# Landscape Design Implications of BT16 Volume 2

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## How BT16 Vol. 2 Supports Landscape Design

Data shows how land-use and land-management decisions (*i.e.*, landscape design) affect feedstock supply and environmental outcomes

Shows that with appropriate landscape design, a vibrant, environmentally friendly bio-economy can be developed

Helps identify research gaps and needs at local, regional, national and global scales

Volume 2 and the accompanying Knowledge Discovery Framework (KDF) can assist stakeholders in identifying beneficial biomass production opportunities

### **BT16** Recognizes Nature's Pillars for Landscape Design

Efficient nutrient cycling Multiple C sequestration pathways Filtering and buffering Wildlife food and habitat Soil Protection and enhancement Economic opportunities for humankind

Diversity

Enhanced Soil Health – physical, biological, & chemical

**Unimpaired Water Quality and Quantity** 

# **One Approach for Landscape Design**

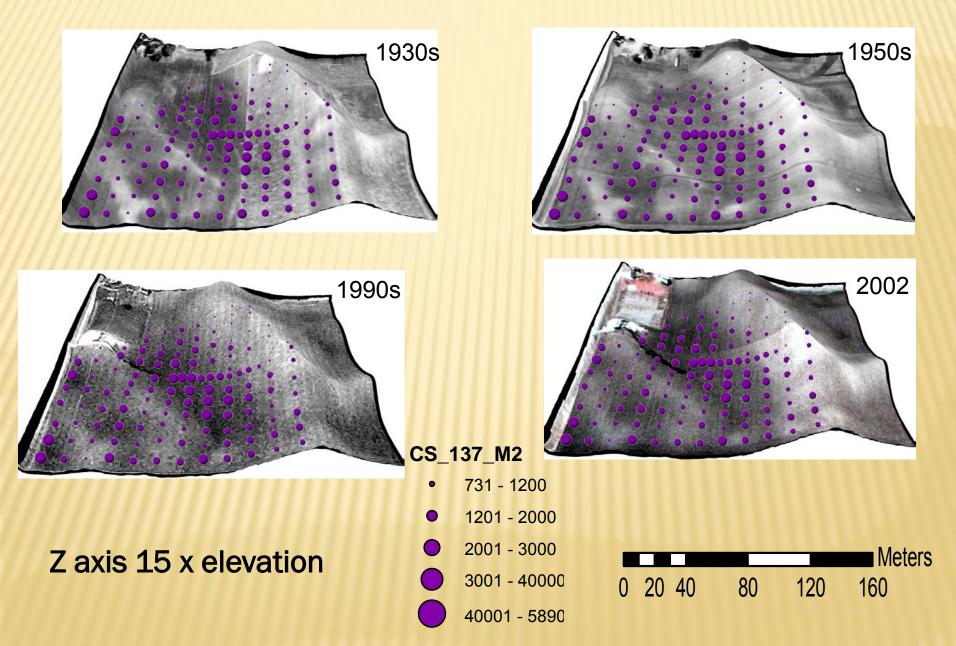
Characterize your target landscape

Use BT16 Vol. 2 scenarios as conceptual models to redesign your target landscape

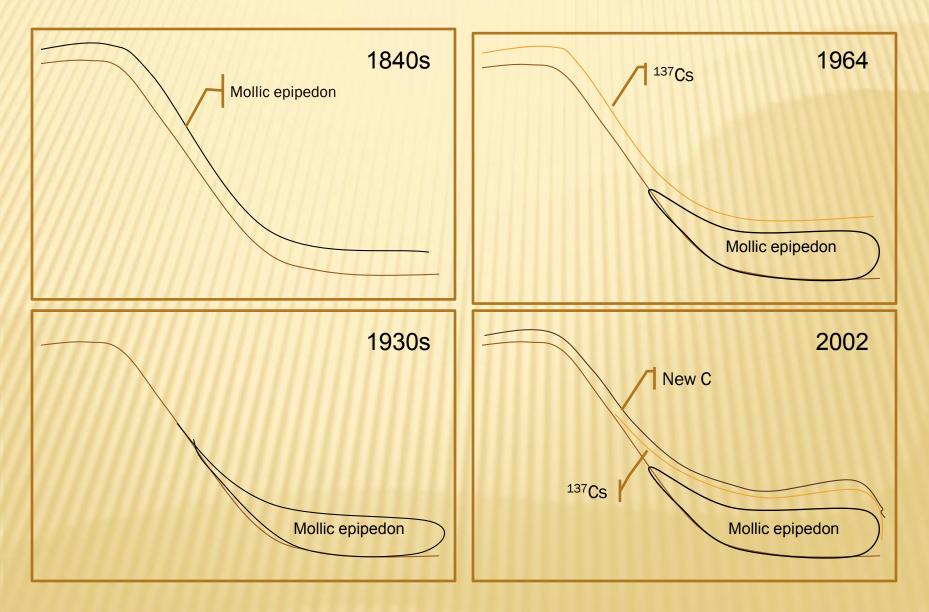
Use BT16 Vol. 2 data as input for simulation models to project landscape design effects

Implement a new landscape design and compare BT16 Vol. 2 data to measured responses

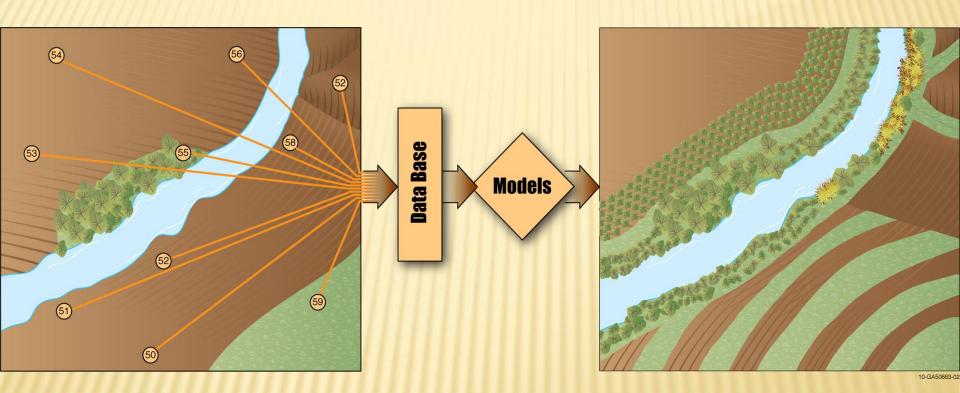
### Landscape Design Addresses Long-Term Change



# Long-Term Change Reflects Topsoil Erosion



# Landscape Design Proposed to DOE in 2010



Utilizing existing USDA-NRCS Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP), Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP), and USDA-FAS Biomass Crop Assistance Program (BCAP) programs to create a more diversified, ecosystem friendly landscape

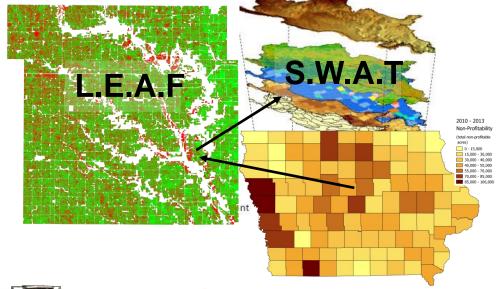
### Landscape Design for Sustainable Bioenergy Systems

#### **Goal Statement:**

The team will work with growers and biomass end-users to utilize subfield agronomic models to target areas within existing cellulosic ethanol feedstock supply sheds to build baseline datasets, implement conservation practices, monitor key environmental indicators, and monitor the environmental and economic impacts to the watersheds and the biomass supply chain. (to enable future biomass supply systems)

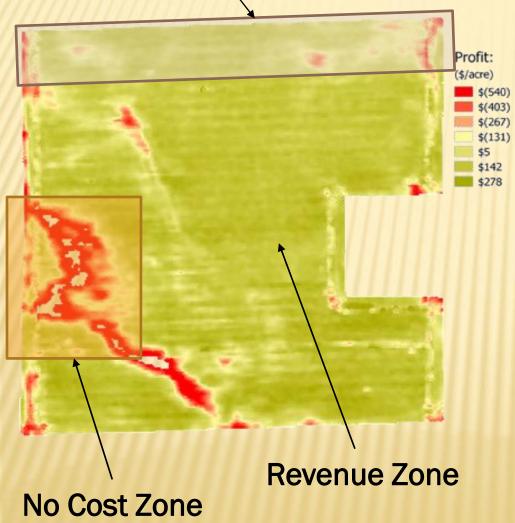
Total Project Budget	\$12,000,000
DOE Funds Awarded	\$9,000,000
Applicant Cost Share	\$3,000,000

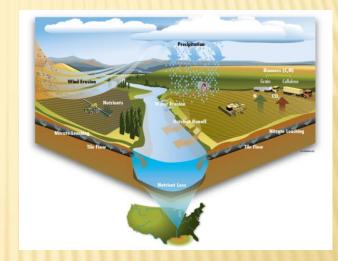
\$12.25 million additional leveraged to date

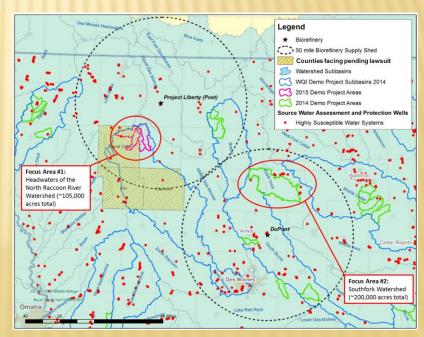


# **BT16 Vol 2 Helped Justify Funding**

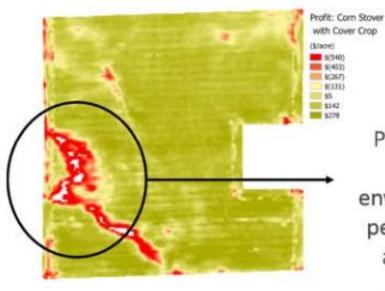
#### **Expense Limited Zone**





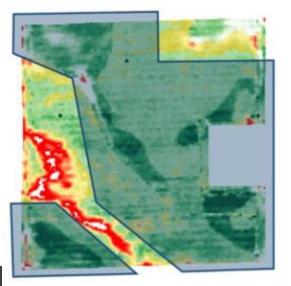


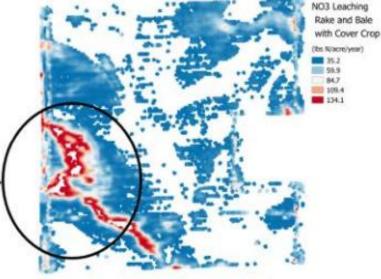
# Approach (Technical)



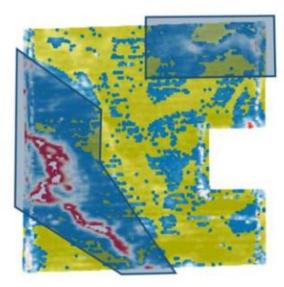
- Changing
  management
  practices to improve
  profitability,
  environmental
  performance, and
  biomass supplies
- Profitability and environmental performance are linked

Stover Removal Management Zones





NO3 Leaching Mitigation Management Zones



### **CP-38 Pheasant Recovery Participant Promotion**



#### Contract Terms:

- 5 year assessment of CRP establishment. The team will periodically take measurements related to soil erosion, water quality and wildlife benefits.
- Information gathered on your CRP planting will remain anonymous.
- All results will be shared with cooperator.
- Cooperator to abide by all rules of CRP program.

To learn more about the landscape design project and participation in the program contact us at: 712-253-6628 515-313-0080 tom@fdcenterprises.com Antares Group and install partner FDC Enterprises, Inc. in cooperation with the local SWCD, FSA and NRCS are seeking landowners enrolled in the CP-38 Pheasant Recovery program to participate in a landscape design project funded by the US Department of Energy. An objective of the project is to assess the potential biomass yield that could be produced in the area and the environmental benefits of CRP establishment practices. Participants will receive numerous incentives described below.

#### Participant Incentives:

- Full establishment of your CRP practice free of charge. The team will pay for the portion of your project not covered by FSA's cost share and practice incentive payments. All seed, chemical and establishment will be arranged for you.
- Establishment of your CRP practice by a company with over 270,000 acres of CRP establishment experience.
- Optional whole farm profitability assessment with Agsolver.
- Optional financial and technical assistance for additional projects such as buffer strips and saturated buffers.
- Optional payments for harvest of 1/3 the native mix, in nesting cover portion only, of CRP practice in years 4, 5 and 6.
   Harvest of winter cover is not authorized.





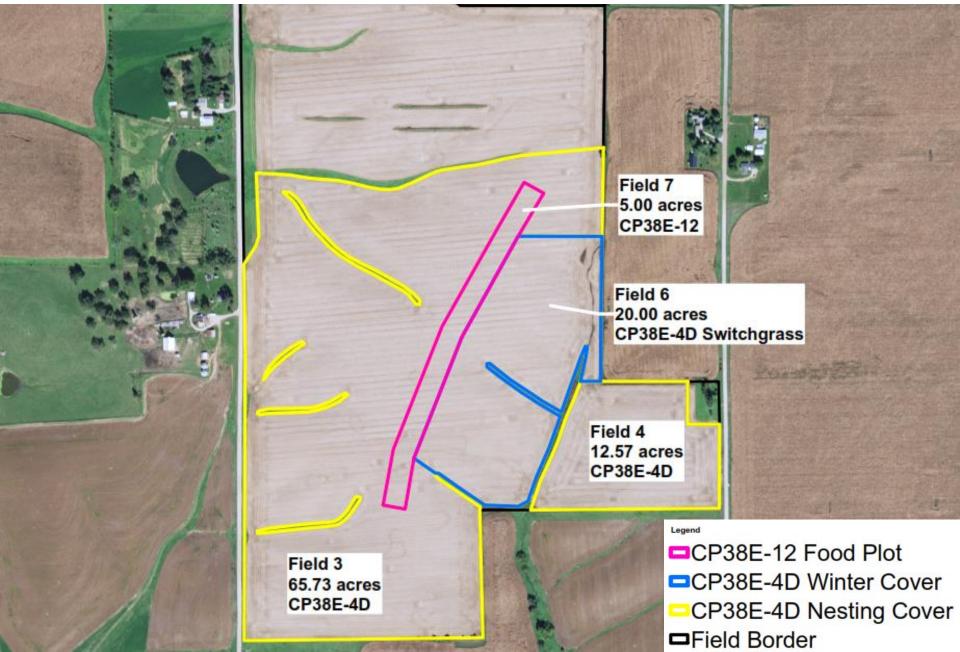
SIGN UP PERIOD: DEC 15th - SEPT 30th





FDC Enterprises, Inc., Antares Group Inc., IDALS and USDA are Equal Opportunity Employers

# **CP-38 Field Plan Example (Row Crop)**



#### **Feedstock Logistics – A Landscape Design Component**















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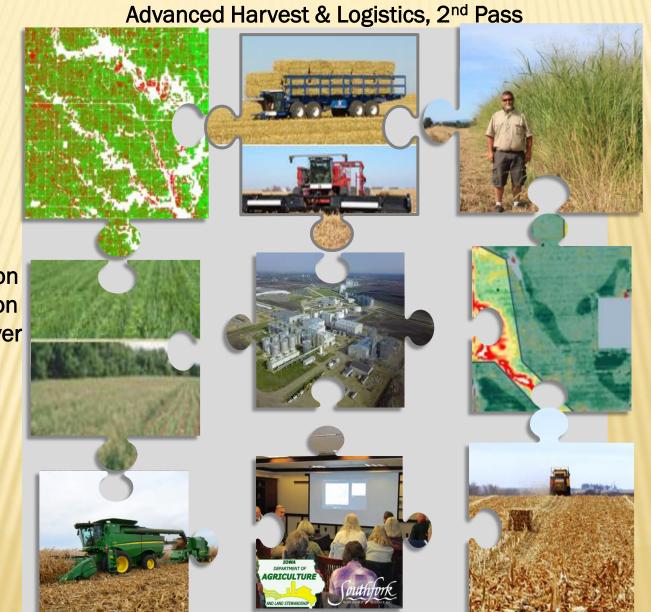


# **BT16 Vol. 2 Helps Combine the Pieces**

Regional Impact Modeling & Monitoring

Implementation of Conservation Practices (Cover Crops, Buffer Strips, etc.)

> Advanced Harvest & Logistics, Single Pass



Multi-stakeholder Outreach

Perennial Grass for Conservation & Biomass Supply

> Subfield Precision Business Planning

Sustainable Residue Harvest

# The Ultimate Goal: Healthy Soils $\rightarrow$ Healthy Landscapes $\rightarrow$ Vibrant Bio-Economies