

## DAILY DIGEST

### Green fuel to power Red and White Fleet

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One of San Francisco Bay's ferry fleets has started fueling its vessels with biodiesel, a renewable **fuel** made from plants.

**Red and White Fleet**, based at Fisherman's Wharf, is using a blend of 20 percent biodiesel and 80 percent regular, petroleum-based diesel. The biodiesel -- in this case, made from soybeans -- is being supplied by Golden Gate Petroleum, which has a biodiesel production facility in San Jose.

Biodiesel burns cleaner than its petroleum-based counterpart, producing smaller amounts of most pollutants. Its use is also considered a way **to** fight global warming, because the plants from which it is made absorb carbon dioxide as they grow.