

# “GoMCarb” Partnership

**Offshore Gulf of Mexico Partnership for Carbon Storage  
Resources and Technology Development  
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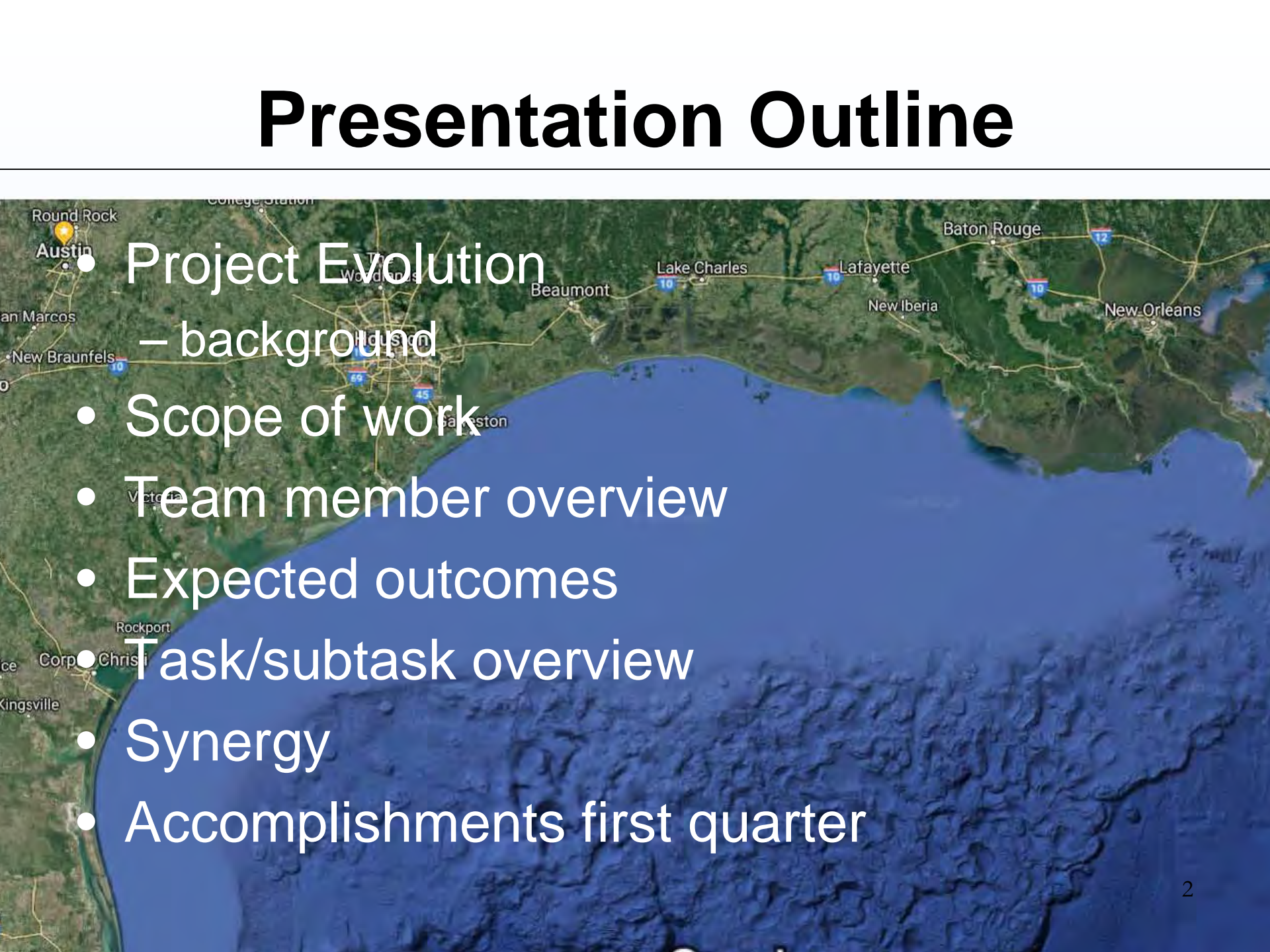
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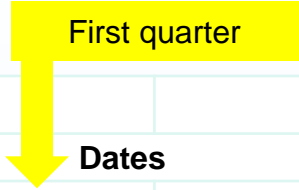
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# Presentation Outline

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- A satellite map of the Gulf Coast of the United States, showing the coastline from Austin, Texas down to the Florida panhandle. Major cities like Austin, Houston, New Orleans, and Baton Rouge are visible. The Gulf of Mexico is in the foreground, and the land is green with some urban areas. The map is used as a background for the presentation outline.
- Project Evolution
    - background
  - Scope of work
  - Team member overview
  - Expected outcomes
  - Task/subtask overview
  - Synergy
  - Accomplishments first quarter

# Project Evolution

First quarter



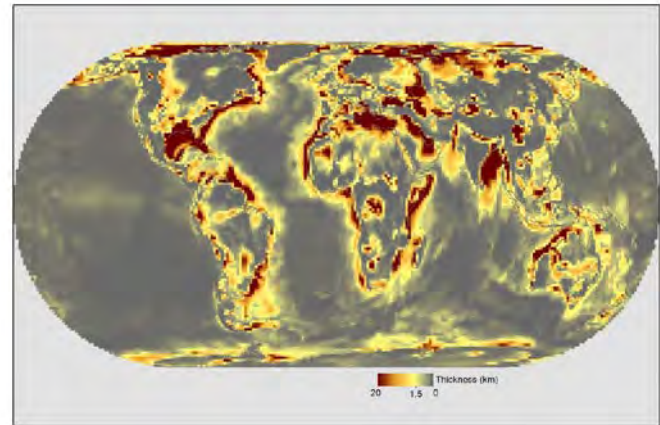
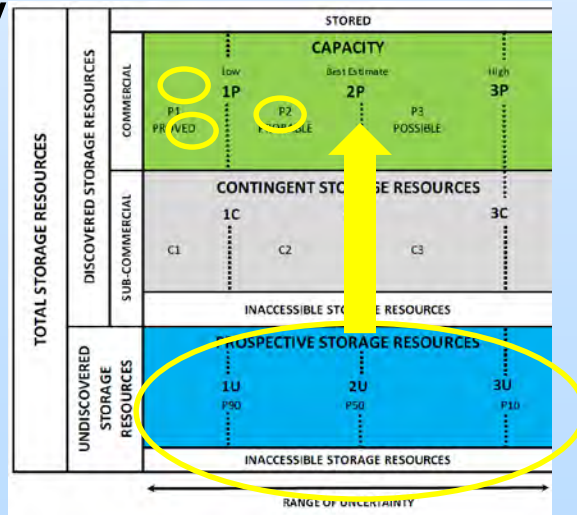
OFFSHORE PROJECTS		External Agency	Dates	
	Project Title		Begin	End
10	Offshore Gulf of Mexico Partnership for Carbon Storage--Resources and Technology Development	DOE - NETL	4/11/2018	1/31/2022
9	GCCC support for ACORN Project (HR3D)	Univ. Edinburgh	3/31/2018	12/30/2018
8	CarbonSAFE Phase I: Pre-feasibility Study - Northwest Gulf of Mexico CO2 Storage Complex	DOE - NETL	2/1/2017	7/30/2018
7	Validation of MVA Tools for Offshore CCS: Novel Ultra-High-Resolution 3D Marine Seismic Technology Integrated with Coring and Geochemistry	DOE - NETL	10/1/2016	9/30/2019
6	Atlantic Offshore CO2 Storage Resource Assessment	Battelle (DOE)	2/1/2016	5/31/2018
5	Offshore Storage Resource Assessment of the Northern Gulf of Mexico (TXLA)	DOE - NETL	9/1/2015	8/31/2018
4	BEG Support to DOE FE Climate Change Working Group (China)	DOE - HQ	4/1/2015	5/15/2016
3	Sub-seabed Geologic Carbon Dioxide Sequestration Best Management Practices	DOI - BOEMRE	4/1/2015	9/30/2016
2	Characterization of Offshore Texas State Lands for Carbon Sequestration (Miocene Megatransect)	DOE - NETL	10/1/2010	9/30/2015
1	Offshore Carbon Sequestration on Texas State Lands	Texas General Land Office	12/8/2009	9/30/2015

Geologic Characterization: 6  
HR3D Seismic: 3



# Why mature storage resource in Offshore Gulf of Mexico?

- Very large storage resource – more than 1/3 of US storage resource is offshore
- Public ownership of surface, subsurface and minerals
- Will it be needed? Proximal to sources – de-risking onshore capacity
- Much is known about geology, however low on resource maturity



## Global significance

# History of Cenozoic North American drainage basin evolution, sediment yield, and accumulation in the Gulf of Mexico basin

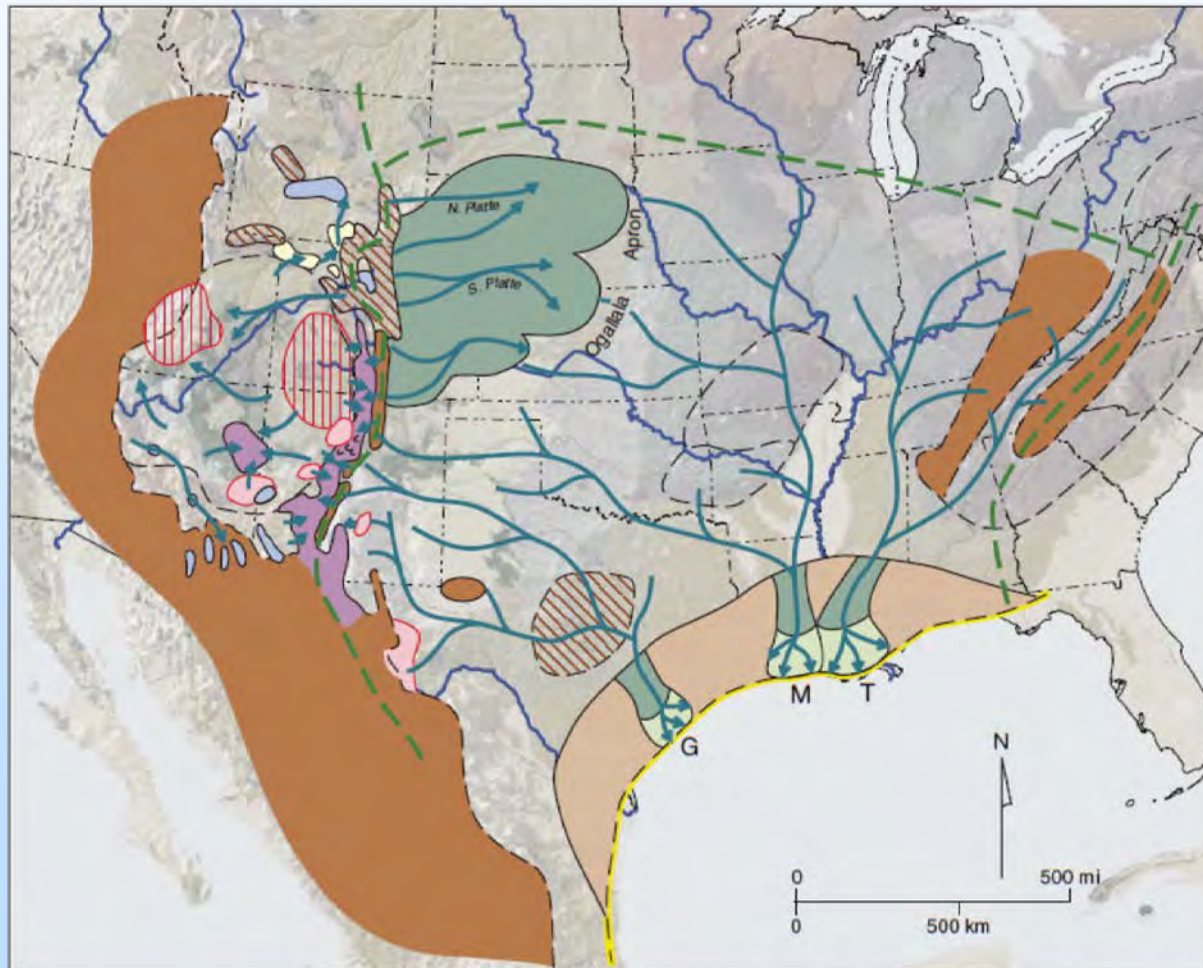
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## Middle Miocene Paleogeography

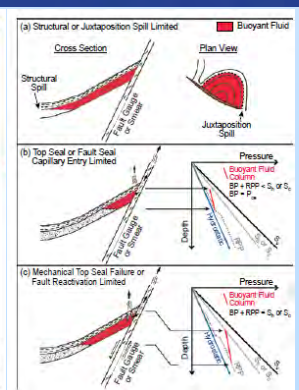
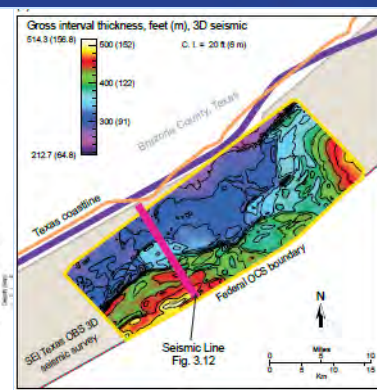
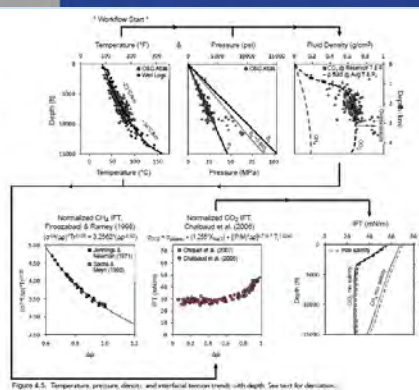
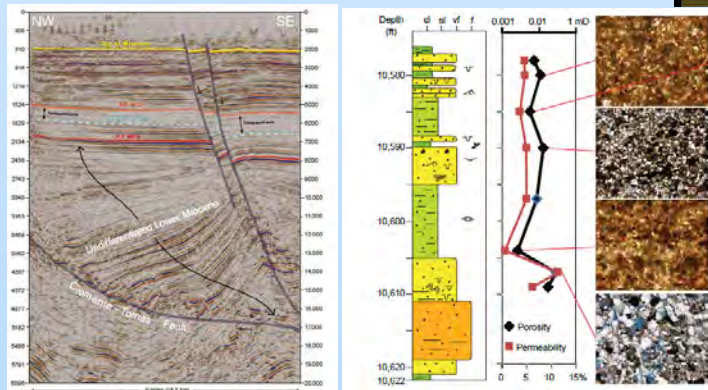
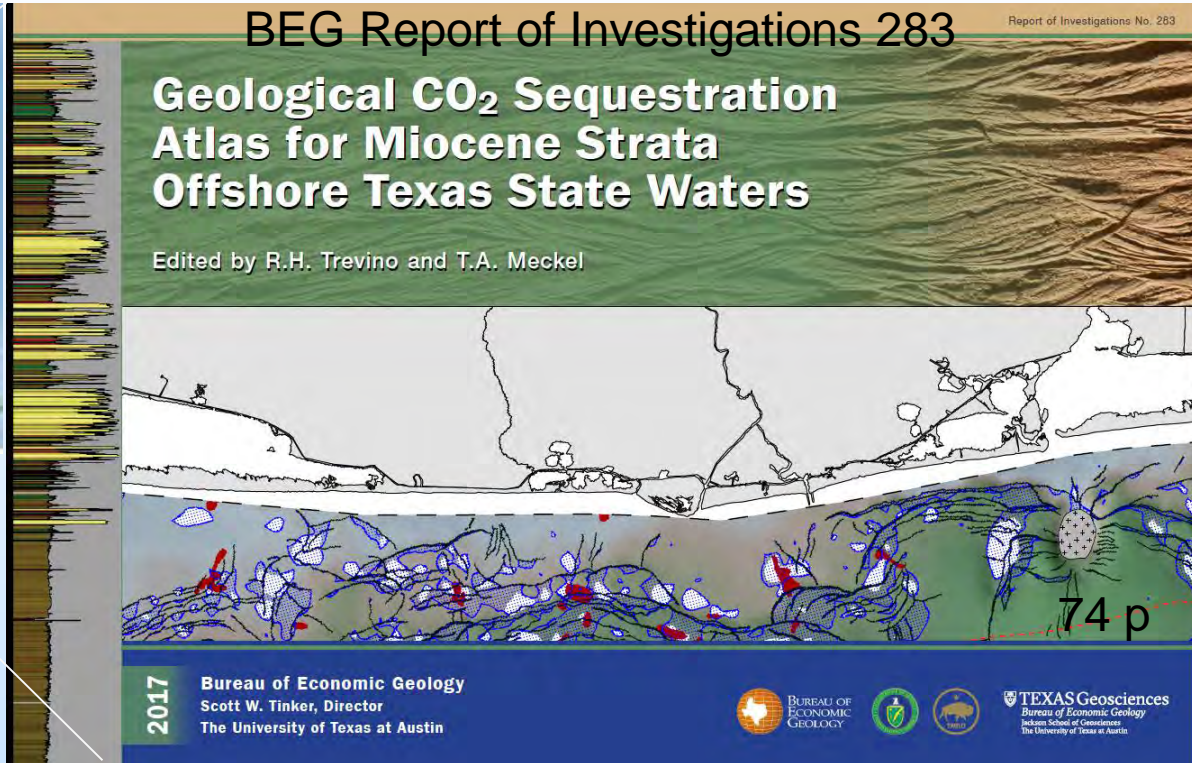




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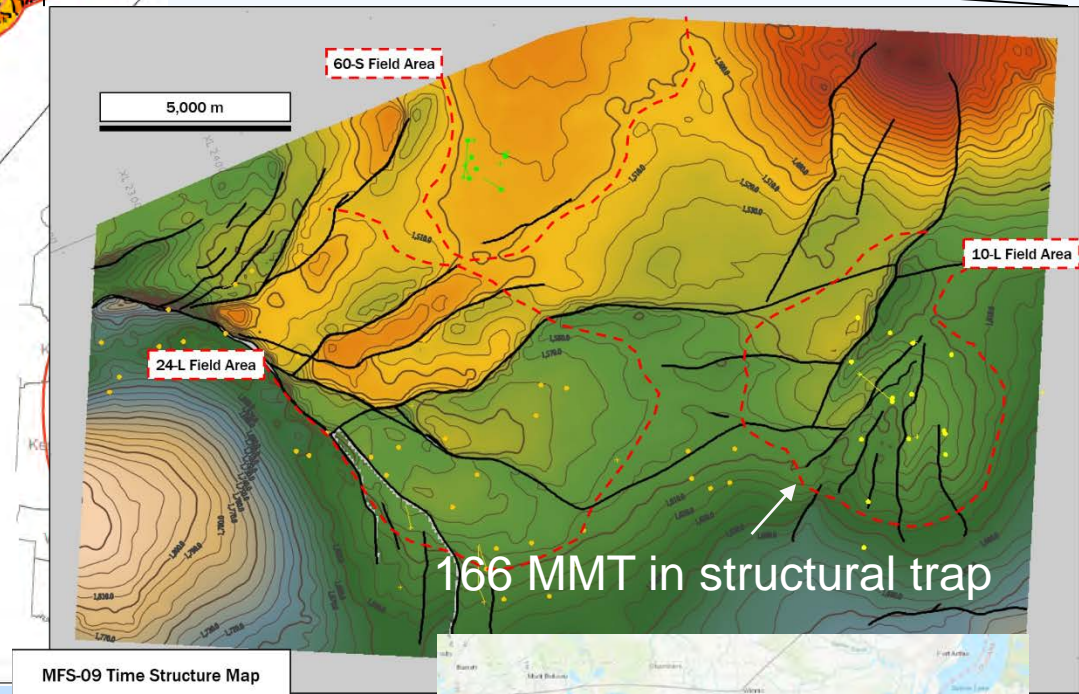
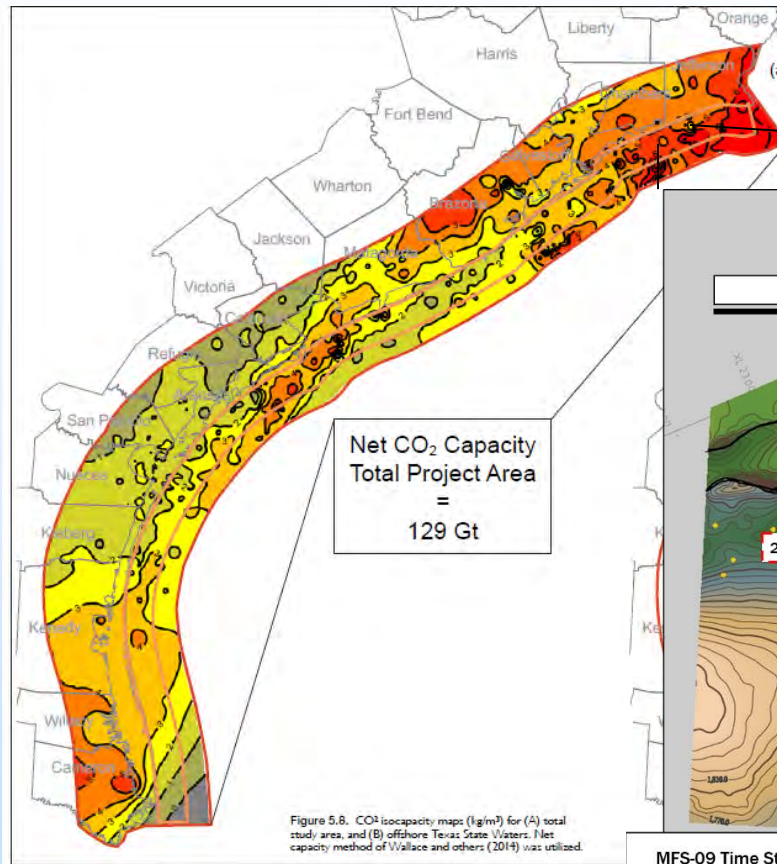


Regional  
assessment in  
NETL atlas

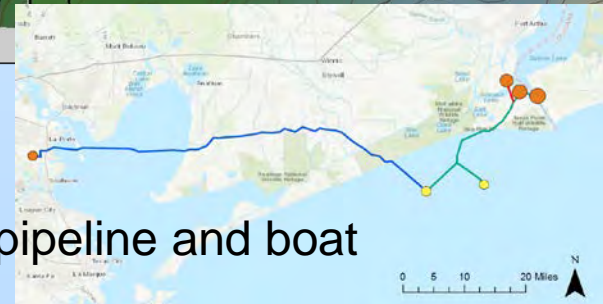
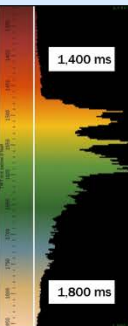




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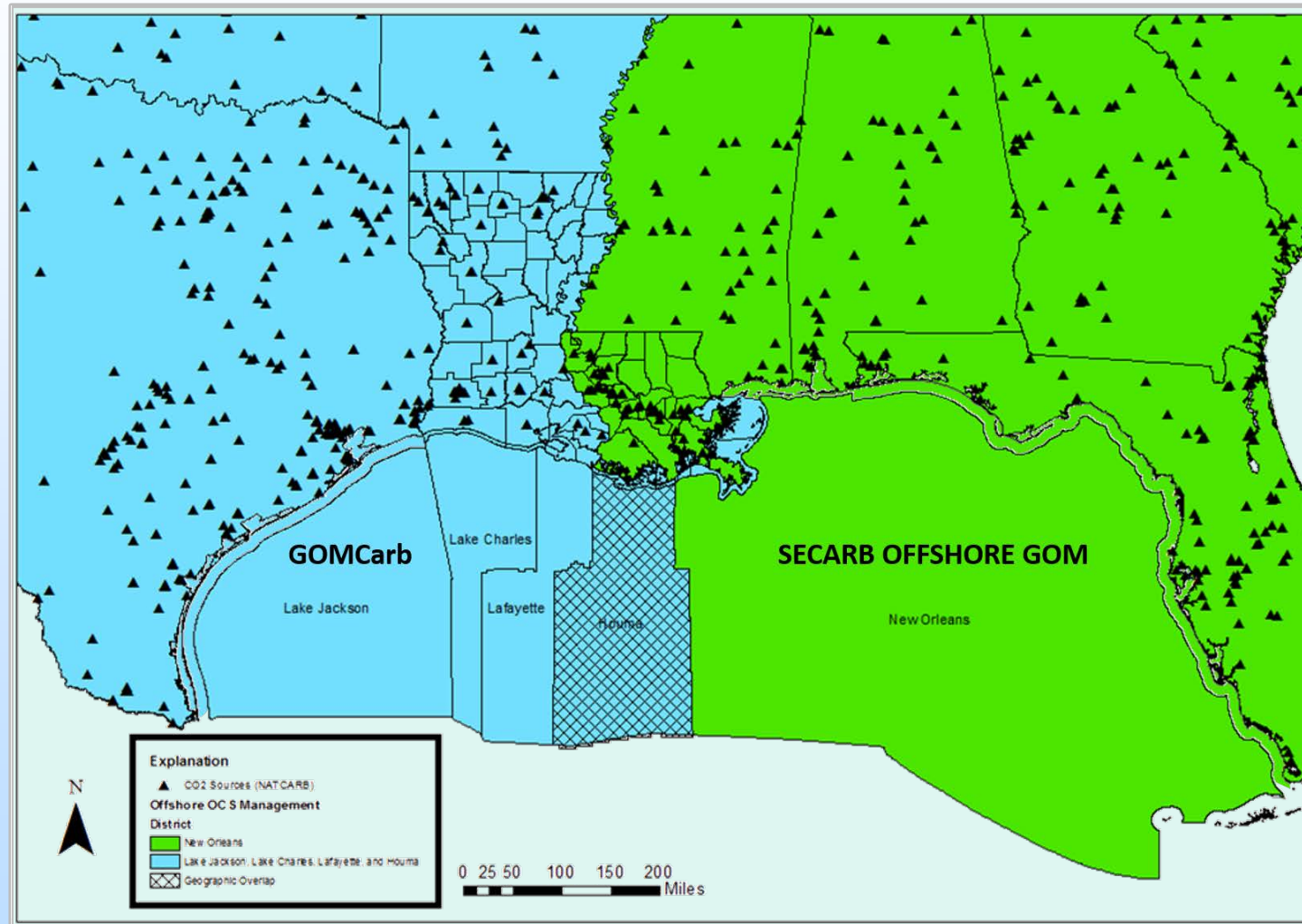


Carbon SAFE July 2011



One case of linking sources to sinks via pipeline and boat

# Offshore Partnerships Division of Effort



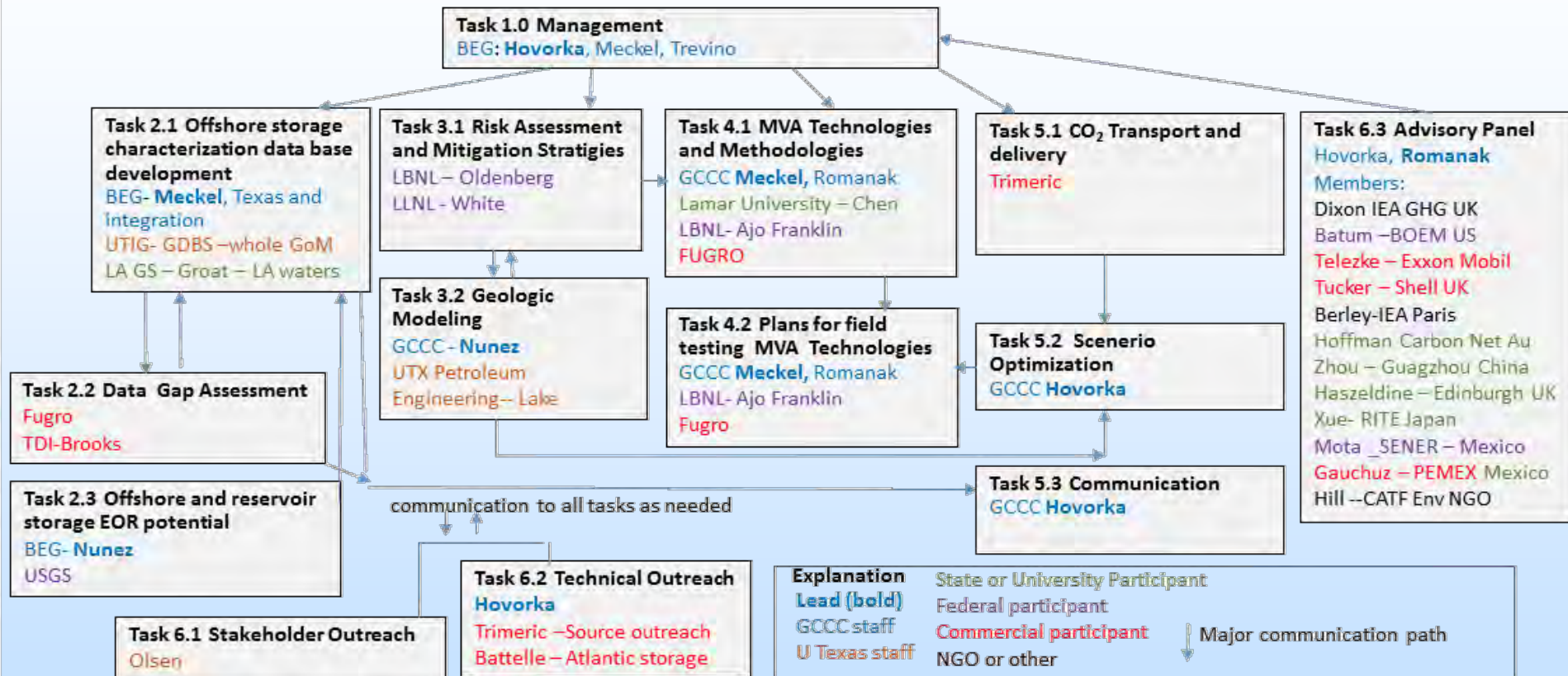


# Scope of Work

- **Offshore Storage Resources Characterization**
- **Risk Assessment, Simulation, and Modeling**
- **Monitoring, verification, and accounting (MVA)**
- **Infrastructure, Operations, and Permitting**
- **Knowledge Dissemination**



# GoMCarb Organizational Chart





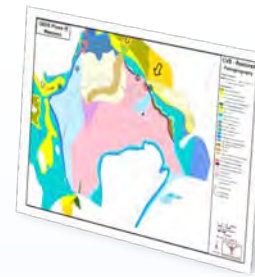
# Technical Team Member Roles

Institution	Location	Expertise
GCCC	Austin, TX	CCS Project Lead
Gulf of Mexico Basin Synthesis (GBDS)	Austin, TX	GoM Basin Geology 
Petroleum & Geosystems Engineering	Austin, TX	Reservoir Simulation
Fugro	Houston, TX	MVA Technologies
TDI-Brooks, Int.	College Station, TX	MVA Technologies
Lamar University	Beaumont, TX	Risk Assessment; Outreach
Trimeric	Round Rock, TX	Engineering; Infrastructure and Operations
USGS	Reston, VA	Characterization and Capacity Assessment
Louisiana Geologic Survey	Baton Rouge, LA	Characterization; Database Development
LBNL	Berkeley, CA	Risk Assessment; MVA Technologies
LLNL	Livermore, CA	Risk Assessment

# GBDS Products

- **Map suites** for 18 Cenozoic and 15 Mesozoic depositional episodes.
  - Unit top, unit thickness, sandstone-bearing interval thickness, limestone-bearing interval thickness, structural framework, paleogeography, and more...
- Maps and all supporting data, including interpreted well logs and reference materials, are provided and organized in an ArcGIS database.

<https://ig.utexas.edu/energy/gbds/>



**2337 total wells in Database**

413 New Wells

**2130 References in Database**

1123 georeferenced images

353 New refs

274 Mexico refs (39 theses)

**260 preconstructed maps:**

167 Cenozoic

81 Mesozoic

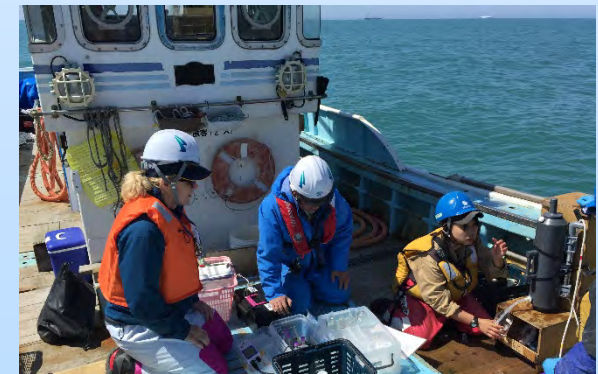
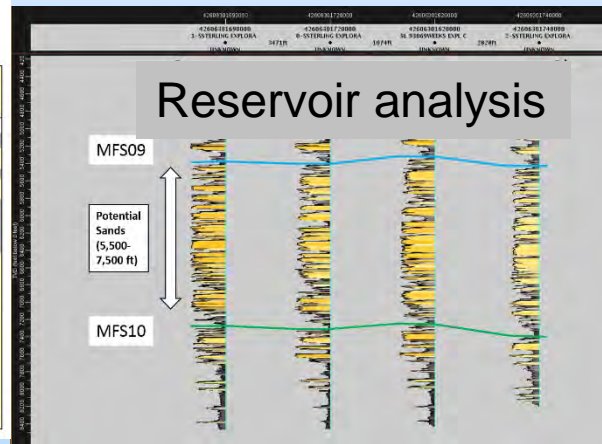
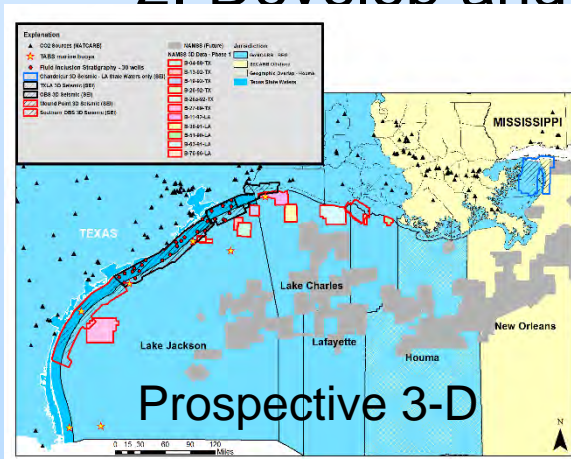
**1148 map layers for primary database**

563 map layers for references



# Expected Outcomes (1)

- Combine the capabilities and experience of industry, academia, and government to ensure safe, long-term, economically-viable carbon storage in offshore environments:
  1. Characterize storage resource;
    - Geologic maps (structure, porosity, facies, etc.)
    - Seismic interpretation (key biostratigraphic horizons)
  2. Develop and design testing for key MMV technologies.

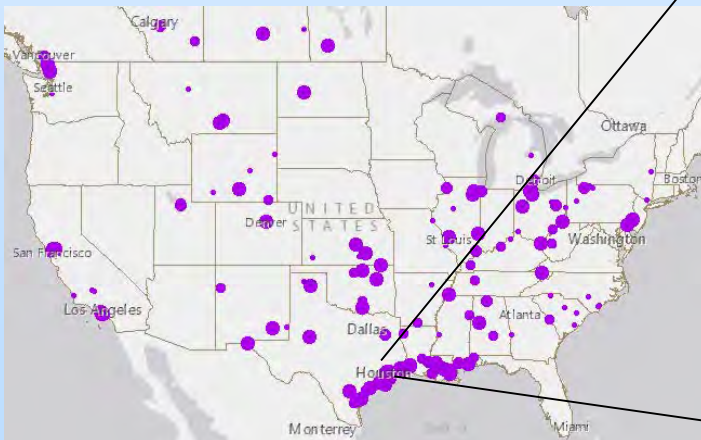


Monitoring -- Best Practices

# Expected Outcomes (2)

Evaluate the significance of accessible, secure, large-volume CO<sub>2</sub> offshore storage (including CCUS for hydrocarbon recovery) for supporting a secure future for the concentrated, growing, carbon-intensive industries of the areas bordering the Gulf of Mexico.

NATCARB-Refining sources





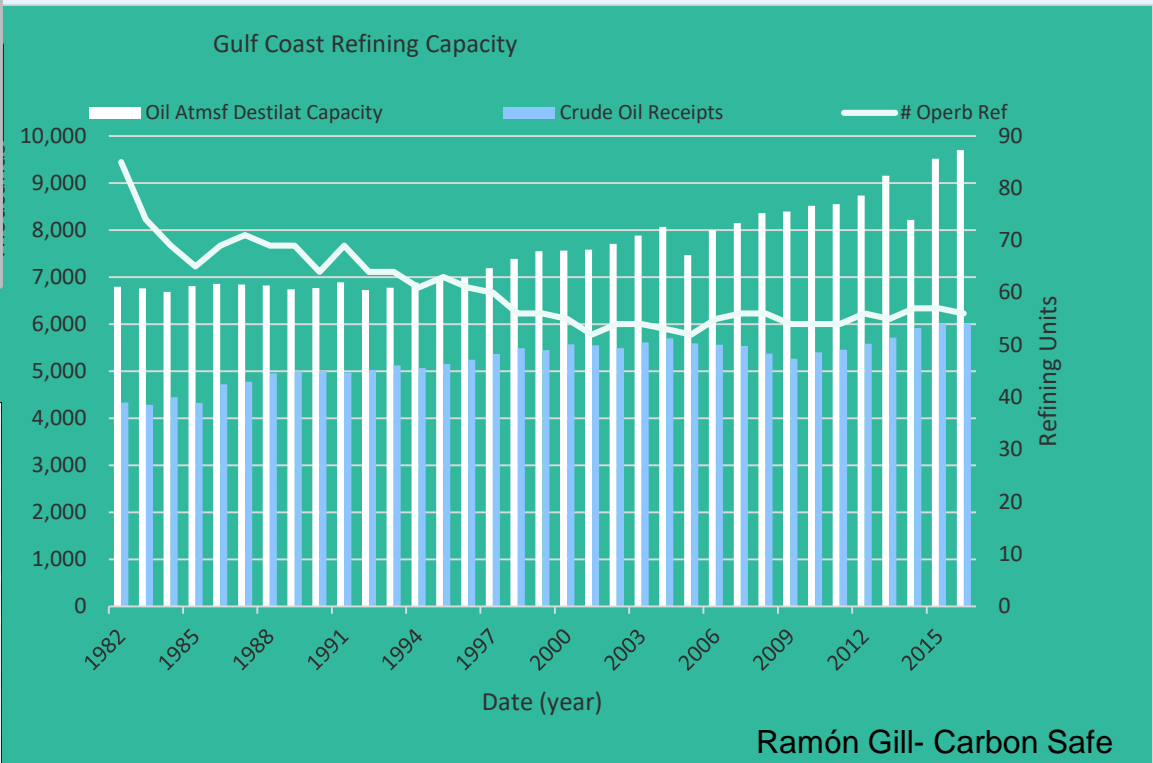
# Expected Outcomes (3)

- Participation of industry practitioners, IEAGHG, CSLF.
- The knowledge base created by the Offshore Carbon Storage Partnership will facilitate subsequent development of technology-focused permitting processes needed by regulators.
  - DOI, BOEM, and EPA.

## Risk Perceptions and Information Behaviors in the Context of Carbon Capture and Storage in Southeast Texas

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Ramón Gill- Carbon Safe

Level of credit available for different combinations of CO <sub>2</sub> sources and uses IEA/Moscow														
Type of CO <sub>2</sub> storage/use	Minimum size of eligible carbon capture plant by type (ktCO <sub>2</sub> /yr)			Relevant level of tax credit in a given operational year (USD/tCO <sub>2</sub> )										
	Power plant	Other industrial facility	Direct air capture	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Later	
Dedicated geological storage	500	100	100	28	31	34	36	39	42	45	47	50		
Storage via EOR	500	100	100	17	19	22	24	26	28	31	33	35		
Other utilisation processes <sup>1</sup>	25	25	25	17 <sup>2</sup>	19	22	24	26	28	31	33	35		

Index linked

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each CO<sub>2</sub> source cannot be greater than 500 ktCO<sub>2</sub>/yr

2

Any credit will only apply to the portion of the converted CO<sub>2</sub> that can be shown to reduce overall emissions

# Task/Subtask Breakdown

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- **Task 1: Project Management, Planning, and Reporting:  
PMP, DMP, TMP**
- **Task 2: Offshore Storage Resources Characterization**
  - 2.1: Database development**
  - 2.2: Data Gap Assessment (regional)**
  - 2.3: Offshore Reservoir Storage and EOR**

# Data available to GoMCarb

<u>DATABASE</u>	<u>200 Gigabyte GoM-wide ArcGIS Project</u>	<u>GBDS</u>
<b>Well Data</b>		<b>GBDS</b>
raster & digital well logs	2,337 Interpreted Wells	IHS Database
paleontological data (stratigraphic tops)	6,054 Wells	BOEM/BSSE
Production data	>54,000 Wells	
<b>2D seismic data</b>	>160,000 linear miles total  (150,000 linear miles from NAMSS currently in project)	<b>GBDS</b>  Public: NAMSS Database  Proprietary 2D: ION Geophysical (Gulfspan Merge)
<b>3D seismic data</b>	2,304 sq. mi.  22,000 sq. mi.  150,000 sq. mi. available  997 sq. mi.	GCCC Offshore CCS Projects  Vendor Loan ( <b>GBDS</b> )  Public: NAMSS Data  Proprietary: Seismic Exchange, Inc.
<b>Depositional Systems Interp.</b>	34 Gulf-wide maps	<b>GBDS</b>
<b>Well Geologic Samples</b>	788 wells identified	BEG Core Repositories
Core, cuttings		Austin, Houston, Midland
<b>Stratigraphic Unit Interpretation</b>	18 Cenozoic & 16 Mesozoic surfaces	<b>GBDS</b>
<b>Digital References</b>		
Published papers with  georeferenced images	2,130 files	<b>GBDS</b>

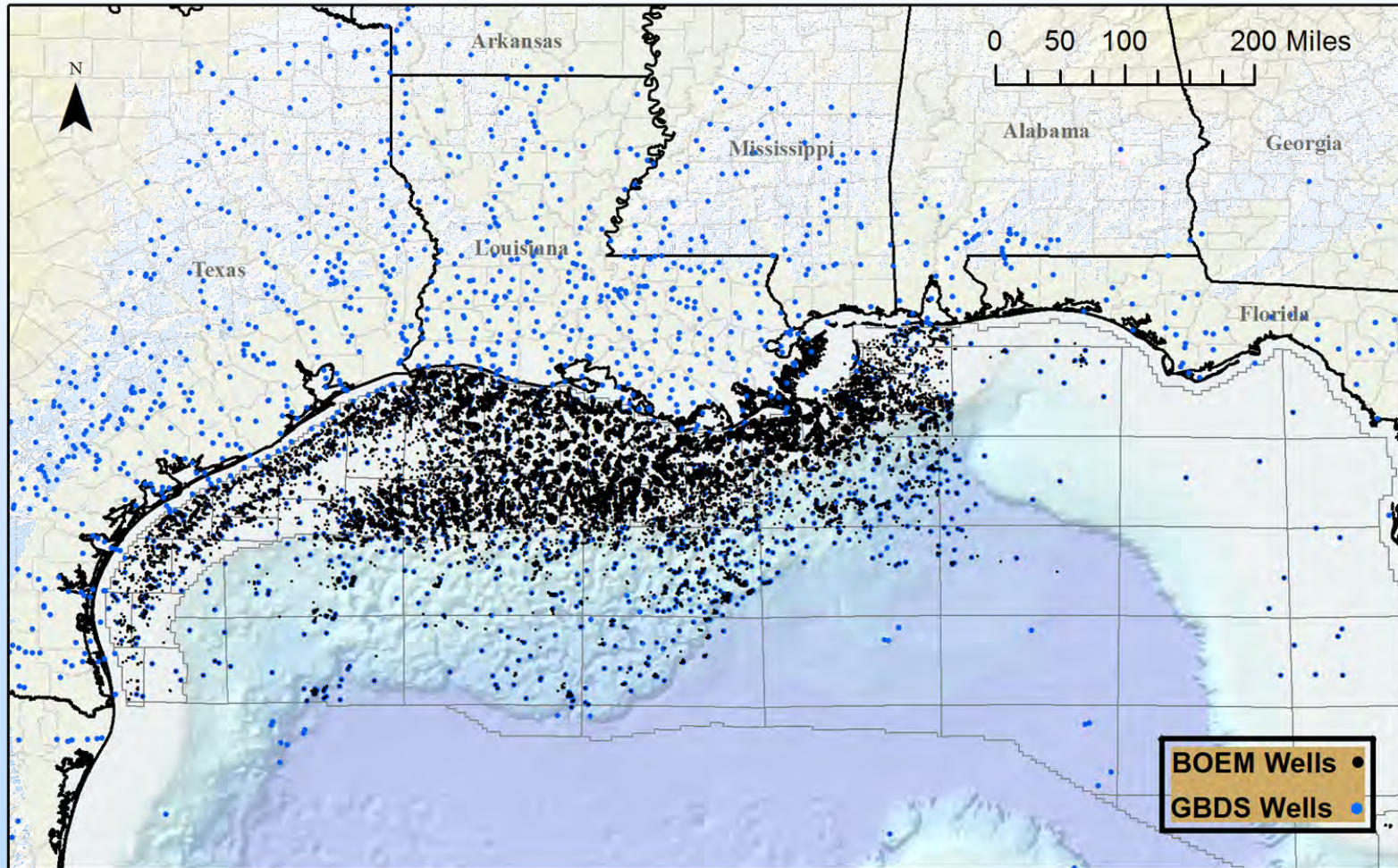
<sup>[1]</sup> National Archive of Marine Seismic Surveys; See: <https://walrus.wr.usgs.gov/NAMSS/>

<sup>[3]</sup> 3D Seismic Data available in NAMSS database for public download.

<sup>[4]</sup> Chandeleur Islands & Breton Sound, LA

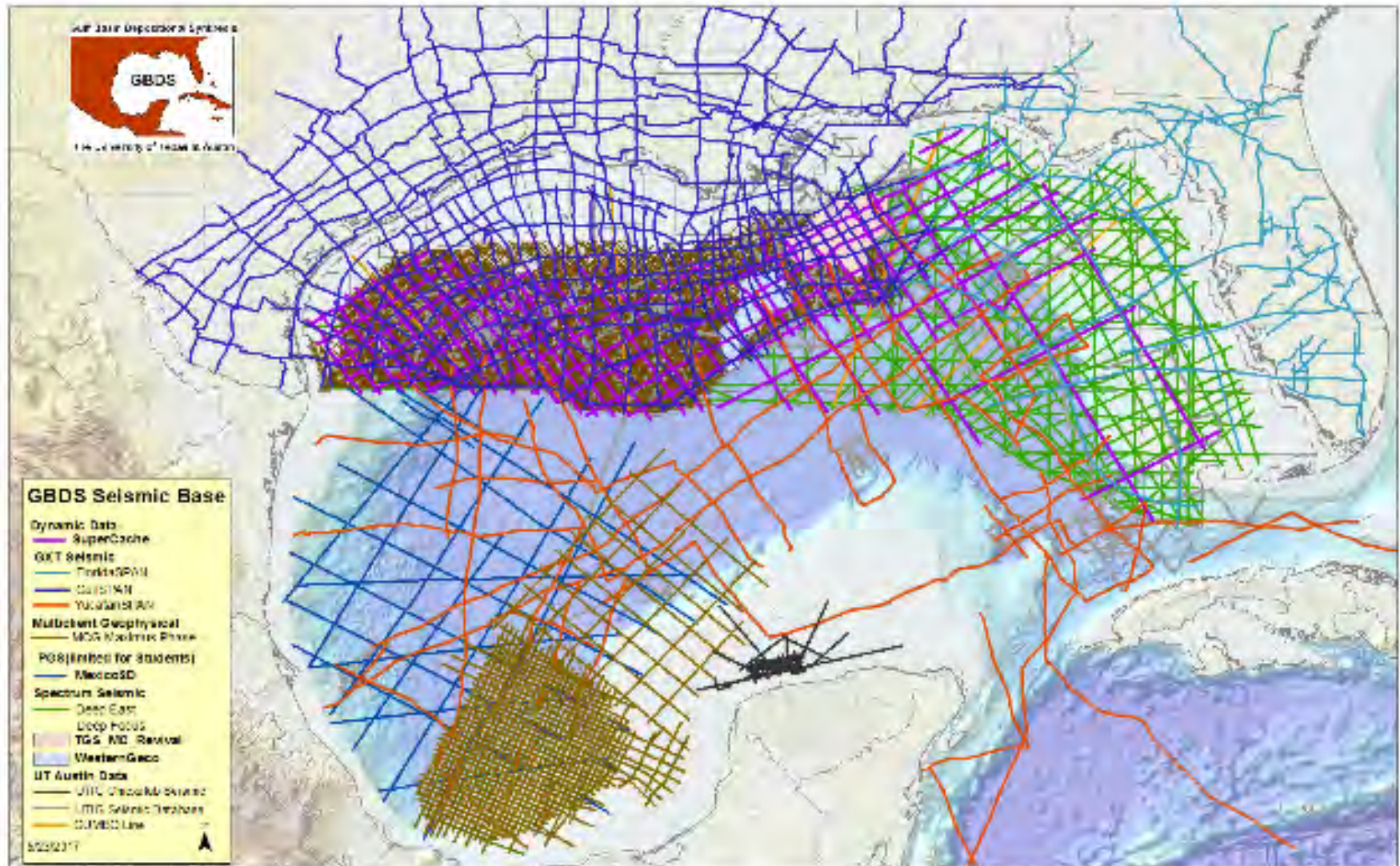


# Available wireline logs





# Available Seismic (GBDS)



# Task/Subtask Breakdown

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- **Task 3: Risk Assessment, Simulation, and Modeling**
  - **3.1: Risk Assessment and Mitigation Strategies**
  - **3.2: Geologic Modeling**



# Task/Subtask Breakdown

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- **Task 4: Monitoring, Verification, and Accounting (MVA)**
  - **4.1: MVA Technologies and Methodologies**
    - **4.1.1: Geochemical Monitoring of Seabed Sediments**
    - **4.1.2: HR3D Seismic (P-cable)**
    - **4.1.3: Distributed Acoustic Sensors**
  - **4.2: Plans for Testing MVA Technologies**
    - **Priority technology list and testing methods**

# Task/Subtask Breakdown

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- **Task 5.0: Infrastructure, Operations, and Permitting**
  - **5.1: CO<sub>2</sub> Transport and Delivery (nearshore)**
  - **5.2: Scenario Optimization**
    - **5.2.1: Analog Site Optimization**
  - **5.3: Communication**
    - **BOEM, EPA, US-ACE, etc.**

# Task/Subtask Breakdown

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- **Task 6: Knowledge Dissemination**
  - **6.1: Stakeholder Outreach**
  - **6.2: Technical Outreach**
  - **6.3: Advisory Committee**

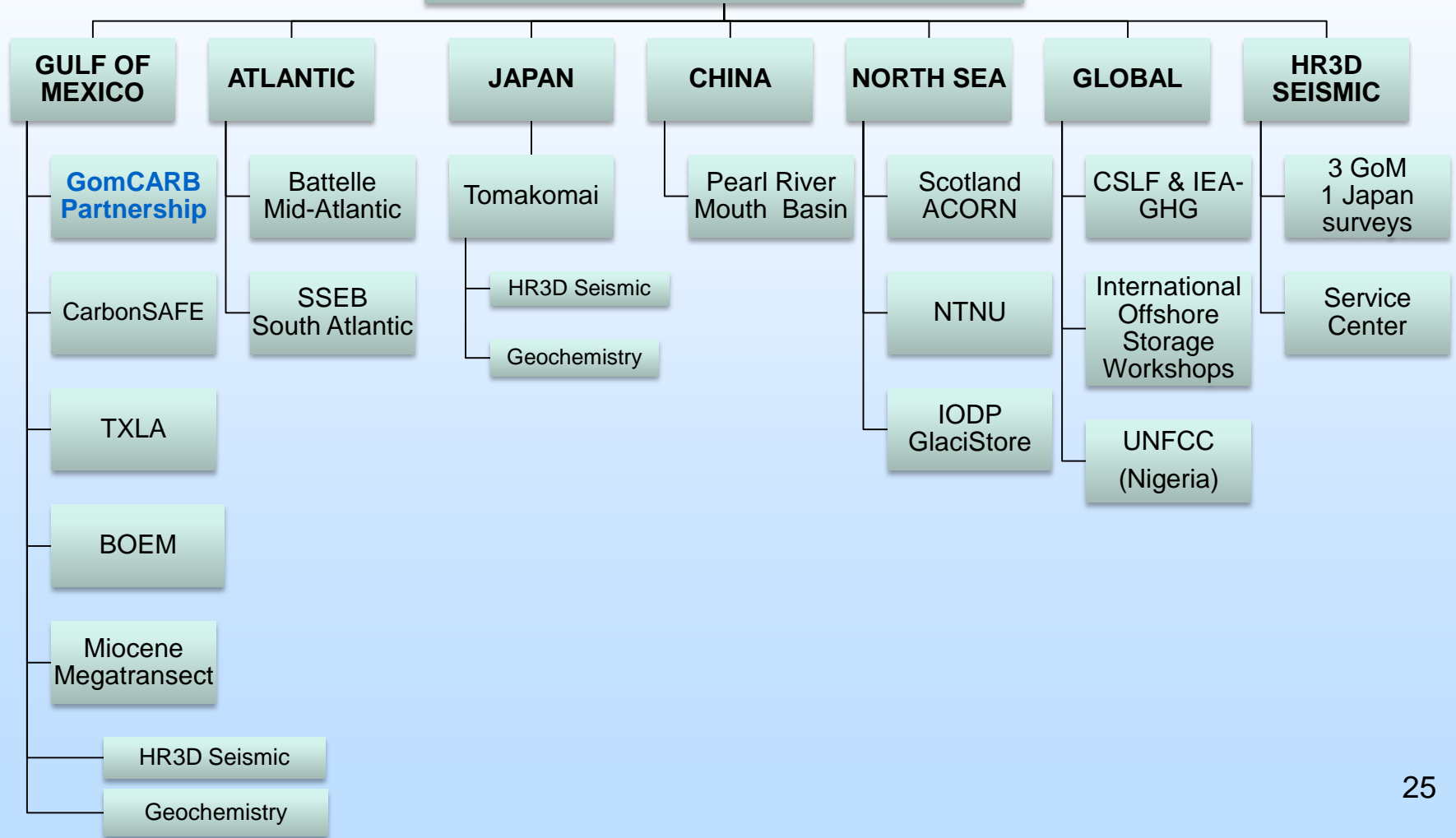


# Advisors to GoMCarb

Advisor	Institution	Location	Expertise and Role
Tim Dixon	IEA GHG R&D development program	Cheltenham, UK	Chair advisory committee, assure connection of partnership with international CCS community
Melissa Batum	BOEM	Reston VA	Liaison to BOEM
Gary Teletzke	Exxon-Mobil	Houston TX	Liaison to industry EOR and CCS expertise
Owain Tucker	Shell	Scotland, UK	Liaison to industry, Technical advice from offshore project in North Sea
Thomas Berley	IEA	Paris France	Liaison to international policy
Nick Hoffman	CO2 GeoNET	Melbourne, Victoria, Australia	Technical advice from similar near offshore project in Victoria
Zhou Di	South China Sea Institute of Oceanology, Chinese Academy of Sciences	Guangzhou, China	Technical advice from related project in Pearl River Mouth Basin, China
Stuart Haszeldine	Scottish CCS Centre, University of Edinburgh	Edinburgh, Scotland	Technical advice from related projects in UK sector of the North Sea
Ziqiu Xue	RITE, University of Kyoto	Kyoto, Japan	Technical advice from related project in Tomakomai, Japan
Jasmin Mota Nieto	Secretaría de Energia (SENER)	Mexico City, Mexico	Linkage to the Mexican part of the Gulf Of Mexico
Heron Gachuz	Pemex	Villahermosa, Mexico	Linkage to the Mexican part of the Gulf Of Mexico
Bruce Hill	Clear Air Task Force	New Hampshire	Environmental NGO with interest in CCS, geologic expertise
Robert Hatter	Texas General Land Office	Austin, TX	Management of offshore Texas State Lands
Niels Peter Christensen	Gassnova	Norway	Norway's industrial project
Jun Kita	Japan CCS	Japan	Marine monitoring
Anastasia Ilgen	Sandia NL	US	Geochemical monitoring
Rob Finley	Retired Illinois Geologic Survey	UA	Reservoir characterization
Noel Kamrajh	SANEDI	South Africa	Characterization and project development
Owain Tucker	Shell	UK	Offshore project development
Douglas Connelly	National Oceanography Centre	Southampton UK	Offshore monitoring

# Synergy Opportunities

## Offshore CCS at GCCC



# Accomplishments First Quarter

Kick-off meeting

Two calls with advisors

Negotiated and loaded Chandeleur Sound 3-D survey

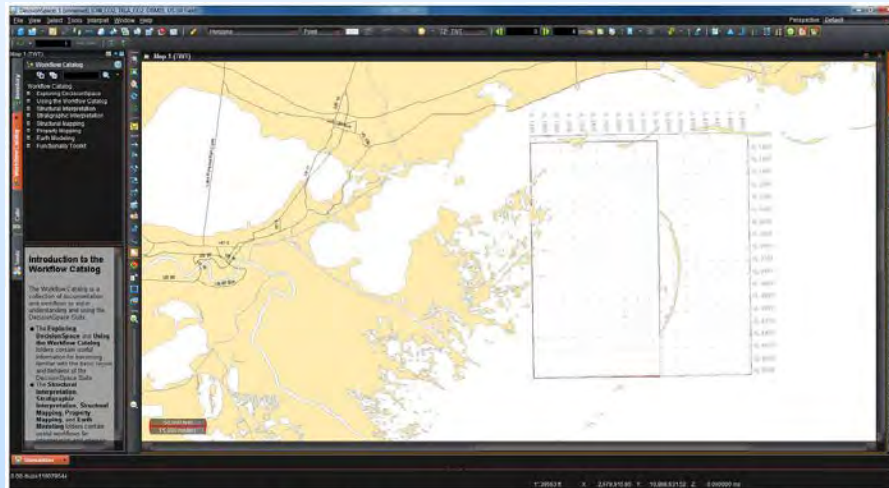


Figure 2.1.2.2 – Basemap of the northeastern waters of the State of Louisiana. The location of the Chandeleur Sound 3D dataset is outlined by the red rectangle.

Contract negotiations underway to form partnership

--but big ambitions!--





Thanks!

# Appendix

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- These slides will not be discussed during the presentation, **but are mandatory.**

# Benefit to the Program

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- **Establishment of a Government-Academic-Industry Partnership for Offshore CCS Research.**
- **Determining the CO<sub>2</sub> storage resource potential of offshore oil, gas, and saline bearing formations.**
- **Improving carbon storage efficiency and security by advancing new and early-stage monitoring tools and models.**
- **Improving capabilities to evaluate and manage environmental risks and uncertainty through integrated risk-based strategic monitoring and mitigation protocols**
- **Disseminating findings and lessons learned to the broader CCS community and key stakeholders**



# Project Overview:

## Goals and Objectives

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- The primary objective of this FOA is to develop an Offshore Carbon Storage Partnership that is similar in structure to the existing RCSPs Characterization Phase, but is focused on sub-seafloor saline or hydrocarbon reservoir-associated geologic storage.
- Assemble the knowledge base required for secure, long-term, large-scale CO<sub>2</sub> storage, with or without enhanced hydrocarbon recovery.
- Identify and address knowledge gaps, regulatory issues, infrastructure requirements, and technical challenges associated with offshore CO<sub>2</sub> storage.

# Gantt Chart

Partnership for Offshore Carbon Storage Resources and Technology Development in the Gulf of Mexico		BUDGET PERIOD 1								BUDGET PERIOD 2							
Task	Tasks	YEAR 1 (2018)				YEAR 2 (2019)				YEAR 3 (2020)				YEAR 4 (2021)			
		qtr 1	qtr 2	qtr 3	qtr 4	qtr 1	qtr 2	qtr 3	qtr 4	qtr 1	qtr 2	qtr 3	qtr 4	qtr 1	qtr 2	qtr 3	qtr 4
		J-F-M	A-M-J	J-A-S	O-N-D	J-F-M	A-M-J	J-A-S	O-N-D	J-F-M	A-M-J	J-A-S	O-N-D	J-F-M	A-M-J	J-A-S	O-N-D
		2018				2019				2020				2021			
1	Project Management, Planning, and Reporting	M1		M2													
	Revision and Maintenance of Project Management Plan	D1a	D1b						G-NG								
	Progress Report	Q	Q	Q	Q/A	Q	Q	Q	Q/A	Q	Q	Q	Q/A	Q	Q	Q	Q/A/FR
2	Offshore Storage Resources Characterization					M4								M8			
2.1	Database Development		D2.1a		M3		D2.1b				D2.1c				D2.1d		
2.2	Data Gap Assessment		D2.2a				D2.2b				D2.2c				D2.2d		
2.3	Offshore EOR Potential		D2.3a				D2.3b				D2.3c				D2.3d		
3	Risk Assessment, Simulation and Modeling								M5				M6				
3.1	Risk Assessment and Mitigation Strategies				D3.1a				D3.1b				D3.1c				D3.1d
3.2	Geologic Modeling				D3.2a				D3.2b				D3.2c				D3.2d
4	Monitoring, Verification, Accounting (MVA) and Assessment												M7				
4.1	MVA Technologies and Methodologies				D4.1a				D4.1b				D4.1c				D4.1d
4.2	Plans for Field Testing of MVA Technologies				D4.2a				D4.2b				D4.2c				D4.2d
5	Infrastructure, Operations, and Permitting																
5.1	CO2 Transport and Delivery			D5.1a				D5.1b				D5.1c				D5.1d	
5.2	Scenario Optimization			D5.2a				D5.2b				D5.2c				D5.2d	
5.3	Communication			D5.3a				D5.3b				D5.3c				D5.3d	
6	Knowledge Dissemination																M9
6.1	Stakeholder Outreach	D6.1a				D6.1b				D6.1c				D6.1d			
6.2	Technical Outreach	D6.2a				D6.2b				D6.2c				D6.2d			
6.3	Advisory Panel				D6.3a				D6.3b				D6.3c				6.3d

Q = Quarterly Report; A = Annual Report; M = Milestone; DP = Decision Point; D = Deliverable; G-NG = Go/no-go decision point; FR = Final Report

# Bibliography

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No publications during the first quarter of this project!