

Carbon Storage Assurance Facility Enterprise (CarbonSAFE)

The CarbonSAFE Initiative began in 2016 to facilitate development of commercialscale storage facilities, each with the capacity to store more than 50 million metric tons (MMT) of carbon dioxide (CO₂). The CarbonSAFE Initiative has been carried out in a phased approach representing the different stages in the development of a storage project, from conception to construction.





PROCRAM OBJECTIVES

- Address the technical and non-technical challenges associated with characterization, permitting, and monitoring of a commercial-scale (50+ MMT CO₂) geologic storage complex.
- Collect geologic data from basins within the United States to address research and development (R&D) knowledge gaps.
- Develop a suite of tools for rapid and effective site screening, site characterization and development, and basin-scale storage resource monitoring and management.
- Develop tools and technologies that ensure effective resource utilization, operational safety, and long-term integrity.
- Provide an advanced, strategic, carbon capture, utilization, and storage (CCUS)-specific data infrastructure system to facilitate technology transfer and drive the efficient & rapid deployment of the CCUS industry.
- Prioritize community engagement through a Community Benefits Plan (CBP) to ensure that CCUS infrastructure maximizes benefits and minimizes impacts to surrounding communities.





- **Phase I: Integrated CCS Pre-Feasibility** 12-18-month initiative
- · Formation of a team
- Inventory available data
- Purchase seismic data
- Purchase and condition well data
- Model scenarios
- Risk Assessment
- Community Benefits

Phase II: Storage Complex Feasibility 18-24-month initiative

- Data Collection
- Geologic analysis
- Analysis of contractual and regulatory requirements
- Subsurface modeling
- Risk Assessment
- Evaluate monitoring requirements
- Community Benefits

Phase III: Site Characterization and Permitting <3-year initiative

- Detailed site characterization
- Prepare/Submit UIC Class VI or BSEE Permits to Construct
- CO₂ Source(s) Feasibility Study
- CO₂ transport FEED Study
- Storage Field Development and Commercialization Plan
- NEPA process/approvals
- Community Benefits

Phase III.5

- NEPA process/approvals
- CO₂ transport FEED and supplemental analyses
- Community Benefits



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- **Phase IV: Construction** <2.5-year initiative
- Drill and complete injecting and monitoring wells
- Complete risk and mitigation plans
- Obtain EPA UIC Class VI or BSEE Permit/Authorization to Inject
- Community Benefits

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