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Office of Financial Management
Attn: Kathleen Drew, Executive Policy Advisor
PO Box 43113
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Dear Ms. Drew:

The Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs is pleased to submit WDVA's 2006 Sustainability Progress Report. WDVA is committed to protecting the environment and the continual pursuit of new and effective ways to implement sustainable practices. In addition, WDVA will continue to work toward the goals outlined in the Governor's Executive Orders, and has shown progress as indicated in this report.

Please contact Tish Greenfield, WDVA Sustainability Coordinator, at 360-725-2206, or TishG@dva.wa.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John E. Lee".

John E. Lee
Director

cc: Gary A. Condra

Washington State Sustainability Progress Report Template

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This is a only a **suggested** template for your progress reports. Please use whatever format with which your agency is most comfortable, but **be sure you include all everything specified in Executive Order 05-01 and 04-01**. If you decide to use this template, please fill in all of the yellow cells as well as the boxes to elaborate on your Goals, Progress to Date, Barriers and Challenges, Success Factors, and Documented Savings. The blue cells have formulas which will automatically calculate values as you enter your agency's information. Report data for Fiscal Year (FY) 2006, the period July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006. FY 2003 is for period July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003. NOTE that FY2006 is to the left of FY2003.

[Link to Executive Order 05-01](#)

[Link to E.O. 04-01](#)

[Link to EO 02-03](#)

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Required Actions	In Compliance	Goals	Progress to Date	Barriers and Challenges	Success Factors	Documented Savings			
I Green Buildings									
1 The requirements in E.O. 05-01 regarding green building are superceded by the High Performance Public Building bill (ESSB 5509). ESSB 5509 requires all construction or remodeling projects of any occupied or conditioned space larger than 5,000 square feet to conform to the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver Standard (or equivalent) The legislation applies to remodeling projects costing more than 50% of the assessed value.	Yes	ESSB 5509 GA Website on Green Building RCW 39.35D High Performance Public Buildings	# of Applicable Buildings Built or Remodeled in FY 2006 # LEED Silver Standard Certified (or in the process of being certified)	Build 240-bed nursing facility at Washington Veterans Home with Silver LEED certification	Achieved Gold LEED Certification for the Washington Veterans Home 240-bed nursing facility				
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for									
II Reduce Petroleum Use by 20% by 2009									
1 Reduce Gallons of Gasoline Purchased (for vehicles)	N	Gallons of Gasoline Purchased FY 2006 15352 FY 2004 15038		This agency by virtue of it's mission will be unable to reduce fuel consumption to any appreciable extent.	We are phasing older less efficient vehicles out of our inventory in compliance with our 2006 goal. Many of our vehicles are utilized on small campuses and don't rapidly accumulate a lot of mileage, therefore turn over is slow. The other vehicles that transport veterans to doctor and hospital appointments are the other end of the spectrum going long distances. Unfortunately, they are also large and don't return good fuel efficiency. It will be difficult for us to achieve better numbers since our mission to serve these veterans dictates the use of large vehicles.				
Miles Driven by Vehicle Ownership		POV 16284 Agency Owned 354903 Motor Pool n/a							
Total Miles Driven (sum of POV, Agency Owned, and Motor Pool Vehicles)		Miles Driven FY 2006 371187 FY 2003							
Optional: Increase Employee Participation in Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) Programs		Commute Trip Reduction Plan Developed (if so, please describe in boxes at right)							
2 Freeze Four Wheel Drive (4WD) purchases (exempting those with fuel economy greater than 30 mpg or those purchased for law enforcement or emergency response purposes). All others must be approved by agency director.	Y	# of 4WD Vehicles Purchased 0	# Approved or Exempt 0				Freeze Four Wheel Drive purchases	Same	WDVA supports vulnerable clients that require transportation to medical appointments year round. Some 4 Wheel Drive vehicles are necessary to ensure they can be safely transported during inclement weather.
3 Give priority to fuel efficient/low emission vehicles	Y	Total # of Vehicles Purchased 2	# of vehicles purchased (1) with fuel economy of at least 30 mpg and (2) meeting EPA Federal Emission Standards 2 Average mpg of Fleet FY 2006 23.12 FY 2003						
4 Replace pre-1996 light duty vehicles (those under 8,500 pounds gross vehicle weight) that are driven more than 2,000 miles a year by January 2008.)	N	# of pre-1996 Light Duty Vehicles 26	Agency is Implementing Plan for Replacement	9 of the pre-1996 light duty vehicles will be surplusd in 2006					
3 Use minimum 5% biodiesel for agency vehicles using diesel, and replace standard diesel with a 20% biodiesel blend by 2009.	N	Gallons of Diesel Purchased 1924	Please Fill in One Gallons of Biodiesel Purchased 0 Gallons of at Least 5% Diesel Purchased 0	No local availability					
6 For all agencies with a fleet of 100 or more light duty vehicles (vehicles with a gross weight of 10,000 lbs or less)									

vehicle weight of less than 8,500 pounds), submit a Fleet Management Plan. For agencies with less than 100 light duty vehicles, consider transferring vehicles to or contract with GA.		# of Vehicles in Fleet	Fleet Management Plan Submitted	Contract Transferred to GA					
7 Request fuel efficient, low emission vehicles for employees from commercial vendors.		34							
		Request Made to Commercial Dealers							Documented Savings

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Please use this space to describe in more detail the progress of your sustainability plan as well as any success stories your agency would like to share.