

DOE Bioenergy Technologies Office (BETO) 2019 Project Peer Review

2.1.0.502 Bioeconomy Carbon Flux

**Assessment – Bioenergy with Carbon Capture
and Sequestration**

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Analysis and Sustainability Area Review

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Goal Statement

- *Goal: Assess the potential quantity and economic feasibility of CO₂ management of the U.S. bioeconomy through BECCS.*
- *Outcome: An understanding of the potential scale and economic accessibility of BECCS.*
 - *Comparable with other CO₂ management strategies.*
 - *Cost (\$/tonne CO₂)*
 - *Supply, by feedstock type and logistical strategy*
 - *Tonnes CO₂ per hectare per year*
 - *Identify strategies that optimize BECCS (increase Quantity or reduce Price).*
 - *Position BETO to respond to future bioeconomy applications.*

Quad Chart Overview

Timeline

- October 1st 2018
- September 30th 2021
- 10% complete

	FY 19 Costs	Total Planned Funding (FY 19-Project End Date)
DOE Funded	\$500k	\$1.5 million
Project Cost Share*	\$0	\$0
• Partners: N/A		

Barriers addressed

At-A. Analysis to Inform Strategic Direction

At-D. Identifying New Market Opportunities for Bioenergy and Bioproducts

Objective

Assess the quantity and feasibility of CO₂ management potential of the U.S. bioeconomy through BECCS.

End of Project Goal

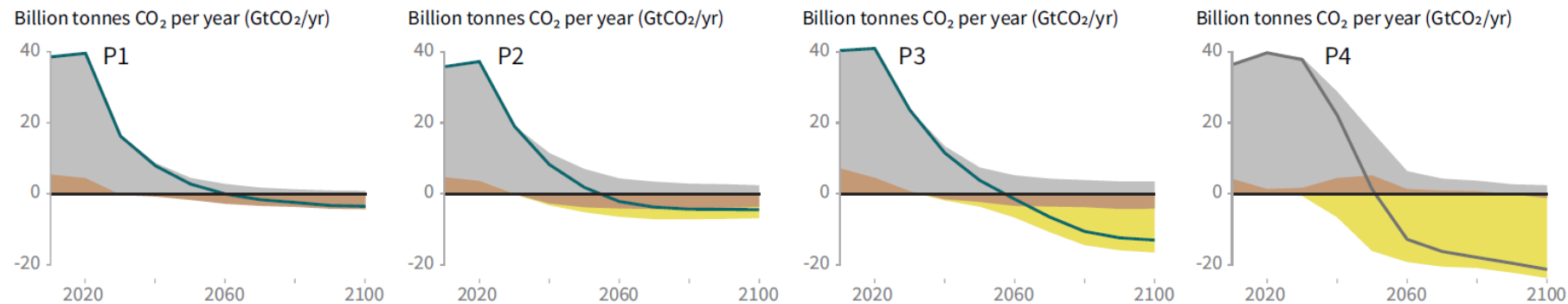
Comprehensive vision of potential to leverage the bioeconomy for BECCS.

1 - Project Overview

- Three of four IPCC illustrative pathways to limit global warming to 1.5°C use BECCS (IPCC 2018).

Breakdown of contributions to global net CO₂ emissions in four illustrative model pathways

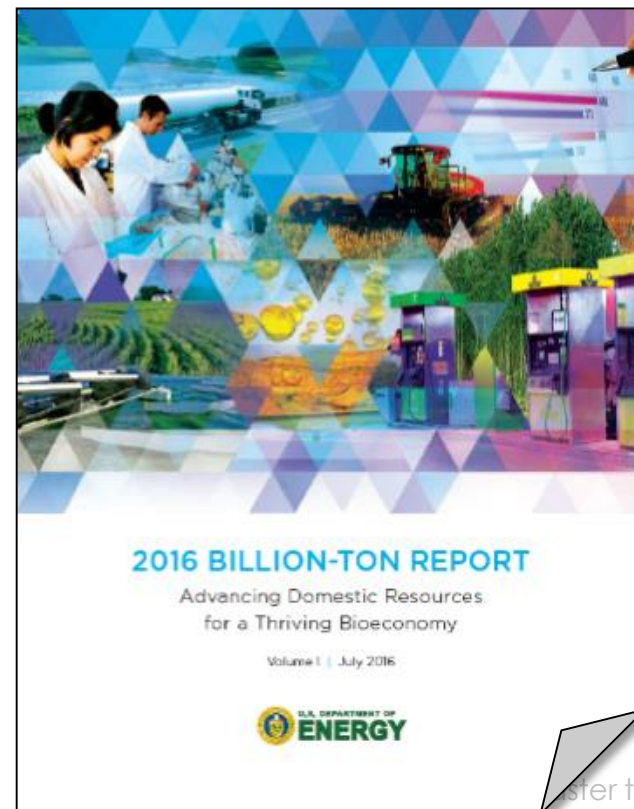
● Fossil fuel and industry ● AFOLU ● BECCS



- Goal: Quantify the supply and cost of CO₂ management potential of the U.S. bioeconomy through BECCS.
- To inform potential future CO₂ management strategies, both BECCS compared to other strategies and optimal BECCS strategies.

2 – Approach (Management)

- *Weekly team meetings and regular meetings with BETO Technology Manager and C project at LLNL.*
- *Multidisciplinary project building on ORNL resources*
 - *Biomass Analytics developed from the 2016 Billion-ton Report*
 - *Logistics/transportation modeling*
 - *NTRC Center for Transportation Analysis www.ornl.gov/ntrc*
- *Team members:*
 - *Maggie Davis: Feedstocks resources*
 - *Olufemi Omitaomu: Siting model, Oak Ridge Siting Analysis for power Generation Expansion (ORNL-SAGE)*
 - *Melissa Allen: Energy demand*
 - *Ingrid Bush: Logistics model (BILT)*
 - *McFarlane: Geological BECCS*
 - *Costas Tsouris: CO₂ engineering*
 - *Mike Hilliard: Interactive visualization*
 - *Matt Langholtz: PI*



2 – Approach (Technical)

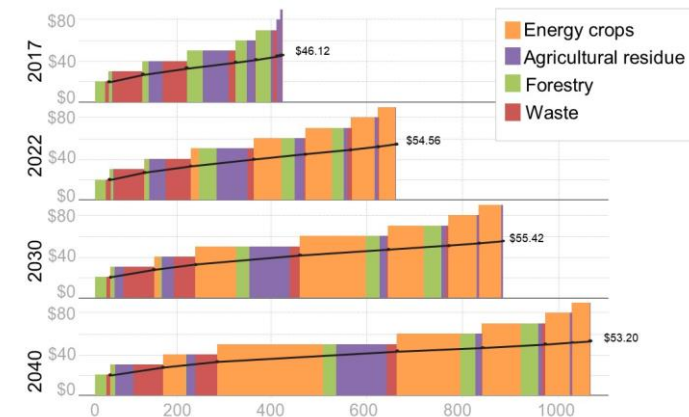
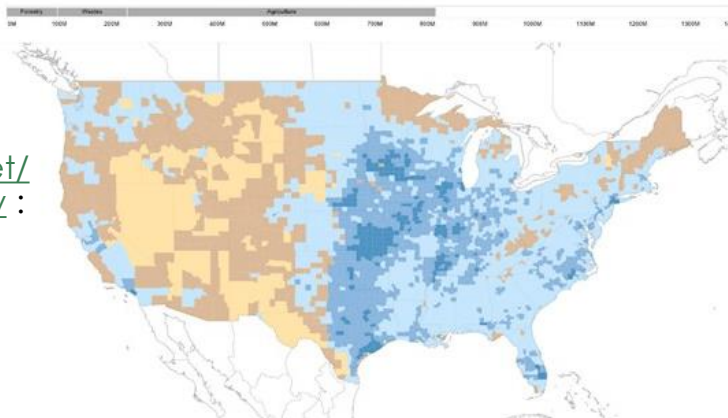
Scenarios: FY19 2nd quarter, FY19 3rd quarter, and Future work:

	Biomass resources		FY20
	Conventional logistics/existing feedstocks	Advanced logistics/energy crops	CO ₂ transport
Existing power generation, feedstocks within sequestration basins	Conventional biomass logistics with existing power	Advanced biomass logistics with existing power	CO ₂ transport from existing power
New power generation, feedstocks outside sequestration basins	Conventional biomass logistics with new power	Advanced biomass logistics with new power	CO ₂ transport from new power

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- *Modeling approach:*
 1. Facility siting: Oak Ridge Siting Analysis for power Generation Expansion (OR-SAGE)
 2. Biomass feedstocks: 2016 Billion-ton Report for existing feedstocks, and custom regional demand simulations for energy crops
 3. Biomass logistics: Biofuel Infrastructure, Logistics and Transportation Model (BILT)
 4. CCS engineering costs: Establish cost assumptions
 5. CO₂ Lifecycle assessment: BT16 volume 2 and logistics energy use assumptions
- *Output: Interactive visualization of scenario results*

Examples from
<https://bioenergykdf.net/billionton2016/overview> :



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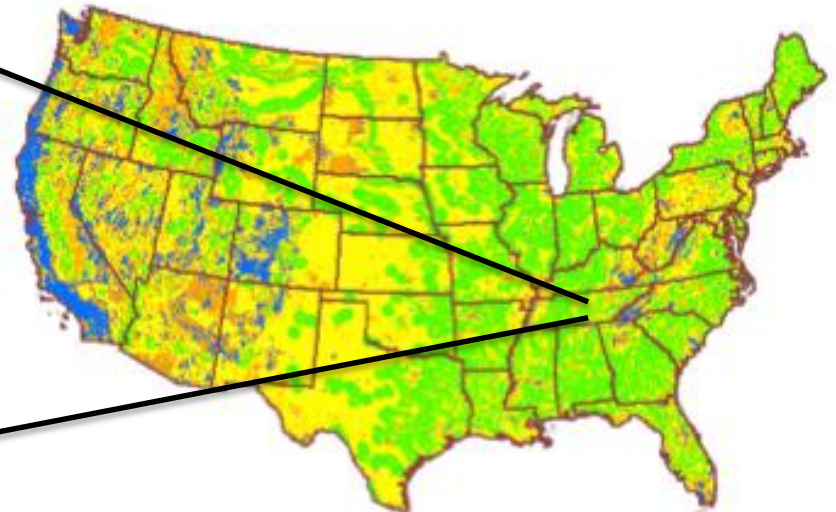
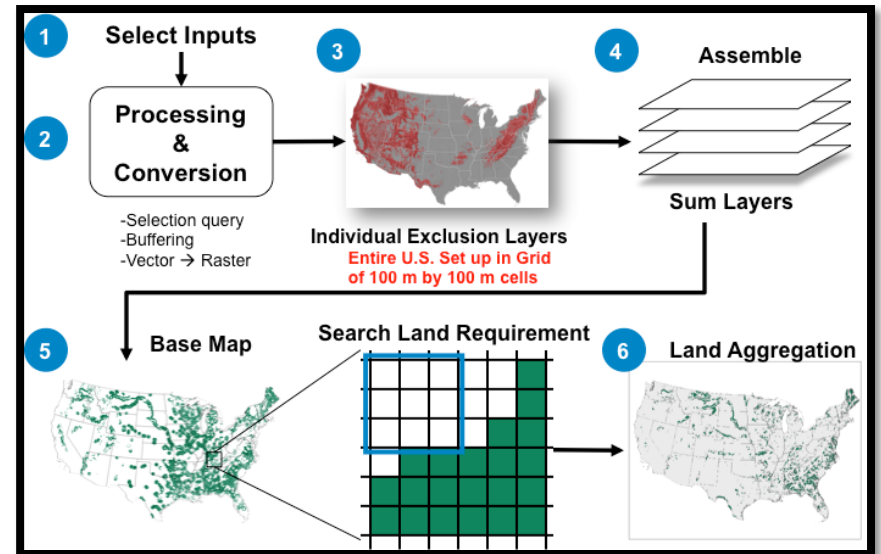
Facility siting constraints:

Existing OR-SAGE Screening Criteria	Clean Coal Value (750 MWe on 300-acre site)	Large Nuclear Value (1.6 GWe on 500-acre site)	Small Nuclear Value (350 MWe on 50-acre site)	CAES Value (110 MWe on 10-acre site)	Biopower Value (500 MWe on ??-acre site)
Population density (people/sq. mi)	>500 within 20 miles	>500 within 20 miles	>500 within 10 miles	>500	>500 within 1 mile
Wetlands / Open Water	--	--	--	--	--
Protected lands	--	--	--	--	--
Slope	>12% grade	>12% grade	>18% grade	>12% grade	>12% grade
Landslide Hazard (moderate or high)	--	--	--	--	--
100 – year floodplain	--	--	--	--	--
Streamflow / cooling water make-up (k gpm) within 20 miles – assumes closed-cycle cooling - limits plant to no more than 10% of resource	125	200	65	N/A	100 ¹
EPA non-attainment data (ozone and particulates)	--	N/A	N/A	N/A	--
Distance to saline formation	> 150 miles	N/A	N/A	N/A	>150 miles
Access to rail, barge, or road (for proximity to biomass feedstock)	> 20 miles, > 1 mile	N/A	N/A	N/A	> 20 miles, > 1 mile, >100 miles
Carbon pipeline	Availability	N/A	N/A	N/A	Availability

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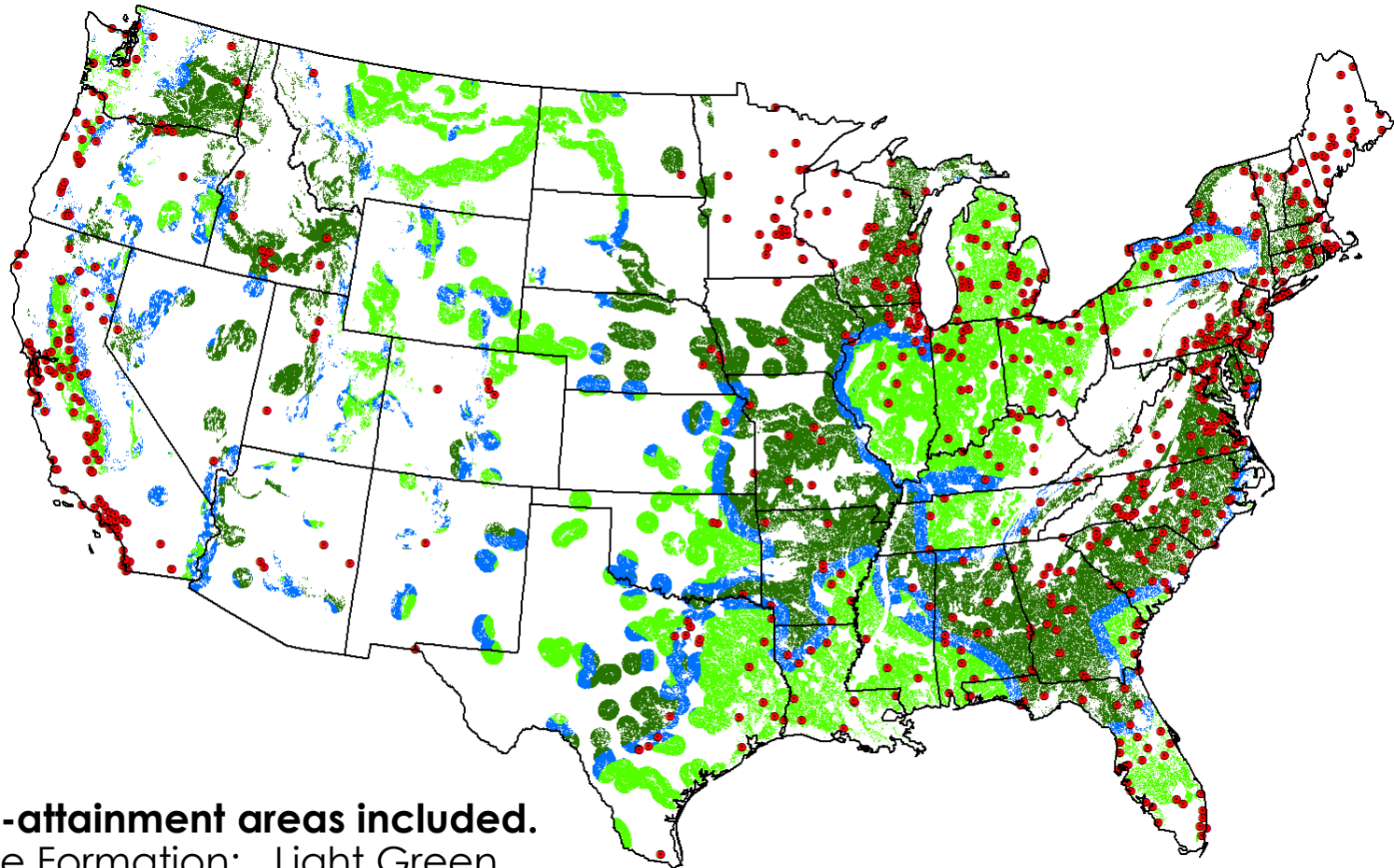
Facility Siting: Oak Ridge Siting Analysis for Power Generation Expansion (OR-SAGE)

- A spatially explicit framework, > 40 spatial datasets to identify potential sites.
- For coal, nuclear, solar, wind, and energy storage options.
- Sponsored by EPRI and DOE NE



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EPA non-attainment areas included.

On Saline Formation: Light Green

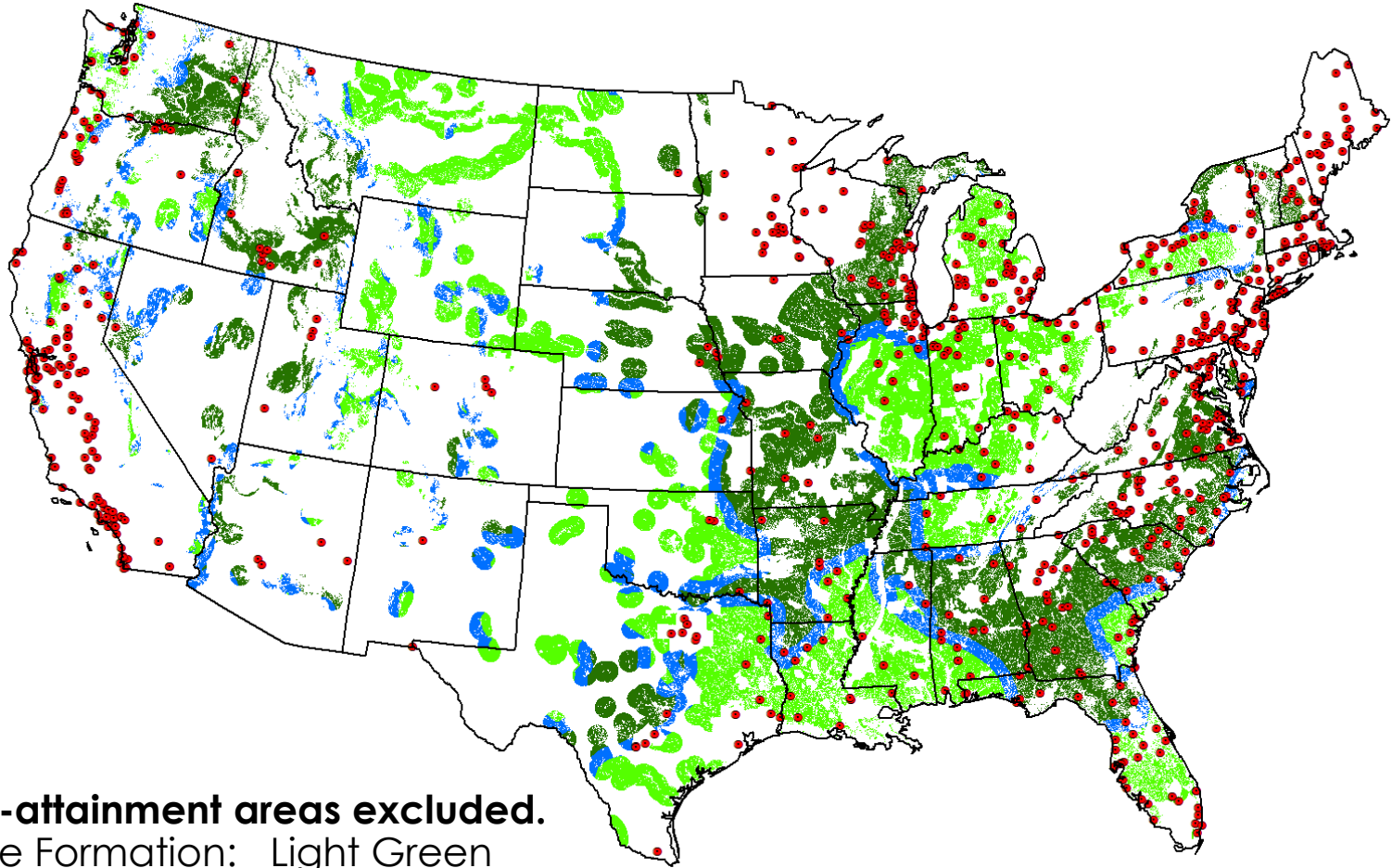
Saline Formation within 25 miles: Light Green + Blue

Saline Formation within 150 miles: Light Green + Blue + Dark Green

Red dot: current biopower facility

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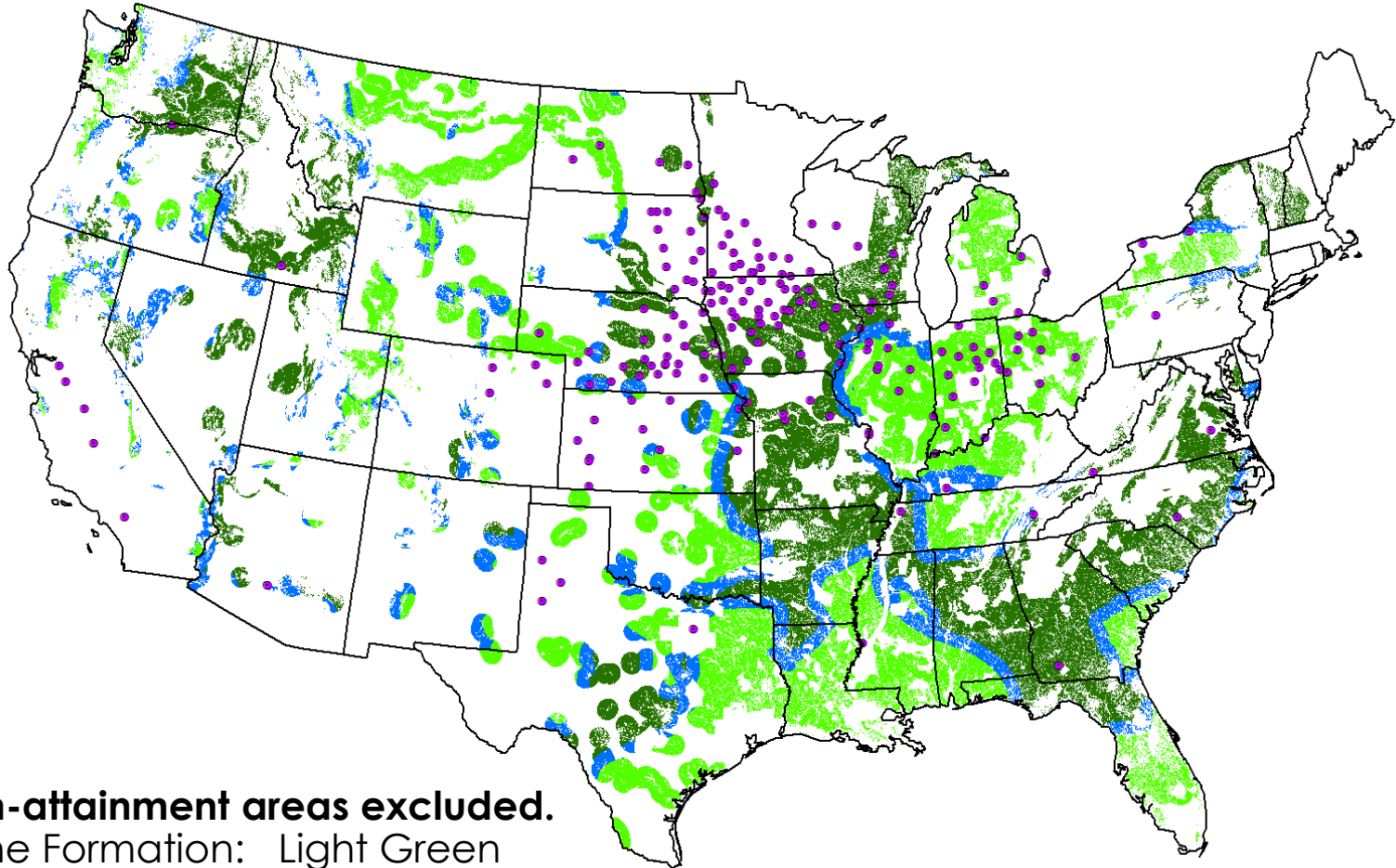
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Purple dot: corn ethanol facility

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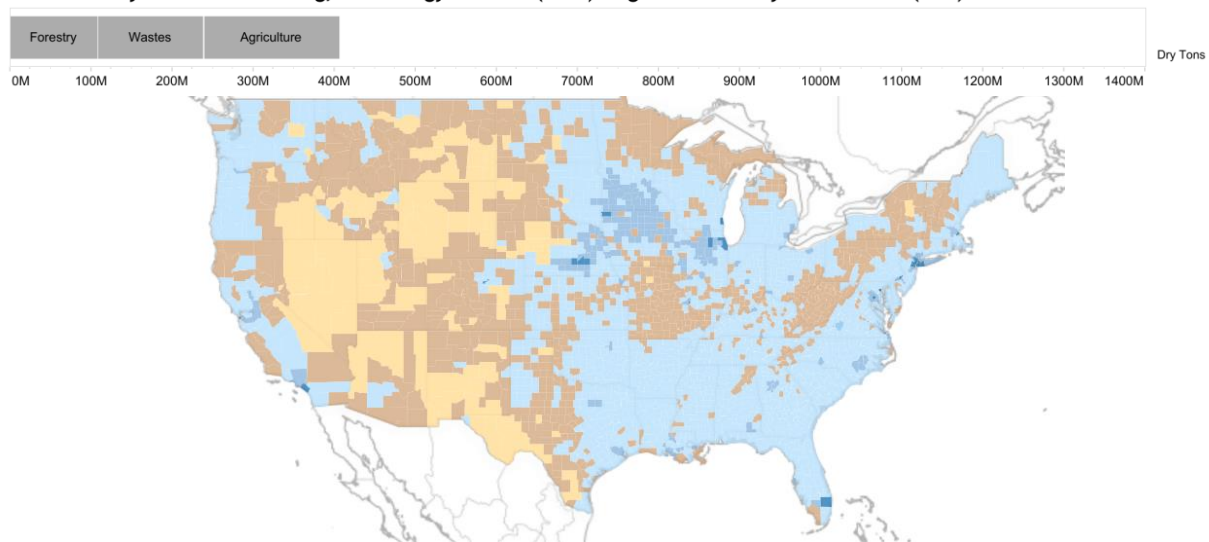
Biomass feedstocks

Near-term, conventional biomass logistics: Agricultural residues and forestland resources from the 2016-Billion-ton Report.

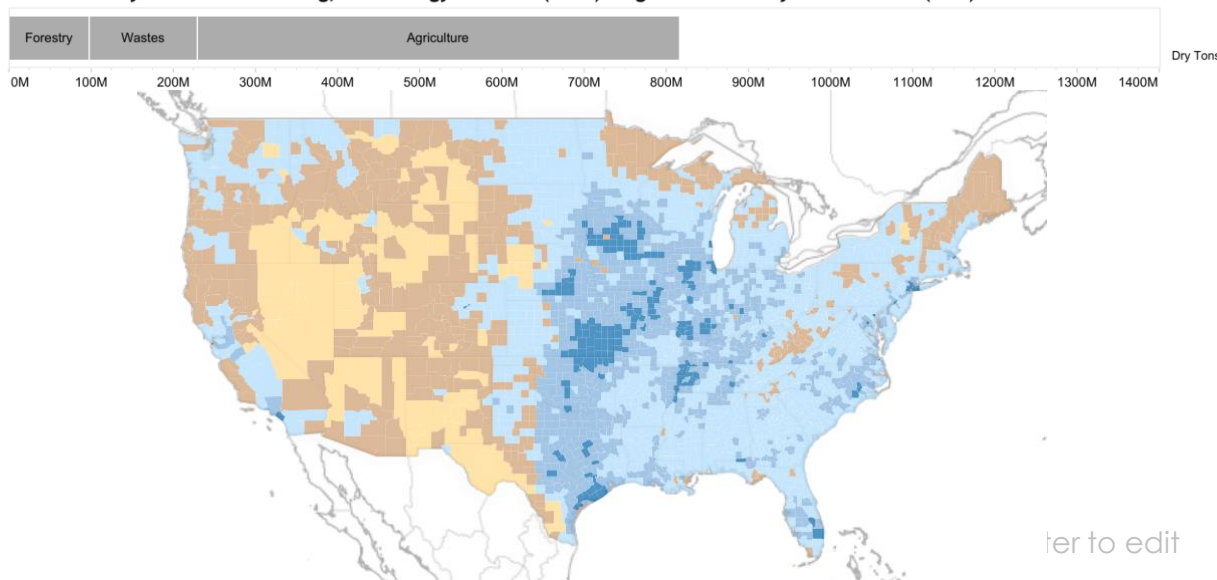
Long-term, conventional biomass logistics: Regional demand for energy crops.

Long-term, advanced biomass logistics: National demand for energy crops.

2022 Combined potential supplies at \$60/dt or less, roadside.
Forestry: Moderate housing, low energy demand (base). Agriculture: 1% yield increase (BC1). Wastes: All.

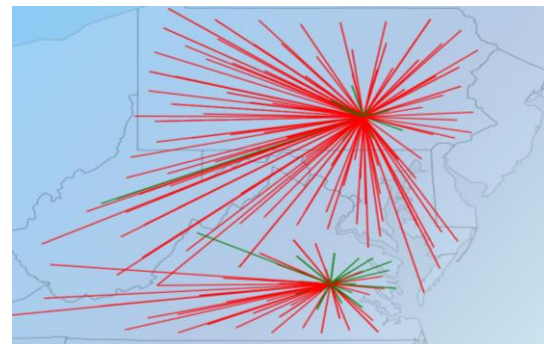
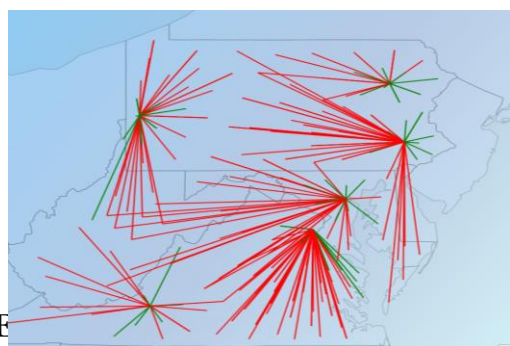
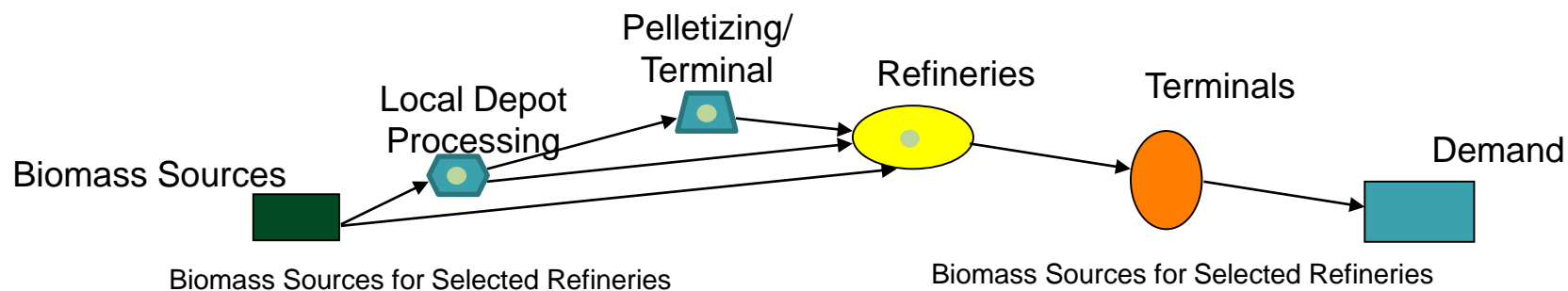
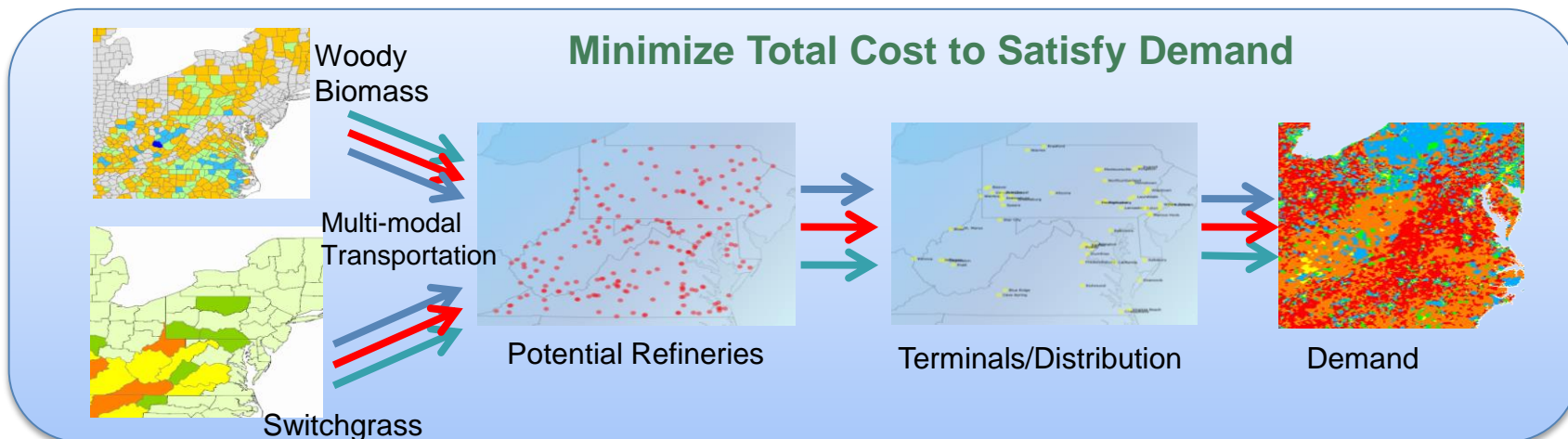


2040 Combined potential supplies at \$60/dt or less, roadside.
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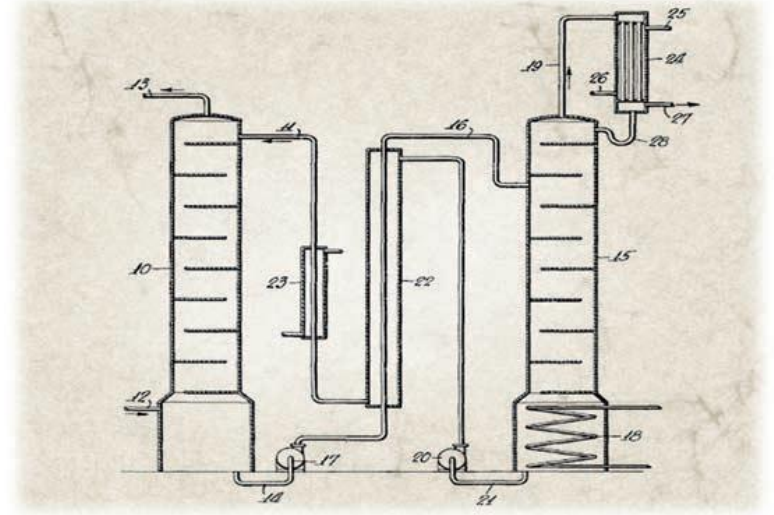
Biomass Infrastructure Logistics and Transportation (BILT) (Lautala et al 2015):



2 – Approach (Technical)

CO₂ engineering:

- ~80% of the cost of CCS is capture at the power plant. Compression and transportation, injection and storage in geologic formation.
- Existing CO₂ capture technologies and cost models from fossil-energy CCS; mature and emerging technologies applicable to BECCS.
- Apply bioenergy variables: biomass properties, flue gas properties, power output.



The amine scrubbing process invented by Bottoms in 1930 (Rochelle, 2009, Science). Besides **absorption by liquid amine-based solvents**, competing emerging technologies include **membrane separation** and **cyclic adsorption**. Current research is driven by the high cost of FE CCS.

3 – Technical Progress, FY19

- Selected scenarios, data inputs, and supply chain assumptions. (Completed)
- 1st Scenario: **existing biomass and conventional logistics within sequestration basins.** (In progress)
- Next scenario: **Energy crops and advanced biomass logistics systems** within sequestration basins.
- **Interactive visualization** of net carbon flux for specified feedstocks and supply chain scenarios in terms of \$/ton CO₂ and tons CO₂/acre.

4 – Relevance

- *BECCS is one potential revenue stream for the bioeconomy.*
- *MYPP: “...determine the impact of competing uses, policy and market demands (e.g., biopower, pellet exports) on feedstock supply and price projections.”*
- *Will need an understanding of cost competitiveness of BECCS vis-à-vis alternative carbon-negative strategies and biomass uses.*
- *CO₂ quantity and cost potential is expected to vary by:*
 - *Existing or new power plants*
 - *Existing biomass resources or new energy crops*
 - *Conventional or advanced biomass logistics*
 - *Transporting biomass vs. transporting CO₂*



5 – Future Work

- *Advanced biomass logistics and energy crops within sequestration basins*
- *Additional BECCS scenarios*
 - *0, <25, and <150 miles from sequestration basins*
 - *Existing biomass feedstocks vs energy crops*
 - *Conventional vs advanced feedstock logistics*
 - *With and without EPA non-attainment areas*
- *FY20: Transport CO₂ to BECCS from distributed power*
- *Future: Report and companion landing page with interactive visualization*

Summary

- Overview: New project, assessing potential for novel application of the bioeconomy.
- Approach: Leveraging ORNL capabilities in power, engineering, feedstocks, and carbon management.
- Technical progress: Site suitability and feedstocks established for first scenario; subsequent scenarios pending.
- Relevance: BECCS is a potential growth area for the bioeconomy.
- Future work: Add scenarios of energy crops, advanced logistics, and CO₂ pipelines; reporting and visualizations.

Additional Slides