

# Carbon Capture and Storage in Illinois

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# Briefing Agenda

<b>11:00</b>	<b>Welcome</b>	(Sen. Bill Cunningham, IL-18th)
<b>11:05</b>	<b>Overview of CCUS Report</b>	(Dr. Jeffrey Stein, PRI)
<b>11:10</b>	<b>Carbon Storage in IL</b>	(Dr. Sallie Greenberg, ISGS)
<b>11:25</b>	<b>Carbon Capture in IL</b>	(Dr. Kevin OBrien, ISTC)
<b>11:40</b>	<b>Q &amp; A</b>	
<b>12:00</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>	



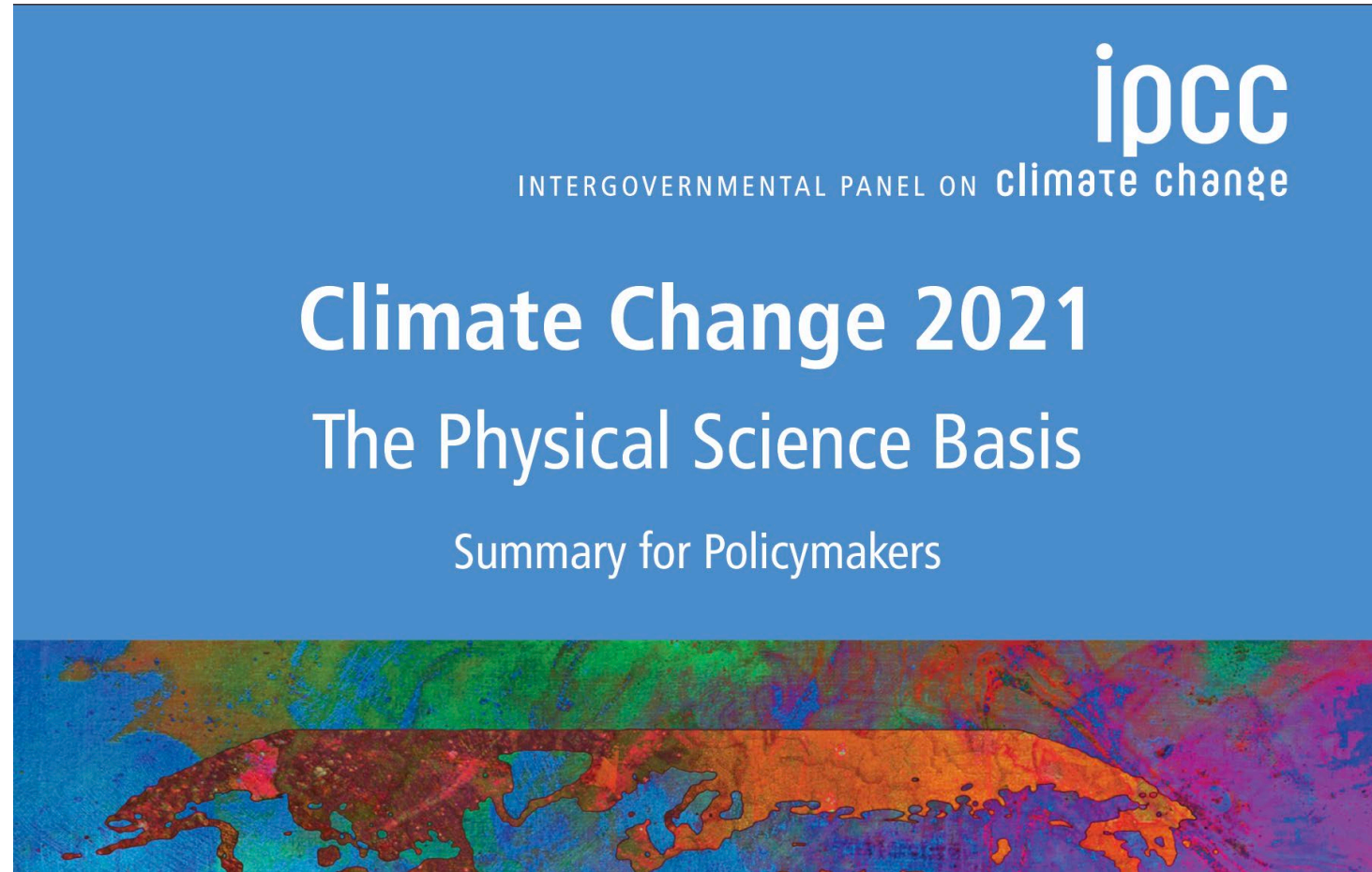
# HB 165 – Carbon Capture Study

1. Report to Governor and General Assembly (by December 31, 2022)
2. Intergovernmental Advisory Committee (by October 12, 2021)
3. Engage Stakeholders for socio-economic perspectives

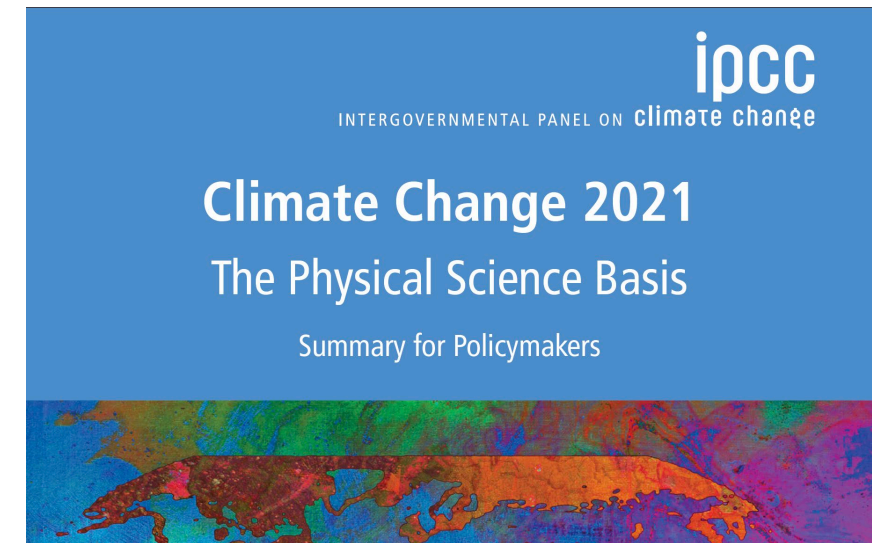


# Why focus on CCUS?

All climate models require carbon capture, utilization and storage to meet reduction targets



# *High confidence in potential of CCUS*



“Anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> removal (CDR) has the **potential to remove CO<sub>2</sub> from the atmosphere and durably store it in reservoirs** (*high confidence*). CDR aims to **compensate for residual emissions to reach net zero CO<sub>2</sub>** or net zero GHG emissions or, if implemented at a scale where anthropogenic removals exceed anthropogenic emissions, to lower surface temperature.”

(D.1.4, SPM-39)

# Introduction to Carbon Storage

## What has Illinois done?

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University of Illinois – Illinois State Geological Survey

30 August 2021

Illinois Delegation Zoom Presentation

# Why Illinois? Why Now?

Exceptional Geology

Globally recognized leader in research for capture, utilization, and storage

Federal and State Policy drivers

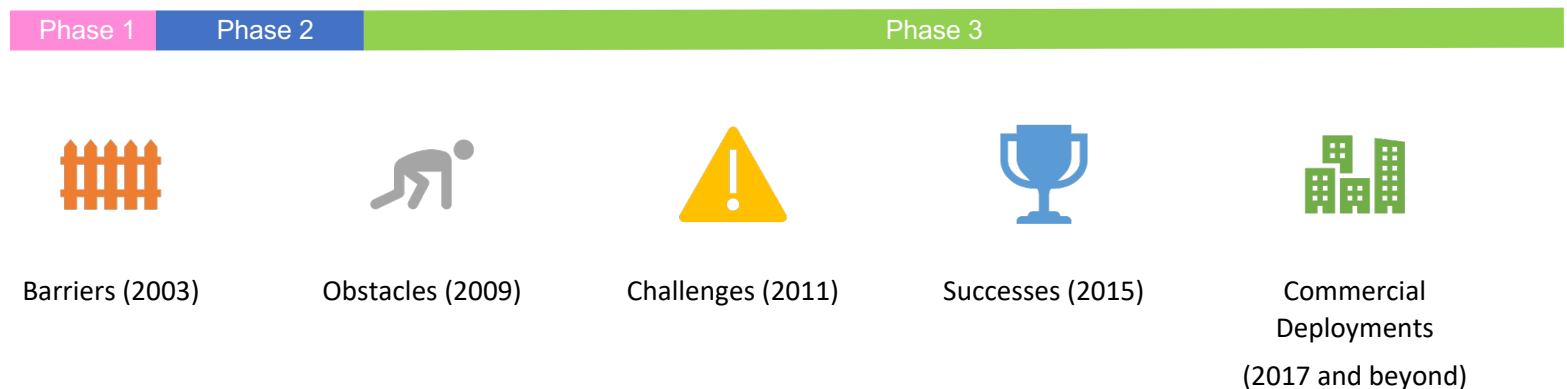
Incentives

- 45Q Tax Credit
  - Provides \$50/ton for saline storage, \$35/ton for EOR (enhanced oil recovery)
  - Begin construction before 1/1/2026
  - 12-year period, up to 75 million tons
  - Transferrable along value chain

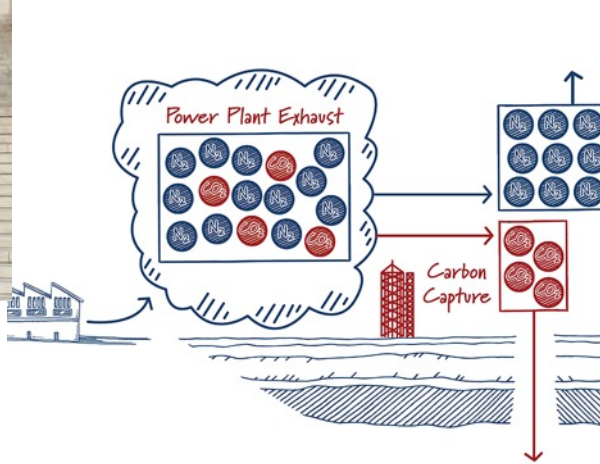
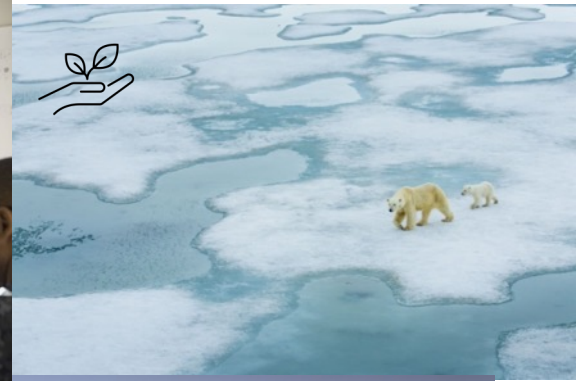
Infrastructure, jobs, economics

Throughout the world scientists, governments, and industrial partners are working together to demonstrate Safe and Effective carbon management.

The pieces continue to come together...and Illinois is central to our understanding.

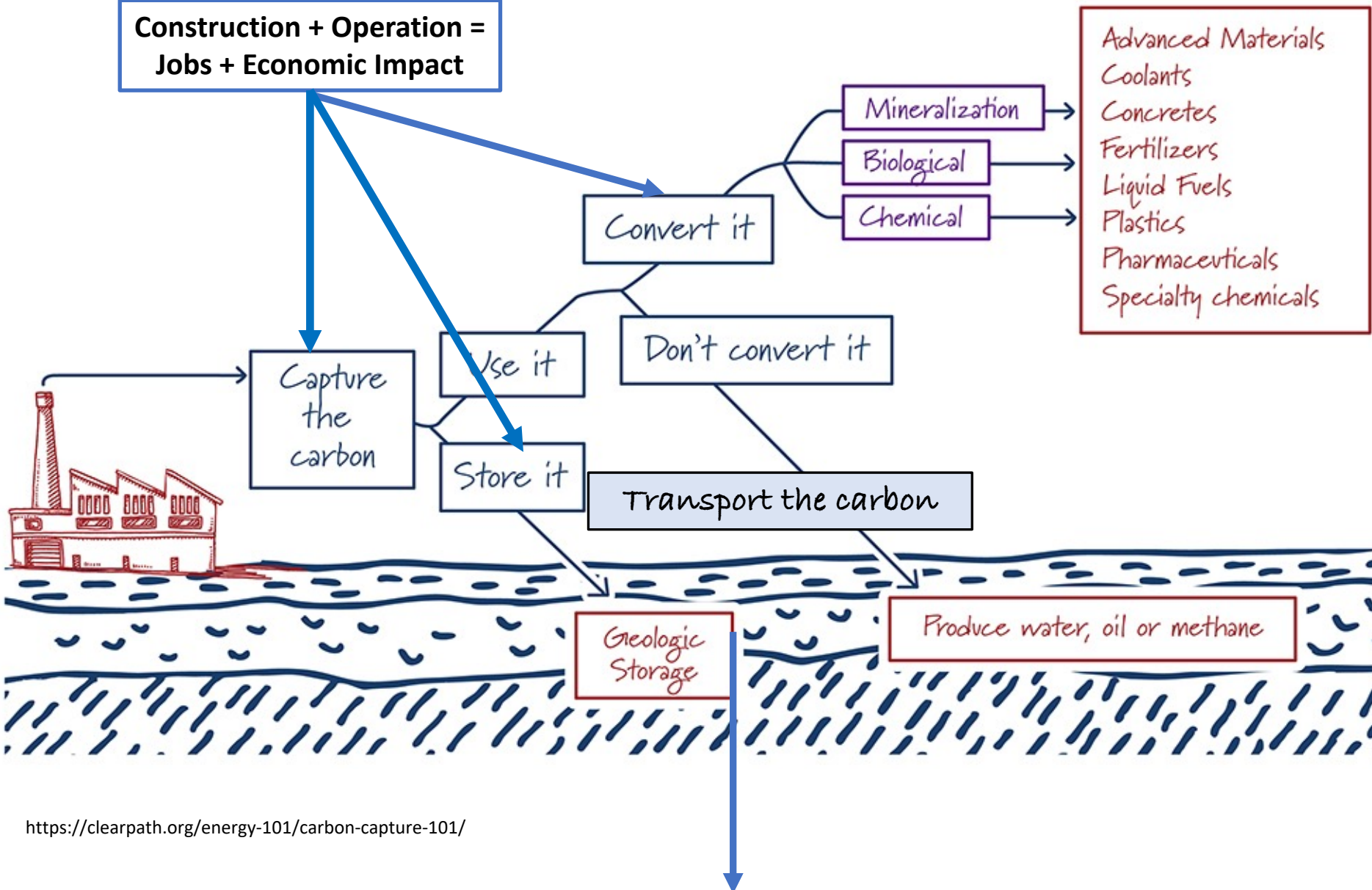






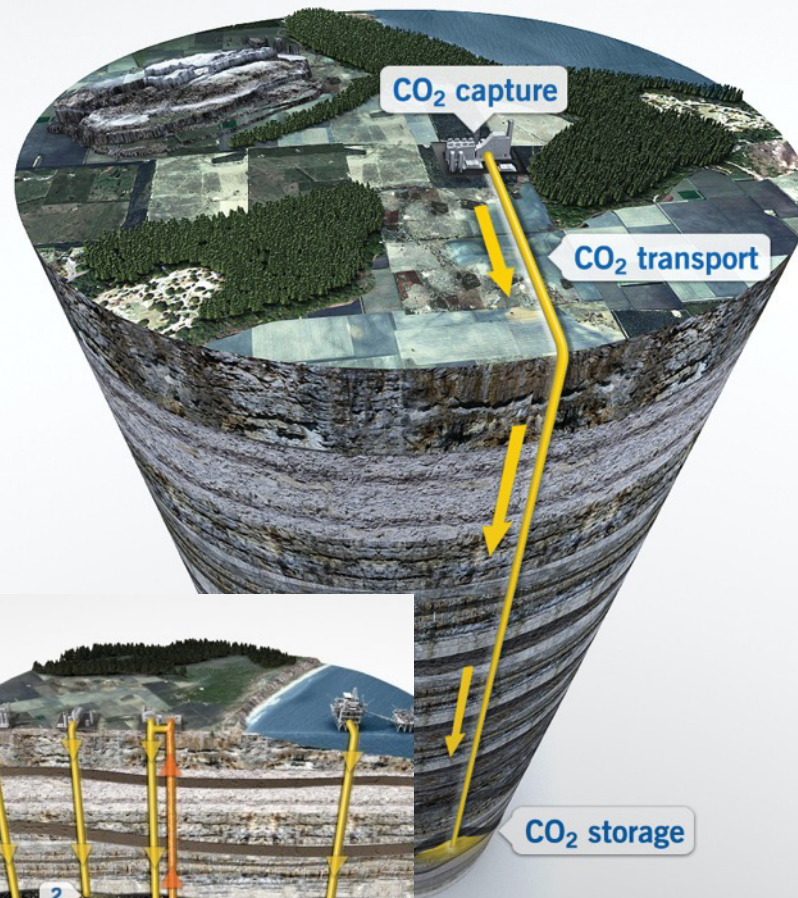
# CCUS: A Job and Economic Impact Multiplier

Construction + Operation =  
Jobs + Economic Impact





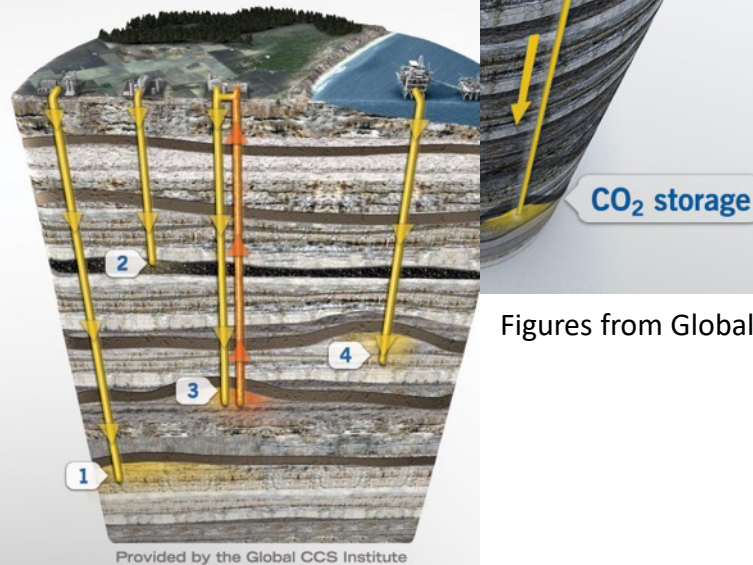
# [ THE CARBON CAPTURE AND STORAGE PROCESS ]



## [ STORAGE OVERVIEW ]

### SITE OPTIONS

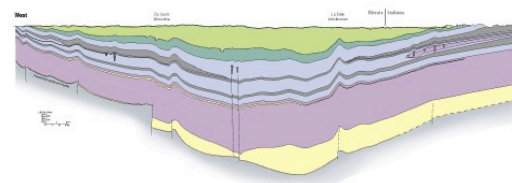
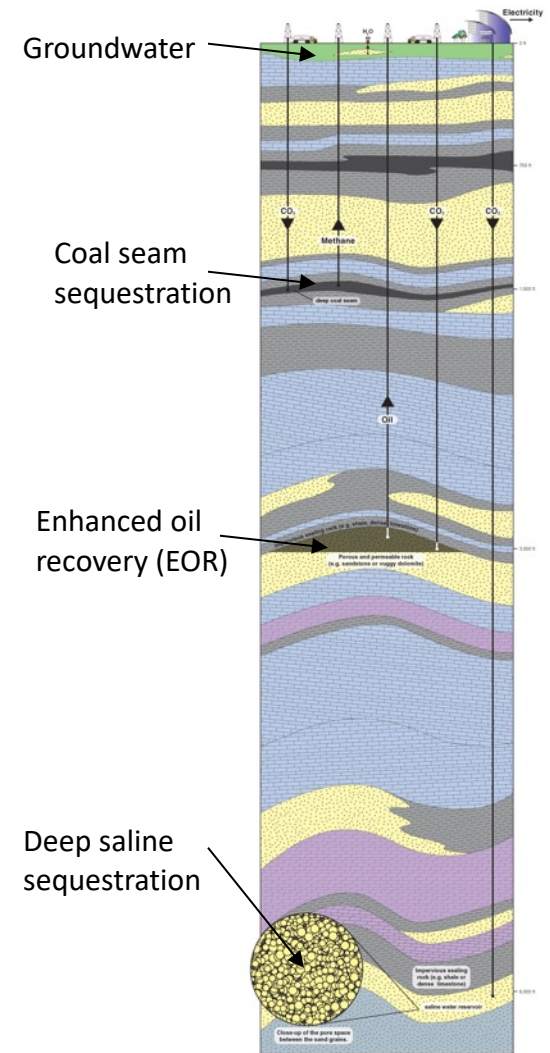
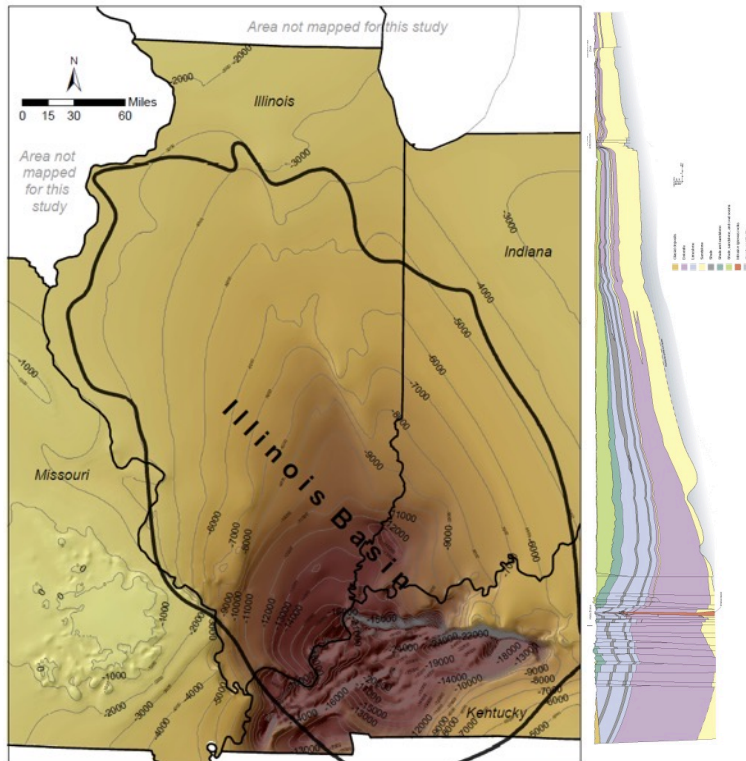
- 1 Saline formations
- 2 Injection into deep unmineable coal seams or ECBM
- 3 Use of CO<sub>2</sub> in enhanced oil recovery
- 4 Depleted oil and gas reservoirs



Figures from Global CCS Institute

# Principles of Geologic Storage

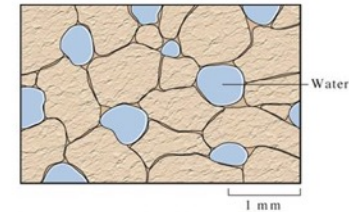
- Earth stores water, saline water, oil, and natural gas in pore spaces of rock units
- Storage uses the Earth's natural trapping system to store CO<sub>2</sub>
- Porous rocks act as Sinks (storage units)
- Impermeable rocks act as Seals (caprock units) providing protection



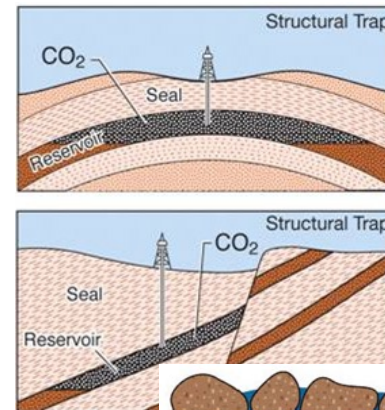
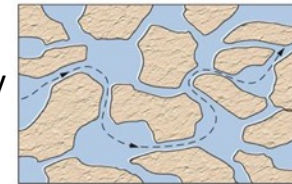
# Key Geologic Concepts

- Injectivity – can you put  $\text{CO}_2$  in the rock?
- Capacity – how much  $\text{CO}_2$  can you put in the rock?
- Containment – can you keep the  $\text{CO}_2$  in the rock?
- Production – can you get a useable commodity from the rock?

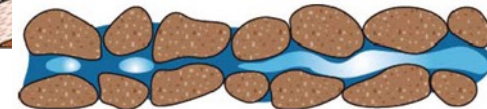
Porosity



Permeability

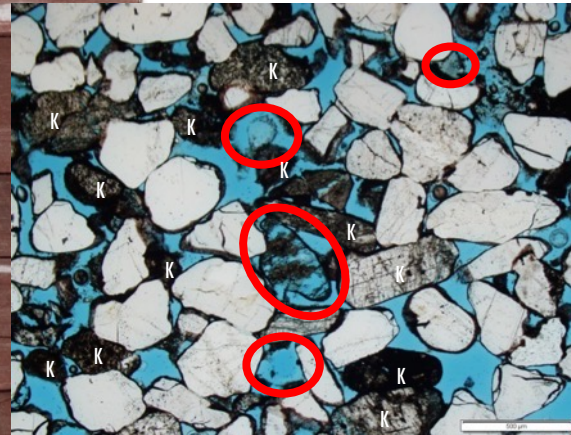
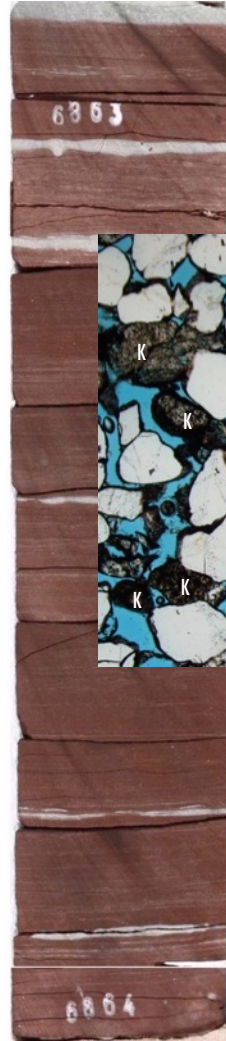


Trapping





## Sandstones act as Storage Formations



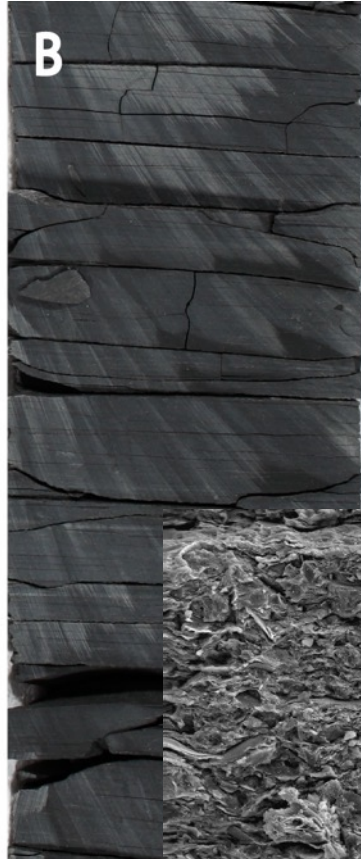
# Shale and Tight Sandstones act as Seals

Mt. Simon  
Mudstone



5 cm

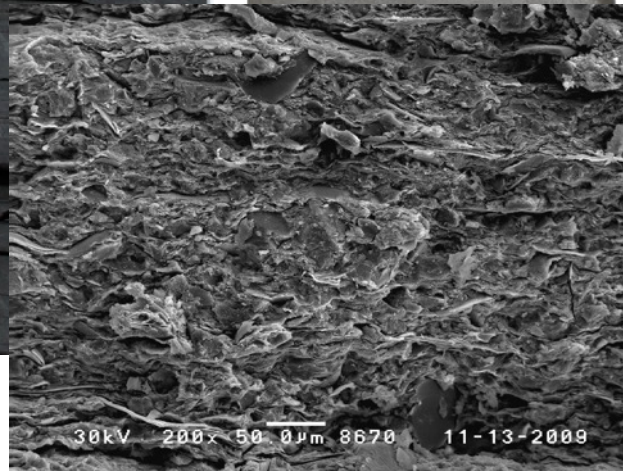
Eau Claire  
Shale



Maquoketa  
Shale

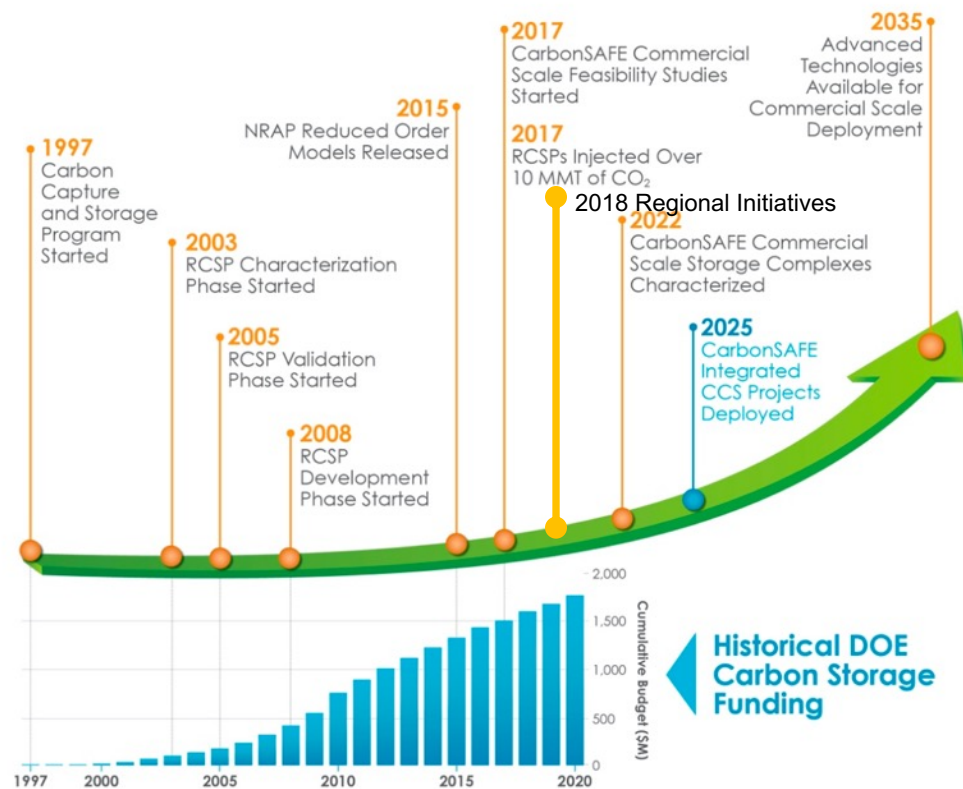


New Albany  
Shale





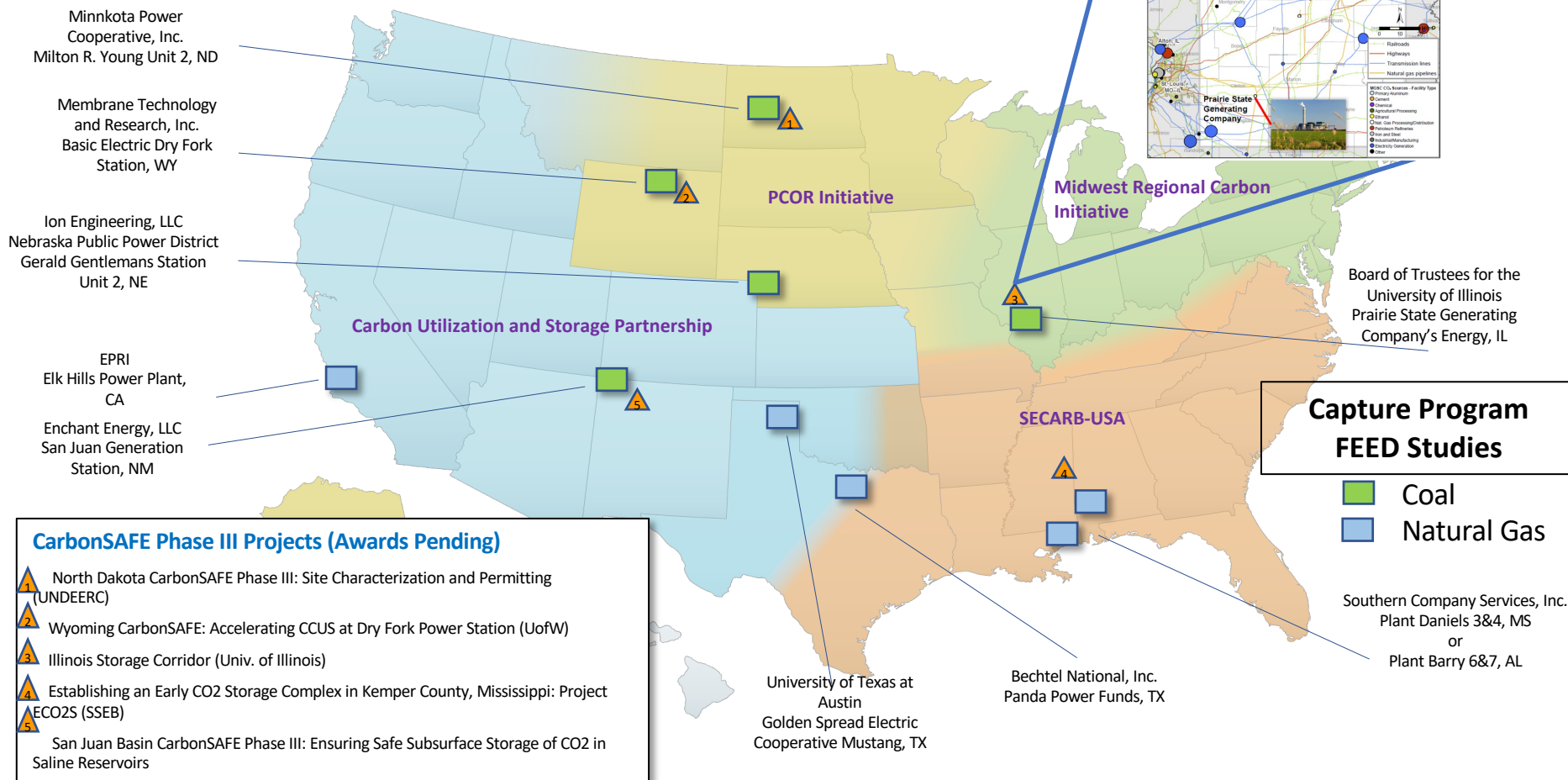
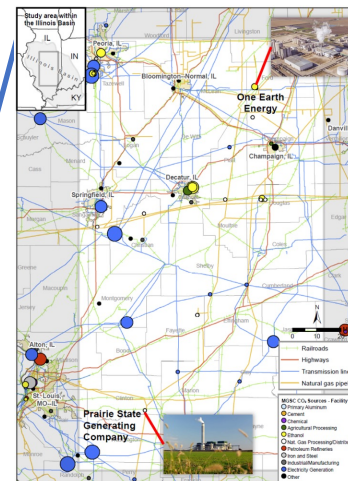
**Exhibit 2-1. Cumulative investment and milestones toward achieving technology readiness for widespread commercial-scale deployment**



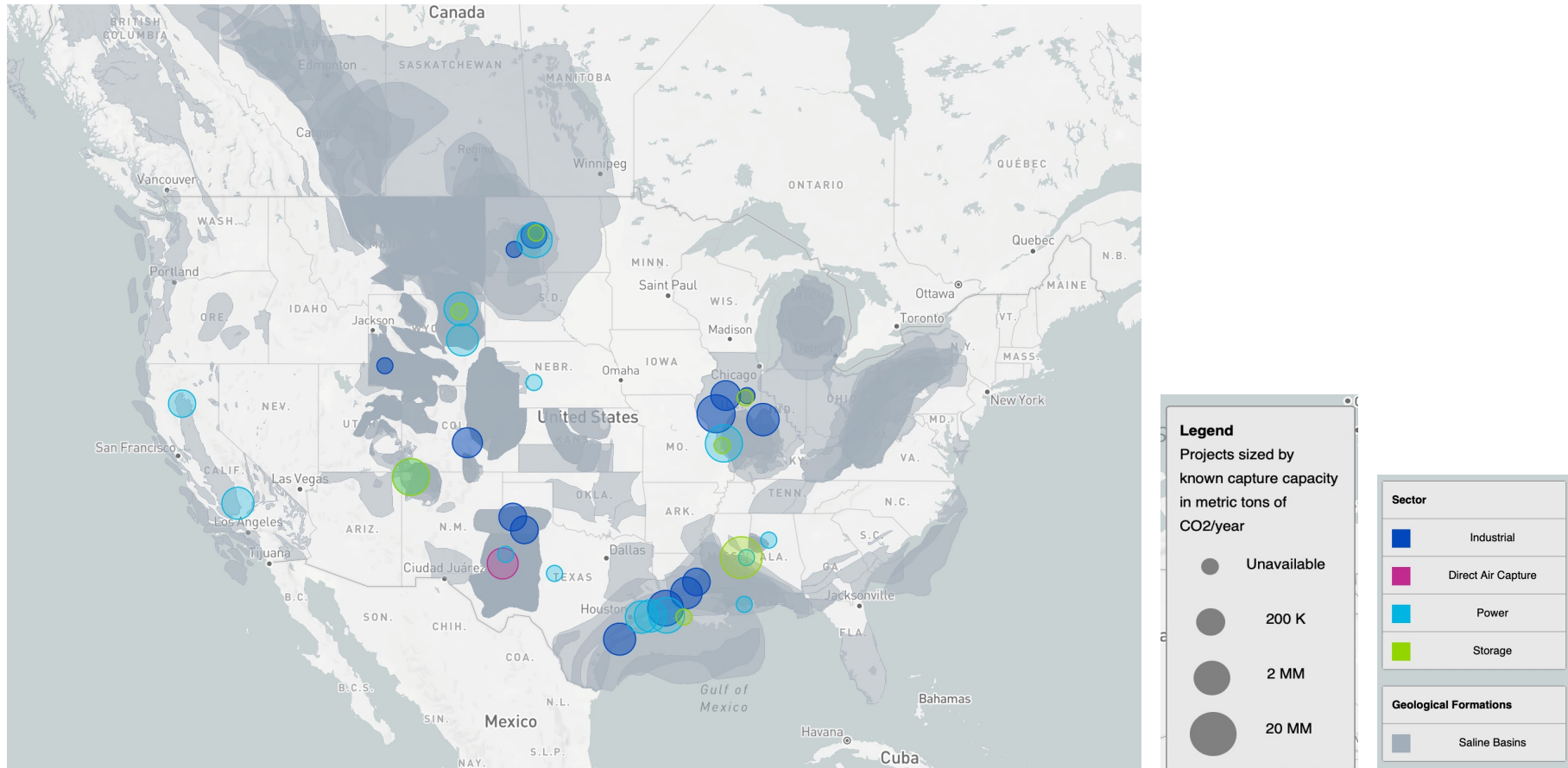


# STORAGE PROGRAM FIELD Initiatives AND CAPTURE PROGRAM FEED STUDIES

Four Re-envisioned Regional Partnerships  
Five CarbonSAFE Phase III Projects



# Answering the Question of Where is storage viable?



<https://www.catf.us/2020/07/ccus-interactive-map/>



Multiple Projects  
Build Framework  
for CCUS Research  
and  
Commercialization

Illinois Basin -  
Decatur Project

Illinois Industrial  
Sources CCS



# Demonstrating carbon management: CCUS Projects in Decatur, IL USA



## **Illinois Basin – Decatur Project**

- Large-scale demonstration
- Volume: 1 million tonnes
- Injection period: 3 years
- Injection rate: 1,000 tonnes/d
- Compression capacity: 1,100 tonnes/day

### Contribution:

- Geologic and Social Site Characterization
- Reservoir Modeling and Risk Assessment
- MVA Development and Engineering Design
- Stakeholder Engagement

### Status:

- Post-injection monitoring ends April 2020
- Conceptual site model and history matching

## **Illinois Industrial CCS Project**

- Industrial-scale demonstration
- Volume: up to 5 million tonnes
- Injection period: 3 years (or longer)
- Injection rate: 3,000 tons/d
- Compression capacity: 2,200 tonnes/day

### Contribution:

- Commercial-scale up surface and subsurface
- Intelligent Monitoring
- Class VI permitting

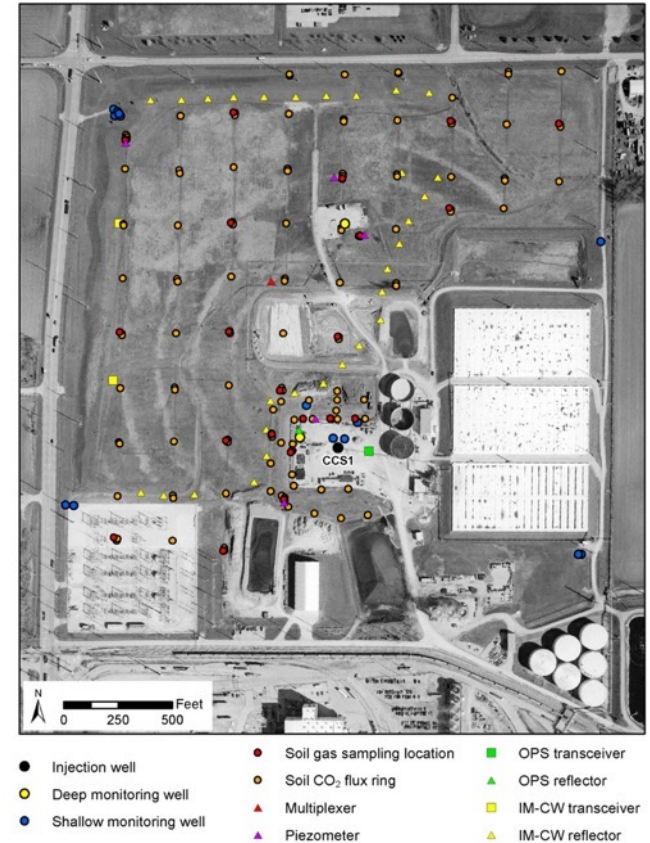
### Status:

- Injection Began April 7, 2017
- Optimization of capture process
- ~2,400,000 (as of June 2021)



# Carbon Storage: Demonstrated Technology

- Captured, transported, stored, and monitored 1 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> from biofuel production in an onshore Saline Reservoir
- First-of-a-kind monitoring, verification, and accounting program
- Met and exceeded all technical and non-technical challenges
- Successful Class VI permitting
- Conducted microseismic monitoring and interpretation
- Developed International collaborations
- Laid foundations for multiple projects
- Build international, national, and regional capacity
- Stakeholder engagement strategy built trusted relationships
- Created comprehensive data set



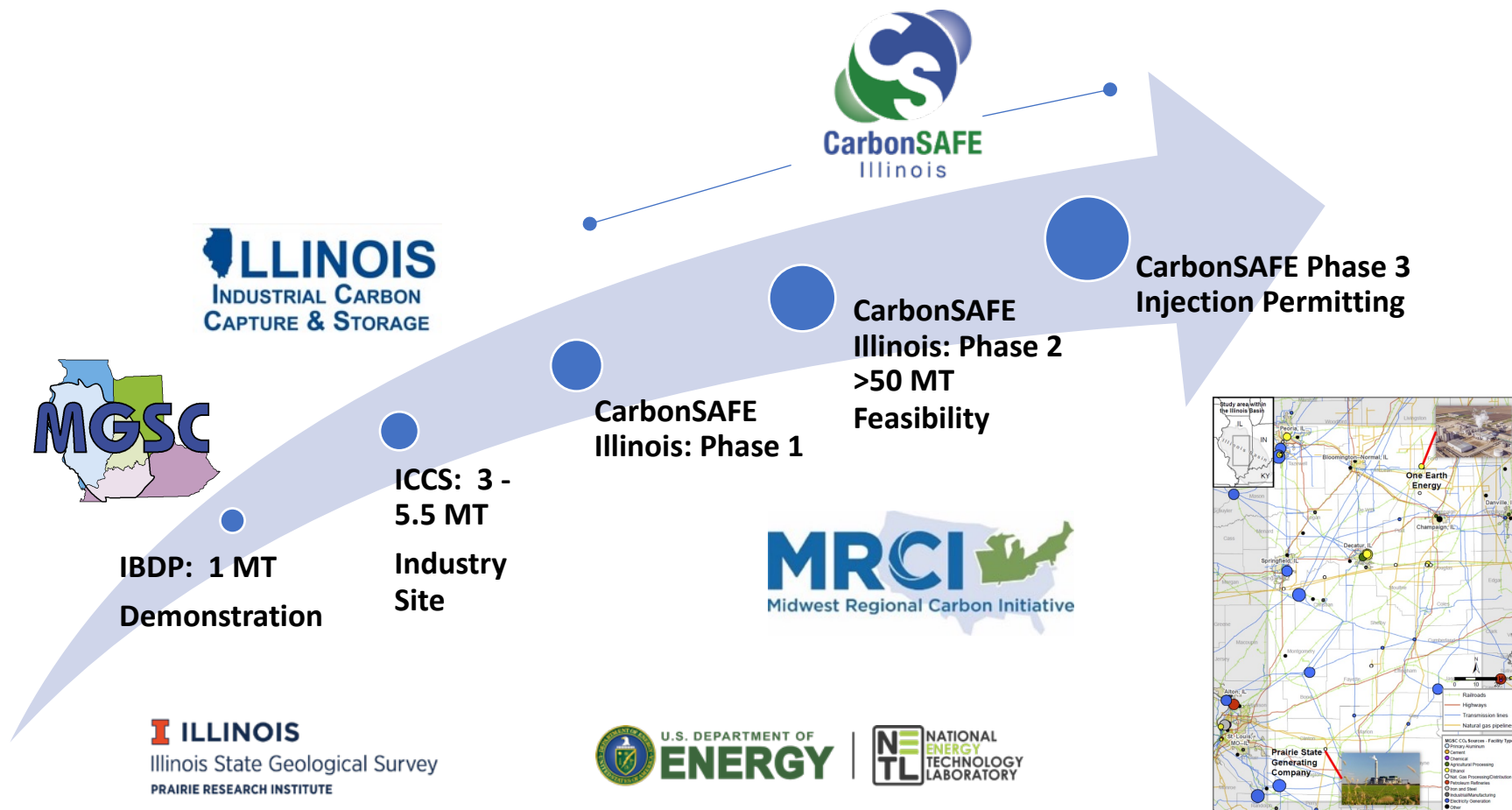


# IBDP by the numbers (IBDP + ICCS):

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- 3+ million tonnes CO<sub>2</sub> stored from **biofuels**
- More than **5,000 meters** of drilled wells
- More than **245 meters** of collected core
- Near-surface groundwater monitoring efforts have resulted in more than **60,000 analyses**
- For basin-scale modeling, we will use **1,020,000 CPU-hours** of XSEDE supercomputing resources.
- More than **1,700 visitors from 29 countries** have been to IBDP and ICCS
- More than **100 people from at least 10 organizations** have worked together to make these projects a success

# Carbon Storage Progression in Illinois Basin





# Key Learnings

- Geology is critical and will always remain key factor
- Iterative scientific investigation allows for advancement and economy of scale
- Baseline environmental assessments are critical
- Unanticipated results provide insights into improvements that benefit all projects
- Incorporate technology changes into life cycle of project
- Simplicity is key success factor
- Scientific and engineering timeframe not aligned with policy
- Pilot and demonstration projects provide critical insights
- Policy drivers are necessary to facilitate commercialization
- Regulatory, legal, and social factors require significant time investment





Questions?  
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# **Illinois: Leader in Reducing / Preventing CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions through Carbon Capture Utilization and Storage (CCUS)**

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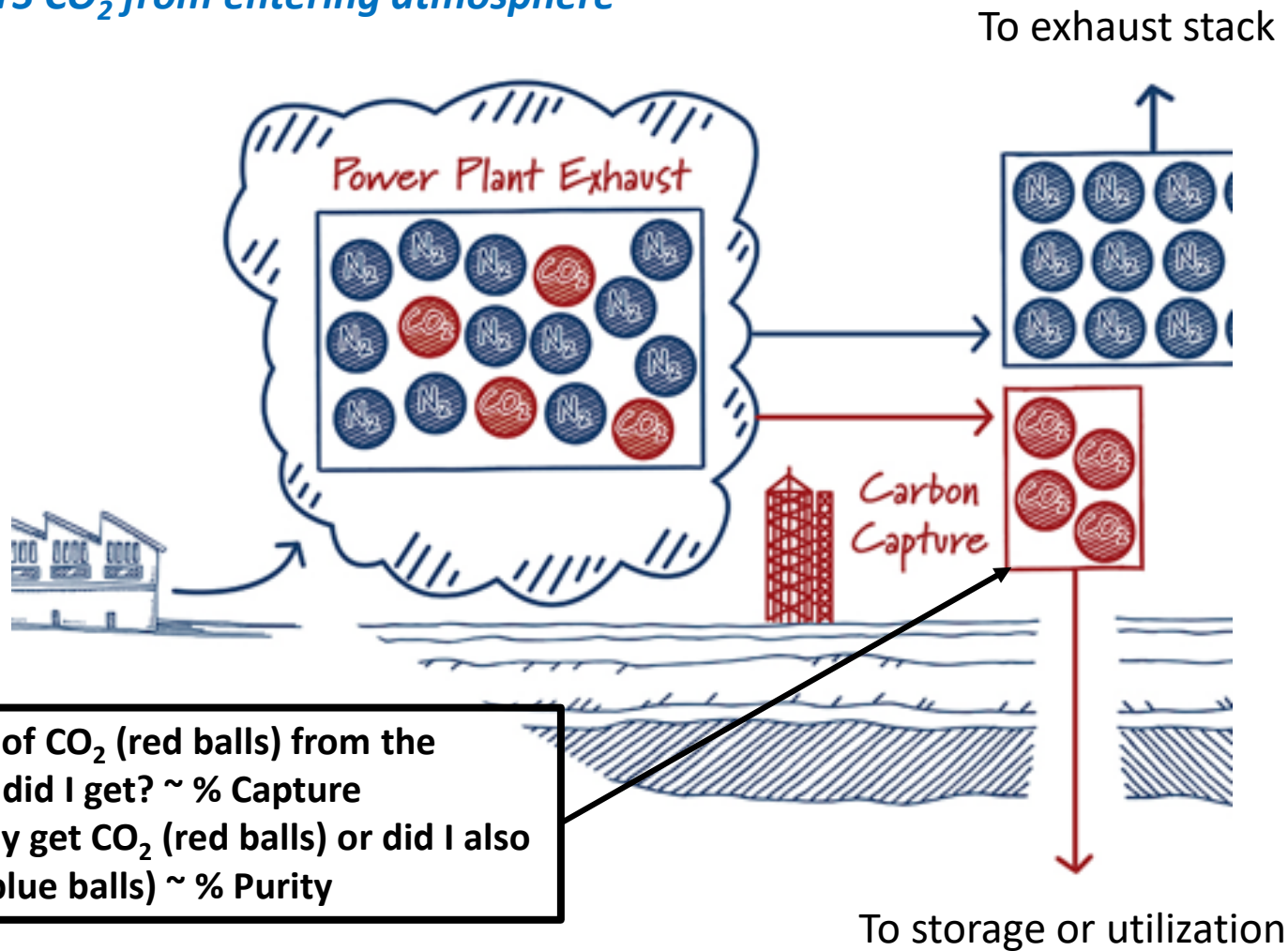
# What is CCUS?

*Ability to store CO<sub>2</sub> locally drives the interest in carbon capture*

- **Carbon (CO<sub>2</sub>) Capture** from the exhaust gas from powerplants and industrial facilities
  - Accomplished through the use of solvents, membranes, or sorbents
- **Utilize the carbon for a revenue stream (examples)**
  - Utilize to grow algae and then make:
    - Animal feed, biochar (soil), biofuels
  - Utilize to make chemicals
    - Dimethyl Carbonate (DMC) used in batteries for electric cars, etc.
  - Tax credits (45Q) generated
- **Storage of the CO<sub>2</sub> (geological)**
  - Tax credits (45Q) generated

# What is Carbon Capture?

*PREVENTS CO<sub>2</sub> from entering atmosphere*



# Does Carbon Capture Work?

*Targets for % capture and purity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced have been met*

- Targets for capture systems established by the US Department of Energy (DOE)
  - Minimum of 90% Capture of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
  - Minimum 95% purity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced
- Focus is on retrofitting existing power plants and industrial facilities with carbon capture systems
- Current federal administration and congress has established that carbon capture and CCUS is one of the main tools to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions at a national level
- Internationally carbon capture and CCUS is also one of the main tools to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
- 45Q federal tax credits are an economic driver

# Illinois: Largest Number of Active Projects in CCUS

*Creates global leadership in grid decarbonization using CCUS*



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Storage of CO<sub>2</sub> : ADM Project

Capture of CO<sub>2</sub> : Phase III Large Pilot (10 MW)

21<sup>st</sup> Century Powerplant (350 MW)/ capture /energy storage/algae

Capture of CO<sub>2</sub> (0.5 MW and 40 kW)

Energy Storage (400 MWh)

Champaign  
-Urbana

Springfield

Decatur

Marissa

Fairfield, Olney,  
Robinson,  
Mt. Carmel

Carbondale



Illinois Eastern Community Colleges  
Operator Training

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Generating Company

Capture of CO<sub>2</sub>:  
Large FEED  
(+800 MW)



Existing projects



Educational Resources

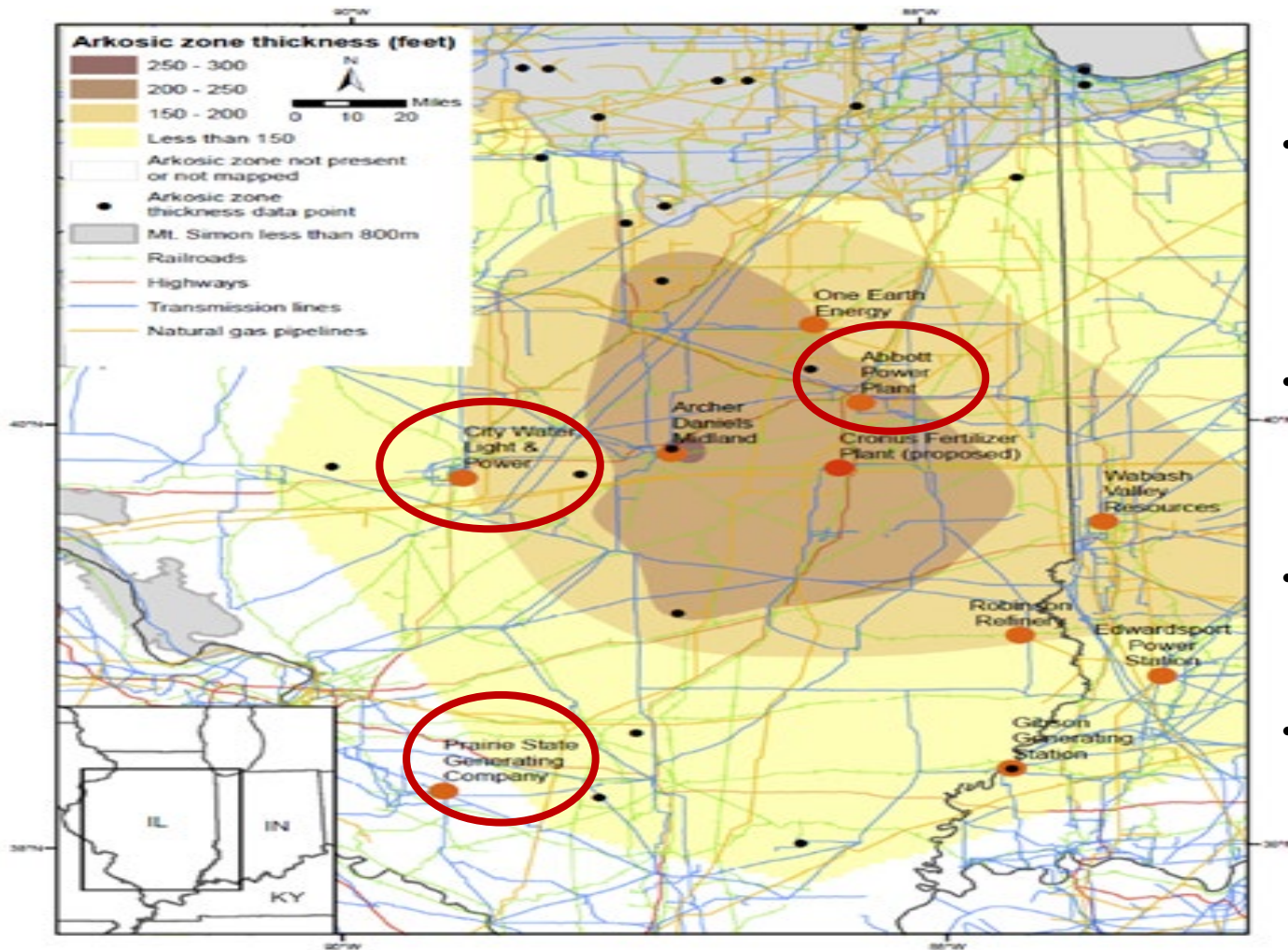


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# Capture Studies Coordinated with Geological Storage

## *CarbonSAFE Phase III: Geological Storage*



- *Able to connect to CarbonSAFE's Phase III Illinois Geological Storage Corridor*
- *Sufficient CO<sub>2</sub> Geological Storage Capacity Near the Host Sites*
- *All sites within 100 miles of storage site*
- *Immediate access to Interstate highway*



# Portfolio of Projects to Reduce and Utilize CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

*Illinois is the leader in diverse portfolio*

**Abbott Power Plant**

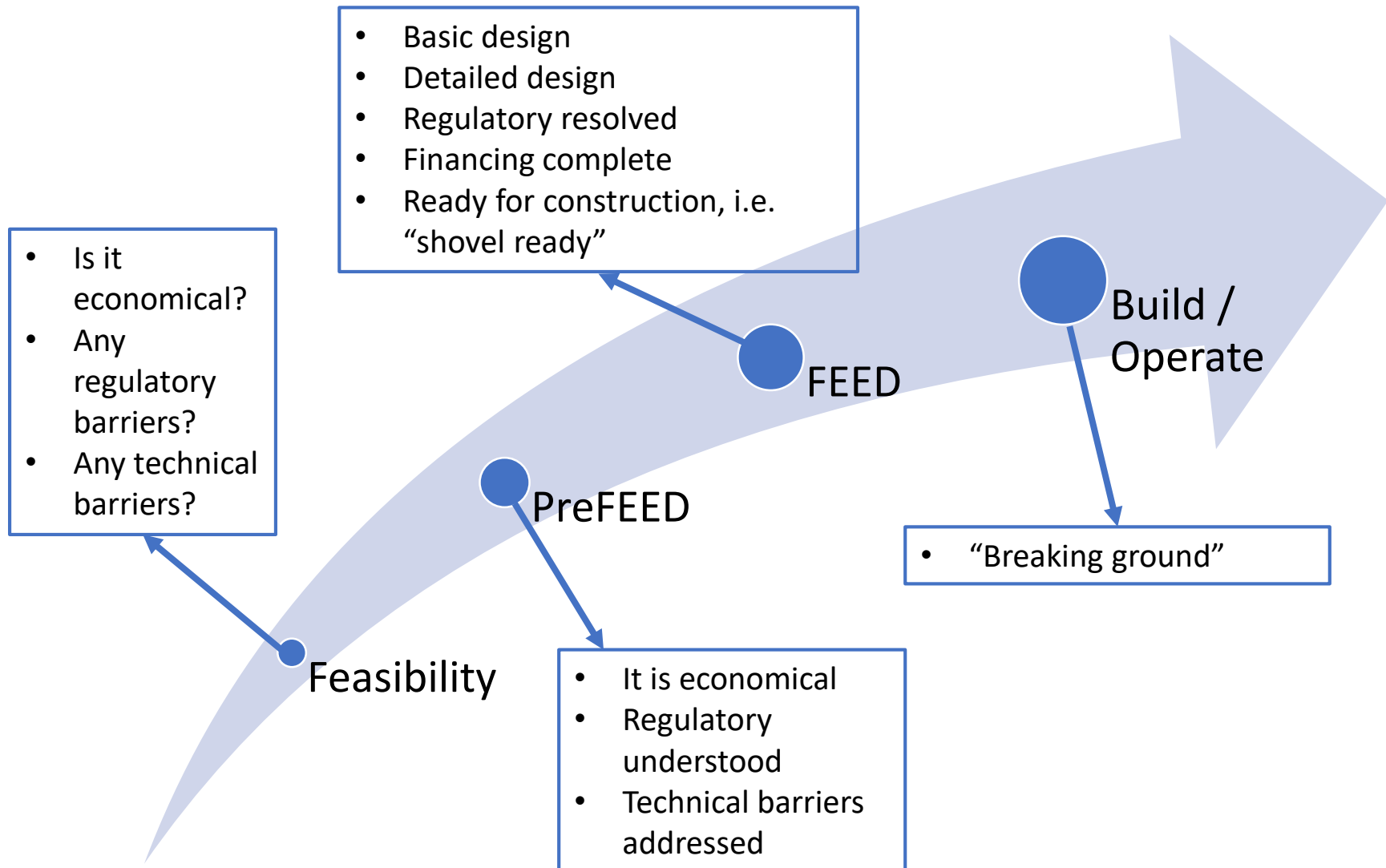
City, Water, Light & Power

Prairie State Generating Station

Various locations

Lab	Small Pilot	Large Pilot / Full Scale
		816 MW FEED
	0.5 MW Aerosol Reduction	10 MW – Build / Operate Large Capture Pilot
	0.5 MW Capture w/Mixed Salts	350 MW – FEED w/ Capture, energy storage, algae, hybrid coal/NG
Next generation DAC materials	40 kW Capture - Biphasic Solvent	+400 MWh pre-FEED energy storage using NG
	Water Recycle and Reuse	Direct Air Capture (DAC) FEED 100,000 tCO <sub>2</sub> /yr
		Algae cultivation for wastewater treatment & biofuels FEED

# Pathway for Large Pilots / Full Scale Capture Projects

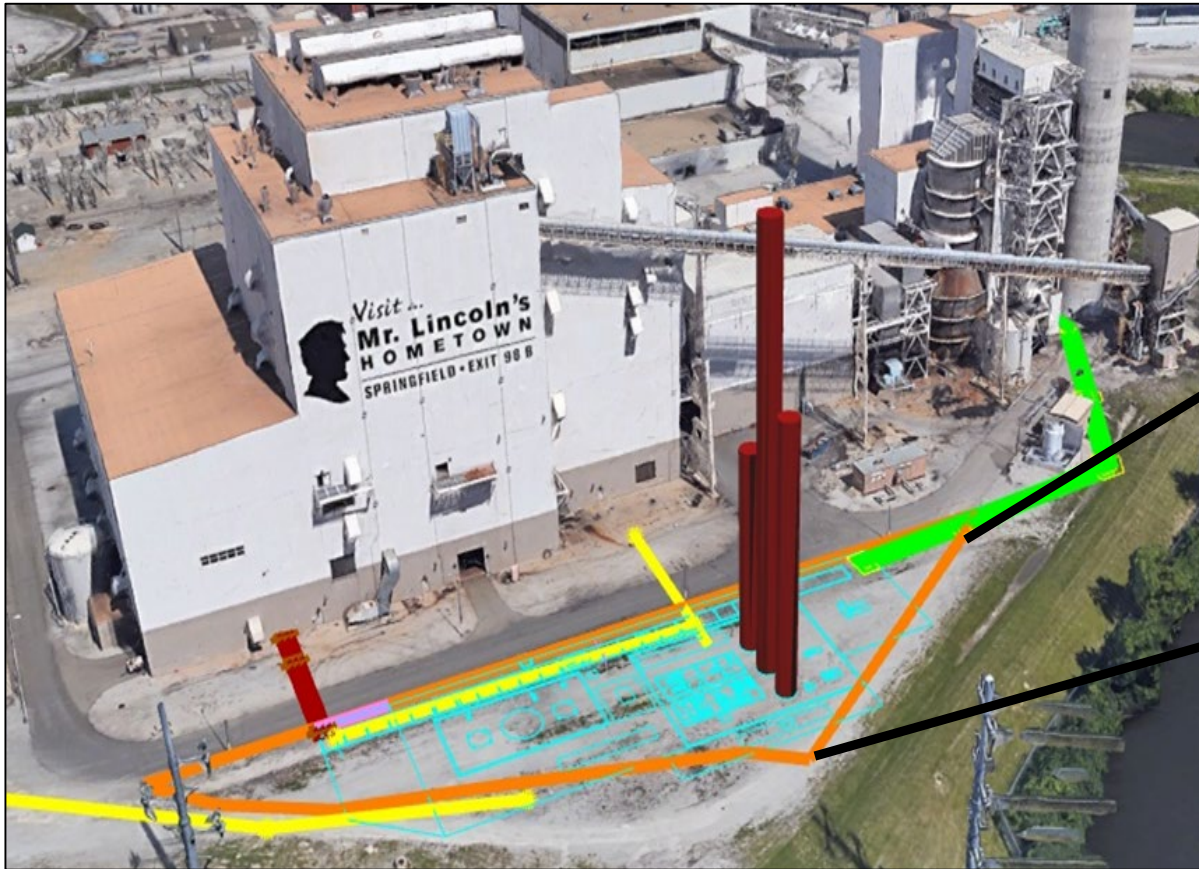


# City, Water, Light, and Power

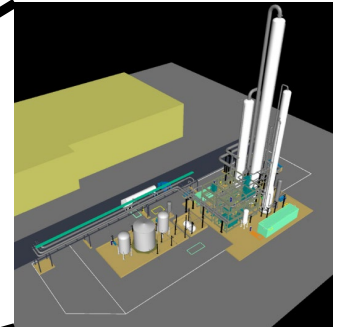
- Build / Operate: Largest Capture R&D Pilot in the World (10 MW)
- FEED: 21<sup>st</sup> Century Power Plant (350 MW) that incorporates Hybrid natural gas-coal; energy storage, capture, CO<sub>2</sub> utilization (algae)

# City Water, Light and Power (CWLP)

*Project at Dallman #4 Unit*

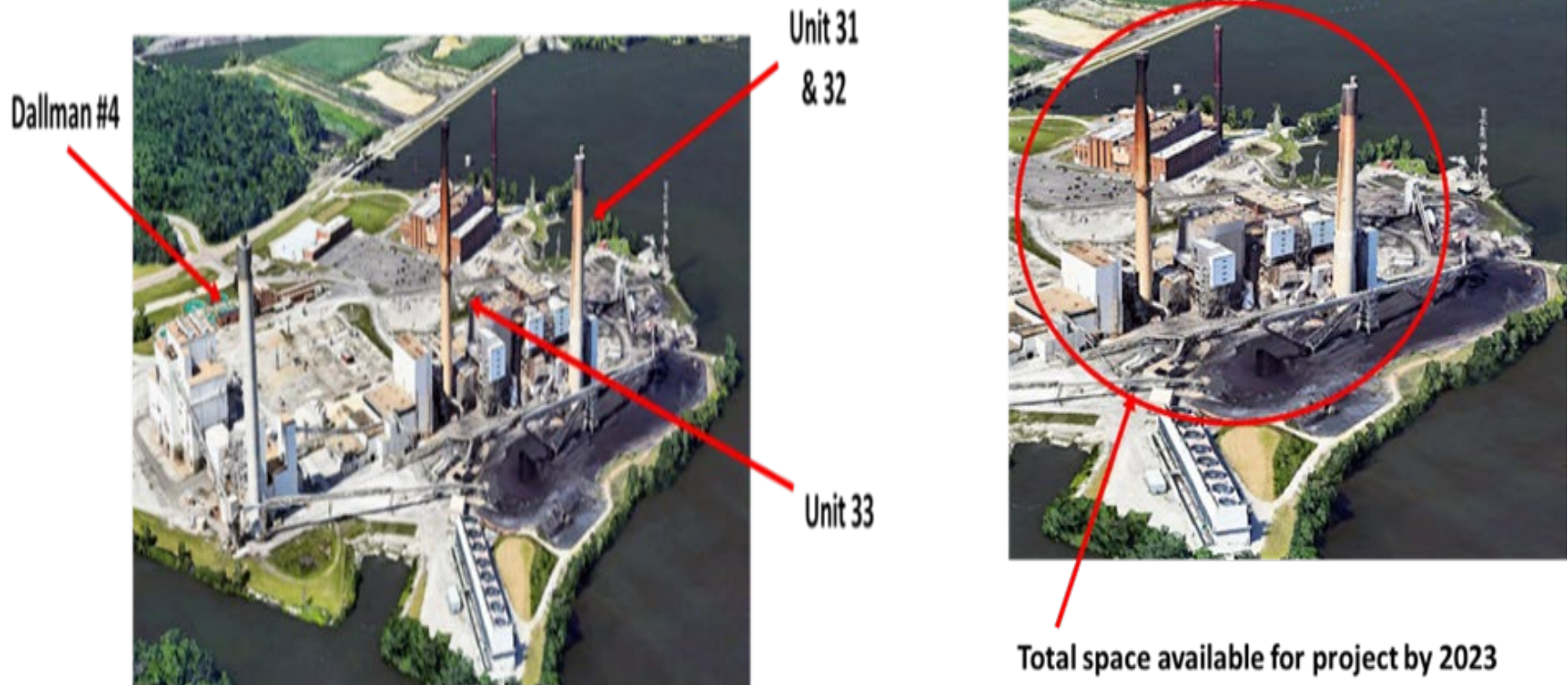


Detailed design of  
capture facility



# 21<sup>st</sup> Century Power Plant Project at CWLP

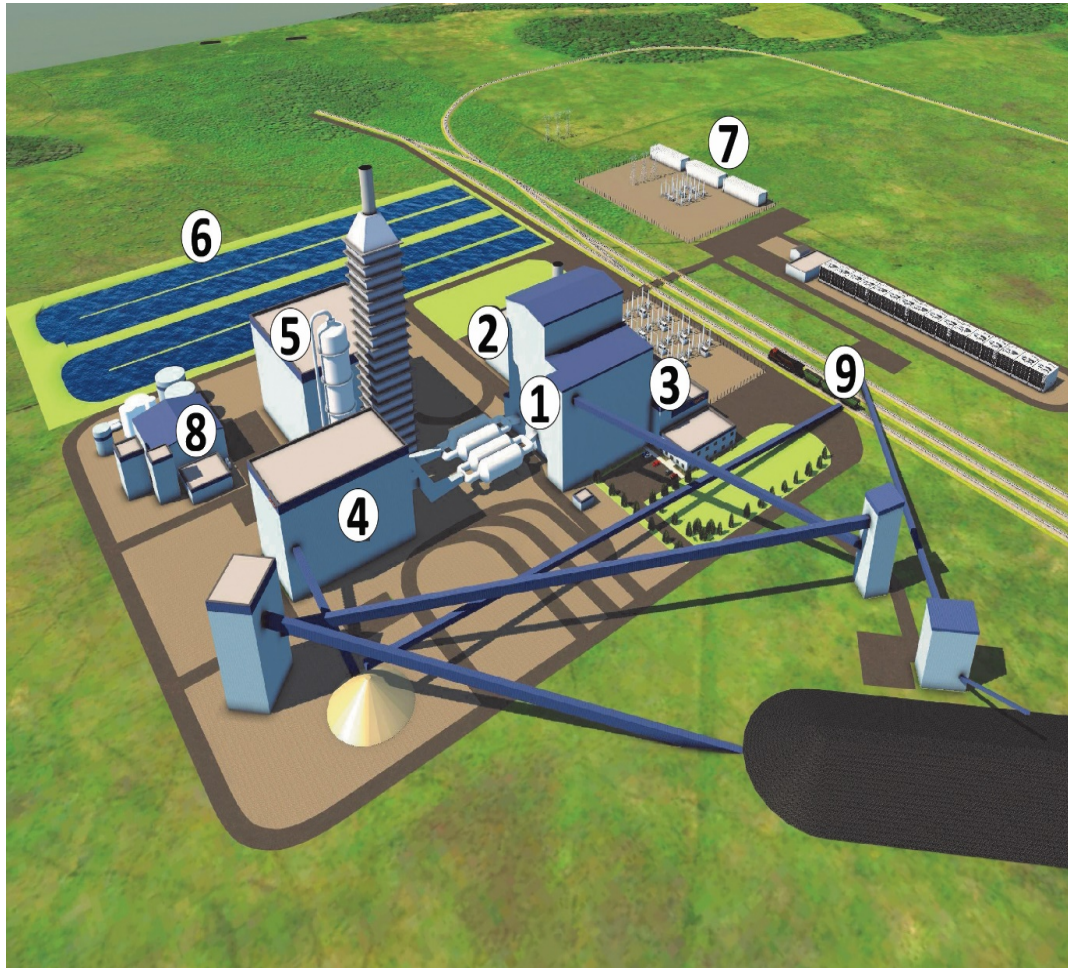
*CWLP as Host Site Leverages Other DOE Projects*



Figures (a) Four coal-fired units at CWLP; (b) Space available for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Power Plant



# Integrated Power Plant for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century at CWLP



1. Boiler
2. Combustion Turbine Generator (CTG) Package
3. Steam Turbine Generator (STG) package
4. Air Quality Control System (AQSC)
5. Carbon Capture
6. Algae Based CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization
7. Energy Storage
8. Water Treatment
9. Coal Receiving, Storage, and Handling.

# Illinois: National and Global Leader in CCUS

*Geology and capture projects provide major advantage to the state*

- CCUS is REQUIRED to prevent / reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions globally
- Carbon capture WORKS and ACHIEVES desired performance goals
- CO<sub>2</sub> CAN be monetized through 45Q and the utilization of CO<sub>2</sub>
- Unique Geology of Illinois major asset for CO<sub>2</sub> Storage
- Illinois is a national and global leader in CCUS
- Illinois is a leader in intellectual resources for CCUS
- CCUS not only reduces CO<sub>2</sub> emissions but can also create jobs and drive regional economic growth through multiple sectors

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