

Division of Advanced Remediation Technologies

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Advanced Remediation Technologies

Focused on developing technologies that can be applied to the remediation and prevention of environmental impacts from the recovery of fossil energy resources.

Environmentally Prudent Stewardship



Field Laboratory Network Basin-specific strategy Fundamental shale Emerging Plays



Onshore & Offshore Spill prevention Borehole integrity Aging infrastructure

Water Management Technologies



Beneficial Reuse

Waste to resource Environmental sustainability Industry collaboration

Methane Hydrates



GoM & Alaska

Climate change stability Resource characterization International collaboration

Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning



DOE Field Laboratories (Test Sites)

- A portfolio of 17 Field Labs with the overarching premise of accelerating the development and application of new technologies, tools, and processes for optimizing the operational efficiency and environmental sustainability in a diverse array of field-based settings.
 - Basin-specific strategy for environmentally prudent stewardship of unconventional resources.
 - Improved characterization of unconventional oil and natural gas reservoirs for future energy storage opportunities.
 - $_{\circ}$ Make results and data available to the public, and
 - Foster collaborative research within industry, academia, and the National Labs.

Field Test Sites: Accelerating Development of New Technologies for Improved Efficiency and Sustainability of Unconventional Oil and Gas Production



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Field Laboratory Locations and Census Tracts with Disadvantaged Communities



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DOE Field Laboratories (Test Sites)

- Future Field Labs are planned for additional test sites, focusing on combining enhanced oil recovery (EOR) with CO₂ storage in unconventional oil reservoirs.
 - ✓ Assess the overall effectiveness of Carbon Dioxide Enhanced Oil Recovery (CO2-EOR) in unconventional oil reservoirs and understand the potential to store CO2 in these complex reservoirs.
 - ✓ Co-optimize CO2-EOR and carbon storage with the goal of reducing the carbon footprint associated with the incremental oil produced.

FOA-3015: Enabling a Reduced Carbon Footprint for Carbon Dioxide Enhanced Oil Recovery (CO2-EOR)/Storage Field Test Sites in Unconventional Reservoirs **Funding Amount**: \$23.2 million

ART Water Management Technologies

All water related R&D within the FECM portfolio is managed by ART

WATER MANAGEMENT FOR POWER SYSTEMS Remediation of coal power waste Active Projects I 0 Projects <pI 0 Projects</p> <pI 0 Projects</p>

Additional Objectives:

- Recovery of critical minerals, rare earths, and other beneficial resources from associated waste streams.
- Water recycling and beneficial reuse outside oil and gas operations

Since 2018, ART-WM Funded Projects Across 23 States

≥ 4 awards
2-3 awards
1 award
No awards





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New Water Management Projects Under FOA 2796



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Water Research and Development for Oil and Gas Produced Water and Coal Combustion Residuals Wastewater Associated With Coal Power Plants. **Funding amount: \$18,050,000**

- Desalinated Produced Water as Irrigation Source for Non-Consumptive Agriculture and Adjacencies for Ammonia Mining and Carbon Sequestration Field Trials – Aris Water Solutions (Houston, Texas) plans to advance the beneficial reuse of produced water for non-consumptive agriculture and industrial application.
- Produced Water Consortium for Ultralightweight Composite Manufacturing by Accelerated Carbon Mineralization PVT Clean Energy (Poughkeepsie, New York) plans to form the Produced Water Consortium for Ultralightweight Composite Manufacturing to manage, treat, and/or beneficially reuse produced water from onshore oil & gas operations.
- <u>Advanced Characterization of Wastewaters with a Focus on the Environment & Economics</u> University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (Urbana, Illinois) plans to advance the characterization of CCR effluents and illustrate the use of such characterization to determine environmental impact and resource recovery.
- <u>Treatment of Produced Water for Beneficial Use with Concurrent Resource Recovery Utilizing Coal- and Waste Coal-</u> <u>derived Material</u>. – **Ohio University** (Athens, Ohio) intends to develop an economically feasible process to render treatment of oil- and gas-produced water for beneficial use outside of the oil and gas industries.

Water Management Research – Research and Innovation Center







PW Research Partnership





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Methane Hydrates Research

Advance the scientific understanding of very large hydrate resources and assess the environmental impacts from global climate change through:

- Fundamental understanding gas hydrate deposits and climate change impacts (degas) on system stability
- Characterization of marine hydrate bearing sediments in the Gulf of Mexico
- Assessment of long-term reservoir response: Alaska North Slope, production flow test at Prudhoe Bay
- International collaboration



- U.S. resource is thought to be roughly 10,000 trillion cubic feet (TCF) in offshore marine deposits and several hundred TCF in onshore, permafrost-associated deposits
- Global resource estimates range from 250,000 to 700,000 trillion cubic feet



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Alaska Hydrates Production Testing Program Objectives

Robust, Proven, State-of-art Equipment for Well Sampling, Completion, and Monitoring

Science

Full characterization of GH systems \rightarrow Physical Properties, Geomechanics, Petrophysics

- Sidewall pressure coring (STW)
- Whole core pressure coring (GDW)

Observation of controlled perturbation \rightarrow Dynamic Geomechanics, Petrophysics, Heat Flow

- Fiber-optic Strain, Acoustic, and Temperature Monitoring
- Pressure monitoring
- Monitoring inside (PTW) and outside (PTW, STW, GDW) casing
- Time Series VSP via DAS \rightarrow Reservoir System Response

Technology

Assessment of Mitigations to production challenges (heat flow, permeability, geomechanics)

- Sand control/completion/stimulation/shut-in
- Artificial Lift; Hydraulic isolation

Improved evaluation/prediction of productivity and potential



Gulf of Mexico Expedition (GOM2)

Deepwater Methane Hydrate Characterization and Scientific Assessment

- To locate, drill, and sample methane hydrate deposits through multiple expeditions.
- To store, manipulate, and analyze pressurized hydrates samples.
- To maximize science possible through sample distribution and collaboration.







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