## CarbonSAFE Phase II: CTV III CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Project

Demonstrate safe, reliable CO<sub>2</sub> transport and storage in California's Sacramento Delta

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### Project Overview

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**Timeline:** Two-year timeframe – Selected - in Negotiations

Funding: Federal \$8.9 MM / Cost-share \$2.2 MM

**Objective:** Investigate the feasibility of developing a commercial-scale carbon storage hub in the Sacramento Delta, California.  $CO_2$  captured from greenfield and existing sources in the East-Bay.

#### **Project Team:**

Lead - Colorado School of Mines

California Resources / Carbon TerraVault

**Blade Energy Partners** 

**Providence Strategic Consulting** 

Organizations	Personnel	Position			
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Blade Energy Partners	Suri Suryanarayana	Drilling Engineer			









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145MMT

~202MMT<sup>5</sup>

Vault	СТ	VI	CTV II	CTV III	CTV IV	CTV V	Carbon Frontier	CTV VI	Coles Levee
EPA Permit Application Administratively Complete	Yes (26R)	Yes (A1-A2)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	TBD	ТВА
Targeting Class VI Draft EPA Permits Receipt	Public Comment Period Complete	~2024	~2024	~2025	~2025	~2025	~2025	~2027	ТВА
Location	Central California			Northern California		Central California			
Annual Regional CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions <sup>1</sup> ( <i>MMTPA</i> )	~30				~60		~30		
Est. Average Annual Injection Capacity <sup>2</sup> (MMTPA)	~1.5 <sup>3</sup>	0.2	~0.6	~1.8	~0.9	~0.4	~0.7	~2.5	TBA
Potential Total Storage Capacity (MMT)	38	8	23	71	34	17	27	102	TBA

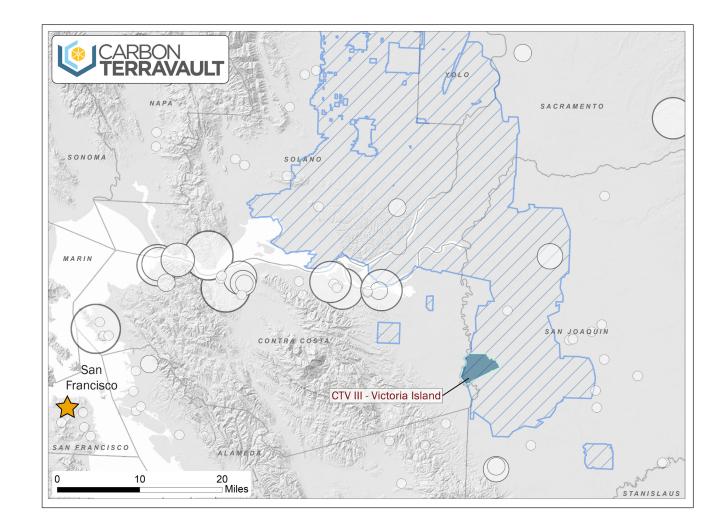
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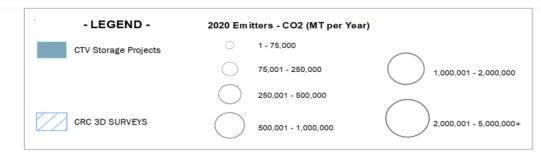
### Project Location

The CTV III project area lies within the Sacramento Basin in northern California

More than 20 million metric tons per annum (MMTPA) of  $CO_2$  emissions from natural gas-fired power plants, refineries and other industrial sources are in the San Francisco Bay Area, approximately 20-50 miles west of the project site.

California Resources Corporation / Carbon TerraVault (CTV) has secured rights and support for >50 MMT of carbon storage in a saline aquifer at ~6,000 feet.







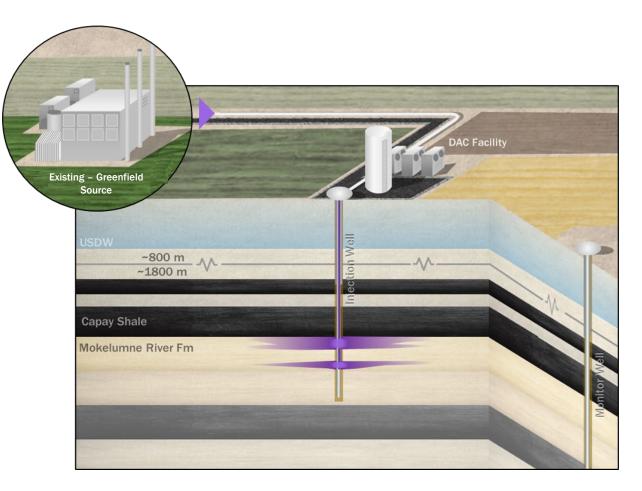
### Project Goals

#### High level project goals:

- De-risk storage in Sacramento Delta
- Confirm storage complex capacity and injectivity to meet or exceed 50 MT-CO<sub>2</sub> over 30 years required for commercial scale deployment
- Complete initial risk assessment for project components
- Develop a CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration pathway:
  - Maintain key natural gas-fired power generating assets
  - Develop Direct Air Capture (DAC) to meet Carbon Dioxide Removal target in California
  - Address future industrial sources of CO<sub>2</sub>

At the end of this project, we expect to be prepared for a future CarbonSAFE application, which will help accelerate the implementation of a commercial CCS project.

Create a comprehensive community and stakeholder engagement plan that includes diversity, equity, inclusion and accessibility.



### Project Tasks

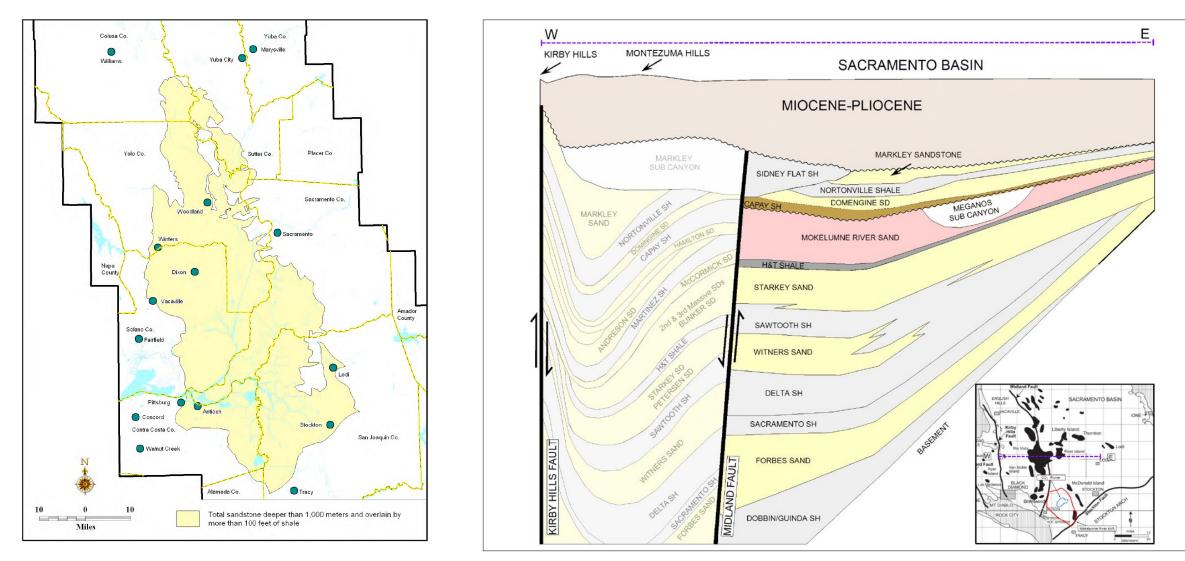
- Task 1.0 Project Management and Planning
- Task 2.0 Site Specific Characterization & Assessment of the CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Complex
- Task 3.0 Preliminary Project Risk Assessment with Mitigation & Management Plans
- Task 4.0 Phase III Characterization Plan and Class VI Application Update
- Task 5.0 Project Technical & Economic Feasibility Assessment, Including Conceptual-Level Design Study for CO<sub>2</sub> Transport
- Task 6.0 Community Benefits Plan
- Task 7.0 Data Submittal and Final Phase II Report

The project team plans to:

- (1) Acquire and analyze data to advance the existing Class VI application;
- (2) Conduct a risk assessment to improve understanding of project risks and further develop mitigation strategies (NRAP toolset)
- (3) Assess the technical and economic case for transport and storage for the project.



### Sacramento Basin Geology



Petroleum basin with good seismic coverage, well data to confirm presence of high-quality reservoir sands. Gas fields confirm presence of confining shales, with hydrocarbon confinement for million of years.

\*Downey, Cameron, and John Clinkenbeard. 2010. Preliminary Geologic Assessment of the Carbon Sequestration Potential of the Upper Cretaceous Mokelumne River, Starkey, and Winters Formations – Southern Sacramento Basin, California. California Energy Commission, PIER Energy-Related Environmental Research. CEC-500-2009-068.

### Subsurface Storage Complex

Sacramento Basin has been studied and contemplated for CCS through the WESTCARB initiative.

Target injection zone, Mokelumne River Fm:

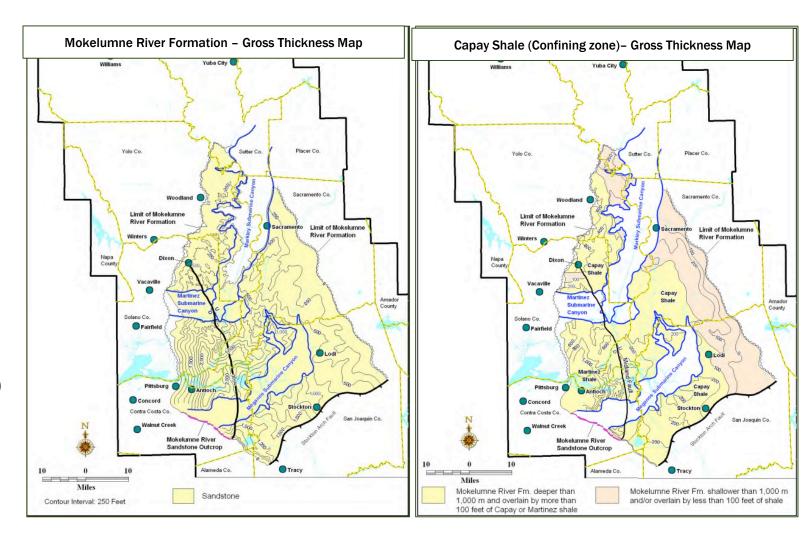
• Fluvio-Deltaic, high quality sandstone

Multiple characteristics of a good geologic sequestration target

- >100md on permeability and > 28% porosity
- Low formation dip

Overlain by the Capay Shale (Confining zone)

- Eocene aged formation
- Major flooding surface spanning the basin
- Low permeability seal, overlies gas fields





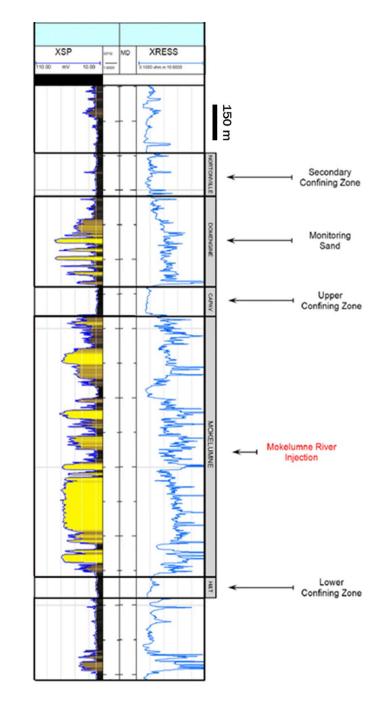
### Stratigraphic Well Objectives

Further characterize the storage reservoir and associated confining zones:

- Drill well to ~8,000 ft depth
- Core following intervals
  - Injection zone Mokelumne River Formation
  - Confining zone Capay Shale
  - Monitoring / Dissipation zone Domengine Formation
- Sidewall core additional zones as necessary
- Extensive logging suite
- Fluid sampling
- Well tests, pressure fall off testing

Data will be used to:

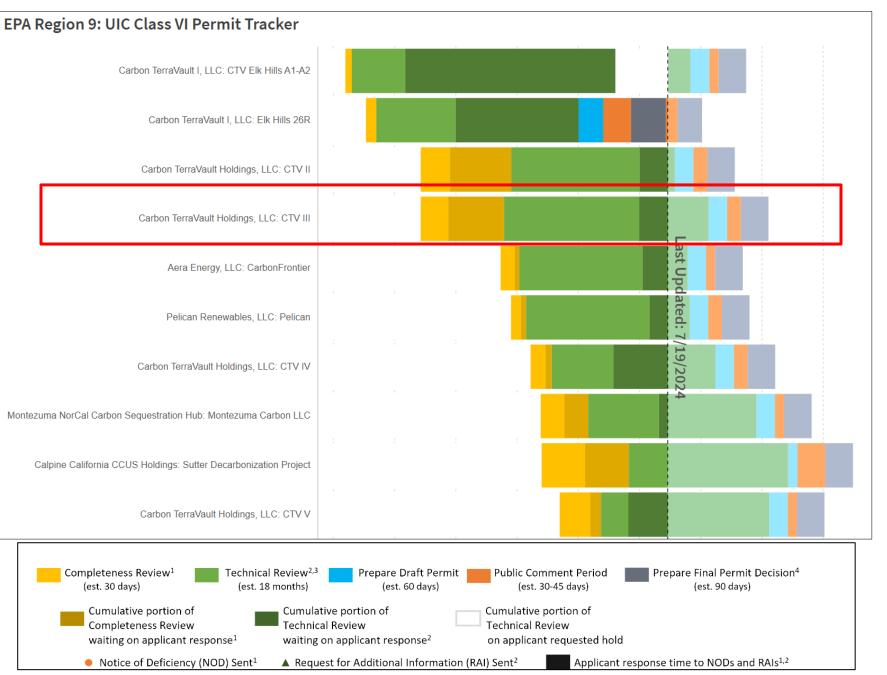
- Update static geologic model and dynamic reservoir simulations
- Complete risk assessment
- Class VI update



### **EPA Class VI**

EPA Class VI:

- 6 injectors for 2.5 MMTPA
- 71 MMT of storage
- Administratively complete on February 23, 2023
- CarbonSAFE Phase II will provide dynamic data to further understand reservoir performance and support the Class VI.



### Summary and Next Steps

- Proceeding through contract negotiations with DOE.
- Ensuring critical paths addressed for seamless project execution.
  - Initiating discussions and processes with California agencies for well permitting and testing.

