



Latch the Hatch (LTH) is a voluntary program with participation by several UPA member companies operating in the Uinta Basin. LTH participating companies have each signed a commitment statement and selected from a menu of options for actions the company commits to fulfill to reduce emissions of VOC and NOx, which can lead to ozone pollution.

The program started as an effort to always ensure closure of thief hatches on tanks, as any open hatches can be a source of emissions. It rapidly expanded to include additional actions such as:

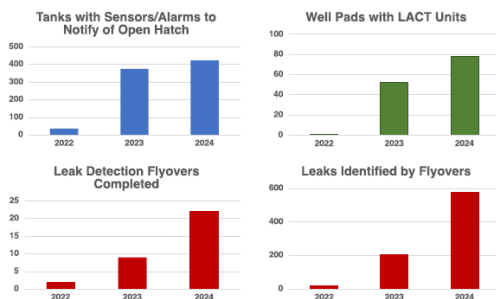
- Conducting flyovers to detect emissions so that operators can fix leaks
- Modifying or replacing equipment operated by natural gas to eliminate emissions
- Installing solar powered equipment to eliminate emissions from engines and compressed gas
- Upgrading gaskets on tank hatches to reduce deterioration and installing alarms to indicate when a hatch has been left open

UPA thanks all LTH participating companies for their commitment to the environment. The graphic provide more detail about participating companies, actions taken, and progress over the life of the program. Please contact us if your company would like to explore participation in LTH.

Latch the Hatch Metrics – Cumulative Through May 2024

- 9 participating companies
- 2229 signs
- 7246 gaskets
- 423 alarms for open hatches
- 47 hauling company participation requests
- 14 hauling company contract requirements
- 78 LACT units
- 423 tank isolation valves
- 22 flyovers
- 579 leaks detected by flyover - 14508 MCSFD

Cumulative Metrics Change Over Time



New for 2024



Additional Progress Reported by Participating Companies:

- Retrofitted 835 pumps to re-use motive gas for burner fuel
- Removed approximately 2000 pneumatic controllers
- Added 41 air compressors to locations with existing power, to replace gas with air on pneumatic devices
- Closely monitored weather patterns, forecasts, and ozone throughout the wintertime ozone season