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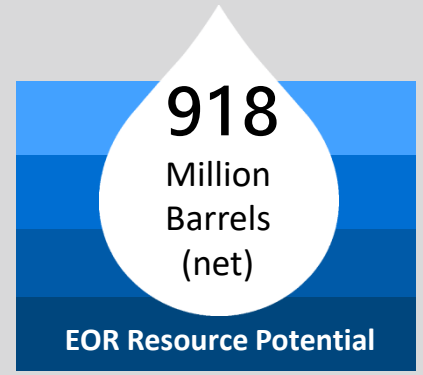
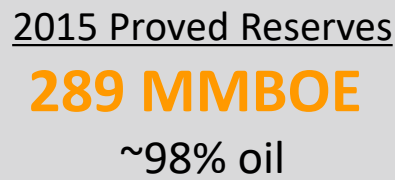
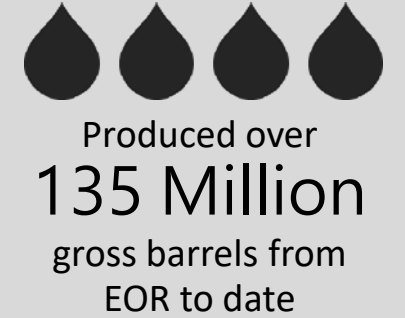
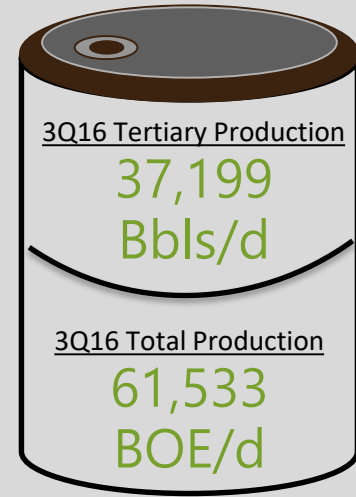
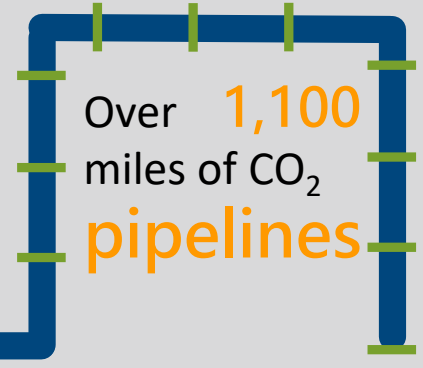
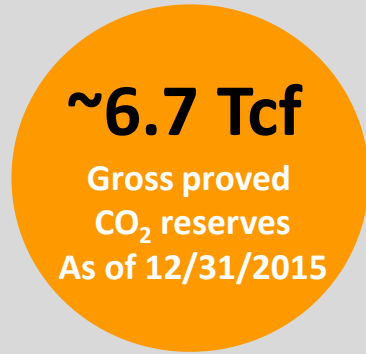
A Different Kind of Oil Company



Operating Areas

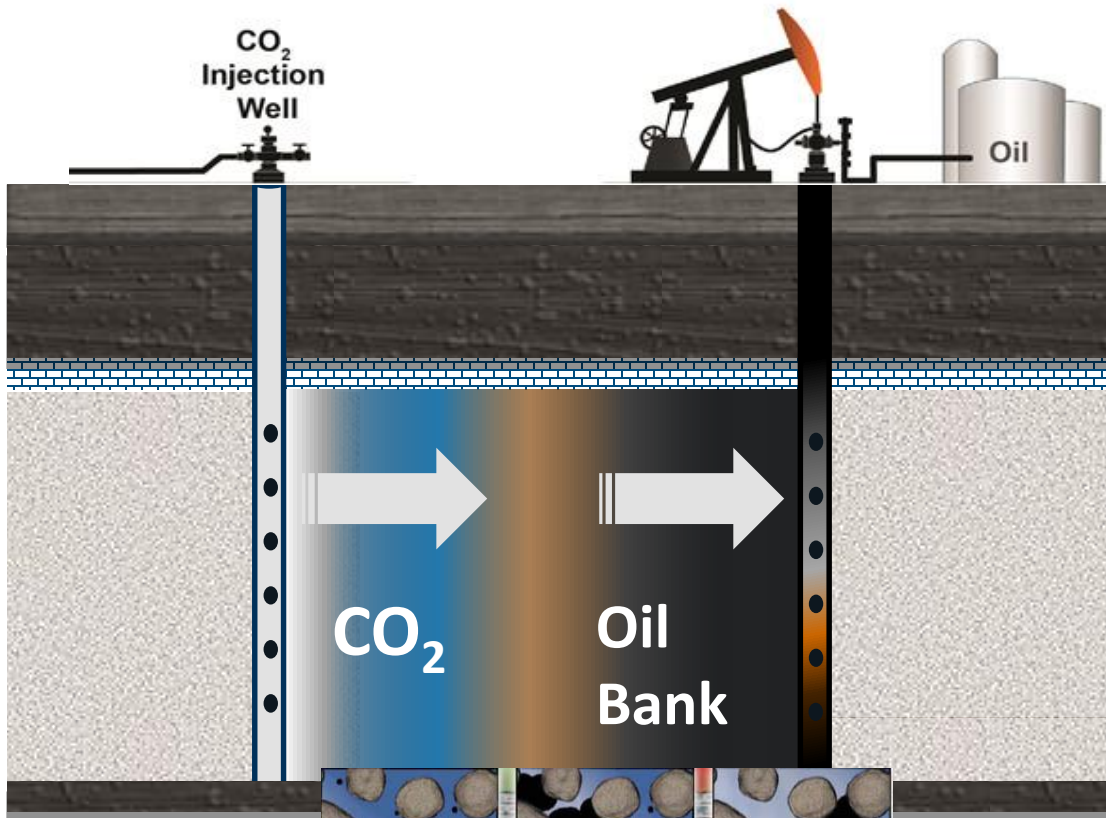
Denbury's Profile:

- » CO₂ enhanced oil recovery ("CO₂ EOR") is our core focus
- » We have uniquely long-lived and lower-risk assets with extraordinary resource potential
- » Owning and controlling the CO₂ supply and infrastructure provides our strategic advantage
- » *"We bring old oil fields back to life!"*

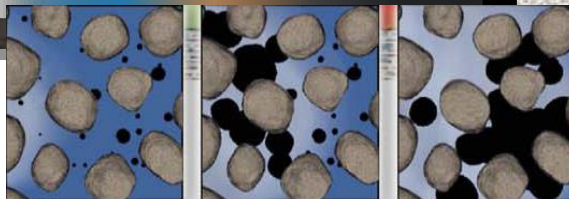


CO₂ EOR Process

CO₂ EOR delivers almost as much production as primary or secondary recovery⁽¹⁾

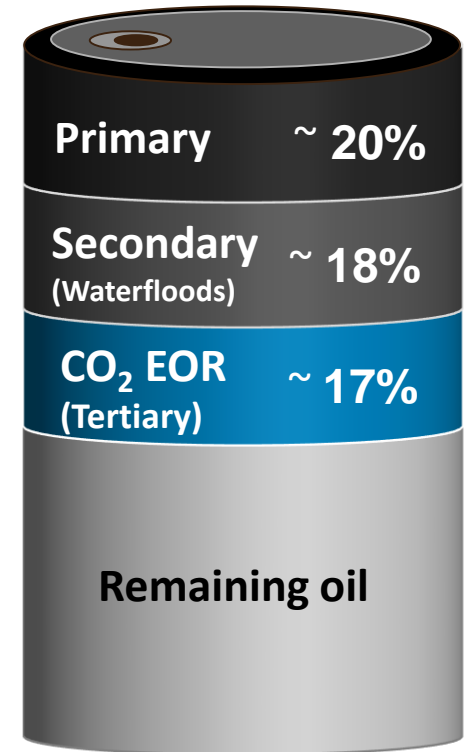


Injected CO₂ encounters trapped oil



Oil expands and moves toward producing well

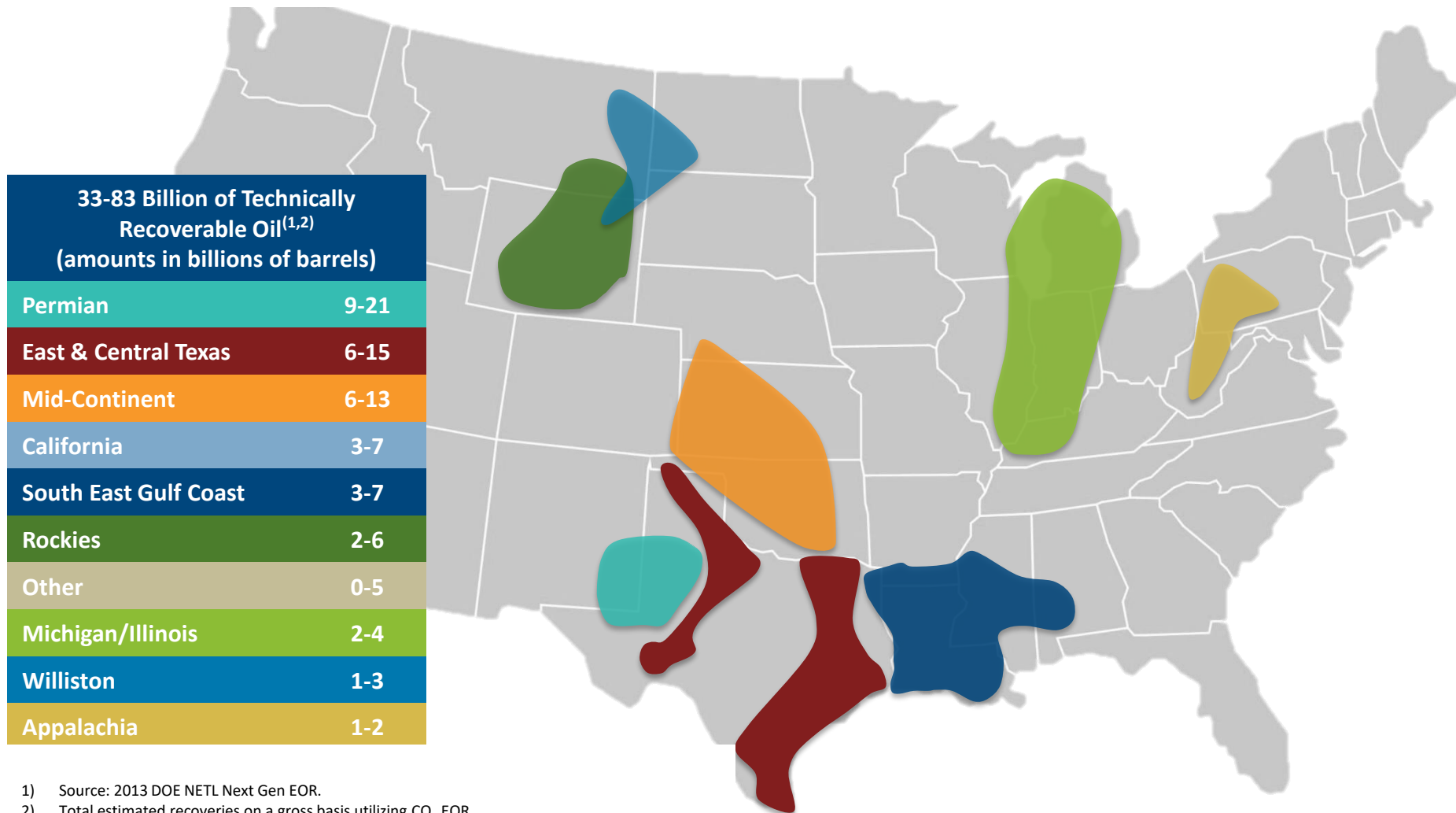
Recovery of Original Oil in Place ("OOIP")



(1) Based on OOIP at Denbury's Little Creek Field

U.S. Lower-48 CO₂ EOR Potential

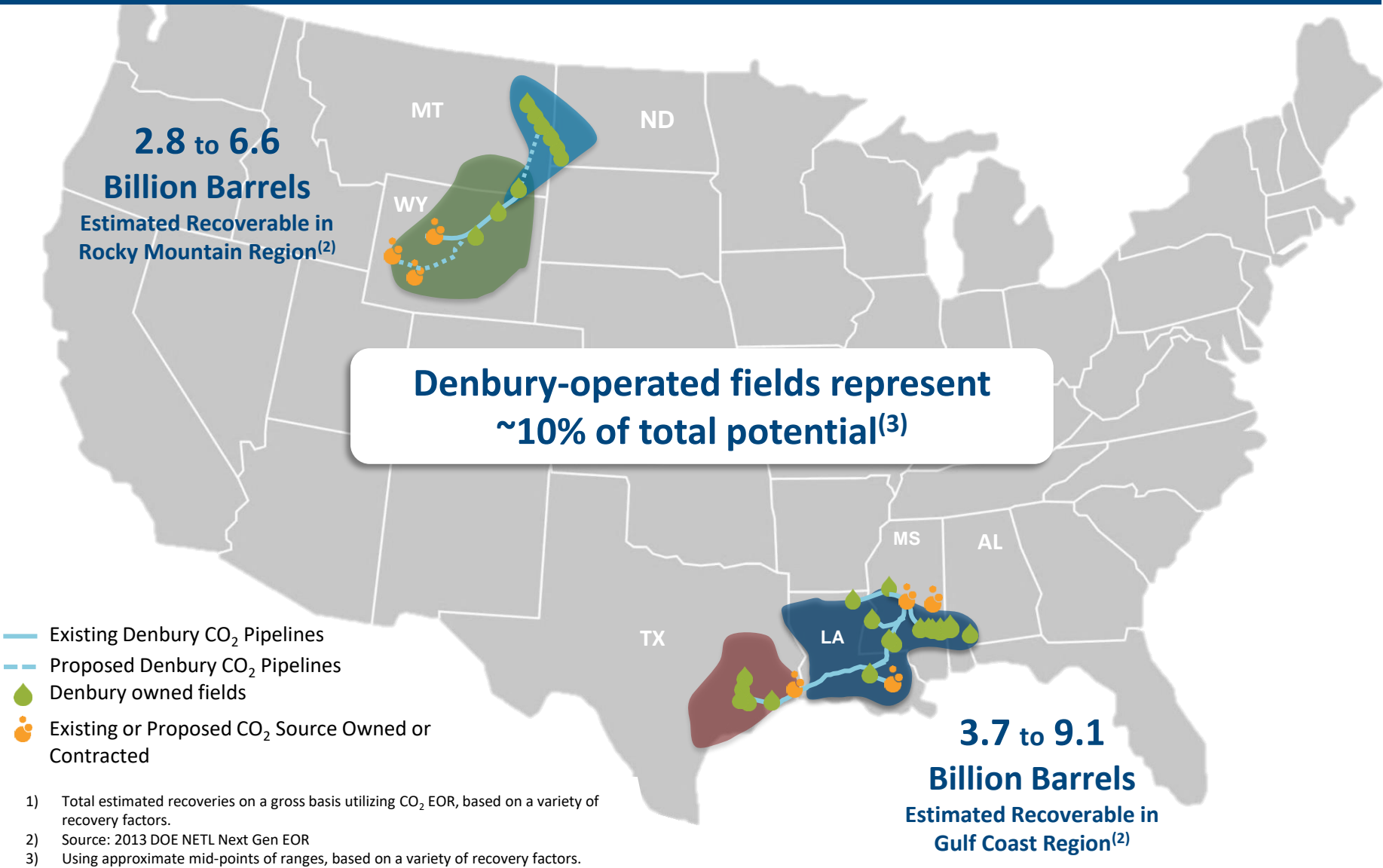
Up to 83 Billion Barrels of Technically Recoverable Oil⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾



1) Source: 2013 DOE NETL Next Gen EOR.

2) Total estimated recoveries on a gross basis utilizing CO₂ EOR.

Up to 16 Billion Gross Barrels Recoverable⁽¹⁾ in Our Two CO₂ EOR Target Areas



CO₂ EOR in Gulf Coast Region

Control of CO₂ Sources & Pipeline Infrastructure Provides a Strategic Advantage

Summary ⁽¹⁾	
Proved	144
Potential	396
Produced-to-Date ⁽²⁾	113
Total MMBOEs⁽³⁾	653

Houston Area ⁽³⁾	
Hastings	60 - 80 MMBbbls
Webster	60 - 75 MMBbbls
Thompson	30 - 60 MMBbbls
Manvel	8 - 12 MMBbbls
Total	158 - 227 MMBbbls



1) Proved tertiary oil reserves based on year-end 12/31/15 SEC proved reserves. Potential includes probable and possible tertiary reserves estimated as of 12/31/14, using mid-point of ranges, based on a variety of recovery factors and long-term oil price assumptions.
 2) Produced-to-date is cumulative tertiary production through 12/31/15.
 3) Field reserves shown are estimated total potential tertiary reserves, using mid-point of ranges, including cumulative tertiary production through 12/31/15.

Cumulative Production

- 15 - 50 MMBoe
- 50 - 100 MMBoe
- > 100 MMBoe

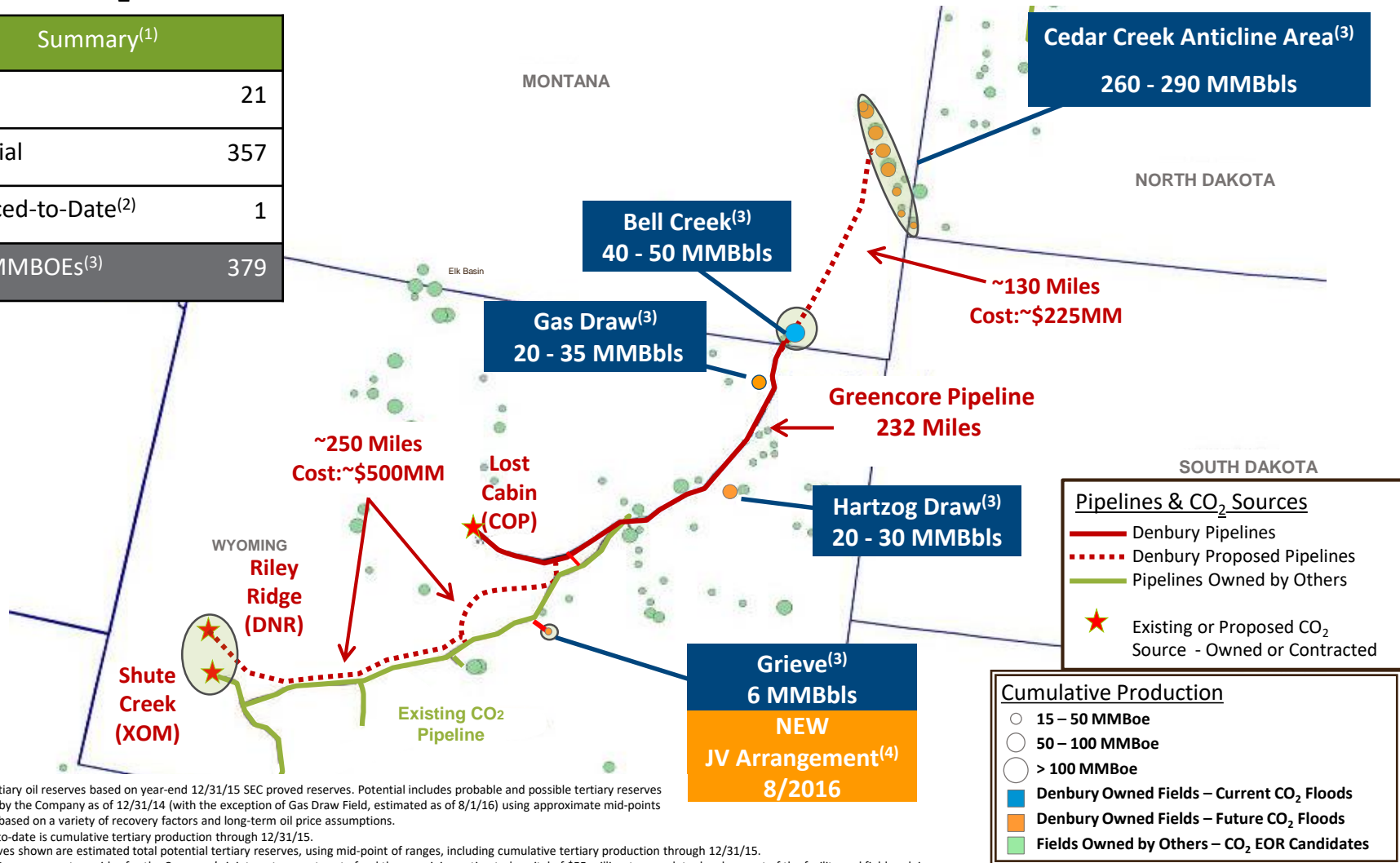
Field Ownership

- Denbury Owned Fields - Current CO₂ Floods
- Denbury Owned Fields - Future CO₂ Floods
- Fields Owned by Others - CO₂ EOR Candidates

CO₂ EOR in Rocky Mountain Region

Control of CO₂ Sources & Pipeline Infrastructure Provides a Strategic Advantage

Summary ⁽¹⁾	
Proved	21
Potential	357
Produced-to-Date ⁽²⁾	1
Total MMBOEs ⁽³⁾	379



1) Proved tertiary oil reserves based on year-end 12/31/15 SEC proved reserves. Potential includes probable and possible tertiary reserves estimated by the Company as of 12/31/14 (with the exception of Gas Draw Field, estimated as of 8/1/16) using approximate mid-points of ranges, based on a variety of recovery factors and long-term oil price assumptions.

2) Produced-to-date is cumulative tertiary production through 12/31/15.

3) Field reserves shown are estimated total potential tertiary reserves, using mid-point of ranges, including cumulative tertiary production through 12/31/15.

4) The new JV arrangement provides for the Company's joint venture partner to fund the remaining estimated capital of \$55 million to complete development of the facility and fieldwork in exchange for a 14% higher working interest and a disproportionate sharing of revenue during the first 2 million barrels of production. Currently anticipate production start-up by mid 2018.

Ample CO₂ Supply & No Significant Capital Required for Several Years

Gulf Coast CO₂ Supply

Jackson Dome

- » Proved CO₂ reserves as of 12/31/15: ~5.5 Tcf⁽¹⁾
- » Additional probable and possible CO₂ reserves as of 12/31/15: ~2.5 Tcf
- » Currently producing at less than 60% of capacity

Industrial-Sourced CO₂

- » Air Products: hydrogen plant - ~40-50 MMcf/d
- » PCS Nitrogen: ammonia products - ~20 MMcf/d
- » Mississippi Power: power plant - ~160 MMcf/d⁽²⁾

Rocky Mountain CO₂ Supply

LaBarge Area

- » Estimated field size: 750 square miles
- » Estimated recoverable CO₂: 100 Tcf

Shute Creek - ExxonMobil Operated

- » Proved reserves as of 12/31/15: ~1.2 Tcf
- » Denbury has a 1/3 overriding royalty interest and could receive up to ~115 MMcf/d of CO₂ by 2021 at current plant capacity

Riley Ridge – Denbury Operated

- » Probable CO₂ reserves as of 12/31/15: ~2.8 Tcf⁽¹⁾
- » Future plans to construct a CO₂ capture facility to develop significant CO₂ reserves at Riley Ridge and in surrounding acreage

Lost Cabin – ConocoPhillips Operated

- » Denbury could receive up to ~40 MMcf/d of CO₂ at current plant capacity

1) Reported on a gross (8/8ths) basis.

2) Estimated startup in late 2016. Volumes presented are based upon preliminary projections from Mississippi Power and represent maximum volumes once the power plant is running at full capacity.

CO₂ EOR Sources and Networks in the U.S. Lower 48

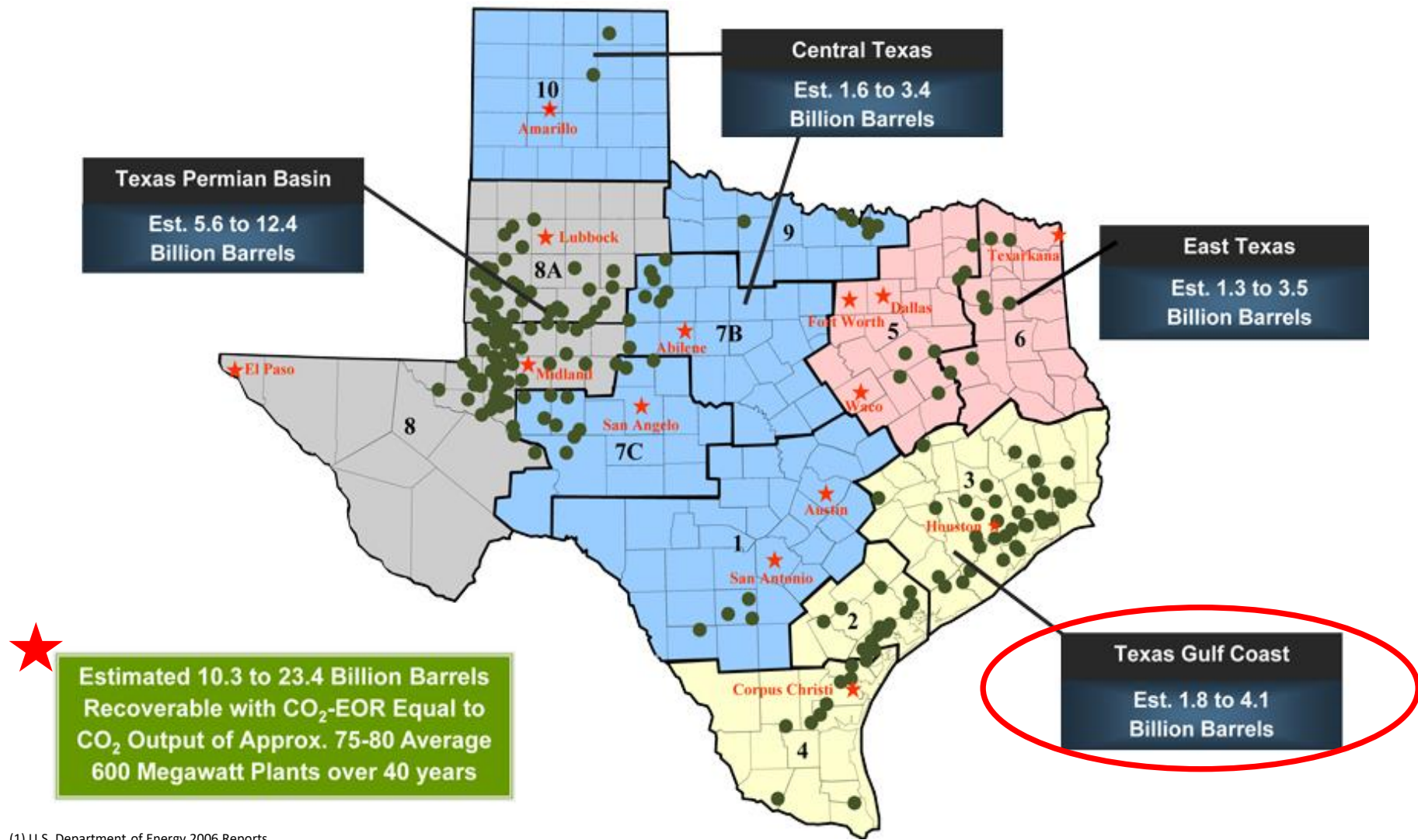


Constraints on CO₂ EOR in Texas⁽¹⁾

- » Lack of Statutory Unitization Procedure due to 1931 prohibition
- » Only in Texas is CO₂ EOR production of older nearly depleted fields limited by the requirement to have 100 percent of the working, mineral and royalty interest owners' ratifications of the unit.
- » Currently, voluntary unitization allows a single minority interest owner to override the interests of all other majority owners who desire development resulting in waste of the hydrocarbon resource.
- » Texas needs to replace its antiquated 85 year old system of voluntary unitization for nearly depleted oilfields to attract large volumes of industrial CO₂ needed for CO₂ EOR projects in the Texas Gulf Coast Region.

(1) Louis Berger, Oct. 2014 "Technical Memorandum: Economic Benefit Evaluation of CO₂ EOR Development in Texas"

Texas Estimated Recoverable Barrels with CO₂ EOR⁽¹⁾



(1) U.S. Department of Energy 2006 Reports

Potential Economic Benefits of Increased CO₂ EOR⁽¹⁾

RRC Districts 2, 3, and 4:

129 FIELDS IN 36 GULF COAST COUNTIES WITH HIGH EOR POTENTIAL⁽²⁾

POSITIVE IMPACTS:

- » 2.3 Billion Barrels of Potential Oil Production
- » \$28.5 Billion in Total Capital Investment
- » 25,346 New Annual Jobs Created Across Texas
- » \$9 Billion Increased Severance Taxes to Texas
- » \$23 Billion Increased Ad Valorem Taxes

Development: 2015-2039

Revenues: Through 2072

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(2) U.S. DOE and University of Texas BEG

State Required Ratification

State	%	Remarks
Alabama	66 ^{2/3}	
Alaska	0	State/Federal mineral ownership Dominate procedure
Arizona	63	
Arkansas	75	
California	65 or 75	
Colorado	80	
Florida	75	
Illinois	51	Water floods only
Indiana	0	No ratification required
Kansas	63 RI; 75 WI	
Kentucky	51/75	Shallow fields/deep fields
Louisiana	75	
Maryland	-	Has no unitization statute
Michigan	75	
Mississippi	75	Allows 12 months

State	%	Remarks
Montana	80	
Nebraska	65/75	Working interest/royalty interest
Nevada	-	No ratification is required
New Mexico	75	
New York	60	
North Dakota	60	
Ohio	65	
Oklahoma	63	
Pennsylvania	0	No ratification is required
South Dakota	75	
Texas	100	No statutory unitization
Utah	70	
Virginia	0	No ratification is required
West Virginia	75	
Wyoming	80	

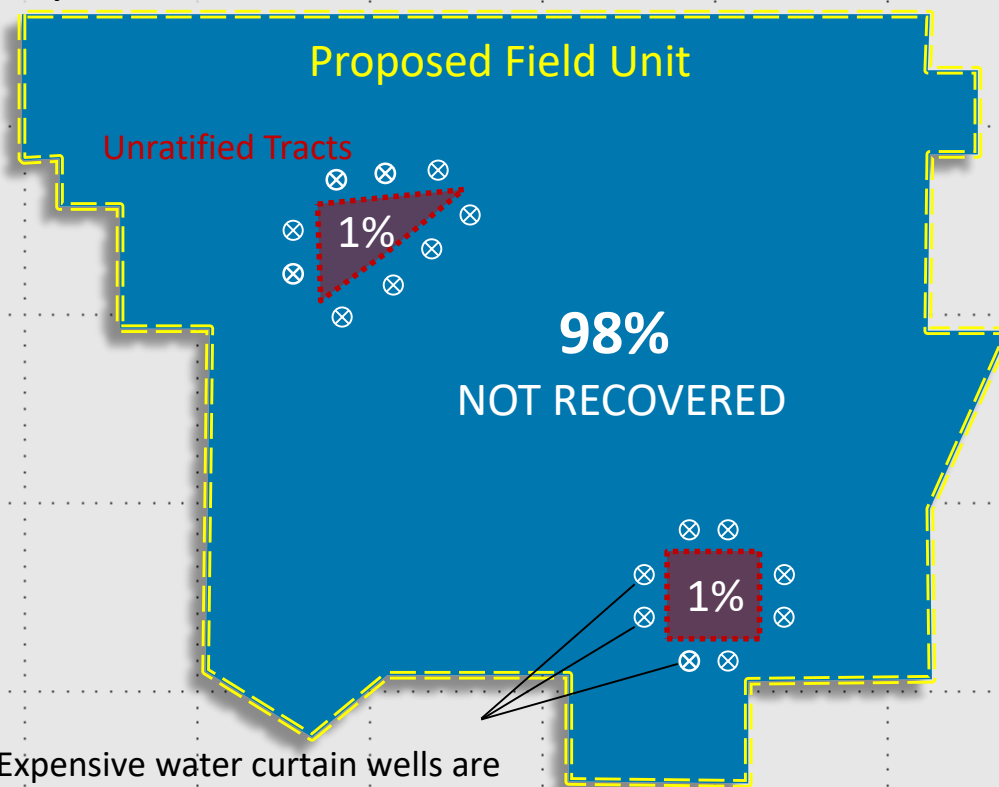
Result of Voluntary Unitization: Unnecessary Waste of Natural Resources

Shielding unratified tracts with water curtain wells is very expensive and can destroy the economics and justification for the entire project.

UNRATIFIED TRACTS

- Often a very small percentage of the field unit
- Require expensive water curtain wells to shield each tract at a cost of ~\$2 million per well
- Diminishes reserve recovery
- Waste of resource potential. Economic loss for Texas and its residents, other unit owners, and operators

Tertiary EOR Field



Expensive water curtain wells are required to shield unratified tracts (~\$2 million/per well)

85-Year-Old Texas Law Prohibiting Full Field Unitization

Texas Natural Resources Code
Title 3, Subtitle B, Chapter 85,

Subchapter A, Sec. 85.046(7)

Expressly prohibits the Commission to require field wide unitization, a method used by all top U.S. producing states to protect against waste, maximize efficient production of natural resources and protect the rights of each owner in the field.

Texas Natural Resources Code
Title 3, Subtitle B, Chapter 85,

Subchapter F, Sec. 85.201

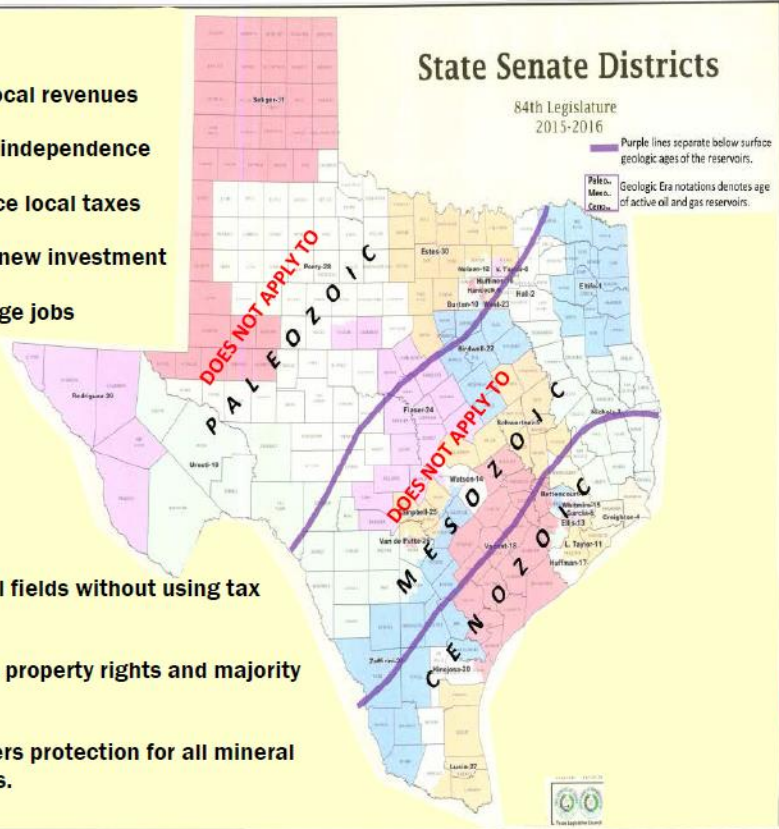
Mandates that the Commission “shall make and enforce rules and orders for the conservation of oil and gas and prevention of waste of oil and gas.”

**Directly
conflicts with
RRC mandate
preventing
waste of
resource**

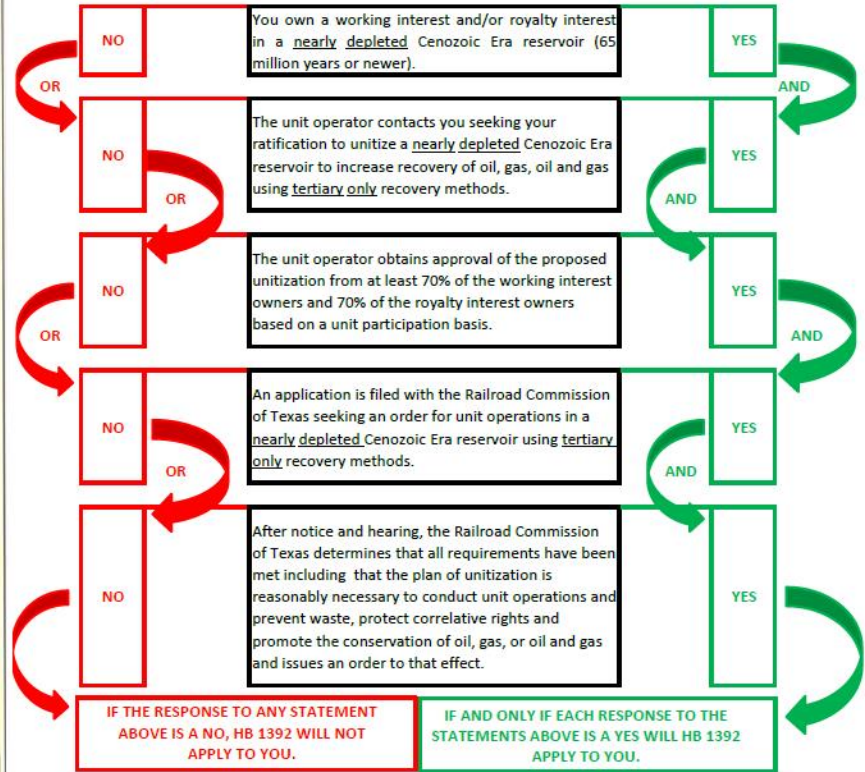
Texas House Bill 1392

- New state and local revenues
- Promote energy independence
- Potentially reduce local taxes
- Bring billions in new investment
- Support high wage jobs

- Clean up old oil fields without using tax dollars
- Protect private property rights and majority rule
- Not MIPA. Offers protection for all mineral interest owners.



WILL HB 1392 APPLY TO MY DISTRICT?



Consequences

- » Fields Deplete
- » Leases Expire
- » Fields Permanently Abandoned
- » Billions of Barrels of Oil Unrecovered / Waste of the Resource
- » Job Losses
- » Tax Revenue Losses

Federal Constraints on CO₂ EOR in USA

- » Clean Power Plan (as applied to CCUS)
 - » 27 states file challenge – CPP “tramples state mineral property laws and private mineral leases”

- » Sec. 45Q as it exists today is problematic
 - » EOR cannot comply: legal conflicts with state mineral property/surface/resource conservation laws and private mineral leases
 - » Implies GHG Reporting under Subpart “RR”
 - » Unworkable Safe Drinking Water Act Class VI requirements

Federal Government Determines CO₂ is a Pollutant

Under Clean Air Act and Massachusetts vs. EPA (2007)

- » **The atmospheric release of Greenhouse Gases (CO₂)**
“fit well within the [Clean Air] Act’s ... definition of air pollutant”
- » **2009 EPA issues the “Endangerment” finding – prerequisite for implementing GHG emission standards**
- » **EPA issued the “Tailoring Rule” in 2010; a phased-in approach for GHG emissions for stationary sources and Title V operating permitting**
- » **As a regulated New Source Review pollutant (NSR), CO₂ become subject to requirements that major emitters apply “Best Available Control Technology” (BACT); in 2011 EPA issued guidance discussing emission control technologies that should be evaluated by permitting authorities on applying the BACT requirement**
 - Under Federal Law, CO₂ is now a regulated air pollutant for all major emitters
 - EPA determines CCS to be a pollution control technology for Greenhouse CO₂
 - EPA recognized a CO₂ pipeline as a “main component” of CCS Control System

Federal Government Determines CO₂ is a Pollutant

- » **2012 U.S. Court of Appeals D.C. Circuit rules EPA was “*unambiguously correct*” in its effort to address global warming through regulatory programs**
- » **2013 Supreme Court agrees to hear if prior legal determination in MA vs. EPA as applied to mobile sources can be extended to stationary sources governed under separate programs**
- » **2014 US Supreme Court substantially upholds EPA GHG regulatory authority under the CAA. EPA may not treat GHG’s as an air pollutant for purposes of determining whether it is a major source required to obtain a PSD or a Title V permit; however, PSD permits that are otherwise required may continue to require limitations on GHG’s based on BACT**

U.S. Federal Regulation Distinguishes Role of CO₂ EOR⁽¹⁾

» **Geologic storage of CO₂ can continue to be permitted under the UIC Class II program**

“CO₂ storage associated with Class II wells is a common occurrence, and CO₂ can be safely stored where injected through Class II-permitted wells for the purpose of oil or gas-related recovery.”

» **Use of anthropogenic CO₂ in ER operations does not necessitate a Class VI permit**

“ER operations can continue to be permitted as Class II wells, regardless of the source of CO₂. An owner or operator of an ER operation can switch from using a natural source to an anthropogenic source of CO₂ without triggering the need for a Class VI permit.”

» **Class VI site closure requirements are not required for Class II CO₂ injection operations**

“The most direct indicator of increased risk to USDW’s is increased pressure in the injection zone related to the significant storage of CO₂. Increases in pressure with the potential to impact USDWs should first be addressed using tools within the Class II program. Transition to Class VI should only be considered if the Class II tools are insufficient to manage the increased risk.”

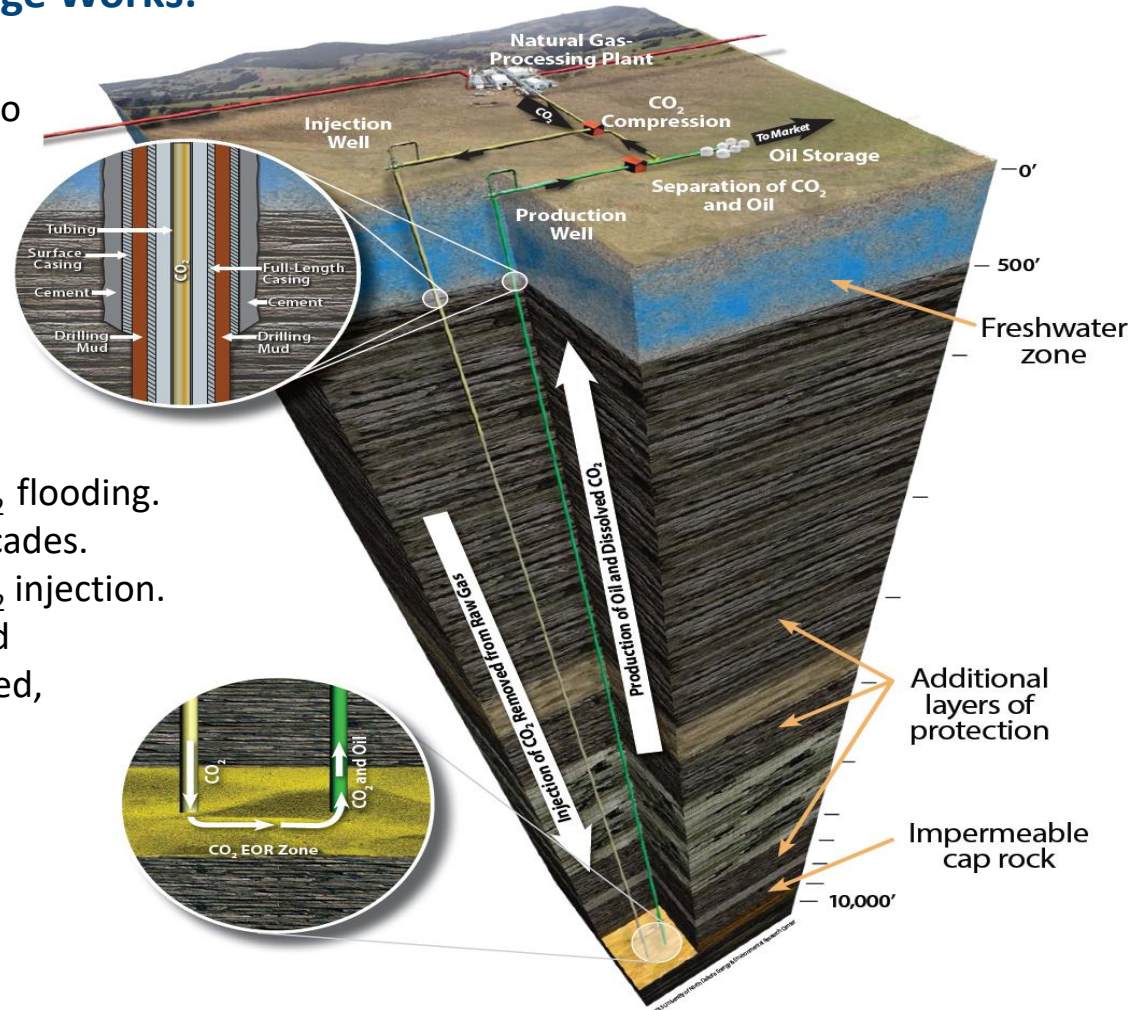
(1) EPA Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water Memorandum, April 2015

CO₂ EOR Associated Storage Incidental to Hydrocarbon Recovery

How CO₂ EOR and Associated Storage Works:

When CO₂ comes into contact with oil, a significant portion of the CO₂ dissolves into the oil, reducing oil viscosity and increasing the oils mobility. This, combined with the increased pressure, can result in increased oil production rates as well as an extension of the operational lifetime of the oil reservoir.

In an oil field, this EOR method is called CO₂ flooding. CO₂ floods are designed to be active for decades. Over the years there are many cycles of CO₂ injection. With each cycle, another portion of injected CO₂ becomes permanently trapped, or stored, in the oil reservoir. As a result of ongoing CO₂ EOR projects since the 1970s, hundreds of millions of tons of CO₂ are now permanently contained in oil fields.



Associated Storage of CO₂ is Incidental to EOR

- » Mineral leases and unit operating agreements do not convey some freestanding right to “storage space” or “pore space” for use by others not the operator
- » The authorized and primary purpose of injecting CO₂ in an EOR operation is the recovery of oil
- » Active oilfields are not CO₂ storage sites unless you “opt in”
- » SDWA and CAA rules today provide a “bright line” that allows CO₂ EOR to accept and utilize anthropogenic CO₂ (except CPP CO₂)

Associated Storage of CO₂ Incidental to EOR Vs. Dedicated Capture & Storage

BASE CASE

- Single gasification project emitting 200 MMcf/d of CO₂
- 30 year life
- Total CO₂ Emissions : 2.2 Tcf of CO₂

ASSOCIATED STORAGE OF CO₂ INCIDENTAL TO ENHANCED OIL RECOVERY OPERATIONS

A. Oil Field Example (approximate values)

- 6,500'
- Reservoir Pressure: 3,000 psi
- Areal Extent: 20,000 acres
- Max CO₂ Utilization: 1.6 Tcf

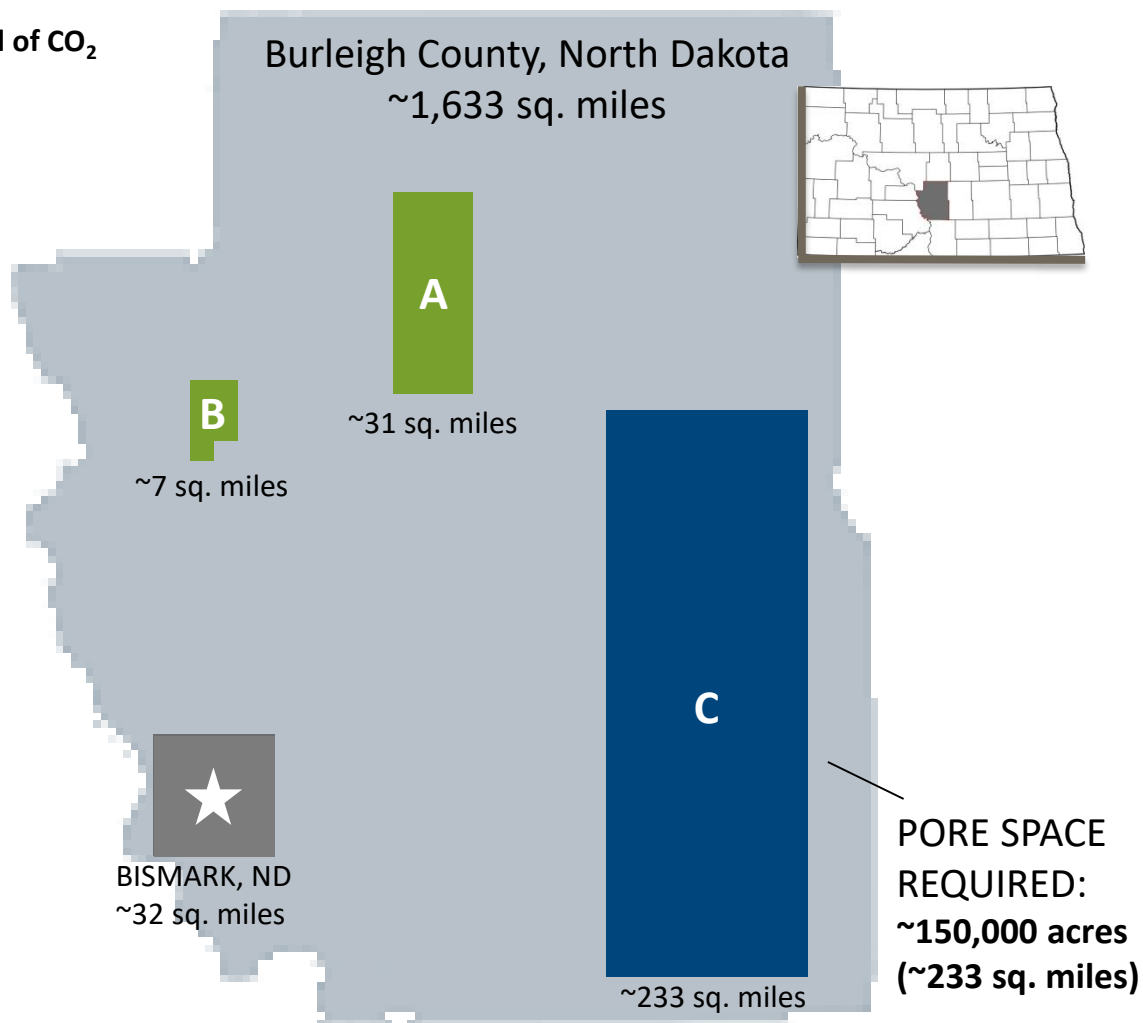
B. Oil Field Example (approximate values)

- 5,500'
- Reservoir Pressure: 2,500 psi
- Areal Extent: 4,600 acres
- Max CO₂ Utilization: 1.0 Tcf

DEDICATED CARBON CAPTURE & STORAGE SITE – SALINE EXAMPLE

C. Saline Reservoir (approximate values)

- CO₂ to be sequestered: 2.2 Tcf
- 6,500'
- Reservoir Pressure: 3,000 psi
- Thickness: 125'
- Porosity: 20%
- Percent of pore space utilized: 4% (versus avg. 40% for EOR)



Carbon Pollution Standards/Clean Power Plan

EPA's Final Rule and Plan Creates Obstacles for EOR

- » **Conflicting objectives of resource conservation and waste disposal**
 - Subpart RR will transform EOR operations from resource recovery operations to waste disposal operations
- » **Subpart RR compliance will conflict with state mandates to conserve natural resources, prevent waste and protect correlative rights**
 - Classifying CO₂ as a waste will preclude future timely access to any future technologies and access to the remaining oil at the end of EOR operations (i.e. Quaternary Recovery)
- » **Subpart RR reporting is a vehicle for litigation and substantive regulation under the yet undefined Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) plans**
 - CO₂ injected as a waste will require the operator to obtain approvals by the EPA for a MRV plan. The MRV plans are open for public comment, debate and litigation
 - The EPA will control MRV plan not the oil operator or the developer of the generating project

45Q CCS Tax Credits

» Provides for \$10/metric ton credit for CO₂

- Captured by the taxpayer at an industrial facility;
- Used as a tertiary injectant in an enhanced oil or gas recovery project; and
- Disposed of by the taxpayer in secure geological storage

Not usable in EOR unless amended

An Extension of the Credit Alone Does Not Permit O&G Compliance

O&G Industry will continue to have issues as long as CO₂ is treated as both a Commodity & Waste!

Texas Adopts CO₂ Management Rules

ADOPTED RULES

Adopted rules include new rules, amendments to existing rules, and repeals of existing rules. A rule adopted by a state agency takes effect 20 days after the date on which it is filed with the Secretary of State unless a later date is required by statute or specified in the rule (Government Code, §2001.036). If a rule is adopted without change to the text of the proposed rule, then the *Texas Register* does not republish the rule text here. If a rule is adopted with change to the text of the proposed rule, then the final rule text is included here. The final rule text will appear in the Texas Administrative Code on the effective date.

TITLE 16. ECONOMIC REGULATION

PART 1. RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS

CHAPTER 5. CARBON DIOXIDE (CO₂)

SUBCHAPTER C. CERTIFICATION OF

GEOLOGIC STORAGE OF ANTHROPOGENIC

CARBON DIOXIDE (CO₂) INCIDENTAL TO

ENHANCED RECOVERY OF OIL, GAS, OR

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16 TAC §§5.301 - 5.308

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