



# WELCOME



## FutureGen 2.0 Program Environmental Impact Statement Public Scoping Meetings *June 7-9, 2011*

### AGENDA

- Welcome – Cliff Whyte (DOE-NETL)
- Background and DOE's Role – Jeff Hoffmann (DOE-NETL)
- Ameren Project Overview – Mike Long (Ameren)
- FG Alliance Project Overview – Gordon Beeman (June 7, 8) (FG Alliance)  
– Ken Humphreys (June 9) (FG Alliance)
- NEPA Process – Cliff Whyte (DOE-NETL)
- Public Comments



## FutureGen 2.0 Program and the National Environmental Policy Act

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# National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

- **U.S. Federal Law - effective January 1, 1970**
- **Applies to all Federal agencies**
- **National charter for protection of the environment**
- **Promotes environmental considerations in decision-making**



# NEPA Mandate

- **Environmental information must be available to public officials and citizens before Federal decisions are made and before Federal actions are taken**
  - **High quality information**
  - **Accurate scientific analyses**
  - **Expert agency comments**
  - **Public involvement**



# NEPA Process for the FutureGen 2.0 Program Initiated

- **EIS Determination** – November 9, 2010
  - Official agency decision that an EIS is needed
- **Notice of Intent (NOI)** – May 23, 2011
  - Official announcement to stakeholders
  - Begins the 30-day public scoping period
  - Public comments should be submitted to DOE by Wednesday, June 22, 2011

# Content of a Typical Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

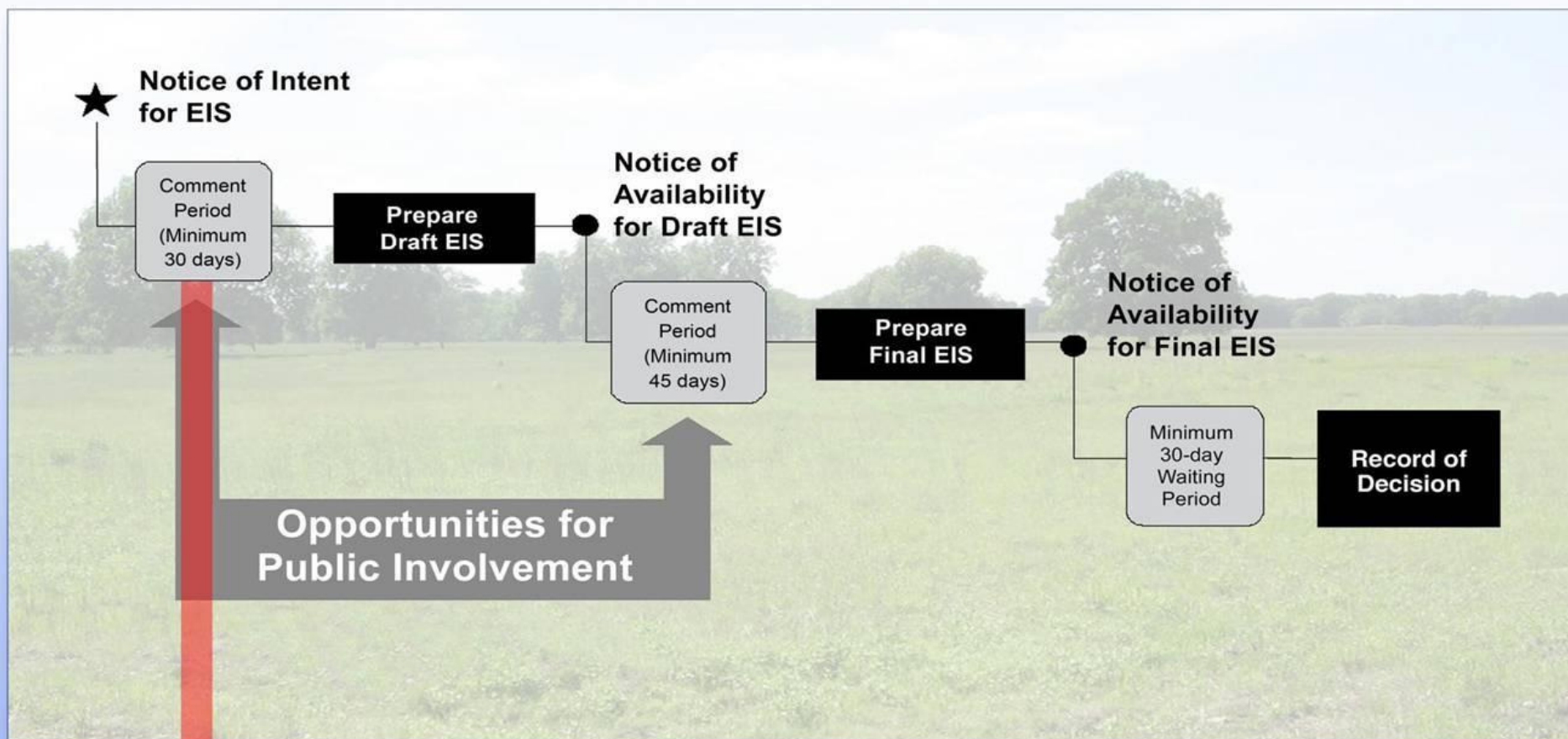
- **Purpose and Need for Agency Action**
- **Proposed Agency Action & Reasonable Alternatives**
- **Proposed Project & Project Alternatives**
- **Description of the Affected Environment**
- **Analysis of Potential Environmental Consequences**
- **List of Agencies, Organizations, and Persons Contacted**
- **Public Participation and Responses to Public Input**



# FutureGen 2.0 Program



## NEPA PROCESS AND EIS MILESTONES



*We are here  
(comment period ends  
June 22, 2011)*

# Anticipated Schedule

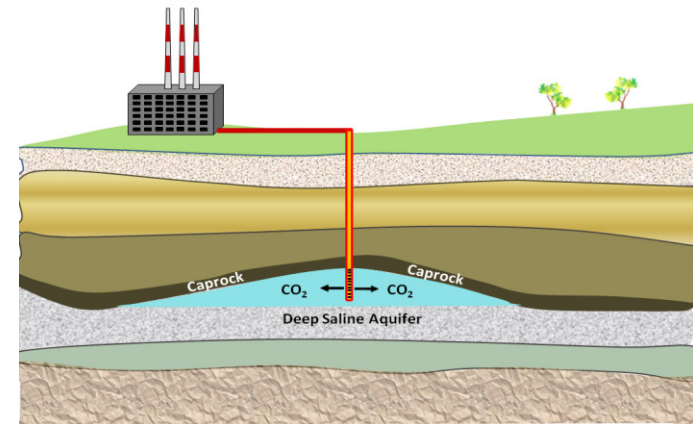
	SCHEDULE / GOAL
NEPA Initial Site Visit	January 26, 2011
Notice of Intent (NOI)	May 23, 2011
Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)	Spring 2012
Public Hearing	Spring 2012
Final EIS	Fall 2012
Record of Decision (ROD)	Fall 2012





# Purpose of Public Scoping Meeting

- Invite comments and input from all interested persons on:
  - Scope of the EIS
  - Issues to be addressed in the EIS
  - Data to be collected
  - Analyses to be performed
  - Stakeholder concerns



# DOE Wants Your Participation!

- **Send written comments to:**
  - **Cliff Whyte, NEPA Compliance Officer**  
**DOE - National Energy Technology Laboratory**  
**P.O. Box 880**  
**Morgantown, WV 26507-0880**
  - **Email: [FG2.EIS@netl.doe.gov](mailto:FG2.EIS@netl.doe.gov)**
  - **Tel (toll-free): 1-877-338-5689**
  - **Fax: (304) 285-4403**
- **Comments due by: Wednesday, June 22, 2011**

# Scoping Meeting Logistics for Oral Comments

- **Five (5) minutes per speaker, please!**
- **Additional opportunities to speak, time permitting**
- **Selected govt. officials & pre-registered speakers will go first – sign up to speak**
- **An official transcript will be made**
- **Speakers should state their name and speak clearly**
- **Comment sheets are also available**