



SUPPORT THE BETTER FUEL INITIATIVE

Better Fuel for Minnesota, from Minnesota.

What is the Better Fuel Initiative?

The Better Fuel Initiative aims to further increase awareness, understanding and usage of biofuels in Minnesota. The Minnesota Corn Growers Association is excited to be part of a broad, non-partisan Minnesota coalition that is promoting the adoption of state policies to encourage the further development and use of better transportation fuels for Minnesota.

In 2020, the Better Fuel Initiative supports an increase in the existing biofuel blending standard of 10 percent to 15 percent biofuel. Adoption of a 15 percent biofuel standard creates significant benefits for all Minnesotans.

What does Better Fuel mean for Minnesota?

- BETTER for HEALTH** According to the USDA, using ethanol made from corn helps reduce harmful greenhouse gas emissions by 39-43% compared to gasoline. That's why higher blends of ethanol are recognized as a Clean Air Choice® by the American Lung Association.
- BETTER for the ENVIRONMENT** Ethanol is a biodegradable fuel made from field corn, a renewable fuel source. Growth in ethanol helps reduce our reliance on petroleum - a finite resource.
- BETTER OCTANE** Ethanol has a higher octane rating than regular gasoline, resulting in more engine power efficiency. Nine out of 10 vehicles on the road today are approved by the EPA to safely use E15 fuel.
- BETTER for CONSUMERS** Minnesota drivers are using a cleaner burning, higher octane, and lower priced option when they fill up with ethanol-blended fuel. It's good for our air, safe for most vehicles, and supports economic development right here in Minnesota.
- BETTER for U.S. TRADE** The United States is the #1 ethanol producer in the world, generating nearly 60% of global output.
- BETTER for RURAL MINNESOTA COMMUNITIES** Minnesota's ethanol industry supports nearly 19,000 full-time jobs in the state and generates more than \$1.5 billion in income for Minnesota households.
- BETTER for MINNESOTA FARMERS** Not only does ethanol provide a critical market to corn farmers for their crop, but the remaining fat and fiber resulting from the ethanol production process are used as a valuable high protein animal feed for cattle, hogs, poultry and even fish.

For more information on the Better Fuel Initiative, visit BetterFuel.org or contact [Amanda Bilek](mailto:abilek@mncorn.org) at abilek@mncorn.org.

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