

# Sustainability

As an agriculture-based company, environmental issues are not only important to us – they are an essential component in our continued growth and success. Because we rely on the land for our livelihood, it is critical that Constellation does all it can to ensure clean water, air and soil at all of our sites and in all of the countries where we operate. Our aim is to look for ways to improve the environment, while also minimizing Constellation’s collective impact.

## **California Solar Initiative**

A solar initiative that includes 17,000 solar panels at four wineries gives Constellation the largest solar footprint in the U.S. wine industry. The solar power generated covers most, if not all, of the wineries’ energy needs. The four systems have a combined solar power of 3.95 megawatt DC, which is equivalent to 4.5 million pounds of emitted carbon being removed from the atmosphere. This amount equates to 9 million miles not driven annually or 226 million miles not driven during the next 25 years.

## **Grape Skins Used to Generate Power**

In Canada, our Jackson Triggs and Inniskillin wineries have partnered locally with Vandermeer Greenhouses to turn grape skins into “green” electrical energy, rather than send this waste to a landfill. The electricity generated is used to power homes and businesses in Canada’s Niagara Region.

## **Carbon Footprint Disclosure**

In 2009, Constellation’s global carbon footprint was established and reported to the Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP), an independent not-for-profit organization that helps clients make investment decisions and uncover business risk and opportunity tied to environmental issues. Using our carbon footprint data, we are setting emission reduction targets and creating a multi-year plan to reach those goals. We will continue to report our carbon footprint data to the CDP on an annual basis to measure our improvements in this key area of environmental responsibility.

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