

Pathways to CO₂ Utilization and Storage for the Intermountain West Region

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I-WEST Overview: the Road to Carbon Neutrality in the Intermountain West

I-WEST Objectives

Develop regional, stakeholder-informed technology “roadmap” for a sustainable and equitable transition to carbon neutral

- Regionally relevant technology pathways
- Options for deployment now & within next decade
- Explicit consideration of equity, impact, & workforce

Facilitate regional coalitions to implement & deploy roadmap



Enabling Mechanisms for CCUS

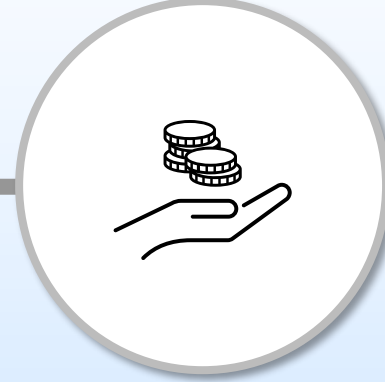
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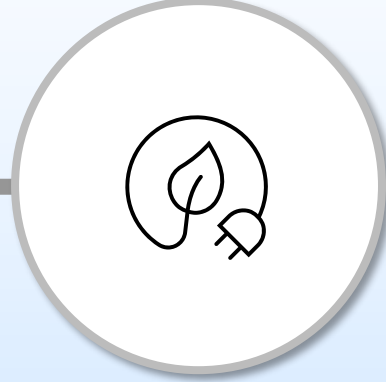
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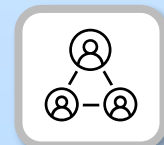
Value Delivery

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CO₂ Reduction

Positive GDP / Economic Impact

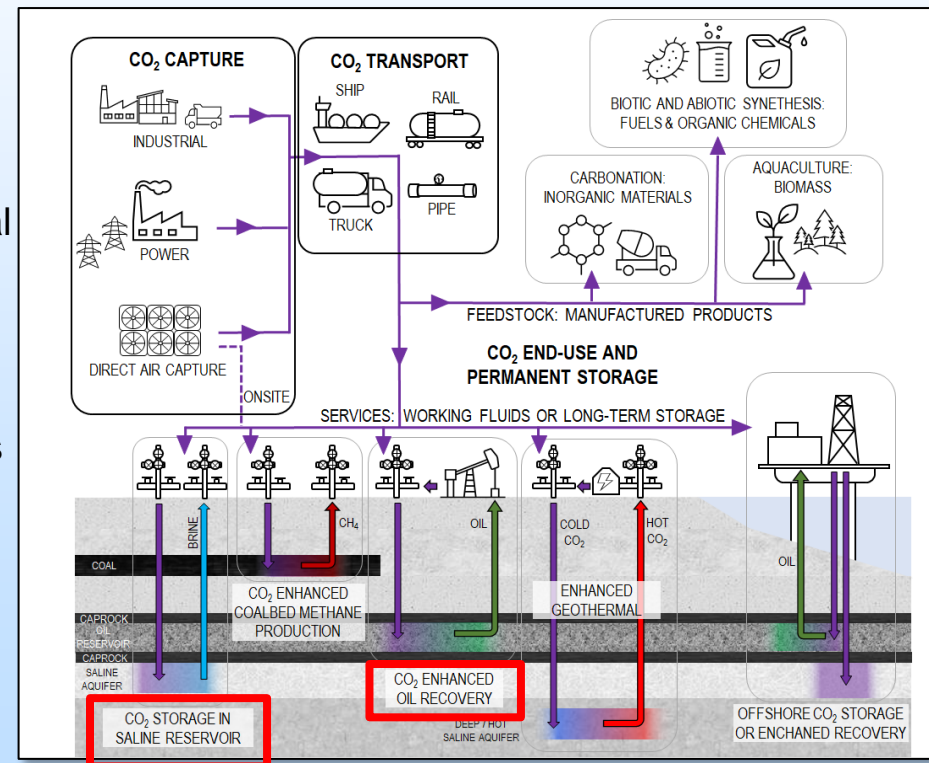


Values Preservation

CCUS Pathway Assessment Objectives

Evaluate opportunity for CCUS to deploy at significant scale in I-WEST region

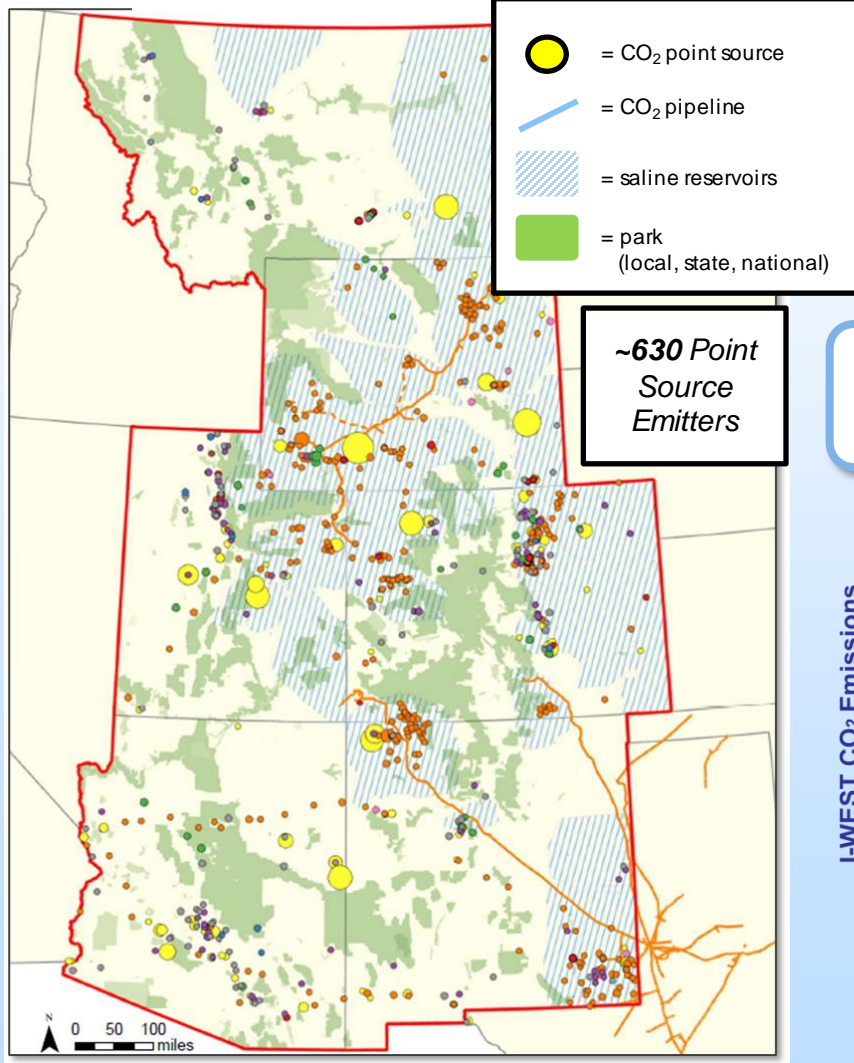
1. ID regionally relevant opportunities & roadblocks given regionally relevant attributes
2. Mitigate perceived technical/business risk with critical insight to promote widespread adoption
3. Emphasize how projects are blending tech & policy support to create positive regional economic benefits
4. Outline next steps to facilitate further deployment
 - Consider synergies of existing power & industrial economies
 - Identify research gaps & needs
 - Support alignment of CCUS with new & emerging economies related to hydrogen, bioenergy, & direct air capture (DAC)



Multiple configurations exist across the CCUS value chain

CO₂ Emissions & Reduction Pathways

I-WEST CO₂ Point Sources



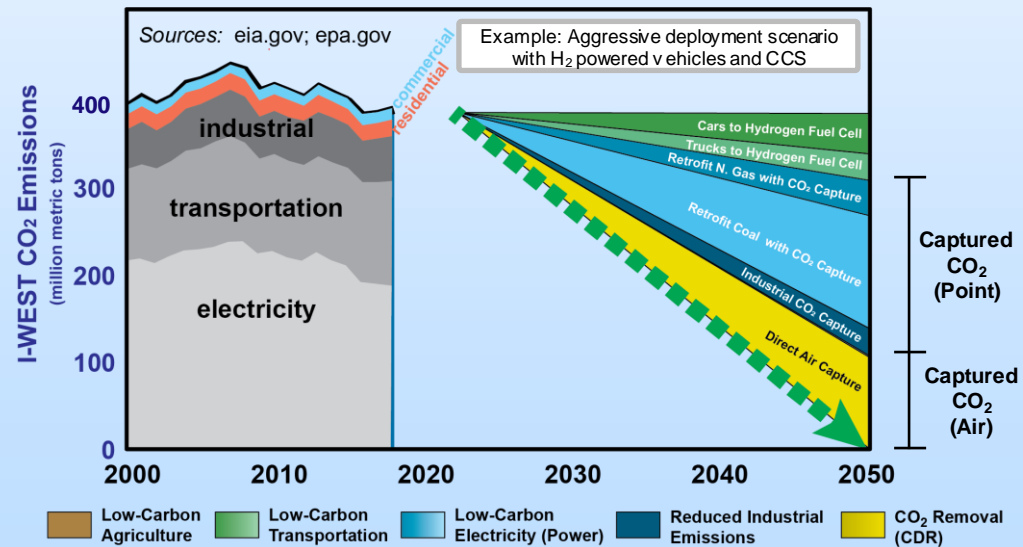
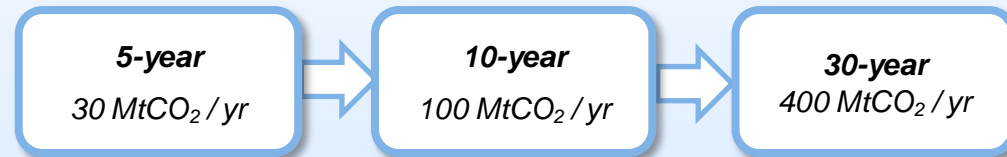
Point Sources CO₂e Emissions

243 Mt / yr

Largest Emissions Sectors

**Power – 66%
Pet / NG – 20%**

Emission Reduction Timeline



Process for Gaining “Place-Based” Insight

Workshops: Discussions with regional stakeholders

- State/tribal-level outreach workshops
- Technical roundtable
- Socio-economic & policy roundtable

I-WEST | STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP SERIES
The Role of Carbon Storage and Geologic Utilization in Meeting Regional Carbon-neutrality Goals

Workshop Information:
 Date: December 14, 2021
 Time: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm MT

Locations: Held via Webex with no cost to attend

Why join this workshop?
 Technologies to capture carbon dioxide (CCUS) are important components in a carbon-neutral energy economy. This workshop will solicit perspectives on the economic opportunity, a road map to facilitate networking across CO₂ storage utilization, and discuss pathways to share experiences, lessons learned, and planning to conduct CO₂ storage studies. Input received at this workshop will feed expert knowledge that will be presented by 14 projects.

Informative and Interact!
 The format of this workshop will be a utilization topics by current or emerging 2) facilitated discussions in which participants

WORKSHOP SUMMARY
 The Role of Carbon Storage and Geologic Utilization in Meeting Regional Carbon-neutrality Goals
 Virtual workshop held December 14, 2021

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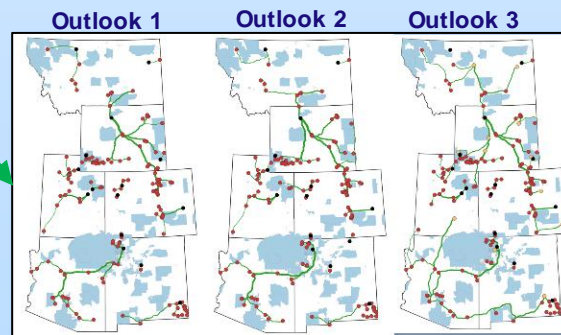
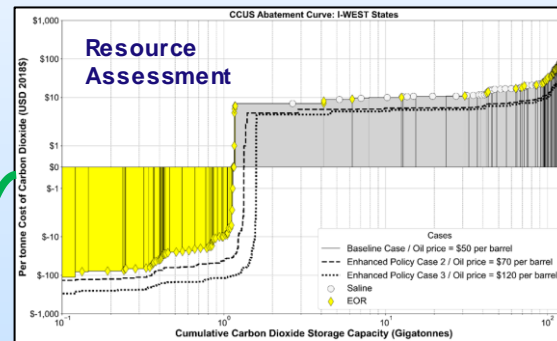
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Regional deployment outlook & economic assessment with mature CCUS analysis tools

- **NETL:** CO₂ storage, transport, & CO₂-EOR economic models
- **LANL:** SimCCS model



Group discussions with multi-state stakeholder team to formulate vision for assessing CCUS opportunity

- SWOT analysis
- Gap assessment

Participating Institutions



Summary available: <https://iwest.org/events/>

CCUS in the I-WEST: SWOT

Strengths

- CCUS is a high TRL technology
- Ample regional geologic storage potential
- CO₂ pipeline networks exist & are expanding
- Favorable policy progress & more in works

Weaknesses

- Slow UIC Class VI permitting process, particularly for states/tribes w/o primacy
- Expensive tech requiring large investment
- Uncertainty in CCUS policy landscape

Opportunities

- Evolving policy broadens opportunity (BIL, IRA - 45Q expansion, LCFS, Class VI primacy)
- Early-mover business cases exist (CO₂-EOR, acid gas injection)
- Produce/treat brine to augment water supply

Threats

- Lack of public & social acceptance
- Acceleration of fossil-plant shuttering
- No expansion of 45Q or eligibility window
- Federal or state-based leasing restrictions
- Pressure issues if ops not well managed

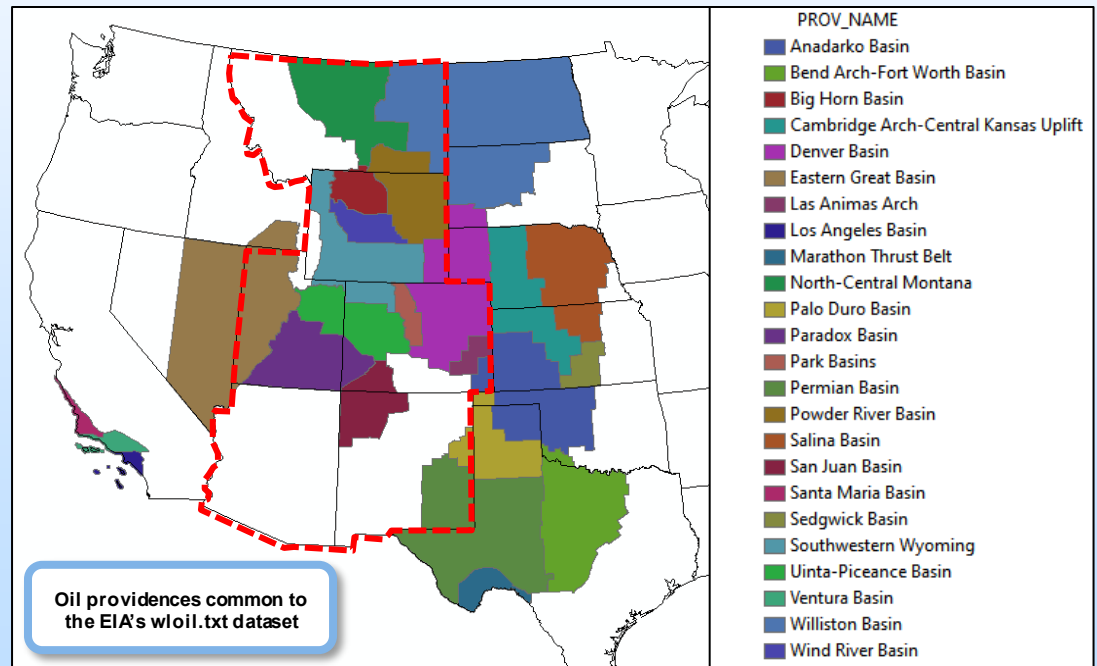
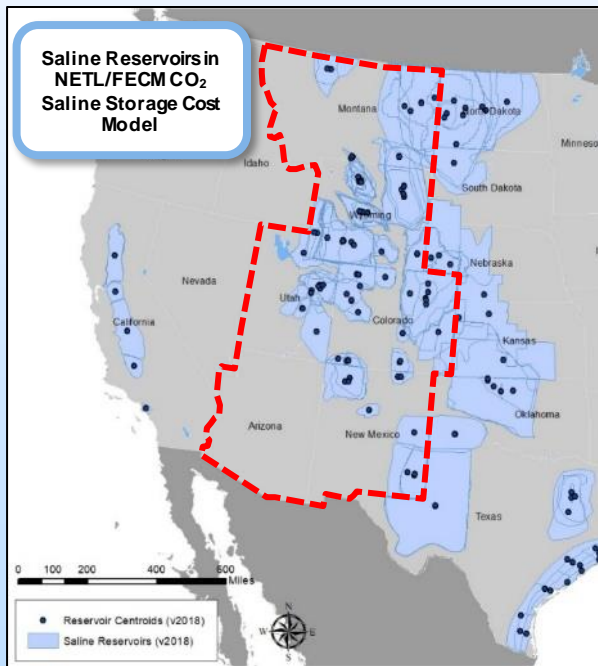
Assessing Implications of CCUS Deployment in the I-WEST

- Does sufficient, **low-cost storage capacity** exist within region to deploy CCUS at scale?
- What **percent of existing I-WEST point CO₂ emissions** could regional geology accommodate?
- Does **reserve storage capacity exist** should CO₂ volume requiring storage increase over time?
- What **magnitude of projects** (& where are favorable geologic targets) need deployed based on CO₂ volume to be managed?
- **Size of pipeline network** required to connect capture point sources with viable geologic storage?
- **Workforce implications** given emerging regional CO₂ economy where CCUS plays central role?

CCUS Analytical Tools

Analytical framework applied leverages mature analysis tools with relevant geologic data

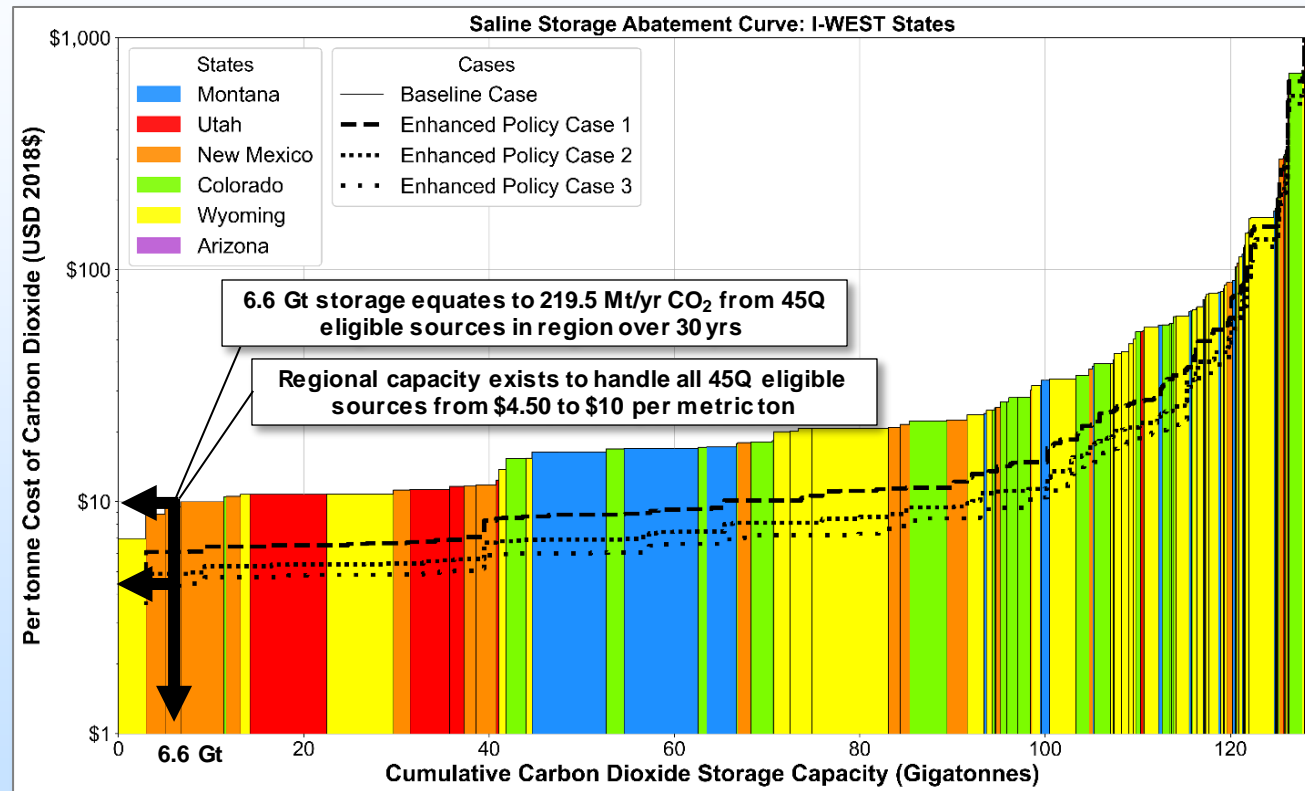
Analytical Domain	CCUS Tool
Saline storage capacity & cost evaluation	FECM/NETL CO ₂ Saline Storage Cost Model ¹
CO ₂ -EOR capacity & cost evaluation	FECM/NETL Onshore CO ₂ -EOR Evaluation System ^{2,3}
CO ₂ source to sink pipeline networking	SimCCS ⁴



- 1 - <https://netl.doe.gov/energy-analysis/search?search=CO2SalineCostModel>
- 2 - <https://netl.doe.gov/energy-analysis/search?search=CO2ProphetModel>
- 3 - <https://netl.doe.gov/energy-analysis/search?search=OnshoreCO2EORCostModel>
- 4 - <https://simccs.org/> and <https://github.com/SimCCS/SimCCS>

Perspective on CO₂ Storage in Saline-bearing Formations

- Cost implications & capacity evaluated under four distinct modeling scenarios
- Each scenario reflects a **favorable** incremental change to storage-related technical, policy, or operational condition from baseline scenario
- Notable factors adjusted (Morgan et al., 2022):
 - PISC duration
 - Financial responsibility instrument
 - Number of sites evaluated
 - Permitting timeframe



Results using NETL/FECM CO₂ Saline Storage Cost Model w/ imposed capacity constraints as proposed by Teletzke et al., 2018. Three “policy development” cases run to evaluate effects on costs.

Teletzke, G., Palmer, J., Drupeppel, E., Sullivan, M., Hood, K., Dasari, G., and Shipman, G. 2018. Evaluation of Practicable Subsurface CO₂ Storage Capacity and Potential CO₂ Transportation Networks, Onshore North America. *14th International Conference on Greenhouse Gas Control Technologies*. Melbourne, Australia

Morgan, D., Guinan, A., Warner, T., Vikara, D. and Vactor, R.T. 2022. Intermountain West Energy Sustainability & Transitions Initiative: NETL/FECM Model and Analysis Approach Overview. National Energy Technology Laboratory. Pittsburgh, PA. (pending release)

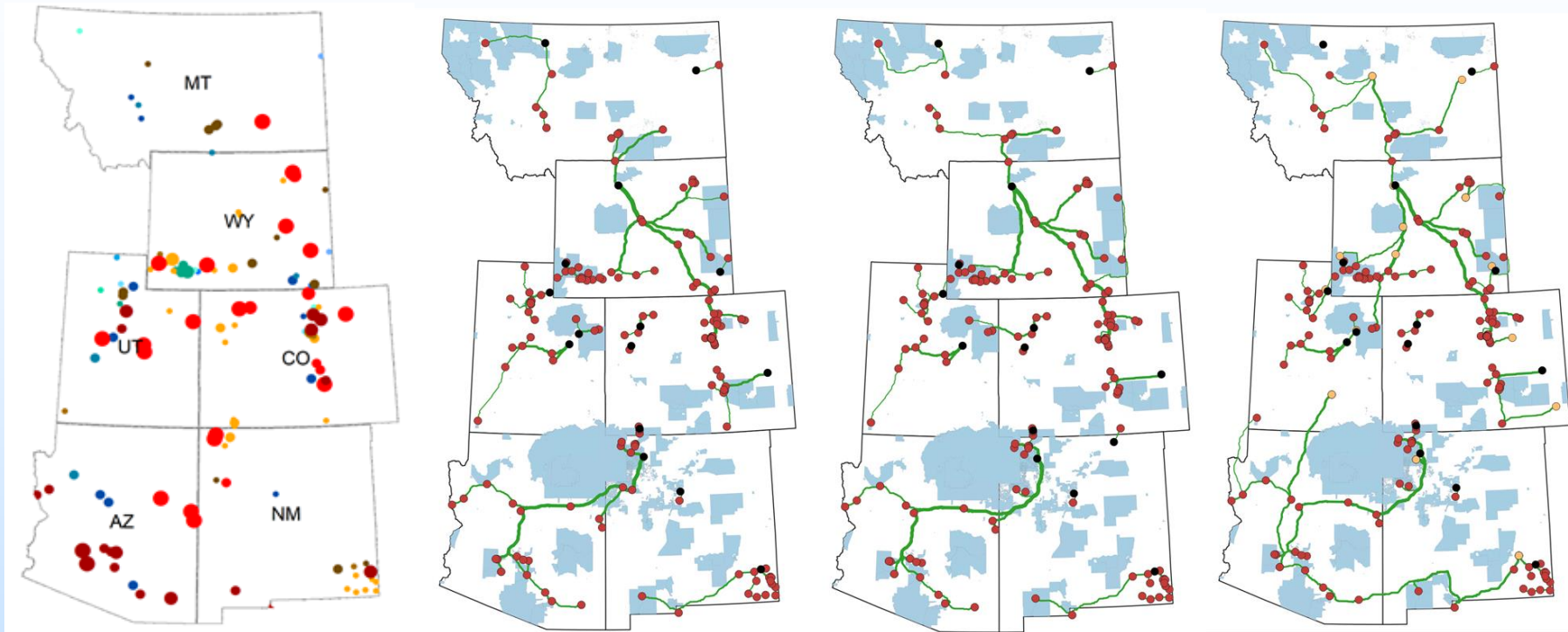
CO₂ Pipeline Buildout – Single Phase

45Q-eligible point sources

(A) Saline without EJ

(B) Saline with EJ

(C) Saline and EOR with EJ



CO ₂ sector		● Electricity (Gas)	● Metals manufacturing
● Ag/food manufacturing	● Electricity (Other)	● Mining	● Natural gas processing
● Ammonia/fertilizer	● Facilities	● Oil/gas extraction and dist	● Other
● Cement/concrete	● Hydrogen production	● Iron/steel	● Petroleum refineries
● Chemical manufacturing	● Lime/gypsum	● Pulp/paperboard/saw mills	● Solid waste
● Electricity (Biomass)	● Manufacturing (other)		
● Electricity (Coal)			

● = Existing CO ₂ point source	● = CO ₂ -EOR field centroid	● = Saline reservoir centroid	— = Potential CO ₂ pipeline
■ = Disadvantaged community or tribal lands			

Economic Results	Scenario 1	Scenario 2	Scenario 3
Assumed CO ₂ capture (Million tonnes/year)	219.5		
Resulting new pipeline installed (Miles)	4,882	5,433	6,836
Percent of national CO ₂ pipeline network (2021)	91%	102%	128%

Calls to Action

Accelerating CCUS Deployment in I-WEST

Technical & Cost

- Pre-investment in CO₂ transport & storage capacity as strategic infrastructure
- **Improve certainty of storage capacity with containment to ID “shovel-ready sites” for rapid project deployment**
- Reduce seismic survey costs to improve economics for characterization & monitoring
- Scoping multiple prospective storage sites for projects
- Elevation of all CCUS tech up TRL scale via R&D, investment, & early-mover projects

Policy

- **Financial / tax incentives & policies to drive private investment**
- **State-level policies for pore space ownership & ownership transfer; applicable to produced brine**
- **Rules for CO₂ ownership & long-term liability**
- **State Primacy for UIC Class VI wells**
- **Sufficient staffing & resources to evaluate permit applications & perform project oversight**
- Supportive policies for CO₂ transport & storage on federal & state lands
- Market development via state/federal procurement programs, portfolio requirements, & mandatory power purchase or offtake agreements

Outreach / Societal

- **Well-planned, early engagement with stakeholders & community to educate, as well as understand & address concerns**
- **Outreach for all social levels; provide insight to benefits & risks of low-carbon solutions**
- **ID, develop, & promote “early-win” projects to show CCUS feasibility, economic & environmental benefits**
- Overcome perceived human capital deficit required to plan, permit, & oversee projects

Summary & Conclusions

I-WEST well equipped to pioneer region-wide low-carbon/energy transition with CCUS playing major role

- Ample storage capacity to abate bulk of existing & expanding point source fleet
- Uncertainty remains on Class VI rules implementation
 - Reductions in PISC, monitoring rigor, & financial assurance may improve cost
 - Clarity needed in pore space ownership & liability transfer to reduce business risk
- Existing pipeline network needs supplemented for large-scale deployment

Summary & Conclusions

CCUS pathway(s) I-WEST analysis also includes:

- CCUS overview, business case configurations, & technology benefits & challenges
- CO₂-EOR assessment
- Workforce implications
- CCUS assessment in proximal regions to I-WEST
- State-level geologic resource deep dives

CCUS is only one aspect of the larger I-WEST effort that more broadly discusses pathway impacts:

- Environmental/social justice
- Workforce & revenue
- Stakeholder-specific priorities & perspectives

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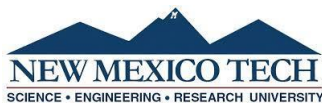
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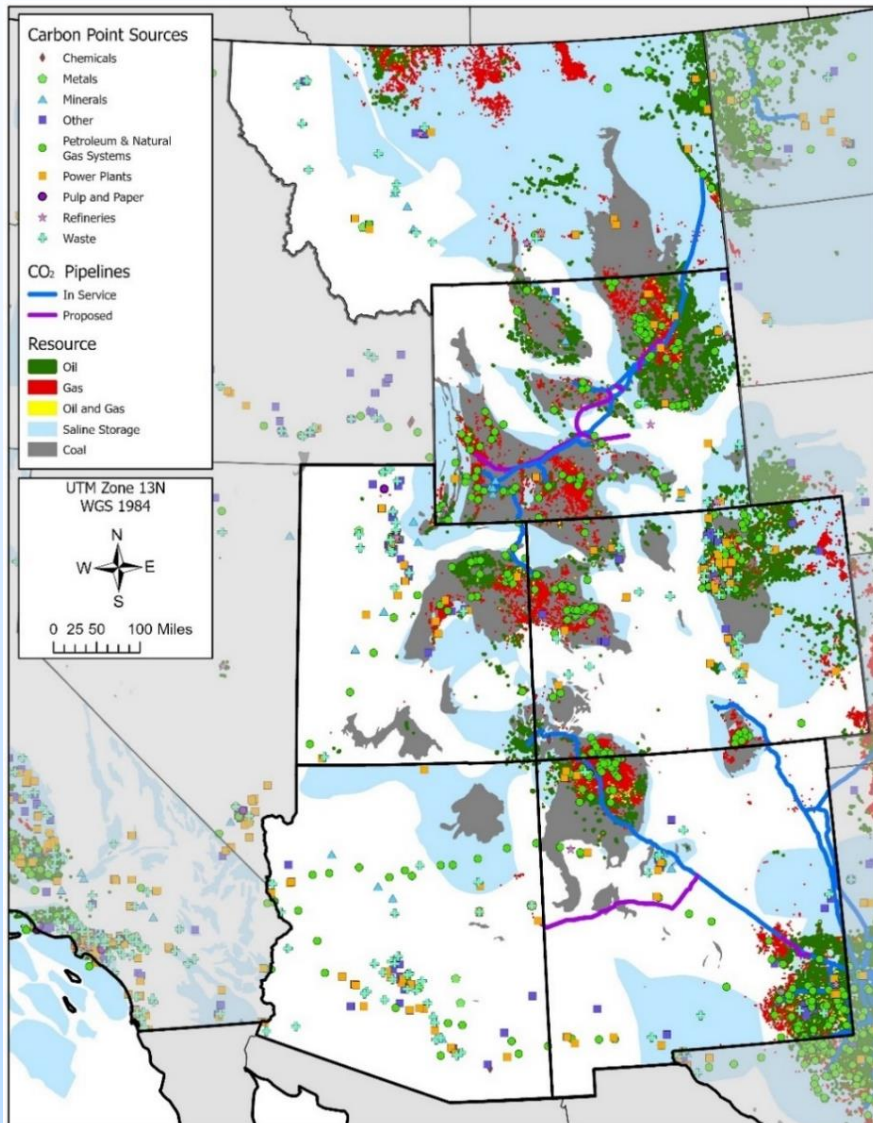
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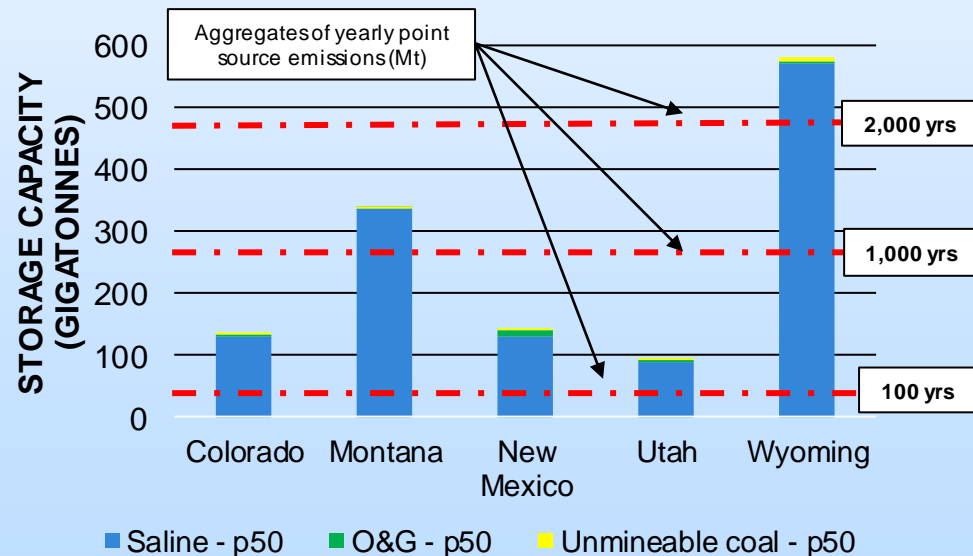
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Favorable Geologic Resources Exist Across the Region



- Region has numerous geologic basins that hold a significant carbon storage resource endowment
- Sinks are co-located with or proximal to a large portion of the CO₂ point source fleet
- Capacity estimated between **354 to 3,365 gigatons**; can store regional point source emissions from **1,600 to over 15,000 years**

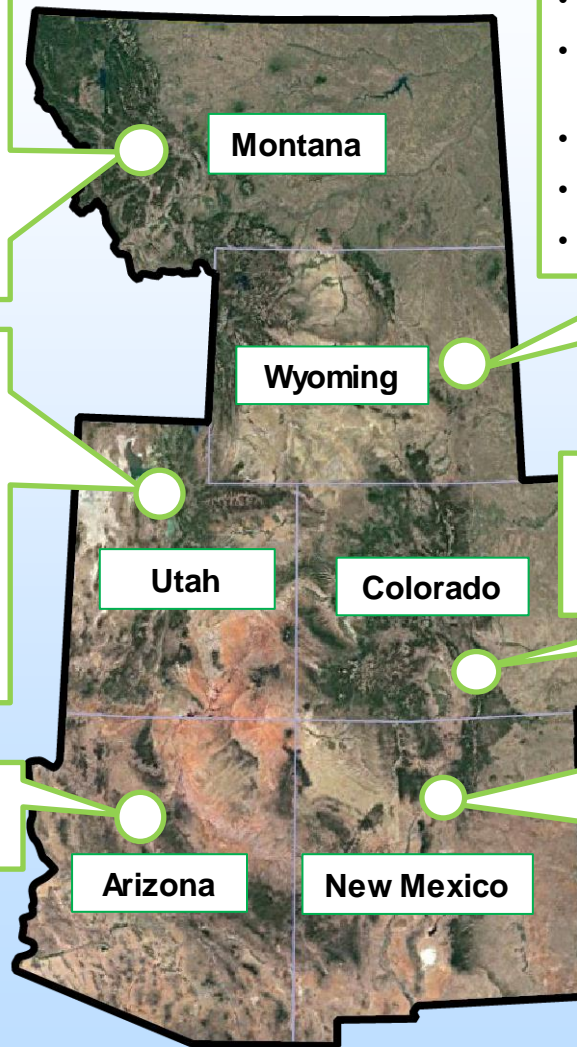


Snapshot on Regional Policy Headway

- State-level target to reach economy-wide GHG neutrality between 2045-2050
- Liability transfer for storage sites operators to the state 30 years after CO₂ injection ends
- Property tax incentives for facilities installing CCS equipment

- Established pore space ownership with respect to the surface estate
- Pore space owner safeguards from injection liability
- Long-term liability transfer to state 10 years after CO₂ injection ends
- Potential to seek jurisdiction for UIC Class VI injection well primacy

- Seeking primacy on all UIC well classes



- UIC Class VI primacy
- CO₂ pipeline development corridor mapping (EOR)
- CO₂ storage long-term liability transfer
- CO₂ pipeline development financial assistance
- State tax exemption from CO₂ sales for EOR

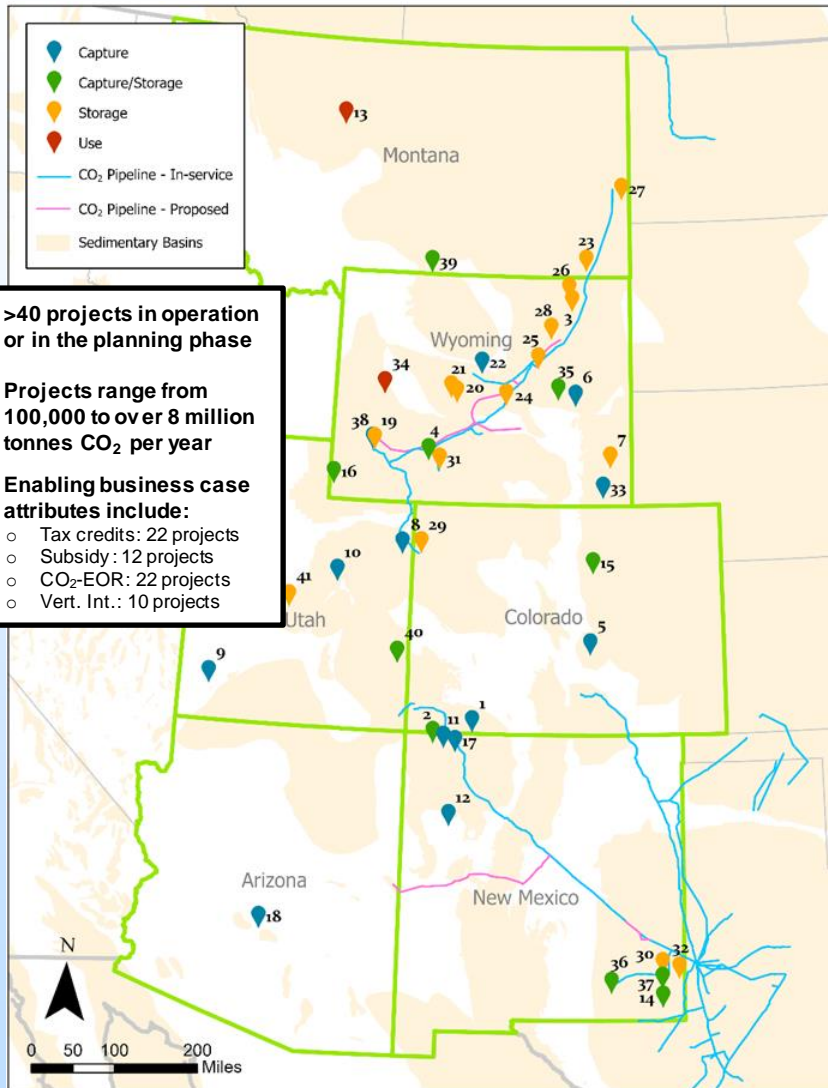
- Statutory state-level GHG reduction targets of 26% by 2025, 50% by 2030, and 90% by 2050 (compared to 2005 levels)

- State-level GHG reduction targets of 45% by 2030 (compared to 2005 levels)
- Mechanisms enabling public utilities to recover costs related to clean energy projects, including coal-fired power generation with CCS

Additional source material

- <https://www.c2es.org/content/state-climate-policy/>
- <https://www.c2es.org/document/energy-financial-incentives-for-ccs/>

CCUS is Ramping Up in the Region



- >40 projects in operation or in the planning phase
- Projects range from 100,000 to over 8 million tonnes CO₂ per year
- Enabling business case attributes include:
 - Tax credits: 22 projects
 - Subsidy: 12 projects
 - CO₂-EOR: 22 projects
 - Vert. Int.: 10 projects

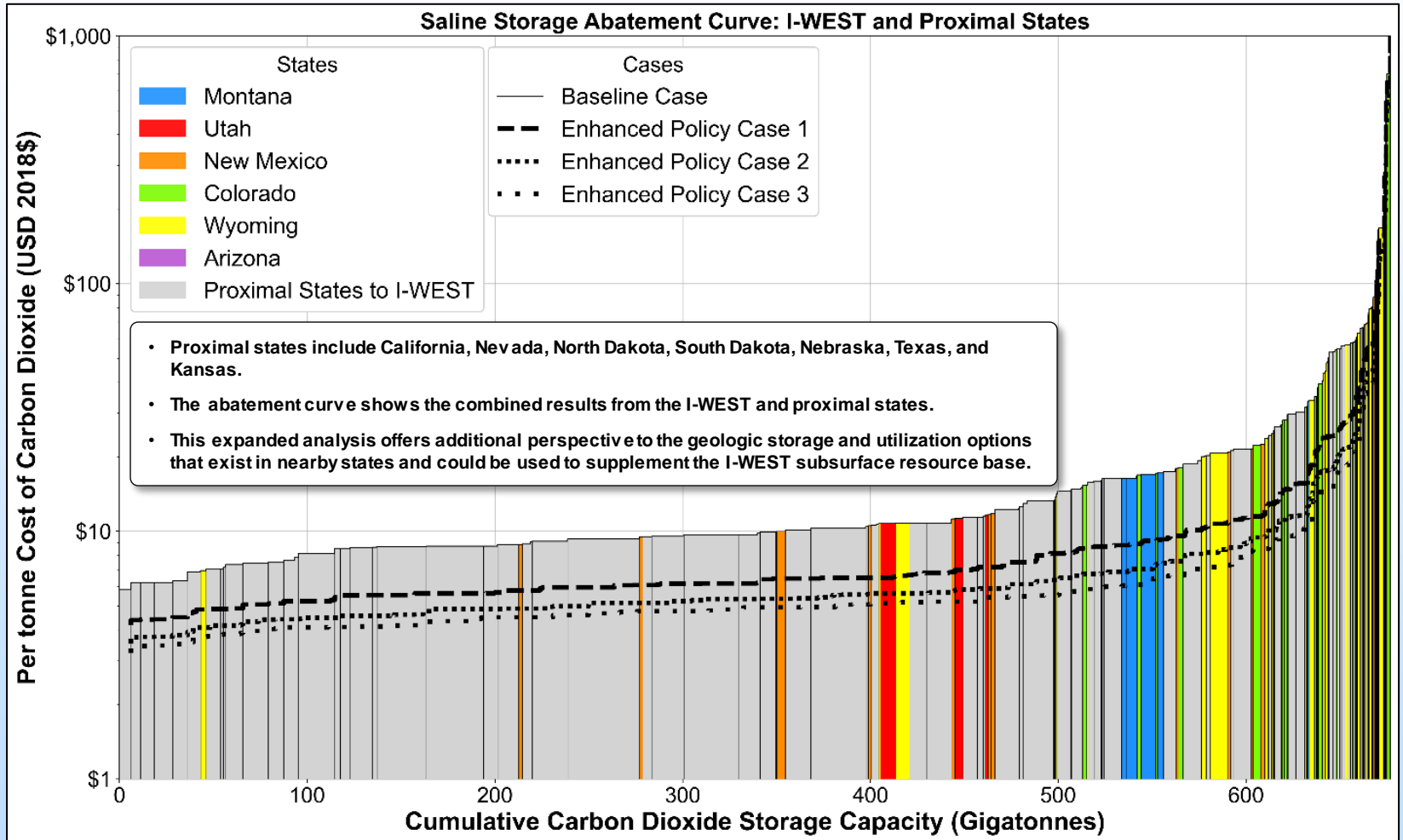
Project Name	Tax Credit	Grant Funding	Regulatory Requirement or Benefit	Pipeline Quality Requirement	Enhanced Oil Recovery	Vertically Integrated
1) Coyote Clean Power Project						
2) CarbonSAFE New Mexico: San Juan Basin						
3) CarbonSAFE Wyoming: Dry Forks Station						
4) Jim Bridger Plant Capture						
5) LH CO ₂ MENT Colorado Project						
6) Project Blue Bison (Blue Hydrogen)						
7) Eastern Wyoming Sequestration Hub						
8) Bonanza Power Plant CCS Project						
9) CCS at Iron Mountain Iron Mine						
10) Utah Blue Ammonia						
11) Libertad Energy Project - Blue Hydrogen						
12) Escalante H ₂ Power Project						
13) Montana Renewables - Renewable Diesel						
14) Red Hills Acid Gas						
15) Commerce City Refinery						
16a) North Shore Energy - Clean H ₂						
16b) Project Phoenix						
17) Big Navajo Hydrogen Pilot Project						
18) MechanicalTree - DAC						
19) Shute Creek Gas Processing Facility						
20) Big Sand Draw Oil Field CO ₂ -EOR						
21) Beaver Creek Oil Field CO ₂ -EOR						
22) Lost Cabin Gas Processing Facility						
23) Bell Creek Oil Field CO ₂ -EOR						
24) Grieve CO ₂ -EOR						
25) Salt Creek CO ₂ -EOR						
26) Gas Draw CO ₂ -EOR						
27) Cedar Creek Anticline CO ₂ -EOR						
28) Hartzog Draw CO ₂ -EOR						
29) Rangely Weber Sand Unit CO ₂ -EOR						
30) Vacuum CO ₂ -EOR						
31) Patrick Draw Monell CO ₂ -EOR						
32) Hobbs CO ₂ -EOR						
33) Wyoming Hydrogen Demonstration Pilot						
34) Jonah Energy - Green H ₂ through Power to Gas						
35) Dave Johnson Power Plant capture						
36) Eddy County, NM Acid Gas Injection						
37) Lea County, NM Acid Gas Injection						
38) Shute Creek Acid Gas Injection						
39) EBET2 001 Acid Gas Injection						
40) Lisbon Unit D-716 Acid Gas Injection						
41) Providence Fed 24-4 CO ₂ -EOR						

For project-level info: <https://iwest.org/current-regional-initiatives/>

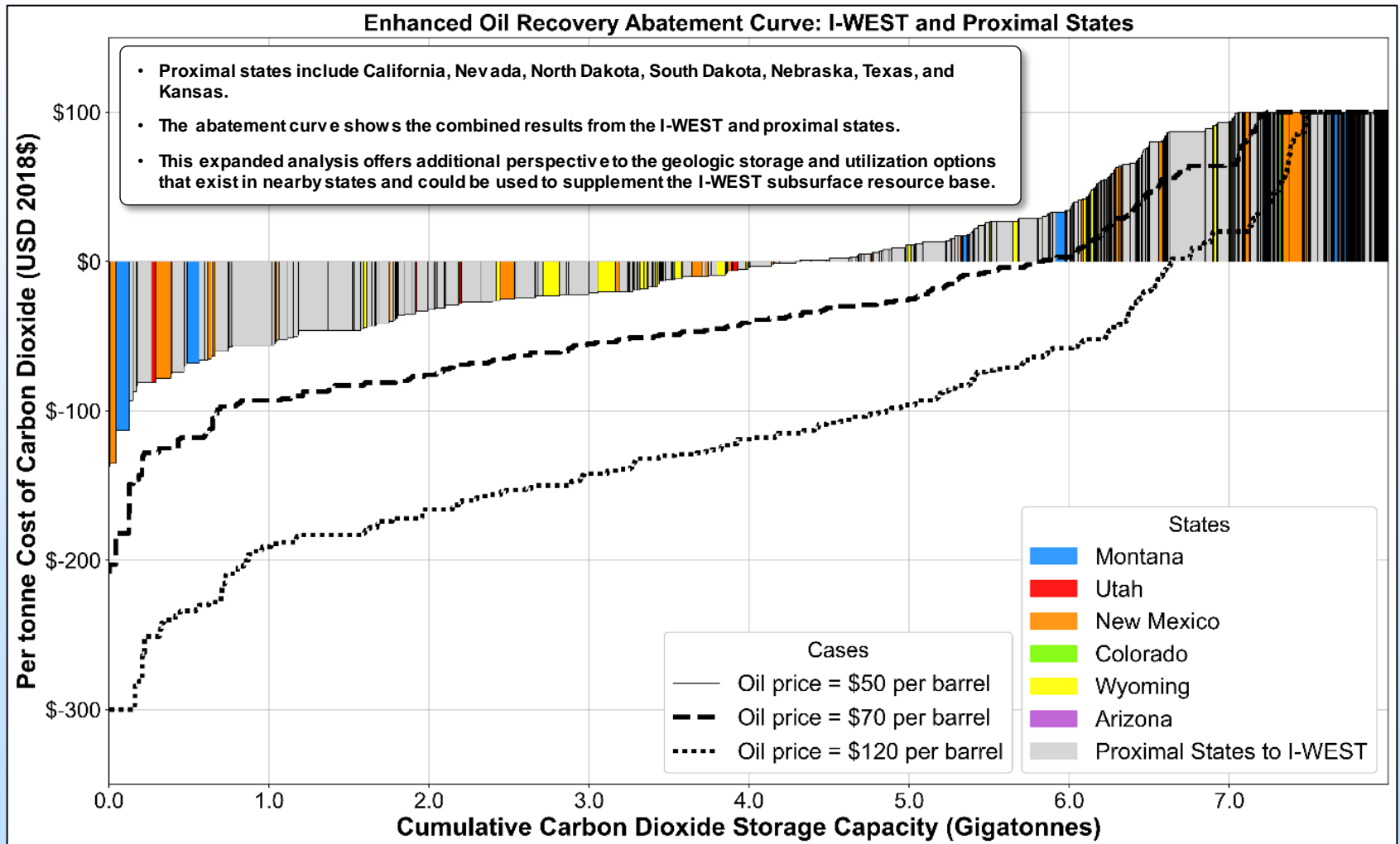
Top Five Lowest Cost Storage Reservoirs by State

State	CO2_S_COM Reservoir Name	Basin	1st-year breakeven CO2 price (2018\$/tonne)	Max Number Injection Projects	CO2 Storage Capacity (Million tonnes)	Depth to top of formation (ft)	Thickness (ft)	Porosity	Horizontal permeability (mD)	Area (mi ²)
NM	Seven Rivers2	Permian	9	16	2,064	3,064	516	19.0%	22	9,342
	Morrison2	San Juan	9	13	1,677	5,511	883	13.0%	15	8,518
	Wolfcamp2	Tucumcari	10	36	4,644	3,663	1,000	12.5%	100	8,495
	Leonard2	Permian	11	12	1,548	5,808	1,000	9.0%	10	9,342
	Canyon2	Tucumcari	11	14	1,806	5,517	724	8.5%	42	8,495
WY	Frontier3	Big Horn	7	23	2,967	3,280	740	22.1%	73	4,073
	Lance1	Wind River	11	8	1,032	7,394	1,000	17.5%	16	3,927
	Tensleep4	Wyoming Thrust Belt	11	56	7,224	6,375	440	22.0%	150	6,903
	Fort Union2	Wind River	14	6	774	5,966	1,000	8.4%	8	6,324
	Entrada6	Denver	15	5	645	7,163	382	15.7%	31	5,031
CO	Morrison1	San Juan	10	2	258	5,390	846	13.0%	15	1,960
	Morrison8	Piceance	15	17	2,193	6,382	435	14.0%	30	17,368
	Arbuckle2	Las Animas Arch	17	15	1,935	5,890	260	14.0%	60	11,610
	Entrada8	San Juan	17	7	903	3,391	161	20.0%	370	1,707
	Hermosa1b	Paradox	18	1	129	8,275	1,000	7.5%	9	1,467
MT	Minnelusa2	Powder River	16	22	2,838	8,000	295	19.0%	200	3,611
	Madison Gp-Mission Canyon Fm4	Williston	16	40	5,160	6,500	545	12.0%	8	42,151
	InyanKara1	Williston	17	62	7,998	5,000	250	18.0%	100	27,105
	Red River2	Williston	17	25	3,225	9,500	360	14.0%	35	21,306
	Duperow-Lower1	Kevin Dome	24	2	258	3,800	300	12.5%	20	4,804
UT	Entrada2	Uinta	11	64	8,256	7,240	670	16.5%	100	10,798
	Tensleep5	Wyoming Thrust Belt	11	33	4,257	6,780	420	22.0%	145	4,435
	Morrison7	Uinta	12	12	1,548	6,858	804	13.0%	21	8,004
	Navajo01	San Rafael Swell	12	2	258	6,500	420	23.5%	15	1,830
	Dakota5	Uinta	54	2	258	8,640	130	12.0%	20	10,678

Saline Storage Assessment Applicable to I-WEST Region and Proximal States



CO₂-EOR Assessment Applicable to I-WEST Region and Proximal States

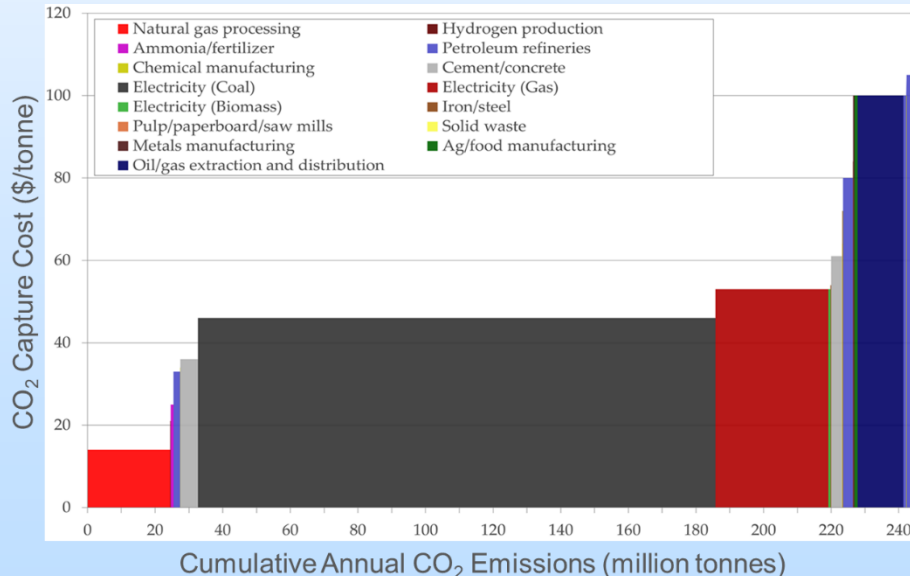


CO₂ Transportation Network Outlook: Integrating Sources and Sinks

SimCCS Overview

- LANL's SimCCS utilized to simulate pipeline buildouts
- Optimizes networks based on total system unit costs (capture, transport, and storage)
- Connecting pipelines are sized to handle the total volume of CO₂ captured from all point sources part of a CCUS network

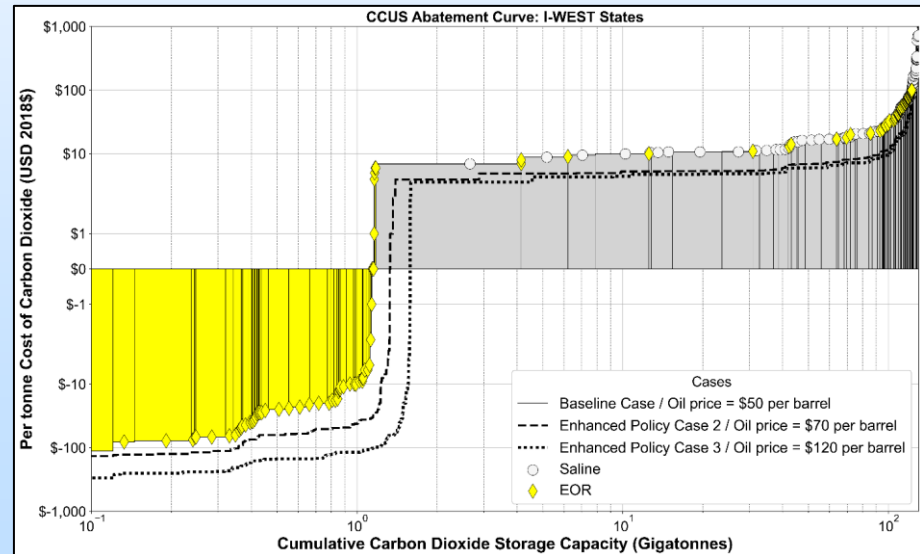
Assumed unit costs for CO₂ capture by source type (NICO₂LE)



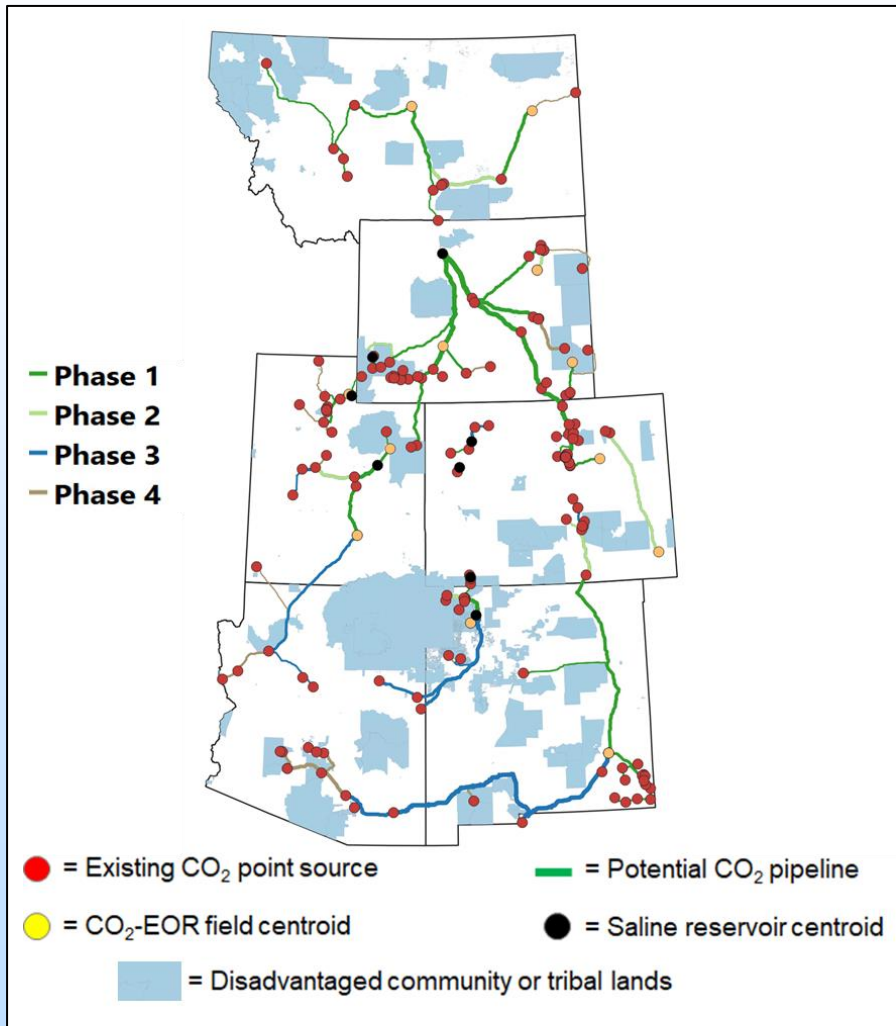
Approach Objective

- SimCCS implemented to target full decarbonization from all 45Q eligible point sources in the current I-WEST fleet using CCUS
- Annual CO₂ emission volume = 219.5 million tonnes per year

Unit costs of storage and CO₂-EOR by field / reservoir



“Phased” Deployment Buildout



- Full CCUS 45Q point source decarbonization over a 20-year development scale-up timeframe assumed
- CO₂ volumes managed closely coincide with I-WEST Roadmap’s phased decarbonization timeline
- Early (Phase 1 and 2): CO₂ largely sent to a mix of “same state” EOR fields and saline storage
- Late (Phases 3 and 4): connection of sources far from reservoirs with EOR options (AZ and NM sources)

Result Output	Buildout Phase			
	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Captured amount of CO ₂ (Million tonnes/year)	50	100	150	219.5
New pipeline installed (Miles)	3,447	4,010	5,278	6,601
Weighted average unit capture cost (\$/tonne CO ₂)	\$28.37	\$37.17	\$40.11	\$46.87