

Midwest Geological Sequestration Consortium

Scaling up of Deep Saline Storage in Illinois: From the Illinois Basin – Decatur Project to the Illinois Industrial CCS project

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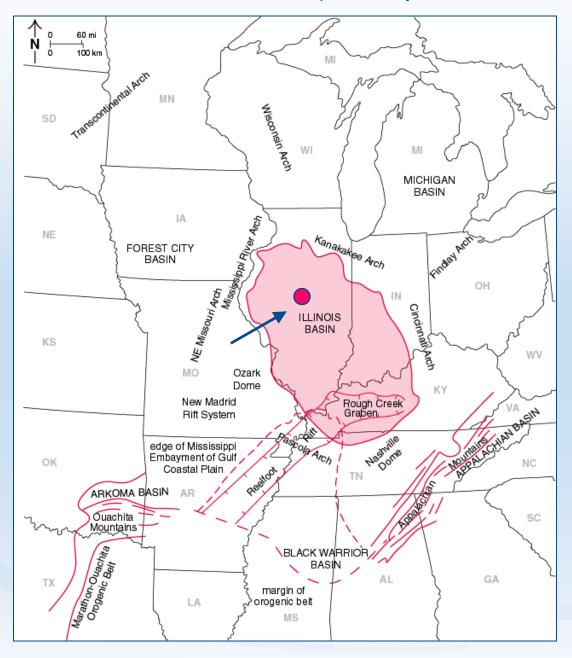








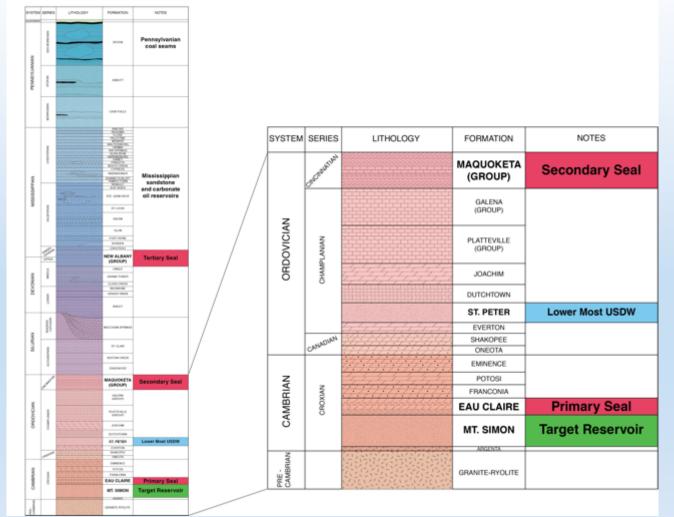
Illinois Basin – Decatur Project Scope



A collaboration of the Midwest Geological Sequestration Consortium, the Archer Daniels Midland Company (ADM), Schlumberger Carbon Services, and other subcontractors to inject I million metric tons of anthropogenic carbon dioxide at a depth of ~2,100 m to test geological carbon sequestration in a saline reservoir at a site in Decatur, IL

- Prove injectivity and capacity
- Demonstrate security of injection zone
- Contribution to best practices

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Total Mt Simon Storage Capacity: 11 (E=0.4%) to 150 (E=5.5%) billion metric tons

CCS in Decatur, IL USA



<u>Illinois Basin – Decatur Project</u>

- Large-scale demonstration
- Volume: I million tonnes
- Injection period: 3 years
- Injection rate: 1,000 tonnes/d
- Compression capacity: 1,100 tonnes/day
- Status:

Post-injection monitoring

Illinois Industrial CCS Project

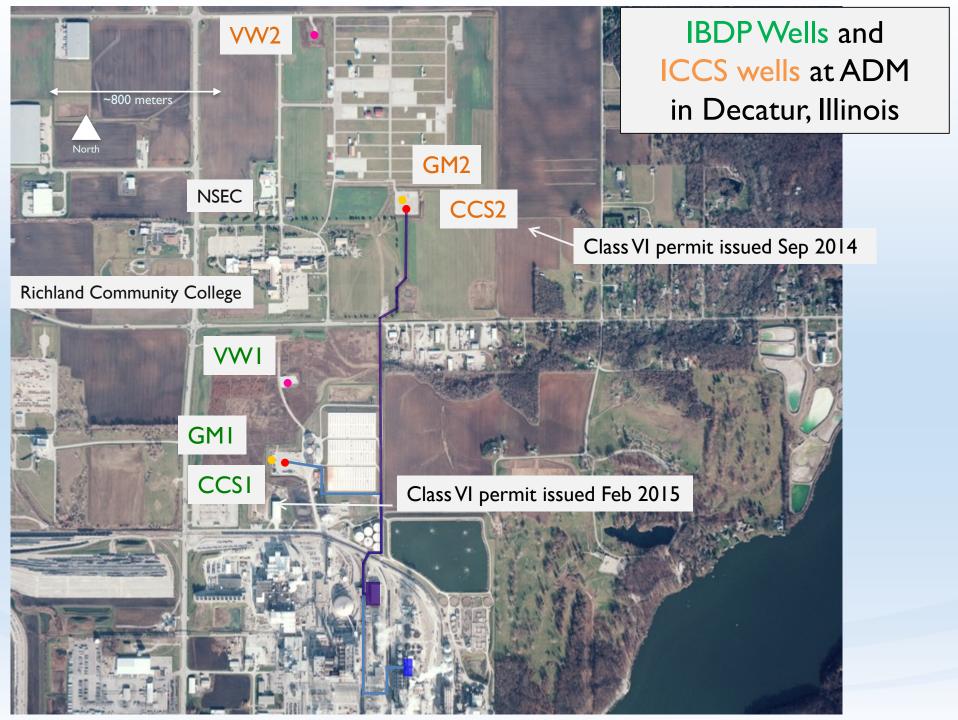
- Industrial-scale
- Volume: 5 million tonnes
- Injection period: 3 years
- Injection rate: 3,000 tons/d
- Compression capacity: 2,200 tonnes/day
- Status:
 - Pre-injection monitoring,
 - Permission to inject pending

IBDP Goals and Objectives

- Inject I million tonnes of CO₂ from an industrial source in a deep saline reservoir to demonstrate safety, effectiveness, and efficiency
- Inject a large mass of CO₂ of sufficient size to monitor geophysically and emulates larger volumes required for compression/dehydration, injection well construction, and environmental monitoring, which can be extrapolated to commercial-scale operations
- Establish a workflow for site characterization, permitting, drilling and completion, environmental monitoring, and outcome assessment that informs stakeholders on regional, national, and global scales about carbon storage and supports energy facility development
- Develop and utilize an active geologic model that evolves as new data are acquired and incorporates advanced understanding of injected CO₂ and response of reservoir, seal, and subsurface fluids

ICCS Goals and Objectives

- Inject 3-5 million tonnes of CO₂ from an industrial source in a deep saline reservoir to demonstrate commercial viability
- Refine monitoring systems to challenge existing technology with advanced monitoring systems to monitor stored CO₂
- Establish a regional-wide economic driver and delivery system for captured CO₂
- Serve as a **test bed for new technology**
- Reduce cost, increase efficiency



Key IBDP Project Elements

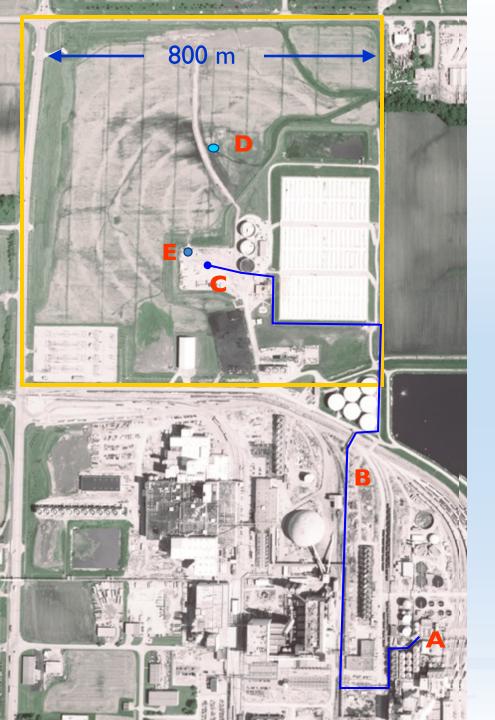
Fully integrated bioenergy carbon capture and storage (BECCS) project

- Capture from biofuel source
- Pipeline I.9 km
- Storage in deep saline reservoir at ~2,100m

Comprehensive monitoring, verification, and accounting (MVA) program for nearsurface and deep subsurface

Conducted in three phases:

- Pre-injection: Site characterization, Infrastructure development, MVA baseline establishment, Permitting, Social site characterization and stakeholder engagement
- Injection: Operational injection, site care, MVA monitoring, stakeholder engagement
- Post-injection: MVA monitoring, site care, geophysical research, knowledge sharing, and publications



Illinois Basin – Decatur Project Site (on ADM industrial site)

- A Dehydration/ compression facility location
- B Pipeline route (1.9 km)
- C Injection well site
- D Verification/ monitoring well site
- E Geophone well





Operational Injection: 17 November 2011

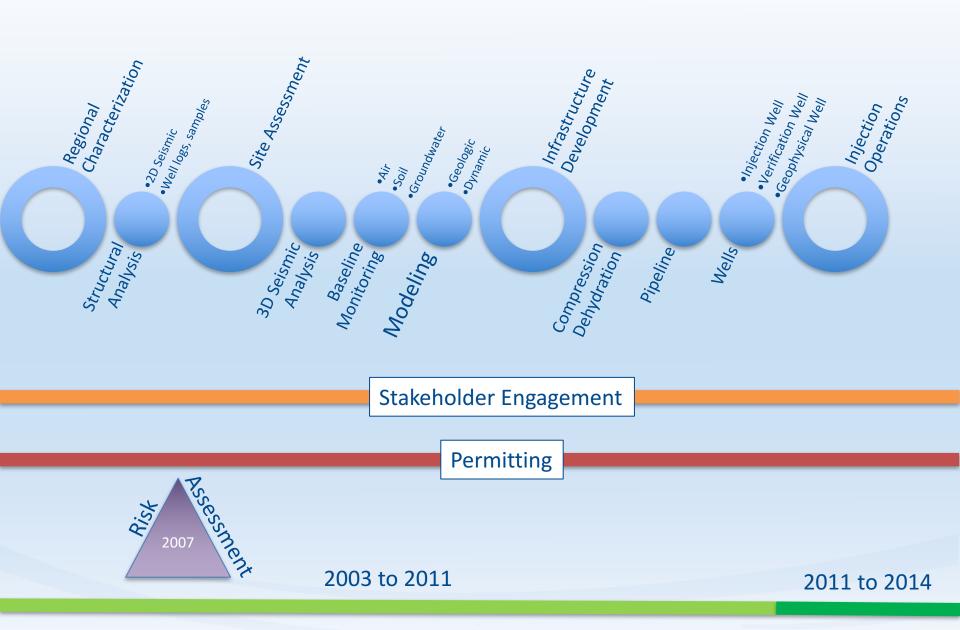
- IBDP is the first 1 million tonne carbon capture and storage project from a biofuel facility in the US
- Injection completed November 2014
- Intensive post-injection monitoring under MGSC through 2017

Total Injection (26 November 2014): 999, 215 tonnes

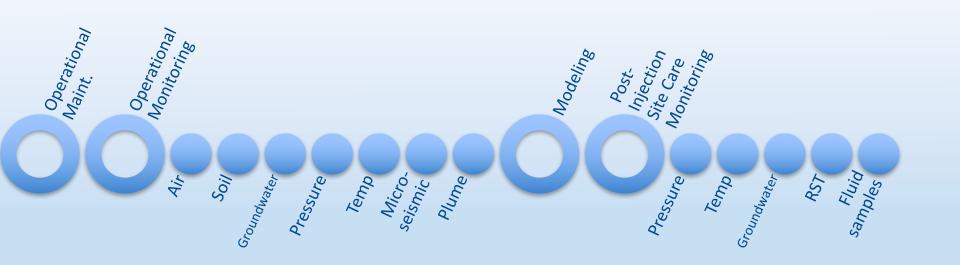
Illinois Basin – Decatur Project Workflow

- Regional Characterization
- Site assessment
- Outreach and public engagement
- Permitting and building the IBDP test site
- Collect and analyze key monitoring baseline data
- Injection, monitoring, and modeling
- Post-injection monitoring, modeling, and analysis
- Research collaborations, knowledge sharing
- Compliance monitoring period

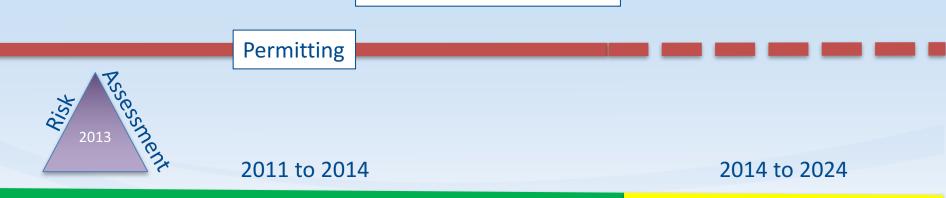
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Stakeholder Engagement



Successful Stakeholder Engagement



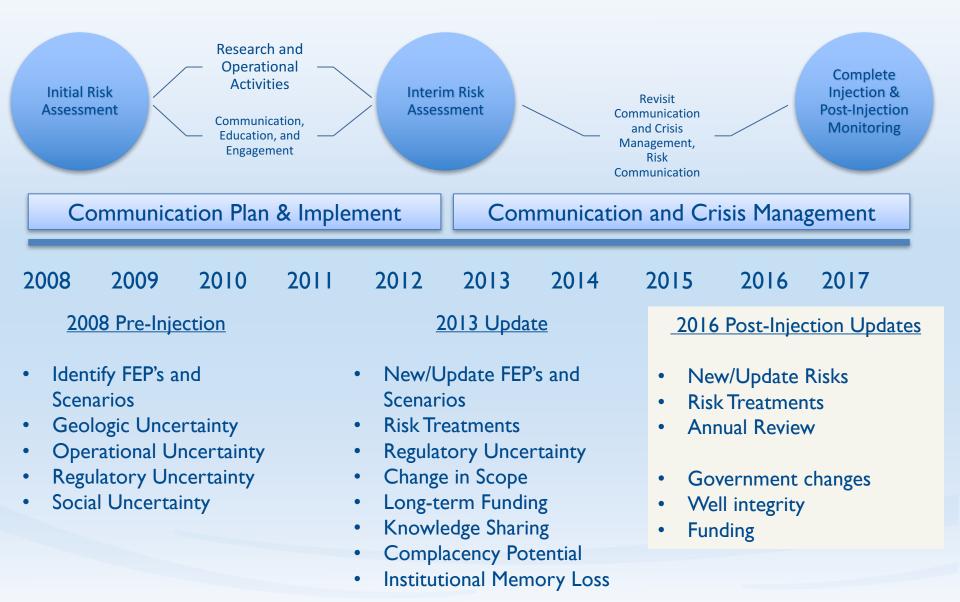
Groundbreaking effort, helped set global standards and establish best practices

- Began engagement early
- Made engagement a priority
- Integrated engagement into all aspects of project management
- Made sufficient investment in time and resources
- Sought to understand and consult community
- Created, evaluated, and refined communications plan
- Monitored and adapted as needed

Research Questions & Answers for Science & Society

- How do you know the CO₂ is staying where you put it?
- What happens in the event of earthquakes?
 - Induced seismicity
 - Fracture and catastrophic release of stored CO₂
- Where does formation water go when CO₂ is injected?
 - Increased pressure
- Does CO₂ injection fracture rocks during injection?
- What are long-term implications of project?
- Who is liable if something goes wrong with the project?
- How do you know it is safe?

IBDP Risk Assessment and Project Uncertainties



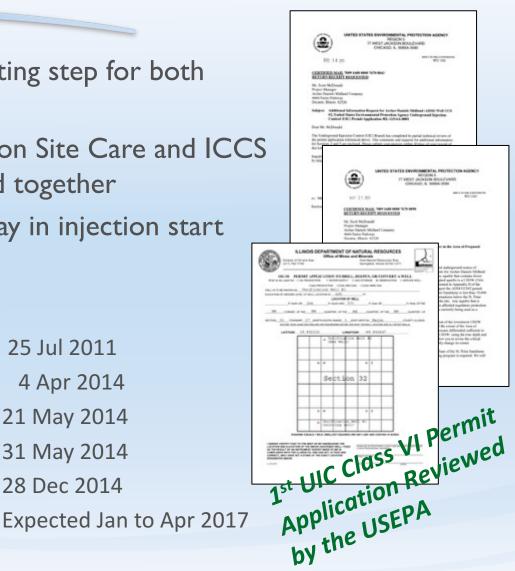
Permitting of wells for two projects provides precedent for future projects

28 Dec 2014

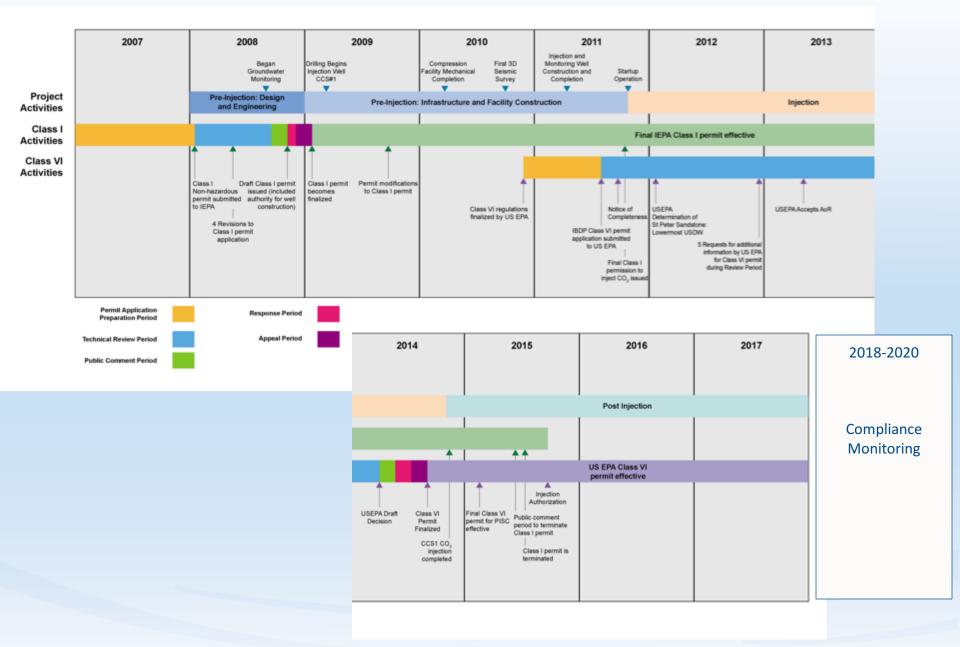
- Permitting has been rate-limiting step for both projects
- Permits for IBDP Post-injection Site Care and ICCS injection + Post-injection tied together
- Project expansion due to delay in injection start

Example:

- **ICCS** application submitted: 25 Jul 2011
- Draft permit issued: 4 Apr 2014
- Public hearing conducted: 21 May 2014
- Public comment period ended: 31 May 2014
- Final permit issued
- Permission to inject:

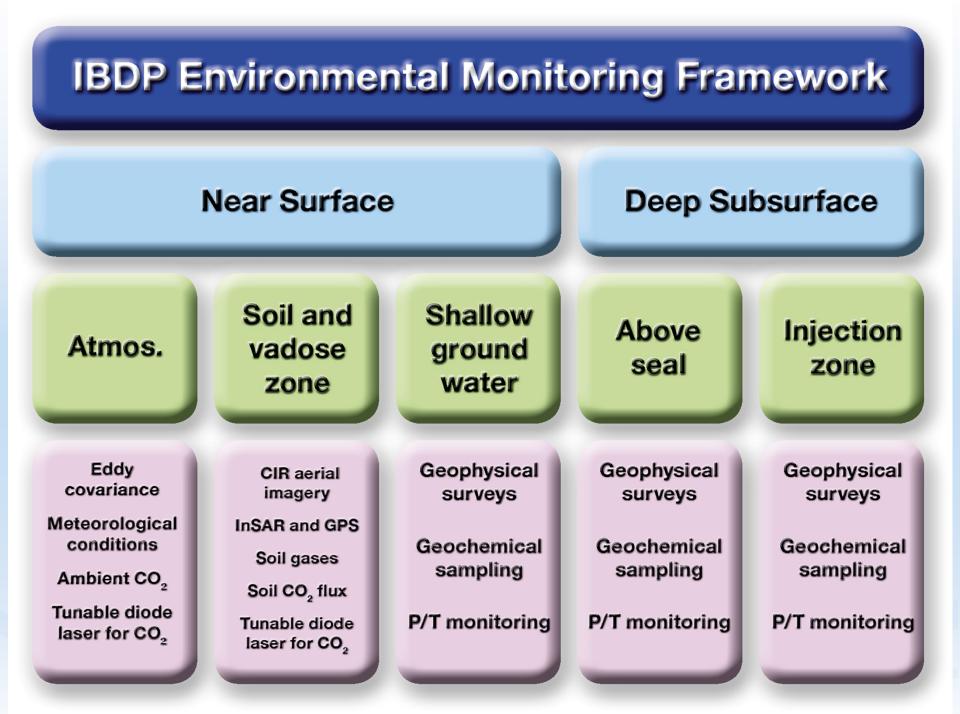


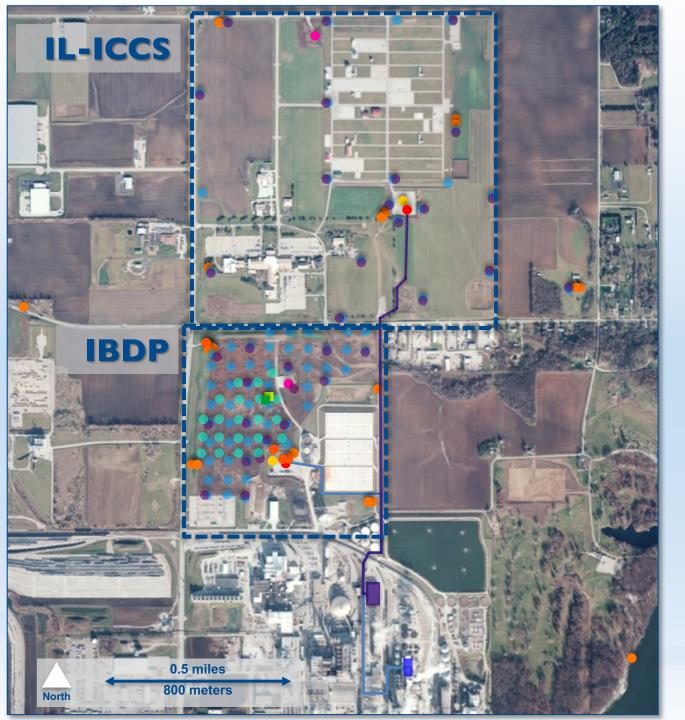
Project Timeline and Scope



Post-Injection Activities

- 3D Surface Seismic Survey January 2015
- Post-injection VSP, permit interim period January 2015
 Working to improve comparisons between repeat VSPs
- Post-injection near surface monitoring
 - Moving from injection monitoring to reduced program
- Recompletion of VWI deep monitoring well
- Knowledge and data sharing best practices
 - Publications
 - National and international research collaborations
 - Collective and teaching data sets
 - Workshops





Monitoring Summary

- Injection wells (2)
- Verification wells (2)
- Geophysical wells (2)
- Compliance wells (4)
- Research wells (24)
- Soil gas points (35)
- Soil flux points (145)
- Eddy covariance station (1)
- Continuous GPS station (1)
- InSAR artificial reflectors
 (21)

IBDP Monitoring Activity Summary

	Monitoring Activity	Pre-injection			Injection				Post-Injection						
			2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Surface	Aerial imagery	SA		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	Eddy covariance	С					x	x	x						
	Soil flux - network	W-Q		x	x	x	x	x	x	x					
	Soil flux - multiplexer	С			x	x	x	x	x	x					
	Tunable diode laser- single path	с					x	x							
	Tunable diode laser- multi path	С								x					
	InSAR	BW				x	x								
	Continuous GPS	С					x	x	x						
Near-Surface	Soil gas sampling	Q-A				x	x	x	x	x	x				
	Shallow groundwater sampling	M-Q-SA		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	×→
	Shallow electrical earth resistivity	А	x	x	x										
Subsurface	Pressure/temp VW1 and CCS1	с				x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	×→
	Pulsed neutron (CCS1, VW1)	Q-A		x		x	x	x	x	x			x		x→
	Deep fluid sampling (VW1)	SA				x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	
	Passive seismic monitoring (GM1)	с			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	×→
	Seismic/3D VSP imaging	SA-A			x	x	x	x	x	x					x→
	Mechanical integrity (CCS1, VW1)	A			x	x	x	x	x	x					x

Red text = USEPA UIC Class VI required permit for an IBDP well (GM1, VW1, CCS1), x = planned, $\rightarrow =$ permit activity required beyond 2020; Purple text = on-going MGSC, not permit required

Abbreviations: C = Continuous, W = Weekly, BW = Biweekly, M = Monthly, Q = Quarterly, SA = Semi-Annually, A = Annually,

Site Characterization

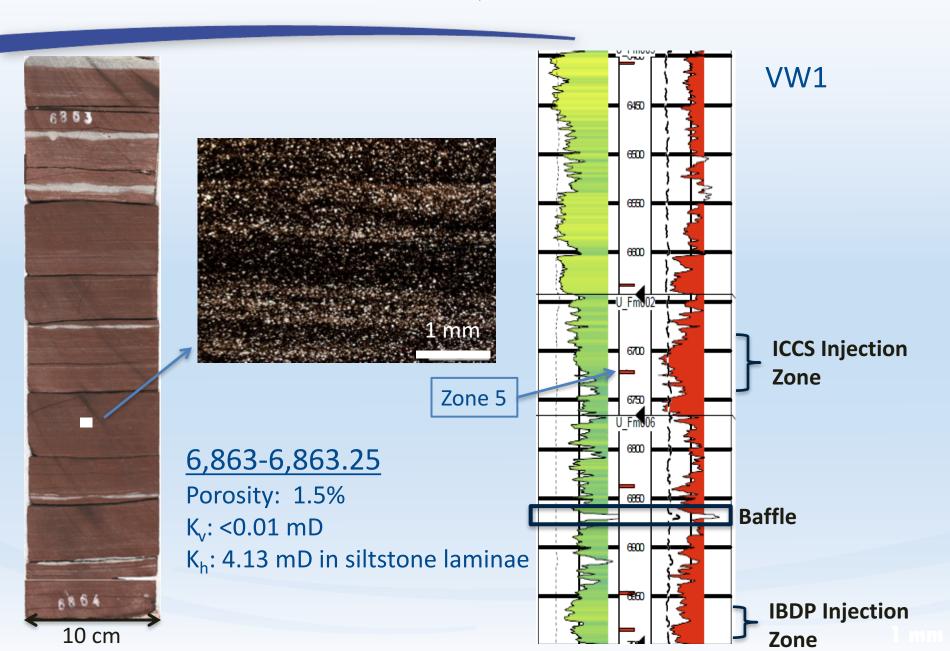
- Successive collection of available and new data to build comprehensive understanding of site
- Conduct 2D, 3D, and 4D seismic surveys
- Plan and drill wells
- Integrative data acquisition
- Core description and analysis
- Depositional environments

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Precambrian structure

Mount Simon Depositional Analogue: Brahmaputra River System

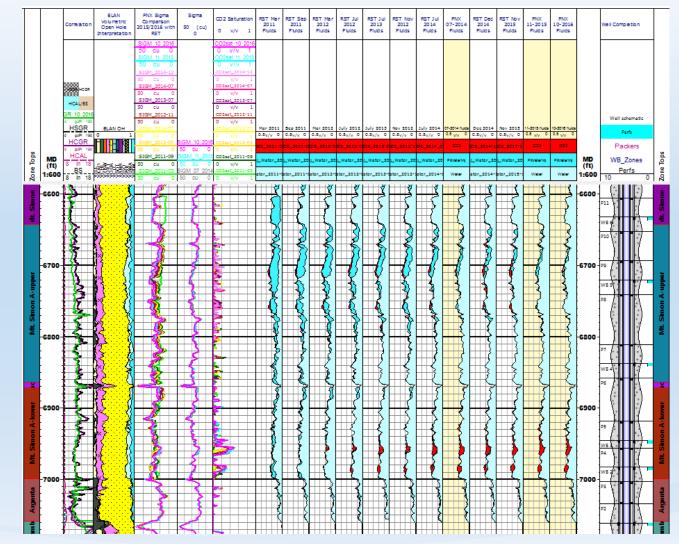
Mudstone Baffle Between Injection Zones



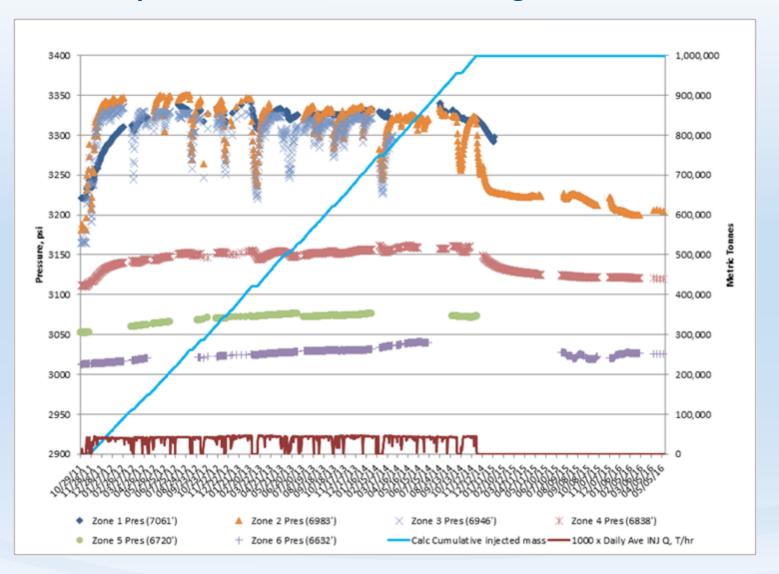
VWI Pulsed Neutron Logging

RST Monitoring Mar 2011 and Nov 2015

- CO₂ arrival before Mar 2012
- CO₂ saturation increasing though Nov 2015
- CO₂ above the "LPS" is uncertain



Pressure Response in VWI Monitoring Well



Deep Monitoring Well - VWI Westbay Completion

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(1,000 ft)

Zone 9

Zone 8

Zone 6

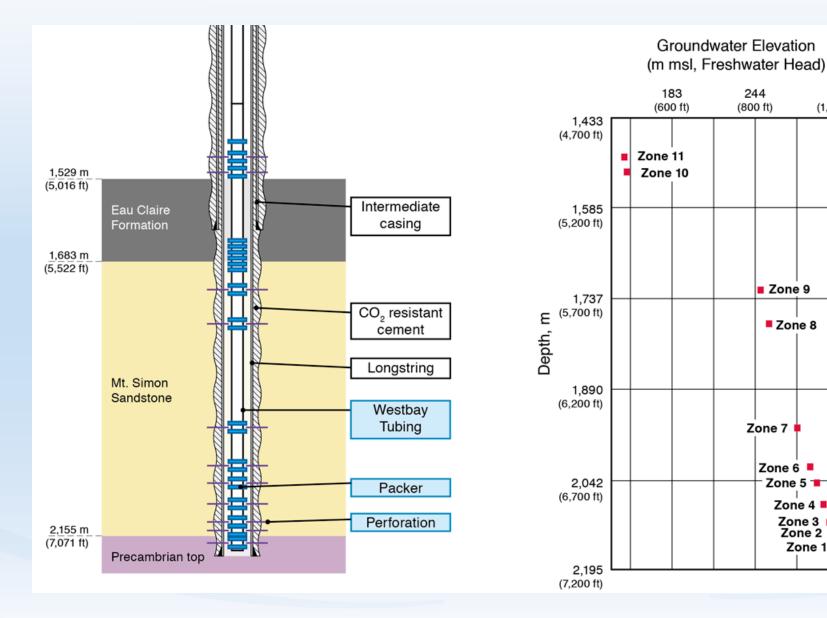
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Zone 4

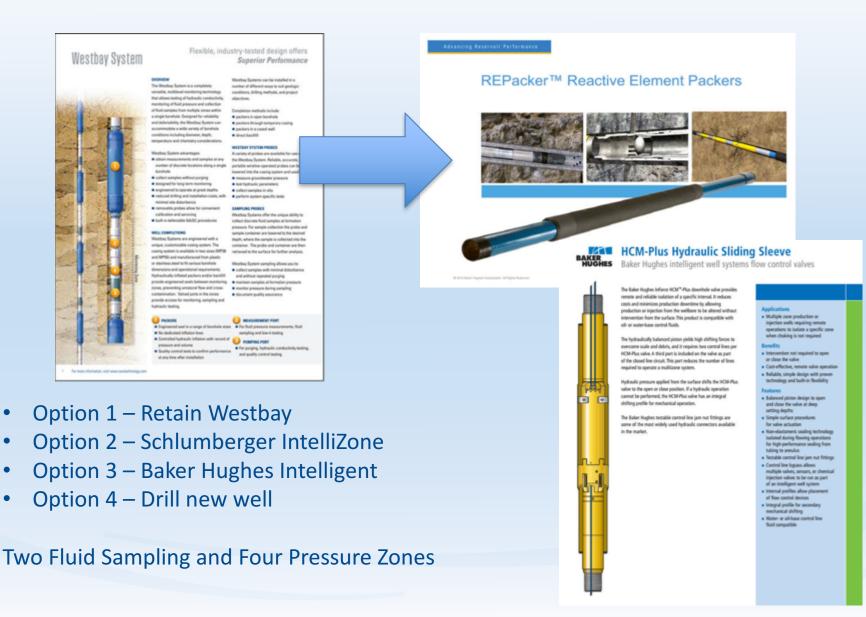
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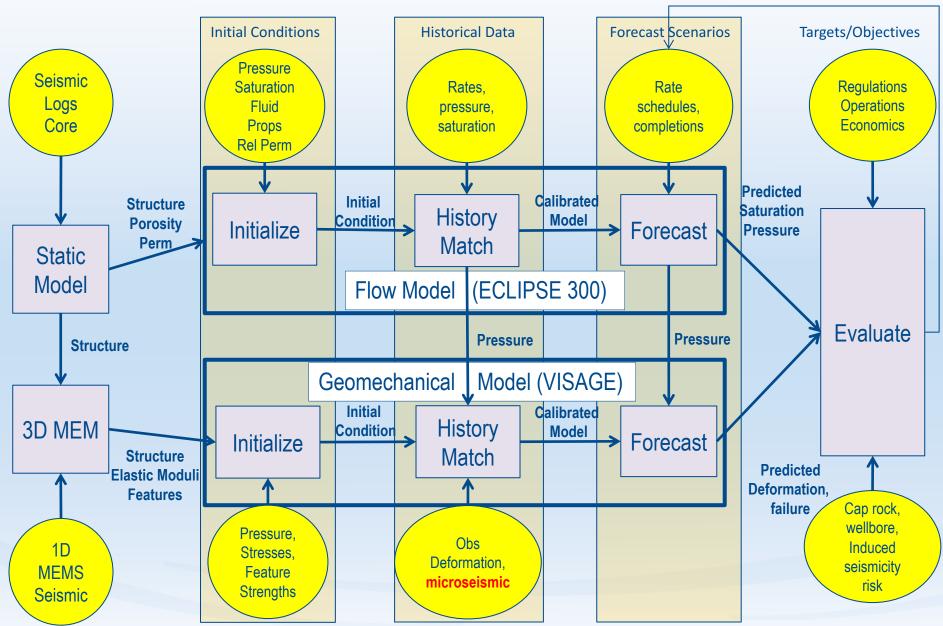
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Recompletion of VWI Monitoring Well



Modeling Workflow

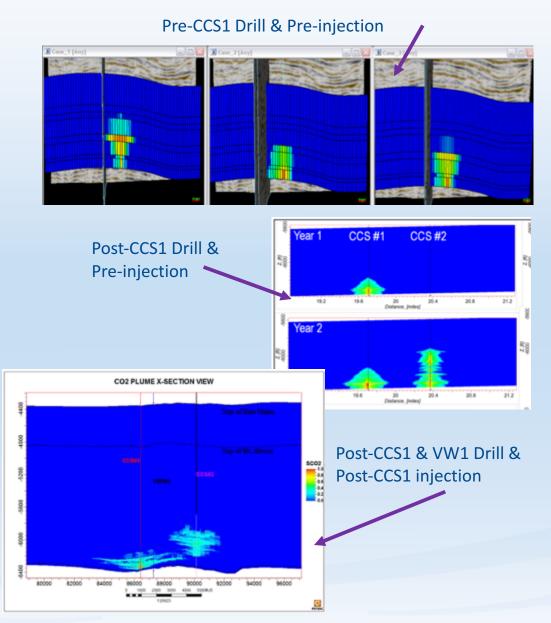


Iterate

Reservoir Model and Plume Forecasting

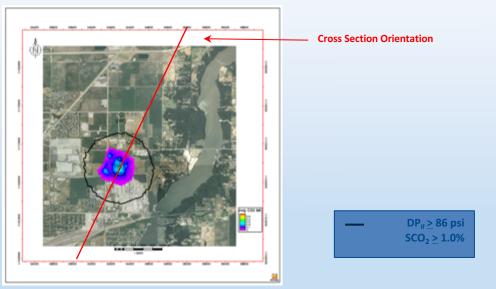
Six different model and plume forecast summaries conducted after major data sources collected and important project milestones

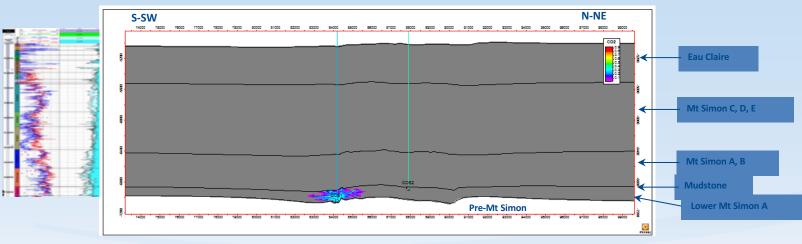
- Successive drilling and logging of new wells
- Core analysis and sampling data
- New seismic data acquisition
- Improvements in seismic processing
- EPA requests for plume forecasting updates



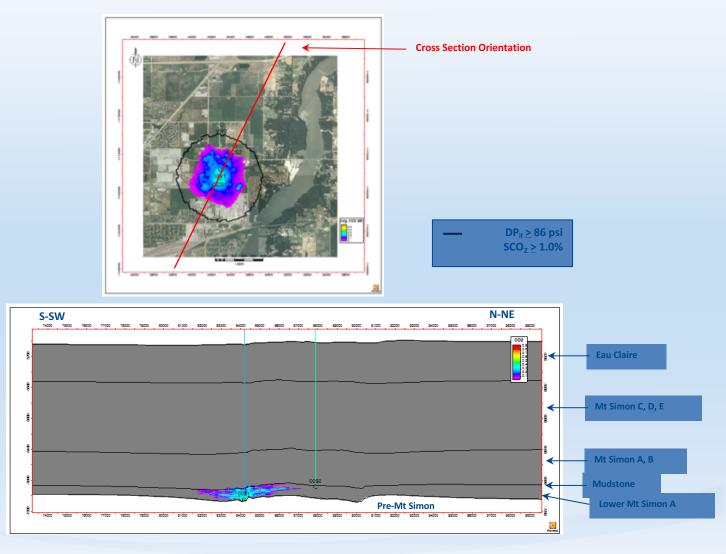
Extent of Plume & Saturation Cross Section January 1, 2013 (year 1)

- Incremental update to previous version
- Created to update CCS2 Class VI plume forecasts
- Used final CCS2 perforation scheme
- Assumed CCS2 commence injection Jan 1 2015 at end of CCS1 injection)

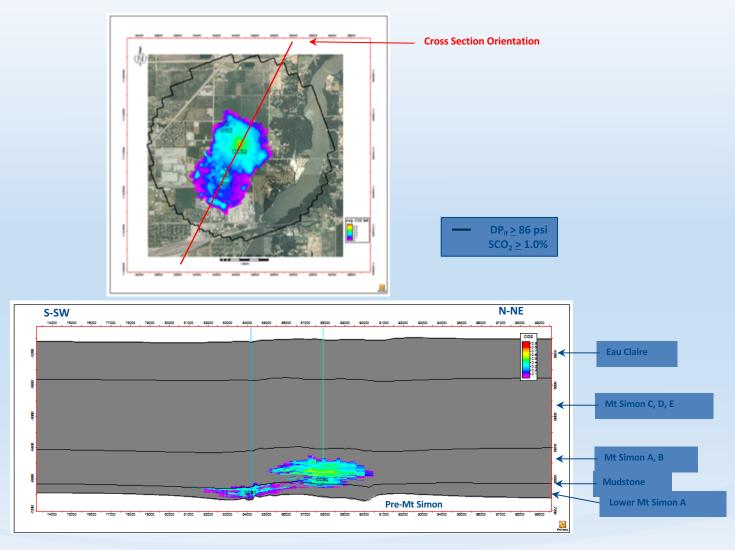




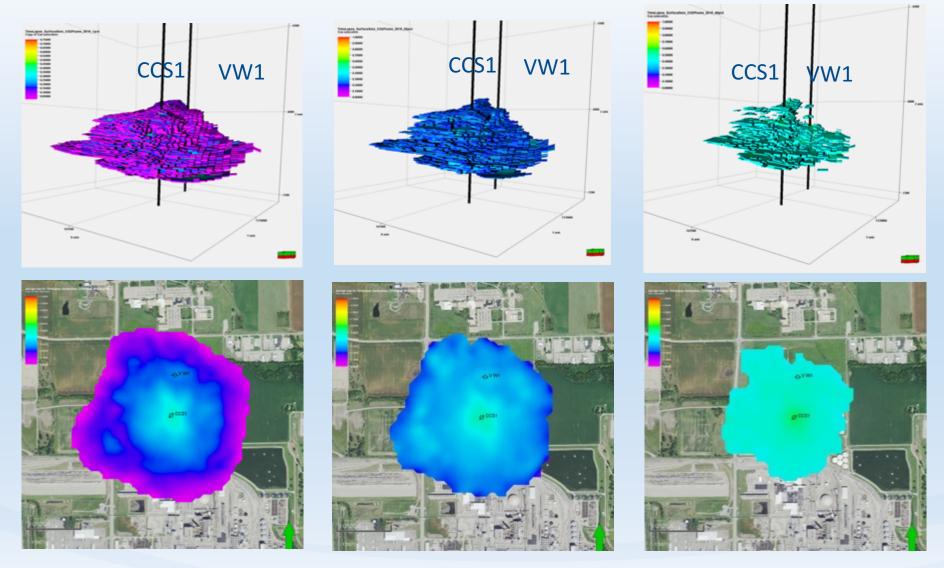
Extent of Plume & Saturation Cross Section January 1, 2015 (year 3, end of CCS1 injection)



Extent of Plume & Saturation Cross Section January 1, 2020 (year 8, end of CCS2 injection)



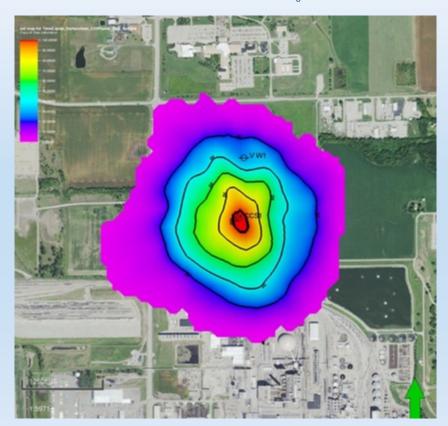
3D Reservoir Simulation Estimates of CO_2 Saturation at Time of 2015 Monitor Survey



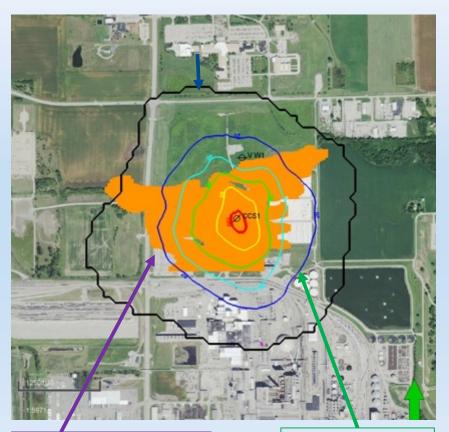
1%, 20%, and 40% CO₂ Saturation Cut-Off Visualization Filters, respectively

Co-visualization of reservoir simulation results with time-lapse seismic attributes informs estimates of the seismic detection limit.

Simulated Net CO2 Saturation (integrated S_g x thickness)



Outline of plume as defined by 1 % CO2 saturation cut-off



Measured 3D time-lapse displacement geobody.

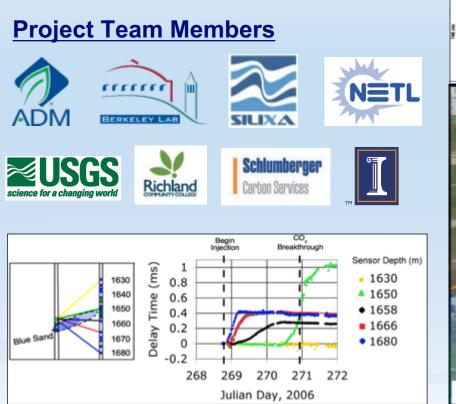
Simulated Net CO2 Saturation (integrated S_g x thickness) contours.

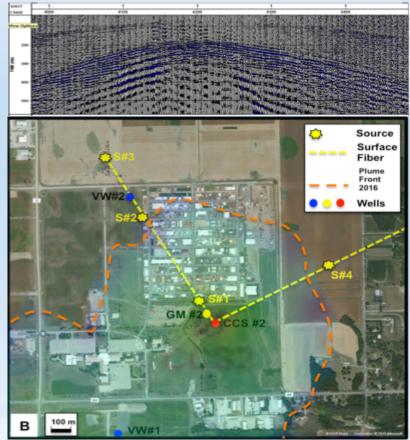


Intelligent Monitoring System (IMS)

Program Objectives

- Develop and validate software tools that advance CCS-specific IMS by enabling access, integration and analysis of real-time surface and subsurface data for decision-making and automation of process
- Demonstrate integration of system components to validate feasibility of real-world application to CCS.



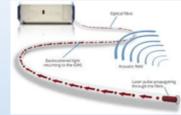


Testbed for Existing vs. New Technology

Conventional Seismic



DAS Seismic

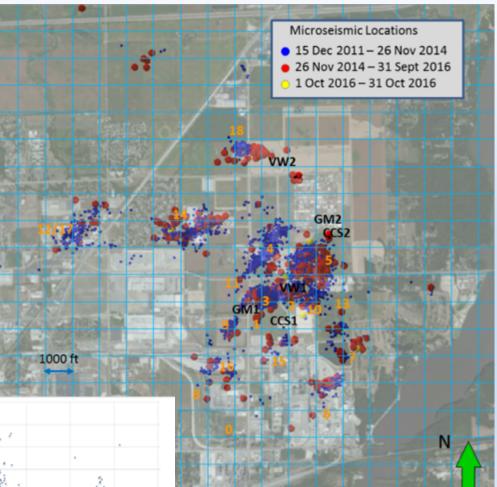


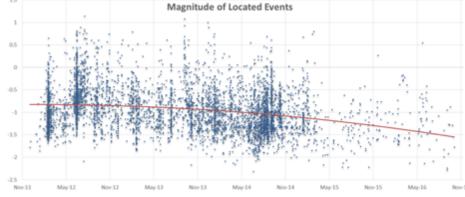


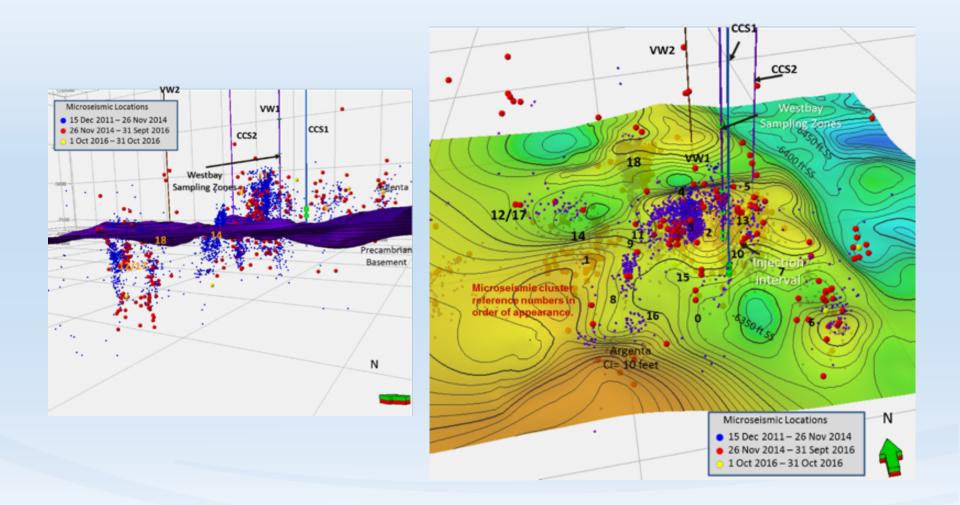
- Seismic surveys are considered the backbone technique for CO₂ storage monitoring programs.
- Stringing thousands of cables and running thumper trucks every few years can test the limits of good neighbors. Costs are high.
- Permanent reservoir monitoring offers a way to obtain higher quality information with minimal intrusion into surrounding lands –
- DAS provides high spatial and temporal resolution.
- Installation can be in horizontal directionally drilled boreholes beneath bodies of water, existing infrastructure.
- Excitation of DAS cables can be achieved through permanent fixed rotary sources for continuous monitoring.

Microseismic Activity at the Illinois Basin – Decatur Project

- Observed Microseismicity associated with injection
- Location critical to understanding reservoir response
- Original correlation between cluster development and pressure front under examination
- ICCS created stoplight map to mitigate potential associated risks from felt events







By the numbers:

A million tonnes stored and... More than **5,100 meters** of wells have been drilled More than **245 meters** of core have been collected Near-surface groundwater monitoring efforts have resulted in more than **50,000 analyses** For basin-scale modeling, we will use **1,020,000 CPUhours** of XSEDE supercomputing resources. More than **700 visitors from 29 countries** have been to IBDP More than **100 people at least 10 organizations**

More than **100 people at least 10 organizations** have worked together to make this project a success



XSEDE is an NSF-sponsored supercomputer network

Lessons Learned from IBDP

- Advanced technology deployment has associated risk. Technology choices can significantly impact long-term project operations
- Despite the challenges with the Westbay installation, highly relevant experience has been gained and a high quality fluid chemistry data set has been acquired
- Successful projects require significant resources to accomplish objectives
- Degree of risk could be different depending on nature of project (research, industrial, commercial)
- Community engagement requires dedicated personnel, continual monitoring, and significant time to build trust and provide information

Lessons Learned from IBDP

- Processes such as induced microseismicity may require increased spatial model discretization for specialized dynamic process modeling
- CO₂ plume geometry may require fine vertical discretization to history match saturation observations
- Microseismic baseline activities need to be monitored prior to injection, during injection, and post-injection to fully understand reservoir response and residual stress
- Monitoring efforts and information should undergo periodic project-wide reviews.
 External reviews may also be beneficial
- Knowledge of key reservoir characteristics evolves with additional data and site specific experience. Modeling workflows should account for rapid iteration with systematic improvement

Conclusions

- Carbon capture and storage from biofuel sources in deep saline reservoirs can be conducted safely
- Research and scale-up demonstration projects can lead directly to industrial-scale or commercial-scale projects
- The Mt. Simon Sandstone is a viable and important deep saline storage resource for the US
- Establishment of an MVA baseline is critical to characterize site and reduce project risk, but needs to be revisited on a regular basis
- Permitting can be time intensive and should not be underestimated as a potential project risk
- Economy of scale learnings essential to commercial CCS deployment



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