CCUS in Wyoming and Wyoming CarbonSAFE

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Wyoming Energy Strategy (North Star):

EmPowering Our Nation with an All-of-the-Above Net-Zero Energy Mix

Decarbonization through innovation

- 1. Low carbon electricity
 - Fossil Fuels with carbon capture utilization and storage
 - Renewables and integration
 - > Nuclear
- 2. Low carbon fuels
 - > Low-carbon oil and gas
 - > Hydrogen
 - > Biofuels
 - ➢ Renewable natural gas
- 3. Electrification
 - Electric vehicles
 - Energy storage

- 4. Carbon removal
 - Direct Air Capture
 - Bio-energy with carbon capture and storage
- 5. New narratives for coal
 ➤ Coal to products
 ➤ Rare earth elements

Modified from Gaffney Cline and Associates 2020

Carbon Storage Landscape

Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) projects in Wyoming

- 1. Wyoming CarbonSAFE Project at Dry Fork Station
- 2. Rock Springs Uplift-Regional CCUS Hub
- 3. Depleted Gas Fields (Fold and Thrust)
- 4. Southern Powder (Blue Hydrogen)

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Wyoming CarbonSAFE: CO₂ Source and Capture

1. <u>Wyoming:</u>

- ✓ CCUS legal Framework
- ✓ Statewide CO₂
 transportation network
- ✓ Class VI Primacy



2. Dry Fork Station:

- ✓ Built in 2007, on-line in 2011
- ✓ 385 MW Coal-fired plant
- \checkmark 3.3 Million tons of CO₂/year
- ✓ Operating life span through 2078

3. Wyoming Integrated Test Center:

- Commercial-Scale Front-End Engineering Study for MTR's Membrane CO₂ Capture Process (DE-FE0031846)
- ✓ UKY-CAER Heat-Integrated Transformative CO₂ Capture Process for Pulverized Coal Power Plants (DE-FE0031583)
- ✓ Novel Next Generation Sorbent System for Post-Combustion CO₂ Capture – TDA Research, Inc. (DE-FE0031734)
- Kawasaki Heavy Industries and JCOAL novel solid technology



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Wyoming CarbonSAFE: Storage

Conceptual model



Wyoming CarbonSAFE

Work completed to date:

- Geologic characterization: Stratigraphic test well, 3D seismic, geologic modeling, risk analysis
- > Monitoring network: Soil and water baselines established
- Legal and regulatory analyses: Model pore space leasing agreements, model CO₂ off-take, Environmental Information Volume (EIV)
- Economic modeling: Web-based tool
- Public Outreach: Workshops, webpages, webinars, public presentations



Why CCUS in Wyoming?

- Favorable geology
- Regulatory primacy for Class VI permits
- CO2 transportation infrastructure
- Wyoming Pipeline corridor initiative (WCPI)
- CCUS friendly regulatory framework
- Potential CO₂ targets identified in every Wyoming geologic basin
- Storage capacity for over 25 billion tons of CO₂ storage
- Wyoming Integrated Test Center
- National and international leaders in CCUS





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