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Electrolyzer Installations Webinar Opening Remarks

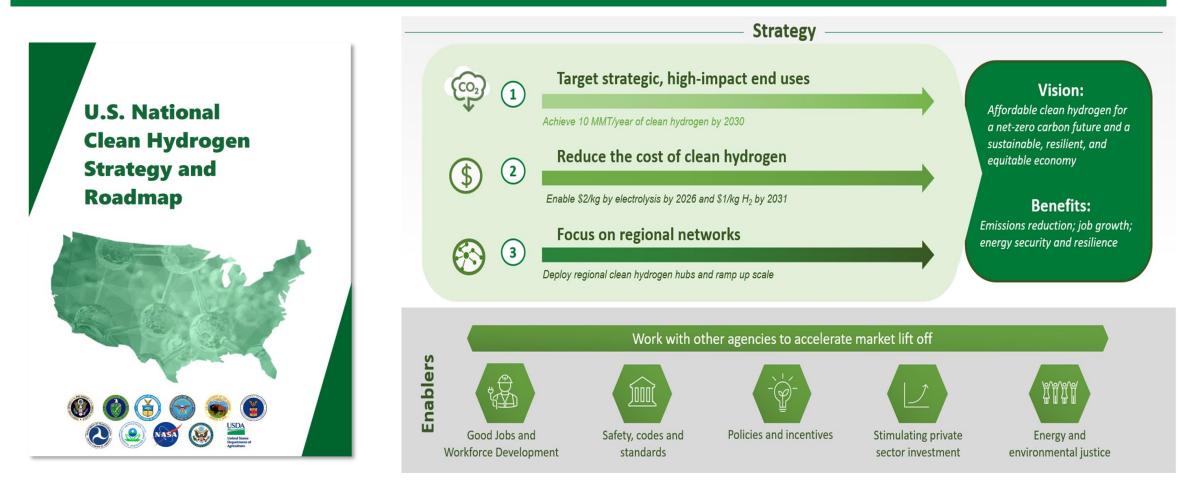
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U.S. National Clean Hydrogen Strategy and Roadmap

U.S. Opportunity: 10MMT/yr by 2030, 20 MMT/yr by 2040, 50 MMT/yr by 2050. ~10% Emissions Reduction. ~100K Jobs by 2030



Released June 2023 . https://www.hydrogen.energy.gov/clean-hydrogen-strategy-roadmap.html



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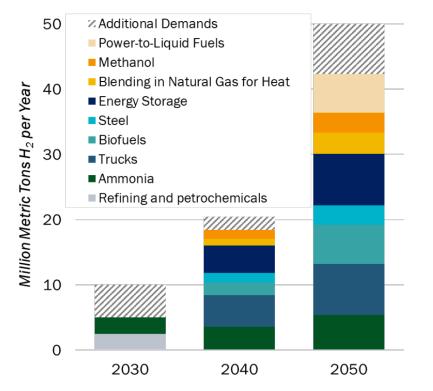
Hydrogen Energy Earthshot

"Hydrogen Shot"

"1 1 1" \$1 for 1 kg clean hydrogen in 1 decade



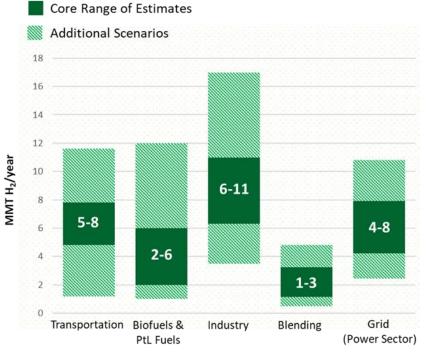




Clean Hydrogen Use Scenarios

- Catalyze clean H₂ use in existing industries (ammonia, refineries), initiate new use (e.g., sustainable aviation fuels (SAFs), steel, potential exports)
- Scale up for heavy-duty transport, industry, and energy storage
- Market expansion across sectors for strategic, highimpact uses

Range of Potential Demand for Clean Hydrogen by 2050



- Core range: ~ 18–36 MMT H₂
- Higher range: ~ 36–56 MMT H₂

Refs: 1. NREL MDHD analysis using TEMPO model; 2. Analysis of biofuel pathways from NREL; 3. Synfuels analysis based off H2@Scale ; 4. Steel and ammonia demand estimates based off DOE Industrial Decarbonization Roadmap and H2@Scale. Methanol demands based off IRENA and IEA estimates; 5. Preliminary Analysis, NREL 100% Clean Grid Study; 6. DOE Solar Futures Study; 7. Princeton Net Zero America Study

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Legislation Highlights: 2021 – 2022

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

- Includes \$9.5B for clean hydrogen:
 - \$1B for electrolysis
 - \$0.5B for manufacturing and recycling
 - \$8B for at least four regional clean hydrogen hubs
- Requires developing a National Clean
 Hydrogen Strategy and Roadmap



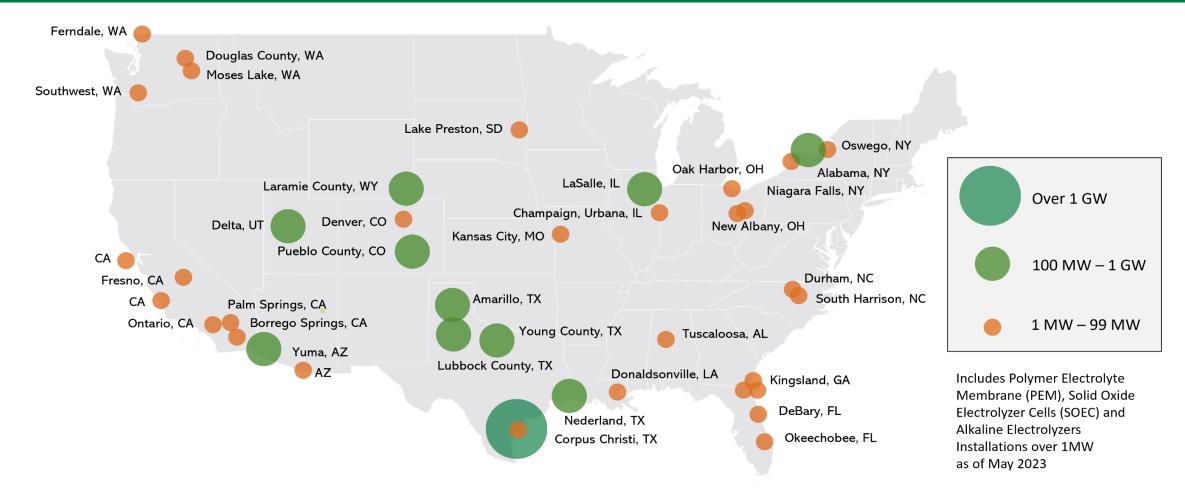
President Biden Signs the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill into law on November 15, 2021. Photo Credit: Kenny Holston/Getty Images

Inflation Reduction Act

• Includes significant tax credits (e.g., up to \$3/kg for production of clean hydrogen)

Planned and Installed Electrolyzer Capacity in the US

Total 3.7 GW in Electrolyzer Capacity 5-fold increase since 2022



Source: Arjona, DOE Program Record #23003, June 2023

Hydrogen Cost from Electrolysis and Cost Reduction Strategies

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Levelized Cost of Hydrogen from Electrolysis

Today's cost of H_2 from natural gas ~ \$1.50/kg.

Cost Reduction Strategies

- Reduce electricity cost, improve efficiency, and utilization
- Reduce capital cost stack and balance of plant, including platinum group metals
- Increase manufacturing volumes
- Reduce operating and maintenance cost

Today's Focus

Reduce cost and complexity of installation, siting, permitting (while addressing any environmental/energy justice concerns)

*2020 Baseline: PEM (Polymer Electrolyte Membrane) low volume capital cost ~\$1,500/kW, electricity at \$50/MWh. Pathways to targets include capital cost \$250-300/kW by 2026, < \$150/kW to meet \$1/kg (at scale). Chart shows calculation assuming \$50/MWh in 2020, \$30/MWh in 2025, \$20/MWh in 2030. Specific use case for 90% capacity factor. Multiples scenarios being assessed.

- Initiate dialogue between industry, utilities, and other stakeholders about large-scale electrolyzer installations, critical for:
 - Sharing lessons learned and developing best practices
 - Better understanding key challenges and cost drivers
 - Streamlining the installation process [without compromising environmental/environmental justice (EJ) concerns]
- Provide feedback to DOE on potential actions and next steps

Thank you

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