refund

Utility Rate Reduction

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Utility Rate Reduction

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Amount

\$ 100

Frequency

continuous

Start

Jan 2022

End

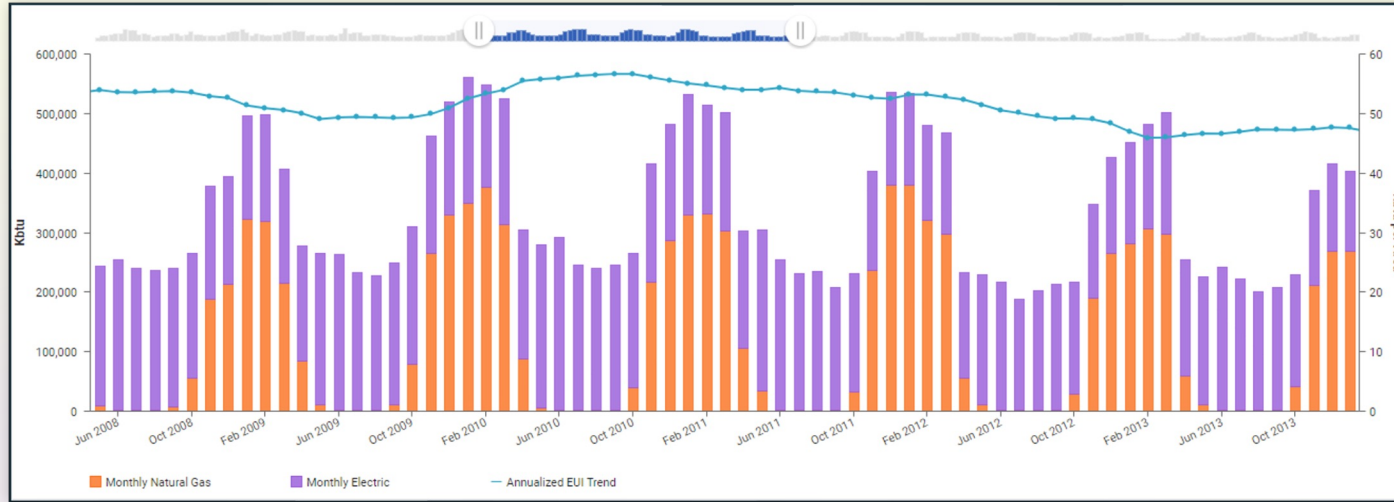
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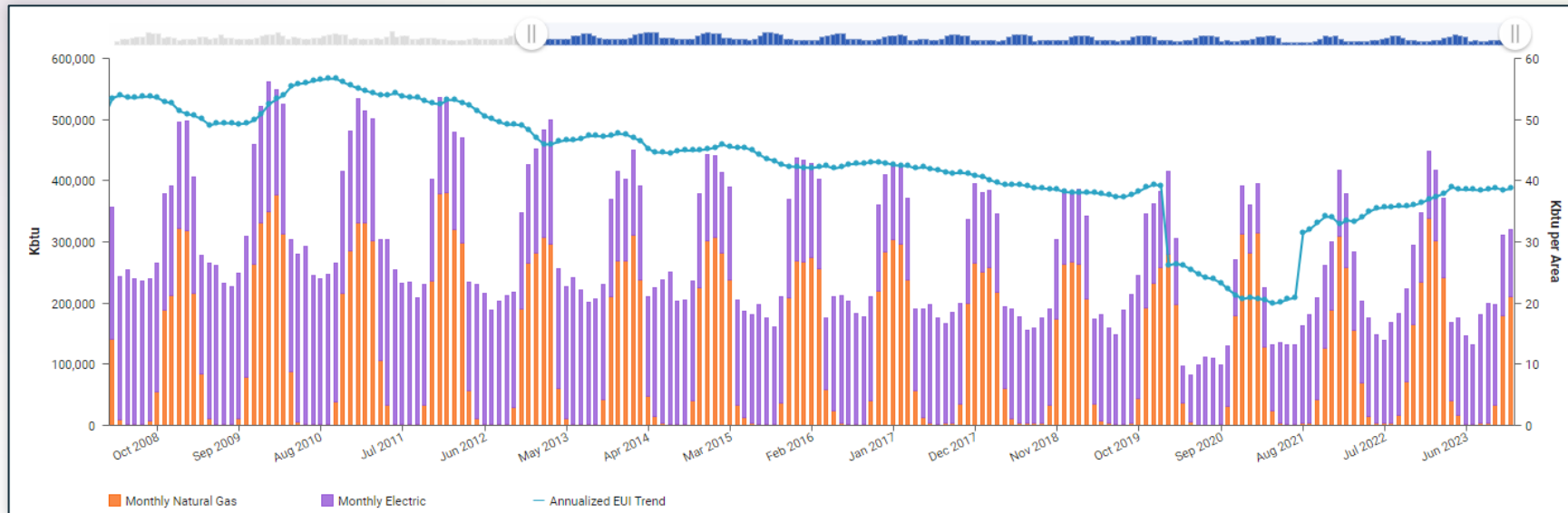
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Date	Non-weather use		Weather use		Cost		Floor area	Adjustments		Weather	Cooling degree days		Heating degree days	
	Baseline	BATCC	Baseline	BATCC	BATCC	AUC		Special	Other		Baseline	Current	Baseline	Current
> 07/05/2022	2,069.2 kWh	2,654.2 kWh	2,318.8 kWh	0.0 kWh	\$ 282.98	\$ 0.107		✓	✓		10	0	0	0
> 07/06/2022	2,069.2 kWh	2,654.2 kWh	1,159.4 kWh	0.0 kWh	\$ 282.98	\$ 0.107		✓	✓		5	0	0	0
> 07/07/2022	2,069.2 kWh	2,654.2 kWh	463.8 kWh	0.0 kWh	\$ 282.98	\$ 0.107		✓	✓		2	0	0	0
> 07/08/2022	2,069.2 kWh	2,654.2 kWh	927.5 kWh	0.0 kWh	\$ 282.98	\$ 0.107		✓	✓		4	0	0	0
> 07/09/2022	2,202.1 kWh	2,787.1 kWh	695.6 kWh	0.0 kWh	\$ 297.14	\$ 0.107		✓	✓		3	0	0	0
> 07/10/2022	2,202.1 kWh	2,787.1 kWh	0.0 kWh	0.0 kWh	\$ 297.14	\$ 0.107		✓	✓		0	0	0	0

Report to stakeholders



Historical & Baseline



Performance

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Cost Savings ⓘ

Savings (BATCC - Actual)

\$189,870.45

BATCC (Baseline)

\$889,663.99

Actual Cost

\$699,793.54

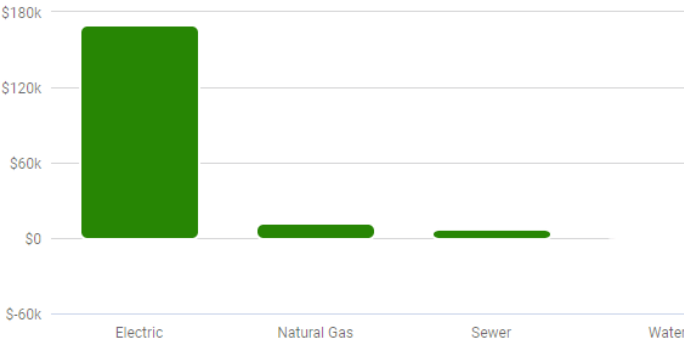
↑ 21.3%

Inception - Feb 2024

Optimization Target: 15% savings

Realized Savings: 21.3% savings, \$189,870

Cost Avoidance by Commodity ⓘ



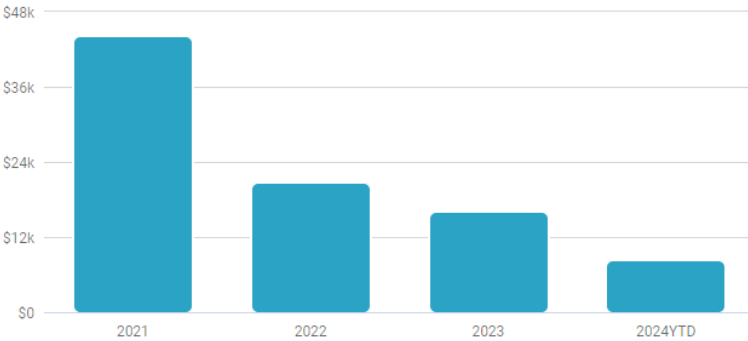
Fiscal Years 2021-2024

Data details Filters applied

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Commodity	↓ Savings
⚡ Electric	\$170,492.51
🔥 Natural Gas	\$12,759.28
🚰 Sewer	\$8,147.71
💧 Water	⚠️ -\$1,529.06

Cost Avoidance Summary ⓘ



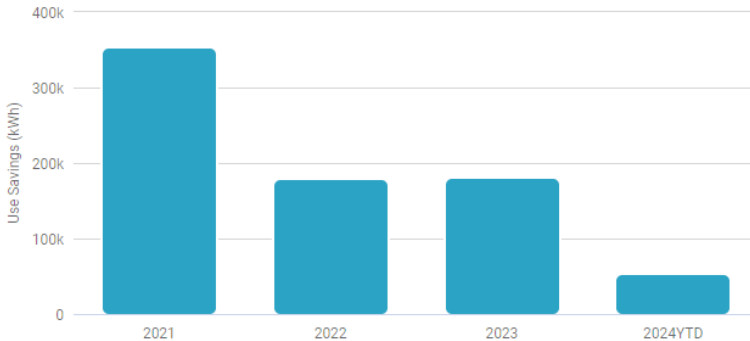
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Year	Savings
2021	\$44,311.75
2022	\$20,826.07
2023	\$16,236.44
2024YTD	\$8,440.39

Use Avoidance Summary ⓘ



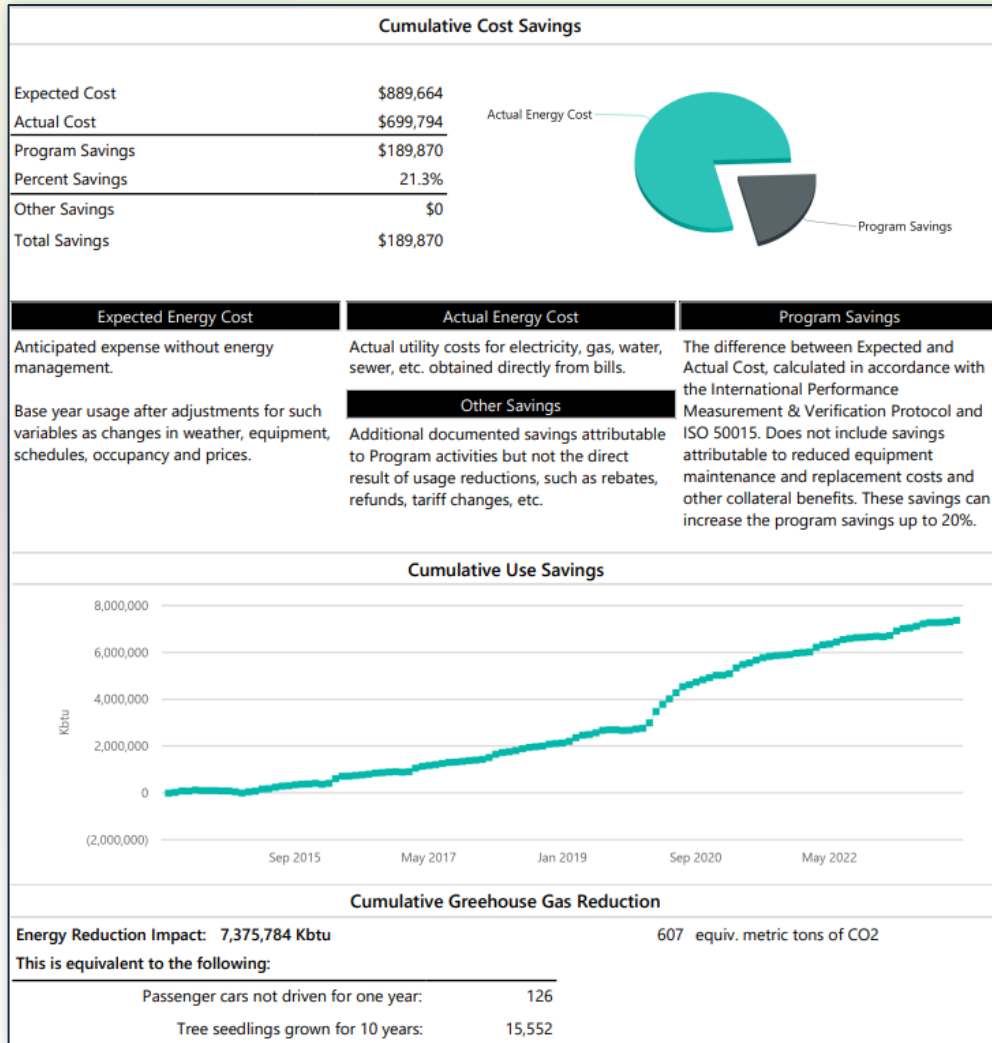
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Year	Savings (kWh)
2021	354,735.00
2022	181,260.00
2023	181,964.00
2024YTD	54,321.00

Report to stakeholders



Cost Avoidance by Building

	BATCC Cost	Actual Cost	Cost Avoidance	Cost Avoidance %
Hayfield Secondary School [HAYFS-180]	\$8,805,768	\$5,799,630	\$3,006,138	34.1%
Woodson High School [WO-130]	\$8,498,292	\$6,053,448	\$2,444,844	28.8%
Lake Braddock Secondary School [LAKEB-400]	\$10,642,732	\$8,249,676	\$2,393,056	22.5%
Chantilly High School [CHAN-250]	\$7,492,762	\$5,307,614	\$2,185,148	29.2%
Westfield High School [WESTFHS-240]	\$7,912,566	\$5,780,307	\$2,132,259	26.9%
Fairfax High School [FAIR-500]	\$7,527,953	\$5,469,121	\$2,058,832	27.3%
Sandburg Middle School [SAND-231]	\$4,803,949	\$2,901,226	\$1,902,723	39.6%
South County High School [SOCOHS-420]	\$6,637,646	\$5,028,835	\$1,608,811	24.2%
Robinson Secondary School [ROBI-390]	\$8,437,283	\$6,832,473	\$1,604,809	19.0%
Edison High School [ED-120]	\$6,233,094	\$4,710,029	\$1,523,065	24.4%
West Potomac High School [WESTP-200]	\$6,712,666	\$5,286,071	\$1,426,596	21.3%
Kilmer Middle School [KILM-071]	\$3,452,068	\$2,026,381	\$1,425,687	41.3%
Mount Vernon High School [MTVE-220]	\$6,891,600	\$5,474,620	\$1,416,980	20.6%
South Lakes High School [SOUT-320]	\$6,548,885	\$5,177,641	\$1,371,244	20.9%
Liberty Middle School [LIBER-411]	\$3,494,269	\$2,190,545	\$1,303,724	37.3%
Marshall High School [MARS-070]	\$5,327,331	\$4,024,304	\$1,303,027	24.5%
Annandale High School [ANNA-140]	\$5,404,948	\$4,264,075	\$1,140,874	21.1%
Poe Middle School [POE-141]	\$3,245,123	\$2,158,872	\$1,086,251	33.5%
Jefferson High School for Science and Technology [JEFF-340]	\$4,891,405	\$3,841,085	\$1,050,320	21.5%
Lewis High School [LEWI-160]	\$5,240,593	\$4,260,360	\$980,233	18.7%
Centreville High School [CENTHS-410]	\$4,609,621	\$3,689,946	\$919,676	20.0%
Whitman Middle School [WHITM-221]	\$2,924,856	\$2,017,082	\$907,774	31.0%
McLean High School [MCLE-030]	\$4,699,894	\$3,819,481	\$880,413	18.7%
Carson Middle School [CARS-171]	\$3,464,641	\$2,624,765	\$839,876	24.2%
Madison High School [MADI-060]	\$5,013,273	\$4,196,451	\$816,822	16.3%
Fort Belvoir Primary Elementary School [FTBV-197]	\$2,465,178	\$1,685,886	\$779,292	31.6%
Franklin Middle School [FRANM-331]	\$2,193,648	\$1,443,207	\$750,441	34.2%
Holmes Middle School [HOLM-111]	\$2,941,223	\$2,234,403	\$706,820	24.0%

Resources

Become a member of EVO (www.EVO-World.org)

Download IPMVP from EVO

Purchase ISO standards at iso.org

Become a CMVP-Certified Measurement & Verification Professional (www.AEECenter.org)

Check out EnergyCAP's resources and have a tour of ESA and EUM

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Thank You!