

Billion-Ton Update and Ongoing Resource Assessment

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Outline

- Review 2011 Billion-Ton Update
- Ongoing Resource Analysis Work
- Overview of Database and Website Tools and Analyses



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Preamble

- Excludes algal feedstocks
- Includes “major” feedstocks
- Costs are only to roadside/farmgate
- No specified end use or conversion process
- Raw material in form as described with losses only up to roadside
- \$60/dry ton was selected as the “illustrative” case, not the expected cost – had wider range depending on feedstock
- Projections for “used” and “potential” for 2012 to 2030 from county to national
- Uses various databases, datasets, and analytical tools

Biomass Feedstocks

- **Forest resources**

- Logging residues
- Forest thinnings (fuel treatments)
- *Conventional wood*
- Fuelwood
- Primary mill residues
- Secondary mill residues
- Pulping liquors
- Urban wood residues

Combined into Composite

Added in 2011 Update

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- **Agricultural resources**

- Crop residues
- Grains to biofuels
- Perennial grasses
- Perennial woody crops
- Animal manures
- Food/feed processing residues
- MSW and landfill gases
- *Annual energy crop*

Approach to Supply Curve Estimation

- Separate methods for agriculture and forest resources
- Contributing authors helped develop technical assumptions and input data and workshops used to develop scenarios
- Secondary processing residues and wastes are estimated using technical coefficients

Forestland resources

- Resource analysis used to estimate supply curves
 - USDA/FS data (FIA, TPO, RPA)
 - Uses FRCS model for costs
- Logging residue – TPO removals
- Forest thinnings – simulated on FIA plots
- Forest residue access, recovery, and merchantability coefficients
- Requirements for resource sustainability



Approach to Supply Curve Estimation (Continued)

Agricultural land resources – uses policy model (POLYSYS) to estimate supply curves and land use change for crop residues and energy crops

- **USDA Census and NASS data (yields, acres, crop prices, production, exports, etc.) to 2030**
- **Requirements for resource sustainability**
- **Energy crop are perennial grasses, woody crops, and annuals**
- **Costs**
 - **Grower payments for crop residues & production costs for energy crops**
 - **Collection and harvest costs based on INL and ORNL assumptions/modeling**



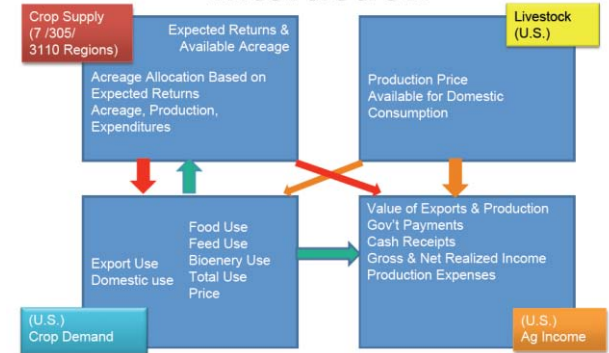
Scenarios

- **Baseline is USDA projection and 1% yield increases for energy crops**
- **High yield scenarios are baseline and**
 - **Higher corn yields**
 - **More no-till and residue removal**
 - **Energy crop yields increase at 2%, 3%, and 4% annually**

POLYSYS Modeling Framework

- County model anchored to USDA 10-year baseline & extended to 2030
 - Biomass resources are agricultural residues and energy crops
 - 8 major crops (corn, soybeans, wheat, sorghum, oats, barley, rice, cotton) and hay, livestock, food/feed markets
 - Uses USDA projected demands for food, feed, industry, and export
 - Land base includes cropland 102 million ha (250 million acres), cropland pasture 9 million ha (22 million acres), hay 25 million ha (61 million acres), permanent pasture 48 million ha (118 million acres)
 - Pasture can convert to energy crops if forage made up through intensification
 - Restraints limiting land use change

POLYSYS Modules and Interaction



The University of Tennessee 
Agricultural Economics

Requirements for Resource Sustainability

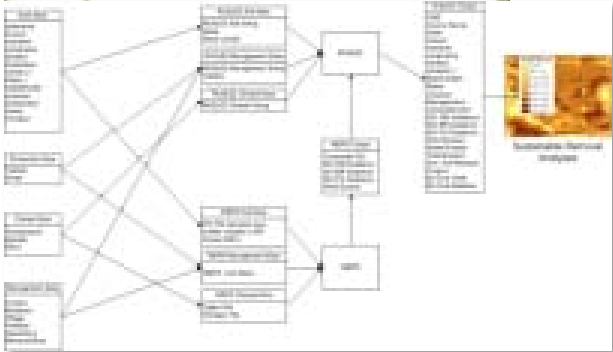
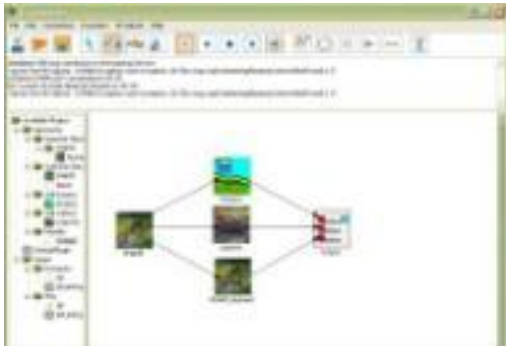
- **For Agriculture**

- Includes costs for BMP and sustainable practices
- Energy crops only on cropland, hay, and pasture
- Uses residue retention model
- No residues from conventional tillage
- All non-irrigated production
- Minimal tillage and fertilizer/ herbicide applications
- Land use change limits (e.g., 10% of cropland per year and 25% in total)
- Annual energy crops on non-erosive cropland or in rotation
- Retained low-levels of biomass for long-term site productivity with nutrient replacement

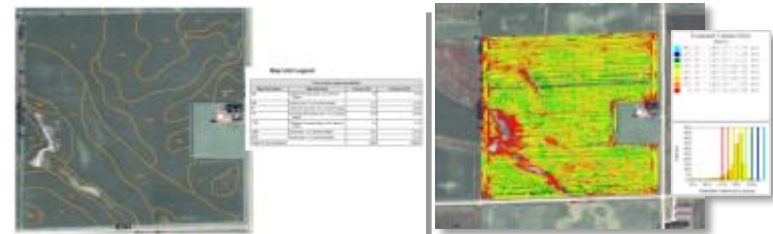
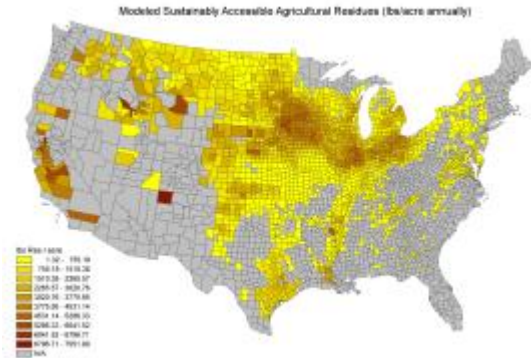
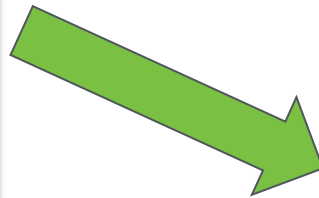
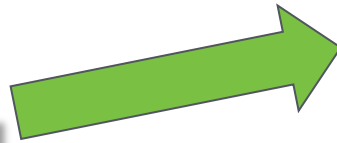
- **For Forestry**

- Includes costs for BMP and sustainable practices
- No steep or wet sites
- No road building
- Uses residue retention coefficients
- Harvest less than growth
- Conventional harvest at historical state levels for conventional markets
- Uses integrated logging
- Thins only overstocked stands
- Uses uneven-aged prescription

Residue Analysis and Removal Tool



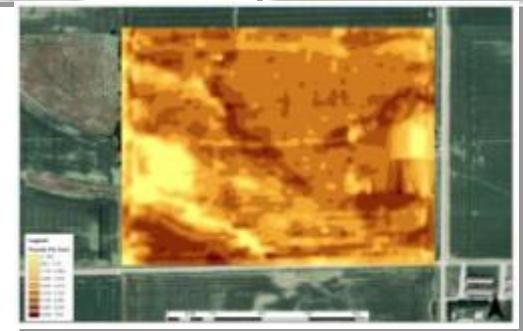
Large Spatial Assessments



Sustainable Feedstock
Production Analysis:
Integrated Models Include-

- RUSLE2
- WEPS
- I-Farm
- DayCent
- CQESTR

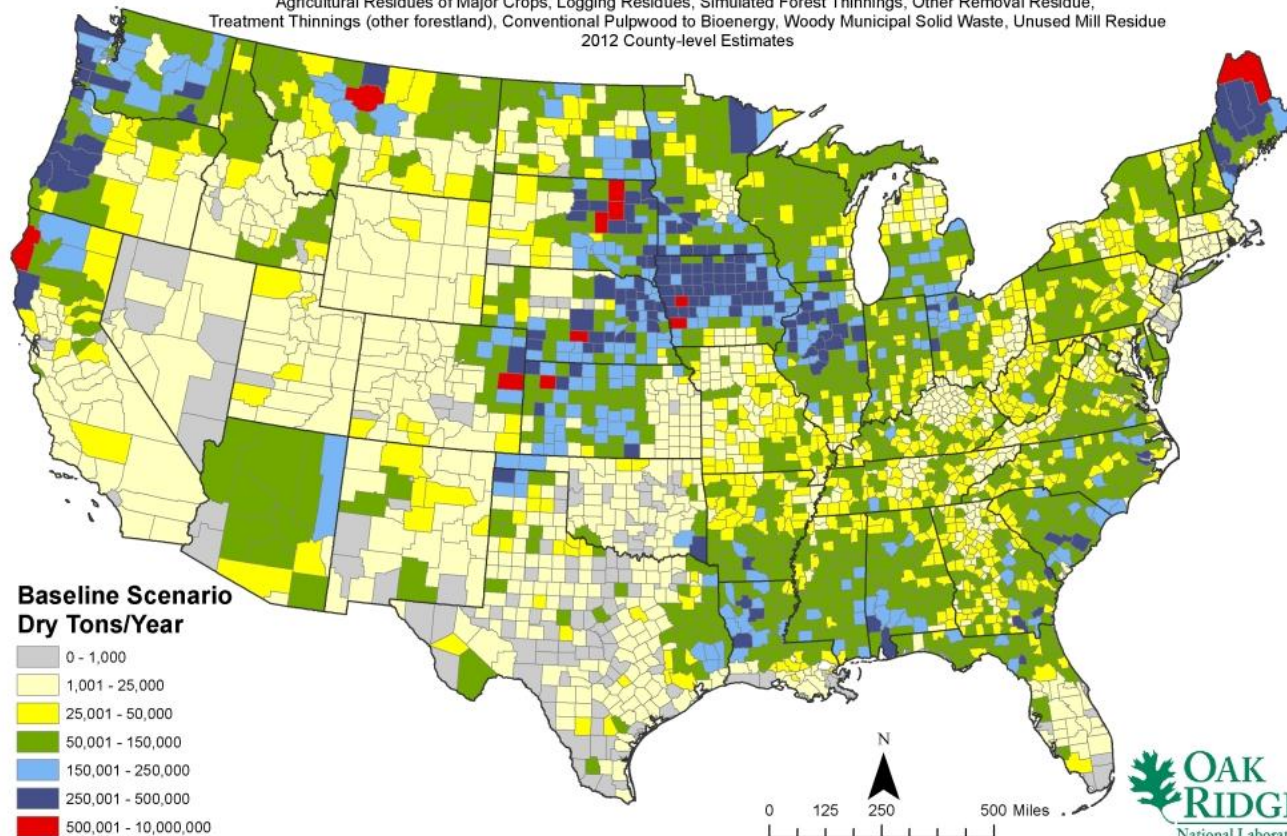
Management Unit Decision
Support



Supply Curve Results

Currently Available Biomass Resources

Includes all potential primary agricultural resources and primary and secondary forestry resources excluding Federal Lands (when available) at \$80 per dry ton or less:
 Agricultural Residues of Major Crops, Logging Residues, Simulated Forest Thinnings, Other Removal Residue,
 Treatment Thinnings (other forestland), Conventional Pulpwood to Bioenergy, Woody Municipal Solid Waste, Unused Mill Residue
 2012 County-level Estimates

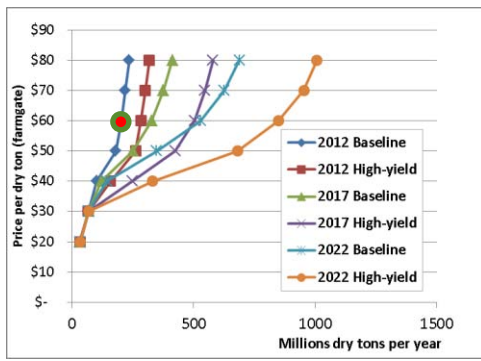


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- 2012
- Baseline scenario
- \$60 dry ton⁻¹

201 x 10⁶ dt



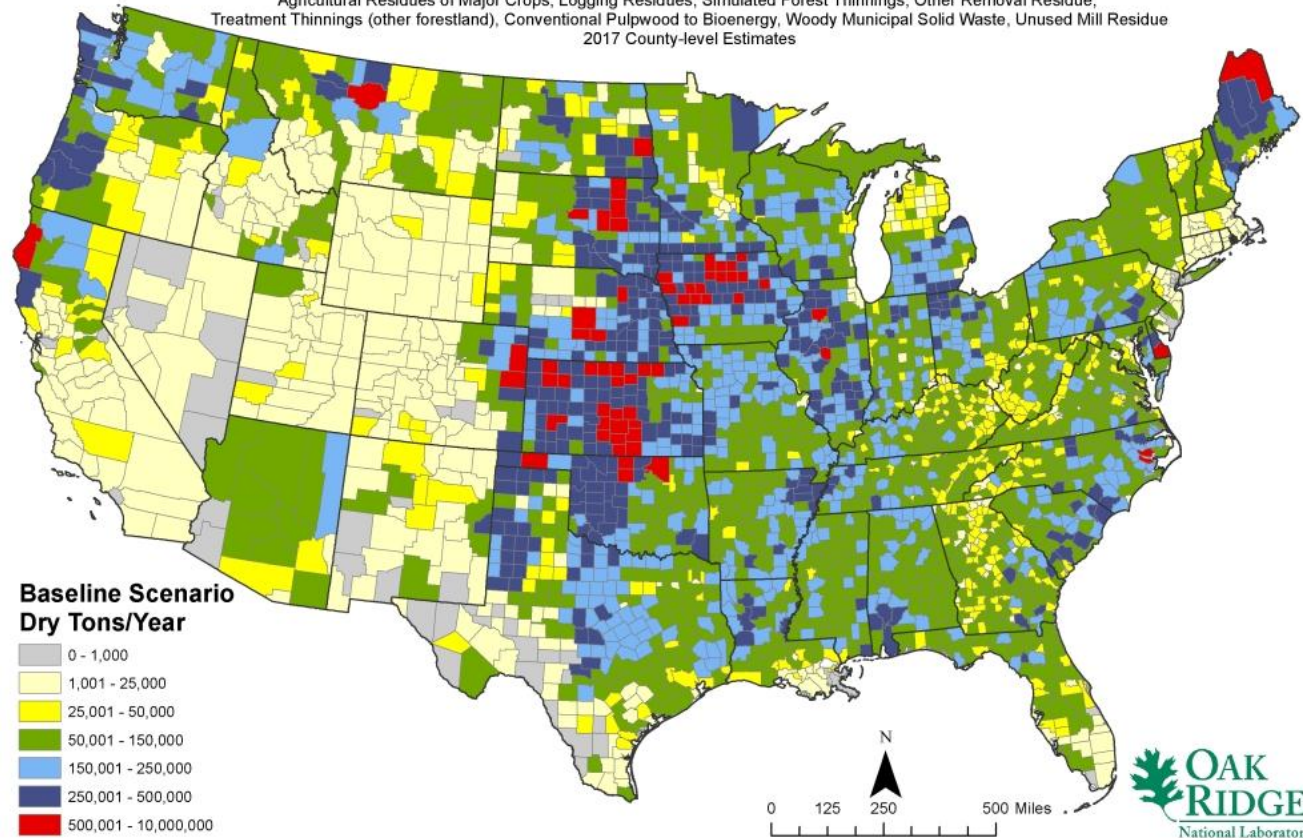
Supply Curve Results

- 2017
- Baseline scenario
- \$60 dry ton⁻¹

327 x 10⁶ dt

Potentially Available Biomass Resources

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 2017 County-level Estimates



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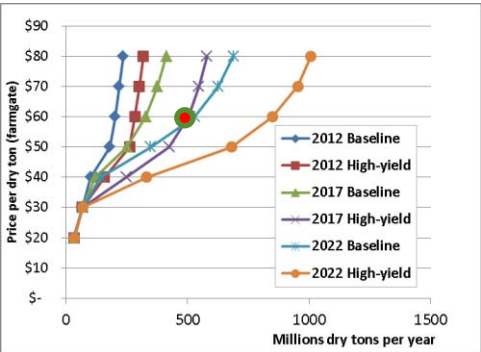
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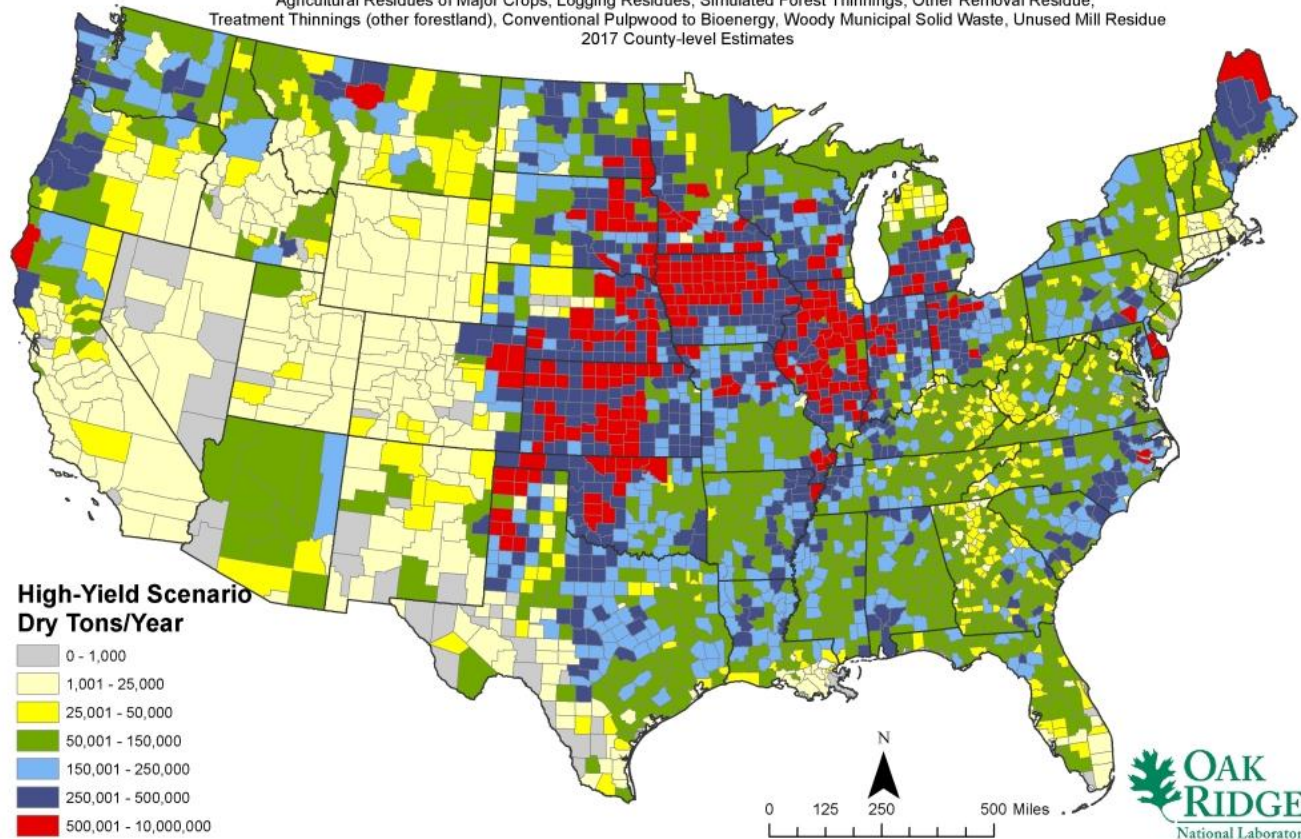
- 2017
- High-yield scenario
- \$60 dry ton⁻¹

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2017 County-level Estimates



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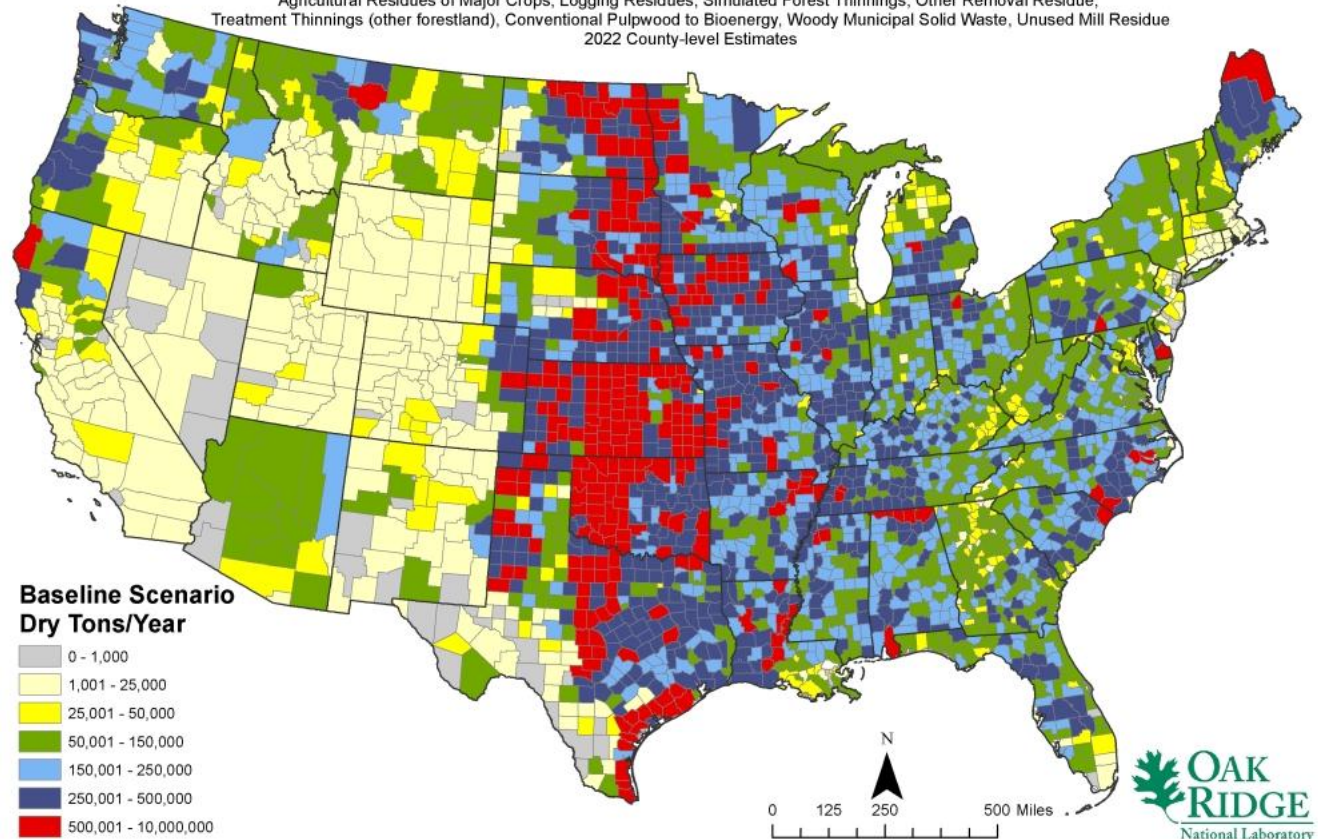
Supply Curve Results

- 2022
- Baseline scenario
- \$60 dry ton⁻¹

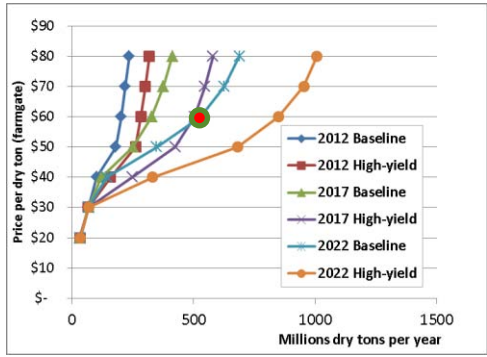
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2022 County-level Estimates



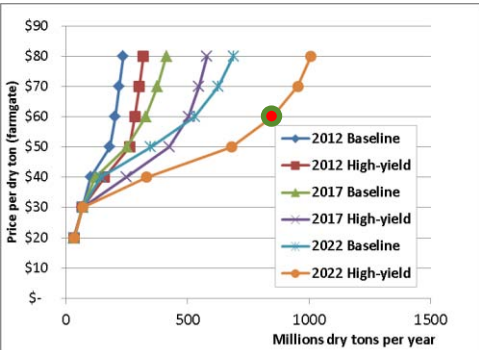
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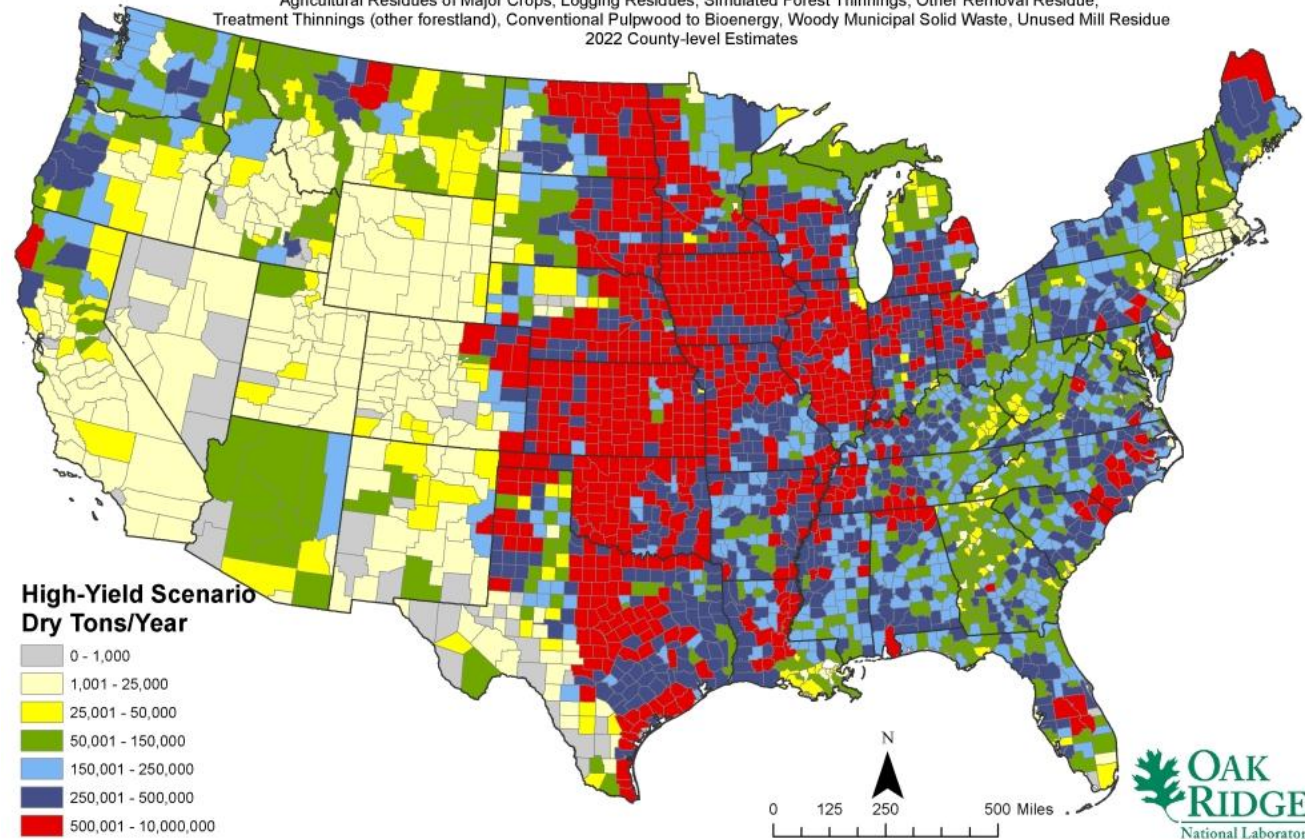
- 2022
- High-yield scenario
- \$60 dry ton⁻¹

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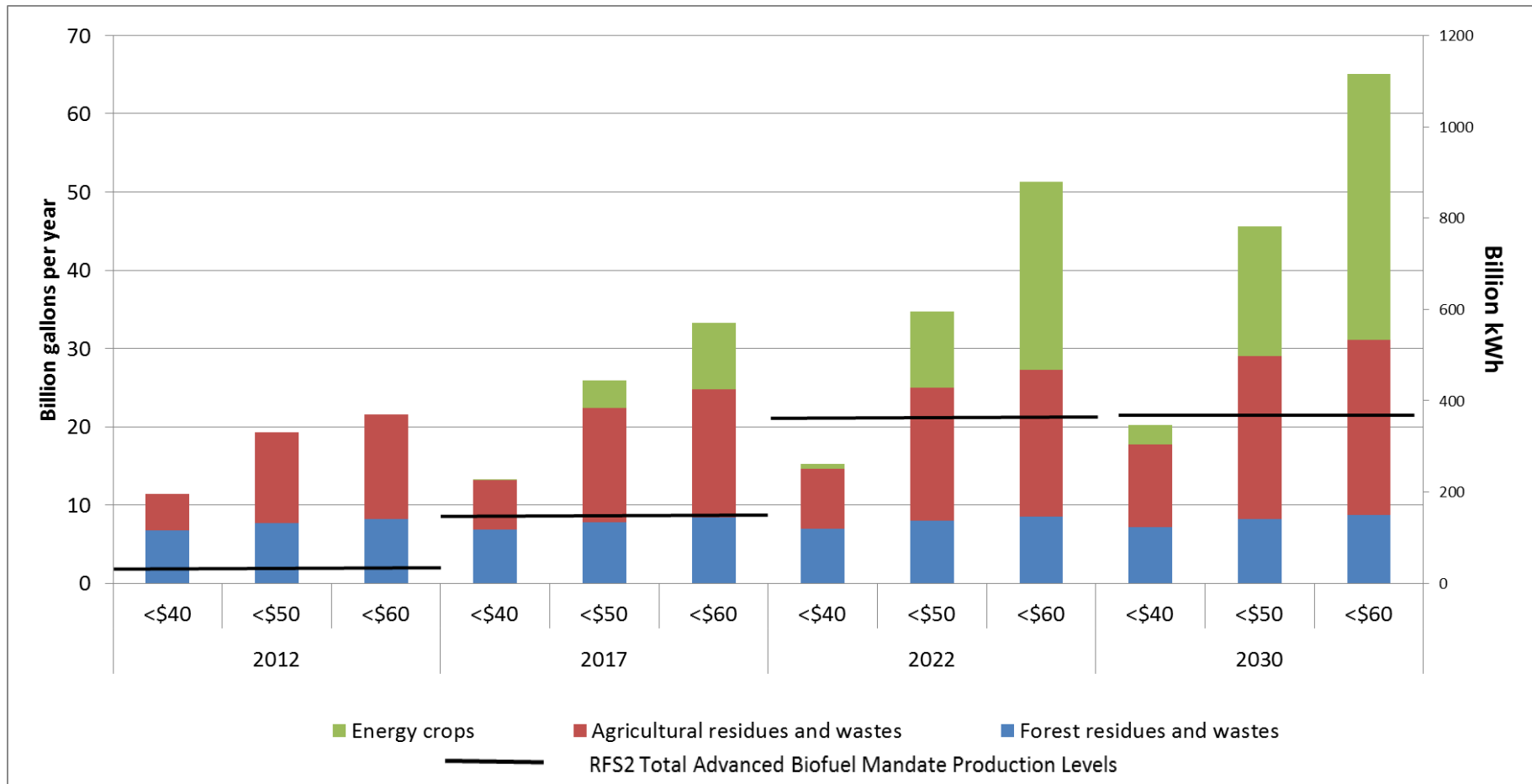


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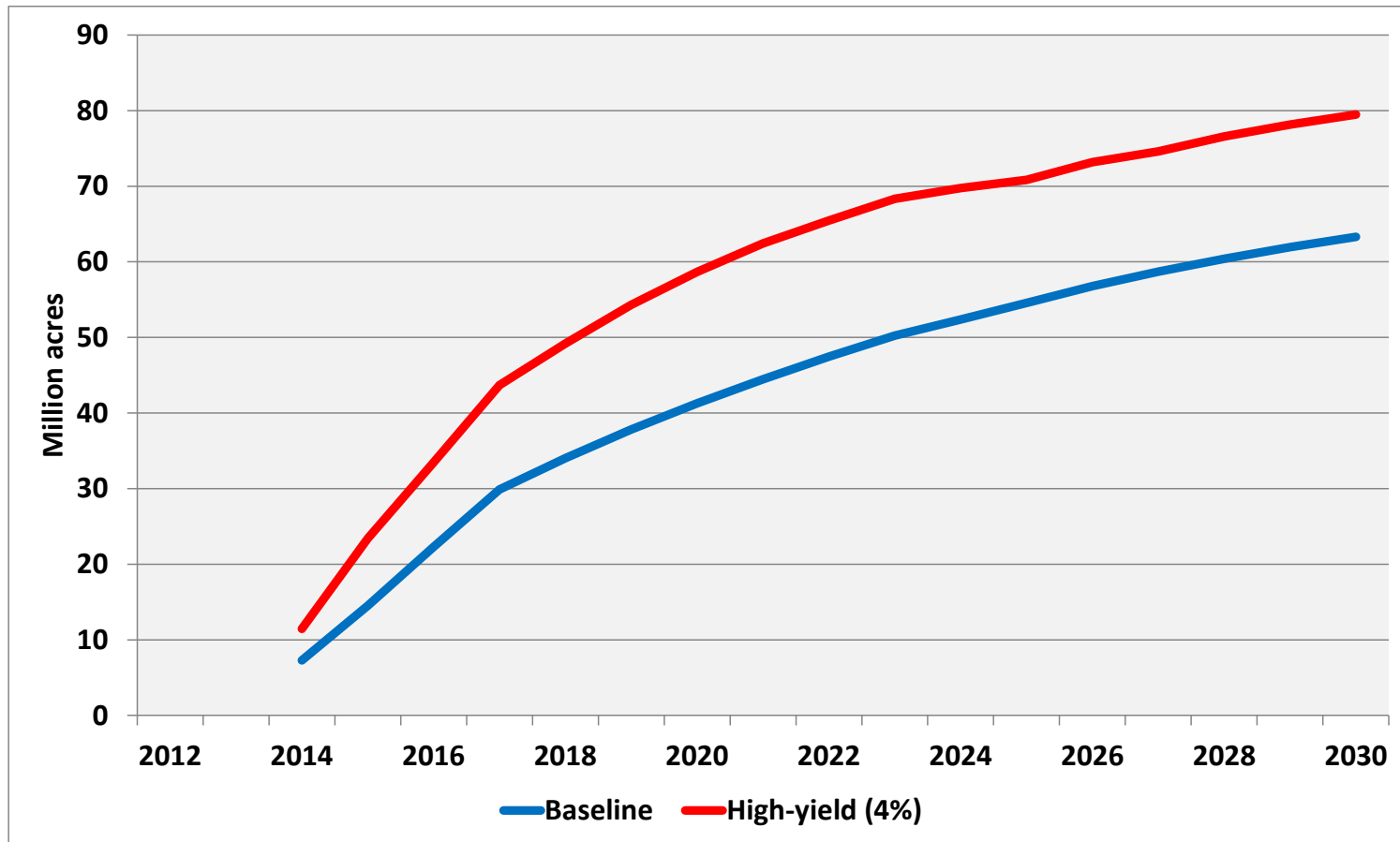
Supply Results, Policy Implications

Baseline scenario:



Land Use Change for Energy Crops

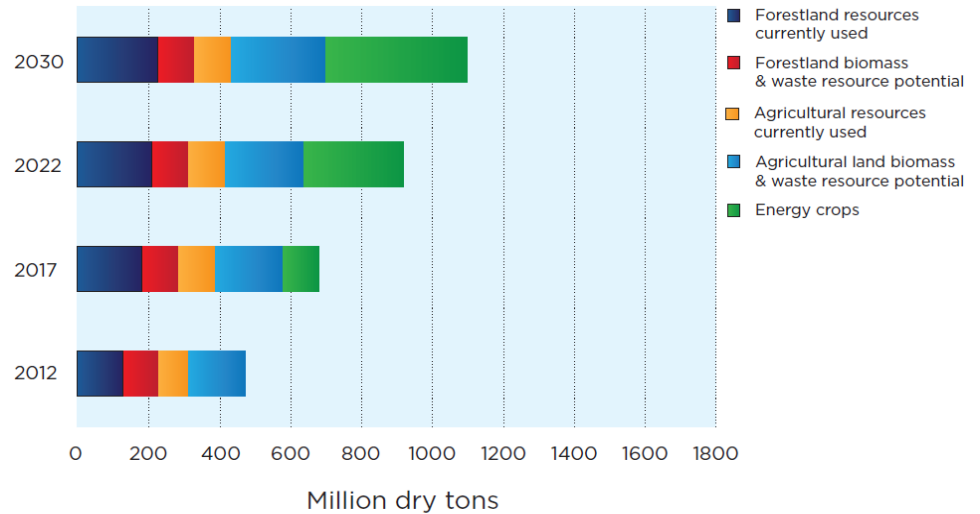
Total land use change (\$60/dry ton) is 63 million acres under the baseline scenario and 79 million acres under the high-yield scenario (4% annual growth in energy crop yield) by 2030



Billion-Ton Update Summary

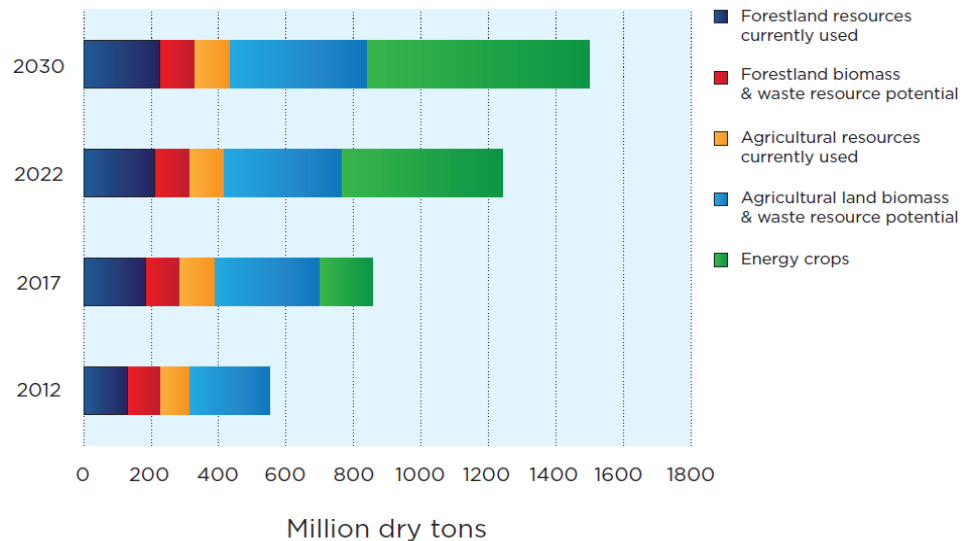
- **Baseline scenario**

- Current combined resources from forests and agricultural lands total about 473 million dry tons at \$60 per dry ton or less (about 45% is currently used and the remainder is potential additional biomass)
- By 2030, estimated resources increase to nearly 1.1 billion dry tons (about 30% would be projected as already-used biomass and 70% as potentially additional)



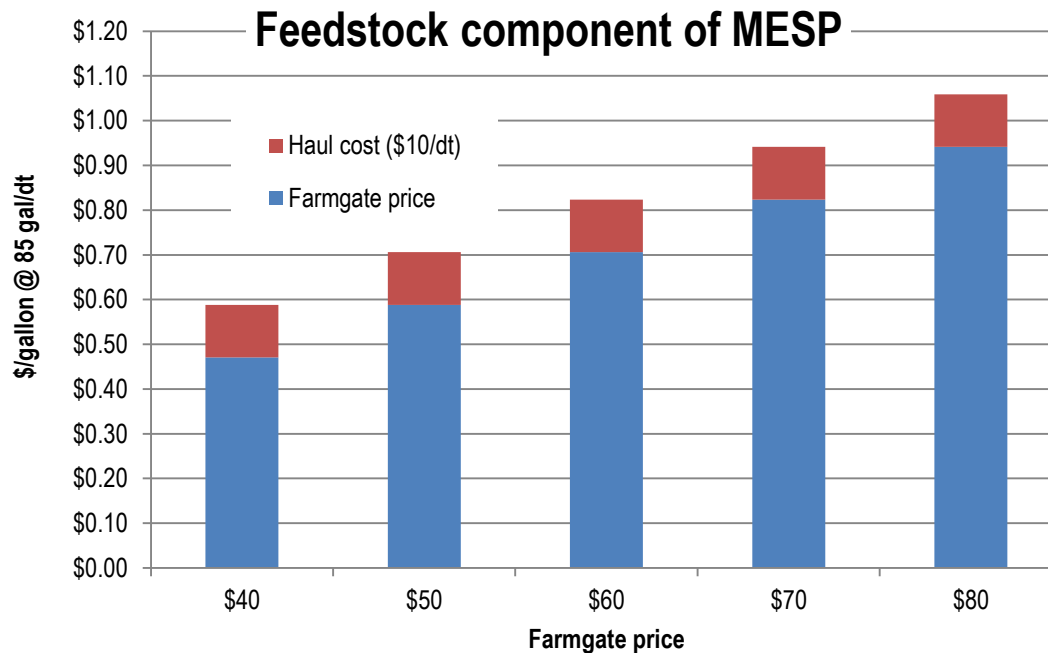
- **High-yield scenario**

- Total resource ranges from nearly 1.4 to over 1.6 billion dry tons annually of which 80% is potentially additional biomass
- No high-yield scenario was evaluated for forest resources, except for the woody crops



Commercialization: Feedstock price ~1/4 of MESP

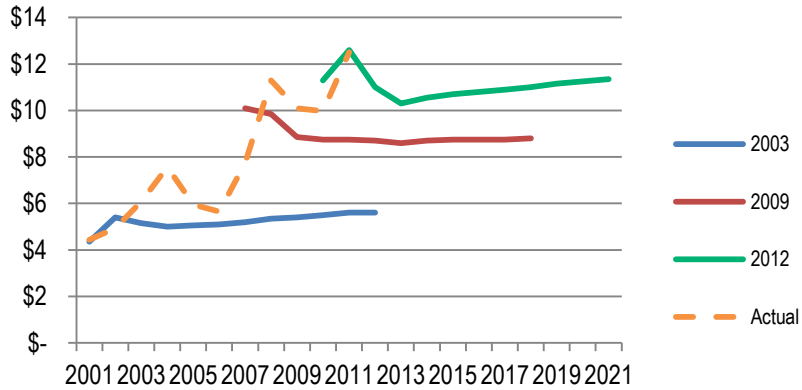
Farmgate price **\$50-\$60/dt** plus haul cost (@85 gal/dt) **~=\$0.70-\$0.80/gal**, or **~1/4 of \$3.00/g MESP**



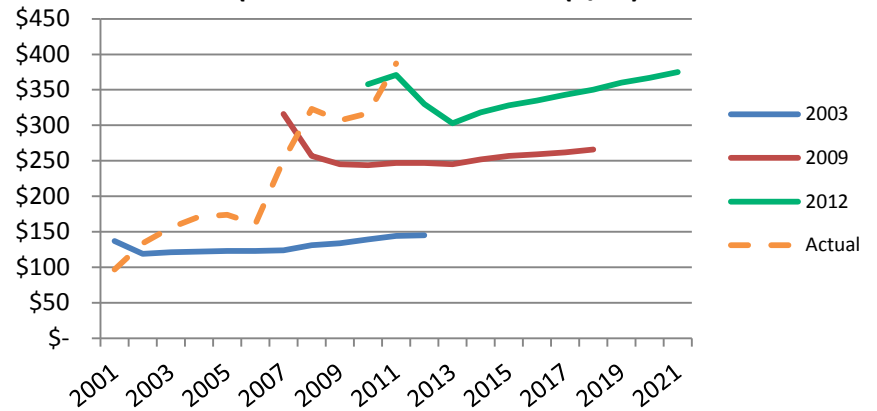
Resource Analysis: Economic Change

USDA Baseline Changes

Soybean price (\$/bu)

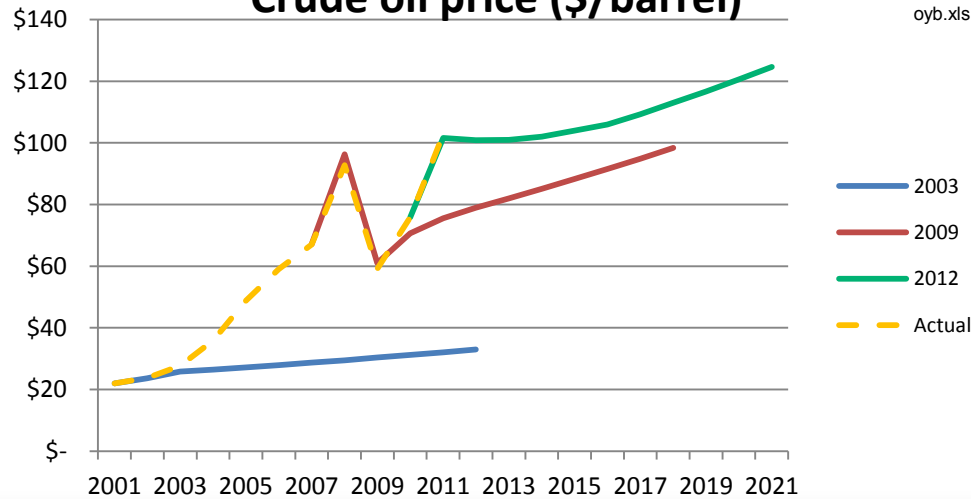


Soybean Returns (Net over Variable Costs (\$/ac))



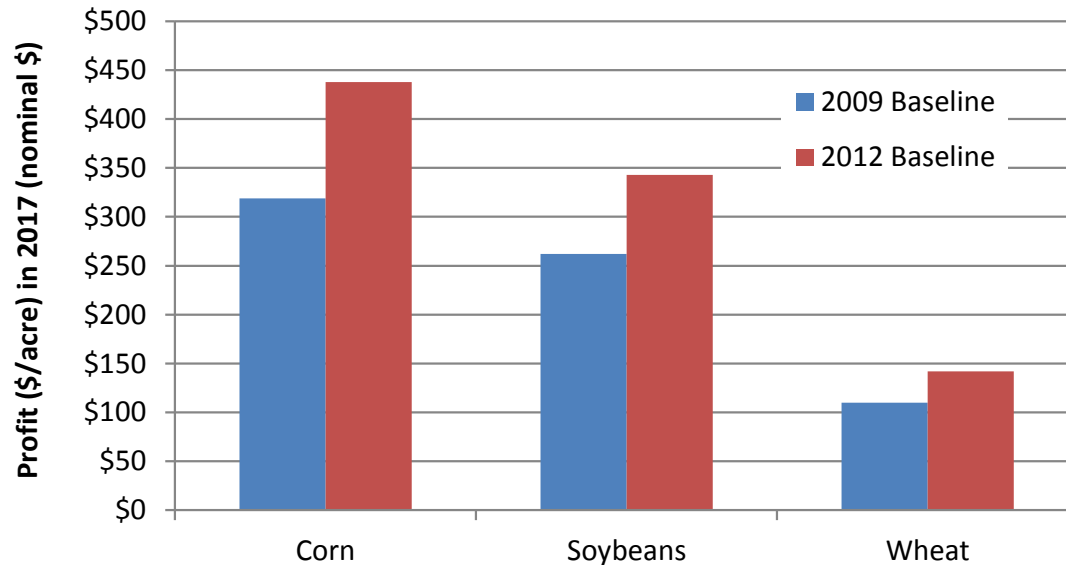
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Crude oil price (\$/barrel)



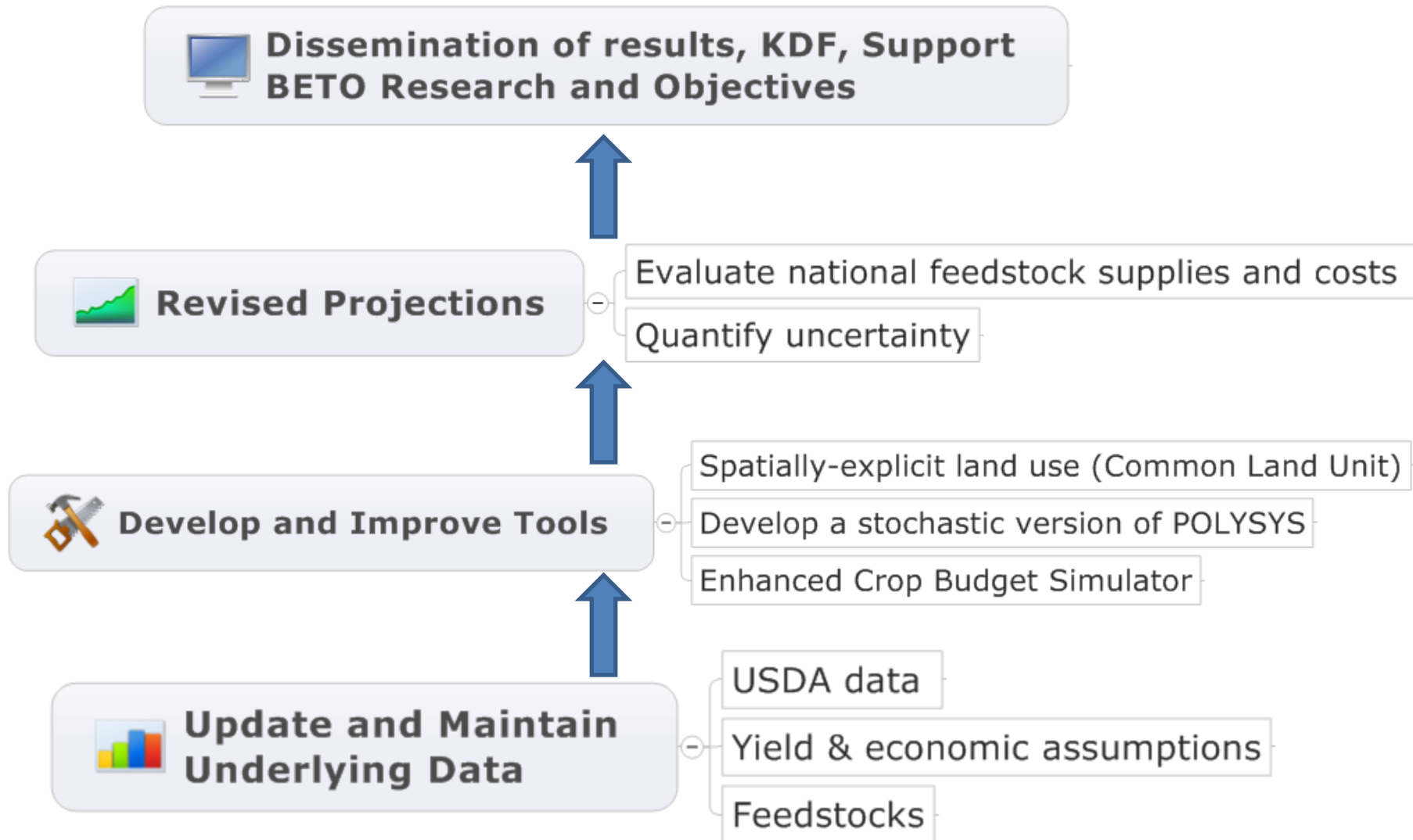
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USDA Baseline Profit Projections at 2017



- Profits for corn, soybeans, and wheat increased 37%, 31%, and 29%, respectively from 2009 USDA Baseline used in BT2 to 2012 USDA Baseline released in February 2012. This does not include price increases associated with the 2012 drought.
- Under 2012 Baseline, prices for energy crops must be higher to incentivize farmers to switch from conventional crops to energy crops.

1 - Approach – Post BT2, Ongoing commercialization



2 - Technical Results (cont'd), BT2 and 2012

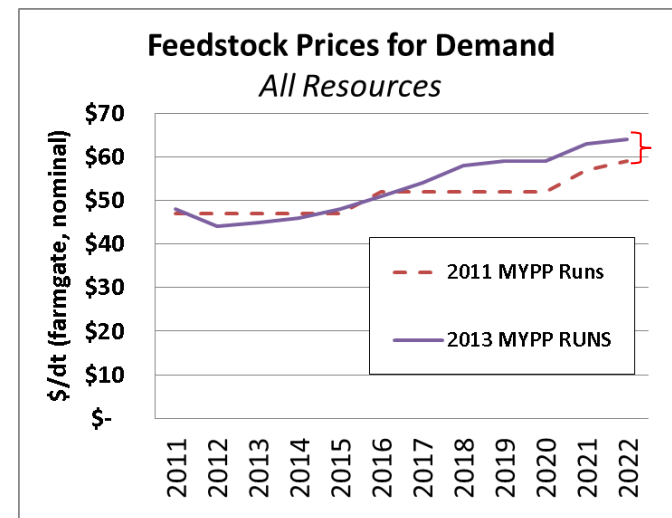
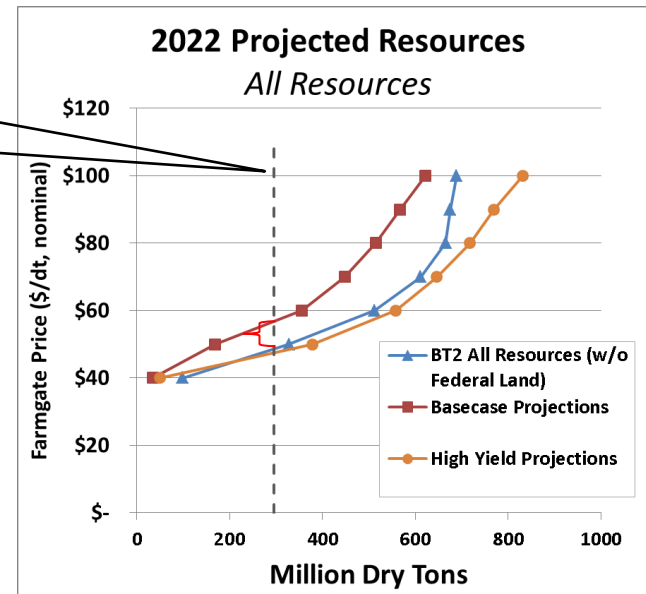
325 million tons/yr=
EISA+BioPower

Price run:

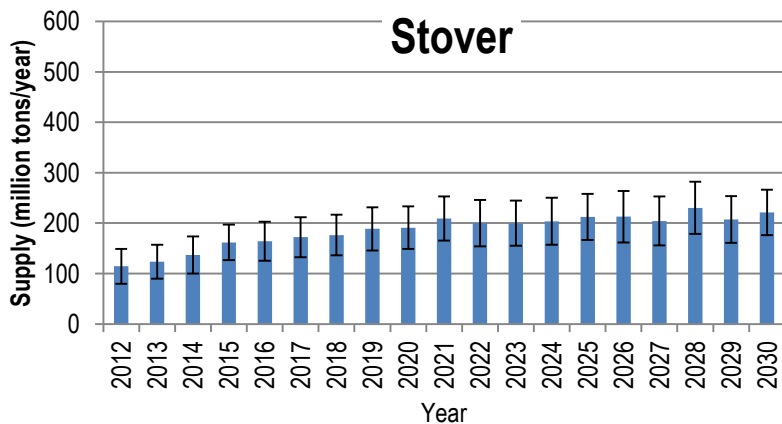
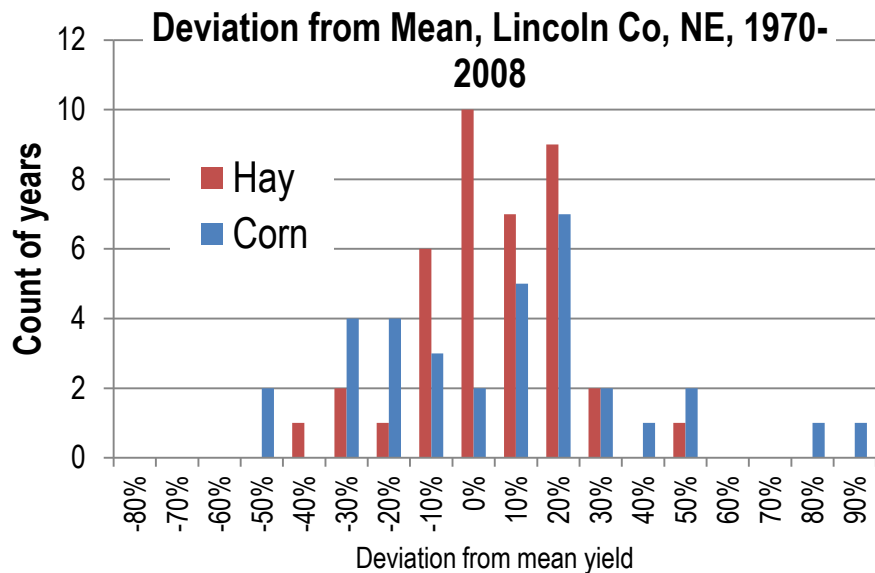
- BT2 = ~\$50/dt
- 2013 revision= ~\$58/dt
- 17% biomass price increase

Demand run, 325 mm t/yr:

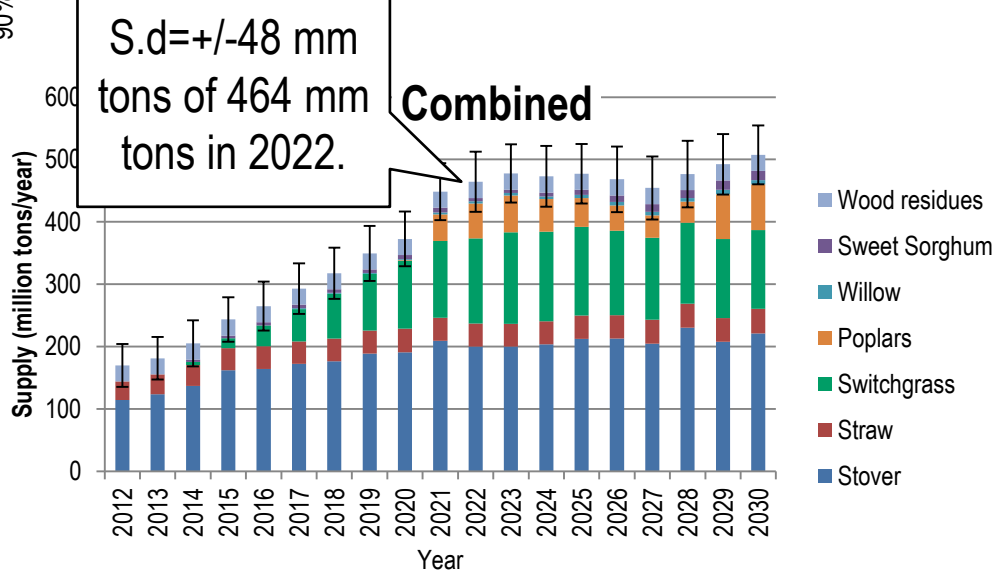
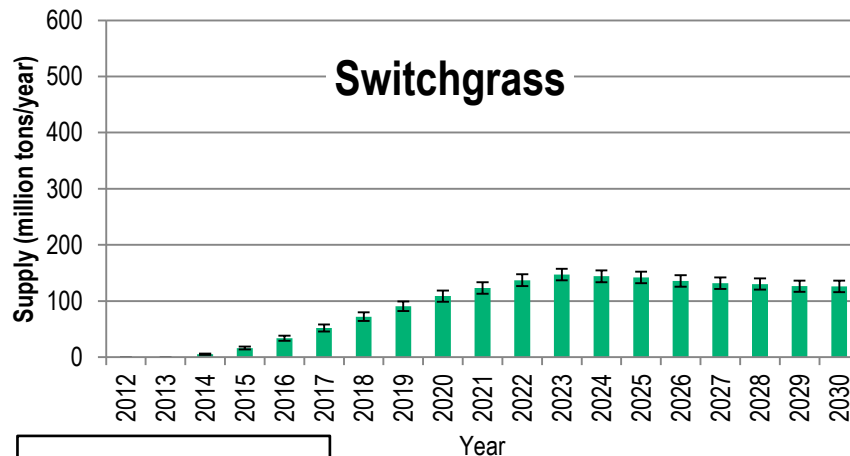
- MYPP = \$59/dt
- 2012 revision = \$64/dt
- 8.5% biomass price increase
- Corn Price increase 24%



Quantifying Uncertainty, Preliminary

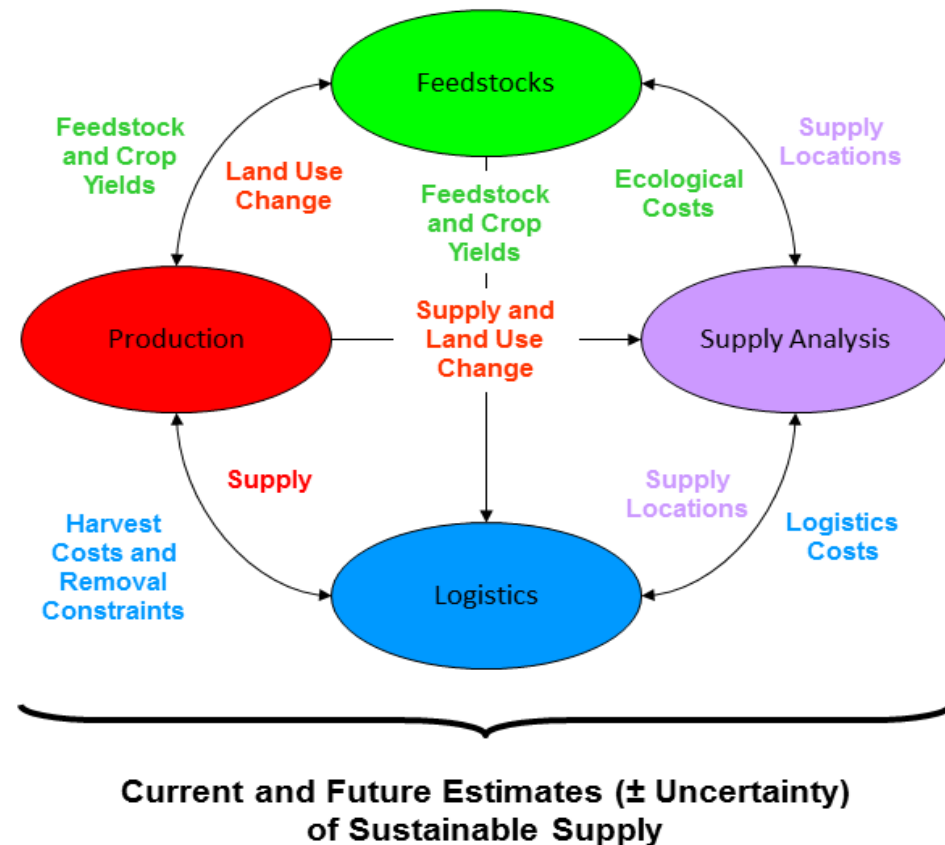


*\$80/dt, nominal. Base case. Do not cite.



Future Work

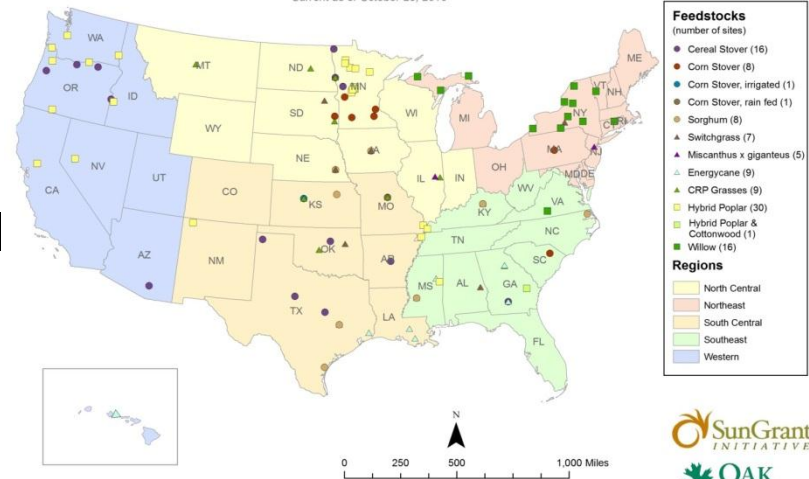
- Current and relevant feedstock price and supply projections.
- Incorporation of additional feedstocks (e.g., algae, MSW).
- Move toward Integrated Land Management.
- Spatially-explicit realizations
 - Stranded resources
 - Farmgate to Rx throat
 - Integrated modeling of externalities
 - Testing of policy scenarios



Feedstock Yield and Management Development

- New commercial varieties tested, “Best Local Varieties” identified via in SGI Regional Feedstock Partnership (40+ Institutions)
- Synthesis of field trials to create site potential yield based upon best reasonable management practices
- Expert meetings for each crop team (energy cane, switchgrass, *Miscanthus x Giganteus*, willow, poplar, CRP grasses, biomass sorghum)

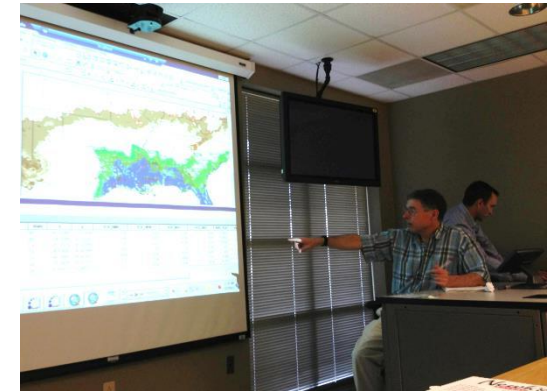
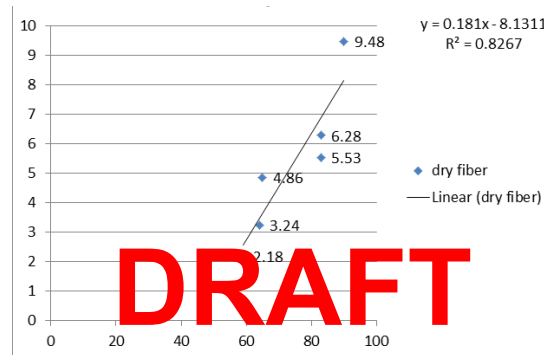
Sun Grant Initiative Regional Feedstock Partnership
Field Site Locations
Current as of October 25, 2010



Disclaimer: This map is intended for visual representation only. Many field trials occur within the same research location and may not be indicated on the map. Users of this information should contact the Department of Energy Golden Field Office for additional data information.



Energycane Yield (dry fiber) x predicted suitability



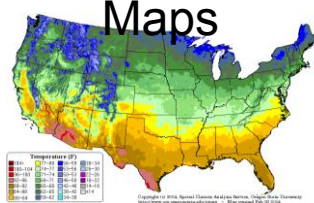
May 7-8, 2013 Energy cane expert meeting, Raymond, Mississippi

Yield Projections of New Commercial Feedstocks

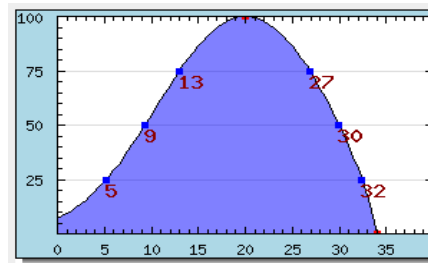
- Synthesized yield trials to create spatial gradient of potential crop suitability
- 30-year climate history, soils, 4km resolution at annual time intervals
- Yield projections guide cropping decisions and identify new information gaps



SSURGO Soil Maps

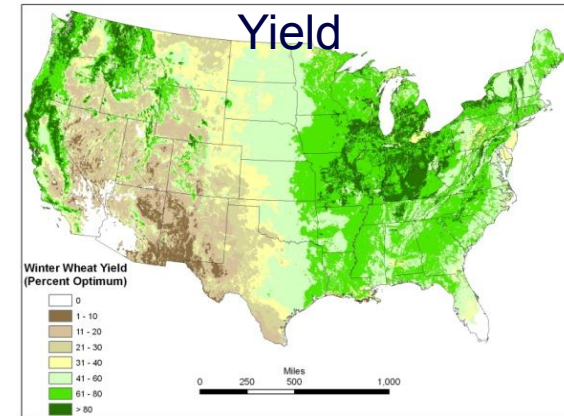


PRISM Climate Maps

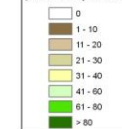


Crop Growth/
Environmental
Model

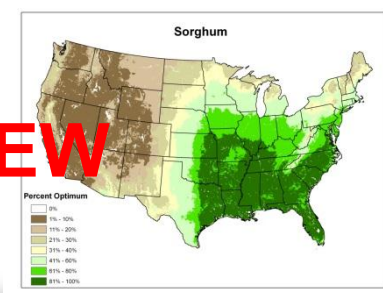
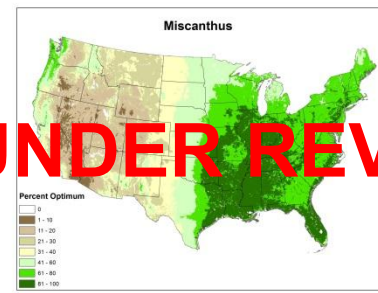
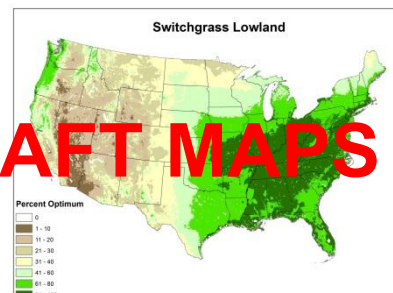
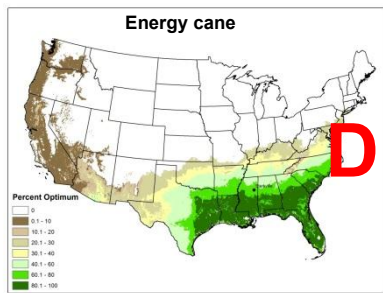
Percent of Maximum
Yield



Winter Wheat Yield
(Percent Optimum)



DRAFT MAPS UNDER REVIEW

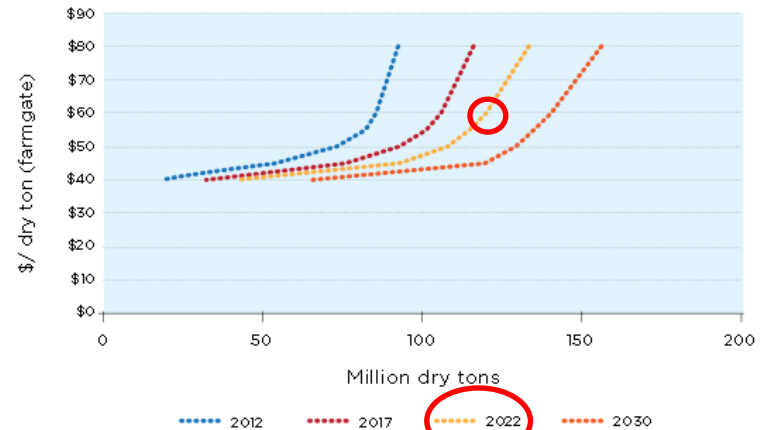


Bioenergy KDF Resources

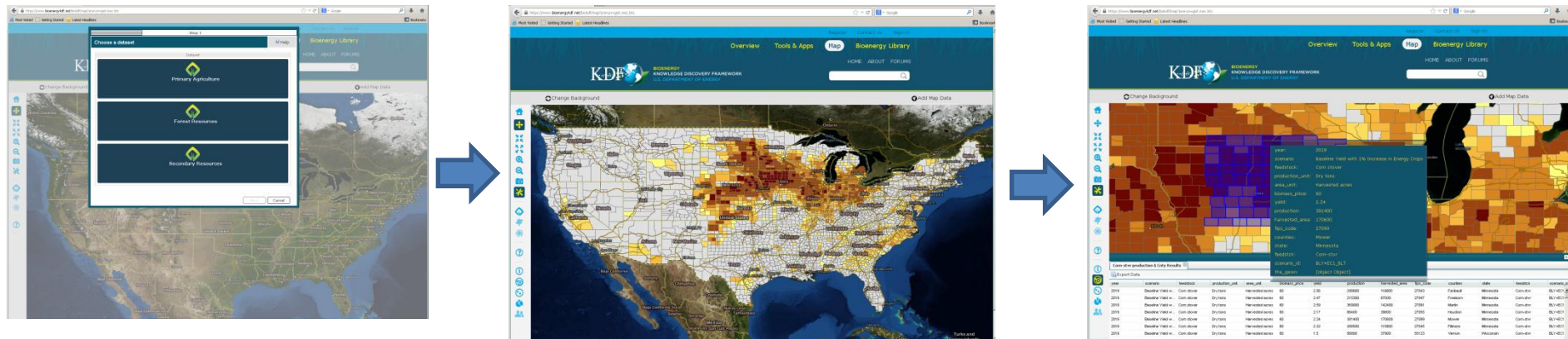
- Billion Ton Data Explorer
 - Visualize custom supplies from the BT2 findings
 - Available for all potential resources identified as new biomass sources

Corn Stover Supply

Figure 4.11 Supply curves of potential corn stover production for various years under baseline assumptions



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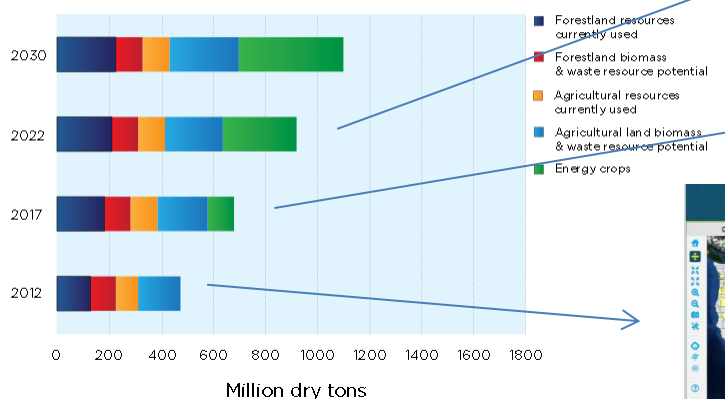


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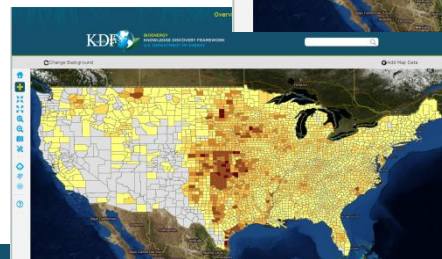
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- Composite Aggregation tools

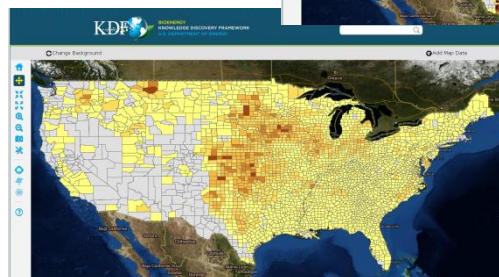
Figure 6.5 Summary of currently used and potential resources at \$60 per dry ton or less identified under baseline assumptions



2022 Baseline Resources



2017 Baseline Resources



2012 Baseline Resources

- Data Download tool

- Export custom aggregations of feedstock resource types at all price points for various years

- Developer API

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