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Geothermal spring

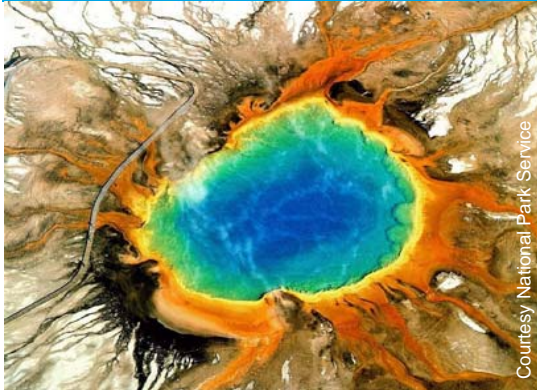
Geothermal – Domestic Energy for a Cleaner, Safer America

GTO Vision Study 2015-16
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- The mean electric power generation potential from **Identified Geothermal Systems** alone is **9,057 MWe** (USGS National Geothermal Resources—Fact Sheet FS 2008-3082), distributed over 13 states.
- The mean estimated power production potential from **Undiscovered Geothermal Resources** is **30,033 MWe** (USGS National Geothermal Resources—Fact Sheet FS 2008-3082).
- Another estimated **100,000+ MWe** (<http://energy.gov/eere/geothermal/downloads/enhanced-geothermal-system-egs-fact-sheet-1>) could be generated through the implementation of **Enhanced Geothermal Systems (EGS)** technology for creating geothermal reservoirs in regions characterized by high temperature, but lower permeability rock formations.
- The preliminary analysis presented at 2013 DOE Peer Review on April, 24, 2013 shows the beneficial heat from Low Temperature Systems is **~44,300 MWt** (http://energy.gov/sites/prod/files/2014/02/f7/gs_resource_assessment_peer2013.pdf).
- High Temperature Sedimentary resource potential evaluation analysis is underway.

Current: DOE Geothermal Vision 2016 **Redefine and Enhance Geothermal Vision**

- What is the state of geothermal (power and heat) in the US today?
- Will it be competitive in the near-(2020), mid-(2030), and long-term (2050)?
- Where is it likely to be most competitive? Why?
- What are the costs, benefits, and impacts within the context of the broader sector trend?
- What technical and economic factors will be needed to sustain and enhance the growth of geothermal through 2020, 2030, and 2050?
- What are the high value pathways and priorities that will help us achieve our vision?
- How will geothermal be a key part of the national energy and climate change priorities?



By 2016, DOE seeks to develop credible analysis jointly with the GEA/GRC community that:

- I. Articulates clear *GTO investment strategies* across different sectors and has a cohesive plan to attain the goals;
- II. Discusses *geothermal growth scenarios* for 2020, 2030 and 2050 backed by robust data, modeling and analysis;
- III. Addresses *all market segments*: existing and potential hydrothermal, electrical and non-electrical usages, new EGS sector, and other value streams; and is
- IV. Supported by *objective and peer-reviewed* industry data and *available to decision-makers*
- V. Is *aspirational* and *inspirational*

Geothermal Vision Approach

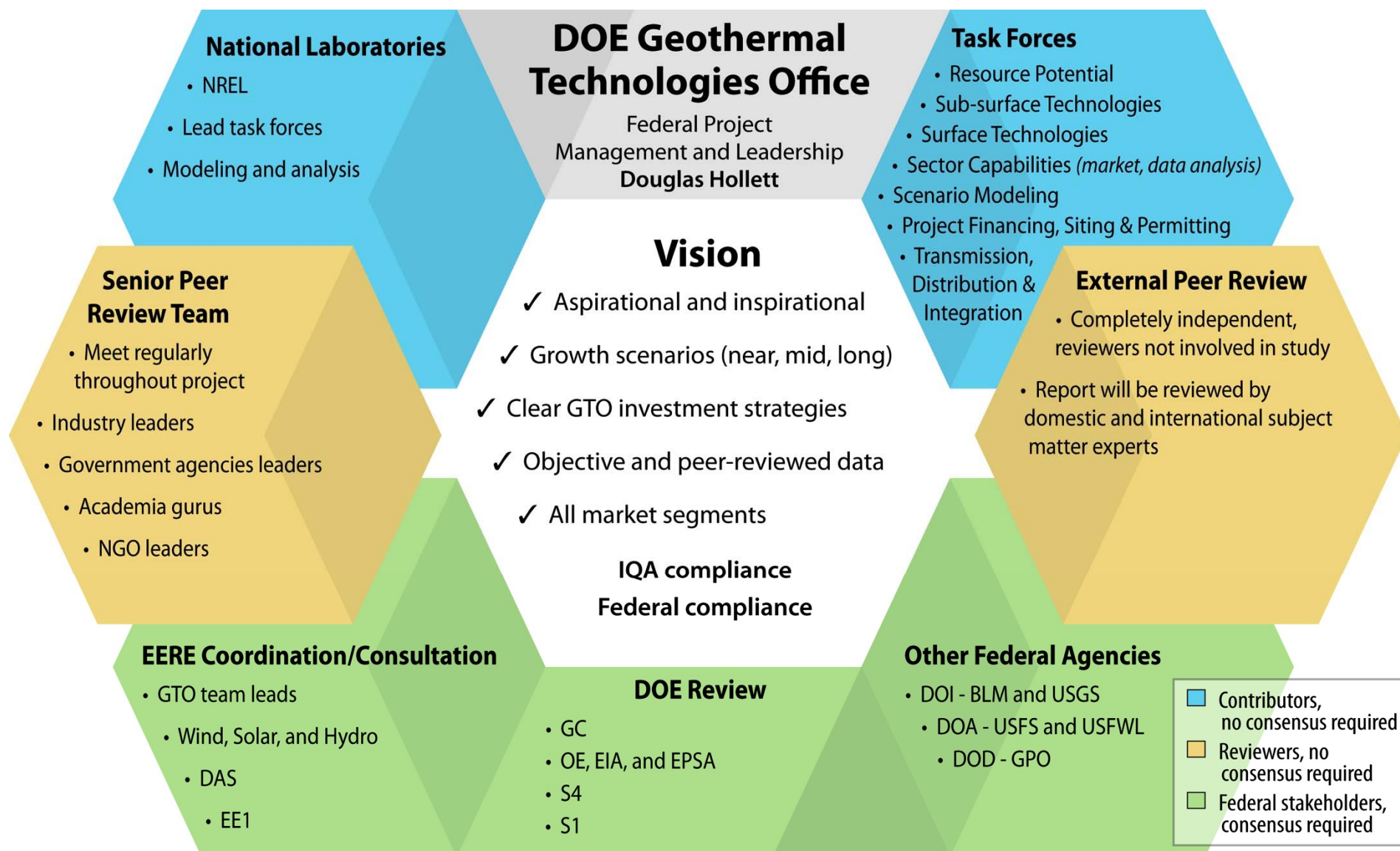


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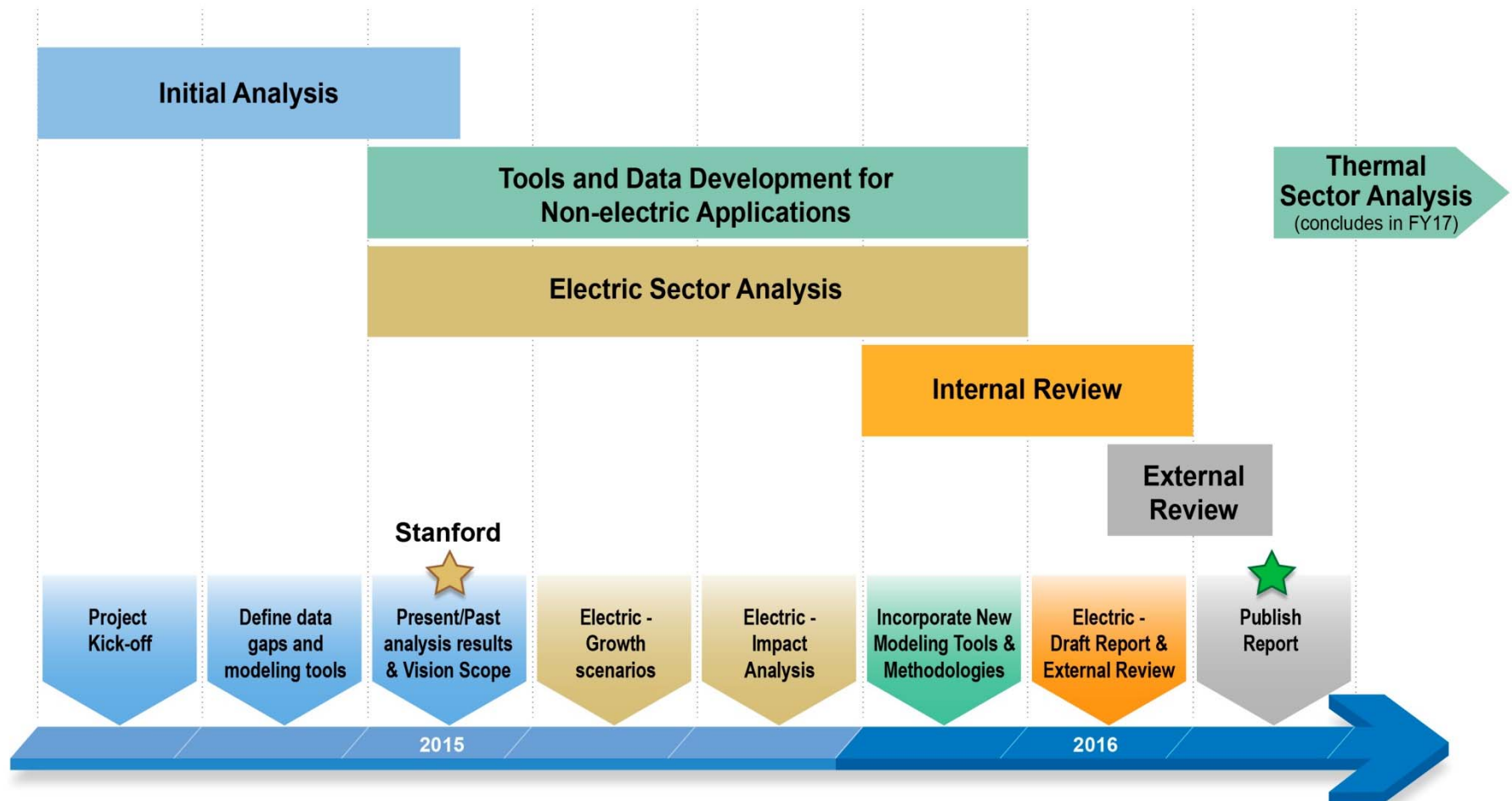


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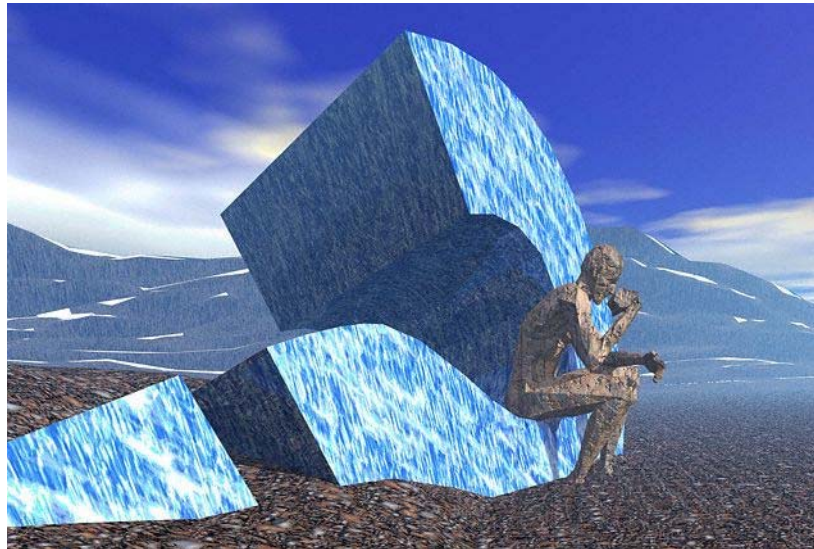
- **Models and tools first**
 - Establish current state of available models + data
 - Develop new/modified models as required
- **Phased Parallel Approach**
 - Assess what we have, what we need
 - Identify gaps (data, tools, models etc.)
- Wind office has recently done a vision study and the Water the water program is commencing one
- We will use their process as a critical starting point , but the content, structure and the analysis included in the study needs to be different as follows:
 - Use existing technology roadmaps
 - New roadmaps would be update or modified as appropriate
 - As a baseload renewable, unlike other renewables, will require modified analytical decision models e.g., Regional Energy Deployment System (ReEDS)
- **Be Mindful of Sector Dynamics**
 - Smaller industry dictates longer completion time
 - Industry, academia, and the national lab support
- **Proposed completion by ~2016**



Geothermal Vision Study (draft)



Questions



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