

# The NextGen Business Case: Addressing Environmental & Energy Issues

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# The Challenge: Multiple Environmental Drivers

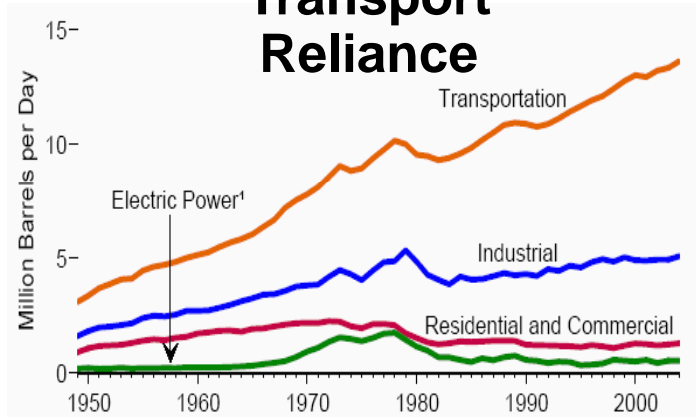
- Aviation impacts community noise footprints, air quality, water quality, energy usage and availability, and the global climate.
- Difficult trade-offs and no “silver bullet” solution sets on the horizon.
- Trends show environmental impacts from aircraft noise and aviation emissions will be a critical constraint on capacity growth.



➤ ***The challenge is to ensure energy availability and affordability and reducing aviation’s environmental footprint, even with projected aviation growth***

# The Challenge: Changing Oil & Energy Dynamics

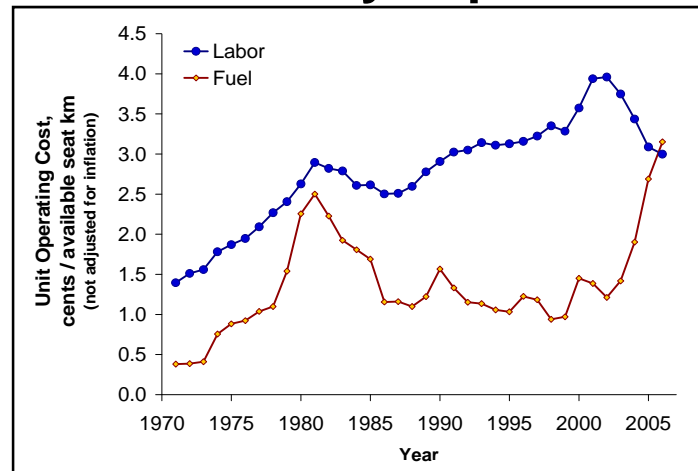
## Transport Reliance



## Price Volatility



## Commercial Aviation Industry Impact



# The Challenge: Climate Change Debate Reshaping Aviation



***December 2009 Copenhagen meeting could shape future decisions on international bunker fuels.***



***ICAO's Group on International Aviation and Climate Change. Recommendations going to ICAO Council in late June. High Level Meeting in October 2009.***



***EU is still on course to attempt to include international aviation into its emissions trading system unilaterally.***



***Climate and energy legislation (Waxman-Markey, etc.) could alter U.S. aviation and NextGen's future.***

# Measures to Tackle the Environment & Energy Challenges

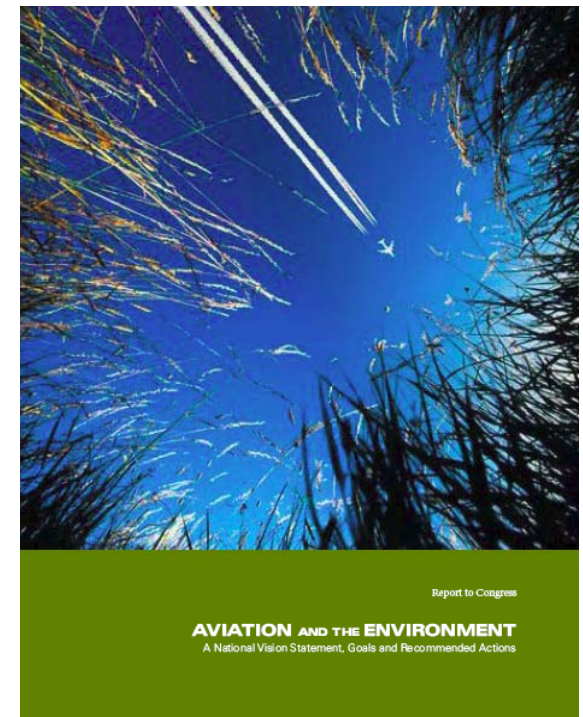
## NextGen Vision

*Provide environmental protection that allows sustained aviation growth*



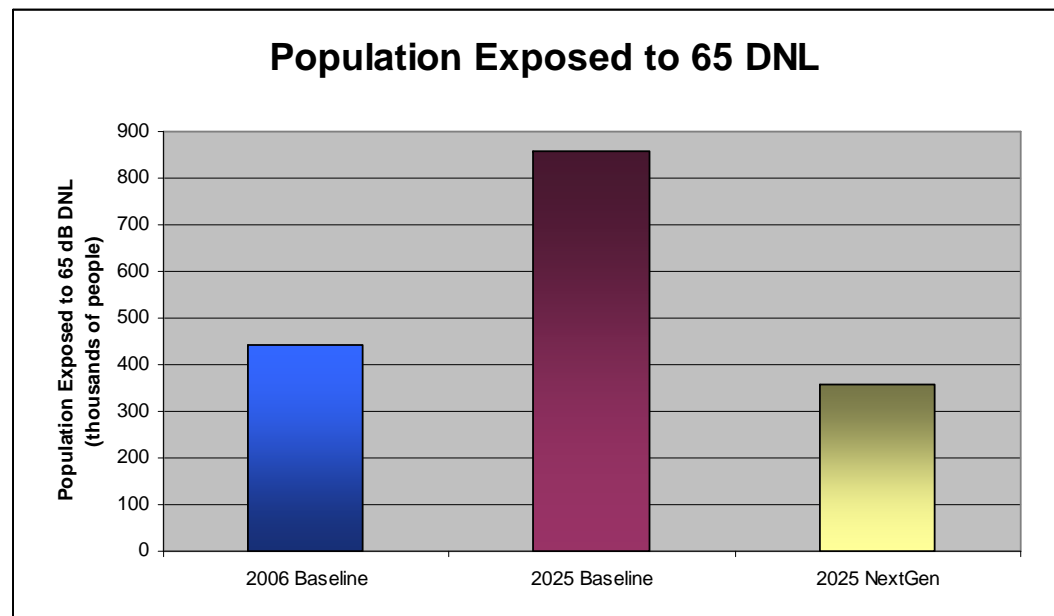
Key Initiatives:

- Continued Local Mitigation
- Better Scientific Understanding
- Accelerate Operational Changes
- Mature New Aircraft Technology
- Develop Alternative Fuels
- Policy and Market-Based Measures



# NextGen Benefits: Reduced Noise Exposure Impacts

- **By 2025 NextGen could reduce the number of people exposed to 65 dB DNL by 58% (and by 19% relative to population exposed in 2006)<sup>1</sup>.**
- **The reduction in noise will reduce impacts on property values exposed to 55 dB DNL approximately \$13-15 billion in 2025<sup>2</sup>.**

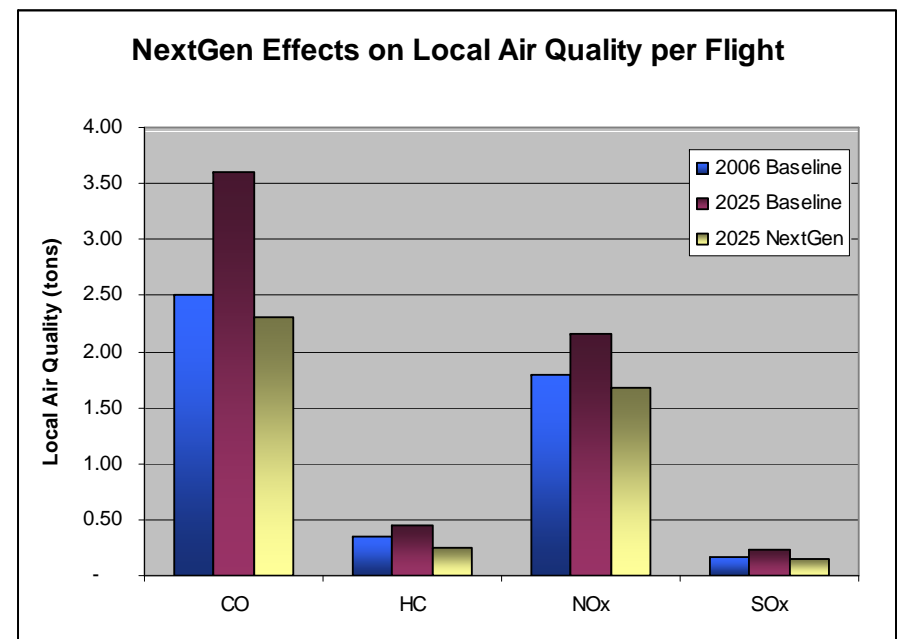
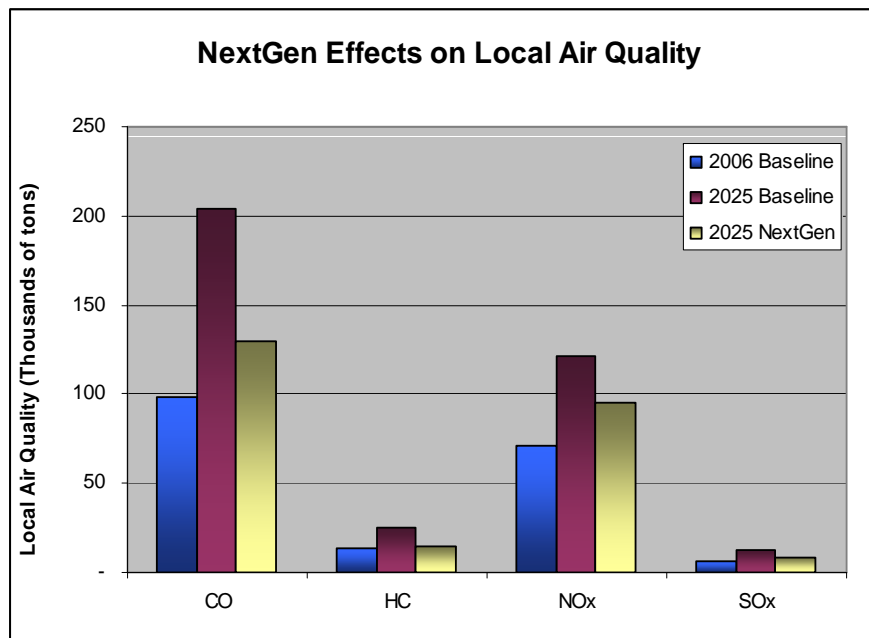


<sup>1</sup> Based on estimates comparing 2025 No Action vs. 2025 NextGen High Density analysis which included 70% of the commercial traffic at the CONUS OEP airports.

<sup>2</sup> APMT Analysis of SMAD HD Case, July 17, 2008.

# NextGen Benefits: Reduced Emissions Impacts

- In 2025 NextGen could reduce impacts on local air quality by 22% to 42% across the pollutants<sup>1</sup>.
- By 2025 NextGen could reduce the costs associated with local air quality health risks by \$1 to \$3 billion<sup>2</sup>.

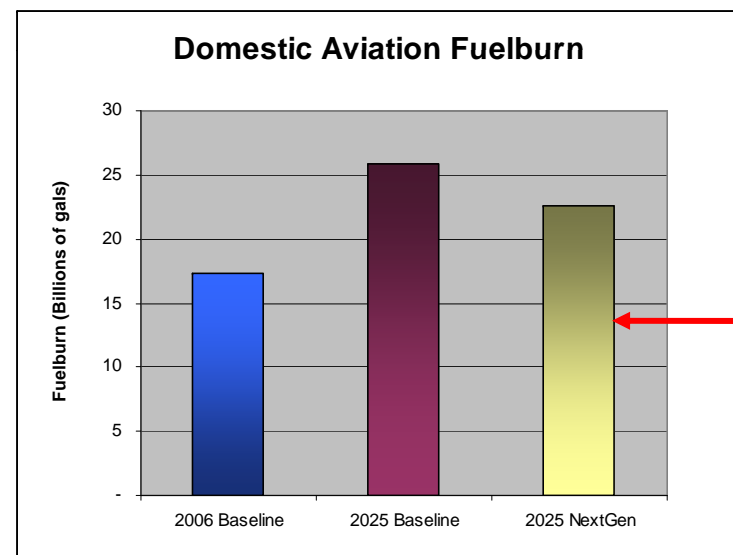
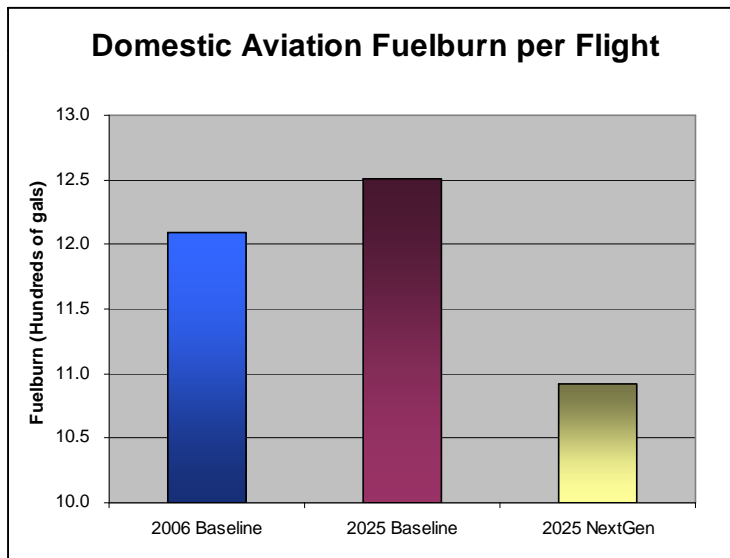


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# NextGen Benefits: Less Fuel Burn Per Flight

- By 2025 the NextGen Operational Improvements including air traffic management and aircraft technology could reduce total fuel burned by 13%, saving more than 3.3 billion gallons of fuel per year<sup>1</sup>.
- For example, the average flight in 2025 connecting EWR with LAX would burn 19% less fuel ~\$7,500 per flight<sup>2</sup> with NextGen as compared without NextGen.
- Considering Greenhouse Gases (GHG), NextGen could reduce socioeconomic damages associated with climate changes by between \$25 and \$80 billion<sup>2</sup>.

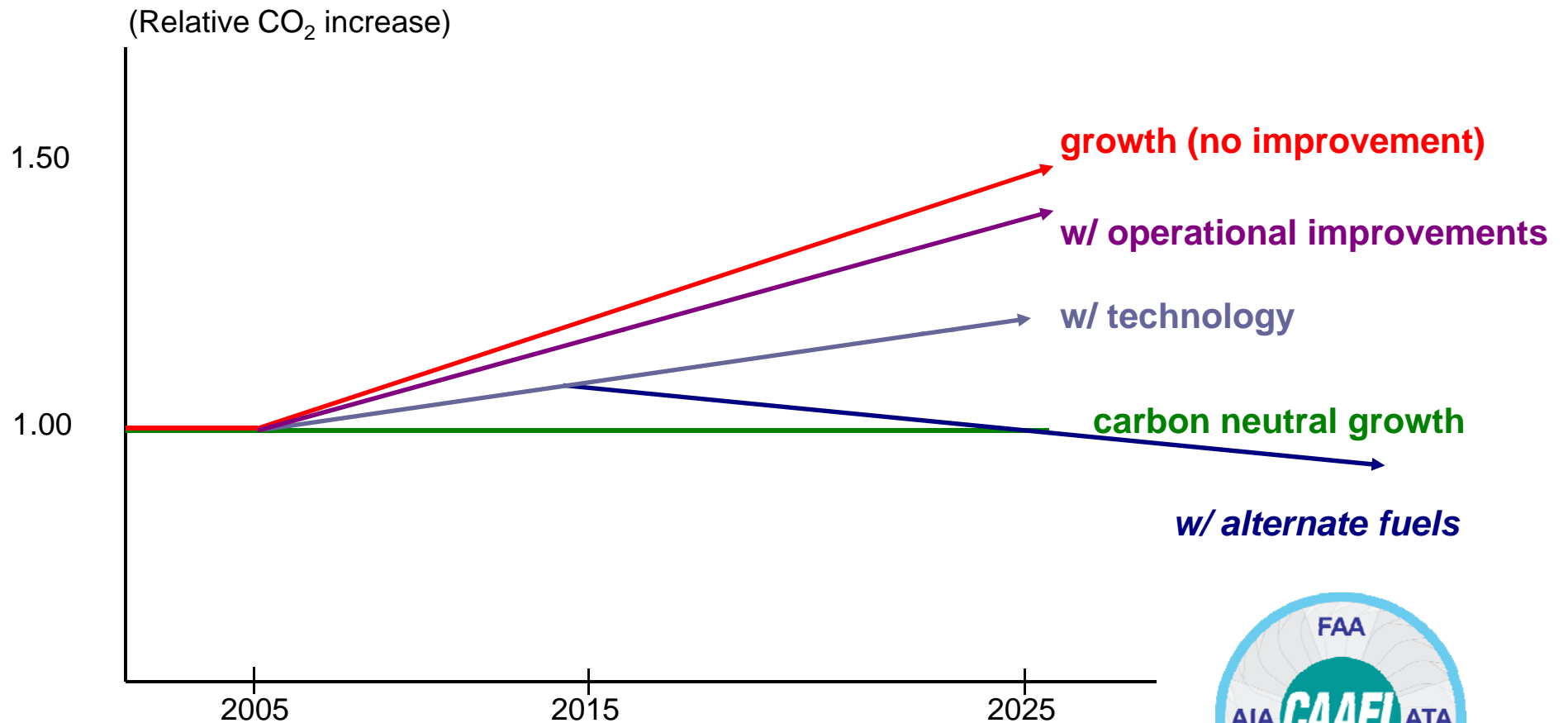


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# Why Alternative Fuels Are Critical to NextGen



# Some Closing Observations

- NextGen will not achieve capacity goals without addressing environmental and energy issues.
- Energy and climate issues will increasingly shape the future of aviation.
- No single solution to tackle the multiple environmental and energy challenges.
- Initial assessments of NextGen operational and technology changes show significant return on investment in environment and energy benefits.
- Alternative fuels could play a critical role in tackling climate issues.

