

Resourcing Byproduct Hydrogen from Industrial Operations

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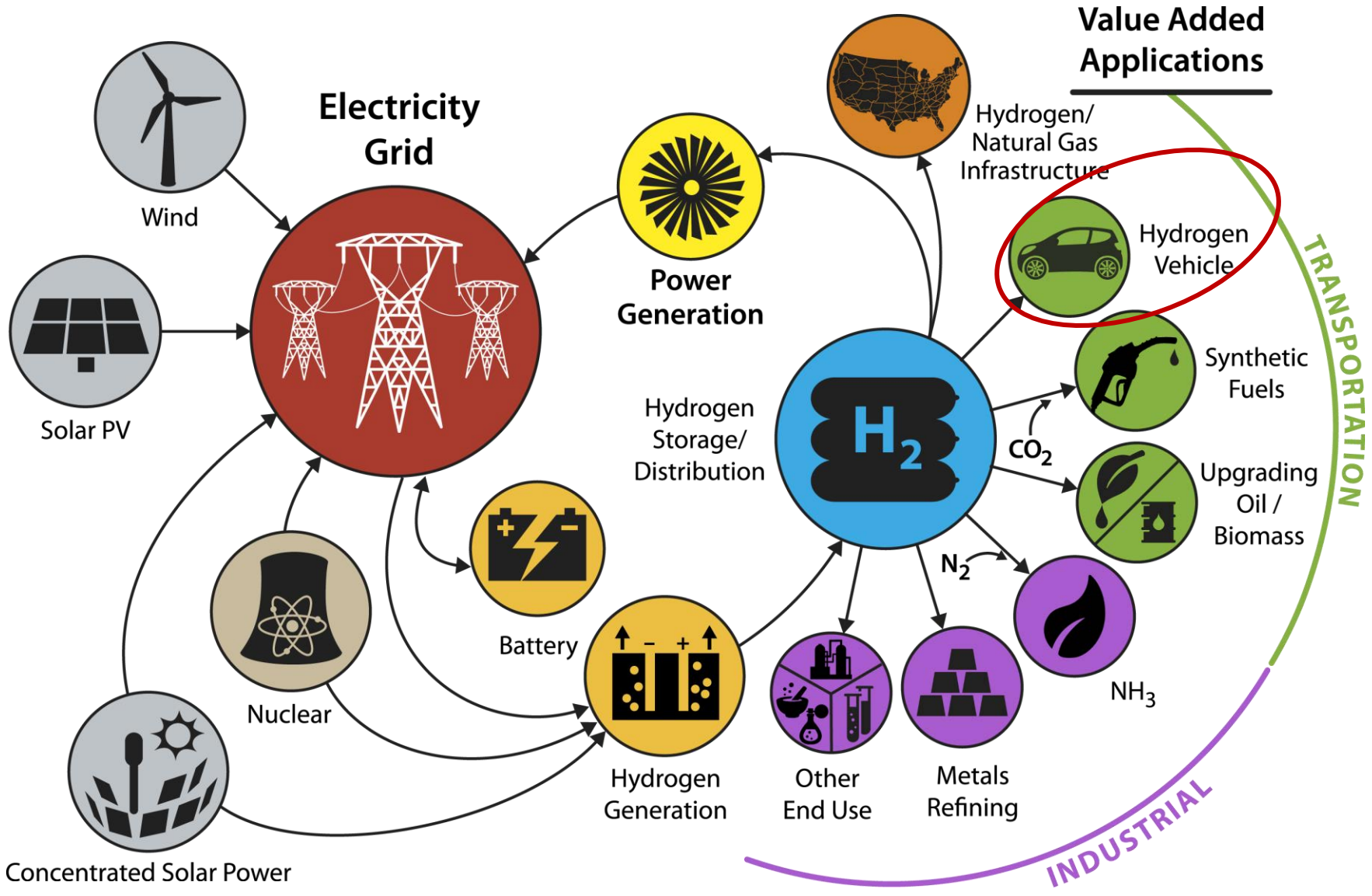


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H₂ at Scale Energy System



The demand for hydrogen is expected to grow in the near-term with ramp up of FCEVs deployment

How much hydrogen does a FCEV need each day?



66 mi/kg_{H₂}

Source: www.fueleconomy.gov



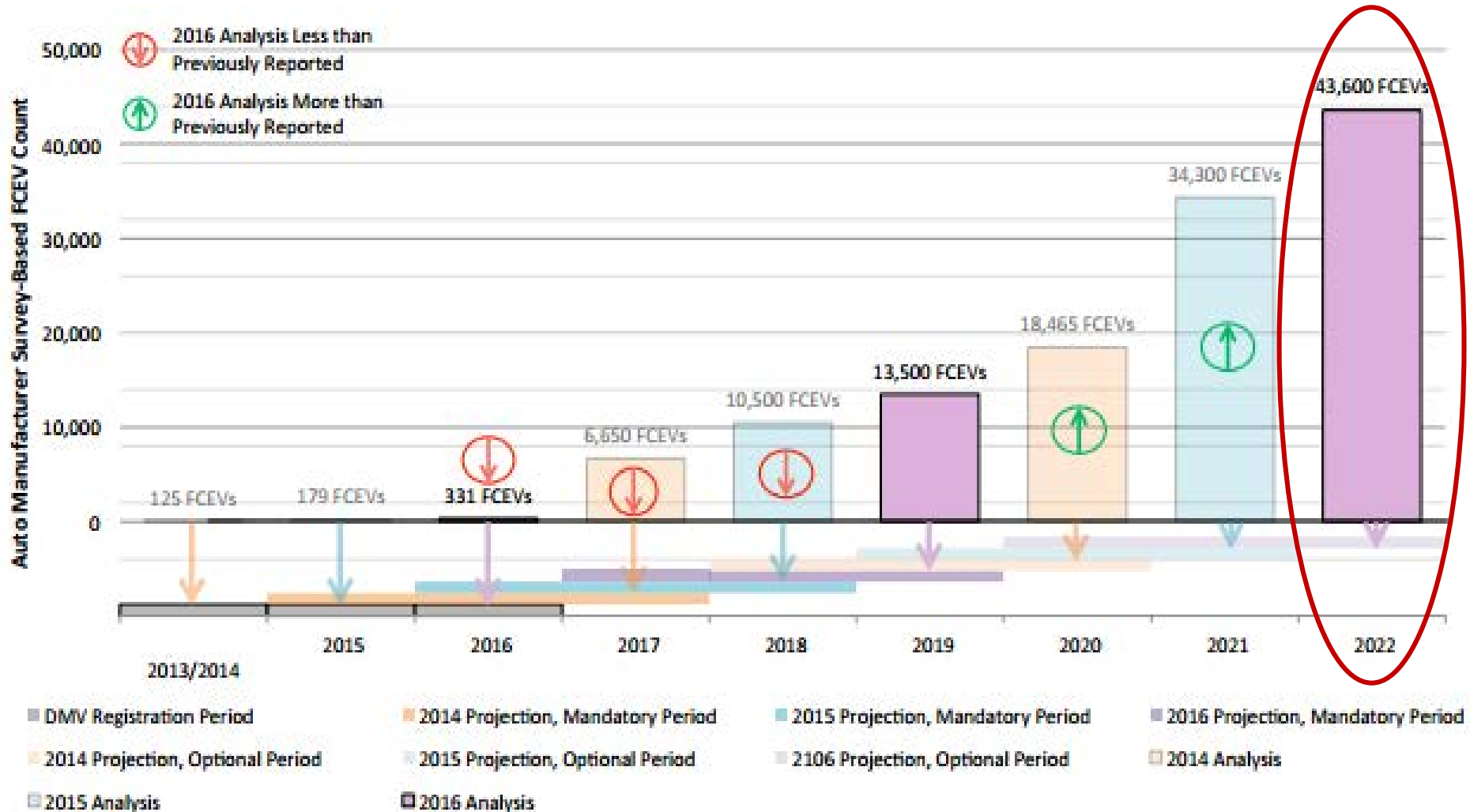
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- Average annual driving distance in the U.S. ~ 12,000 – 13,000 mi
 - ✓ ~34 miles per day (DOT-FHWA)

Average FCEV needs ~0.5 kg of hydrogen per day

More than 43,000 fuel cell vehicles in CA within 5 years

Source: CARB (July 2016 report)



Equivalent to more than 20 TPD of hydrogen in CA alone by 2022

Important questions that beg for answers

- Where hydrogen will come from in the near-term? (chicken and egg problem)
- How can we bridge today's production with future large scale hydrogen?
- Are there opportunities than can help the transition (incremental approach) as hydrogen demand grows over time?



Requirements of new hydrogen production sources

- Large scale production, high purity (>80%)
- Low capital investment (low risk), low cost molecules (competitiveness)
- Properly distributed where demand exists or is growing
- Low adverse environmental impacts



Possible sources for hydrogen to satisfy growing demand in the near-term

1. Building new SMR hydrogen plants (central or on-site)
2. Utilizing excess capacity in existing merchant hydrogen plants
3. Exploring existing byproduct hydrogen from industrial operations



Option 1(a): Building New Central SMR Hydrogen Plants

- Scale: 20-200 TPD
- Requires large capital investment (100s million\$)
- Requires demand certainties and long-term contracts (low risk)
- Long lead time to operation (justification, permitting, engineering/design, construction, etc)

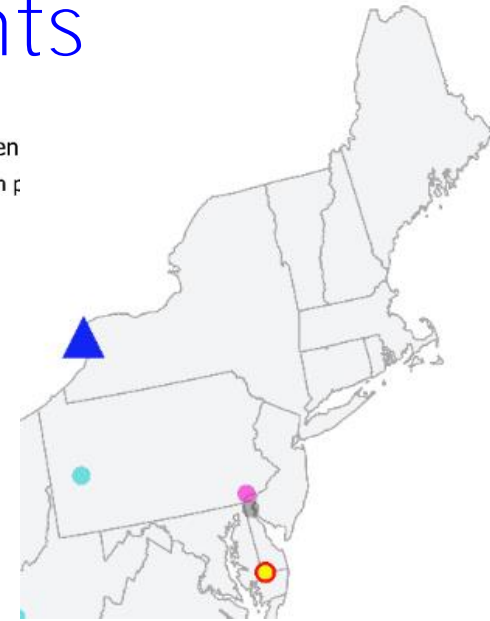
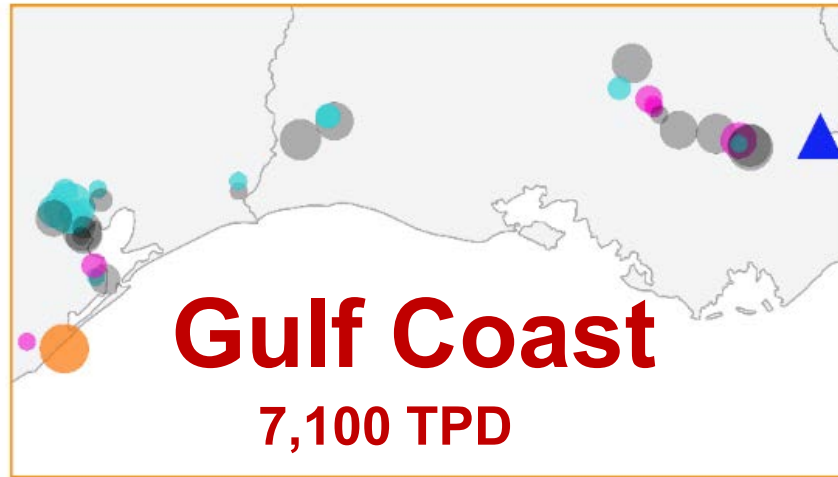
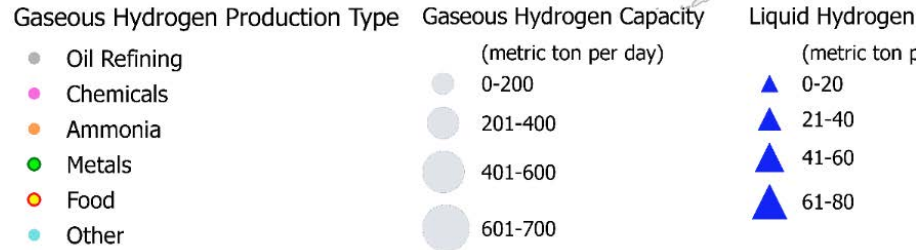
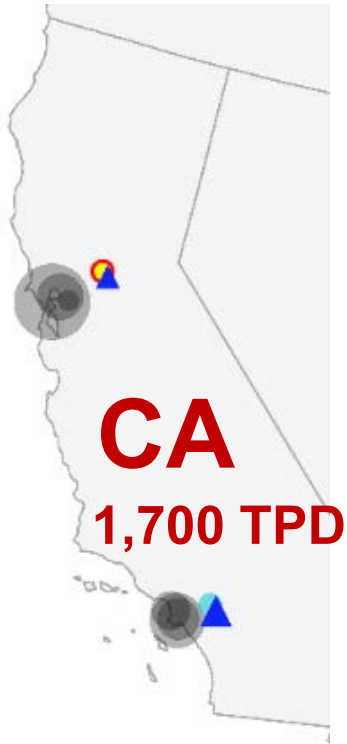


Option 1(b): Building New Onsite Hydrogen Plants

- Scale: 0.5-2 TPD
- Shifts the burden and risk to HRS operator
- Requires high utilization of production capacity from day 1
- Challenges with footprint, purification, and other complexity not relevant to the HRS business



Option 2: Utilizing excess capacity in existing merchant hydrogen plants

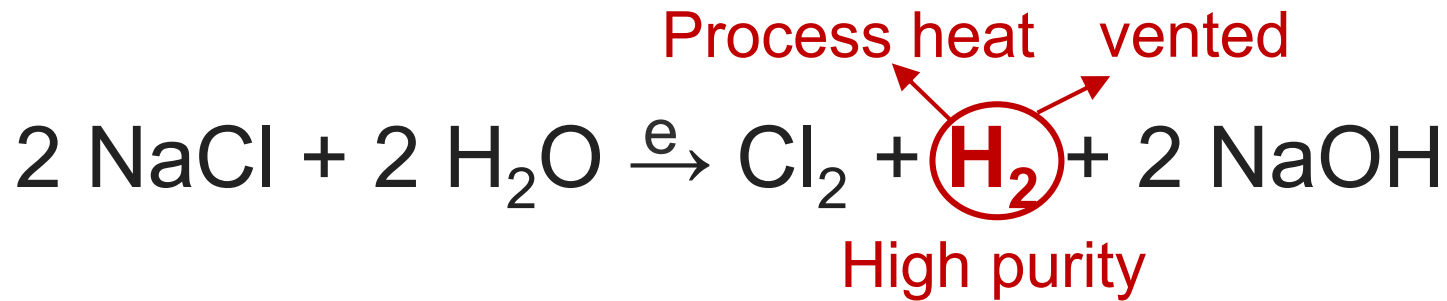


- Total U.S. merchant H₂ capacity ~ 13,000 TPD, 260 TPD LH₂
- Only 26 TPD in CA and 40 TPD in NY for (non-refinery) customers
 - With 10% excess non-refinery capacity → 6.6 TPD or just 13,000 FCEVs

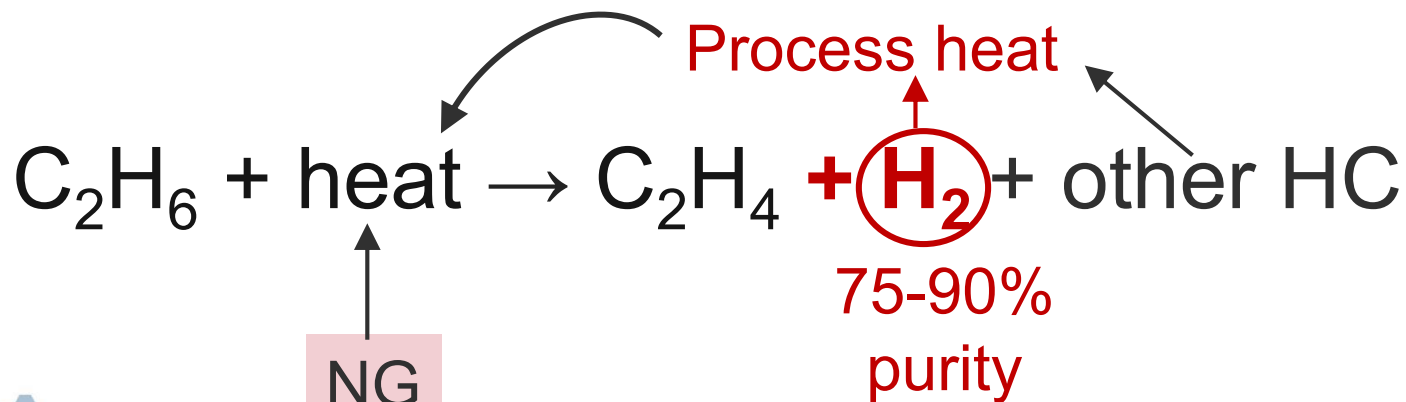


Option 3: Exploring existing byproduct hydrogen from industrial operations

a. Chlorine Plants → ~1000 TPD of H₂



b. Cracker Plants → more than 7,000 TPD of H₂

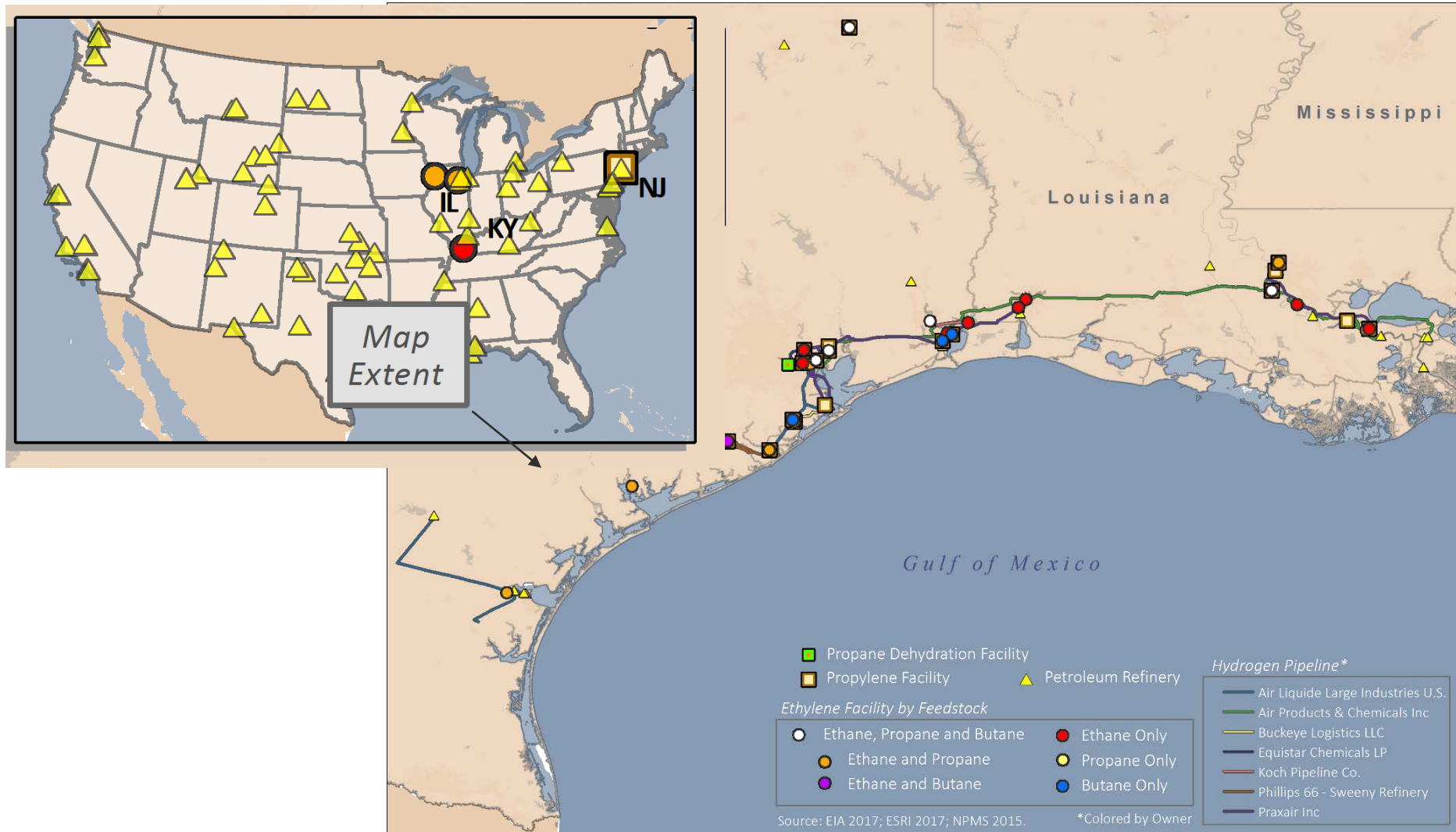


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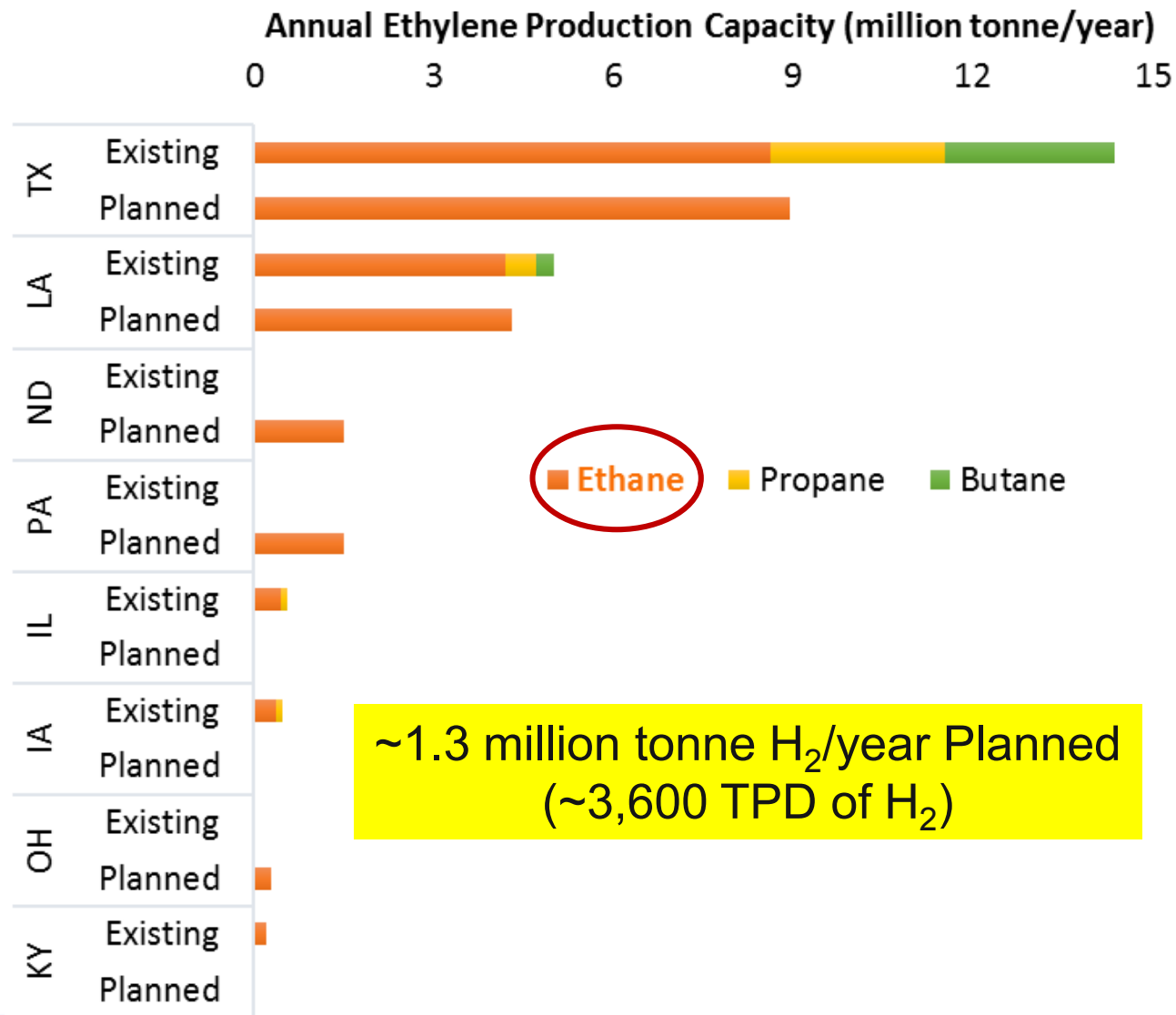
- 46 Chlorine production plants with ~13 million tonne/year chlorine capacity
- ✓ 0.35 million tonne H₂/year (~1,000 TPD of H₂)

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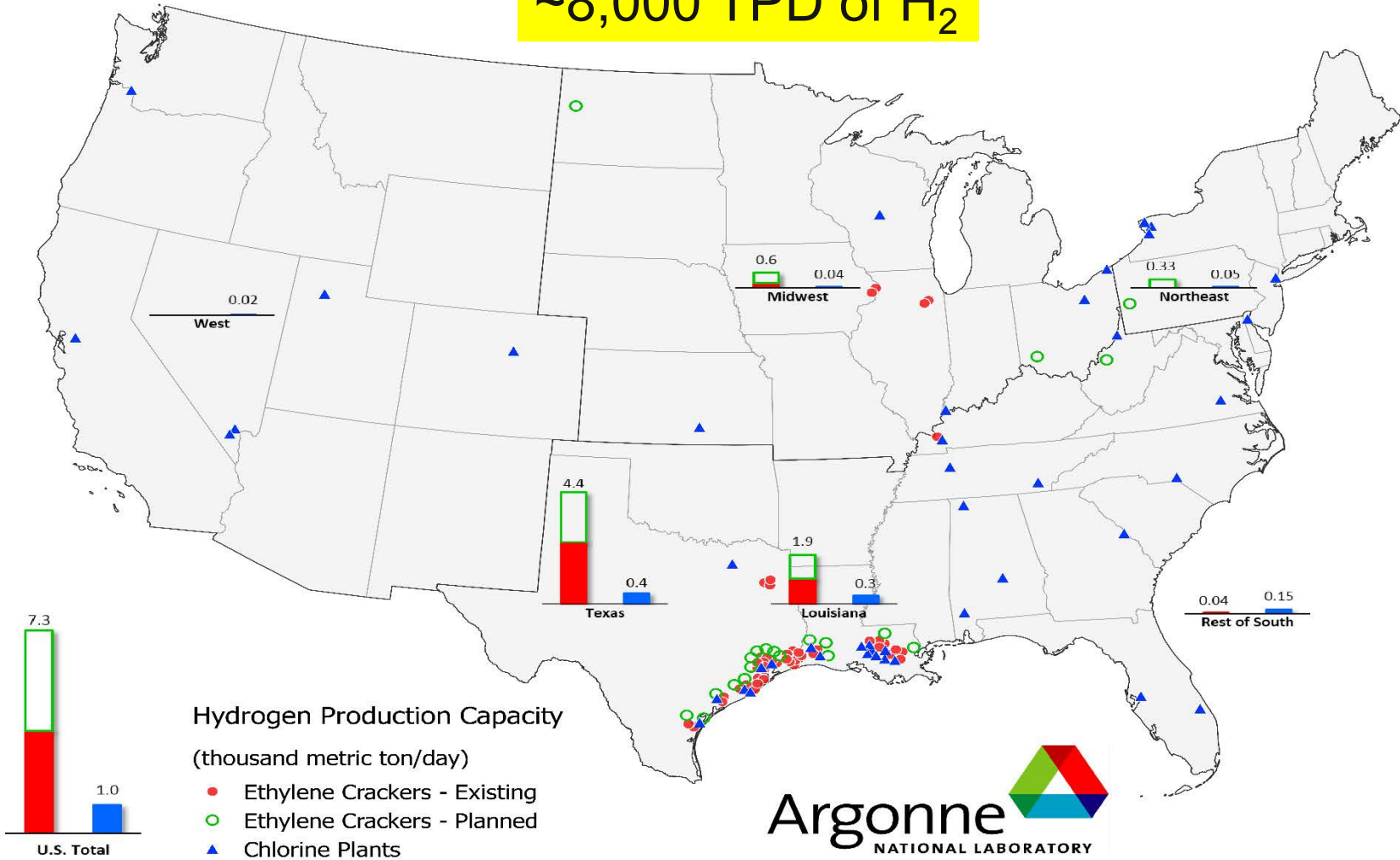
- 51 ethylene production plants with ~20 million tonne/year capacity
- ✓ 1.3 million tonne H₂/year (> 3,600 TPD of H₂)

Significant cracker capacity addition (>50%) is planned by 2020 (due to low cost NG)

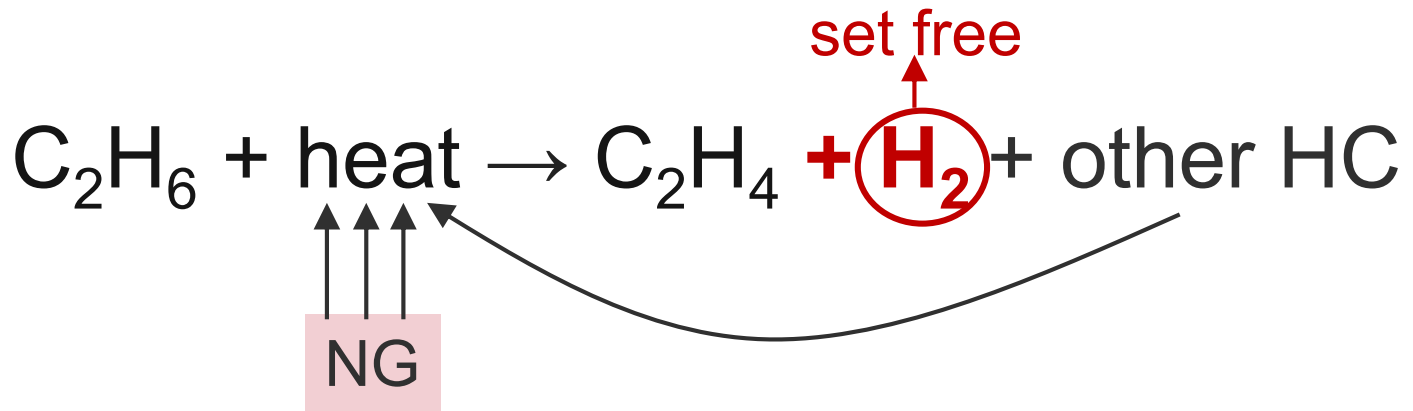


Option 3: Potential byproduct hydrogen from industrial operations

~8,000 TPD of H₂



Heating value of H₂ in the fuel gas to satisfy process heat can be replaced with NG



- Hydrogen burned for its Btu value can be replaced with supplemental NG
- 1mmBtu of NG ~ \$3-4
 - cost of displaced H₂ ~ \$0.3-\$0.4/kg_{H2}
- Cost of PSA purification is ~\$0.1-0.2/kg_{H2}
 - ✓ Cost of purified hydrogen ~ \$0.5-\$0.6/kg_{H2}
 - ✓ Cost of H₂ compression is additional

Hydrogen Produced from Crackers is Low Carbon Fuel

SMR: 1.4-1.5 Btu NG → 1 Btu H₂

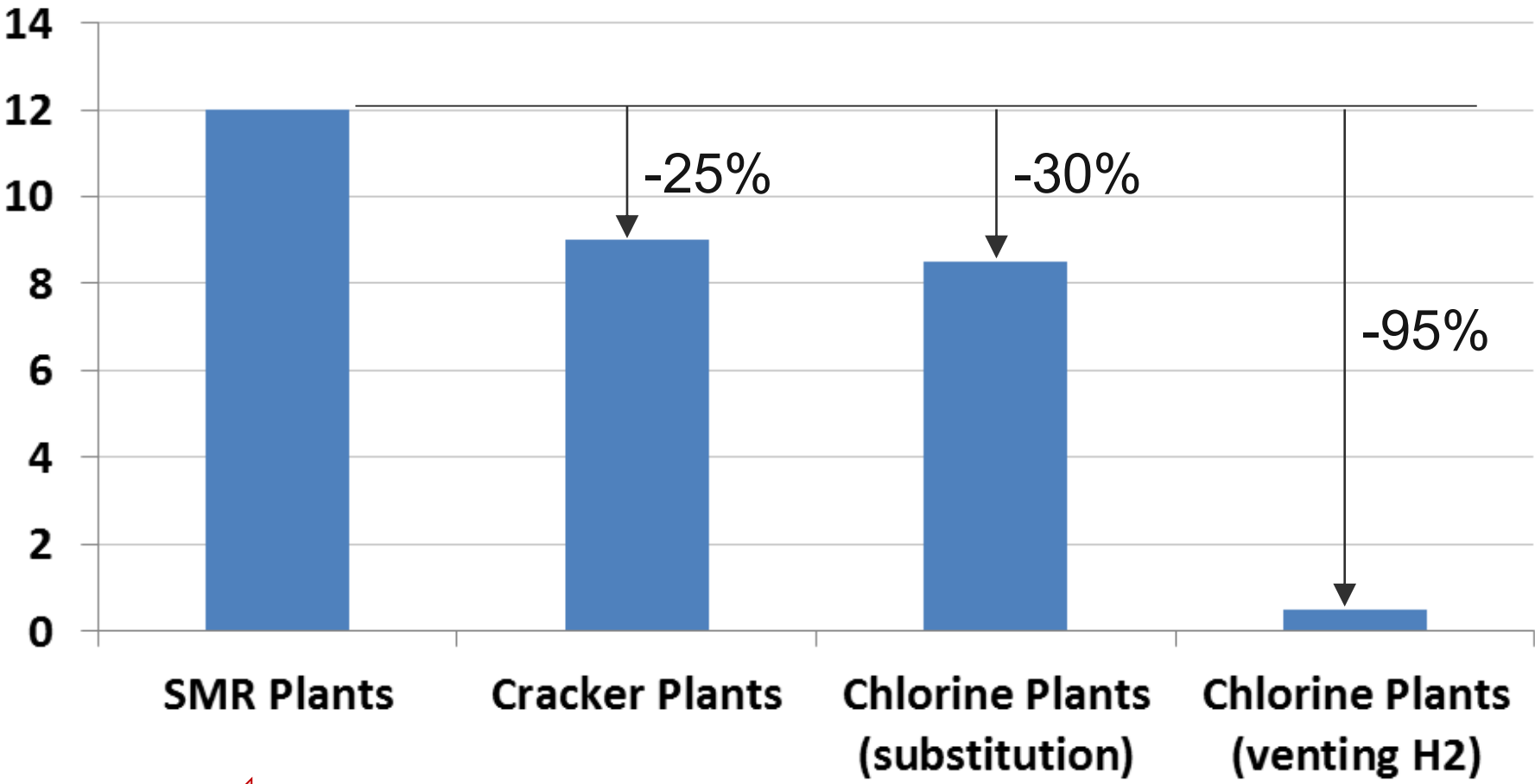
Crackers: 1 Btu NG → 1 Btu H₂

- Lower GHG emissions than H₂ from SMR
 - ~30% less GHG than SMR H₂
 - Other LCA methods result in lower GHG emissions

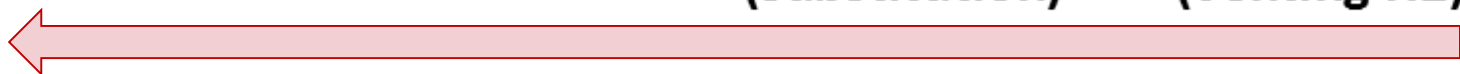


Low GHG emissions of byproduct hydrogen

Well-to-Plant Gate GHG Emissions per kg_{H2} (kgCO_{2e})



Scale



Incentives in CA promote low-carbon hydrogen

Time Period	Transfers ¹ (number)	Total Volume ^{1 2} (credits-MTs)	Avg. Price ^{1 3} (\$ per Credit)
CY 2016	929	5,343,000	\$101
CY 2015	578	2,852,000	\$62
CY 2014	304	1,667,000	\$31

Source: https://www.arb.ca.gov/fuels/lcfs/credit/20170509_aprcreditreport.pdf

LCFS Credit Values for Selected Representative H₂ Pathways

	100% Renewable Electrolysis ^A	100% Dairy Biomethane SMR ^B	100% Biomethane SMR ^B	33% Biomethane SMR ^A	Natural Gas SMR (Gaseous H ₂) ^A	Natural Gas SMR (Liquified H ₂) ^A
CI Score (gCO ₂ e/MJ)	0	-300	54	88	106	144
FCEV EER-adjusted CI	0	-120	22	35	42	57
Credit Value (\$/kg)	\$2.90	\$6.50	\$2.25	\$1.84	\$1.62	\$1.17

1 kg ≈ 1.04 GGE

^A Certified LCFS Pathway
^B Staff Estimate

Source: Sam Wade, CARB presentation at CHBC 2016



Check points for byproduct H₂

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Thank you
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