

# Farnsworth Unit - Ochiltree Field Project

**Southwest Regional Partnership on Carbon  
Sequestration (SWP)**  
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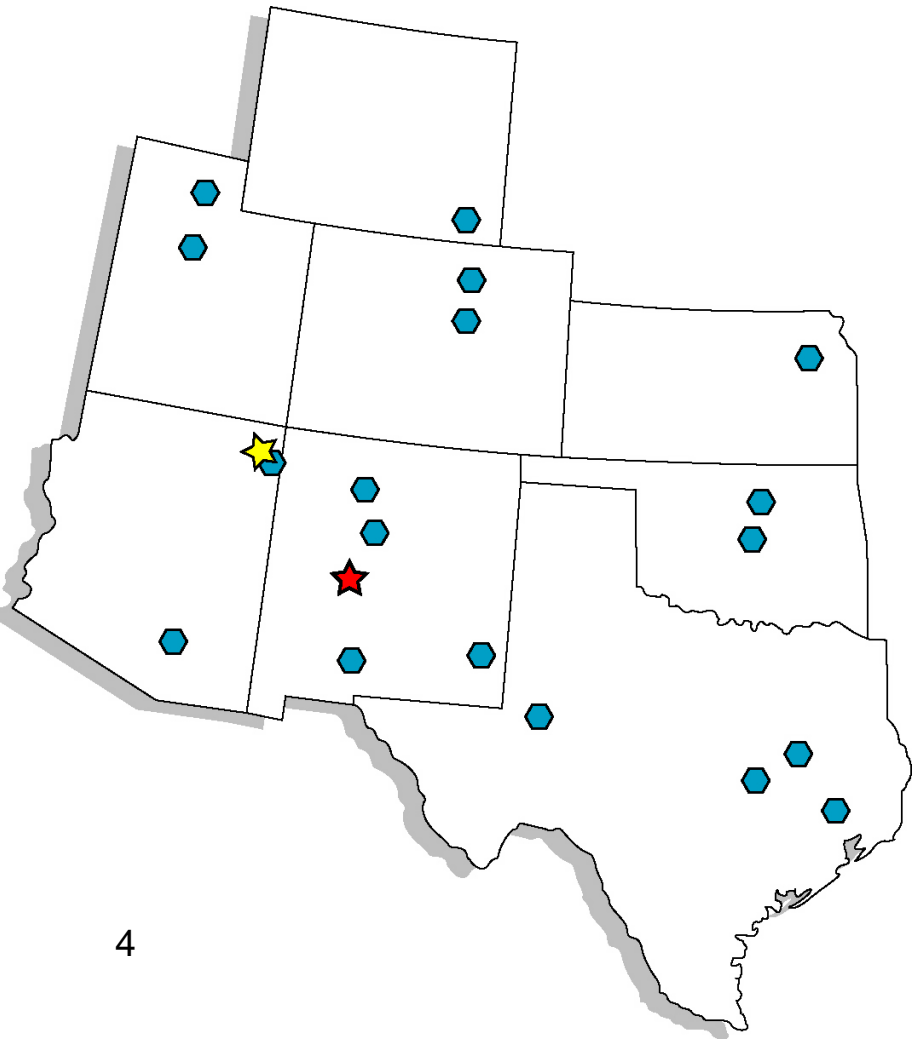
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- Thank you to all the SWP partners, technical and otherwise, especially some stellar FFRDC collaborators.
- Special thanks to Schlumberger Carbon Services for their outstanding collaborative efforts.

# Presentation Outline

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- **Introduction and Summary of Partners**
- Project Overview: Goals and Objectives
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# Introduction: Partners of the SWP



## **In all partner states:**

- major universities
- geologic survey
- other state agencies
- National Laboratories
- over 50 partners

## **as well as**

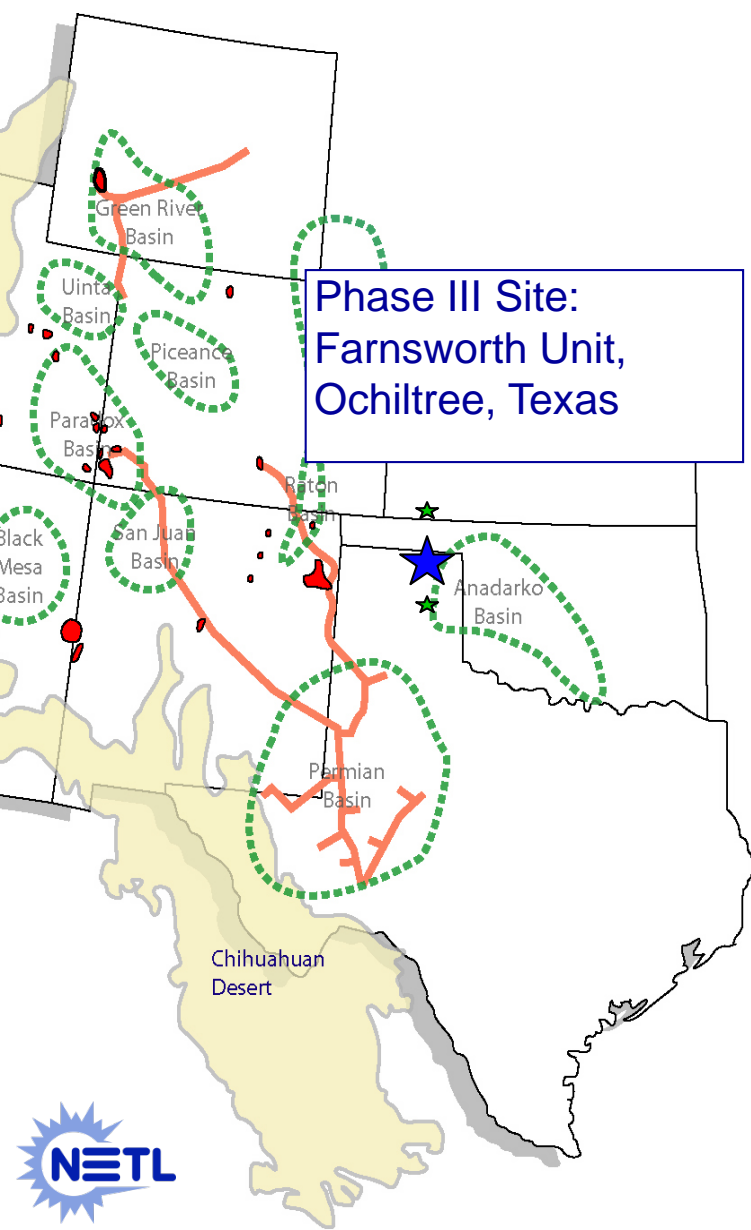
- Western Governors Association
- five major utilities
- seven energy companies
- three federal agencies
- the Navajo Nation
- many other critical partners

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General Goals:

- One million tons CO<sub>2</sub> injection
- Optimization of storage engineering
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- Optimization of risk assessment
- “Blueprint” for CCUS in southwestern U.S.

A key aspect of this project:

**NEW FIVE SPOT PATTERNS WILL BE DRILLED EVERY SIX MONTHS. THE SWP WILL “LEARN” FROM RESULTS, RE-ADJUST AND RE-DESIGN MONITORING/ANALYSIS FOR EACH NEW SET OF INJECTION WELLS, BASED ON ANALYSIS OF RESULTS OF THE PREVIOUS SETS OF WELLS.**

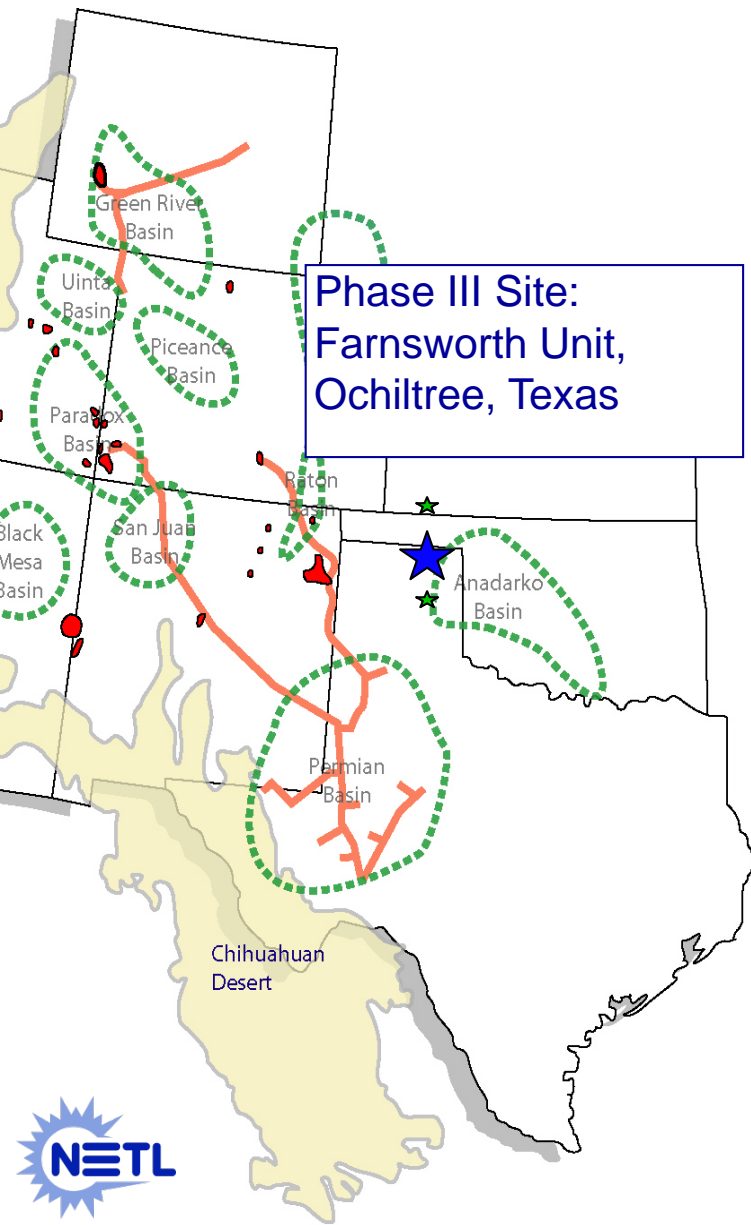


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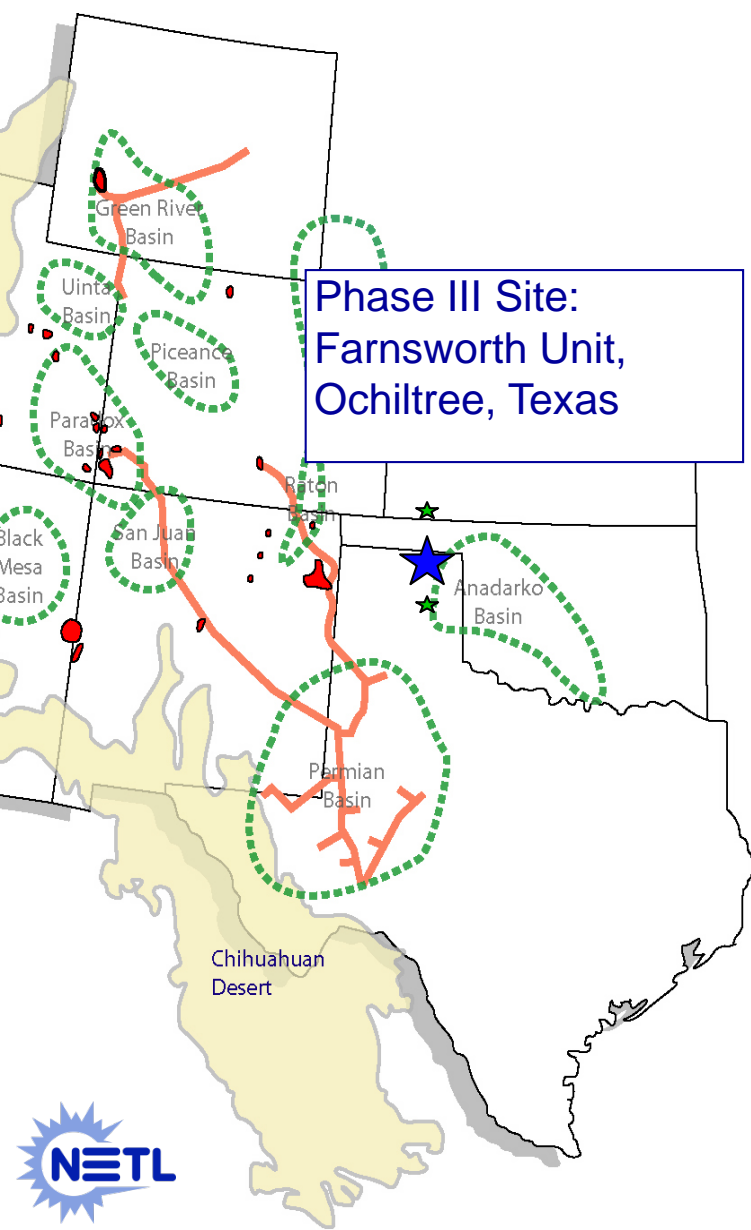


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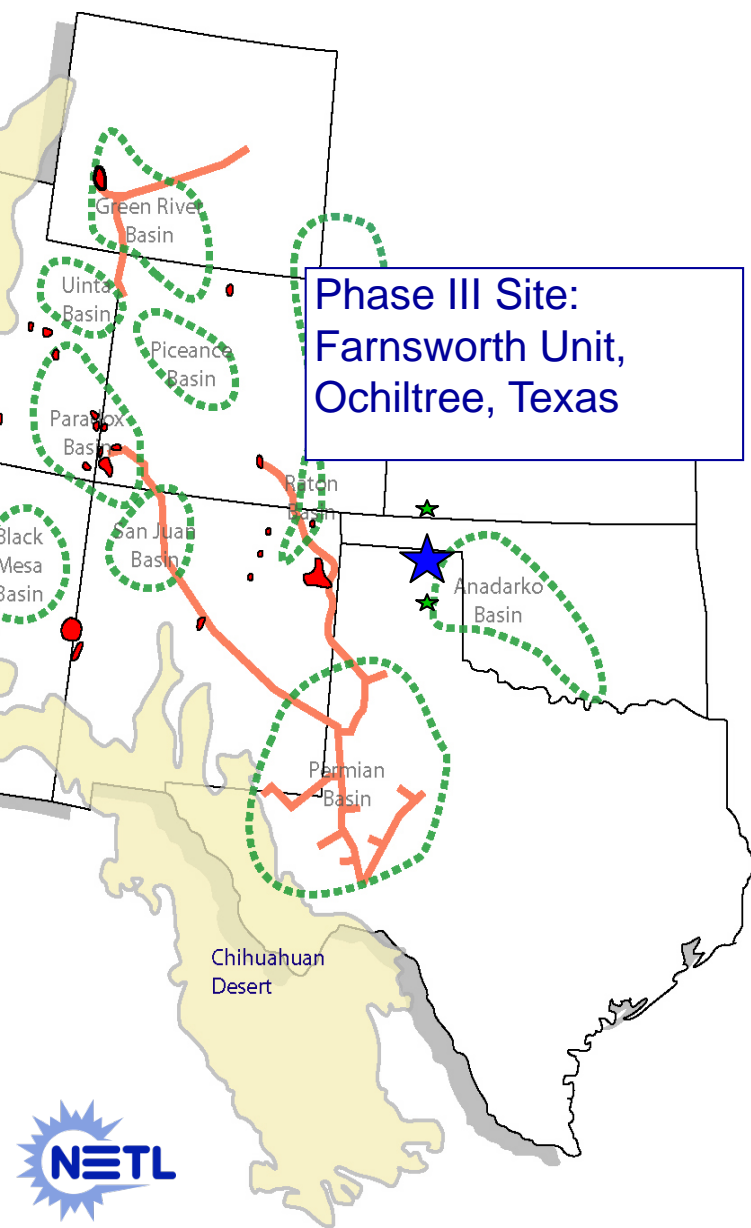
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- geologic characterization ongoing;
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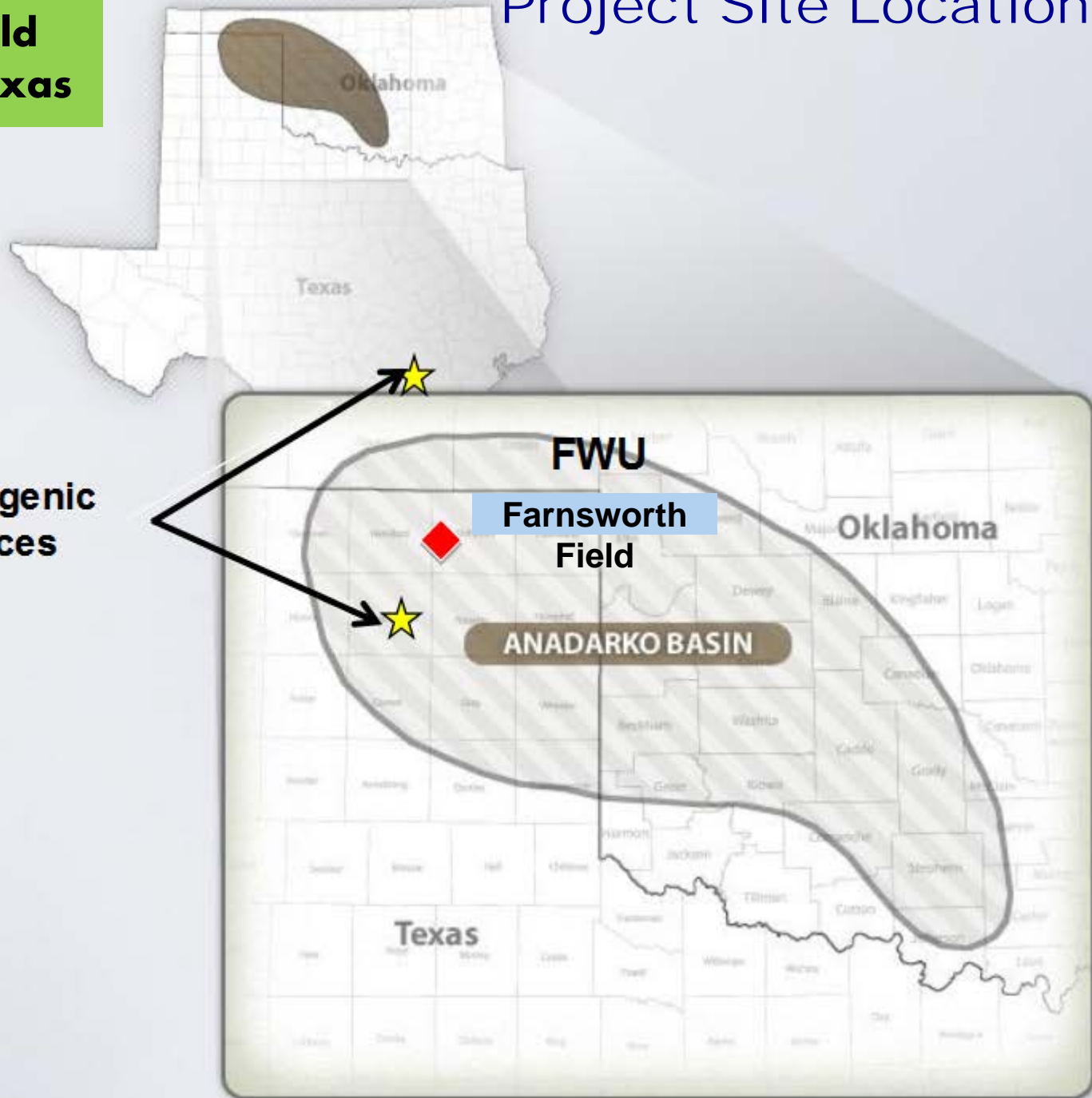
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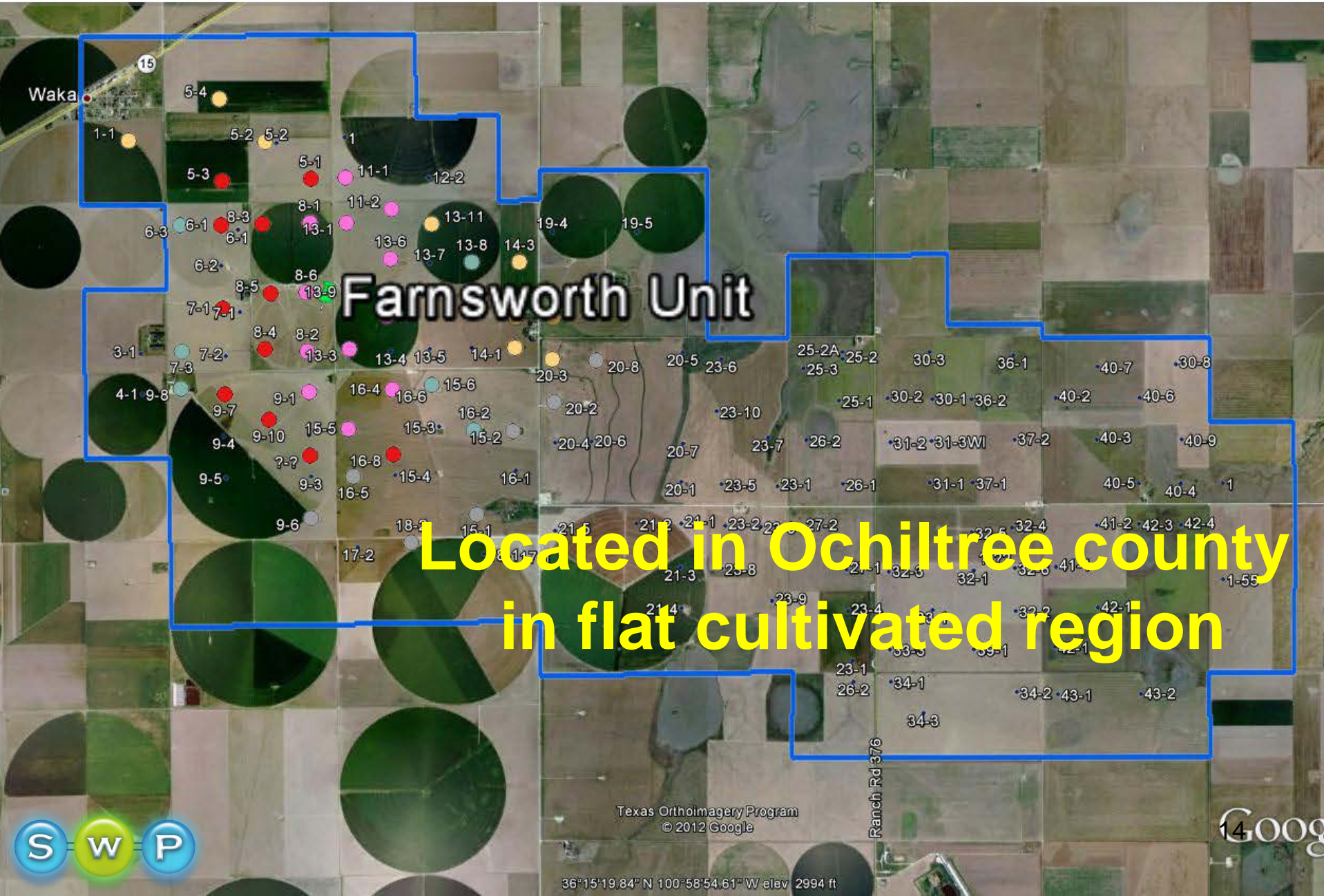
**Farnsworth Oil Field  
Ochiltree County, Texas**

Project Site Location

**Anthropogenic  
CO<sub>2</sub> Sources**







**Farnsworth Unit**

**Located in Ochiltree county  
in flat cultivated region**

Texas Orthoimagery Program  
© 2012 Google

36°15'19.84" N 100°58'54.61" W elev 2994 ft





# Site Operator: Chaparral Energy, LLC



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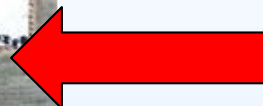


# CO<sub>2</sub> Sources 100% Anthropogenic

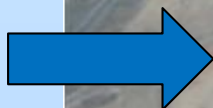


**CO<sub>2</sub> Supply**

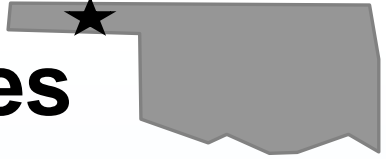
**Arkalon  
Ethanol Plant  
Liberal KS**



**Agrium  
Fertilizer Plant  
Borger TX**

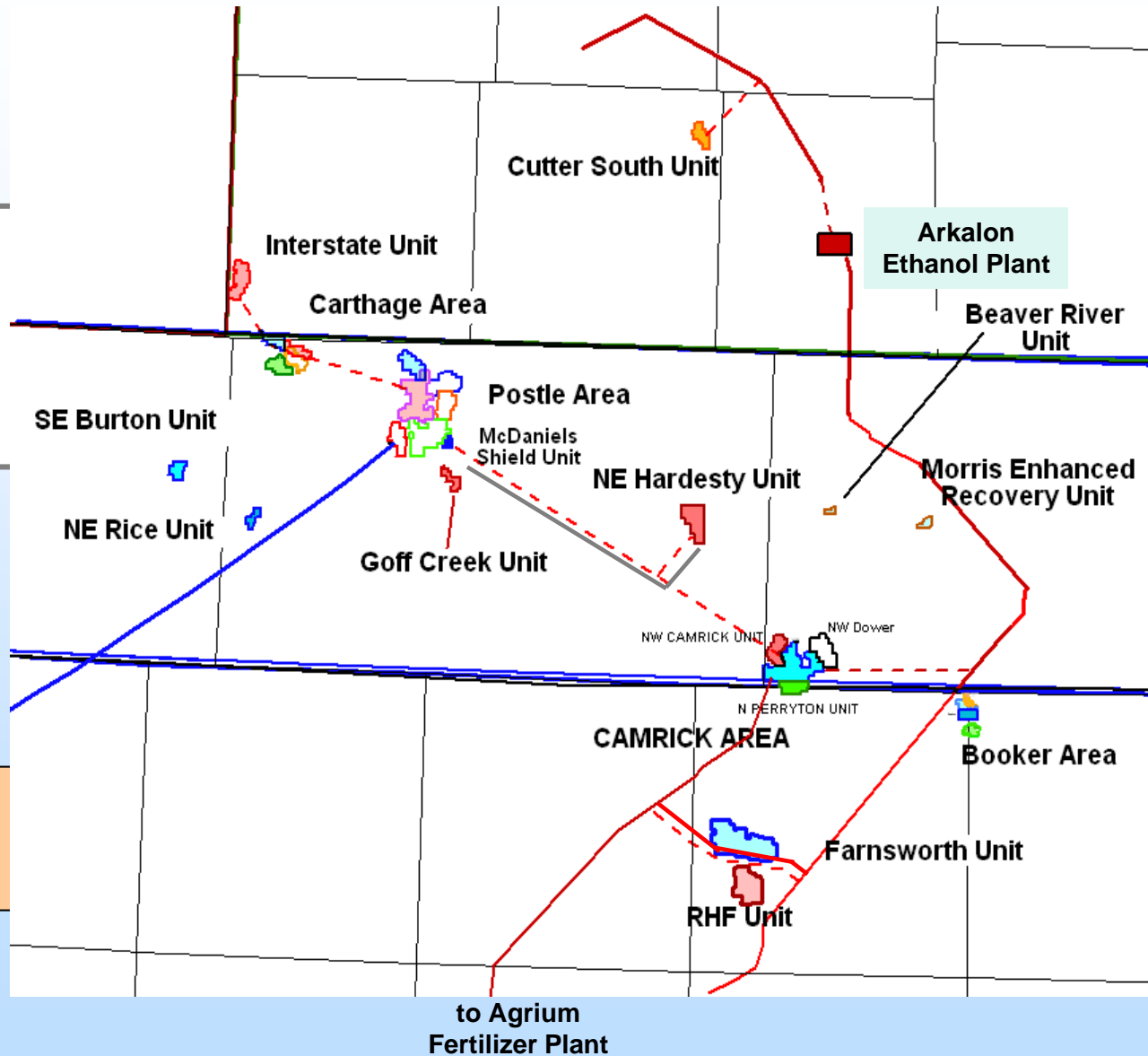


# Panhandle Area CO<sub>2</sub> Opportunities



**Panhandle Area: 24 Projects**  
**Net Potential: 35 MMBoe, 18% of total**

<b>Total OOIP</b>	<b>713 MMBO</b>
<b>Primary Production</b>	<b>74 MMBO</b>
<b>Secondary Recovery</b>	<b>116 MMBO</b>
<b>Tertiary Potential</b>	<b>74 MMBO</b>
<b>Net Tertiary Potential</b>	<b>35 MMBO</b>



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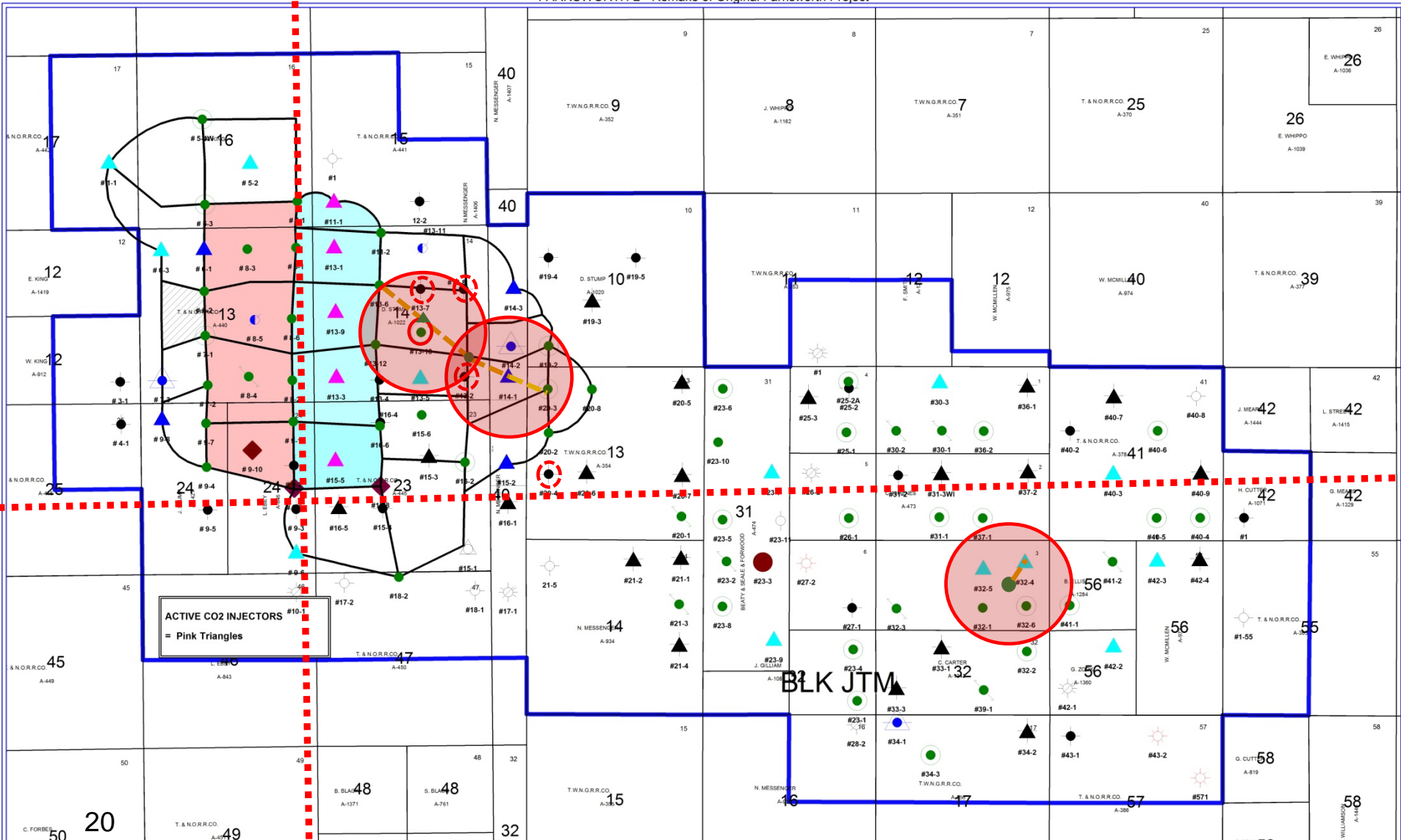
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# Existing and Planned Seismic Acquisitions



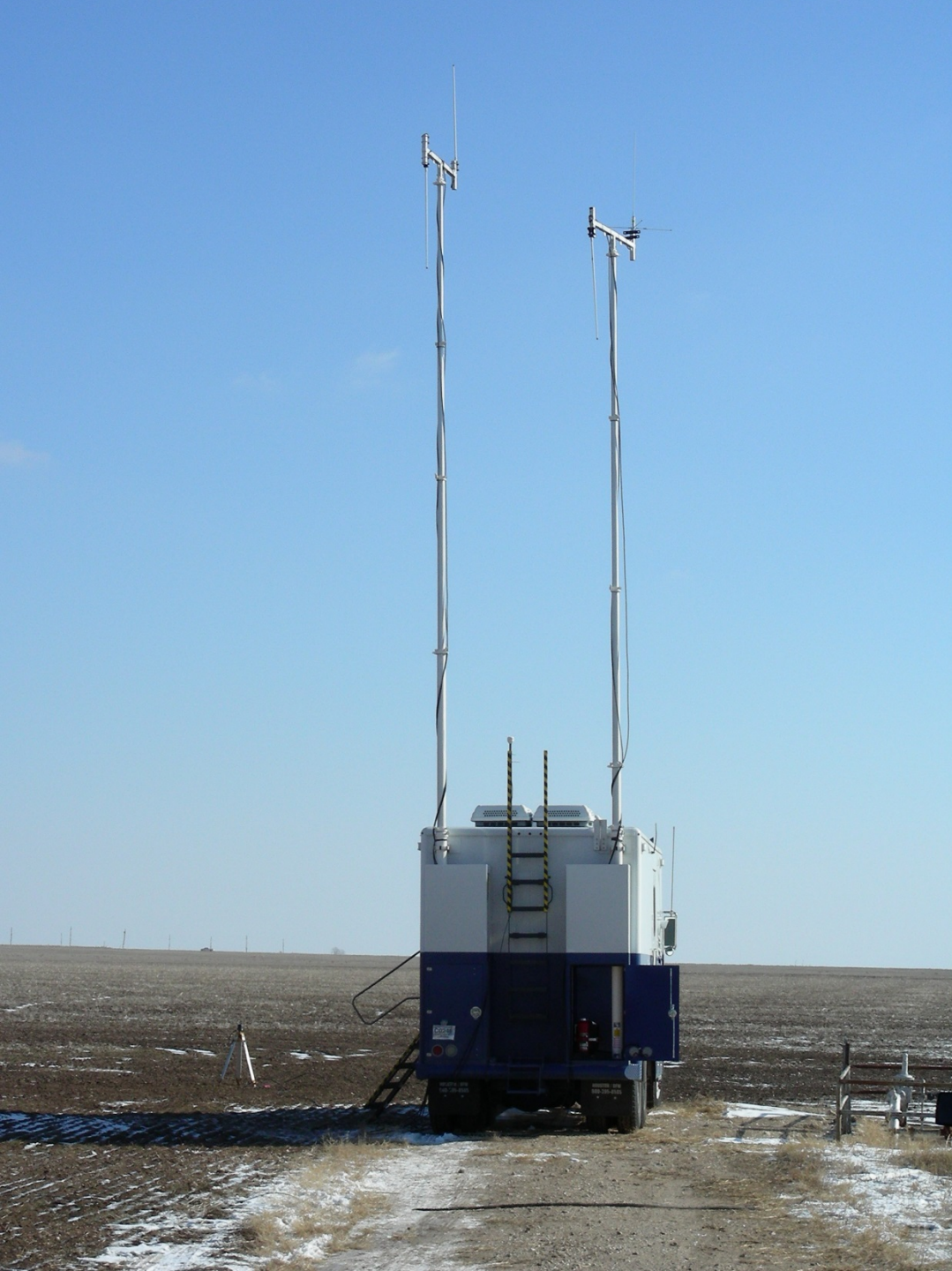
FARNSWORTH-2 - Remake of Original Farnsworth Project







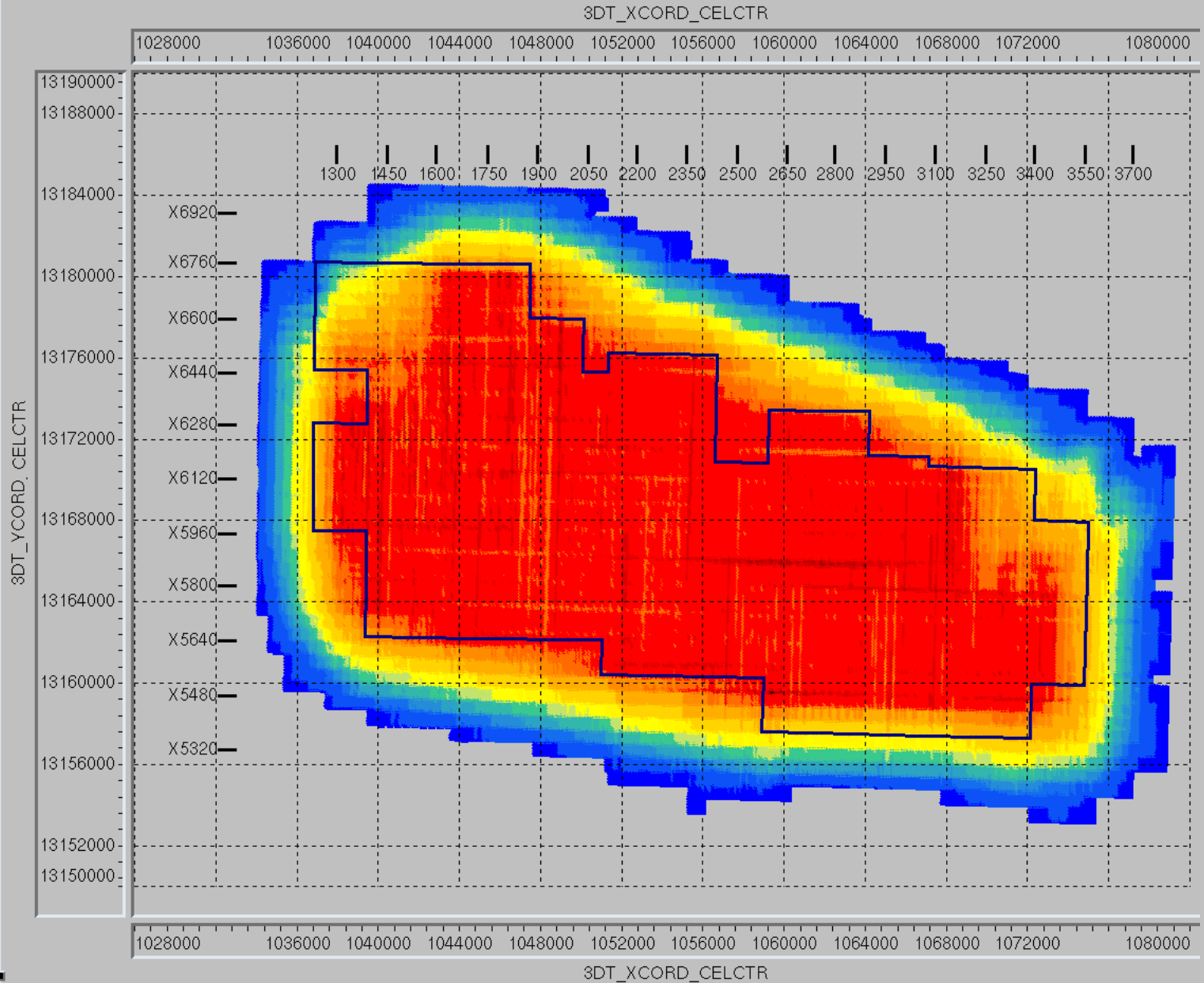
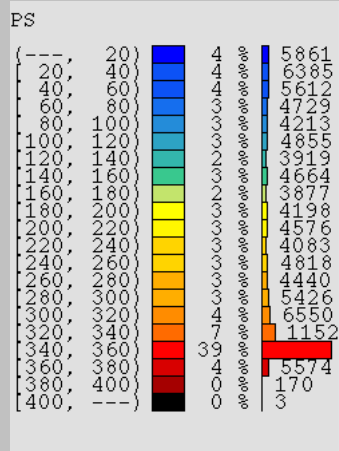


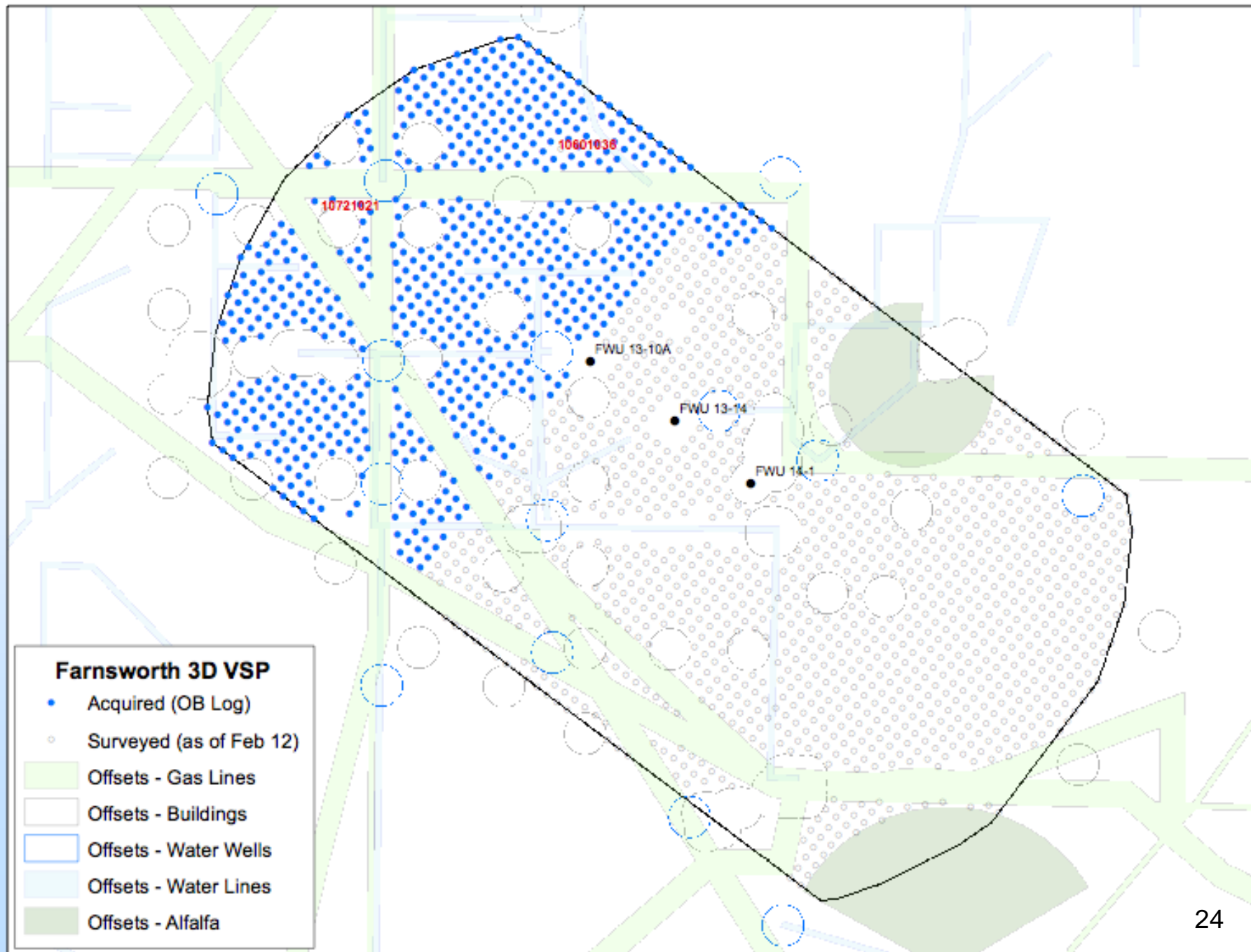


## Seismic Acquisition

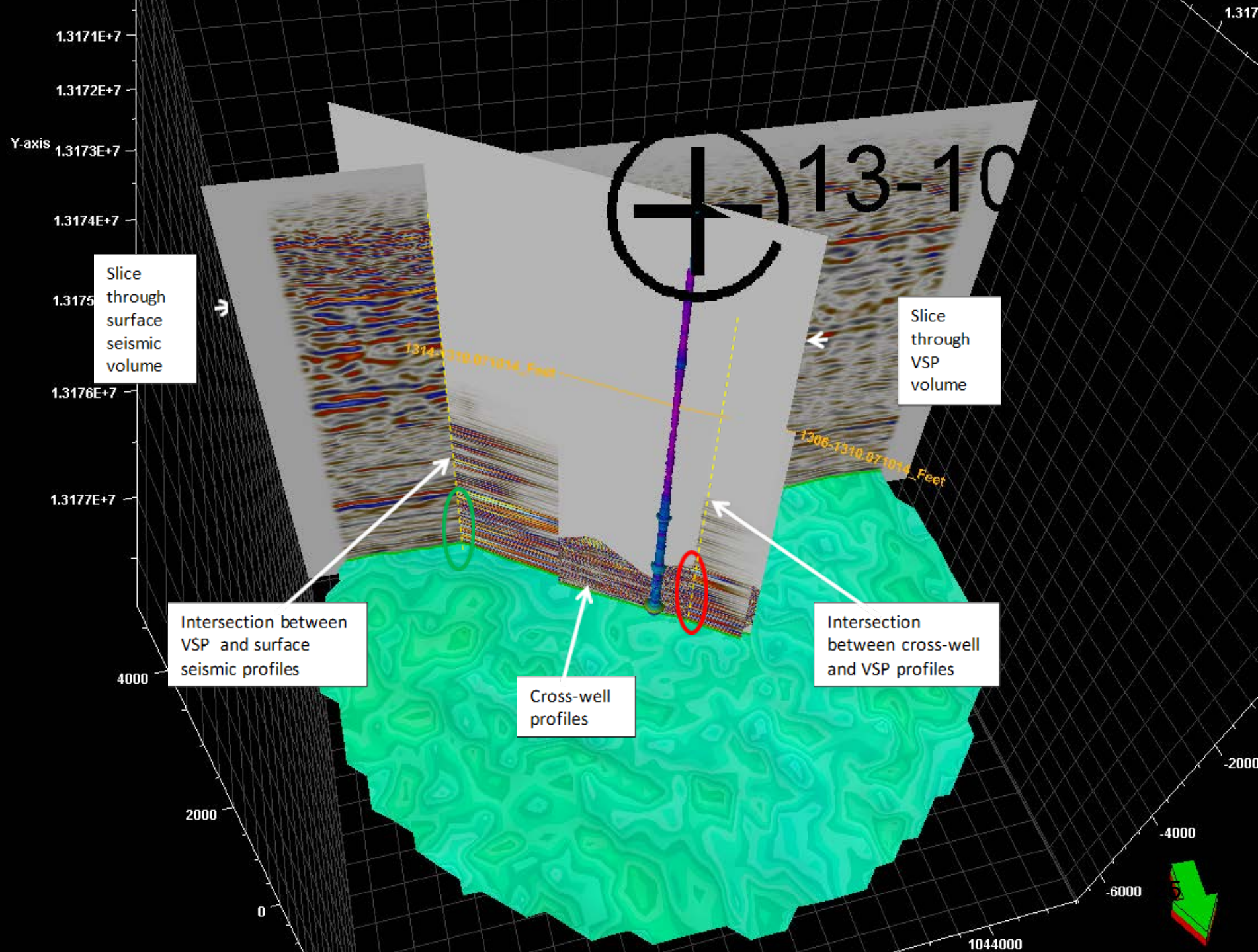
- **Data gathered at a mobile site which moved as portions of the field were shot**
- **Coordinated vibroseis trucks**
- **Initial QC on data**
- **Stored field data for each day before overnight review and pre-processing**

# Fold Map with Unit Boundary









Y-axis

1.3171E+7

1.3172E+7

1.3173E+7

1.3174E+7

1.3175E+7

1.3176E+7

1.3177E+7

Slice through surface seismic volume

Slice through VSP volume

Intersection between VSP and surface seismic profiles

Cross-well profiles

Intersection between cross-well and VSP profiles

13-10

1314-1310.071014\_Feet

1306-1310.071014\_Feet

4000

2000

0

1044000

-2000

-4000

-6000

1.317



**3D Surface  
Seismic**

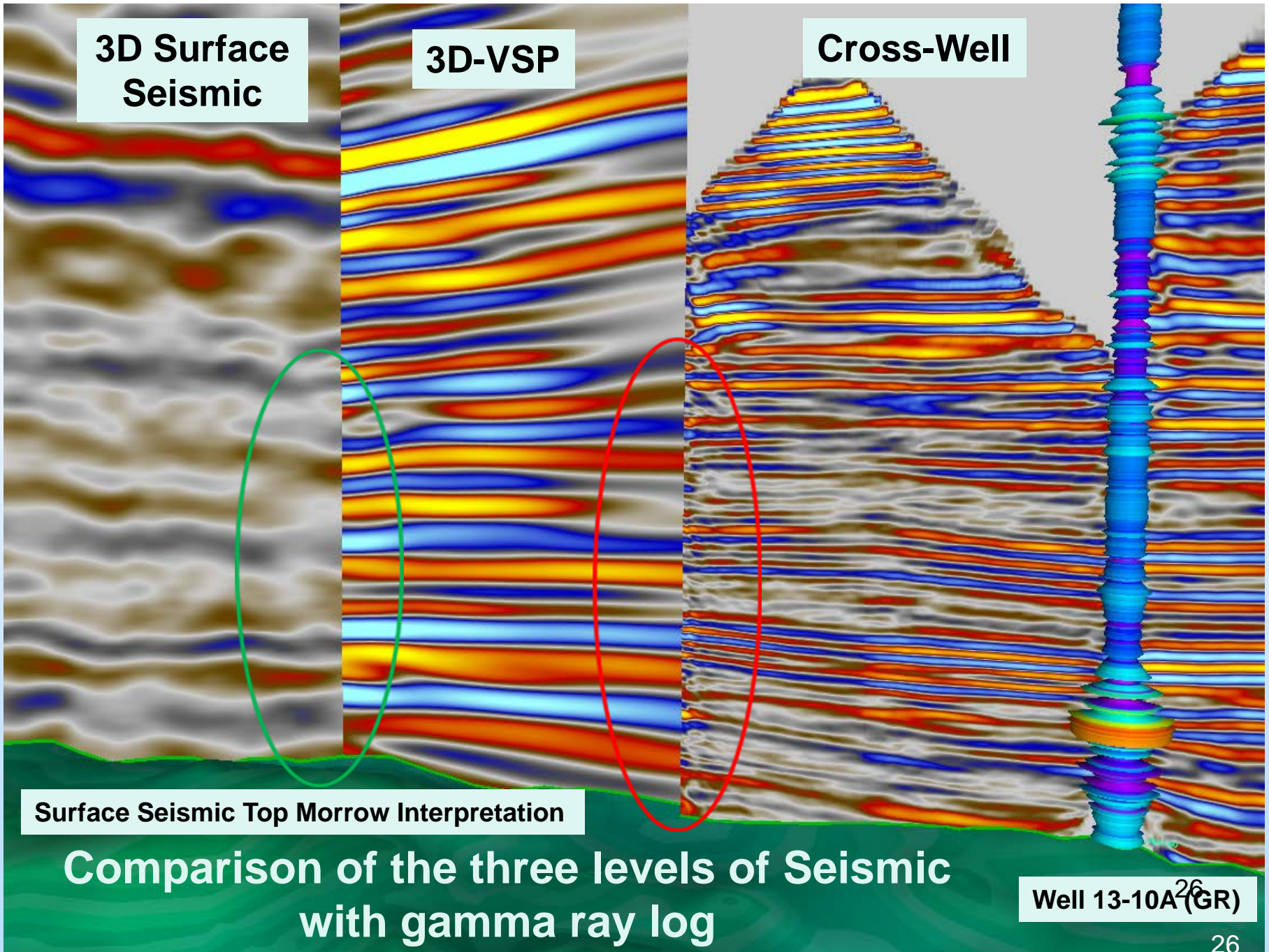
**3D-VSP**

**Cross-Well**

**Surface Seismic Top Morrow Interpretation**

**Comparison of the three levels of Seismic  
with gamma ray log**

**Well 13-10A<sup>26</sup>(GR)**



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# Three Characterization Well drilled

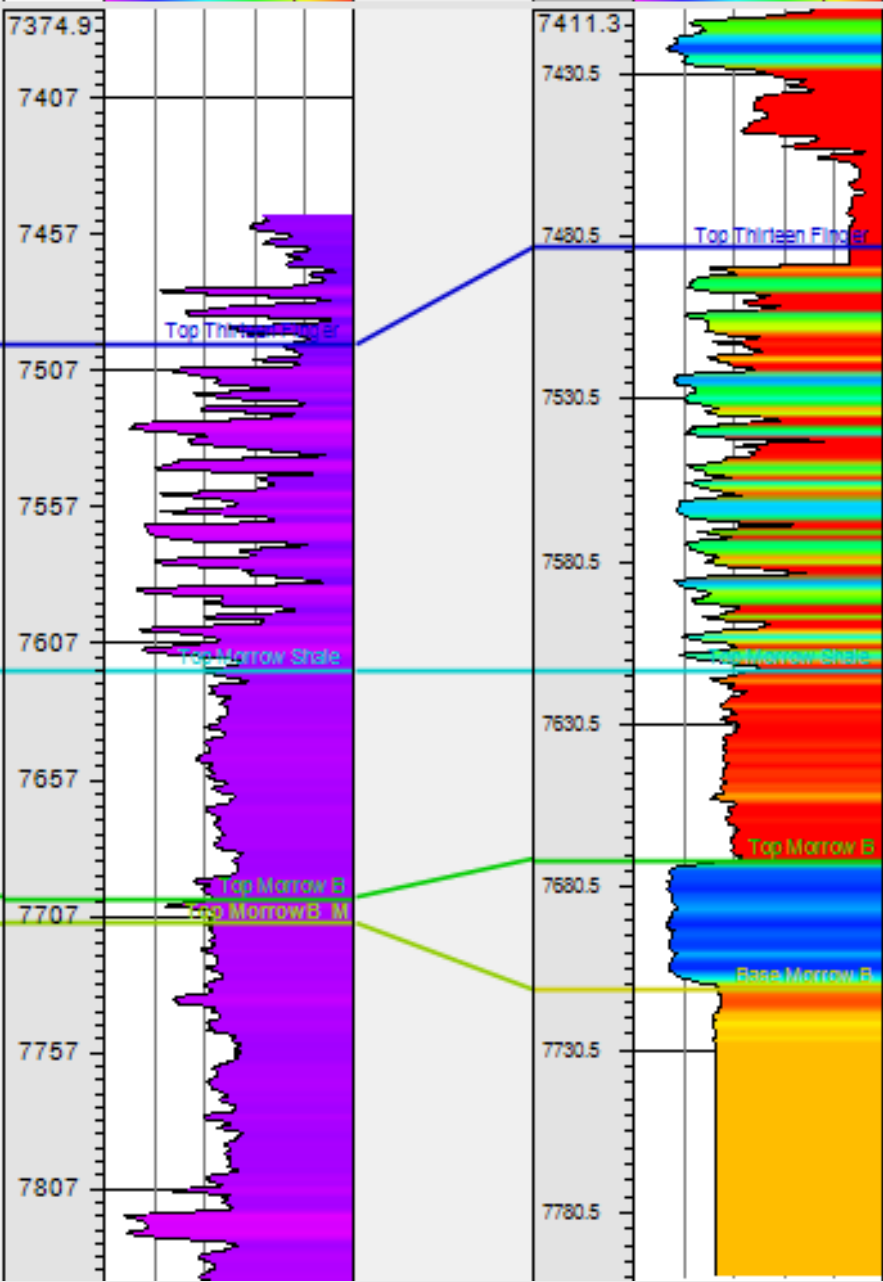
1310A: Nov '13 – Jan '14

1314: Jan '14 – Feb '14

3208: Jun '14 – Jul '14



#19-5 [SSTVD]		← 2891 ftUS →		13-10A [SSTVD]	
MD	GR	MD	GR_EDTC	MD	GR_EDTC
	1.98 gAPI 18.81		-33.99 gAPI 463.86		
	Gamma ray		Gamma ray		

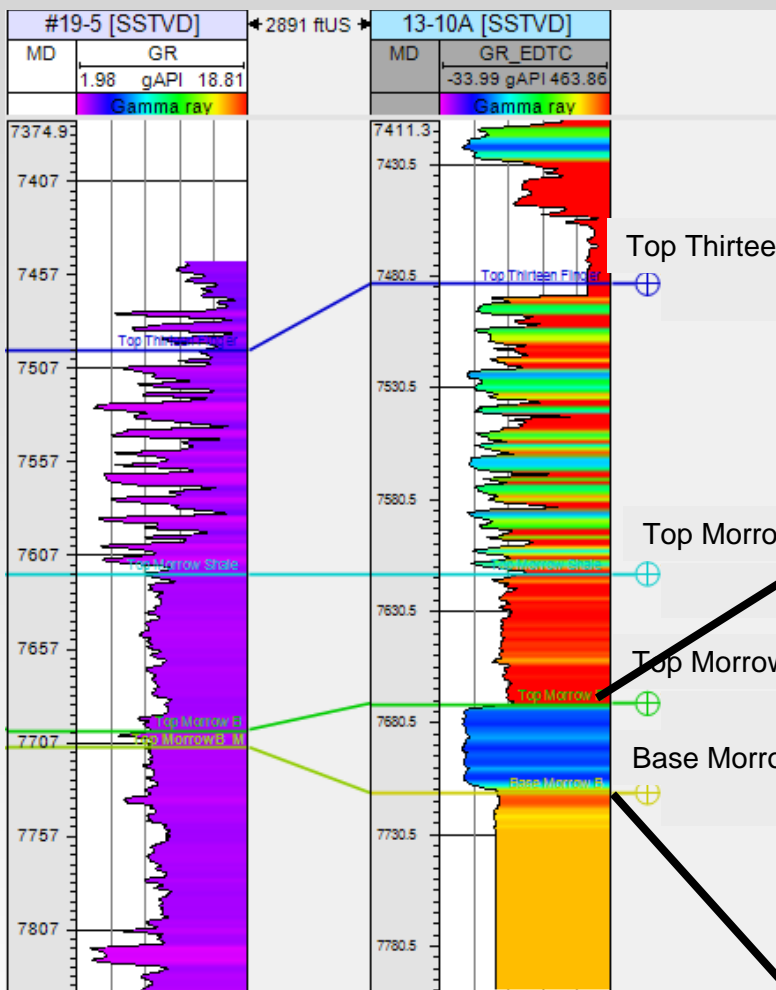


Left: GR log of well #19-5, without channel fill accumulation.

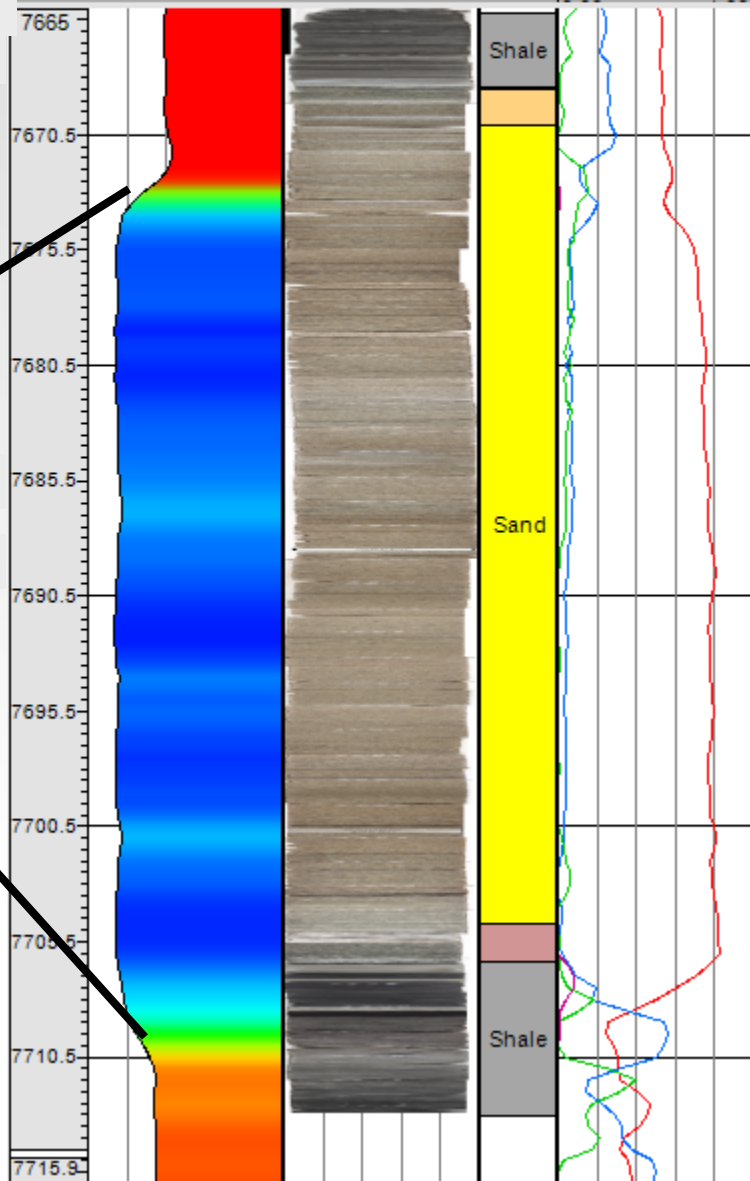
Right: GR log of well 13-10A with channel fill section.

- ⊕ Tc Top Thirteen Fingers
- ⊕ Top Morrow Shale
- ⊕ Top Morrow B
- ⊕ Base Morrow B





13-10A [SSTVD]				
MD	GR_EDTC	core image 7701-7713.png	Facies	Calcite_combiner
	-33.99 gAPI 463.86	core image 7689-7701.png		0.00 1.00
	Gamma ray	core image 7677-7689.png		Kaolinite_combiner
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				0.00 1.00
				Quartz_combiner



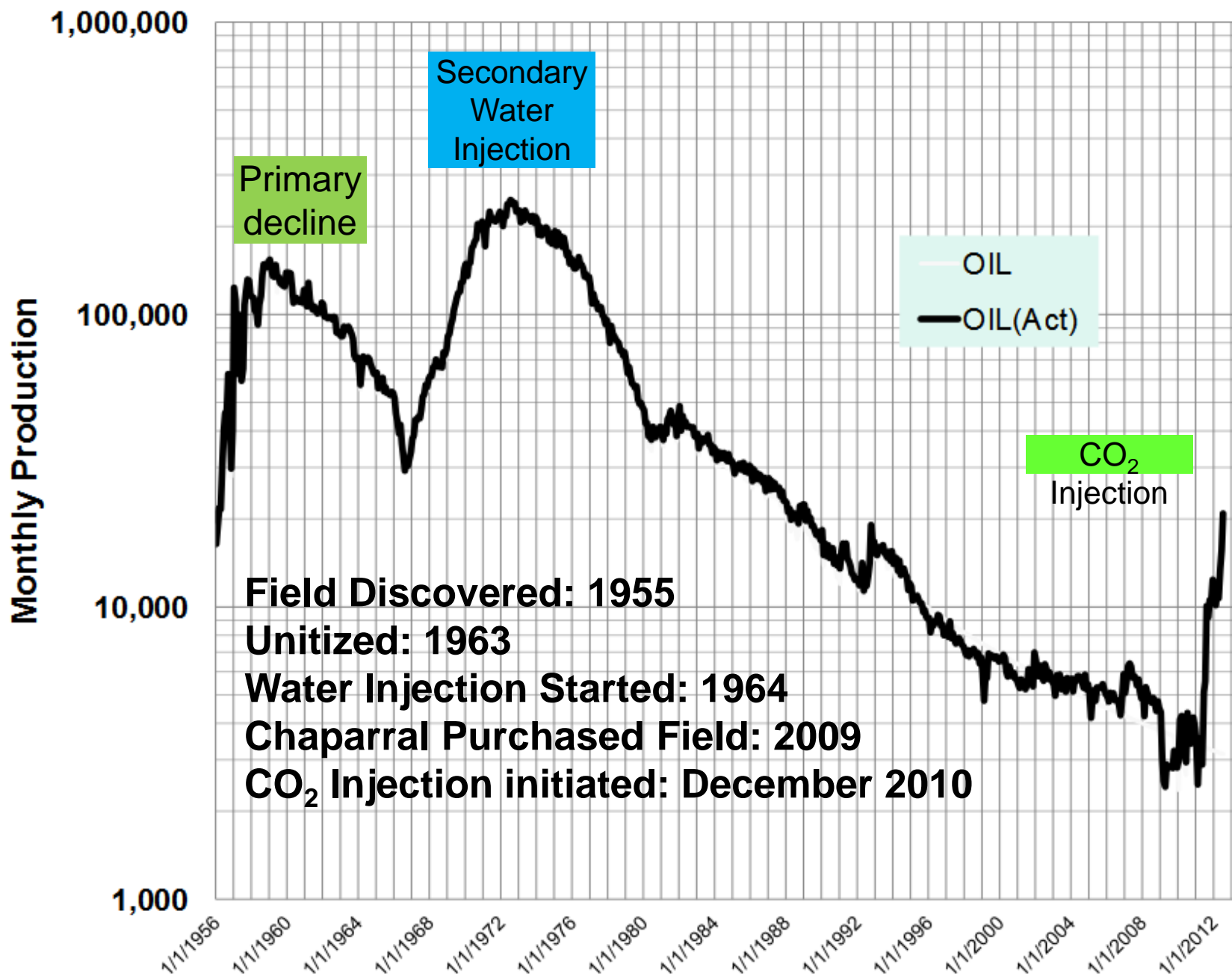
Gamma ray log, core image, facies interpretation, and ELAN mineralogy combiners from well 13-10A in the Morrow-B interval.

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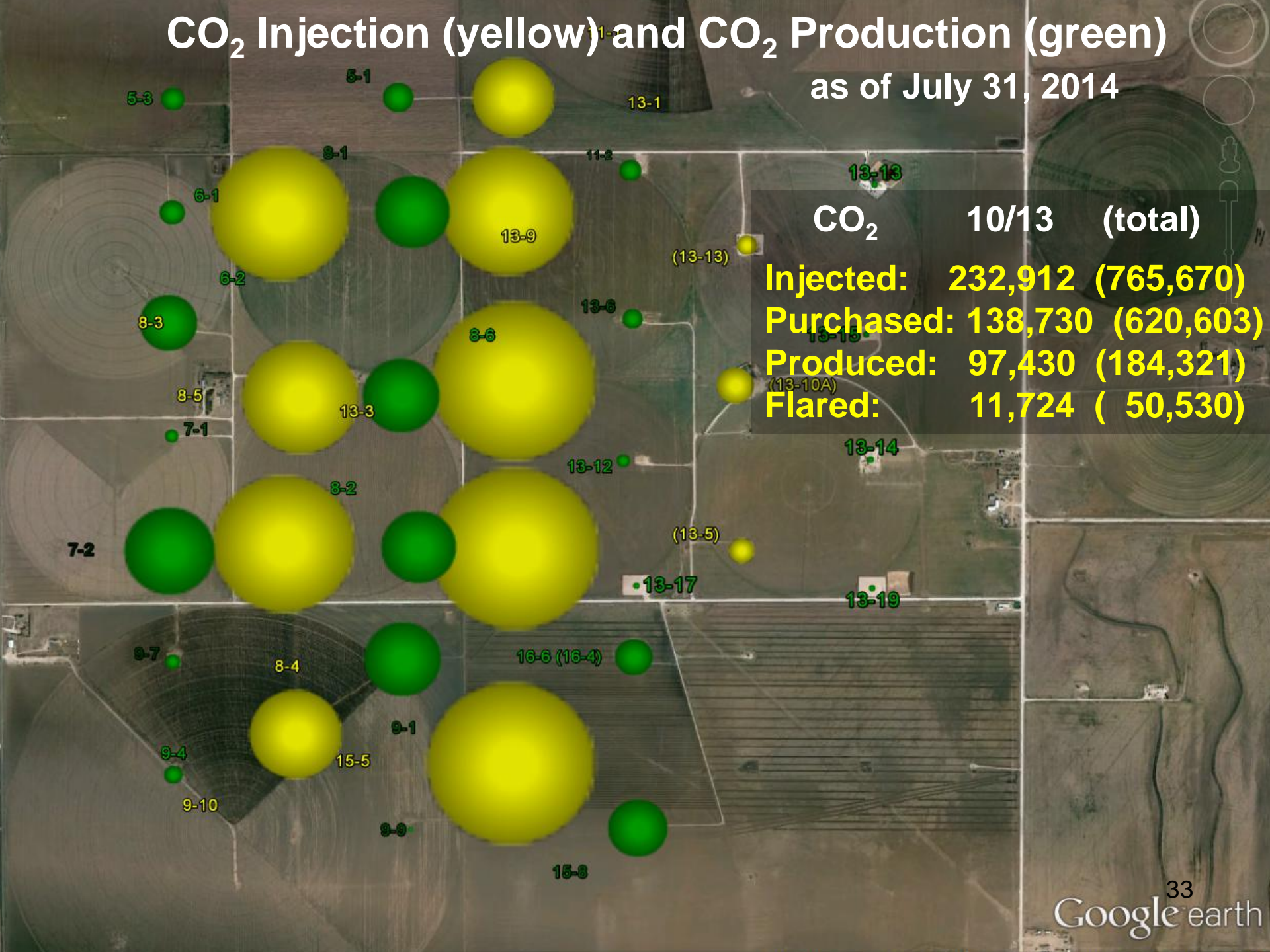
# FWU Production 1956 - 2012





# CO<sub>2</sub> Injection (yellow) and CO<sub>2</sub> Production (green)

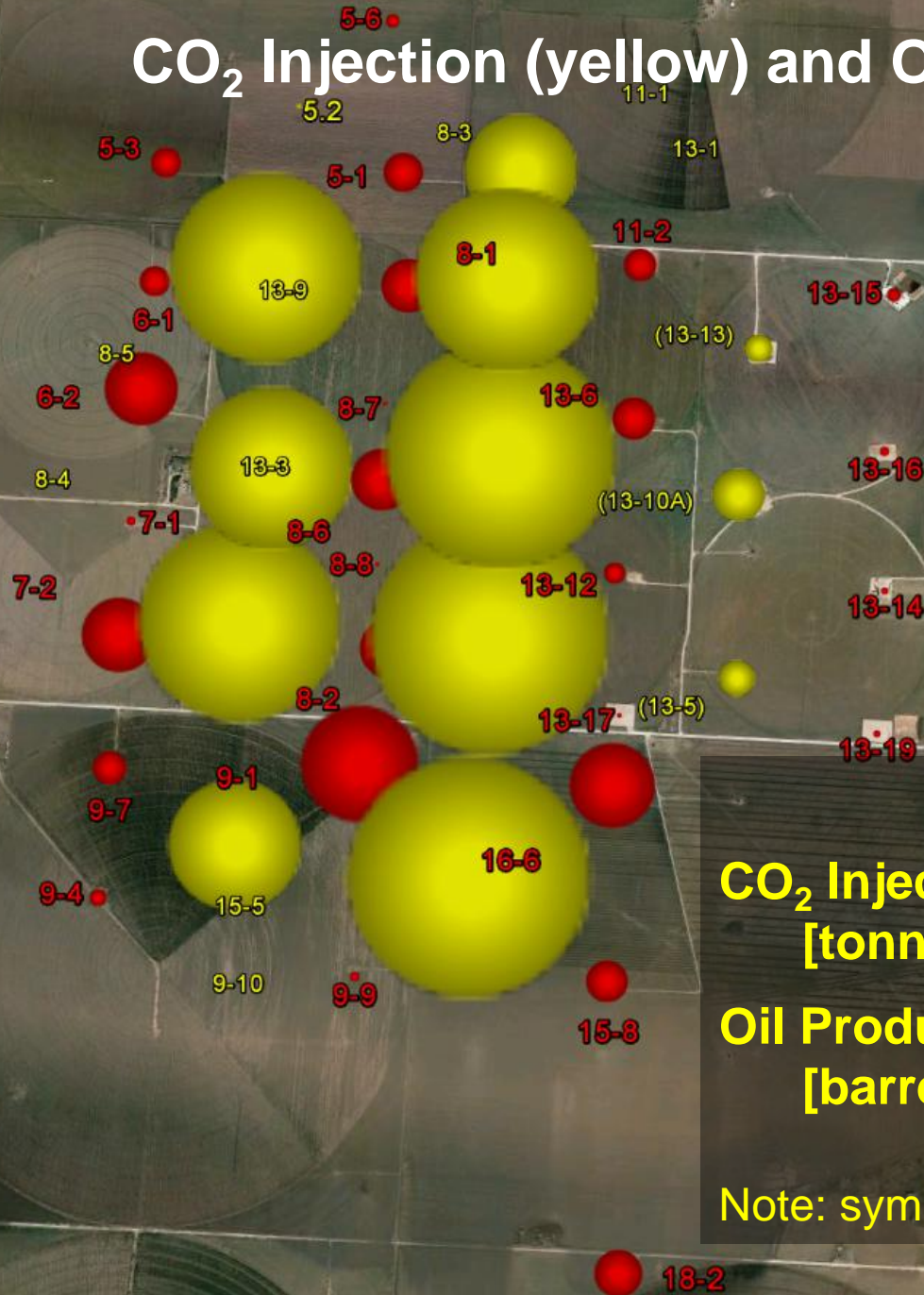
as of July 31, 2014



CO <sub>2</sub>	10/13	(total)
Injected:	232,912	(765,670)
Purchased:	138,730	(620,603)
Produced:	97,430	(184,321)
Flared:	11,724	( 50,530)



# CO<sub>2</sub> Injection (yellow) and Oil Production (red) as of June 30, 2014



	10/13	(total)
CO <sub>2</sub> Injected [tonnes]:	232,912	(765,670)
Oil Produced [barrels]:	461,345	(1,019,794)

Note: symbols all represent mass (tonnes)

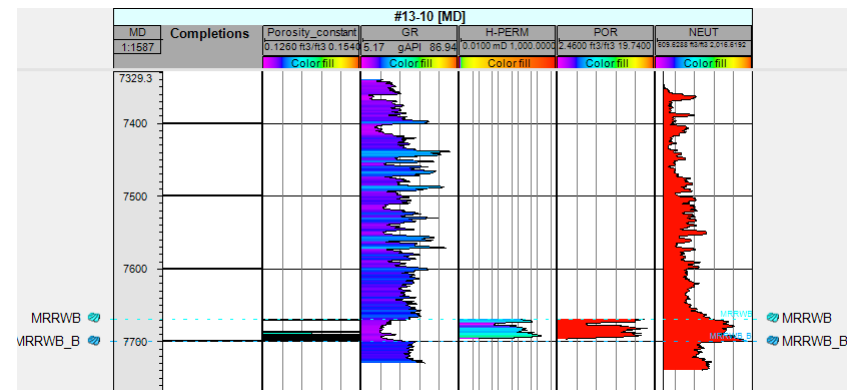
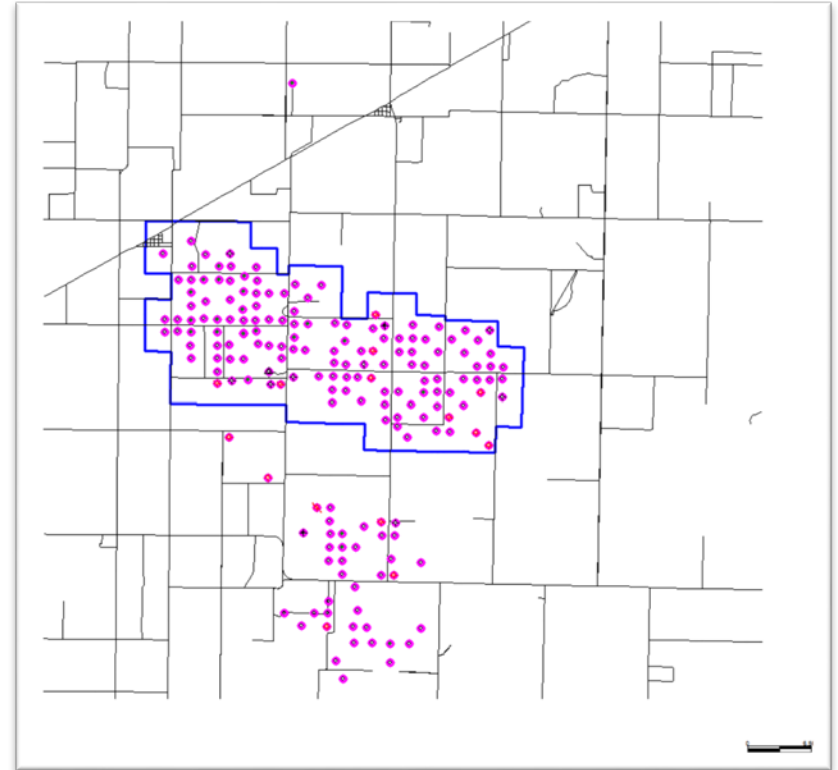
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# Well logs

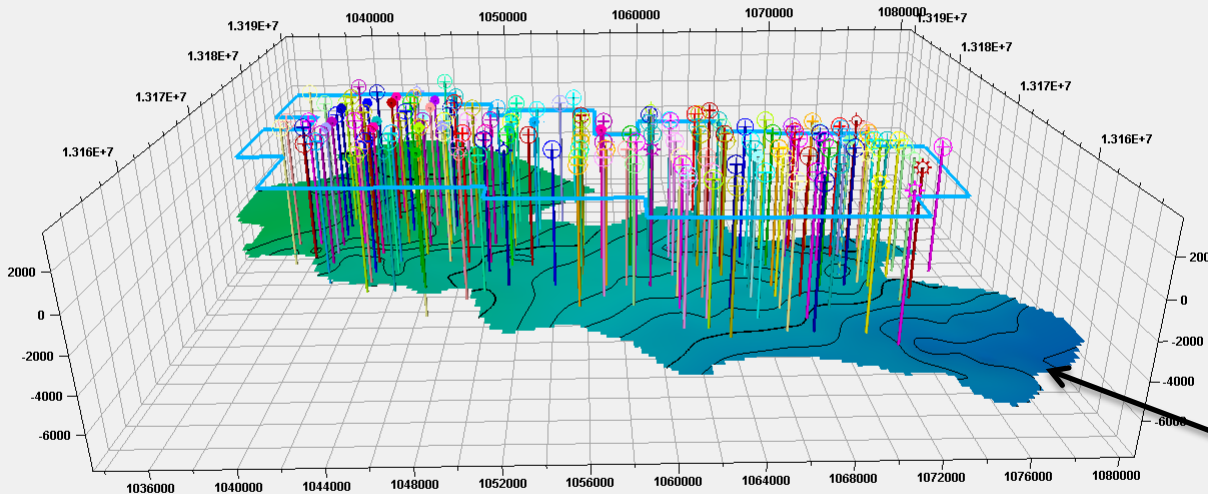
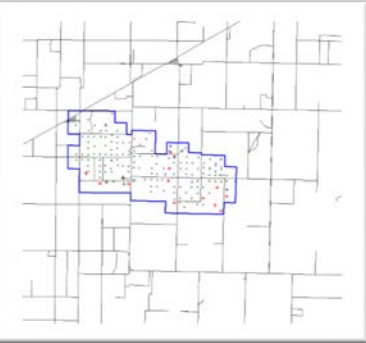
- **1,009 well log curves from 181 wells**
- **Spontaneous potential logs**
- **Gamma ray**
- **Resistivity logs, micrologs, short normal**
- **Sonic logs**
- **Neutron porosity**
- **Bulk density**
- **Core plug porosity**
- **Horizontal core perm**







# Model Development

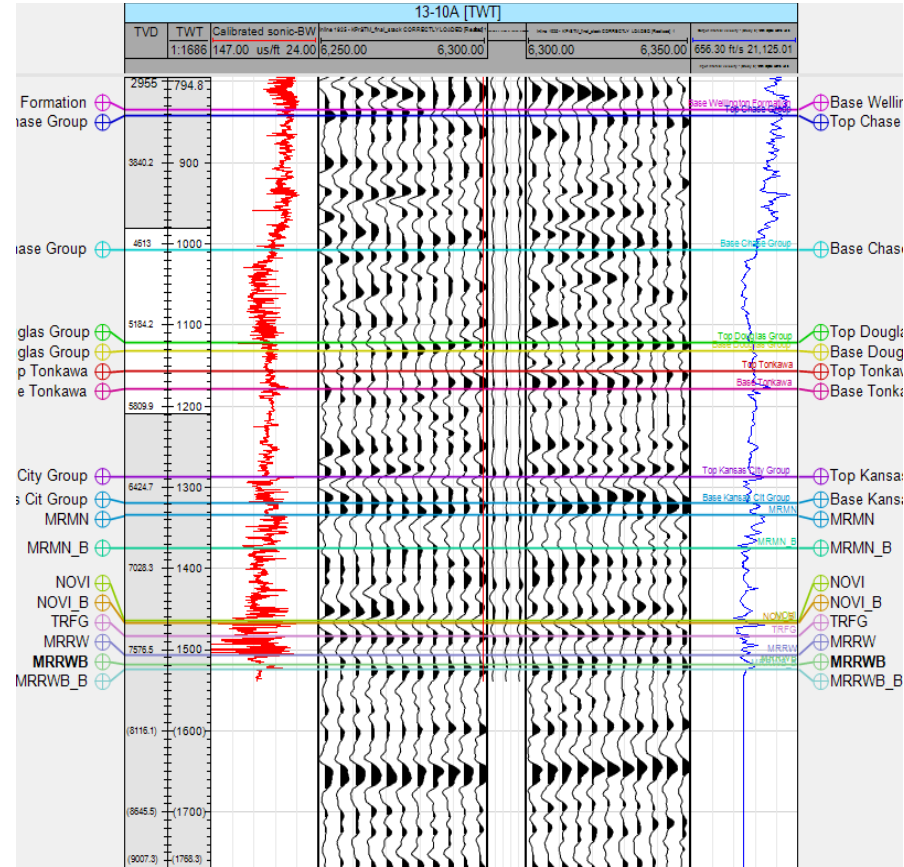
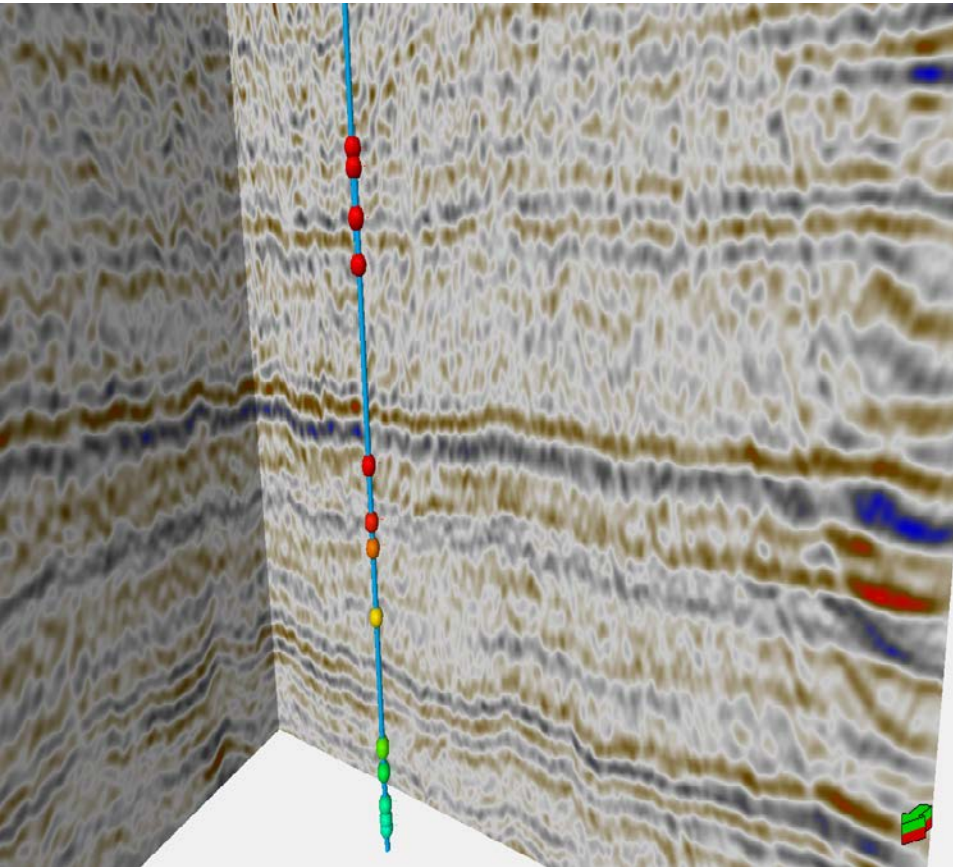


- 181 wells with logs within the FWU boundary

Top of Morrow B



# Reservoir Model Also Calibrated to Seismic Model



Ashley Hutton, 2014

# **Petrophysical Modeling of Seismic and other Geological and Geophysical Data (logs)**

## **Deterministic Techniques**

- Kriging
- Moving Average

## **Stochastic Techniques**

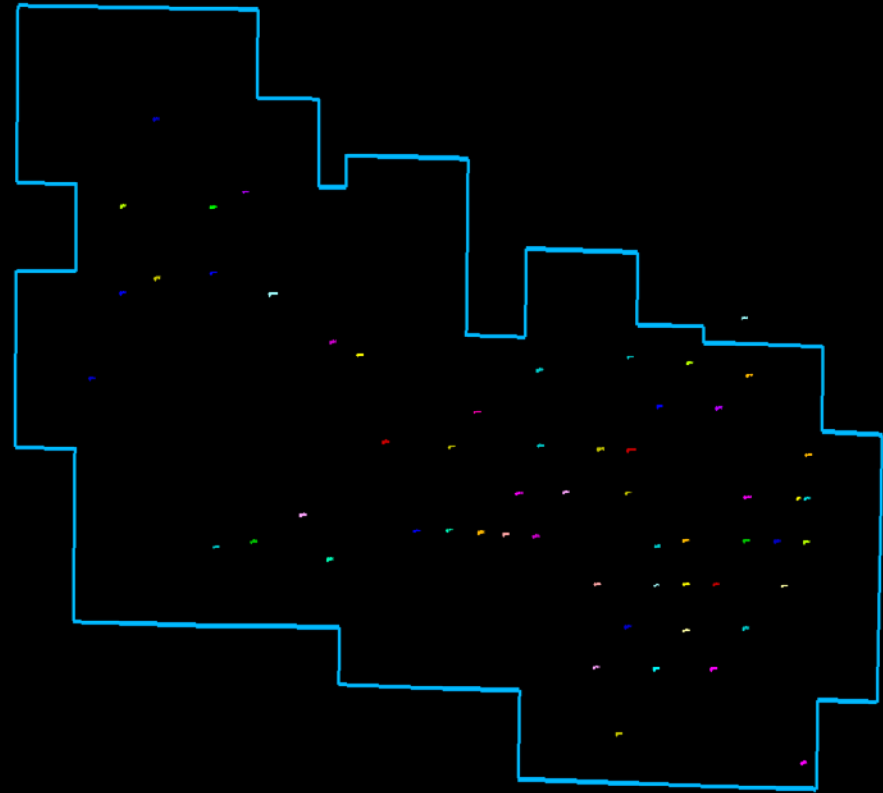
- Sequential Gaussian Simulation
- Gaussian Random function Simulation

***Just Over 1000 Realizations for the Initial  
Analysis***



# Porosity Logs

- 55 Wells Included Porosity logs
- 14 wells on West Side
- 41 Wells on East Side
- based on combined core and log data used for interpretation
- extrapolation/interpolation using deterministic/stochastic techniques



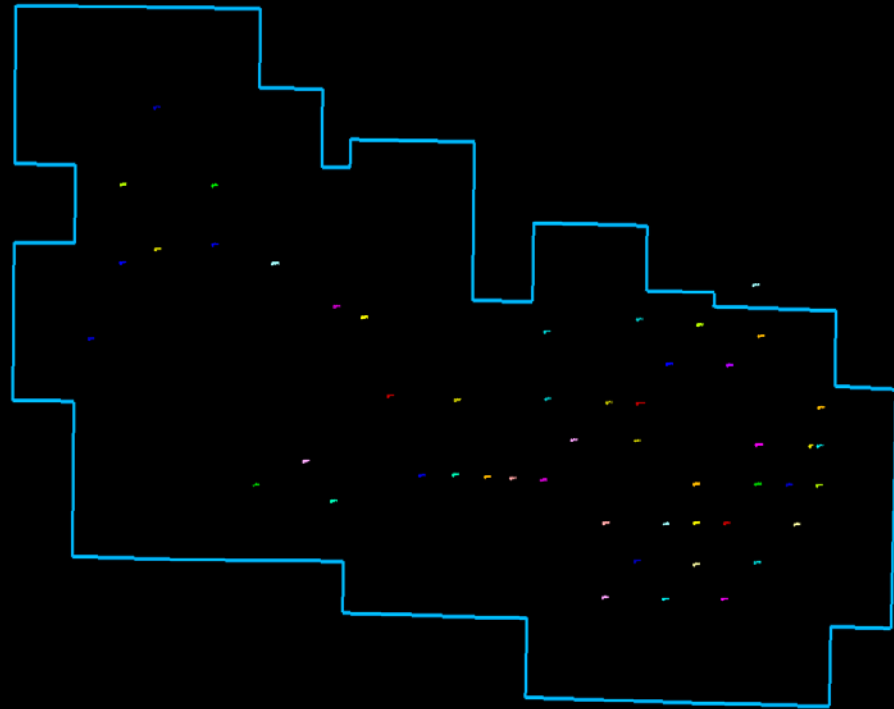
Wells with Porosity data distributed throughout the field used in the initial modeling

# Permeability Logs

- 48 Permeability Logs
- based on direct core measurements
- About 12 on West side
- 36 on East Side
- geometric averaging

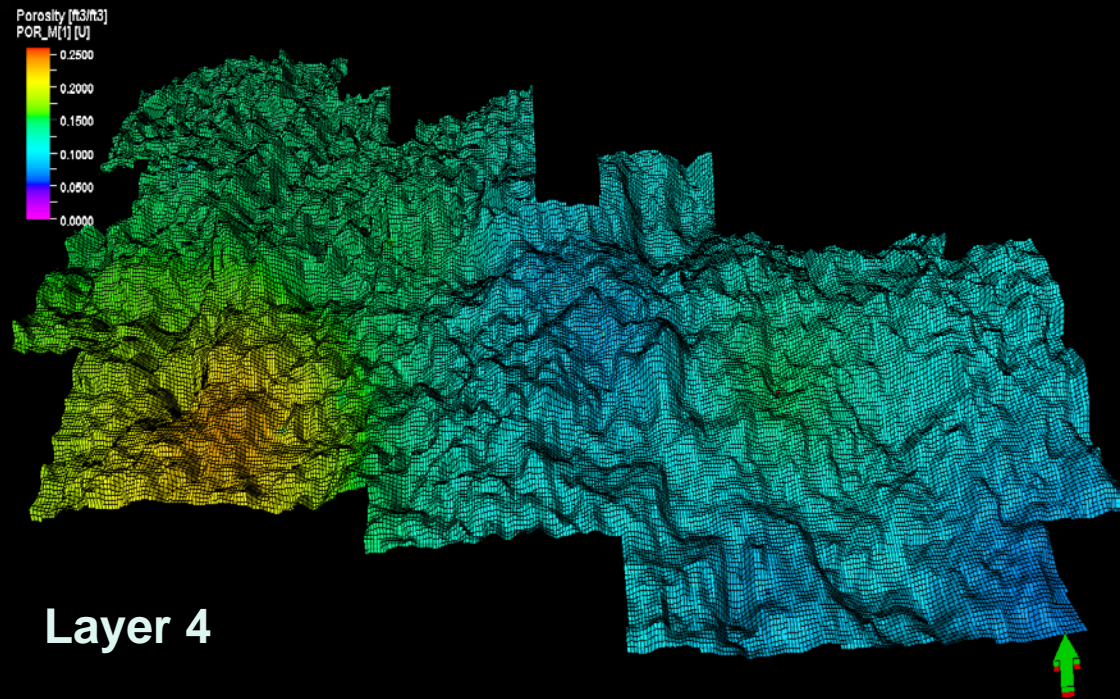
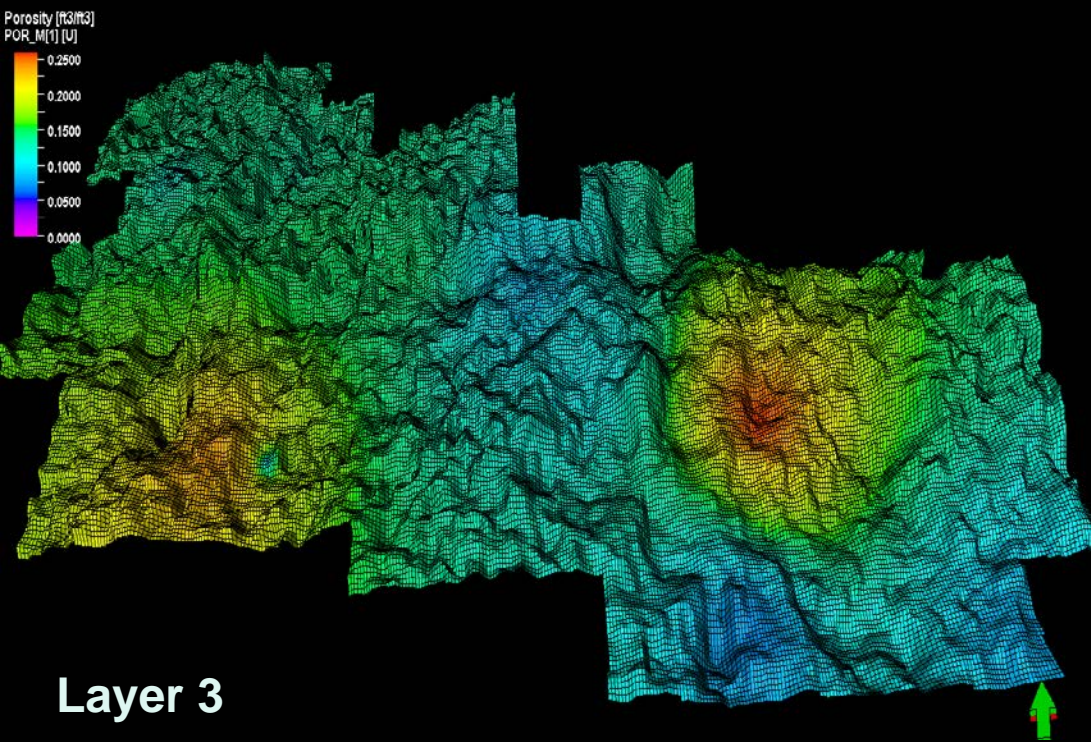
used where appropriate

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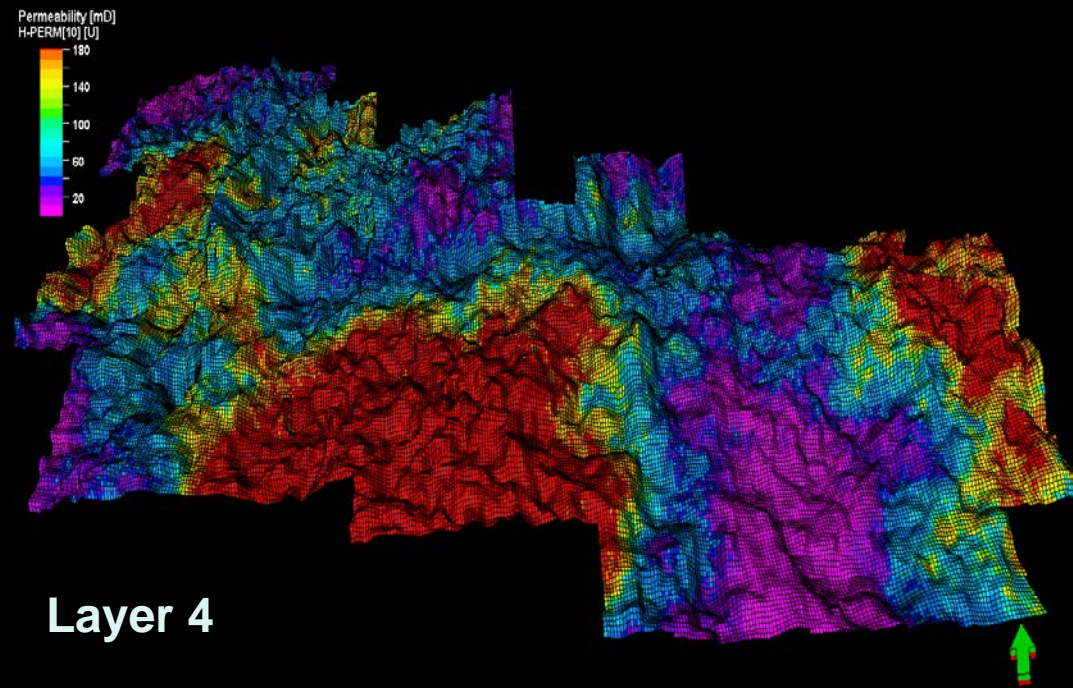
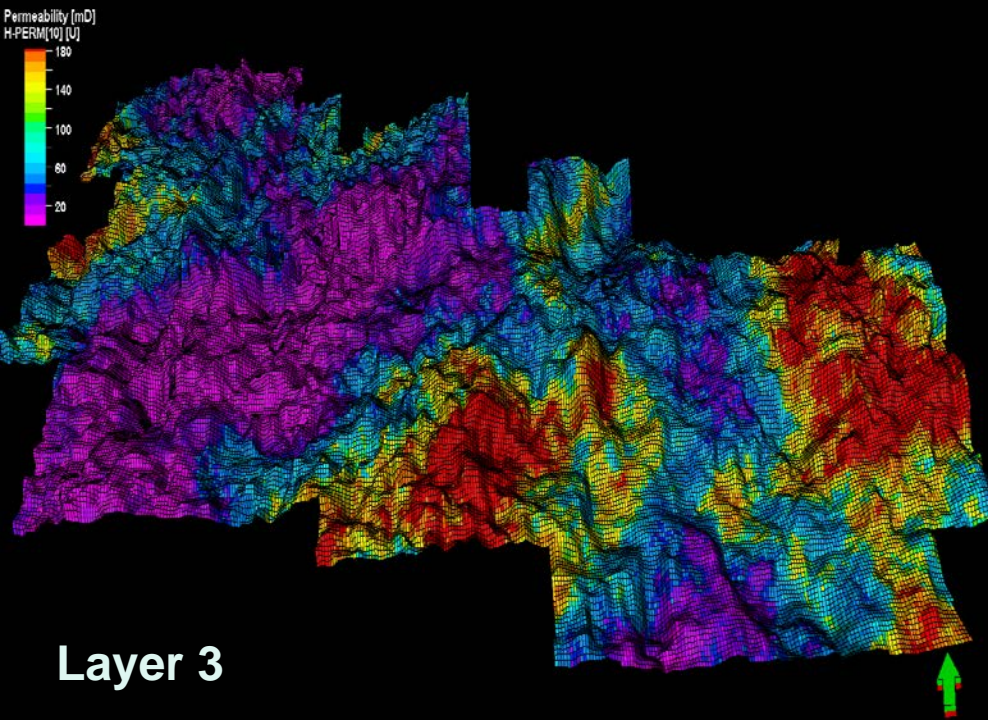
Wells with permeability data distributed throughout the field are used in the initial modeling. Majority of the core data are concentrated on the eastern side of the field.

# Interpreted Porosity Distribution





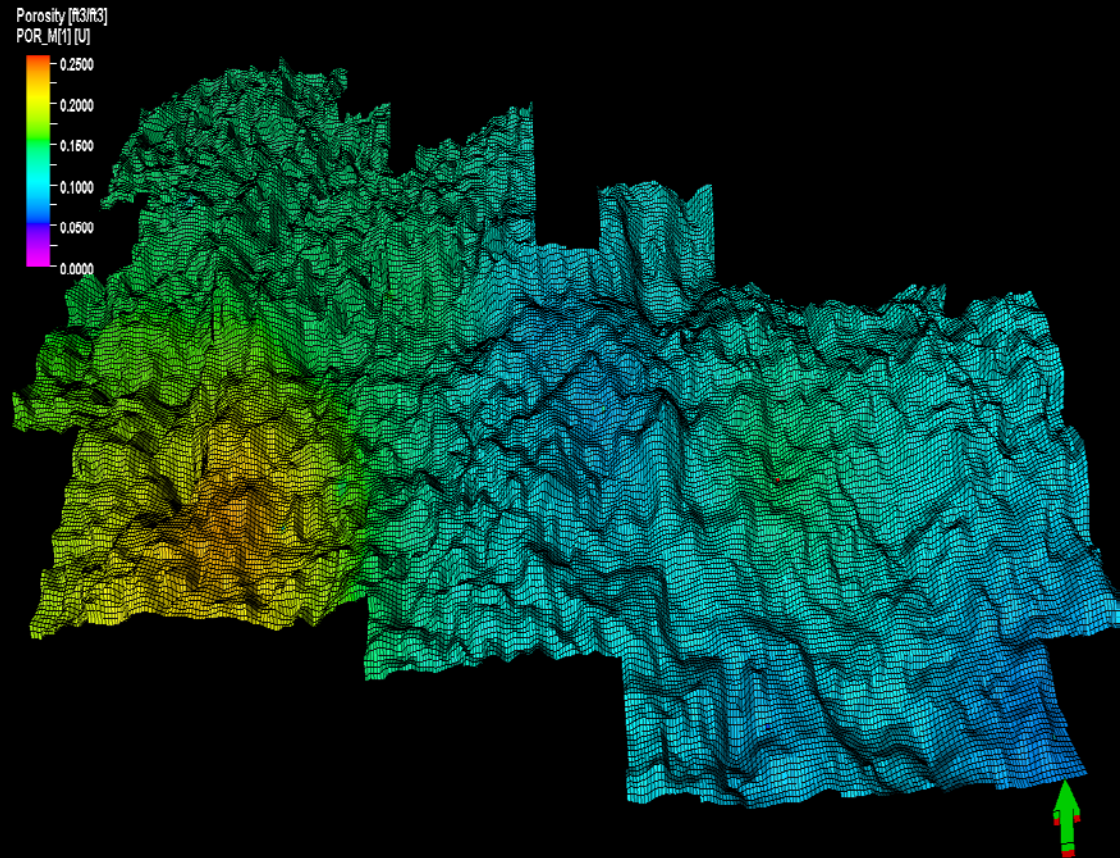
# Interpreted Permeability Distribution





# Some Details of the Initial Model

- Grid Cells  
381 x 233 x 8
- Grid Cell Dimensions  
100ft x 100ft
- Total # cells  
710184



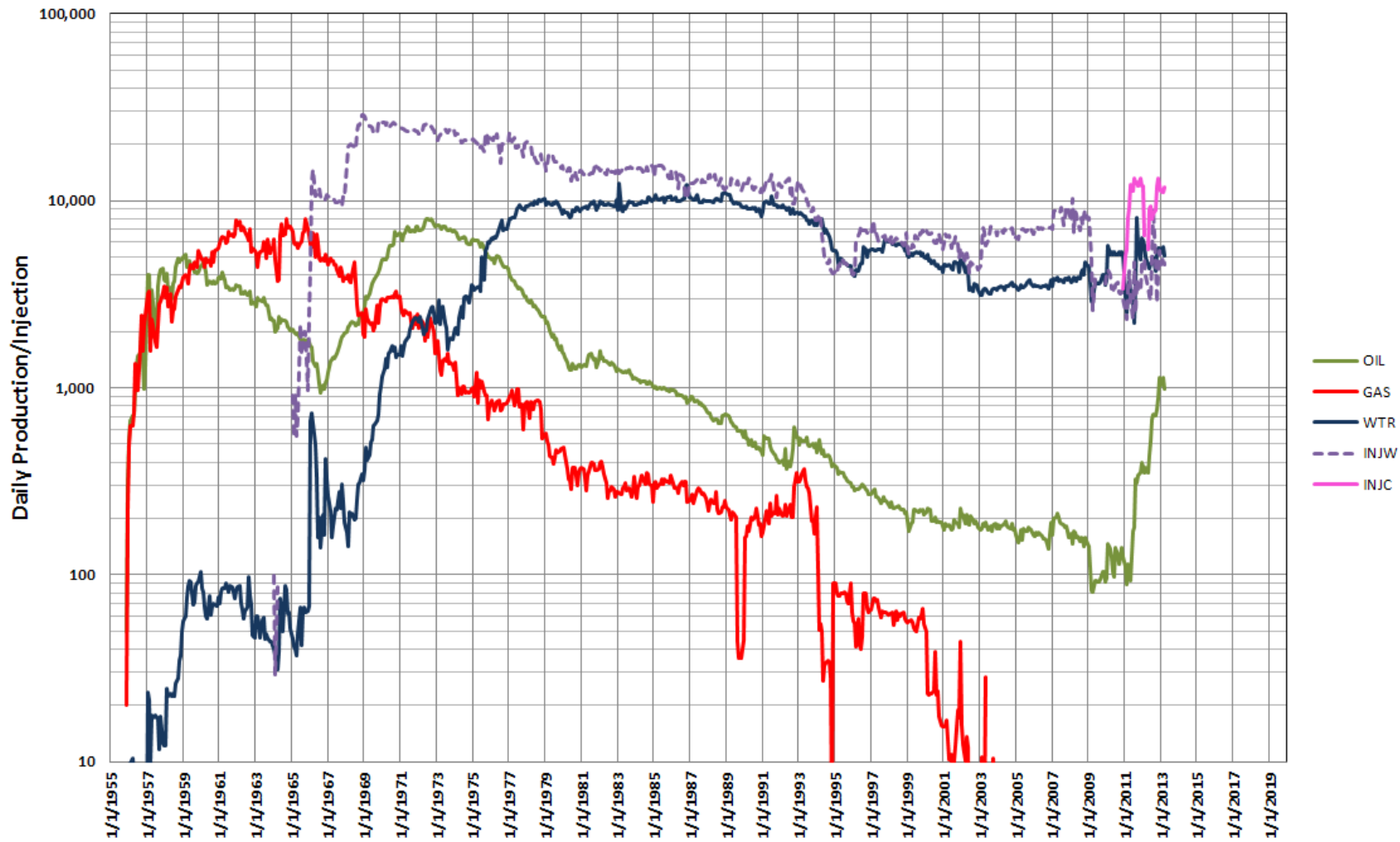
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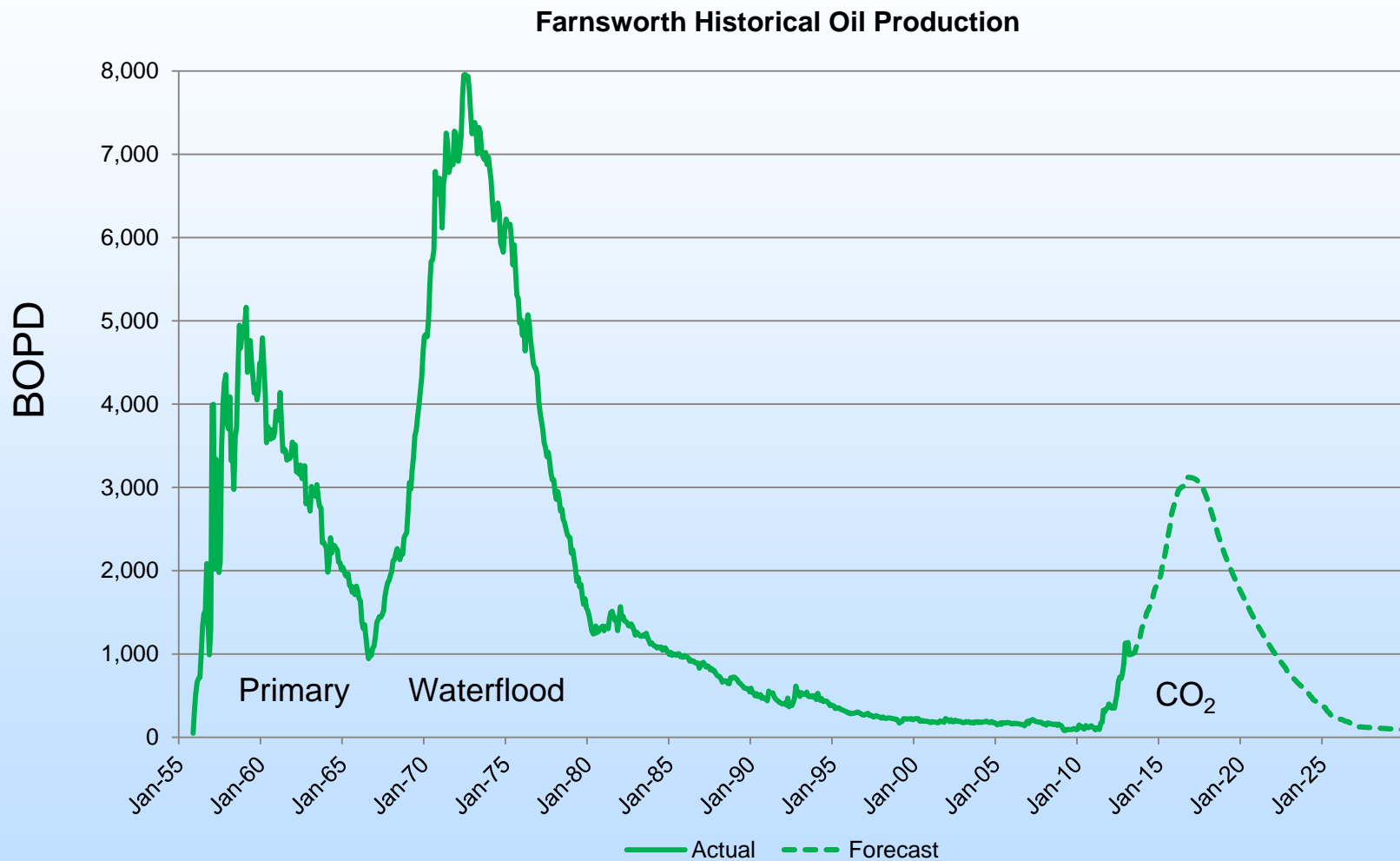
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# History Match Effort: Actual Data

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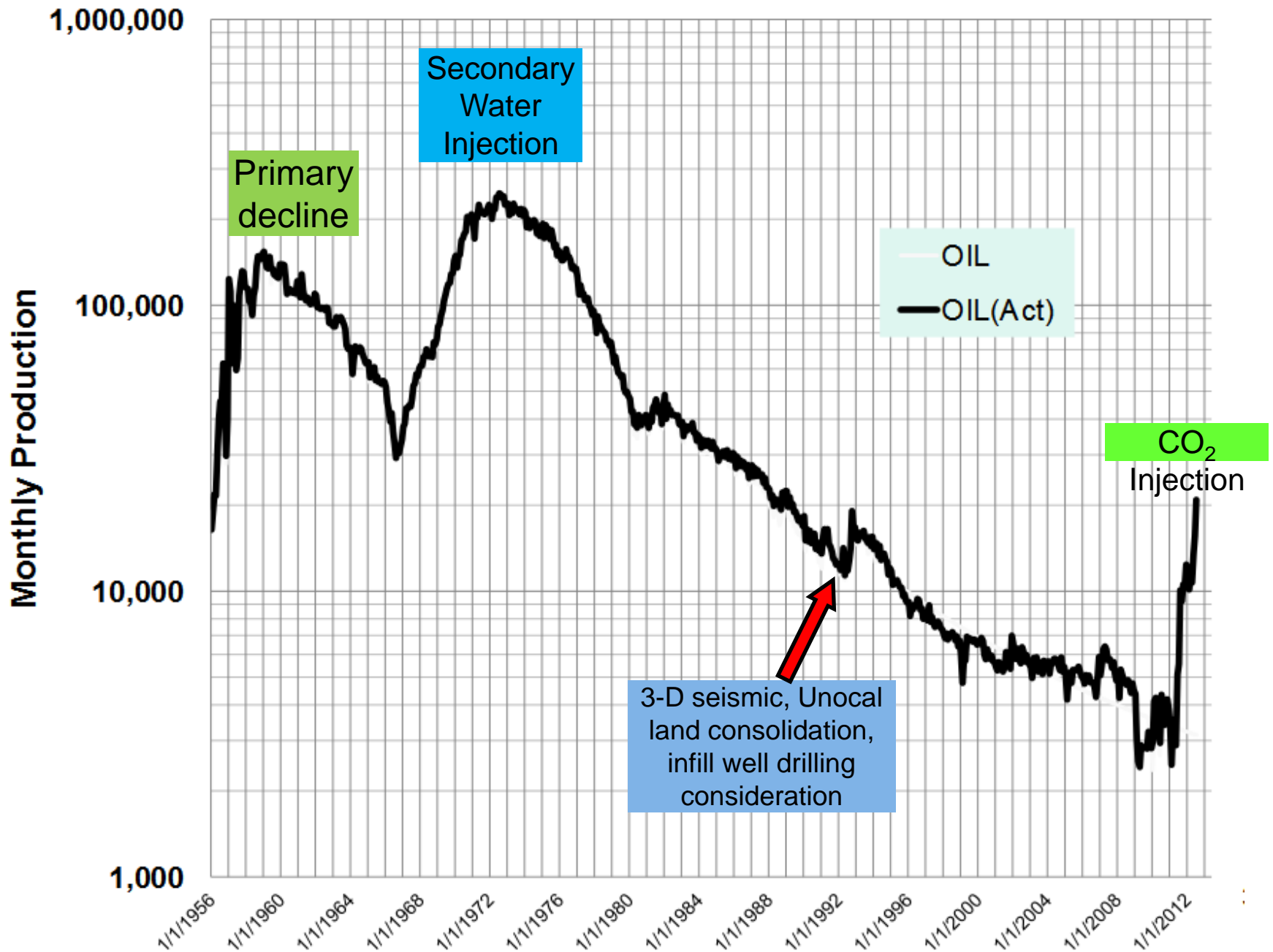


# History Match Effort: Actual Data with Forecast

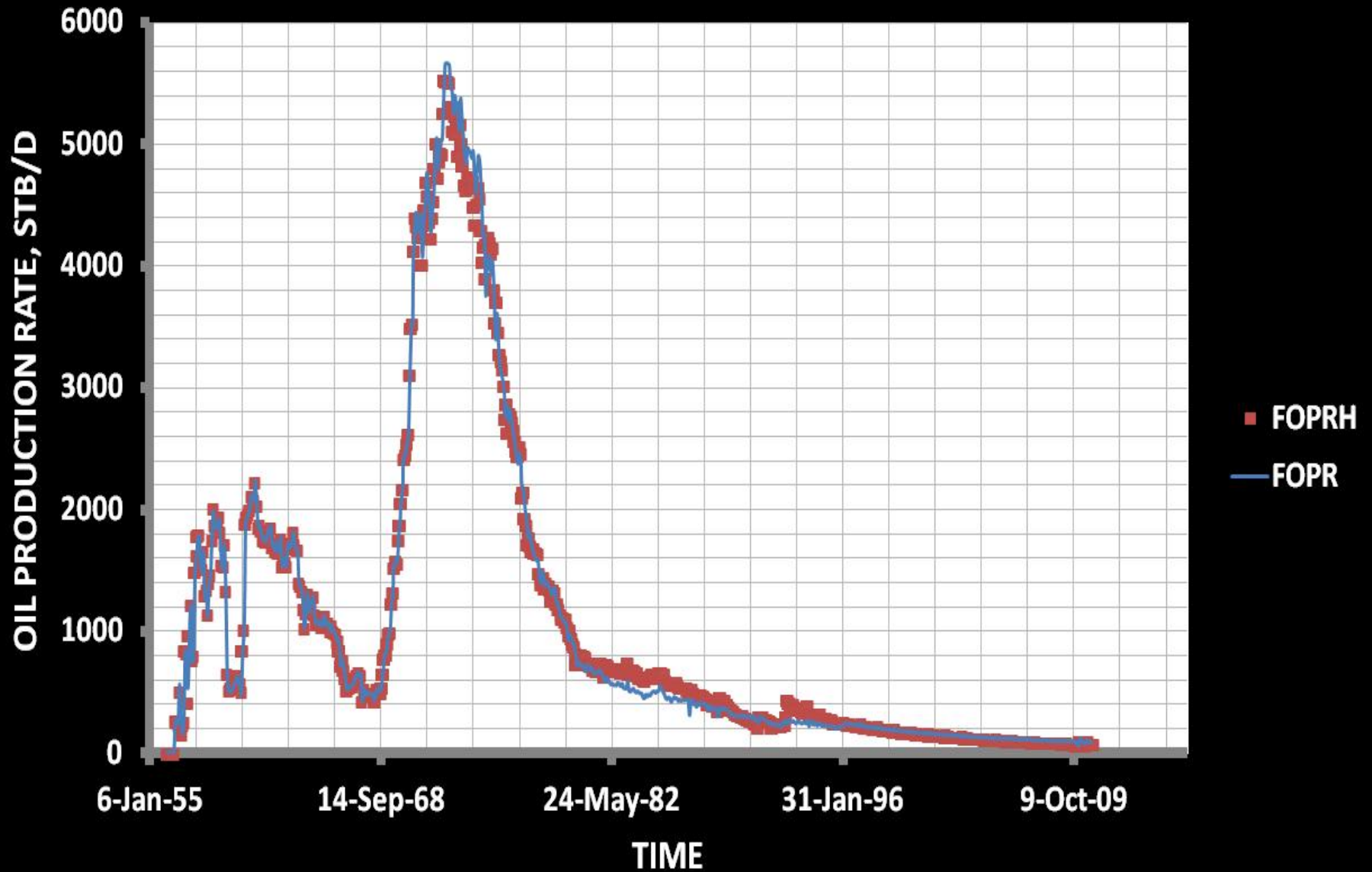




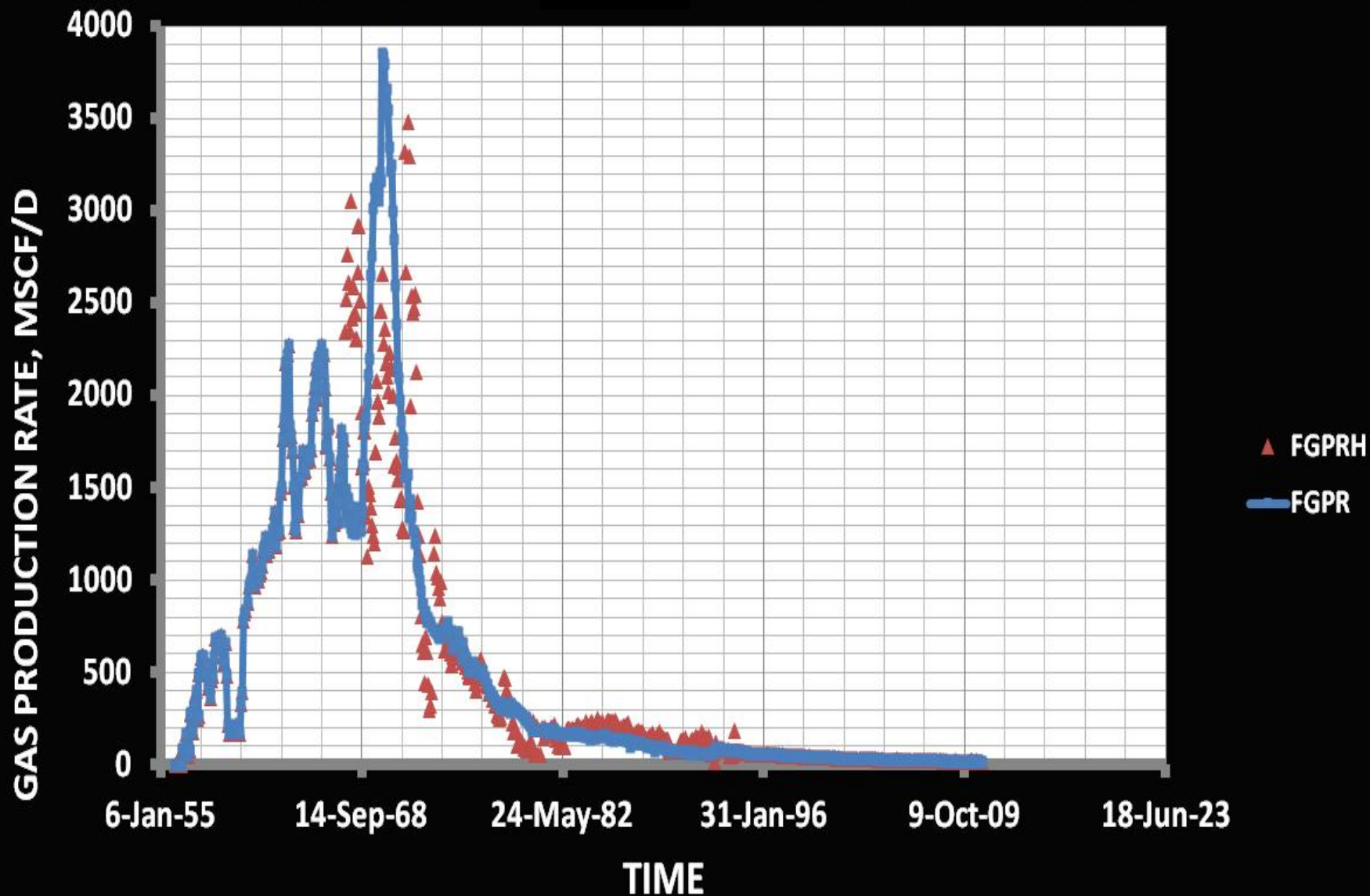
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# HISTORY MATCH- FIELD OIL PRODUCTION RATE



# HISTORY MATCH FIELD GAS PRODUCTION RATE



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## Key Findings and Lessons Learned:

- Production objectives, oil prices influence CO<sub>2</sub> availability;
- Reservoir responding at or above expectations;
- Injectivity is excellent, but the field could accommodate much more CO<sub>2</sub> injection;
- Anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> sources not as stable as anticipated; source uncertainty must be factored into project economics, including carbon credits sought;
- A major key to success is cooperation of operator;
- VSP more effective than reflection; passive seismic monitoring is **extremely** useful for characterization;
- Fluid pressure monitoring and associated hydraulic diffusivity maps (with modeling) are very effective tools;
- Regulatory policies are still not clear.

# Summary

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## – Future Plans

- Field:
  - Complete core analysis on three characterization wells
  - Repeat seismic (3D-VSP and crosswells)
  - Continue surface monitoring
  - Tracer tests
- Reservoir modeling:
  - Incorporate seismic, new logs, and core findings into geomodel
  - Integrate reservoir models and seismic models.
- Risk assessment: Initial quantitative risk analysis results coming online now;
- Laboratory: With initial core characterization near completion, lab testing just beginning.



# Appendix

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- These slides will not be discussed during the presentation, **but are mandatory**



# Organization Chart

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- Describe project team, organization, and participants.
  - Link organizations, if more than one, to general project efforts (i.e. materials development, pilot unit operation, management, cost analysis, etc.).
- Please limit company specific information to that relevant to achieving project goals and objectives.

# Gantt Chart

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- Provide a simple Gantt chart showing project lifetime in years on the horizontal axis and major tasks along the vertical axis. Use symbols to indicate major and minor milestones. Use shaded lines or the like to indicate duration of each task and the amount of that work completed to date.

# Bibliography

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List peer reviewed publications generated from project per the format of the examples below

- Journal, one author:
  - Gaus, I., 2010, Role and impact of CO<sub>2</sub>-rock interactions during CO<sub>2</sub> storage in sedimentary rocks: International Journal of Greenhouse Gas Control, v. 4, p. 73-89, available at: XXXXXXXX.com.
- Journal, multiple authors:
  - MacQuarrie, K., and Mayer, K.U., 2005, Reactive transport modeling in fractured rock: A state-of-the-science review. Earth Science Reviews, v. 72, p. 189-227, available at: XXXXXXXX.com.
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  - Bethke, C.M., 1996, Geochemical reaction modeling, concepts and applications: New York, Oxford University Press, 397 p.

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# Benefit to the Program: Program Goals Addressed

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- Support industry's ability to predict CO<sub>2</sub> storage capacity in geologic formations to within  $\pm 30$  percent.
- Develop and validate technologies to ensure 99 percent storage permanence.
- Develop technologies to improve reservoir storage efficiency while ensuring containment effectiveness.
- Develop Best Practice Manuals for monitoring, verification, accounting, and assessment; site screening, selection and initial characterization; public outreach; well management activities; and<sup>61</sup>

# Benefit to the Program: Specific Benefits

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- This project will demonstrate carbon storage concomitant with EOR, and elucidate aspects that maximize storage capacity without compromising EOR recovery efficacy. Although this project contributes to several program goals (previous slide), perhaps the most significant is development of technologies to improve reservoir storage efficiency while ensuring containment effectiveness

# Project Overview: Goals and Objectives

- Storage Capacity Verification
  - The SWP is developing technologies that will support our industry partner's ability to predict and confirm CO<sub>2</sub> storage capacity in geologic formations
  - The uncertainty or tolerance planned is  $\pm 30\%$  (target is  $\pm 10\%$ )
  - Injectivity determined from wellbore simulation models calibrated with CO<sub>2</sub> injection from existing patterns, laboratory analysis of core, and well-testing of characterization wells.
  - Capacity verification via 3-D simulation models and direct data, 3D-VSP, crosswell tomography, tracers, pressure and temperature, and production data.
  - **Success Criteria: consistency between gross totals from simulated forecasts to gross mass balance data provided by operator**
- Verification of Containment
  - The SWP will confirm that 99 % of injected CO<sub>2</sub> remains in the injection zones
  - **Success Criteria: From Phase II project results, we find that the most effective criteria are results of indirect monitoring including geophysical (VSP) surveys, and results of direct monitoring including tracer measurements, pressure and geochemical monitoring**

# Project Overview: Goals and Objectives

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- Storage Permanence
  - Storage permanence will be inferred by evaluating time-scales of CO<sub>2</sub> migration, with results assessed by geophysical (VSP) surveys, tracer monitoring, pressure and geochemical monitoring, and detailed numerical modeling calibrated by these data.
  - **Success criteria: for permanent storage, no criteria possible, but confirmation for the duration of the project will be continuous**
- Plume Extent and Potential Leakage Pathways
  - The SWP will characterize and forecast potential plume extent and potential leakage pathways via geophysical surveys, tracer monitoring, pressure and geochemical monitoring, and detailed numerical modeling.
  - **Success criteria: confirm forecasts through continuous direct monitoring (especially tracers in the production stream) during and after injection**



# Project Overview: Goals and Objectives

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- Risk Assessment

- The SWP has developed a comprehensive risk assessment strategy which is “Adaptive”— iterative modeling-monitoring approach for assessment of uncertainty and performance assessment: healthy/safety risks, economic and programmatic risks, and otherwise
- **Success criteria: review of risk assessment results by NETL and external panel of risk experts**

**As indicated previously: NEW FIVE SPOT PATTERNS WILL BE DRILLED EVERY SIX MONTHS. THE SWP WILL “LEARN” FROM RESULTS, RE-ADJUST AND RE-DESIGN DEPLOYMENT FOR EACH NEW SET OF INJECTION WELLS, BASED ON ANALYSIS OF RESULTS OF THE PREVIOUS SETS OF WELLS.**

