



# Wabash Hydrogen Negative Emissions Technology Demonstration

DE-FE-0031994

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# US Department of Energy, Federal Funding Status



|      | Department                                     | Amount                                           | Status | Links, Notes                                               |
|------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2018 | DOE, FECM<br>via Illinois Geological<br>Survey | Geological Characterization                      | ✓      | <a href="#">Subsurface Geological<br/>Characterization</a> |
| 2020 | DOE, FECM                                      | Carbon Negative Hydrogen<br>and Power Generation | ✓      | <a href="#">Carbon Negative Hydrogen<br/>FEED</a>          |

DOE: US Department of Energy  
FECM: Fossil Energy and Carbon Management

# DE-FE0031994 – Project Objectives

Develop and design all aspects of the scope, cost, characteristics and investment case

- Complete set of FEED deliverables
- 100% hydrogen capable combustion turbine
- Detailed design for geological sequestration wells and infrastructure
- High volumetric energy storage via Ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>)
- Fastest to Commercialization

## Major Technical Achievements

**Lowest LCOEs** of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Power Plant: Zero Carbon and Dispatchable

**Revitalize existing infrastructure** and design development for accelerated commercial deployment

**Near zero emissions** with 97%+ total carbon capture vs. 90% goal. **Net negative** carbon lifecycle intensity with biomass feedstock utilization

**Flexible operations** that include dispatchability and turndown, along with hydrogen storage in form of Ammonia

# Major Commercial Achievements

## **Redevelopment of a coal community**

- Creatively utilizes land below the SMCRA remediated coal mines for CCS
- Repurposing the gasification creates long term job security for previous miners and power plant workers

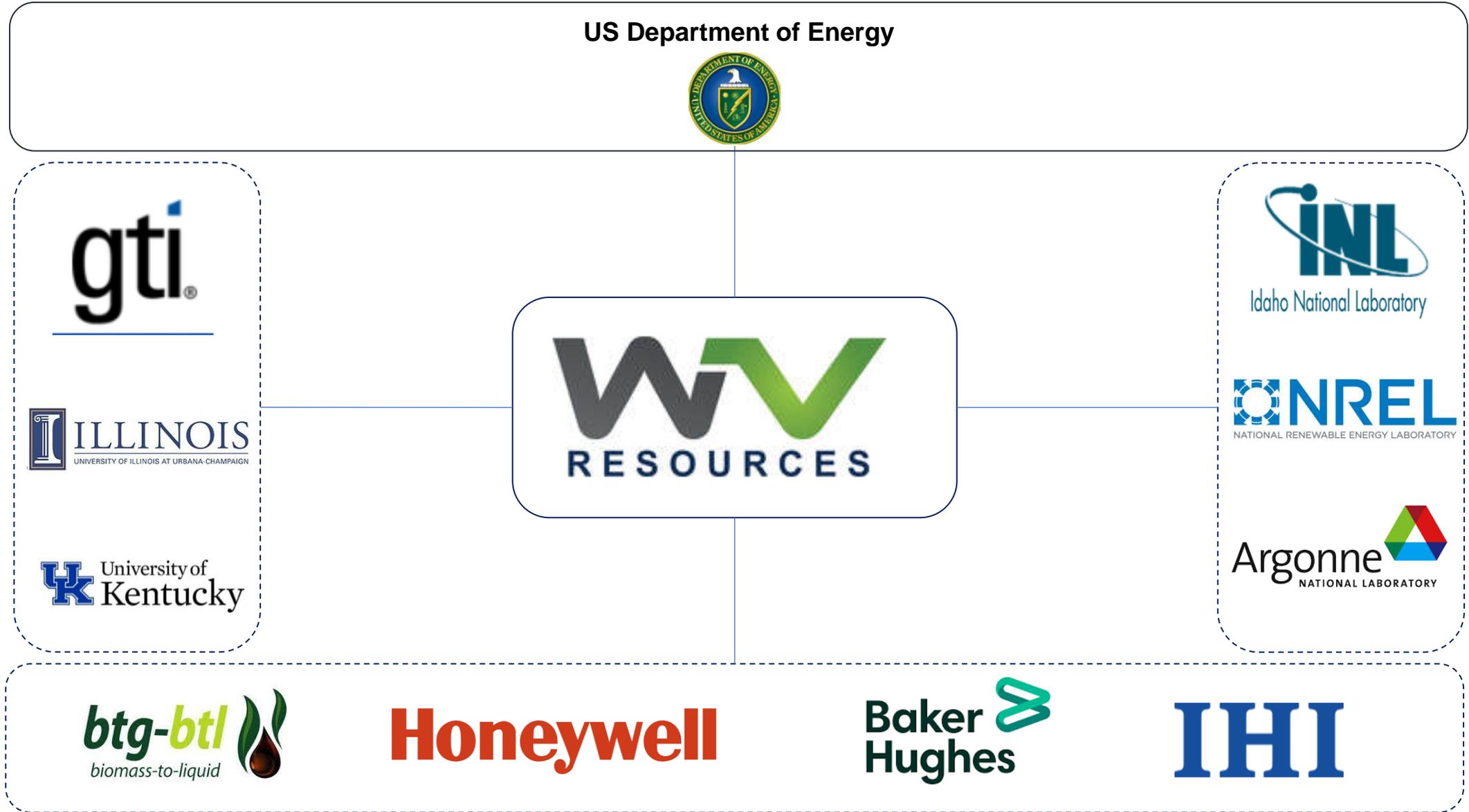
## **Develop private capital market support for commercial demonstration**

- Continuous multi year education to banks and private funds has paved a path for potential private capital involvement alongside federal funds

## **Comprehensive financial modelling that incorporates environmental attributes**

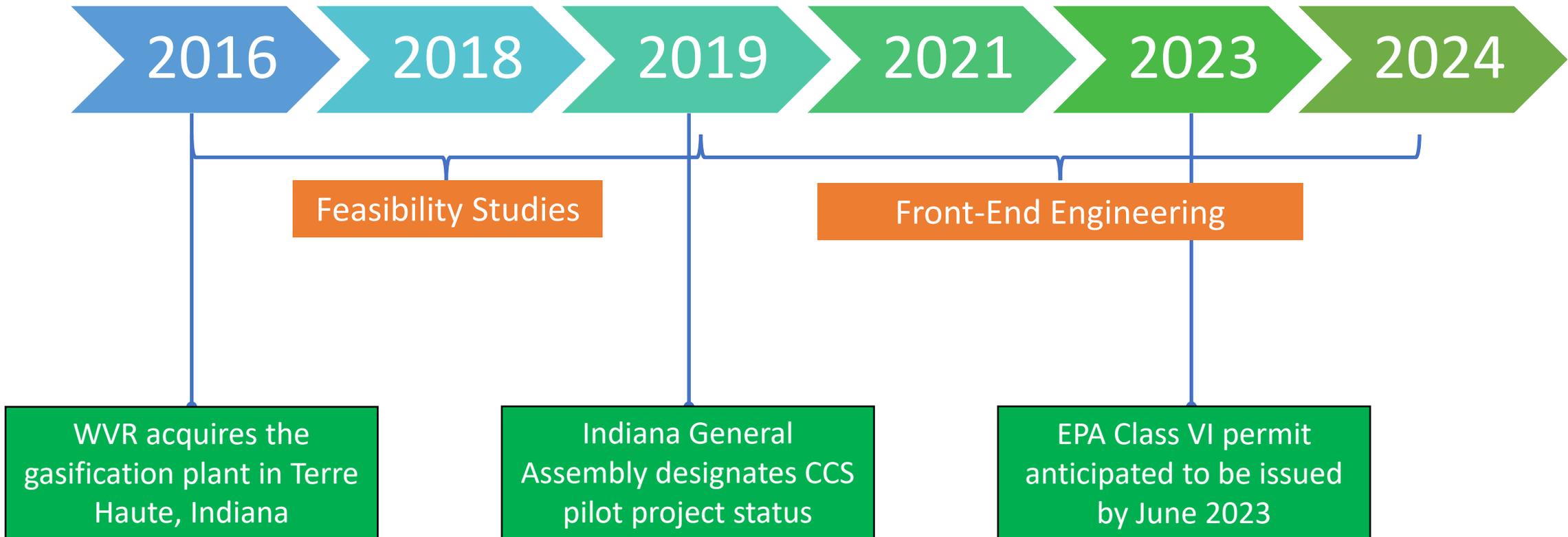
- Incorporate non-traditional elements such as financial responsibility aspects of Class VI
- Risk factors around lifecycle intensity and related revenues
- Embed risk management around claw backs of incentives

# DOE PROJECT PARTNERSHIPS



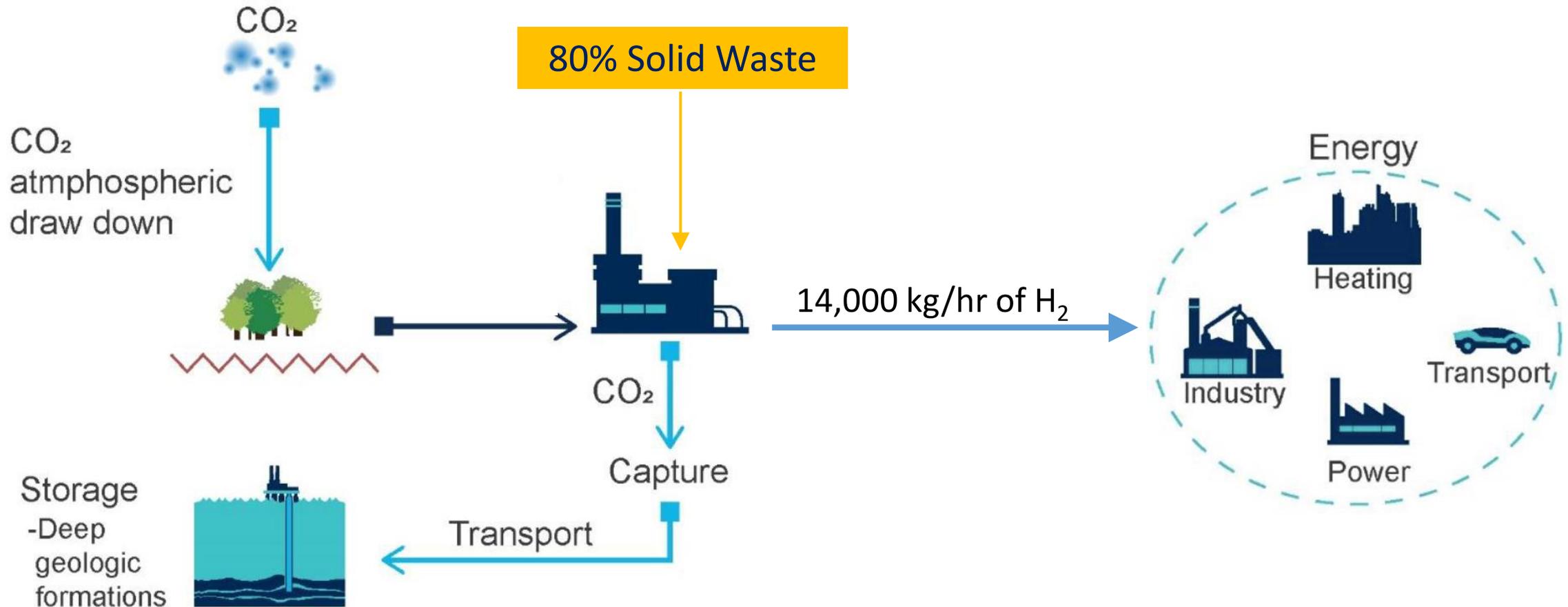
# Project Timeline

WVR is the most advanced hydrogen and ammonia project in the country. Strong federal support demonstrated throughout the development phase via high-risk capital investment.

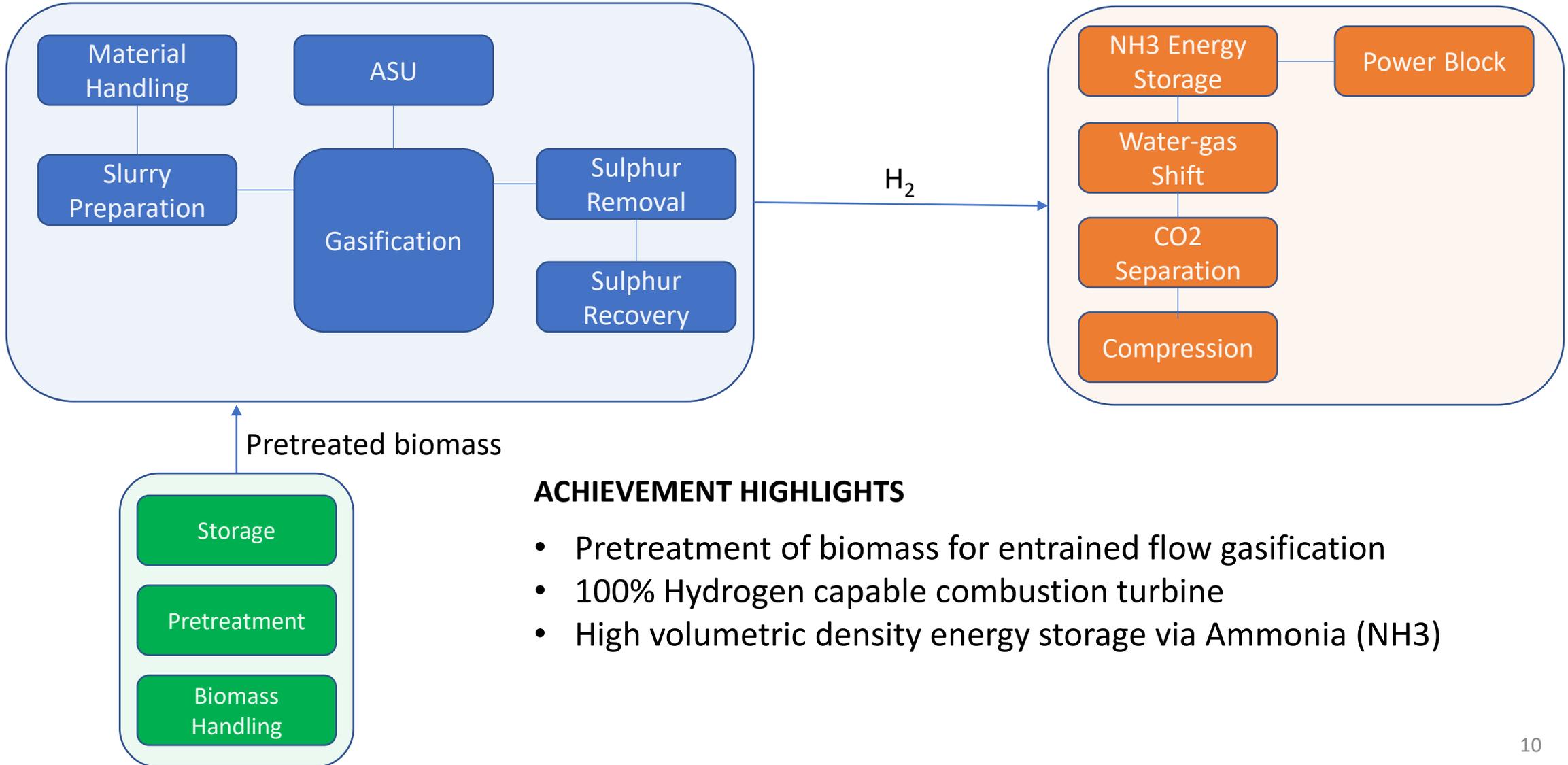


# Bioenergy + Solid Waste = Carbon Negative Pathway

Argonne National Lab (ANL) conducted detailed lifecycle carbon analysis. WVR project achieves negative carbon intensity by blending 20% biomass as feedstock.



# FEED Scope: Block Flow Diagram



## ACHIEVEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Pretreatment of biomass for entrained flow gasification
- 100% Hydrogen capable combustion turbine
- High volumetric density energy storage via Ammonia ( $NH_3$ )

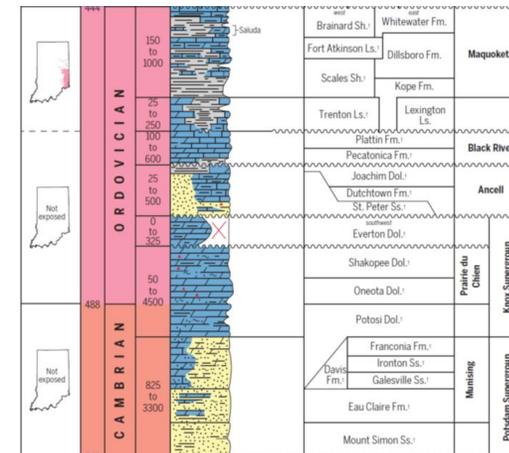
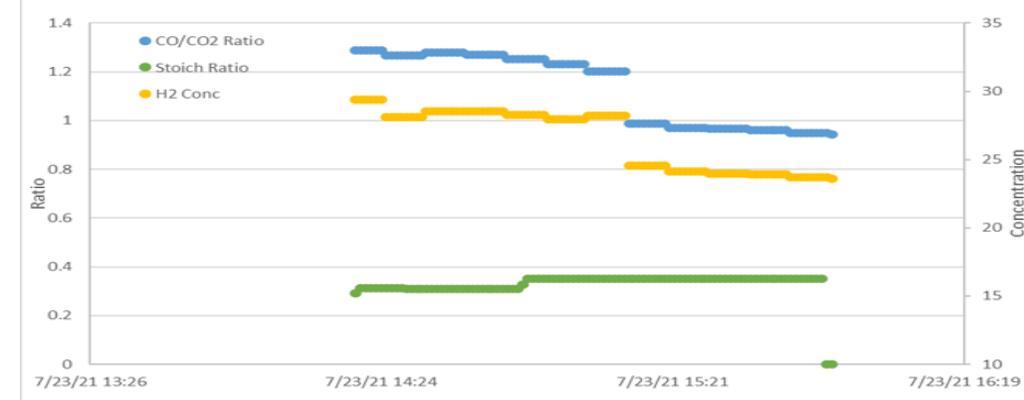
# BP1 Accomplishments

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# Net Zero / Biomass Strategy

- Biomass Testing and Analysis
  - Various types of biomasses feedstocks considered include corn stover, corn silage, and forest residue.
  - Pre-Treatment options evaluated were steam explosion, torrefaction, and fast pyrolysis.
  - Slurryability requirements (% solids).
- Pyrolysis Oil
  - Two different bio-oil ratios – based on HHV
    - 12% bio-oil
    - 18% bio-oil
- LCA Requirements
  - 20% by weight of fast pyrolysis bio-oil with sequestration to achieve net zero

| Trial | Petcoke (wt%) | Biomass (wt%) | Total Solids (wt%) | Biomass | Results | Notes                                                                                          |
|-------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|---------|---------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1     | 56.0%         | 5.2%          | 61.2%              | SE      | SE      | Mixture became hard / un-pumpable mixture after < 10 sec                                       |
| 2     | 20.0%         | 1.9%          | 21.9%              | SE      | SE      | No noticeable issues                                                                           |
| 3     | 20.0%         | 5.6%          | 25.6%              | SE      | SE      | No noticeable issues                                                                           |
| 4     | 29.0%         | 5.4%          | 34.4%              | SE      | SE      | No noticeable issues                                                                           |
| 5     | 39.0%         | 5.3%          | 44.3%              | SE      | SE      | Mixture starting becoming viscous after < 24 hrs                                               |
| 6     | 48.0%         | 5.1%          | 53.1%              | SE      | SE      | Mixture became hard / un-pumpable after soon after Completely hard after < 24 hrs              |
| 7     | 47.0%         | 7.8%          | 54.8%              | SE      | SE      | Mixture became hard / un-pumpable soon after adding the biomass Completely hard after < 24 hrs |
| 8     | 44.0%         | 3.0%          | 47.0%              | TORR    | TORR    | Torried wood, still appeared pumpable after ~24 hrs                                            |
| 9     | 43.0%         | 4.8%          | 47.8%              | TORR    | TORR    | Torried wood, still appeared pumpable after ~24 hrs                                            |
| 10    | 50.0%         | 7.5%          | 57.5%              | TORR    | TORR    | Torried wood, became un-pumpable soon after adding biomass                                     |

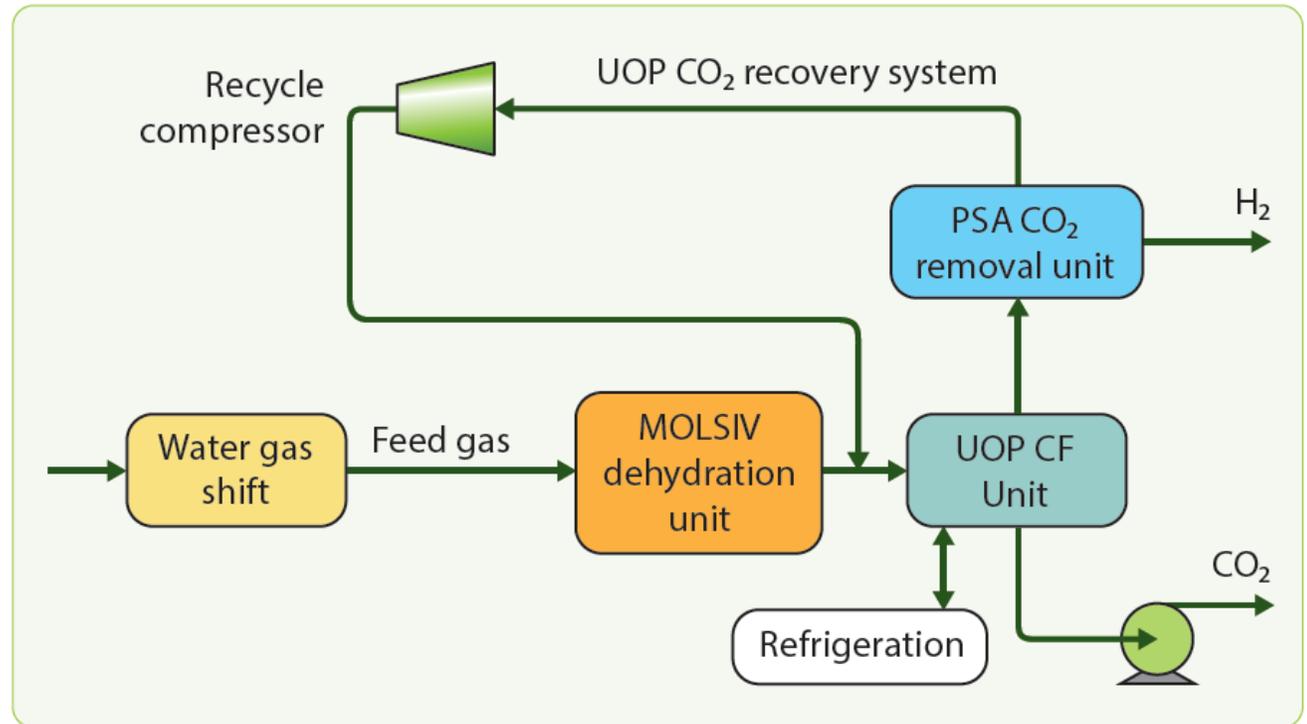


# Carbon Capture Technology Selection

| Status | Technologies Evaluated                                 |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| ✓      | Amine (MDEA) based solvents (7 configurations modeled) |
| ✓      | CO <sub>2</sub> Fractionation                          |
| ✓      | Rectisol                                               |
| ✓      | Selexol                                                |

## Final Selection: UOP Dehydration, Fractionation, PSA

- Modularized/Smaller Plot
- Lower CAPEX
- Low Steam Consumption
- Meets requirement for dry CO<sub>2</sub> and Hydrogen



# Hydrogen Storage Evaluation/Selection

| Status |                                        |
|--------|----------------------------------------|
| ✓      | Liquid Organic Hydrogen Carrier (LOHC) |
| ✓      | Liquid Hydrogen                        |
| ✓      | Ammonia                                |
| ✓      | Compressed Hydrogen                    |

Of all the storage options, Ammonia was the most practical, with no TRL barriers and with the highest volumetric density.

## FEED design incorporates all UIC regulatory needs

| Status | Class VI Permit Requirement                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ✓      | Extensive site characterization                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| ✓      | Injection well construction requirements for materials that are compatible with and can withstand contact with CO <sub>2</sub> over the life of a project                                                           |
| ✓      | Comprehensive monitoring program that address all aspects of well integrity, CO <sub>2</sub> injection and storage, and ground water quality during the injection operation and the post-injection site care period |
| ✓      | Financial responsibility requirements assuring the availability of funds for the life of a project (including post-injection site care and emergency response)                                                      |
| ✓      | Reporting and recordkeeping requirements that provide project-specific information to continually evaluate Class VI operations and confirm USDW protection                                                          |

# BP2 Accomplishments

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# Technical Accomplishments

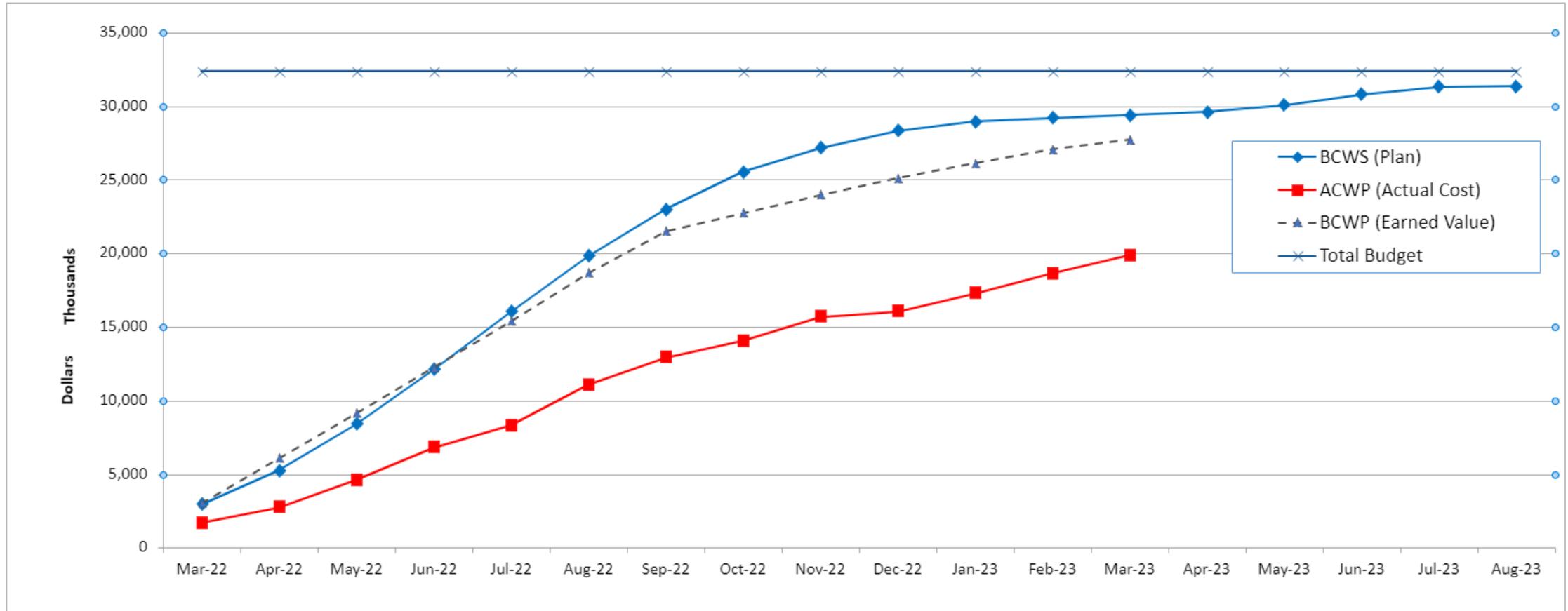
## Completed Tasks thus far..

| ✓ | Fast Pyrolysis FEED completed                                                           |
|---|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ✓ | 100% Hydrogen Power Block FEED completed                                                |
| ✓ | Water Gas Shift, H <sub>2</sub> purification and CO <sub>2</sub> capture FEED completed |
| ✓ | CO <sub>2</sub> pipeline routing and injection well design complete                     |
| ✓ | Gasification inspections complete                                                       |

## In Progress Tasks..

| Gasification BOP integration            |
|-----------------------------------------|
| Hydrogen Storage (Ammonia) FEED - HAZOP |
| Final PDRI - Initiating                 |
| Overall FEED integration                |
| Lifecycle Analysis                      |

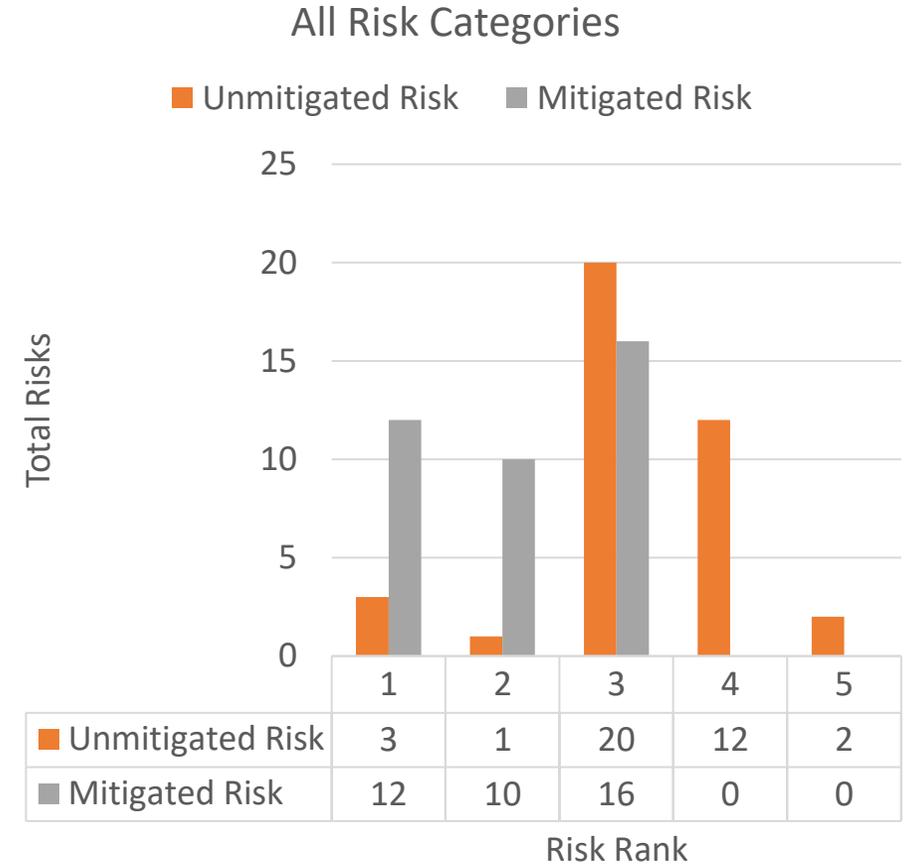
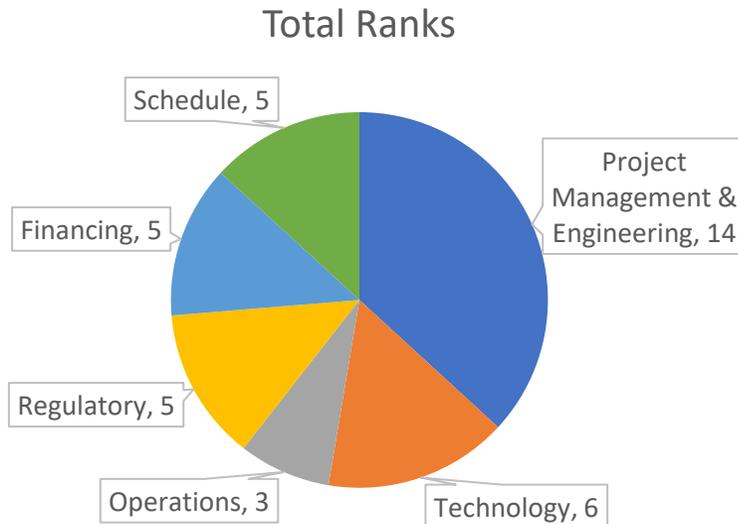
# Project Controls Performance



No- Cost Time Extension Request Is In Progress

# Risk Management

|                                  | Unmitigated Risk |   |    |    |   |  | Mitigated Risk |    |    |   |   | Total Ranks |
|----------------------------------|------------------|---|----|----|---|--|----------------|----|----|---|---|-------------|
|                                  | 1                | 2 | 3  | 4  | 5 |  | 1              | 2  | 3  | 4 | 5 |             |
| Project Management & Engineering | 2                | 0 | 6  | 5  | 1 |  | 7              | 3  | 4  | 0 | 0 | 14          |
| Technology                       | 0                | 0 | 4  | 2  | 0 |  | 0              | 5  | 1  | 0 | 0 | 6           |
| Operations                       | 1                | 1 | 1  | 0  | 0 |  | 3              | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0 | 3           |
| Regulatory                       | 0                | 0 | 3  | 2  | 0 |  | 1              | 2  | 2  | 0 | 0 | 5           |
| Financing                        | 0                | 0 | 3  | 2  | 0 |  | 0              | 0  | 5  | 0 | 0 | 5           |
| Schedule                         | 0                | 0 | 3  | 1  | 1 |  | 1              | 0  | 4  | 0 | 0 | 5           |
| All Risk Categories              | 3                | 1 | 20 | 12 | 2 |  | 12             | 10 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 38          |
| RPI                              | 3.24             |   |    |    |   |  | 2.11           |    |    |   |   |             |





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