

CAN WE RELIABLY AND SAFELY STORE LARGE AMOUNTS OF CO₂ UNDERGROUND AS A CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY?

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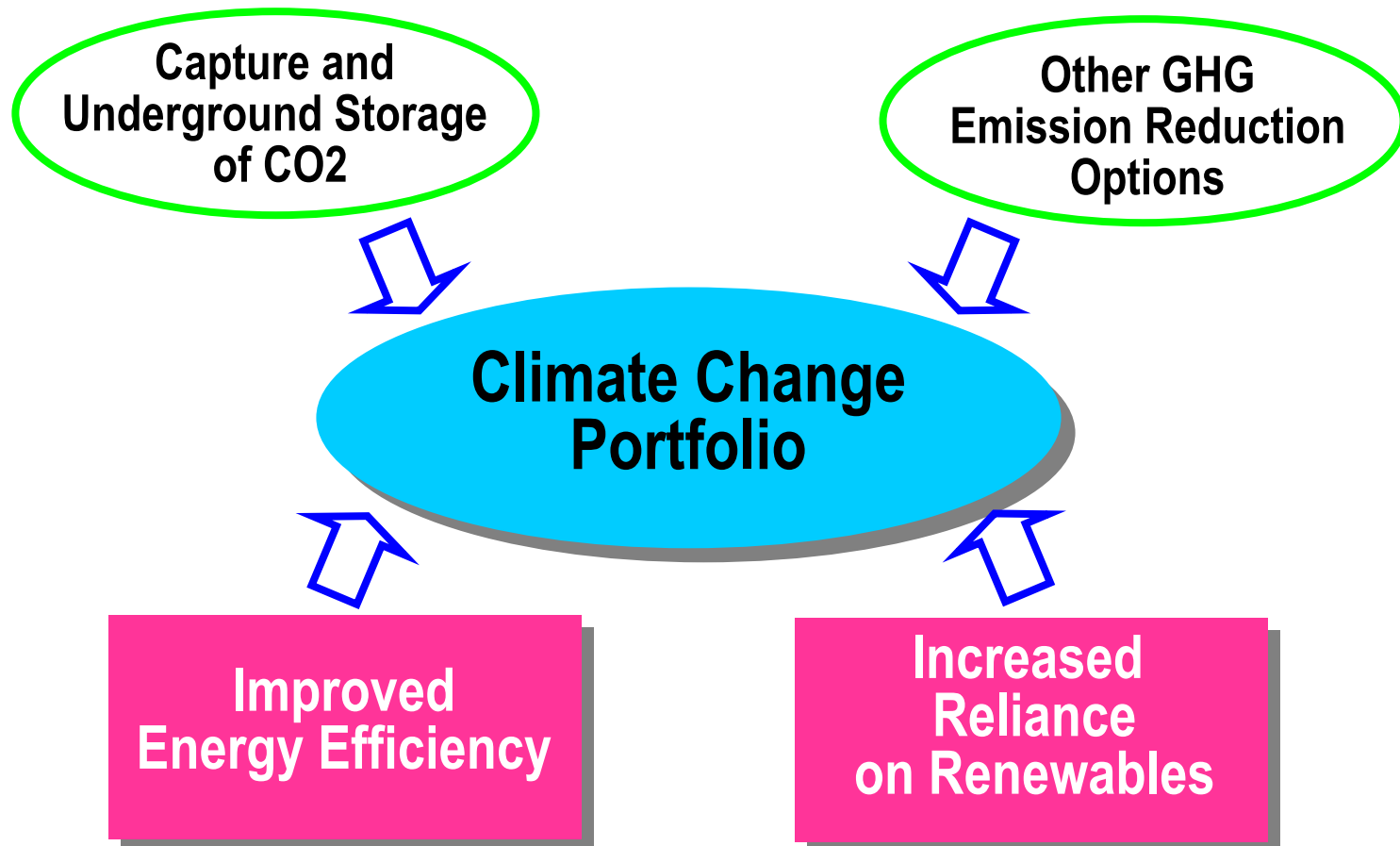
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A PORTFOLIO OF CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGIES

1. UNDERGROUND STORAGE OF CO₂ IS ONE ASPECT OF A CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY



WHY CONSIDER UNDERGROUND STORAGE OF CO₂?

2. UNDERGROUND STORAGE OF CO₂ OFFERS LARGE POTENTIAL BENEFITS

Lower
Costs

Relatively
Near-Term
Strategy

Large
Potential

Balances
Energy
Security
and
Economic
Growth



HOW LARGE AND CENTRAL WILL BE ITS ROLE?

To determine the role of CO2 capture and storage as a climate change strategy, we need to address four questions.

- 1. Will the costs of CO2 capture and storage be affordable and competitive with other climate change mitigation options?***
- 2. Is there sufficient capacity to store large amounts of CO2 underground?***
- 3. How strong is our experience with safely transporting and storing large volumes of CO2 underground?***
- 4. What must be done to assure that underground storage of CO2 is reliable and safe, sufficient to gain public acceptance?***



Figure 1. OBJECTIVES AND PARTICIPANTS OF THE CCP



CO₂ Capture Project

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- Achieve major cost reductions in CO₂ Capture and Storage:
 - 50% reduction for retrofit applications.
 - 75% reduction for new builds.
- Demonstrate to external stakeholders that CO₂ storage is safe, measureable, and verifiable.



Table 1.
HIGH CONCENTRATION SOURCES OF CO₂ EMISSIONS*

Industrial Source	Estimated Annual U.S. Emissions (2000)	
	(Million t C)	(Million t CO₂)
Oxygen-blown Gasification	15	55
Cement Manufacturing	11	40
Natural Gas Processing	5	19
Ammonia Production	4	15
Hydrogen Units at Refineries	4	15
Ethanol/Power Production	1	4
TOTAL	40	148

**Oxygen-blown gasification units allocated by industry.
Source: Internal working papers.*



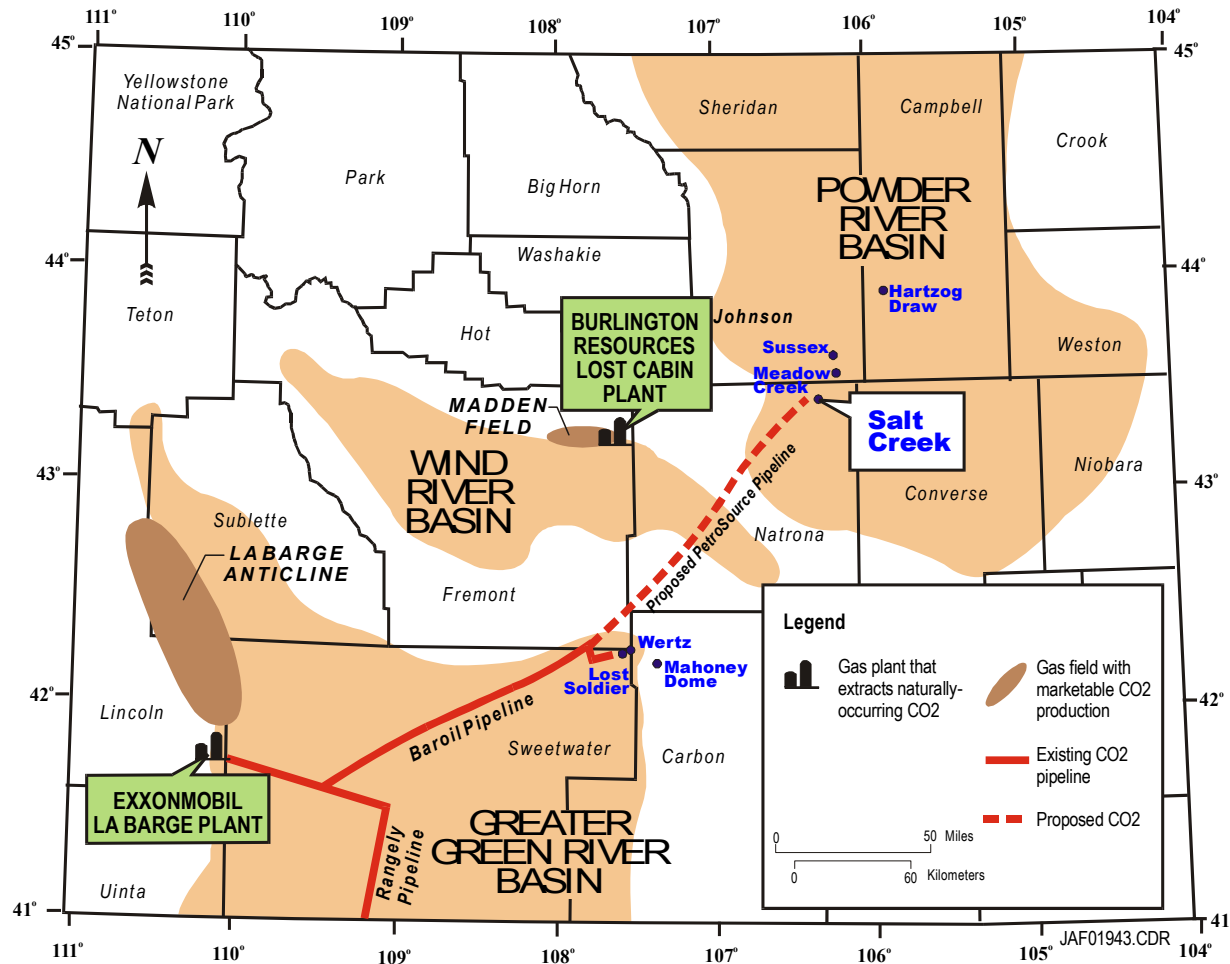
Table 2.
CO₂-EOR PROJECTS SEQUESTERING ANTHROPOGENIC CO₂

State/ Province	Plant Type	CO ₂ Supply		EOR Fields	Operator
		MMcfd	Million t/Yr		
SASKATCHEWAN	Coal Gasification	95	1.8	Weyburn	PanCanadian
OKLAHOMA	Fertilizer	35	0.7	N.E. Purdy, Bradley Unit, Sho-Vel-Tum	Anadarko, Chaparrel Energy
COLORADO	Gas Processing	60	1.2	Rangely	ChevronTexaco
TEXAS	Gas Processing	70	1.3	Sharon Ridge, Others	ExxonMobil
WYOMING	Gas Processing	30	0.6	Lost Solider, Wertz	Merit Energy
ALBERTA	Ethylene Plant	4	0.1	Joffre Viking	PanWest Petroleum
TOTAL		294	5.7		

Source: Advanced Resources International, 2003



Figure 2. CO₂ FACILITIES AND EOR FIELD SITES, WYOMING



Source: Carbon Dioxide in Wyoming, WY State Geological Survey, Info Pamphlet 9, 2001



INCENTIVES FOR CO2 STORAGE AND DOMESTIC ENERGY PRODUCTION

Market-based incentives would be structured to encourage industry to capture high CO2 concentration emissions for enhanced oil, natural gas and coalbed methane recovery:

- **Low-cost capture of CO2 emissions**
- **Production of additional domestic energy**
 - **1 million barrels per day of oil production**
 - **Substantial potential for additional natural gas reserves**
- **A \$50/tonne carbon (\$13 to 14/tonne CO2) sequestration credit would be revenue neutral.**



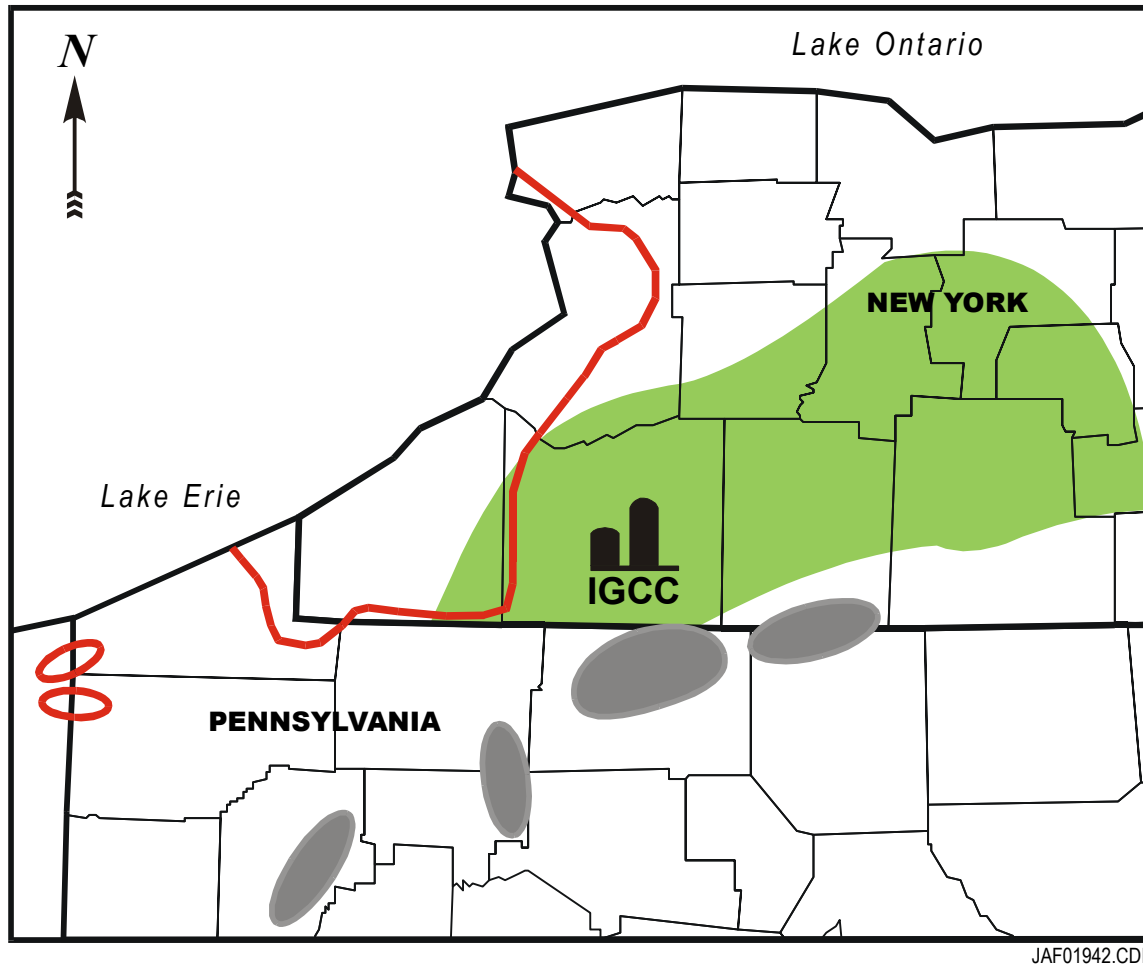
Table 3.
CO₂ STORAGE CAPACITIES OF U.S. GEOLOGIC FORMATIONS

	<u>Estimated CO₂ Storage Capacity</u> (Million Metric Tons)	
	CO₂	Carbon
Unmineable Coal Beds (Lower 48)	50,000	15,000
Depleting Oil Reservoirs	50,000	15,000
Depleting Gas Reservoirs	100,000	30,000
Saline Aquifers	Large	Large
Other	TBD	TBD

Source: Advanced Resources International, 2002



Figure 3. POTENTIAL CO2 STORAGE OPTIONS IN WESTERN NEW YORK AND NORTHERN PENNSYLVANIA



SALINE AQUIFERS

1. Rose Run

(shown on map)

- Area bounded by depth, structure and gross sand isopach
- Holds 2 to 7 Gt CO2

2. Potsdam (not shown)

OIL FIELDS

Bradford
Other

GAS FIELDS

Lake Shore
(Clinton-Medina)



CONVERTING CURRENT EOR PRACTICES TO CO₂ STORAGE

1. **Assess and configure reservoir for long-term (~1,000 year) storage of CO₂.**
2. **Maintain CO₂ in reservoir (at pressure) rather than “blow down” reservoir and reuse the CO₂.**
3. **Install long-term monitoring, verification and safety systems.**



Figure 4. STATUS OF CO₂-EOR IN THE U.S.

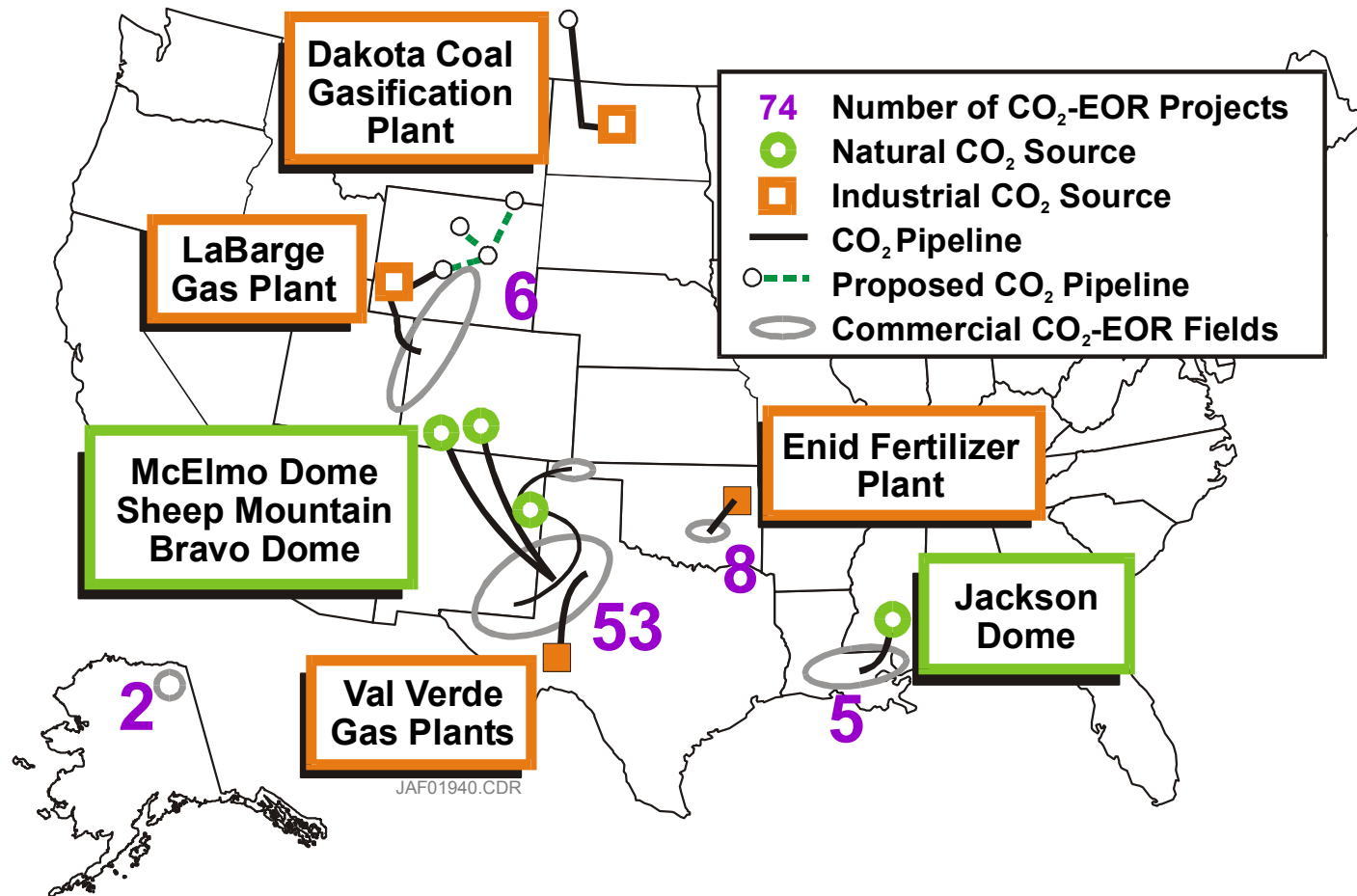
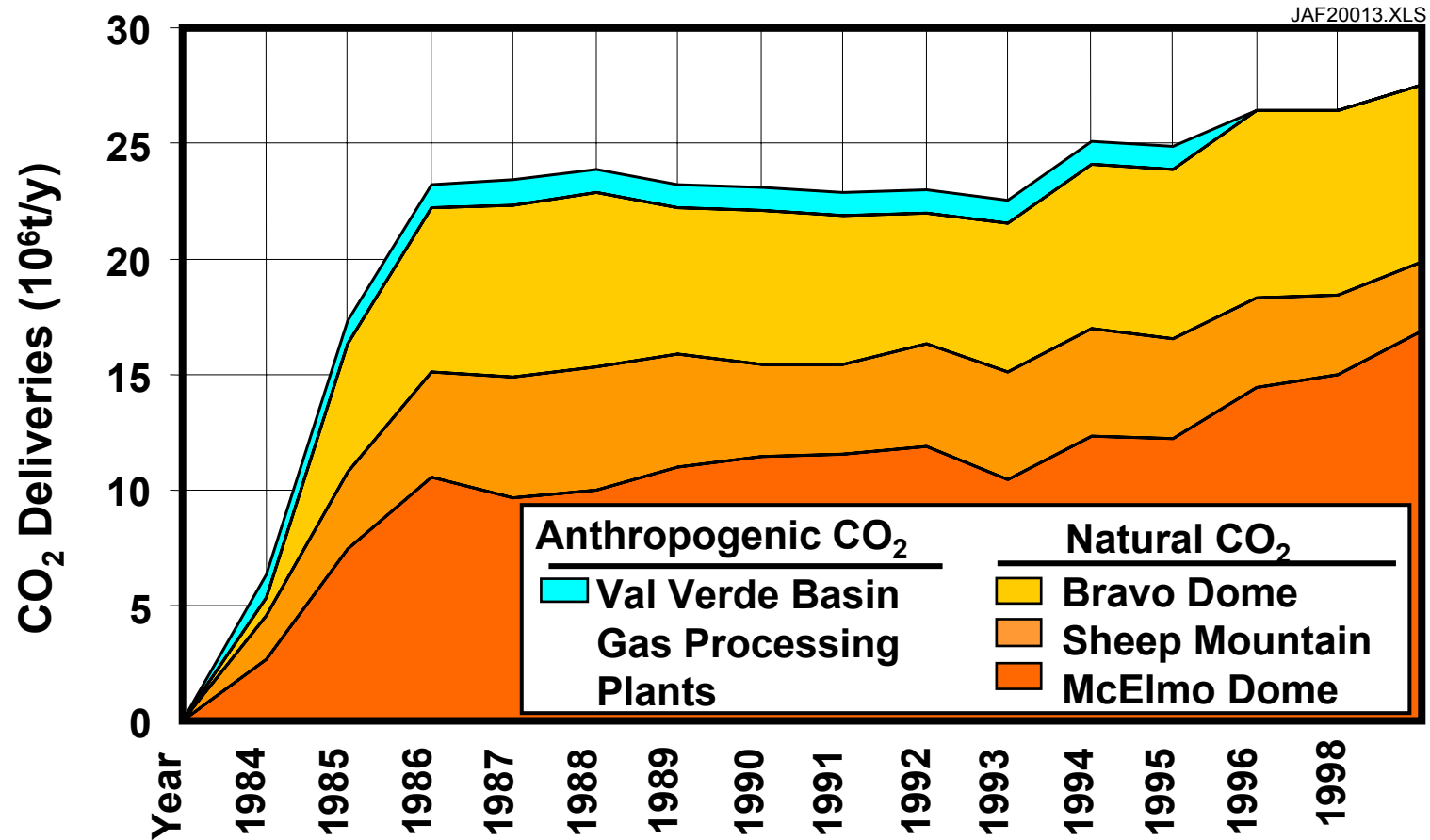


Figure 5. PERMIAN BASIN CO2-EOR PROJECTS



Source: Shell CO₂ Company



Figure 6. CO₂ –EOR PRODUCTION IN THE U.S.

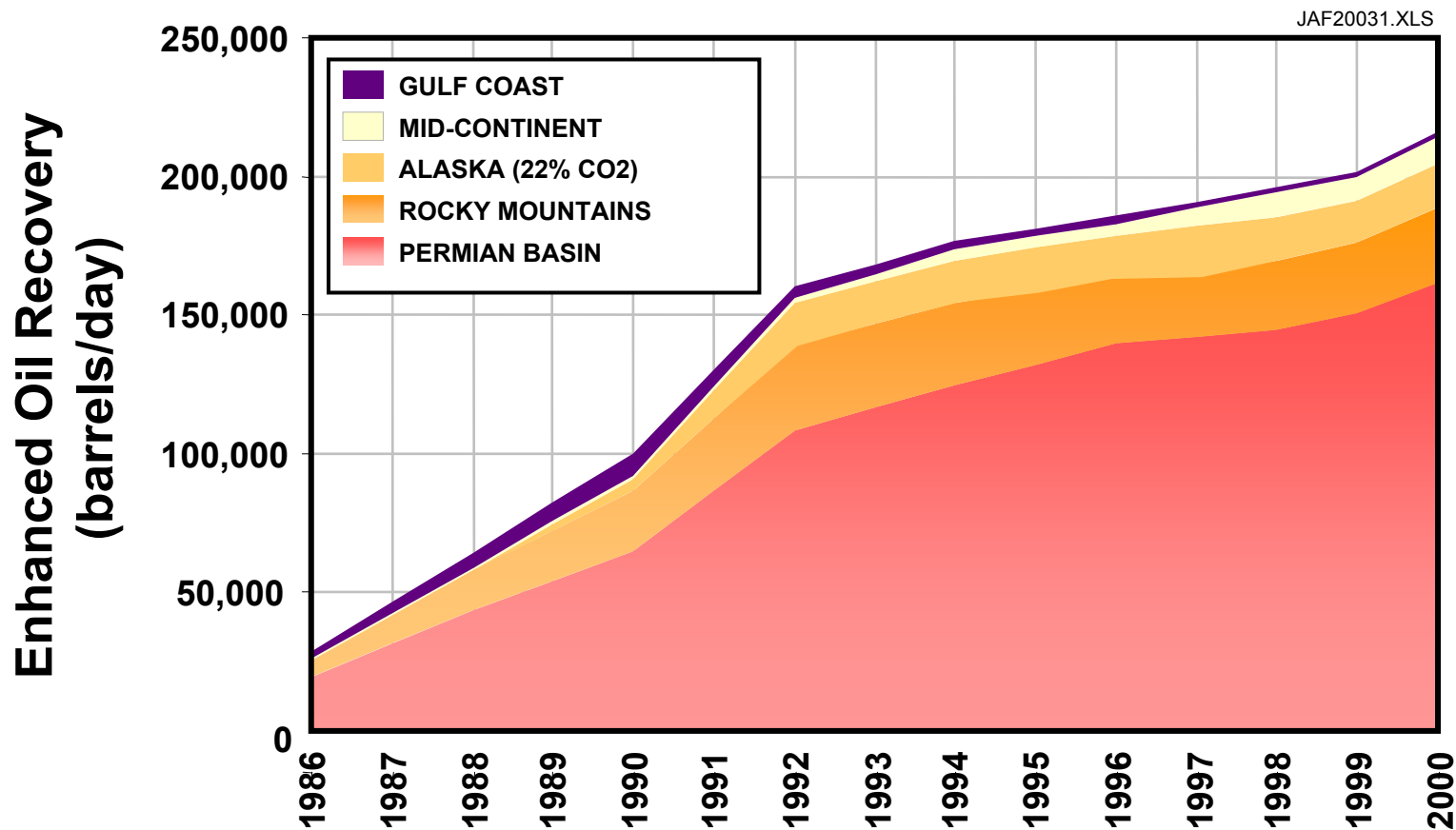
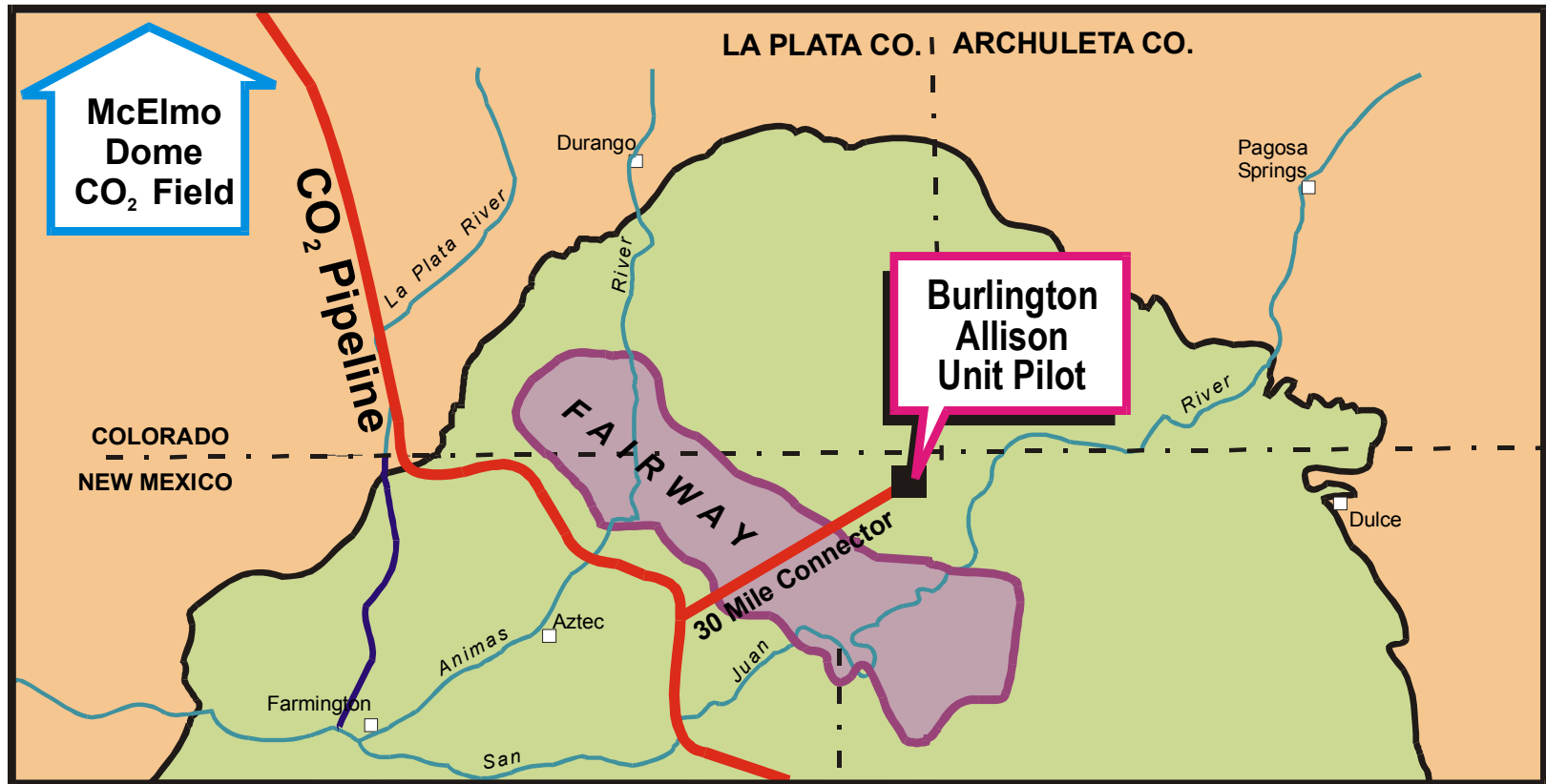


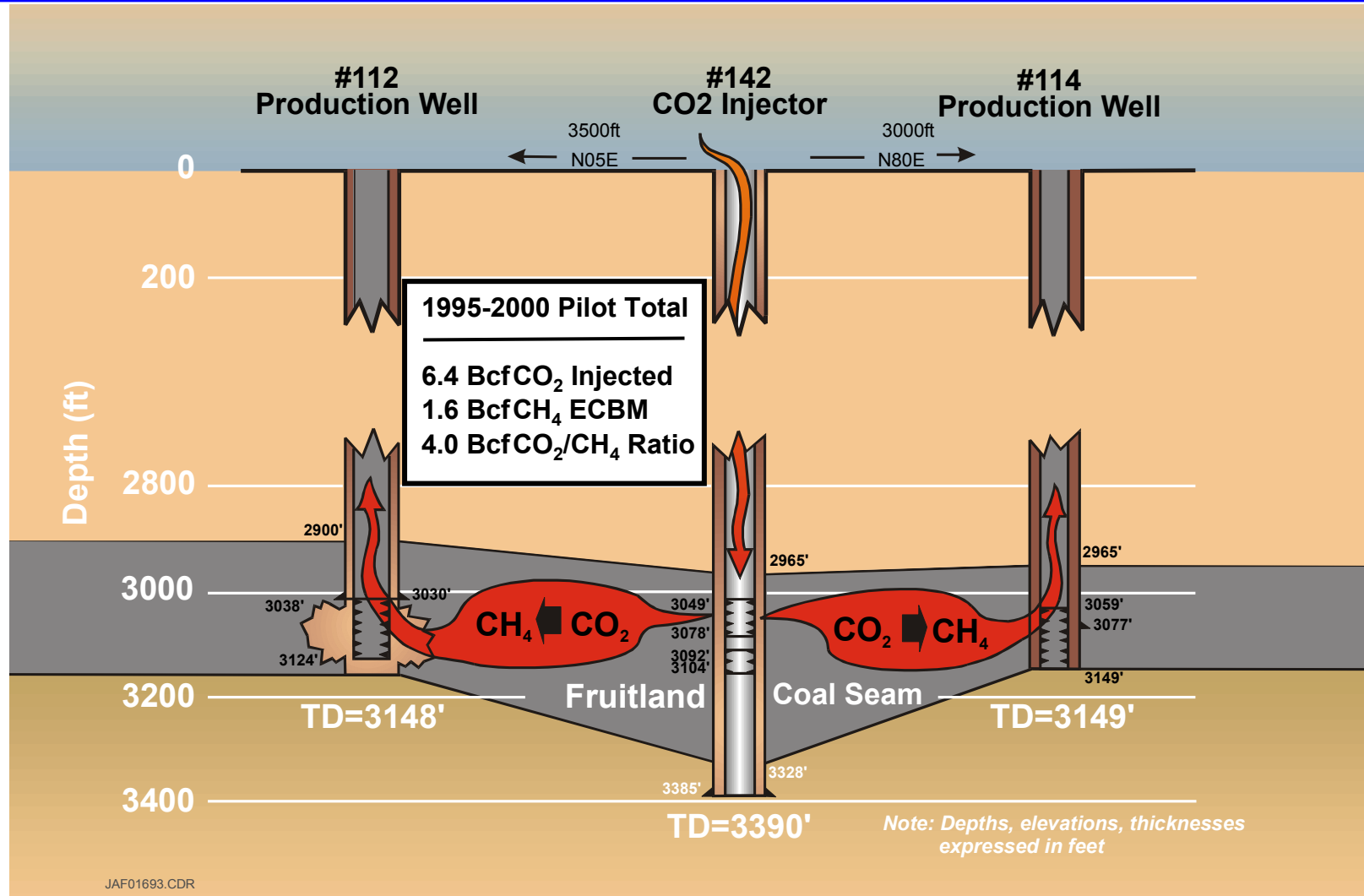
Figure 7. LOCATION OF ECBM PILOTS, SAN JUAN BASIN, USA



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**Figure 8. CROSS-SECTIONAL VIEW OF THE ALLISON UNIT
CO₂-ECBM PILOT, SAN JUAN BASIN**



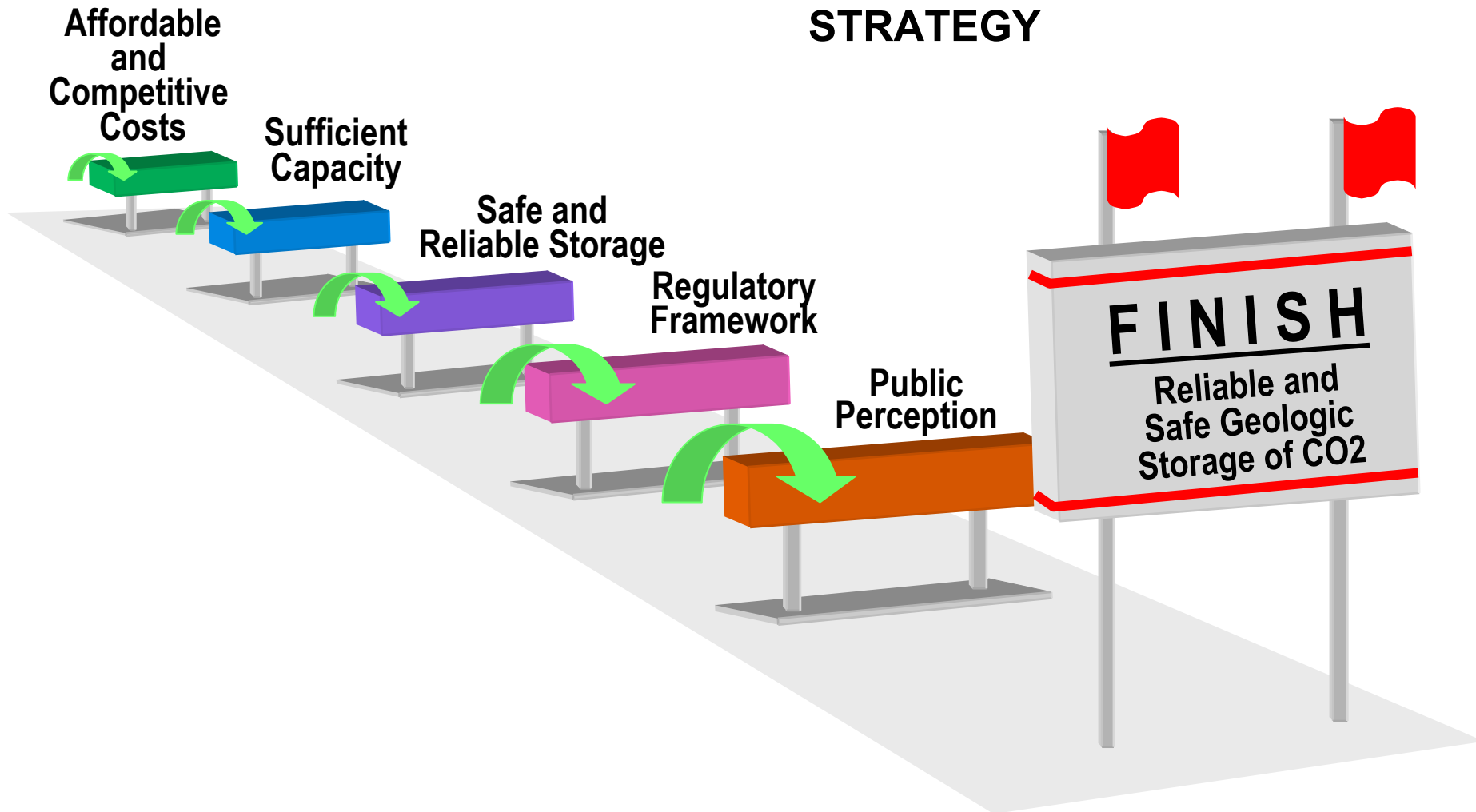
ACHIEVEING SAFE AND RELIABLE UNDERGROUND STORAGE

The greatest challenge facing carbon capture and storage as a climate change strategy will be gaining public acceptance, shaped by the public's perception of its safety and reliability:

- **Understanding of long-term transport of CO₂ and its interaction with underground reservoirs**
- **Compelling, scientific case as to its safety**
- **Appropriate regulatory framework**



**Figure 9. OVERCOMING HURDLES TO
USING CARBON CAPTURE AND
STORAGE AS A CLIMATE CHANGE
STRATEGY**



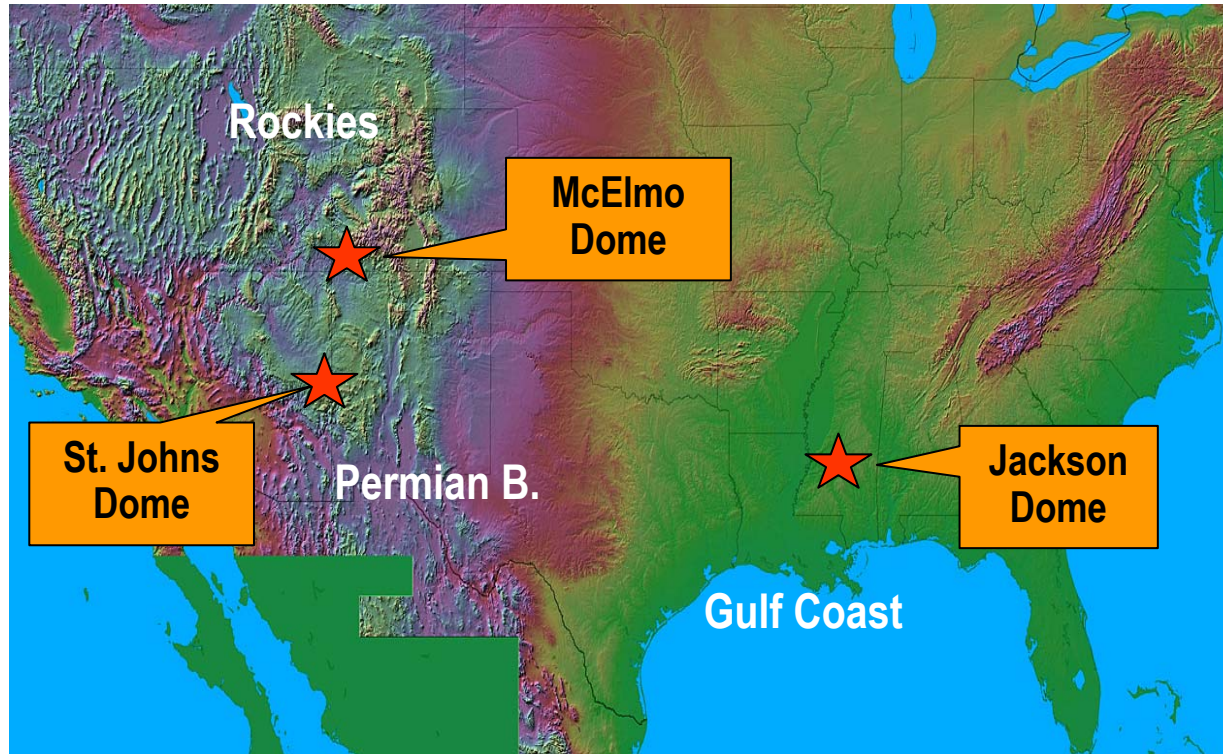
PATH FORWARD FOR CO2 STORAGE

Building the base of scientific knowledge and public acceptance for CO2 capture and storage could follow this “path forward”:

- 1. Learning from nature and its CO2 storage analogs**
- 2. Targeting enhanced oil and gas recovery with high concentration CO2 vents**
- 3. Encouraging zero CO2 emission hydrogen production**
- 4. Partnering with international efforts**
 - Sleipner/SACS**
 - Weyburn**
 - RECOPOL**



Figure 10. NATURAL CO2 FIELDS AS ANALOGS FOR GEOLOGIC SEQUESTRATION



McELMO DOME

- Charged with CO2 millions of years ago; holds nearly 2 Gt of CO2.
- CO2 reservoir capped by 1,500 feet of impervious salt and another 5,000 feet of shale and sandstone.
- Oil and gas explorations wells show the overlying strata to be CO2 free (with one exception).
- Overlying salt is self-healing for faults and seismic activity.
- Two decades of safe CO2 production and transportation.



SUMMARY

- **Acceptability of underground storage of CO₂ will rest on a scientific and public balancing of risks.**
- **The prevailing scientific and industrial view is that underground storage of CO₂ has a low risk of causing significant harm, assuming:**
 - **Suitable reservoirs are selected**
 - **Proper procedures are followed**
- **The compelling case for its safety and reliability still needs to be made to gain public acceptance:**
 - **Sound, transparent research**
 - **Straight-forward communication**





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