

# WY Regional DAC Hub

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# We develop and deploy DAC machines

- Based in Los Angeles
- Team of 65
- Deploying systems this year
- Presold >\$26M in removal credits
- Four DOE DAC Hub awards
- Raised over \$90M in funding:  
*Prime Movers Lab, Amazon, Aramco Ventures, Siemens*

# Structure & Overall Project Objectives

Total Funding: \$23,025,028

DOE: \$11,512,619

Cost Share: \$11,512,619

Work Period: 1 October 2024 – 30 April 2026

- A FEED study for a DAC facility that captures and stores 200,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>/year
- A FEED study for a facility to produce low-carbon intensity sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) utilizing DAC CO<sub>2</sub> as a feedstock
- A pre-FEED study for the balance-of-plant (BOP) required to support a megaton-scale DAC + utilization facility
- A comprehensive community benefits plan (CBP) designed to ensure the region welcomes the growth of a DAC industry, and that economic and ancillary benefits of establishing a DAC hub in the region are widely distributed throughout impacted communities, including meeting the goals of the Justice40 Initiative
- A business and deployment plan for a multi-megaton DAC hub powered by new clean energy capacity, incorporating multiple DAC technologies, sites, and pathways for CO<sub>2</sub> storage and utilization

# Organizational Chart

WY Regional DAC Hub Team

## Hub Owner / Prime Recipient



### Leadership Team

Patricia Loria  
Principal Investigator

## Advisory Boards

- Advocacy
- Community / EJ
- Technology

## Hub Anchor Technology Partners

### DAC



### CO<sub>2</sub> Storage



### CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization



## Hub Vendors & Sub-recipients

### Community Benefits



### Energy



### EPC



### Storage Development



### Business Plan



### MRV



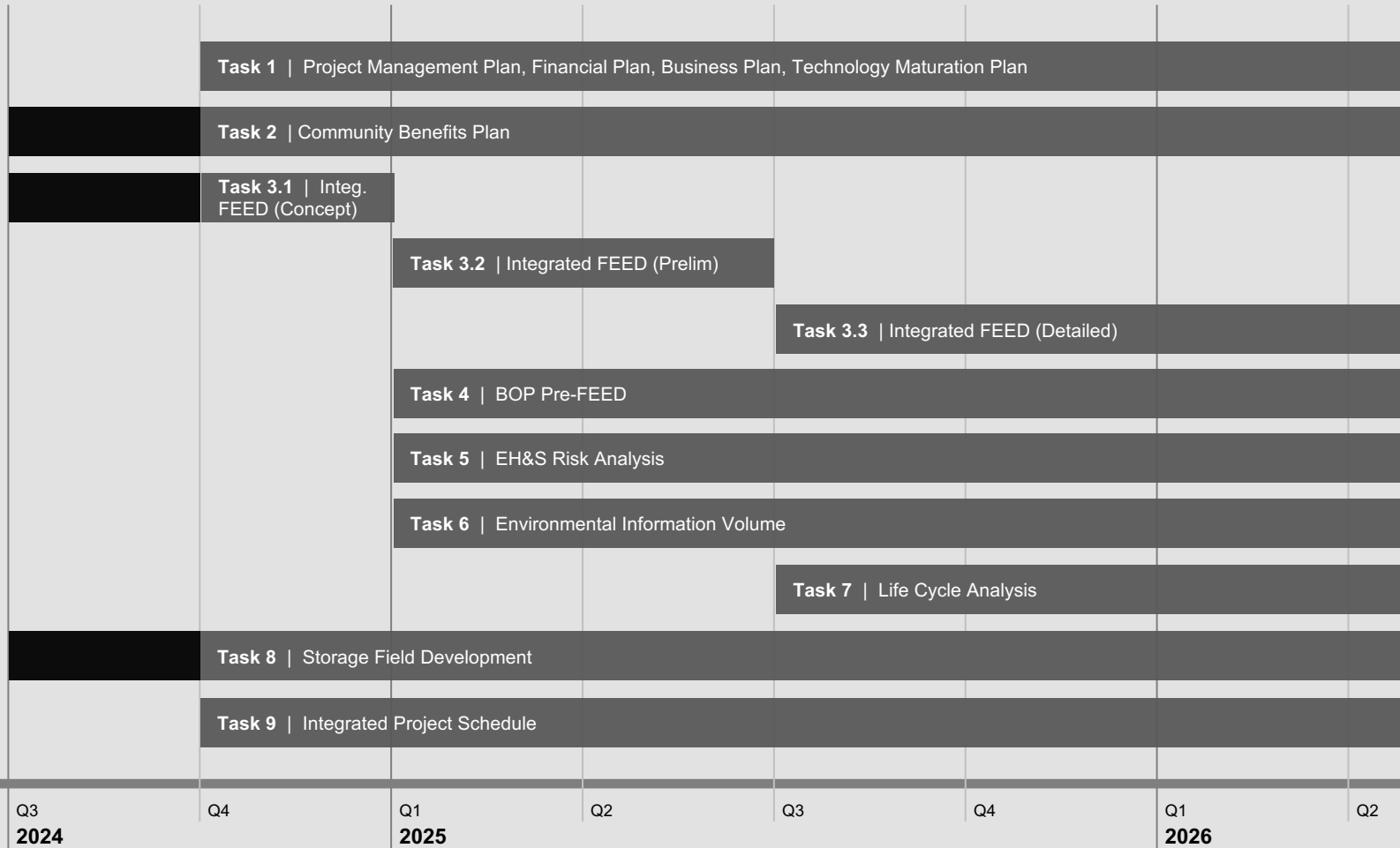
### Energy Strategy



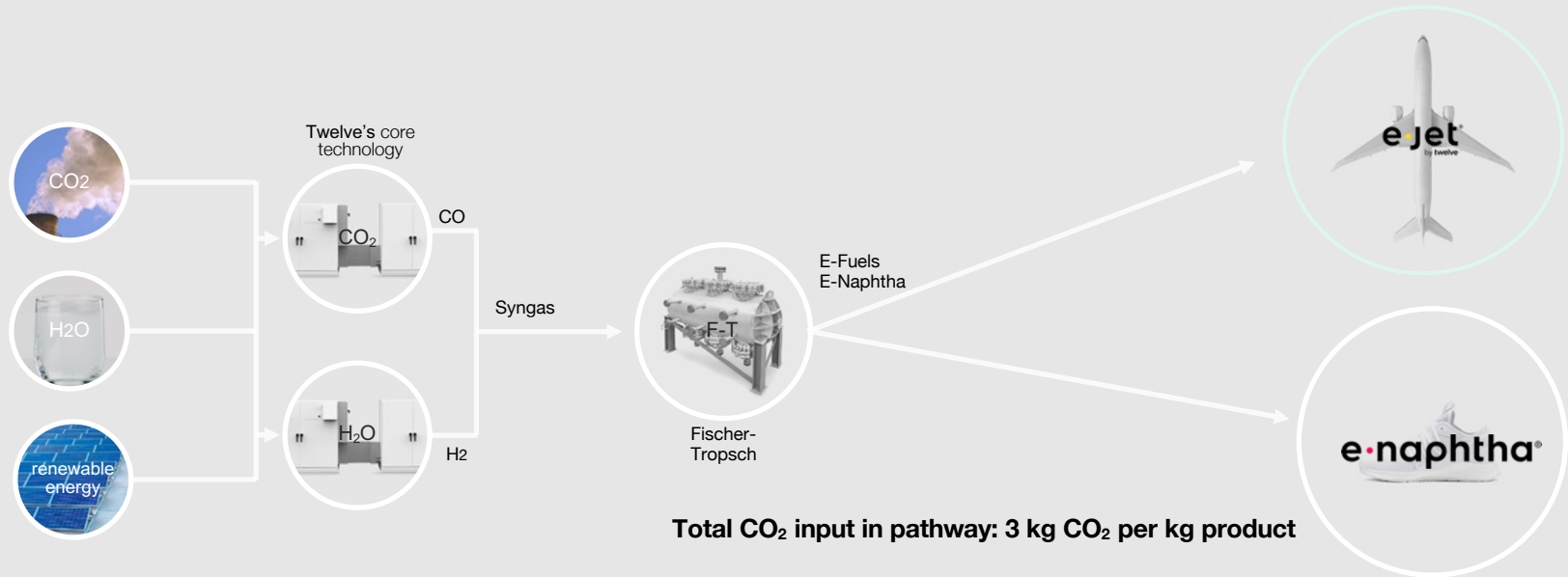
### Energy



# Gantt Chart



# Twelve's AirPlant™ turns CO<sub>2</sub> into fuels and building blocks for materials



**Total CO<sub>2</sub> input in pathway: 3 kg CO<sub>2</sub> per kg product**

1.

Twelve combined proprietary low temperature CO<sub>2</sub> electrolysis with H<sub>2</sub>O electrolysis to produce syngas from captured CO<sub>2</sub> and water

2.

Syngas is used to produce naphtha and drop-in fuels via Fischer-Tropsch process

3.

Twelve's products are identical to conventional products with zero new emissions, zero fossil fuels, and zero tradeoffs in quality and performance

twelve | a world made from air



# Twelve: launching a new industry



**2021**  
pilot scale

**2022**  
industrial system

**2023**  
industrial  
deployment

**2025**  
takeoff

**2026+**  
growth and scale

World's first  
CO<sub>2</sub> Made products,  
E-Jet<sup>®</sup> pilot

World's largest  
CO<sub>2</sub> electrolyzer

Commercial E-Jet<sup>®</sup> /  
E-Naphtha<sup>™</sup> plant  
under construction

First E-Jet<sup>®</sup> route  
and initial  
production

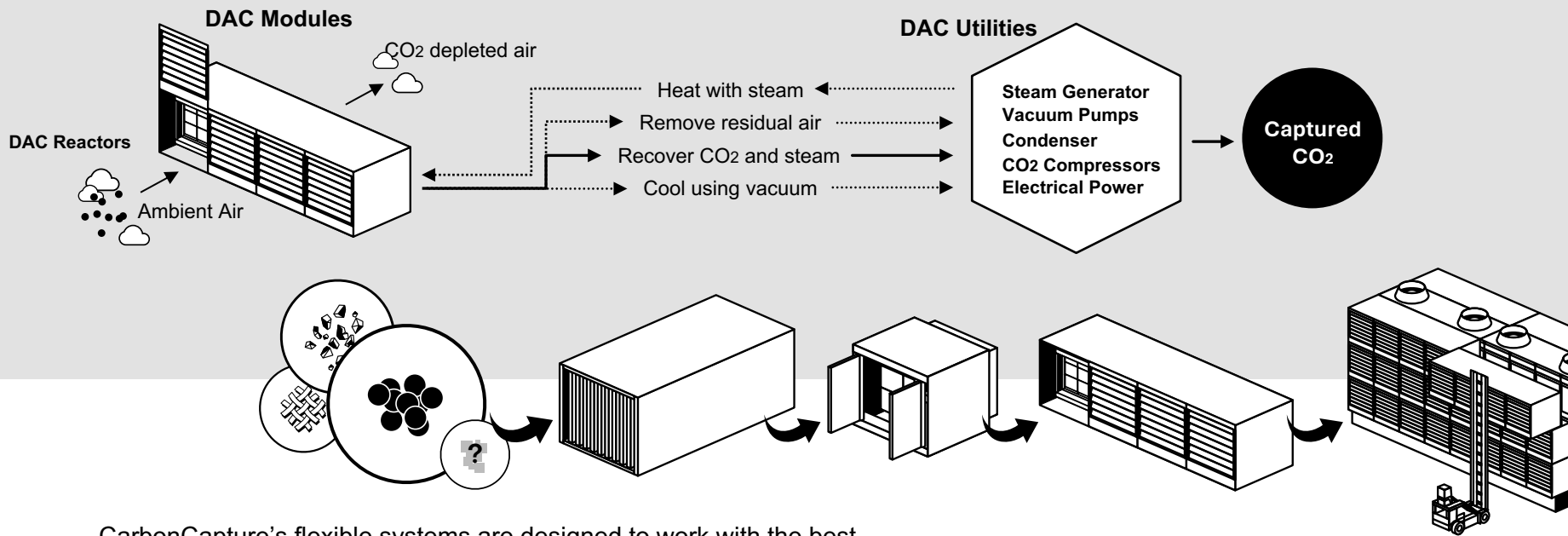
Scale up of E-Jet<sup>®</sup> / E-  
Naphtha<sup>™</sup> capacity



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# CarbonCapture's DAC Technology

To capture CO<sub>2</sub> from ambient air, our technology uses structured solid sorbents and a temperature-vacuum swing adsorption (TVSA) process.



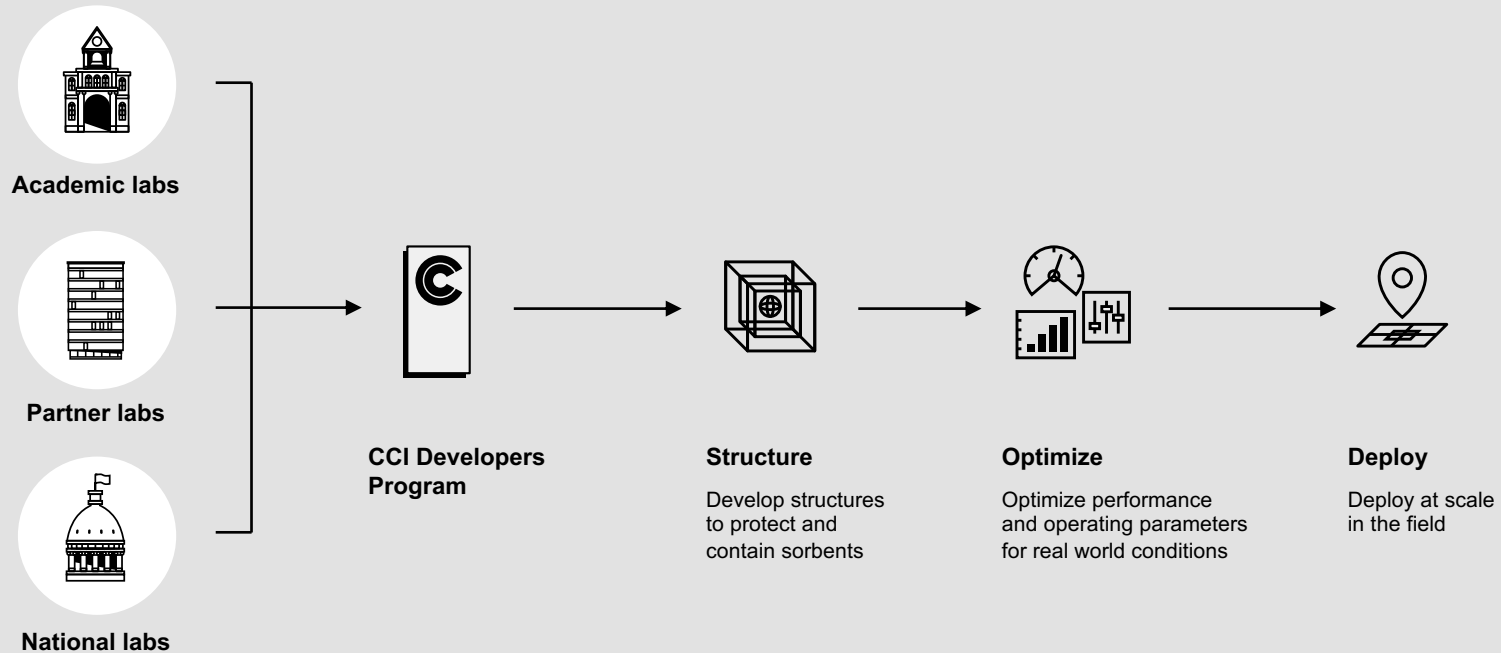
CarbonCapture's flexible systems are designed to work with the best performing DAC sorbents of today *and* tomorrow.

Using our **Modular Open Systems Architecture (MOSA)**, our hardware is designed to incorporate future sorbent innovation via plug and play cartridges. By being able to upgrade our systems with new sorbents as they are invented, we're able to future-proof our platform.



# Sorbent Development & Testing

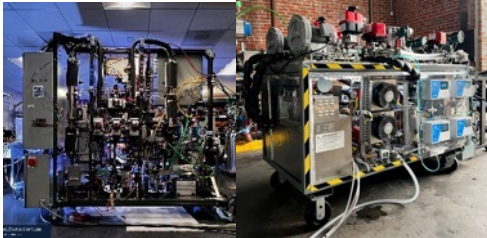
New sorbents for DAC are continually being developed by scientists in academic, corporate, and national labs around the world. We offer these developers a path to market, alongside our active in-house sorbent development program.



# From mgs to tons

Evolution of our TRL and test platforms

~100g



## Rocky

**Environmental testing**

-10°C up to 40°C  
0% RH up to 90% RH

Arizona  
Wyoming  
Louisiana

## Bullwinkle

**Lifetime testing**

Fully automated system  
2 parallel reactors  
Mobile unit

~10kg



## Calvin

**Production-scale sorbent testing**

Fully automated system  
Performance & lifetime testing  
Mechanical/chemical stability

~100kg



## Hobbes

**Full reactor testing**

Production-scale process unit  
TRL 6  
Hardware, sensors, & airflow

**Ton-scale**  
structured sorbent



## Leo

**Field testing**

12 reactors  
TRL 8  
Continuous cycling



# Leo Series DAC Modules

In June we unveiled our module series, breaking down industry barriers with our revolutionary approach to scale DAC through **mass manufacturing and materials science**.

- Each module is equipped with 12 DAC reactors
- At-scale deployment of structured sorbents
- Nominal capacity of 500 tons/year
- Generates a concentrated stream of CO<sub>2</sub> at >95% purity
- Each module is roughly the size of a shipping container





# DAC Manufacturing Facility

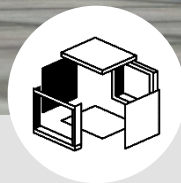
We've signed the lease on the world's first DAC manufacturing facility in Mesa, Arizona

- At full capacity, the 83,000 sq.ft. facility will produce 4,000 modules per year
- Automated fabrication processes will reduce manpower load and result in a consistently higher quality product



### Upgradable

Seamless integration of new structured sorbents as they become available



### Manufacturable

A scaleable, repeatable, and cost-effective process



### Maintainable

Minimal interruptions to system performance and low O&M costs

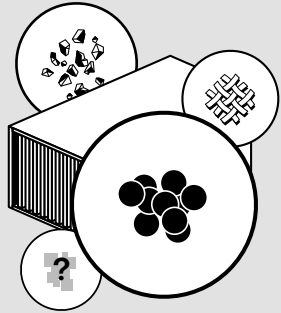
“What CarbonCapture is doing with its modular approach underscores the indispensable role of the private sector in developing and deploying carbon management at a scale needed to achieve a clean energy and industrial future.”

### Brad Crabtree

Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy & Carbon Management, U.S. Department of Energy

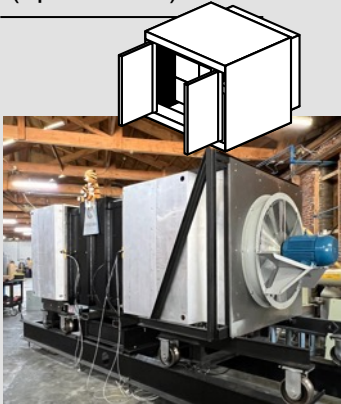
# Deployment Progress

Ongoing



**Structured Sorbent Development**

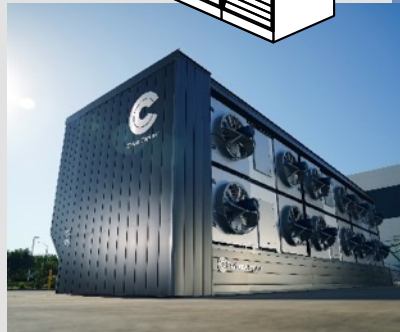
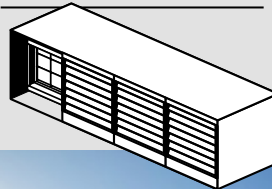
**2022**  
(operational)



**Commercial Scale Reactor**  
with structured sorbent

Los Angeles  
Single reactor  
(35 tons/year)

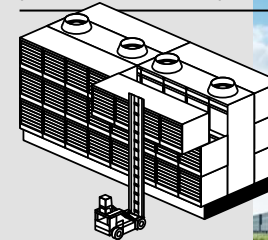
**2024**  
(operational)



**Commercial Scale Module**  
with structured sorbent

Los Angeles  
Multi-reactor module  
(500 tons/year)

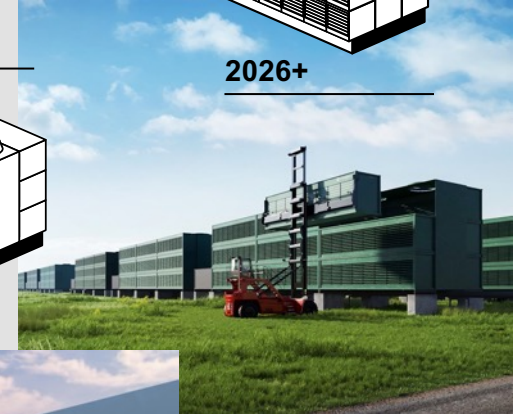
**2025**  
(in construction)



**Commercial Pilot**

Multi-module cluster  
(2000 tons/year)

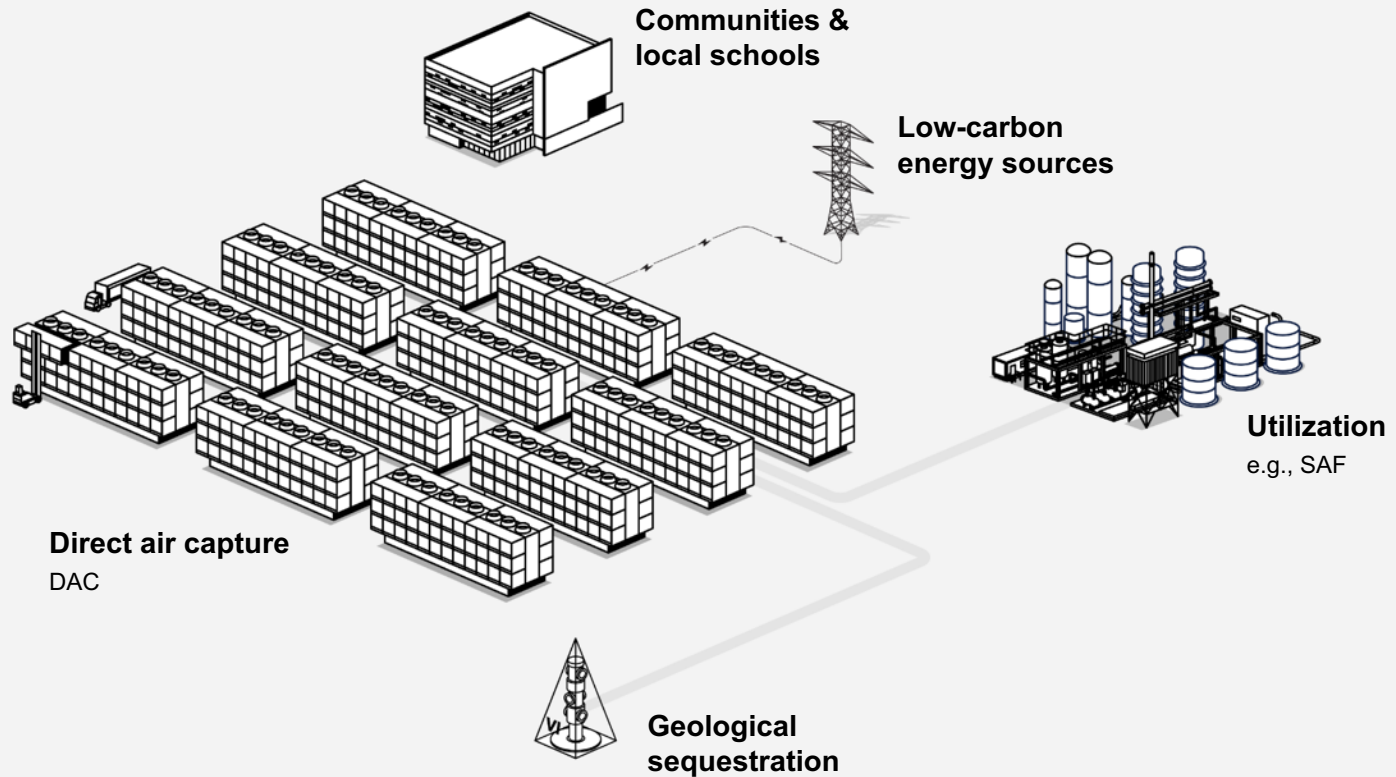
**2026+**



**Commercial Scale Project**

# Getting to megaton-scale

All projects will require a similar set of building blocks to be successful. Co-location and / or resource sharing between DAC companies may alleviate cost and schedule risks.





# Summary of Community Benefits / Societal Considerations (CB/SCI) and Impacts

- CBP structured around SMART actions: community and labor engagement, skilled workforce, DEIA, and Justice40
- Significant community learnings from Wyoming in the past 2 years
- Challenges with community fatigue—communities uncertain what they are supposed to expect from startup DAC companies
- Messaging is critical—TA-2 is a FEED study with uncertain FID
- Ensure two-way engagement guides the planning, construction, and operation stages but don't overpromise
- Every community is different – many communities value their oil & gas legacy, and we need to honor community values
- Tribes will have different values and more fatigue

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## America's Grid Isn't Ready for the Green Transition

POWER GRAB

# Amid explosive demand, America is running out of power

AI and the boom in clean-tech manufacturing are pushing America's power grid to the brink. Utilities can't keep up.

## Lessons Learned: Energy

- Carbon removal credit customers want low-carbon, additional energy generation that is 24/7 hourly matched
- Utility timelines are long, with in-service dates of 5-10+ years for medium-to-large projects in some regions
- DAC will struggle against more competitive options (e.g., data centers)
- Near-term behind-the-meter options using fossil fuels (e.g., fuel cells or natural gas combined cycle plus capture) may be necessary in the interim
- Proximity to energy options will need to be balance / optimized with proximity to permanent storage solutions

ENERGY & OIL

## How Big Data Centers Are Slowing the Shift to Clean Energy

In Virginia's data-center alley, rising power demand means more fossil fuels

# Appendix

