

Carbon Dioxide Enhanced Oil Recovery

Presented at Governor Tomblin's 2012 Energy Summit

West Virginia: Partnerships for Energy Development

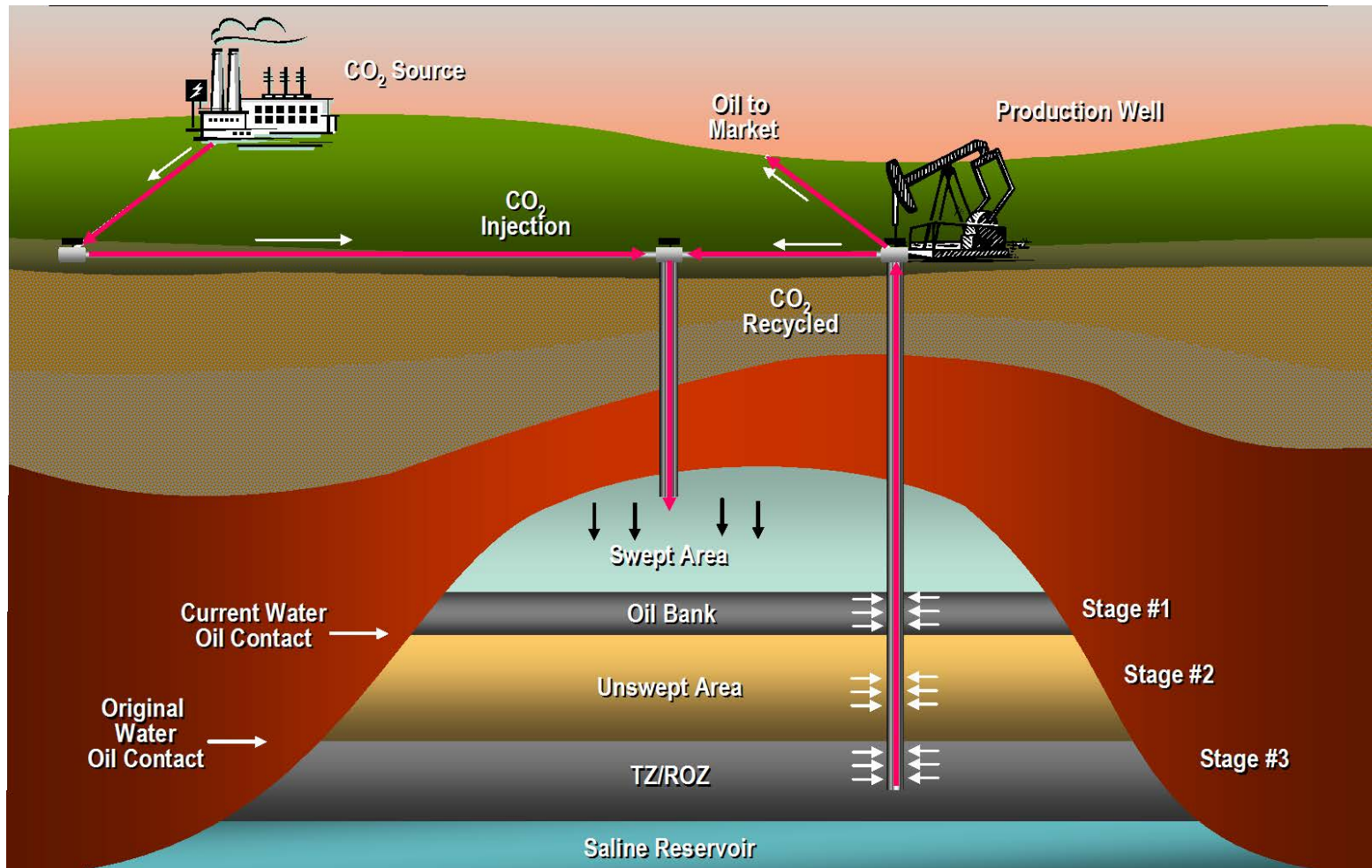
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Summary

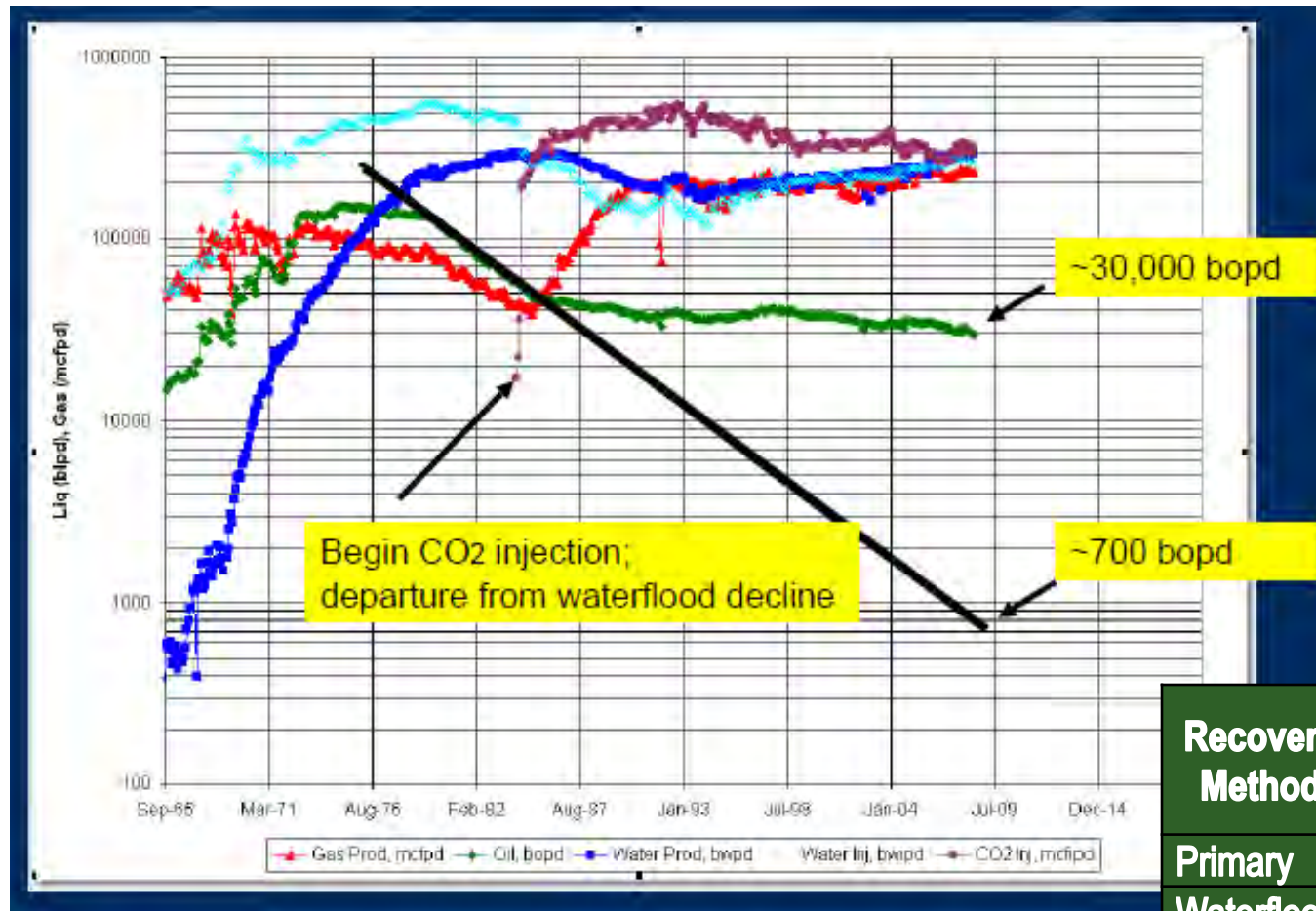
- **In 2012 CO₂ EOR will provide 5% of domestic crude oil production (100 million barrels per year). It is growing, but slowly.**
- **The potential for CO₂ EOR to be much larger than current deployments, 24 to 137 billion barrels of resource (NETL estimate).**
- **The CO₂ EOR resource in West Virginia is small compared to the United States total (Original-Oil-in-Place OOIP is 0.6% of the total).**
- **. . . . but the technically recoverable CO₂ EOR resource in West Virginia is 183 million barrels of crude oil production, instate revenues of ~ \$16 B over 30 – 50 years (\$85/bbl * 183 MMbbls = 15.6 B\$).**

Two-page primer on CO₂ EOR



Source: Advanced Resources International

CO₂-EOR results from the Denver Unit of the Wasson Oil Field (Occidental Petroleum)

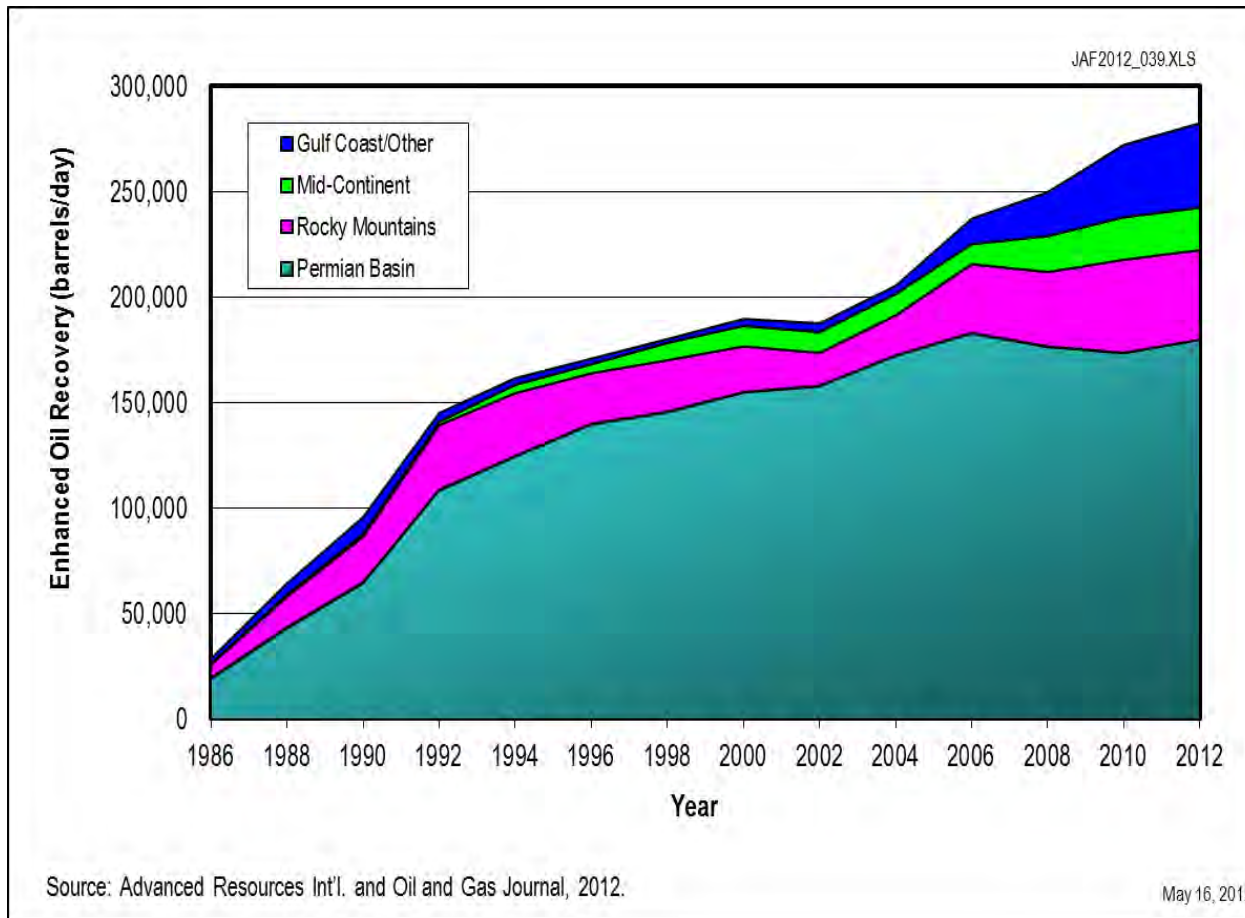


Recovery Method	Oil Recovery Efficiency (%OOIP)
Primary	17.2%
Waterflood	30.1%
CO ₂ Flood	19.5%
Total	66.8%

Source: NETL 2011 <http://www.netl.doe.gov/energy-analyses/refshelf/PubDetails.aspx?Action=View>

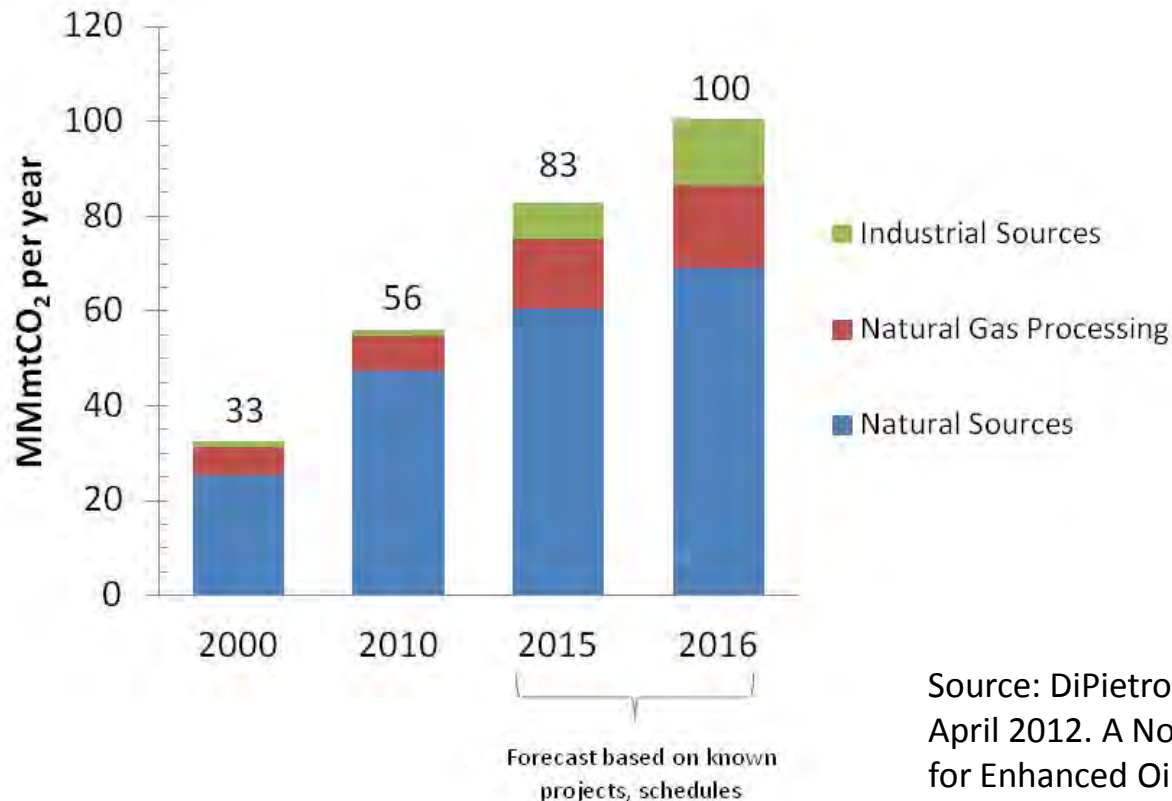
Snapshot of CO₂ EOR in the United States

Crude Oil Production from CO₂ EOR in the United States



Reference point:
between 2010 and
2012, total U.S. crude oil
production increase by
~ 900,000 bpd

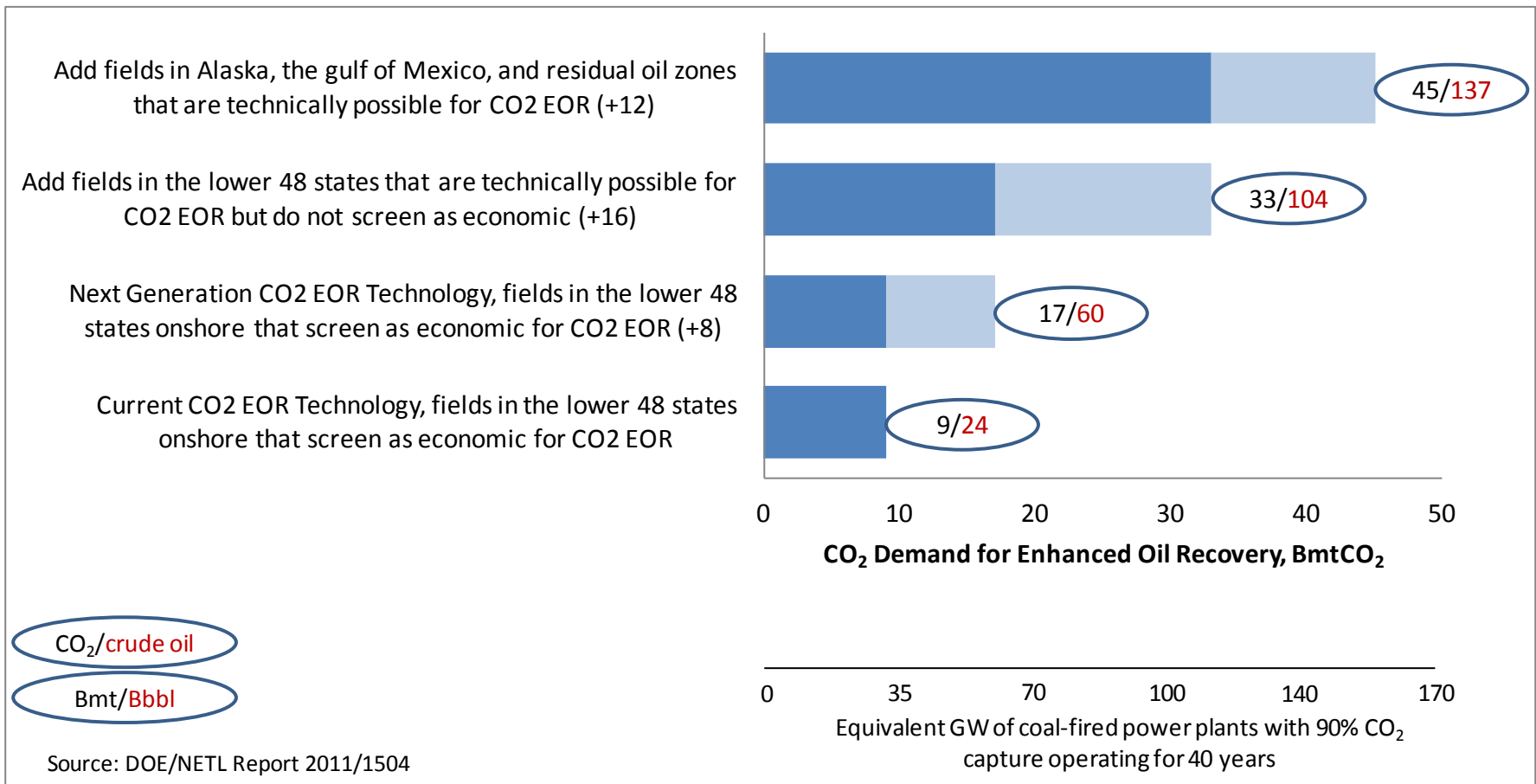
Sources of CO₂ Supply for Enhanced Oil Recovery Operations in the United States



Source: DiPietro P., Balash, P. and Wallace, M. April 2012. A Note on Sources of CO₂ Supply for Enhanced Oil Recovery Operations. SPE Economics and Management (figure revised based on latest information October 2012)

CO₂ EOR Resource Assessment

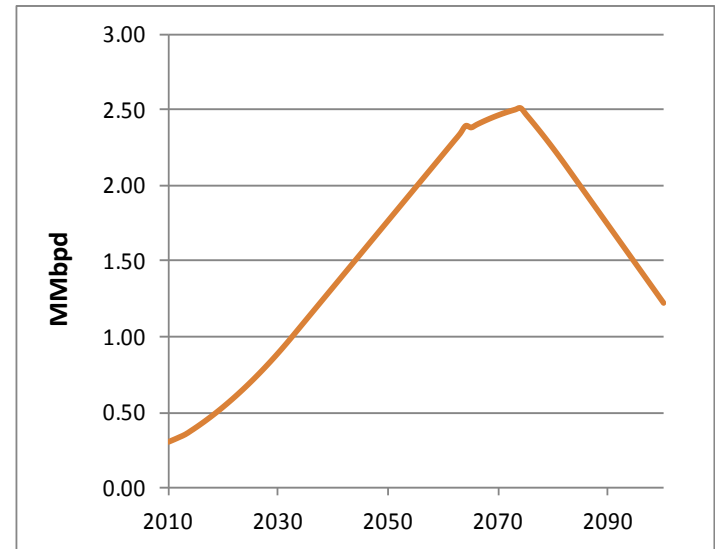
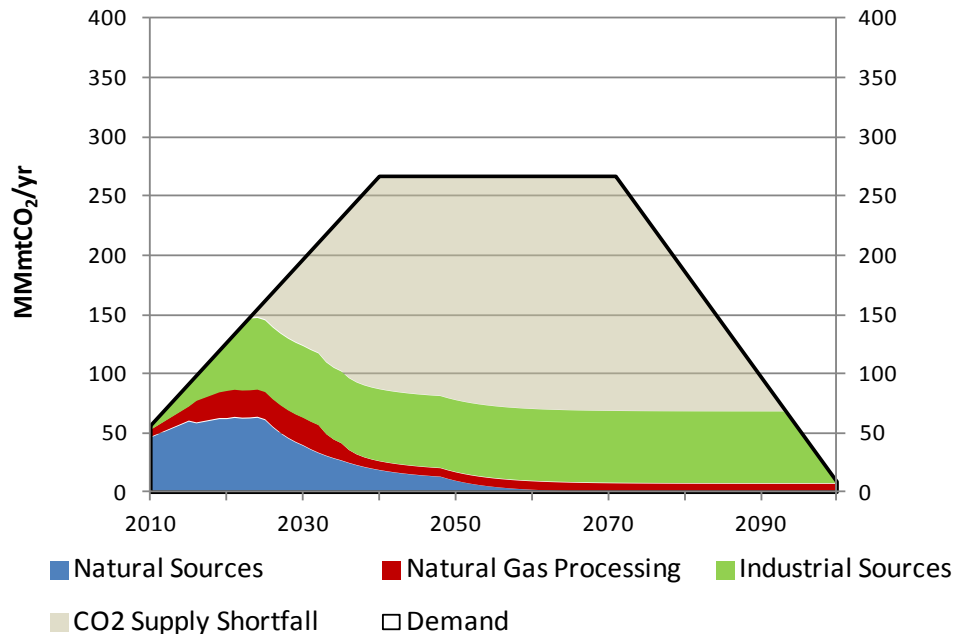
Potential Crude Oil Supply and CO₂ Demand from CO₂ EOR in the United States



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Next Generation CO₂ EOR Technology Scenario

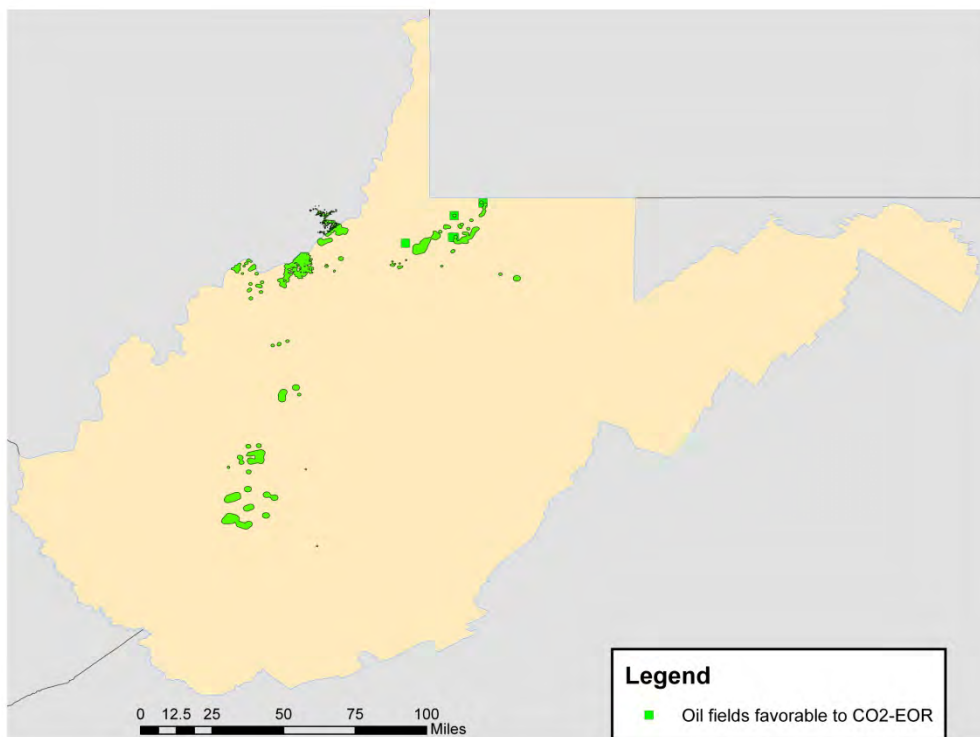
20 Billion metric tons of CO₂ demand, 60 billion barrels of crude oil production



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CO₂ EOR in West Virginia

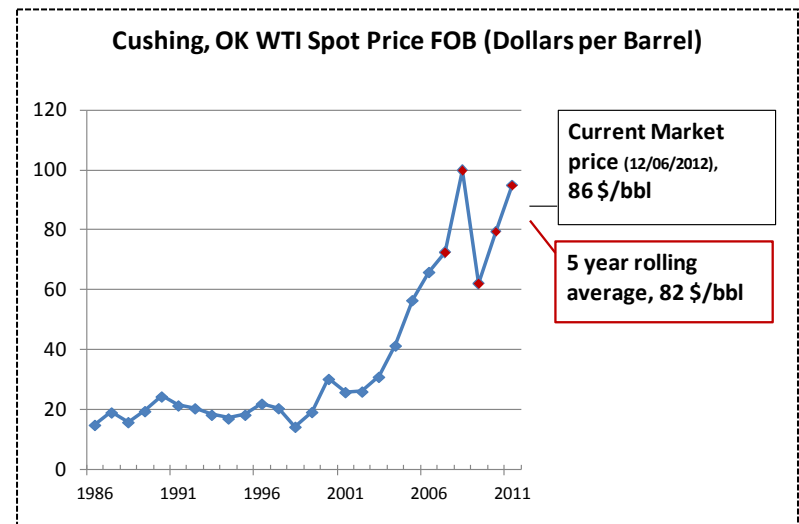
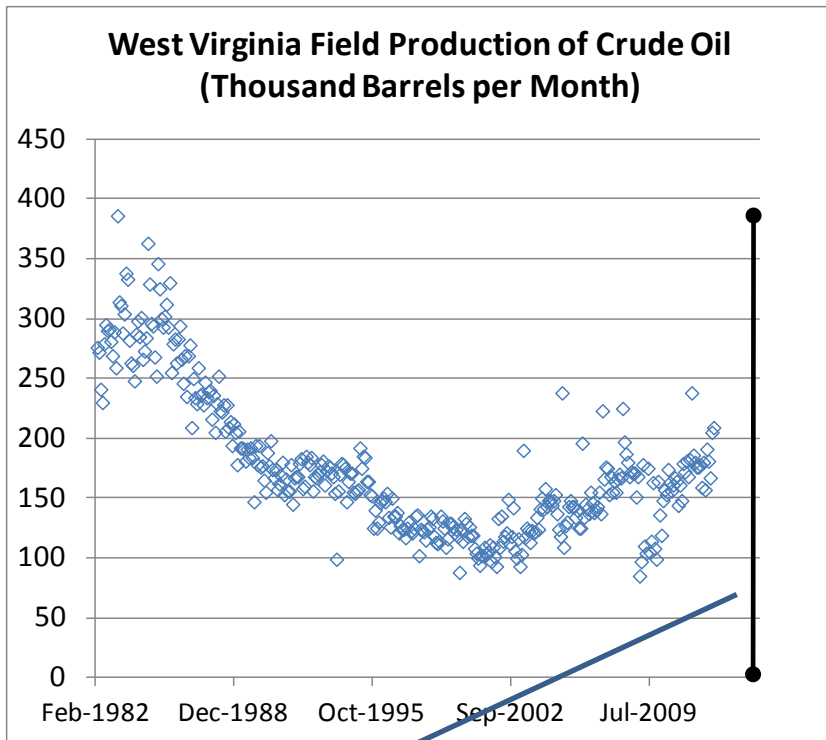
Oil-bearing Geologic Formations in West Virginia



Primary data sources: ARI's Big Fields Database, EIA's Appalachian Basin Oilfield map, EPA's Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program and Ventyx's Energy Velocity data

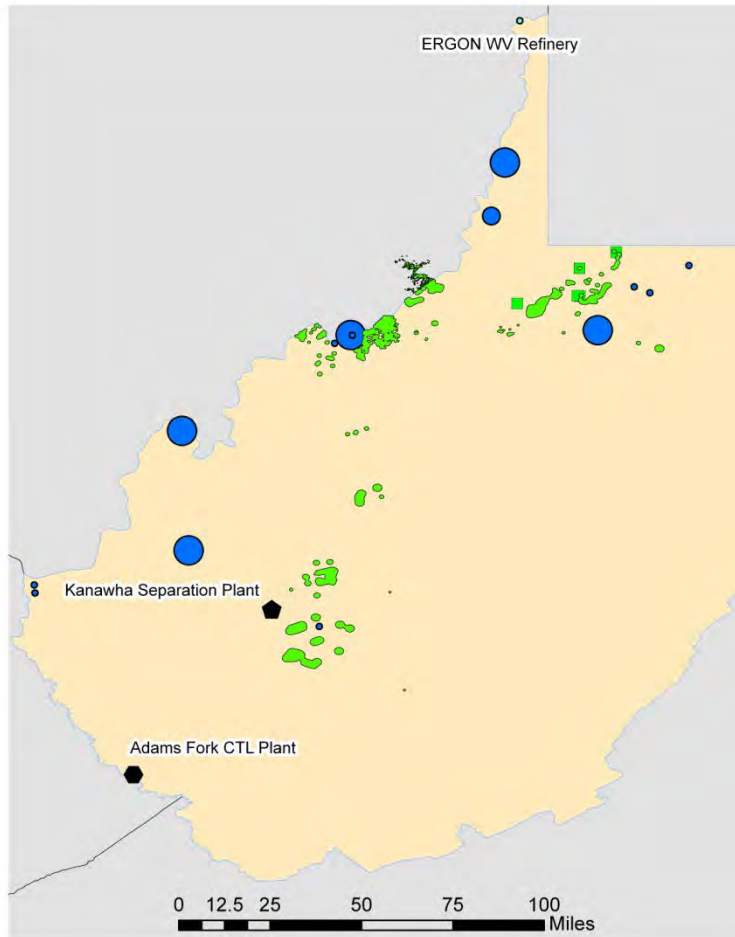
- The Big Oil Fields Database contains 51 oil-bearing reservoirs in West Virginia, total OOIP 2.4 Bbbls OOIP
- The reservoirs in the database represent 74% of oil production in the state
- 32 reservoirs in the database screen as amenable to miscible CO2 EOR (OOIP 2.0 Bbbls)
- Technically recoverable resource based on current best practices CO2 EOR technology is 183 million barrels of crude oil (9% OOIP)
- More study required to estimate how much may be economic to produce

Production Potential from CO₂ EOR in West Virginia Relative to Current Production



$183 \text{ MMbbls} / 40 \text{ years} * 12 \text{ months/yr} = 380 \text{ Mbbls/month}$

Oil-bearing Formations and Sources of CO₂ in West Virginia



● Power plant

● Oil fields prospective for CO₂ EOR

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Getting to Market with Produced Crude Oil

- Ergon refinery
 - Newel West Virginia
 - Capacity: 20,000 barrels per day
 - 100% Appalachian grade paraffinic crude oils
- Marathon Oil
 - Cattletsburgh, KY
 - Capacity: 233,000 barrels per day
 - Variety of crudes, topping
- Refineries responding to recent increase in regional crude oil supply
- 183 MMbbls over 40 yrs – 12,000 barrels per day



Marathon Oil Company

Challenges to Overcome for Economic CO₂ EOR in West Virginia

	Average Net Pay (feet)	Average Permeability (milliDarcy)
West Virginia	17	21
Rest of United States	123	377

Source: Advanced Resources International, Big Oil Fields Database.
Numbers are OOIP weighted average from all fields that have
positive technically recoverable resource

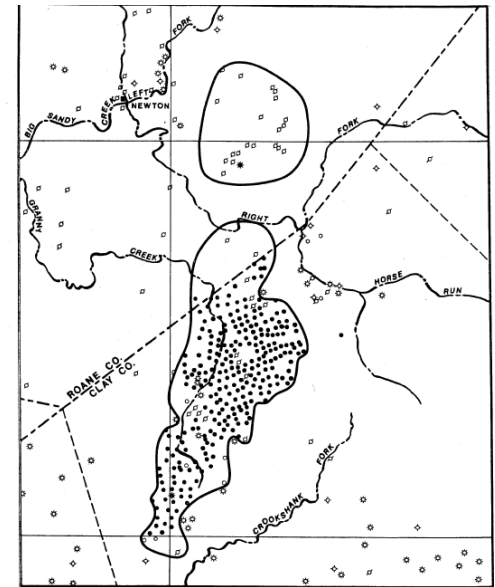
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Other challenges:

- Heterogeneous rock makes uniform sweep difficult to achieve
- Mountainous terrain increases the cost of drilling
- Existing wells likely not usable
- Scant data from P/S recovery increase uncertainty of oil response
- State unitization laws
- No big, cheap source of CO₂ (a la McElmo/Jackson Dome) to get things started

Positives:

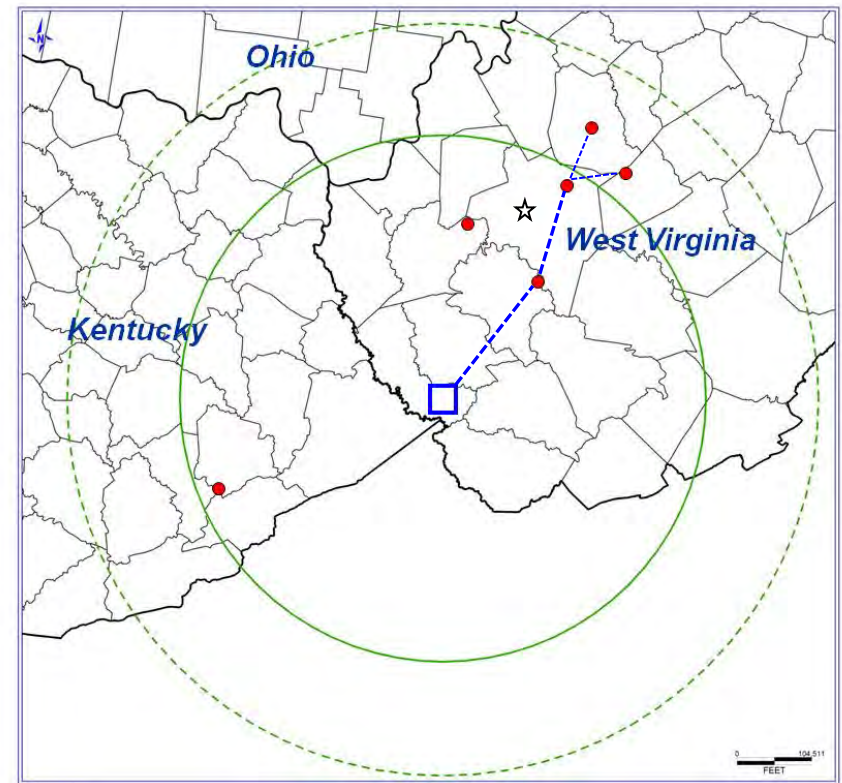
- Heterogeneity, low perm, and undocumented P/S operations are double-edged swords: there may be a lot of un-swept oil!
- Nearby refineries represent market for produced crude oil



Well Placement Information for the Granny Creek Oilfield, from a 1979 NETL Pilot Test

Case Study: Oil Fields Prospective for CO₂ EOR in Southwest West Virginia

- Six oil fields within 100 miles of Mingo County are prospective for miscible CO₂-EOR
- Four of the oil fields fall along a straight line. In concept, they could be developed sequentially along a single CO₂ pipeline
- The key insight was that four marginal reservoirs could be combined to form one good target

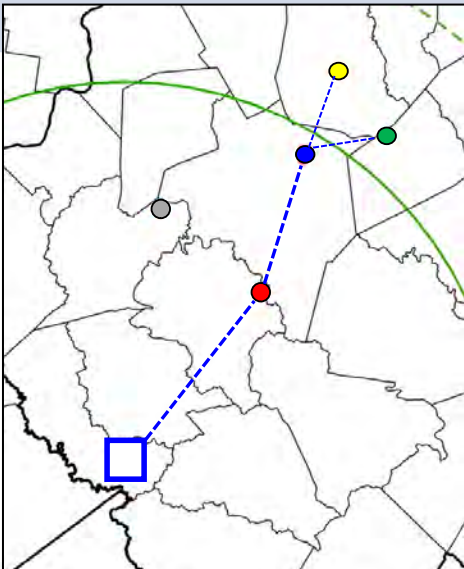


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Case Study: Four fields in the Mingo County

CO₂ EOR Concept

		Depth (ft)	Pay (ft)	Acreage	Temp (°F)	API°	OOIP (Million Bbls)	CO ₂ demand (Million mtCO ₂)
●	Walton*	2000	29	6,740	75	43	>100	14.1
●	Granny Creek*	1940	40	3,840	73	45	20-100	6.5
●	Blue Creek	1700	10-30	16,000	85	43	>100	20.6
●	Cabin Creek	3000	20	4,600	84	44	10-20	5.8
Total								47



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Summary

- There are challenges to developing CO₂ EOR in West Virginia, but the prize is big, ~ 16 B\$ in revenue from crude oil sales over 30-50 years
- CO₂ EOR is established and growing in other parts of the United States, needed capability exists
- Many of the technologies being developed at the National Energy Technology Laboratory can enable CO₂ EOR in more complex settings like exist in West Virginia

Thank you!

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Crude Oil Production from CO₂ EOR Compared to Total U.S. Production

year	U.S. Crude Oil Production* (Mbbbls/day)	U.S. Crude Oil from CO2 EOR** (Mbbbls/day)	CO2 EOR as a percent of total U.S. production	Annual increase/decrease in total U.S. crude oil production (Mbbbls/day)	Annual increase/decrease in U.S. crude oil production from CO2 EOR (Mbbbls/day)
2006	5089	240	4.7%		
2007	5077	245	4.8%	-12	5
2008	5000	250	5.0%	-77	5
2009	5353	261	4.9%	353	11
2010	5479	272	5.0%	126	11
2011	5658	278	4.9%	179	6
2012***	6365	284	4.5%	707	6
* Energy Information Administration					
** Kuuskraa OGI 2012					
*** Total U.S. crude oil production estimated to be 12.5% higher than 2011 based on monthly data through July					

Top CO₂ EOR Companies in the United States

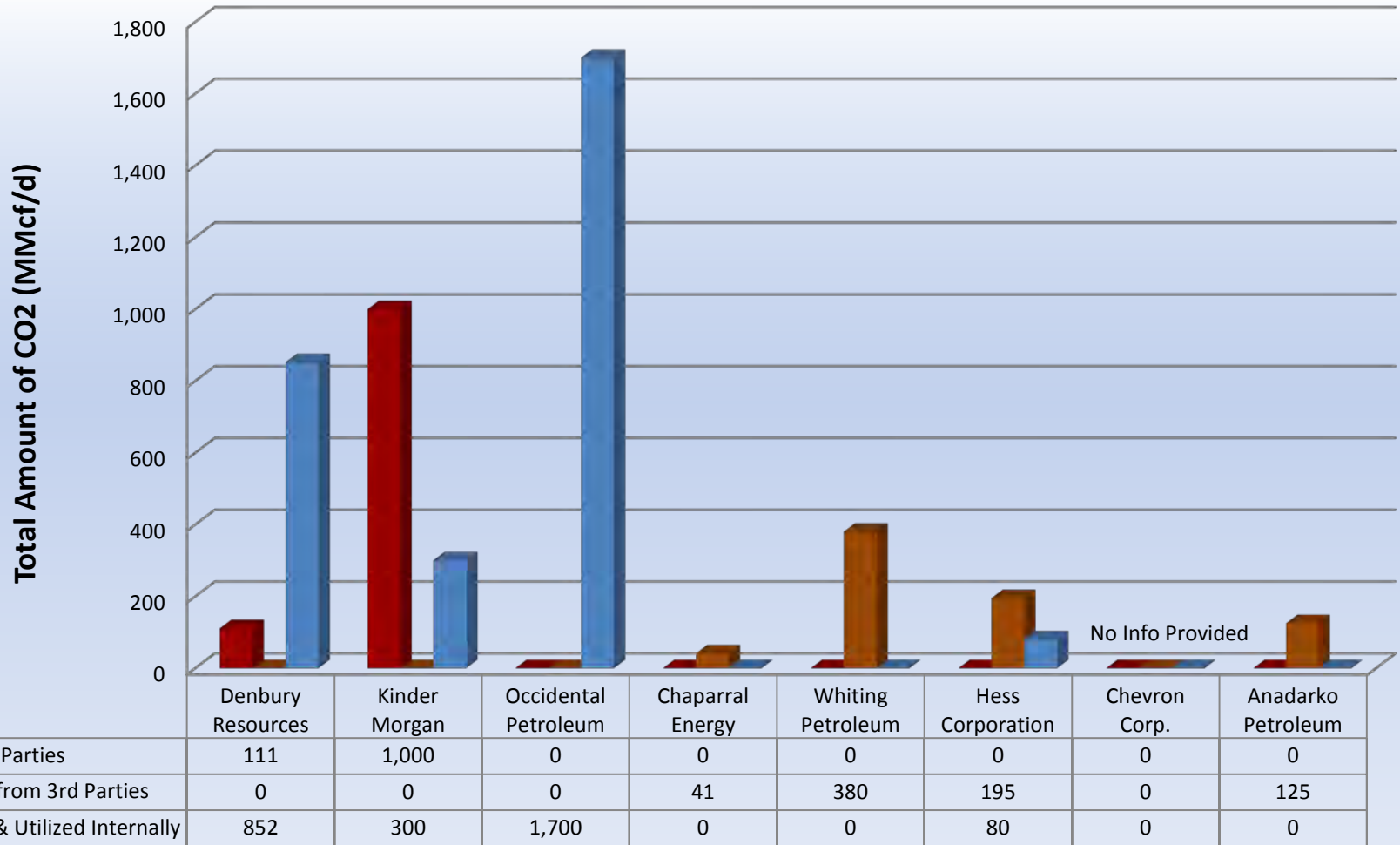
Company	2012 Crude Oil Production from CO ₂ EOR (Mbbbl/d)	# of Active Projects in 2012	Cumulative percent of total production from CO ₂ EOR
Occidental	88.0	31	31%
Denbury Resources	39.7	22	45%
Kinder Morgan	31.6	3	56%
Chevron	24.2	7	65%
Hess	20.5	4	72%
Whiting Petroleum	20.0	4	79%
Anadarko	13.8	7	84%
Merit Energy	13.6	7	88%
Other	32.8	39	
Total	284.2	124	

Other includes: ExxonMobil, ConocoPhillips, Apache, Chaparral Energy, XTO Energy, Devon, Energen Resources, Legado, Fasken, Resolute Natural Resources, Core Energy, Great Western Drilling, Orla Petco, Stanberry Oil, and George R. Brown.



Different Approaches to CO₂ Supply

Amount Sold, Purchased, and Produced in 2010

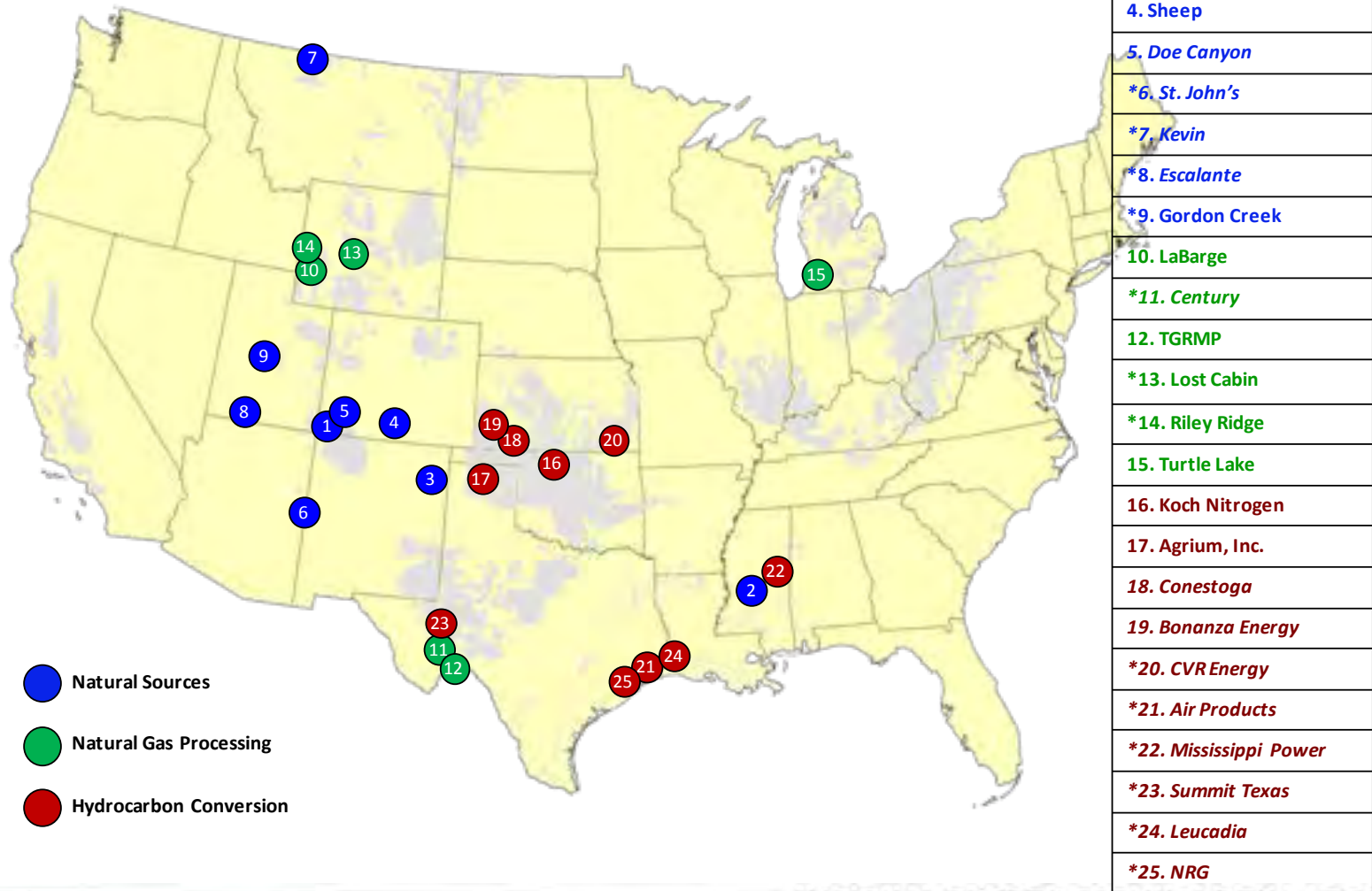


Information compiled from SEC filings

Components of Next Generation CO₂ EOR

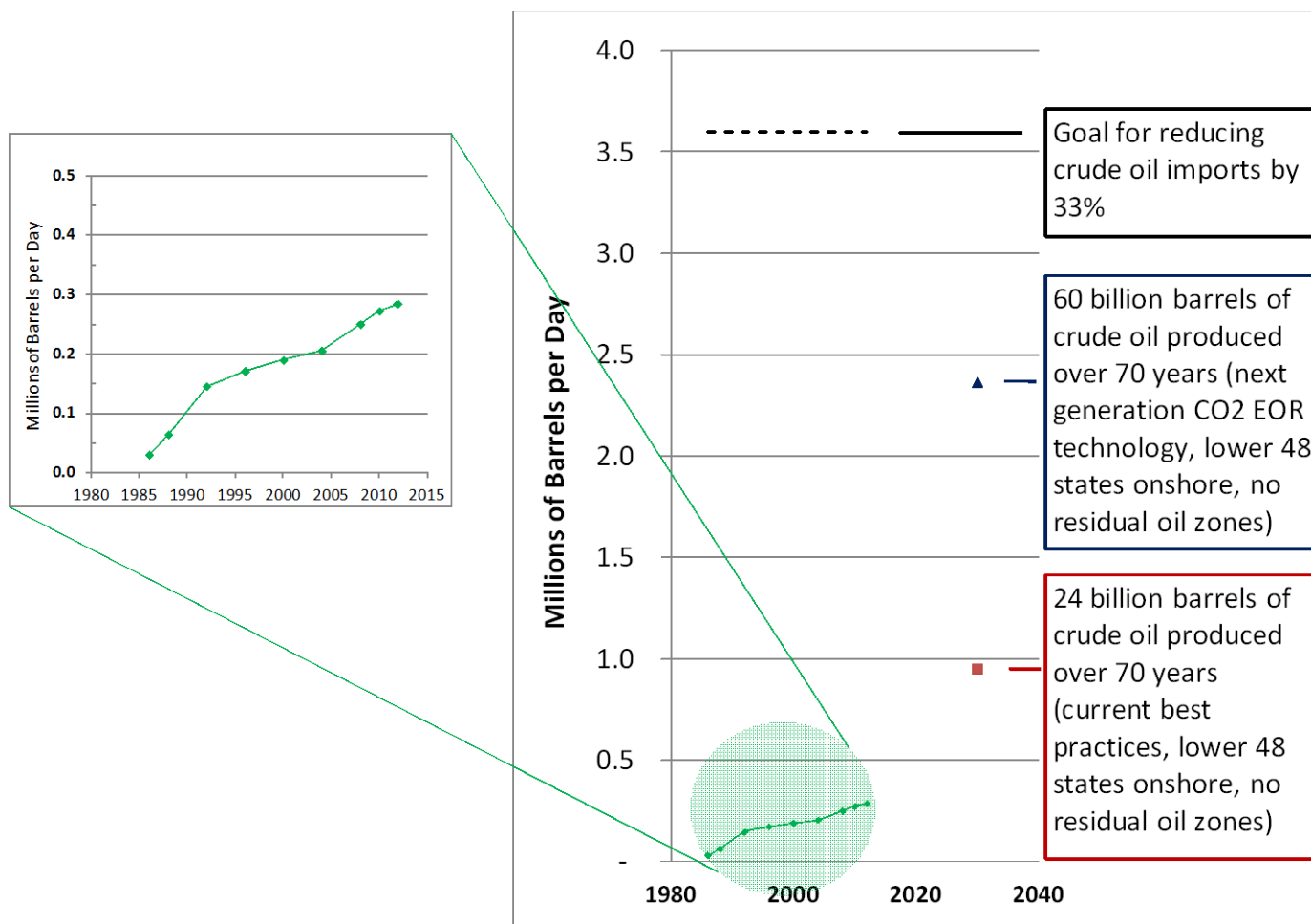
- Improved conformance and mobility control
 - Increase viscosity of CO₂
 - Plug up high permeability channels.
- Locate and contact unswept pay
 - Better “see” CO₂ plume
 - Precisely locate CO₂ injection
- Increase CO₂ injection
 - Primarily a function of inexpensive CO₂
 - Also need ability to CO₂ plume to have confidence to inject at higher rate
- Achieve near miscible behavior
 - Model and predict oil production response.

Figure 3. Sources of CO₂ for Domestic EOR Floods



* Not operational in 2010

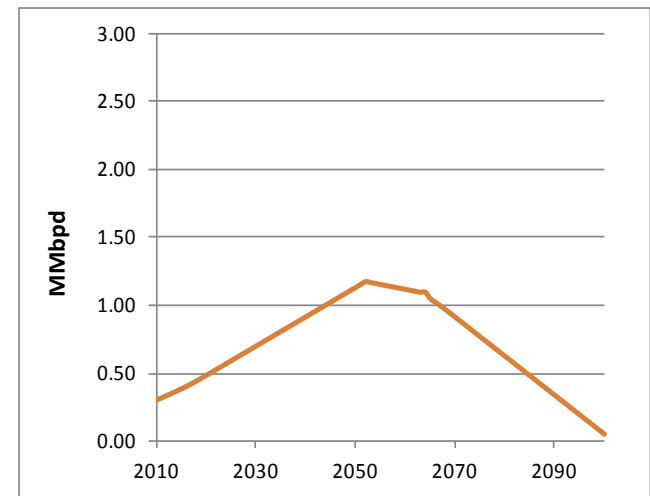
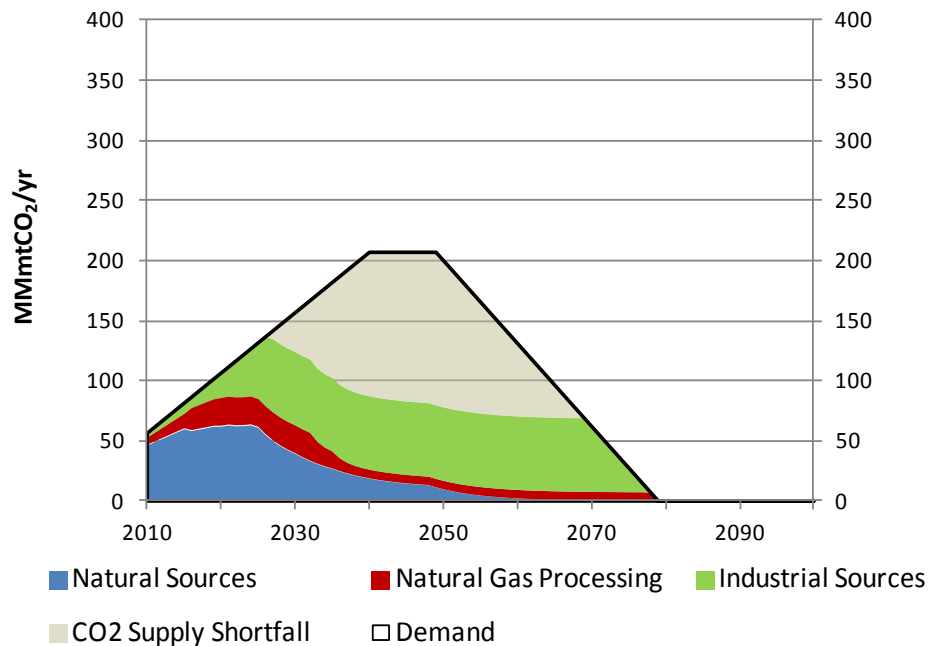
Crude Oil Production from CO₂ EOR, Potential



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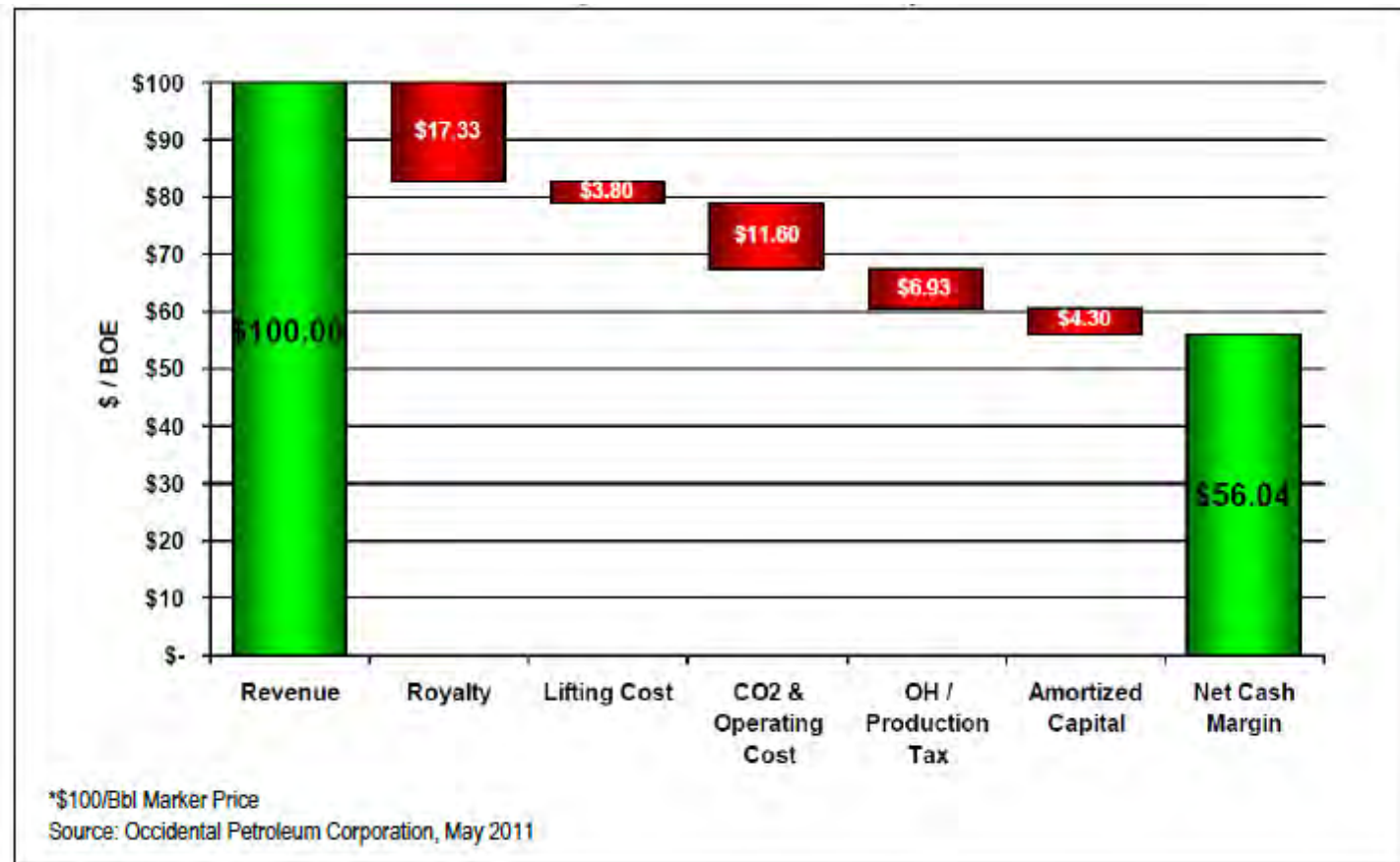
Current Best Practices CO₂ EOR Technology Scenario,

9 Billion metric tons of CO₂ demand, 24 billion barrels of crude oil production



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Typical Permian Basin CO₂ EOR Project Cost Structure (Occidental Petroleum)



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