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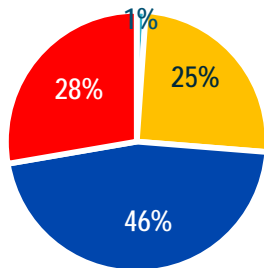
Overview: Regulated Electric Generation and Capacity by Region

Portfolio Scale ⁽¹⁾

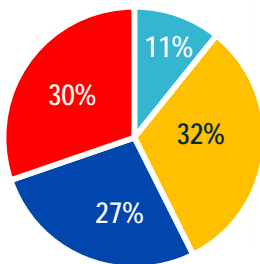
- 6 jurisdictions with regulatory and geographic diversity
- 7.4 million electric retail customers
- 50 GW owned, available summer capacity
- 32,300 miles of transmission
- 263,900 miles of distribution

Carolinas

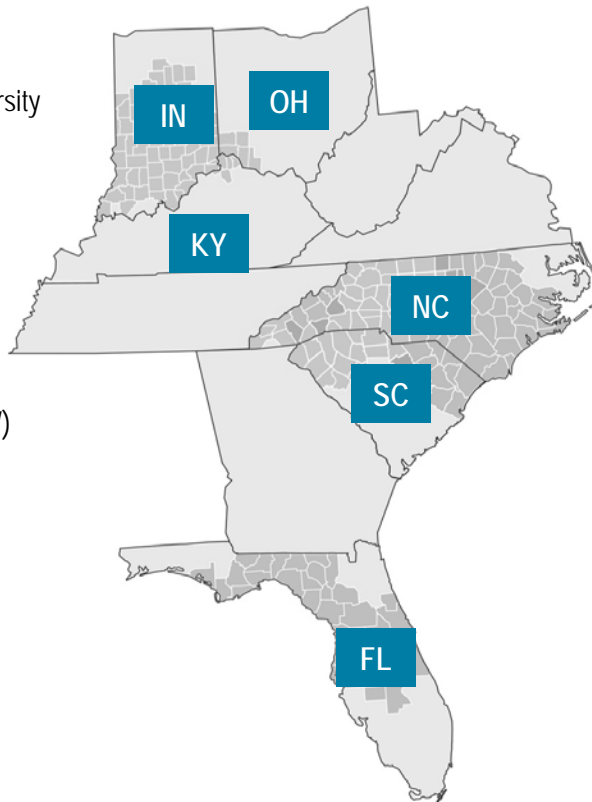
Generation (GWh)



Capacity (Owned MW)

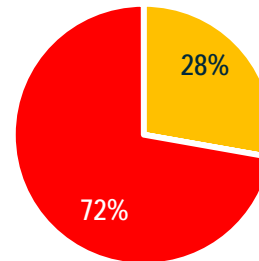


■ Coal ■ Gas/Oil
■ Nuclear ■ Hydro/Other

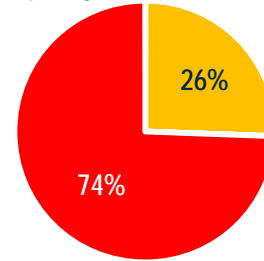


Florida

Generation (GWh)

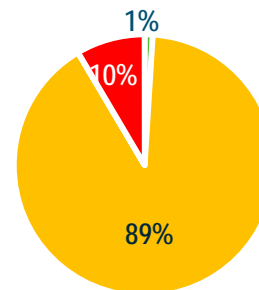


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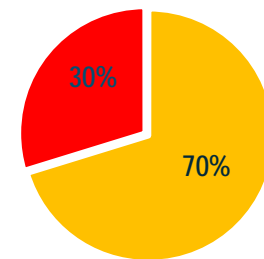


Midwest

Generation (GWh)



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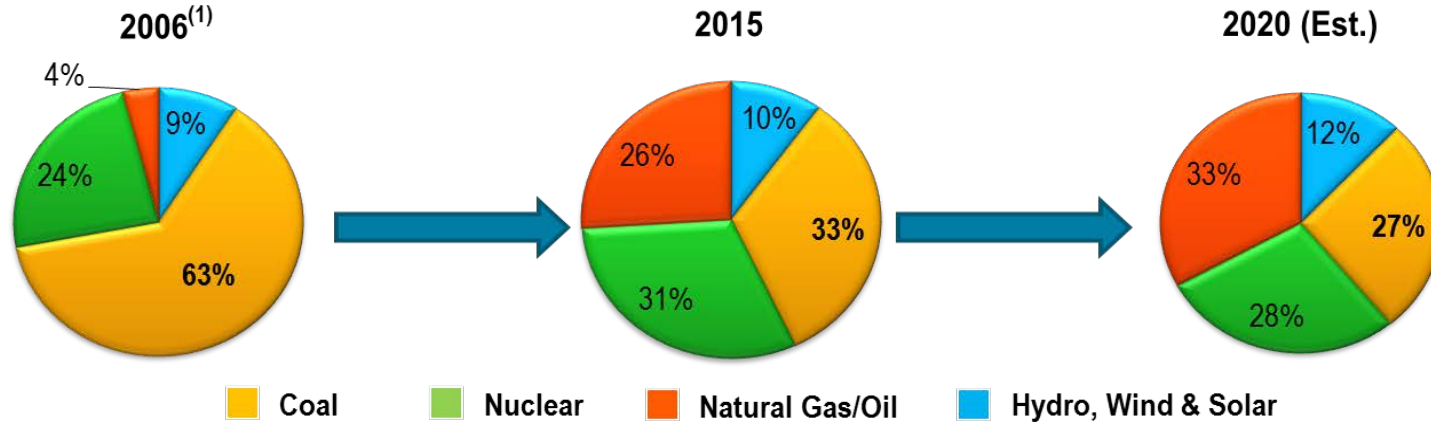


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(1) Generation energy mix for owned generation only for 2015 as of 12/31/2015. Capacity estimates illustrative of 2015.

Moving toward a lower carbon footprint and increased fuel diversity

Total Company Fuel Diversity (MWh Output)



Reduction of US Generation Emissions from 2005-2015⁽²⁾

CO₂ ↓ 28% SO₂ ↓ 90% NO_x ↓ 68%

Primary Drivers in Emission Reductions:

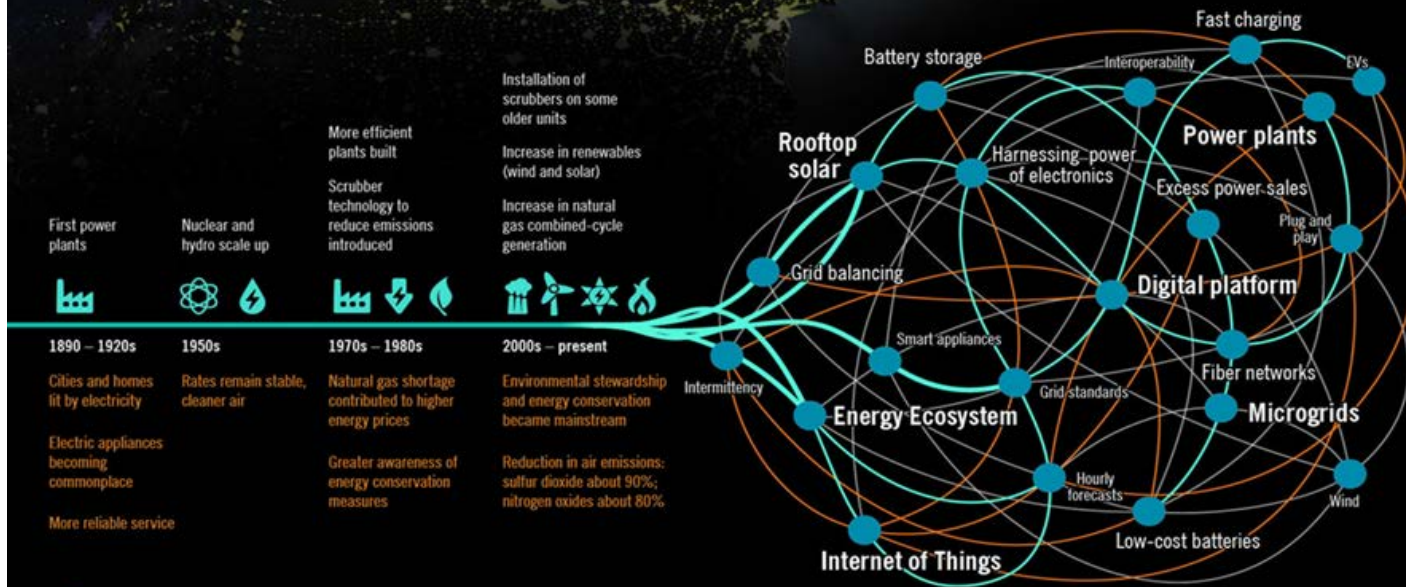
- Additions of pollution control equipment
- Retirement of higher emitting plants
- Decreased coal generation
- Increased gas generation

(1) 2006 data does not include Progress Energy.

(2) Data based on Duke Energy's ownership share of generating assets as of the end of each calendar year. The data exclude emissions from the commercial Midwest generation assets sold in April 2015, and include emissions from the NCEMPA generation assets (partial ownership interest in several Duke Energy Progress plants) purchased in August 2015.

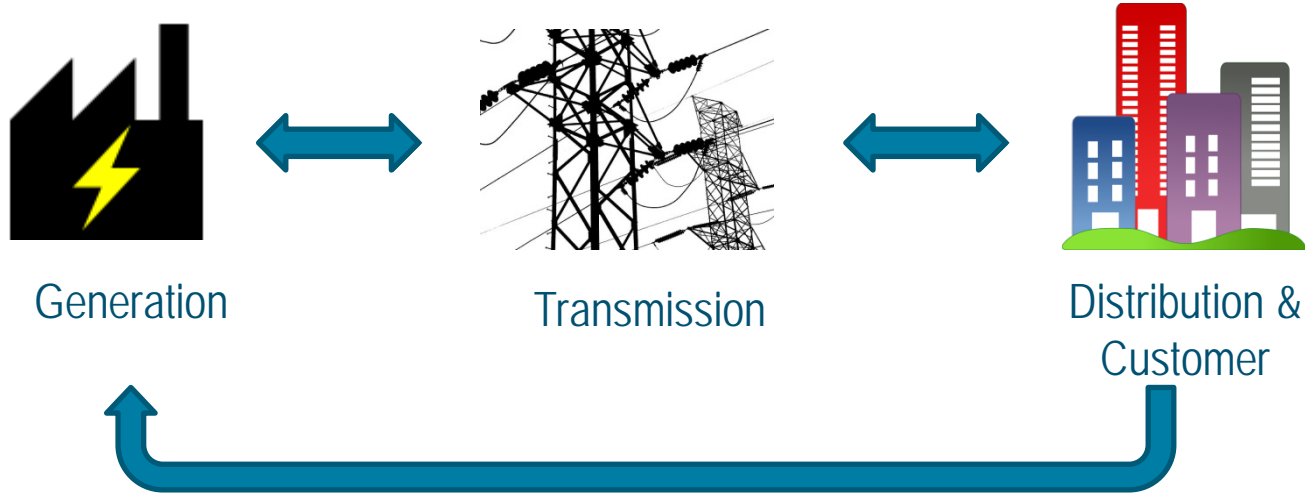
the EVOLUTION of ENERGY

NEXT 25 YEARS



Planning for the Future

- Paradigm shift from how traditional utility planning takes place.



- Distribution planning could significantly influence generation planning in the future.
- Generation must be able to serve the grid and respond quickly to changing grid signals.
- Must maintain the goal of providing reliable electricity to customers at all times.

6 Mega Trends Affecting Centralized Generation

1. Environmental Regulations

Effect: Increasing pressure, especially on existing coal fleet, with proposed and enacted regulations.

Need: Understand best technology options to enable development of comprehensive and effective compliance strategies.

Air	Climate	Water	Land & Natural Resources	Waste & Chemical Management
Criteria Pollutants NO _x / SO ₂	NSPS – New & Modified Sources	316(a) – Thermal	Transmission Siting and Permitting	Coal Ash
PM, NO _x , SO ₂	NSPS – Existing Sources	316(b) – Cooling Water Intake Structures	Avian Protection	PCBs in Electrical Equipment
Regional Haze/Visibility		Effluent Guidelines Limitations	Endangered Species	HazMat Transport
Hazardous Pollutants		Waters of the United States	Vegetation Management	
		NPDES Pesticide Permits		
		Waterbody Specific Standards		
		Stormwater Permits		
		Ash Pond Groundwater		

2. Natural Gas; Availability and Pricing

Effect: Lowest cost new generation is NGCC. Duke Energy's generation fleet is converging to around 1/3 nuclear, 1/3 coal, 1/3 natural gas.

Need: Maintain balanced generation portfolio. Support the development of advanced nuclear and fossil generation technology.



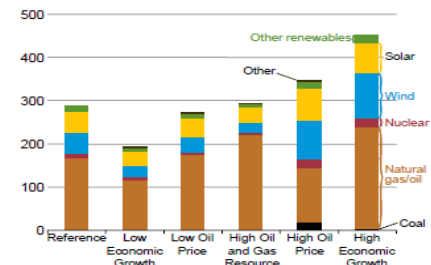
3. Reduced Emphasis on Nuclear and Coal Fleets

Effect: Coal plant retirements. Construction of new NGCC to replace retired coal plants.

Nuclear licenses expiring. Increasing deployment of distributed generation.

Need: Long-term operations, flexibility and viability.

EIA: Cumulative additions to electricity generation capacity, 2013-40 (gigawatts)



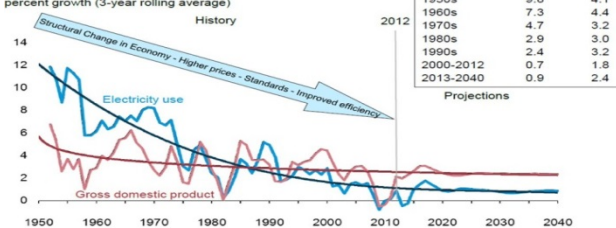
4. Decreasing Demand Growth & Customer Trends

Effect: Generation fleet expansion curtailed.

Need: Maintain balanced generation portfolio. Long-term operation and viability of generation centralized fleet.

Growth in electricity use slows, but still increases by 28% from 2012 to 2040

U.S. electricity use percent growth (3-year rolling average)

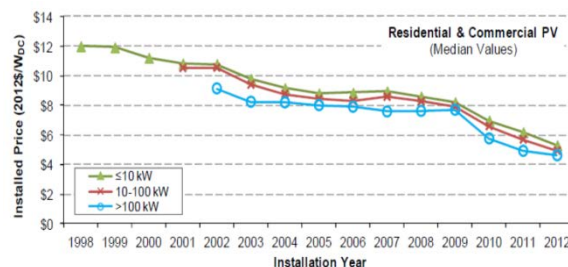


Source: EIA, Annual Energy Outlook 2014 Early Release

5. Decreasing Distributed Generation and Renewable Costs

Effect: Disruptive technology impacting traditional electric utility business model. Increasingly decentralized generation. Costs are decreasing faster than fossil generation assets and are able to be rapidly deployed.

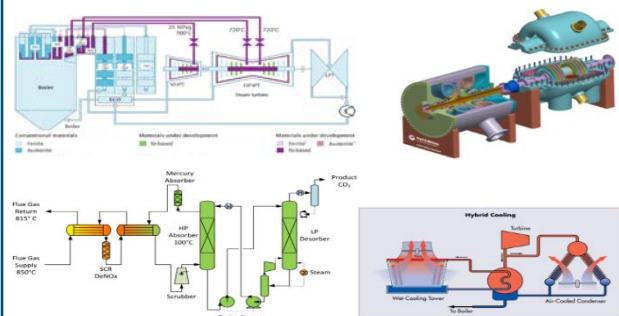
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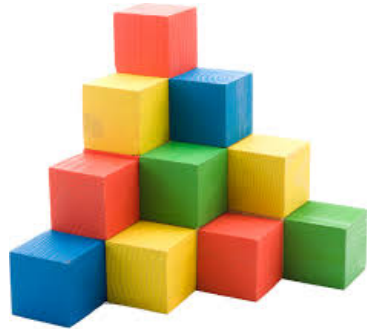
6. New Technology

Effect: Opportunity to transfer knowledge and technology into business to address key generation issues.

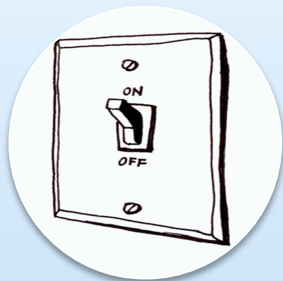
Need: Technology roadmaps aligned with business needs.



Advanced Fossil Plant Wish List

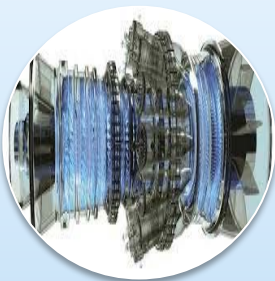


Complimenting Variable Generation



Dispatchable Power

- Asset output is able to be controlled by the system operator



System Inertia

- Ensure grid frequency stability



Peak Capacity

- Dispatch energy at peak demand
- Rapid response



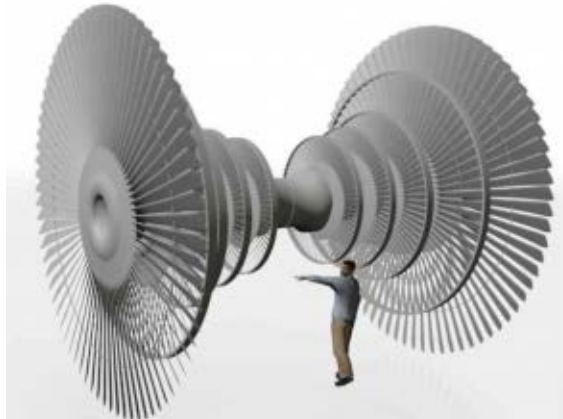
Reserve Capacity

- Provide day ahead reserve capacity
- Provide safety margin

These characteristics enable the adoption of variable resources

Supercritical CO₂ Power Cycles

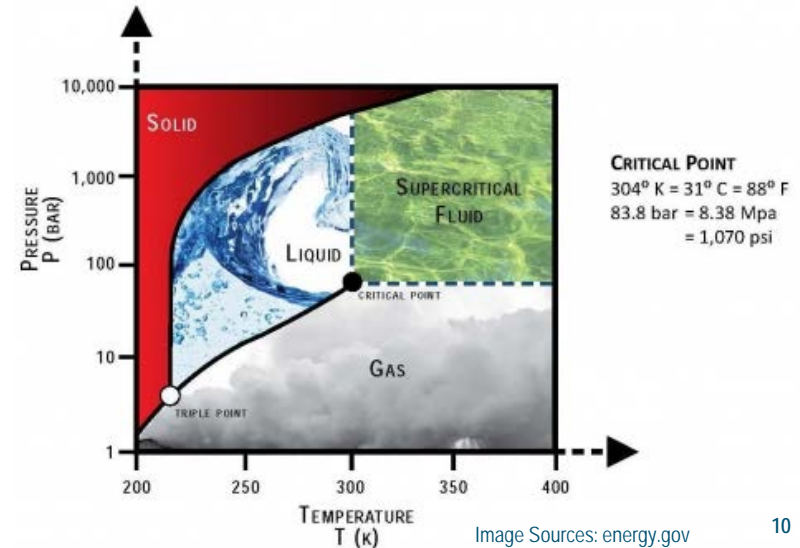
- Why sCO₂ as the working fluid?
 - At high temperature and pressure CO₂ behaves like a liquid reducing auxiliary power requirements.
 - No phase change
 - High density = more power / ft²
 - Lower footprint and smaller equipment can potentially lead to lower capital costs
 - Higher efficiency = lower emissions
 - Inert, nontoxic, widely available



20 meter Steam Turbine (300 MWe)
(Rankine Cycle)

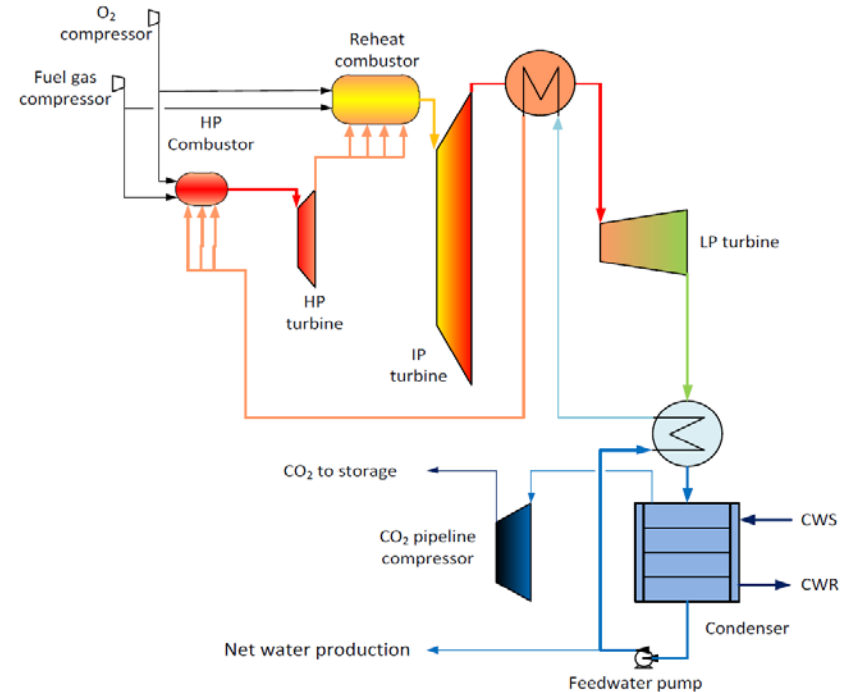


1 meter sCO₂ (300 MWe)
(Brayton Cycle)



Direct Fired sCO₂ System

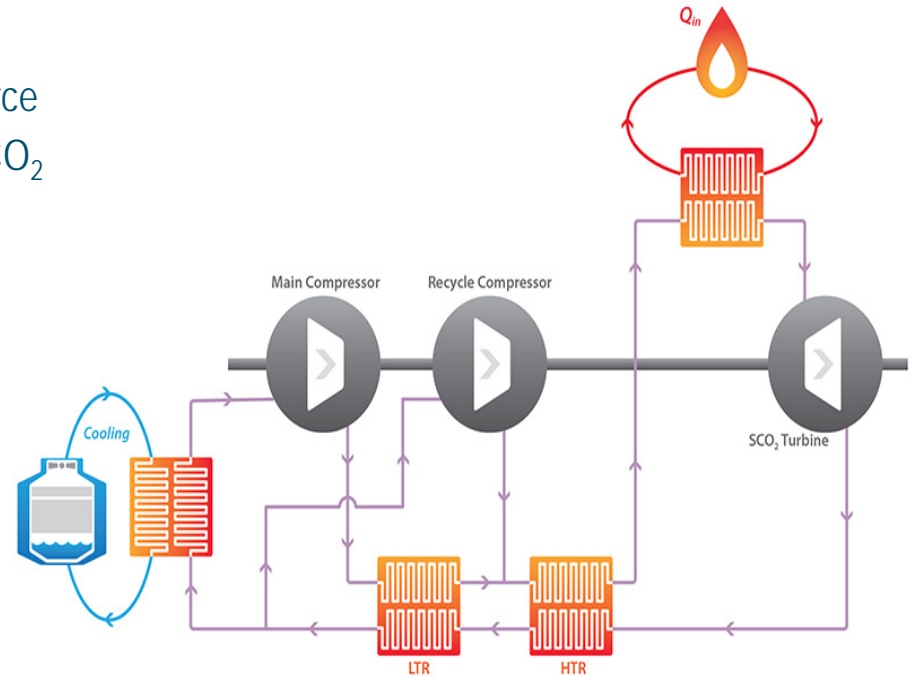
- Technology overview
 - Oxy-combustion of natural gas and oxygen
 - Semi closed loop of sCO₂
- Benefits
 - Inherent carbon capture
 - Compact turbomachinery
- Challenges
 - Materials at high temperature and pressure
 - Integration of air separation unit
 - Achieving complete combustion
 - Combustion dynamics in CO₂ atmosphere
- When to consider?
 - Carbon constrained future
 - Market for CO₂



Source: EPRI, 3002003664

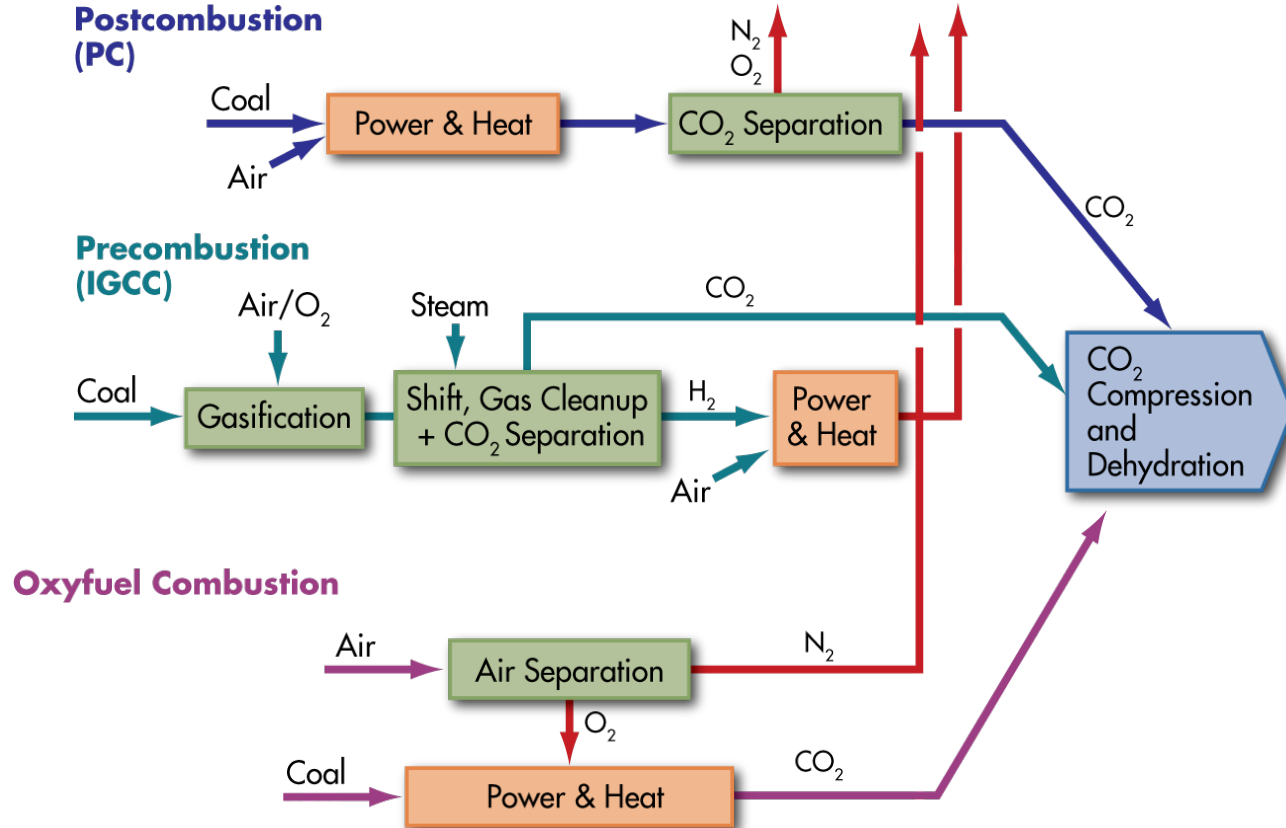
Indirect Fired sCO₂ Cycle

- Technology overview
 - System can be indirectly heated by any source
 - Similar to traditional steam boiler but with sCO₂
- Benefits
 - Fuel/heat source agnostic
 - Higher efficiency
 - Smaller turbomachinery
- Challenges
 - Materials
 - Heat exchangers
 - Primary heater pressure drop
- When to consider?
 - Next generation systems: Nuclear, solar, fossil, geothermal



Source: National Energy Technology Laboratory

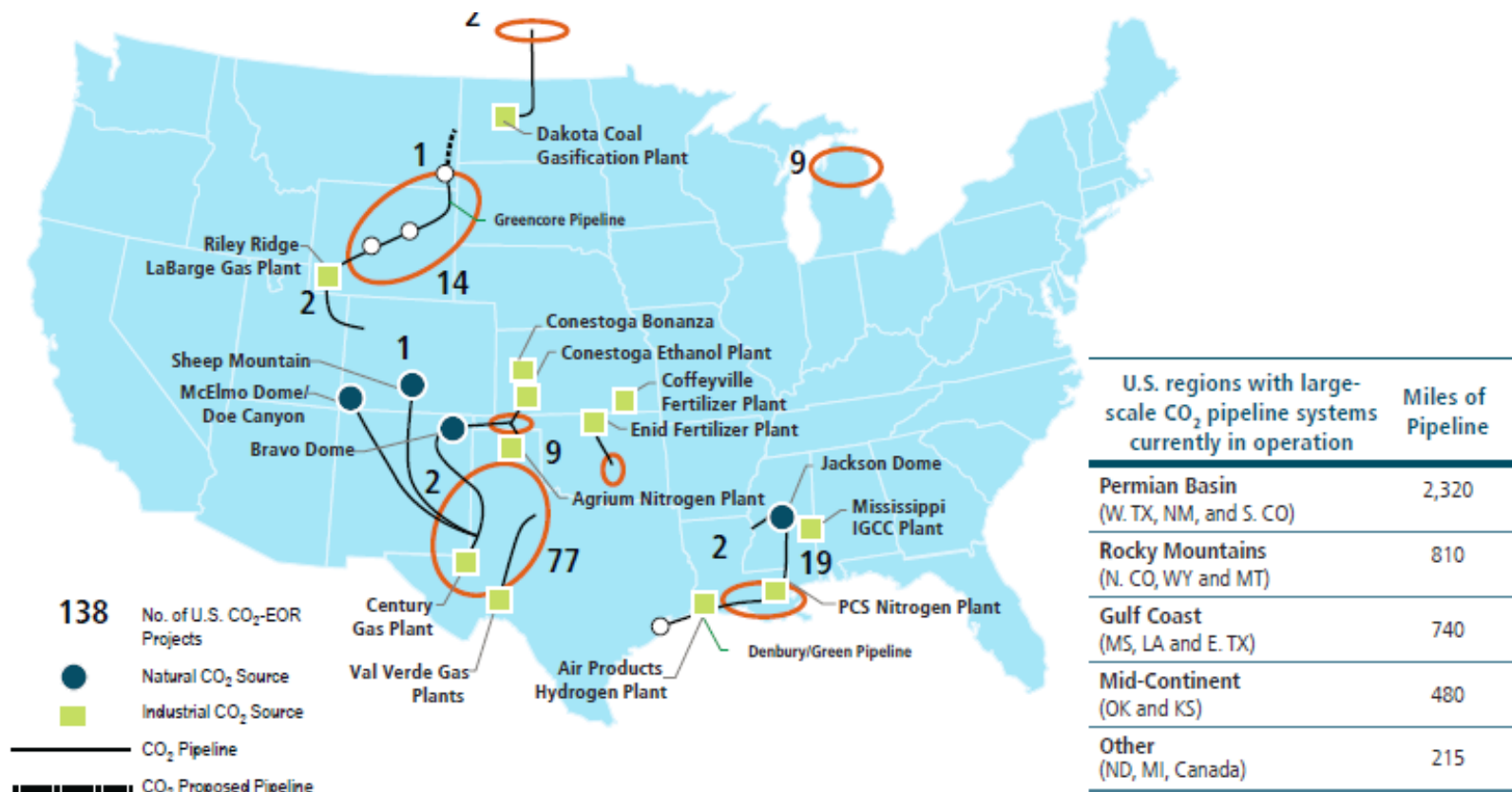
Carbon Capture Pathways



Capture System Footprint

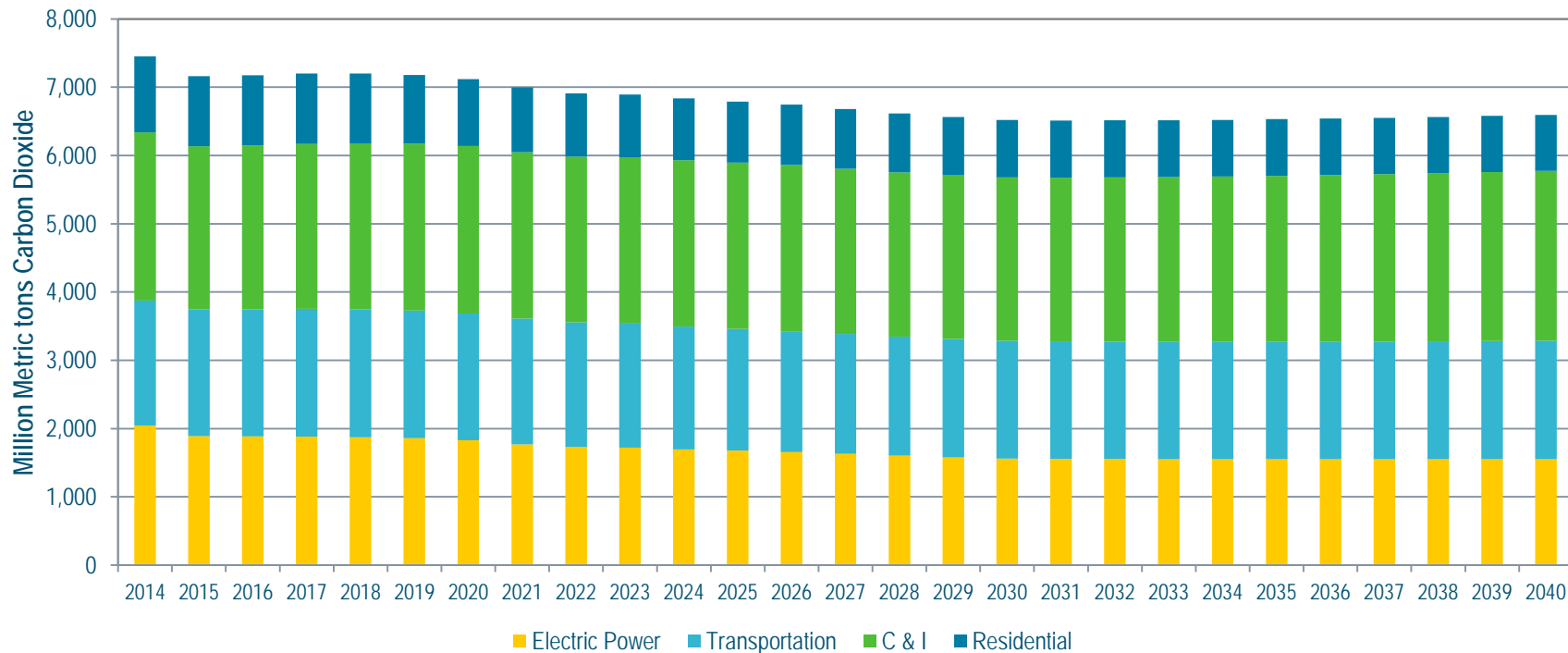


CO₂ Transportation

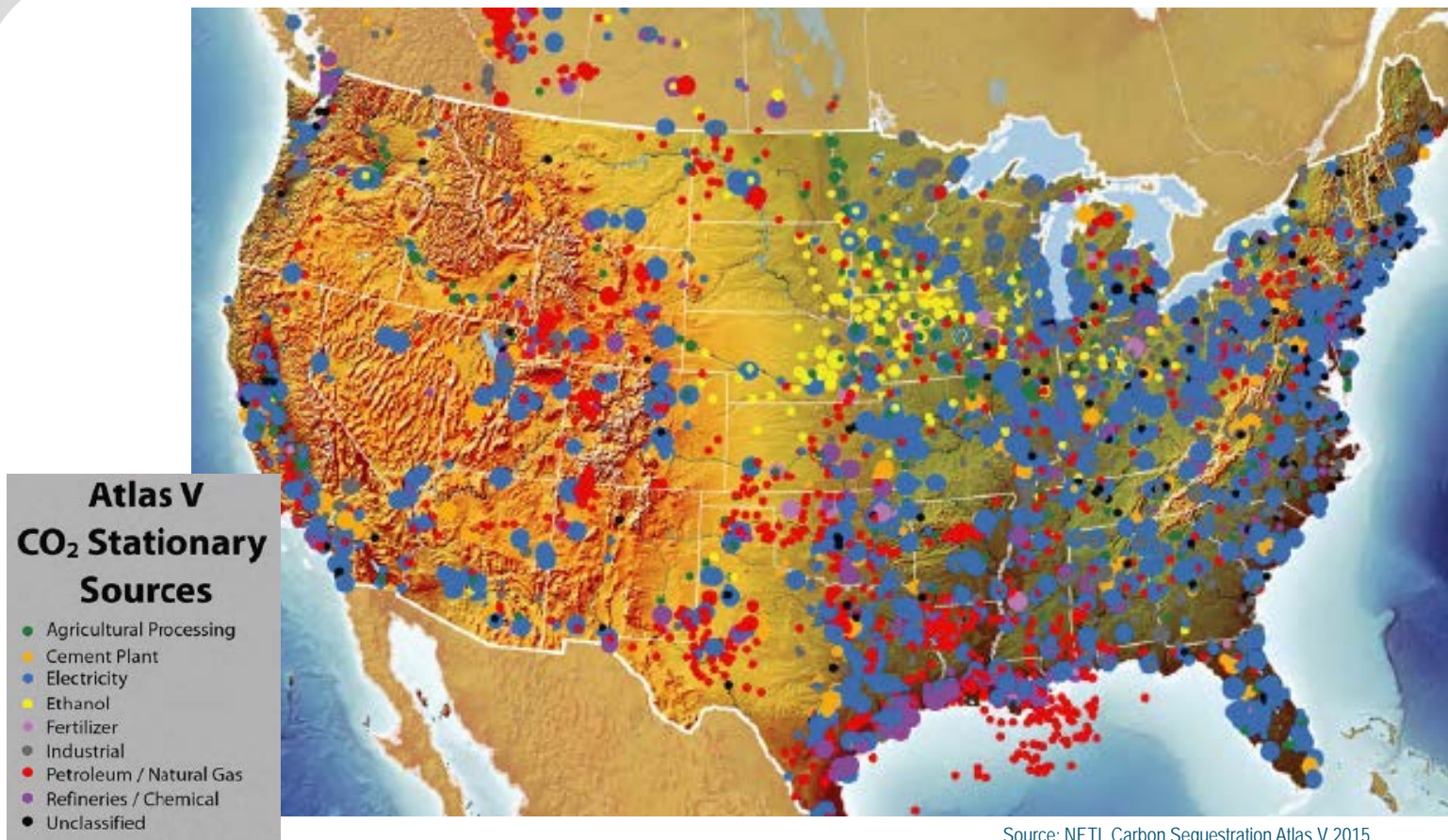


US CO₂ Production by Sector

United States Annual Metric Tons of CO₂ by Sector

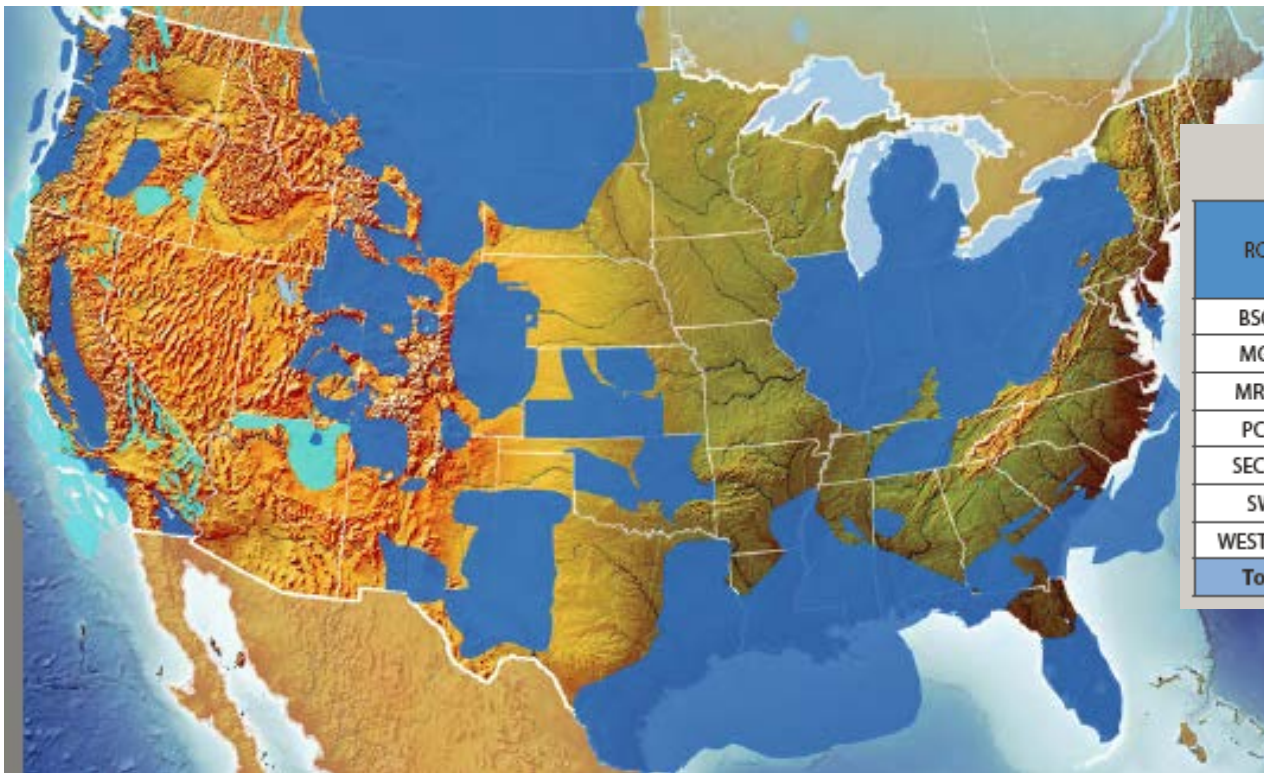


Stationary CO₂ Sources



Source: NETL Carbon Sequestration Atlas V 2015

Saline Storage Capacity

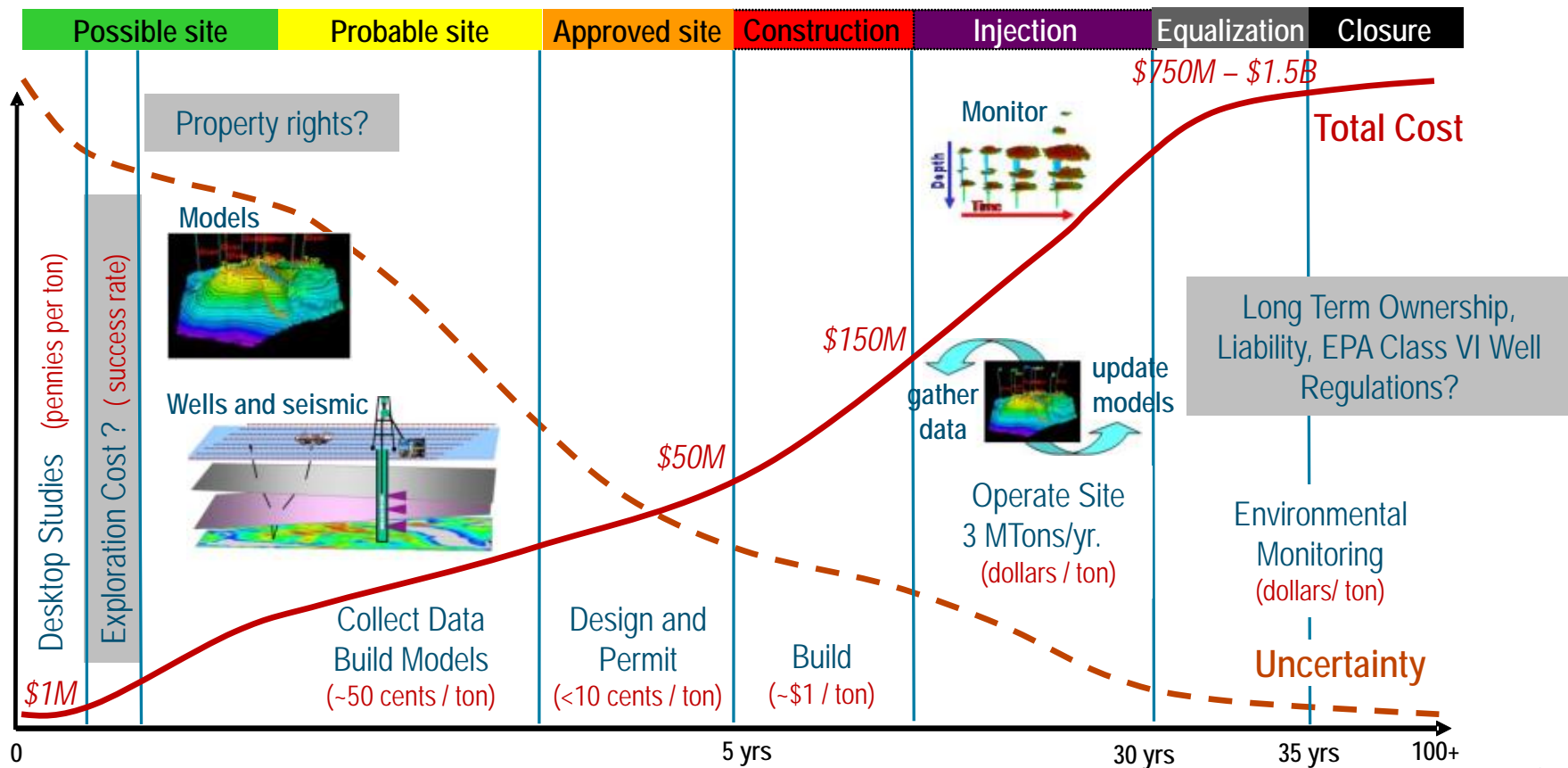


**CO₂ Storage Resource Estimates
for Saline Formations by RCSP ***

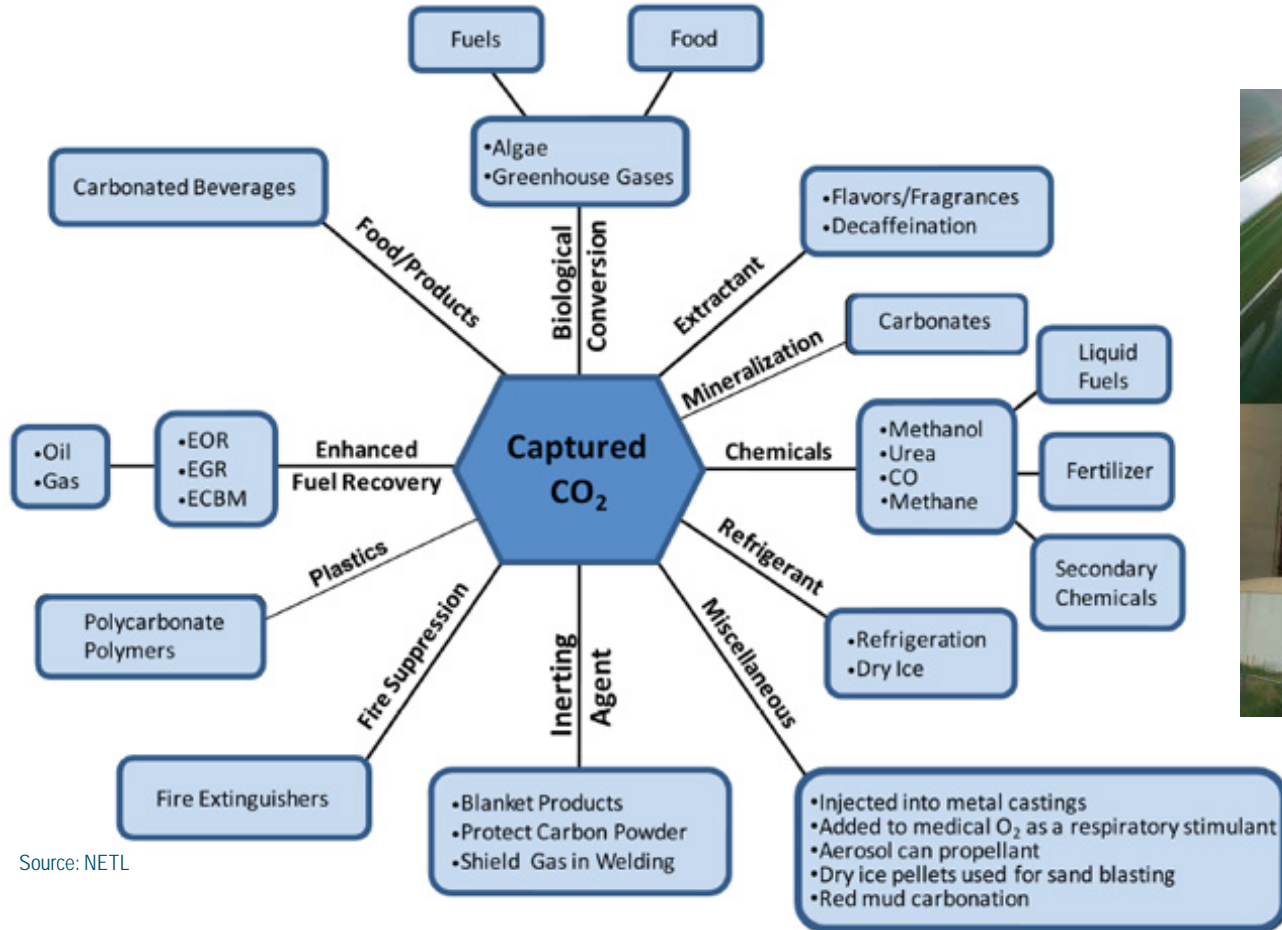
RCSP	Low	Medium	High
	Billion Metric Tons	Billion Metric Tons	Billion Metric Tons
BSCSP	211	805	2,152
MGSC	41	163	421
MRCSP	108	122	143
PCOR	305	583	1,012
SECARB	1,376	5,257	14,089
SWP	256	1,000	2,693
WESTCARB	82	398	1,124
Total	2,379	8,328	21,633

Source: NETL Carbon Sequestration Atlas V 2015

CO₂ Storage



Utilization Options



Conclusion

