

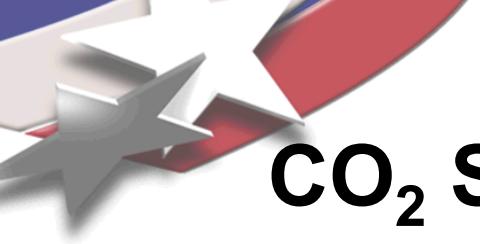
# ***The Water, Energy and Carbon Sequestration Simulation Model (WECSSim<sup>©</sup>)***

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# Water, Energy and CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestration (WECS) Model:

**(4) H<sub>2</sub>O Treatment & Use**



**(1) CO<sub>2</sub> Capture**

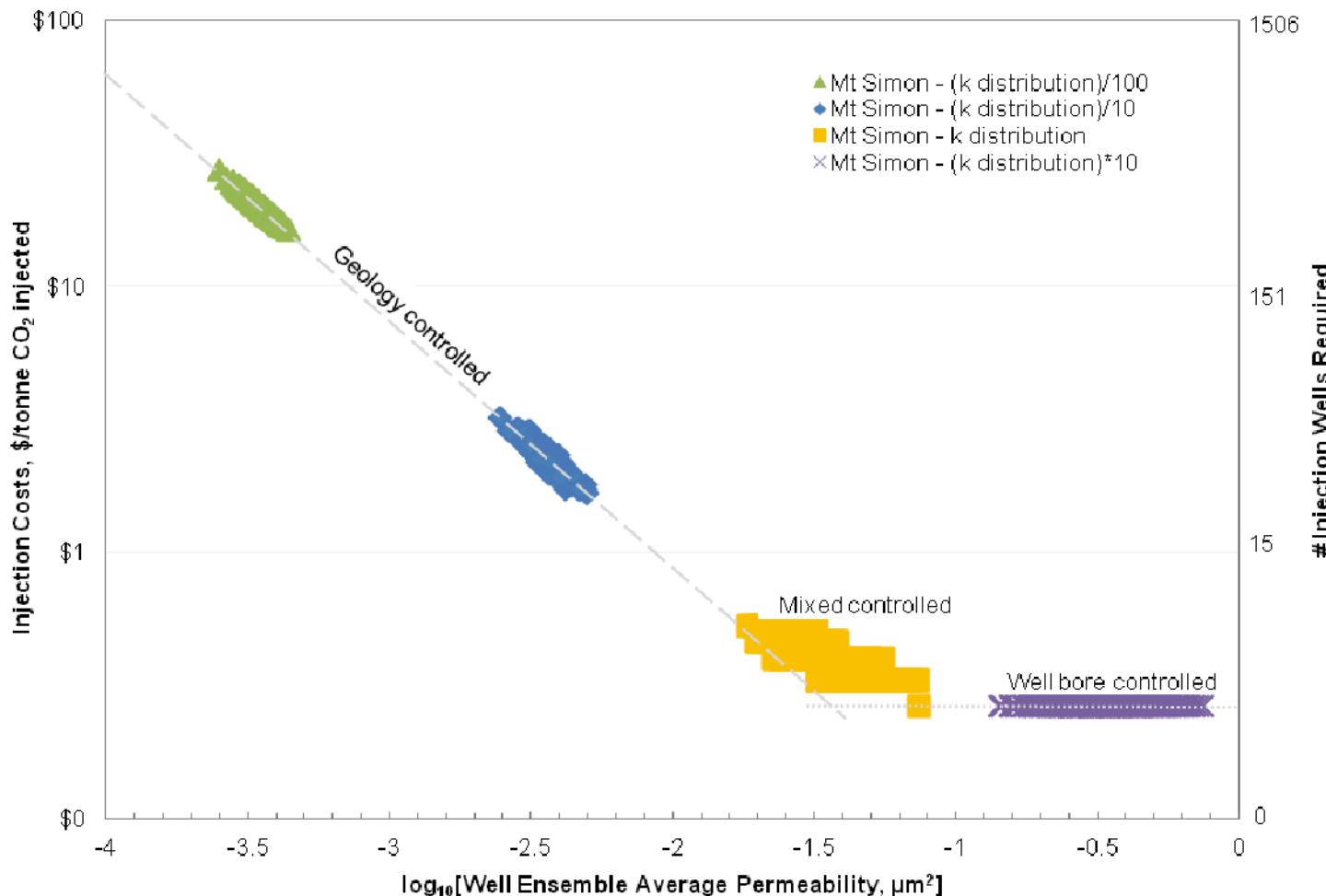


**(3) H<sub>2</sub>O Extraction**

**(2) Formation Assessment & CO<sub>2</sub> Storage**

Geologic Saline Formation

# Permeability & Engineered Constraints Drive Well Costs

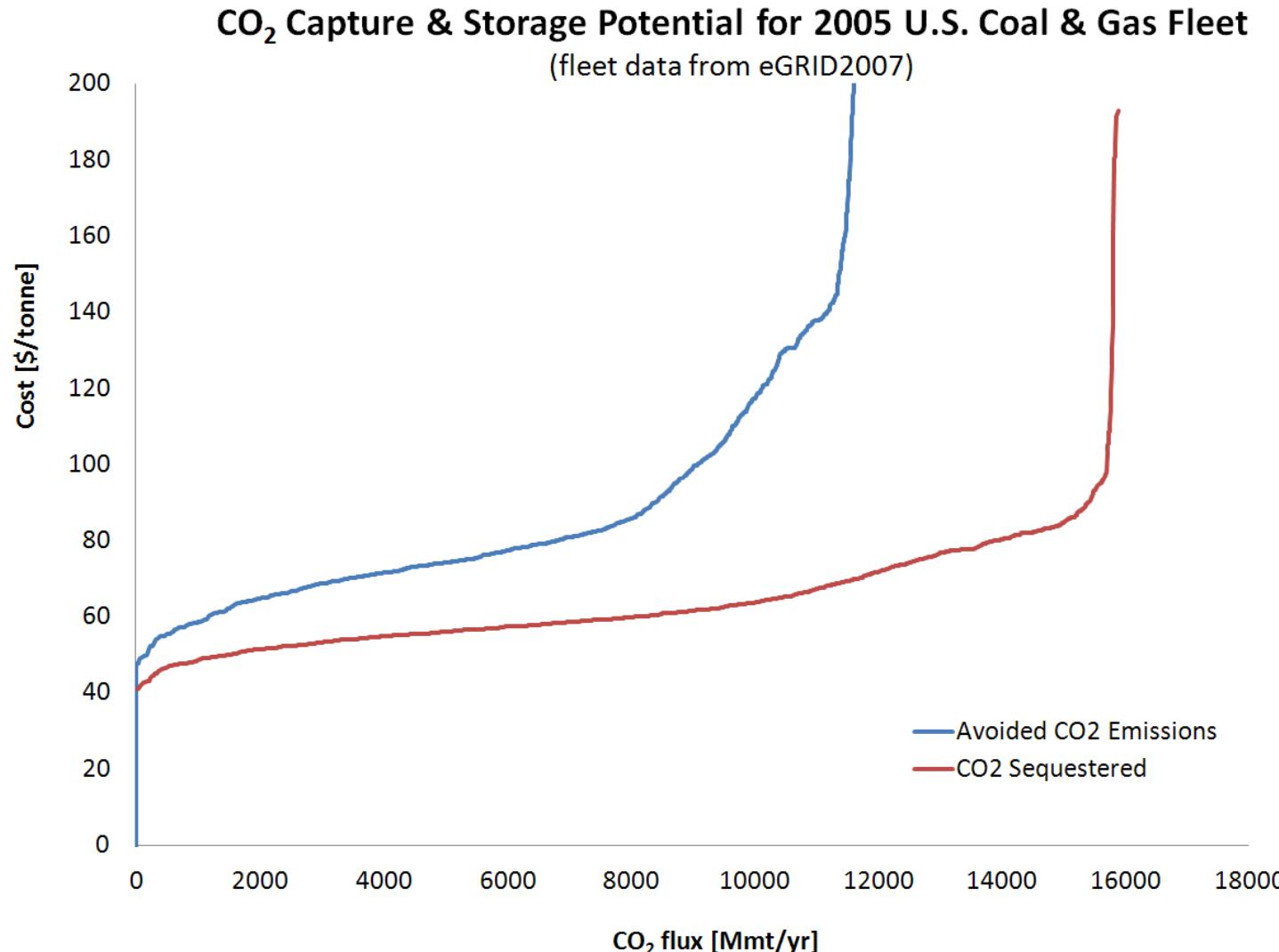


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# Working Results: Developing a National, Dynamic CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Supply Curve

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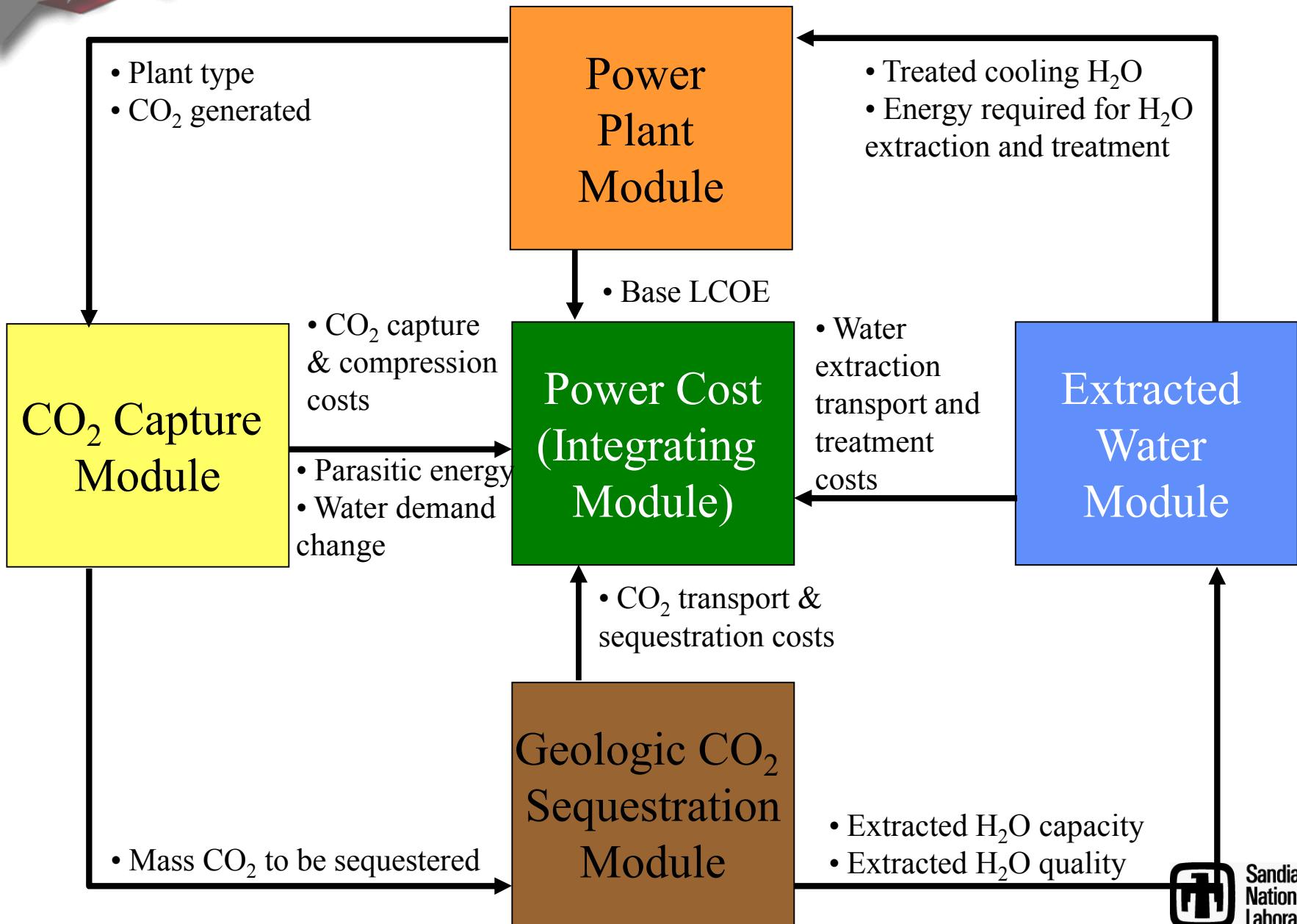


# Project Timeline & Goals

## Timeline

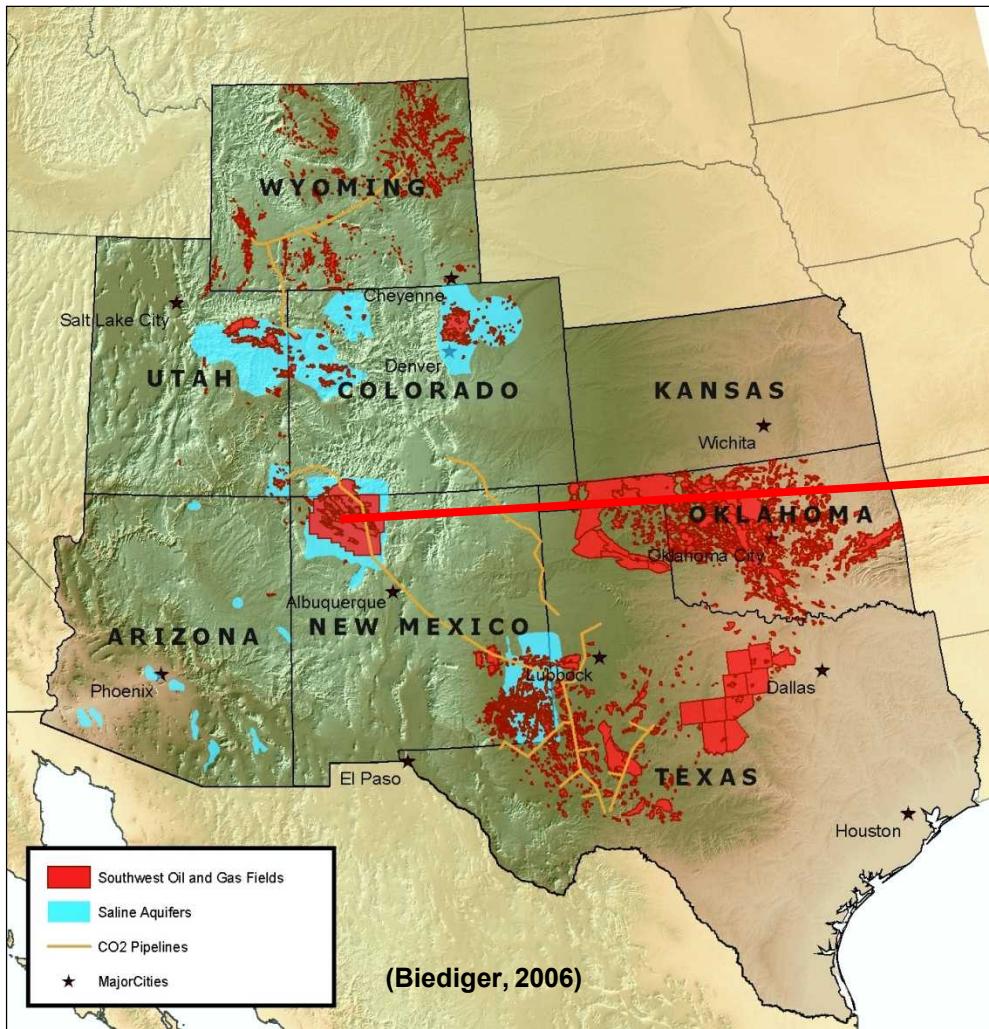
2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Developed a Test Case Model (WECS)</li></ul>
2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Additional TOUGH2 Analysis</li></ul>
2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Developed a single power plant to any saline formation sink in the U.S. systems calculator</li></ul>
2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Expanding the role of uncertainty in the model<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Several order of magnitude variation in key geologic parameter (permeability)</li><li>• Incorporating uncertainties into costs</li></ul></li></ul>
2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Refining permeability, porosity representation in WECSsim<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Finalizing WECSsim Interface</li><li>• Develop WECSsim User's manual</li></ul></li></ul>
2012	

# WECSsim Modular Structure



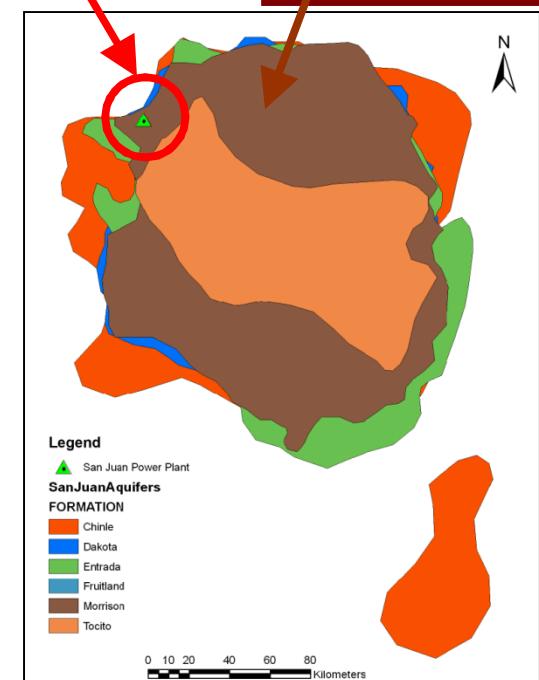


# The San Juan Power Plant and Morrison Formation

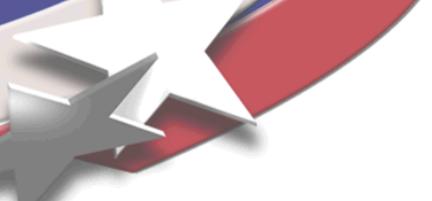


San Juan Power Plant

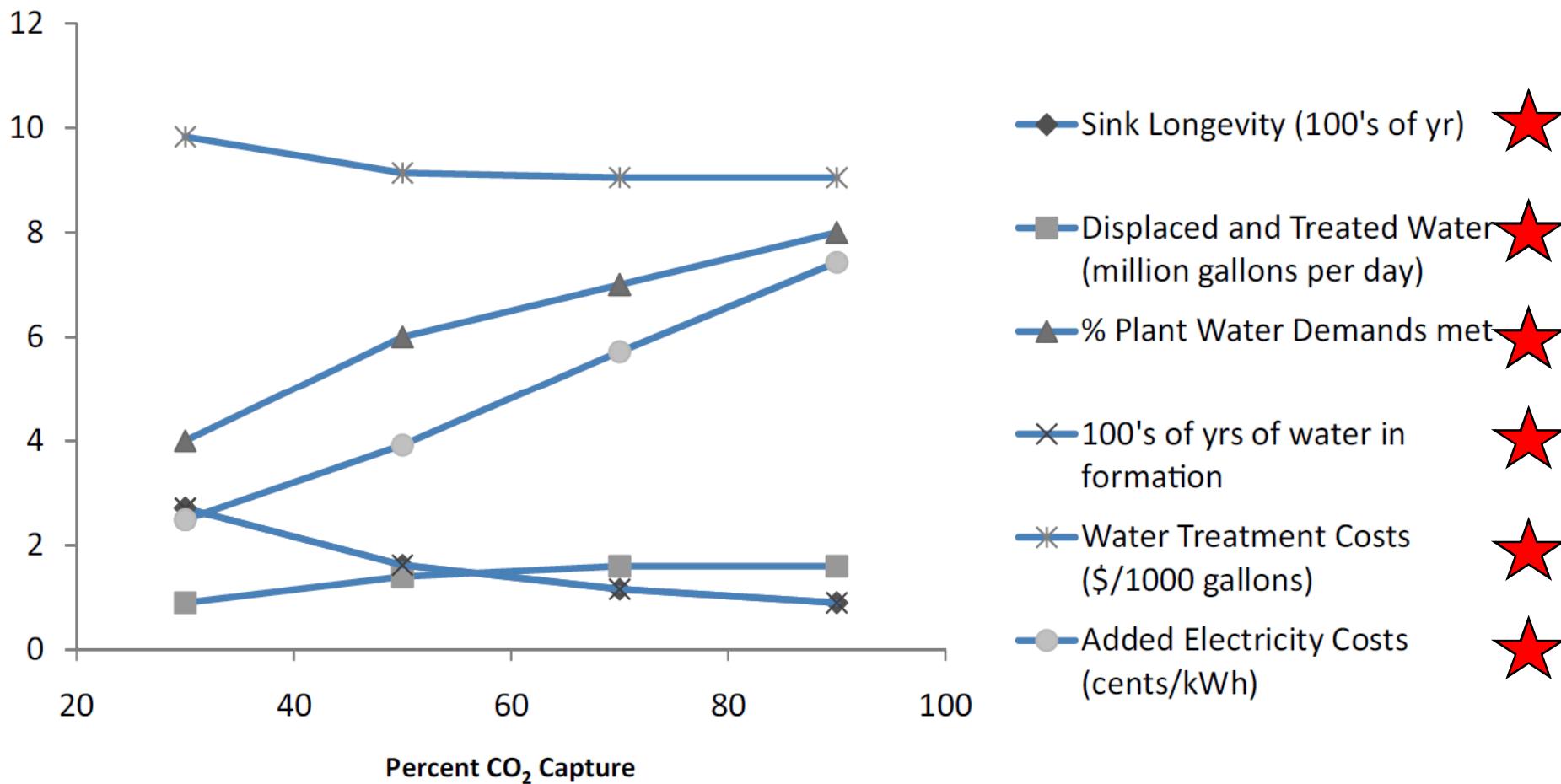
Morrison Formation



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# Single Power Plant to Single Geologic Storage Site

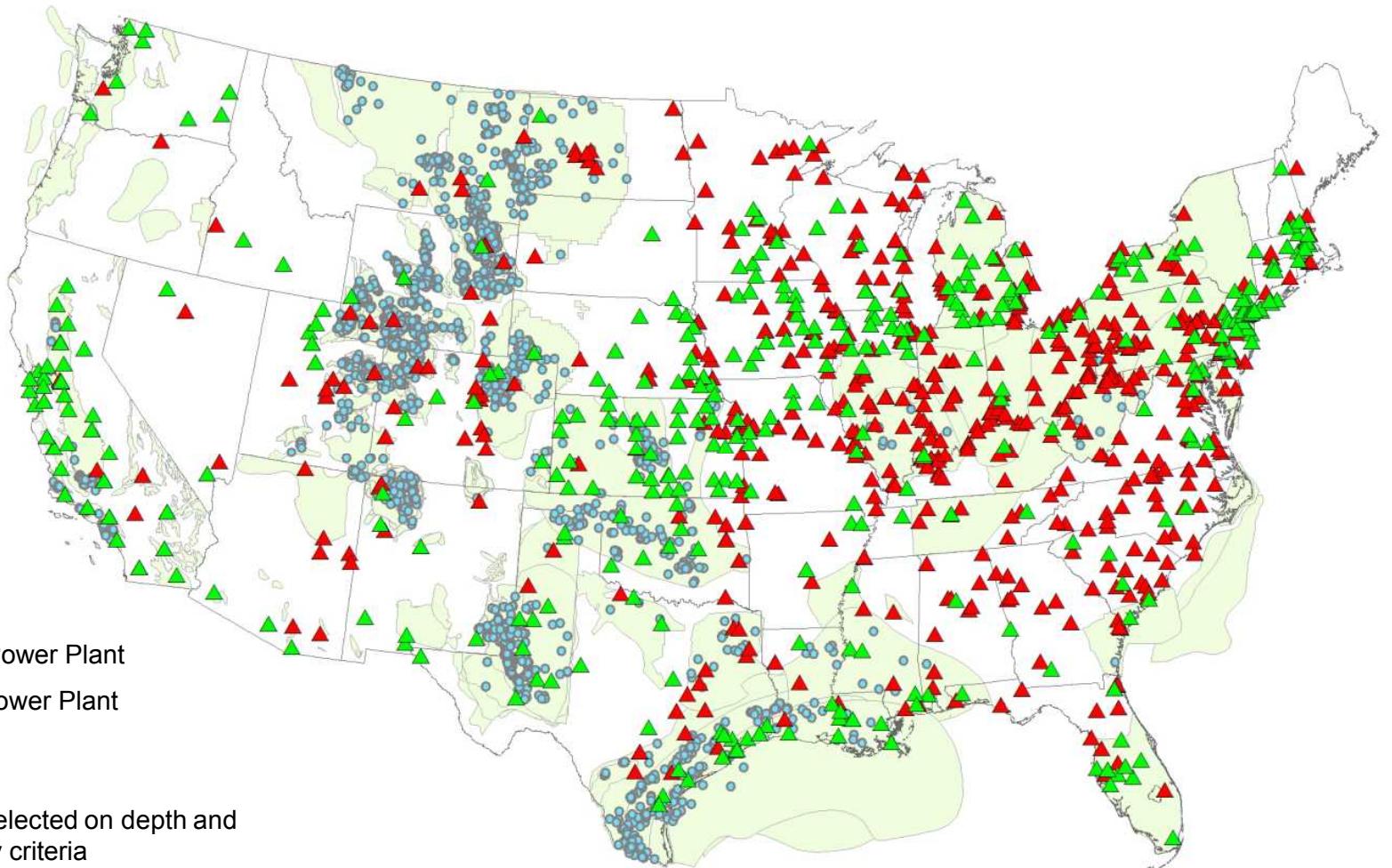


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# Geological CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Database Challenges

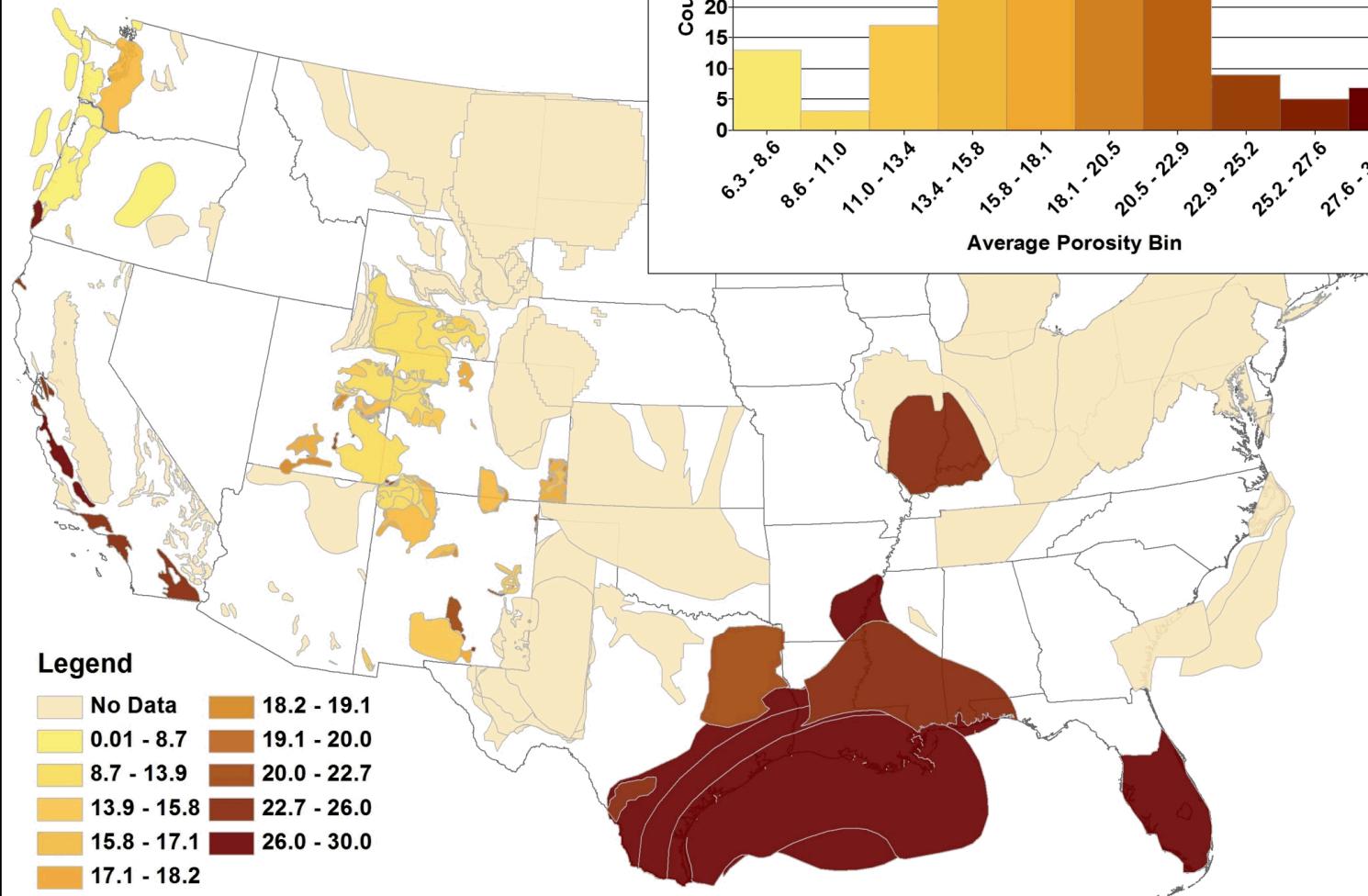
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325 down selected regions  
original NatCarb Atlas data

# Distribution of *Porosity*, & other characteristics

Average Porosity (%)



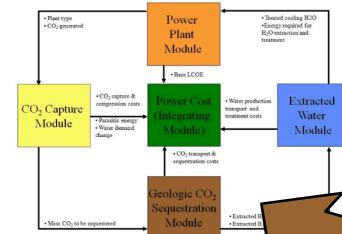
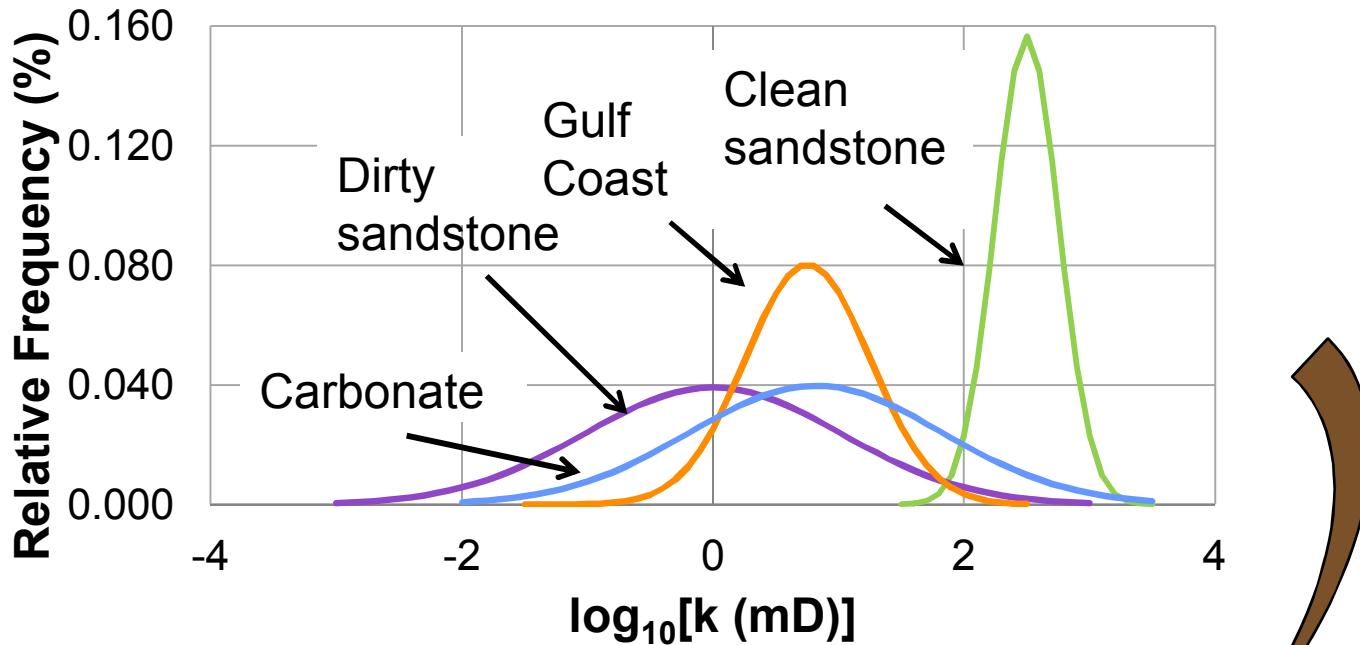


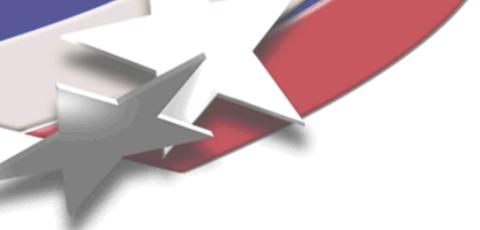
# Data Challenge in the Context of Cost

Data Challenge	Required to Calculate	Result
Formation Permeability	→	Injection Rates per Well
Injection Rates Per Well	→	Number of Wells per Power Plant & CO <sub>2</sub> Sink Combo.
Number of Wells	→	Cost of Infrastructure & Well Spacing
Costs & Well Spacing	→	Manage Communication between Wells
Communication Between Wells	→	Calculate the Levelized Lifetime Cost (and years) for the CO <sub>2</sub> Sink & H <sub>2</sub> O resource

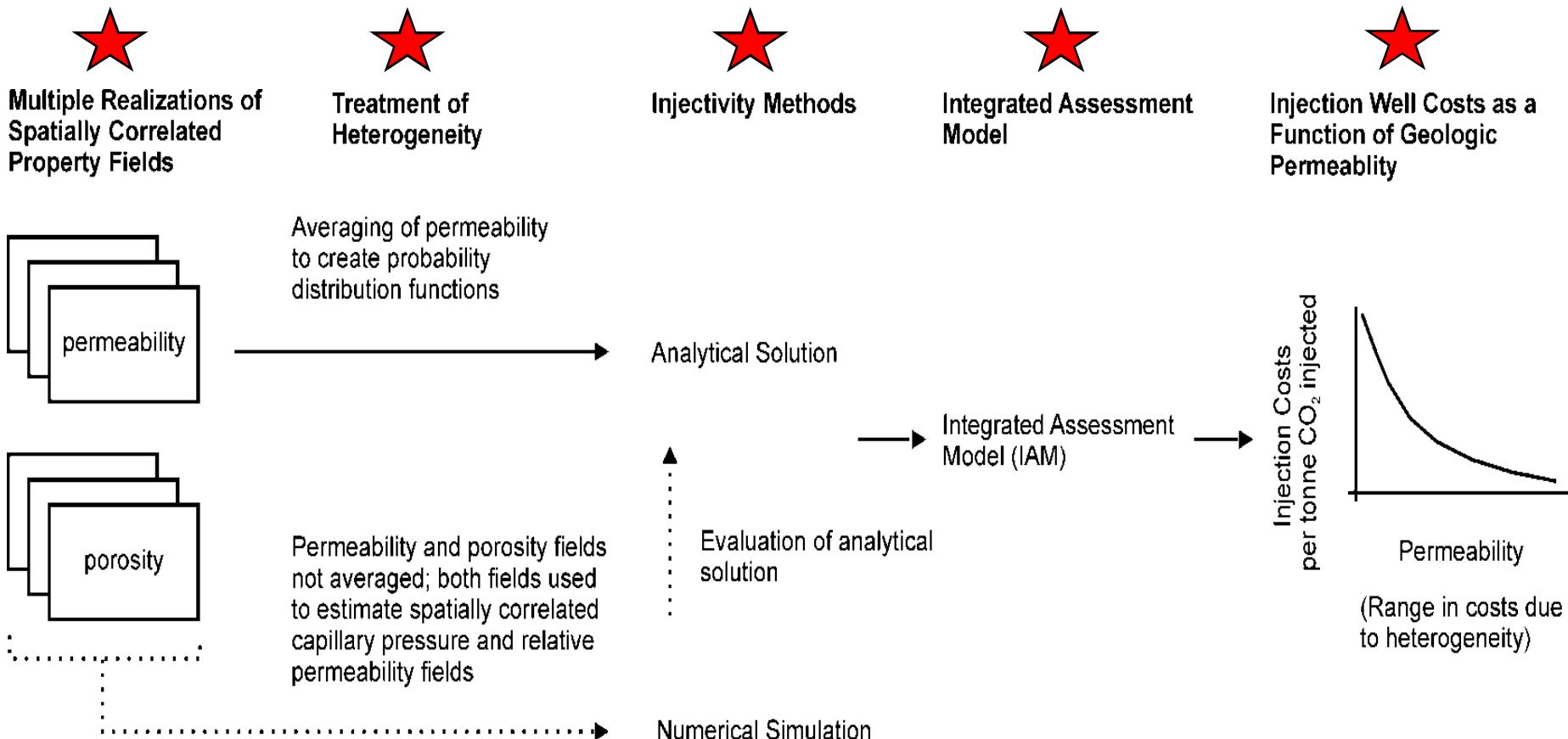
# Expanding the ‘Geology Controlled’ (Permeability) factor to Cost Relationship across all Sinks

**Injectivity equation:** permeability sampled from 4 Rock Types





# Methods behind the Permeability-to-Cost Analysis

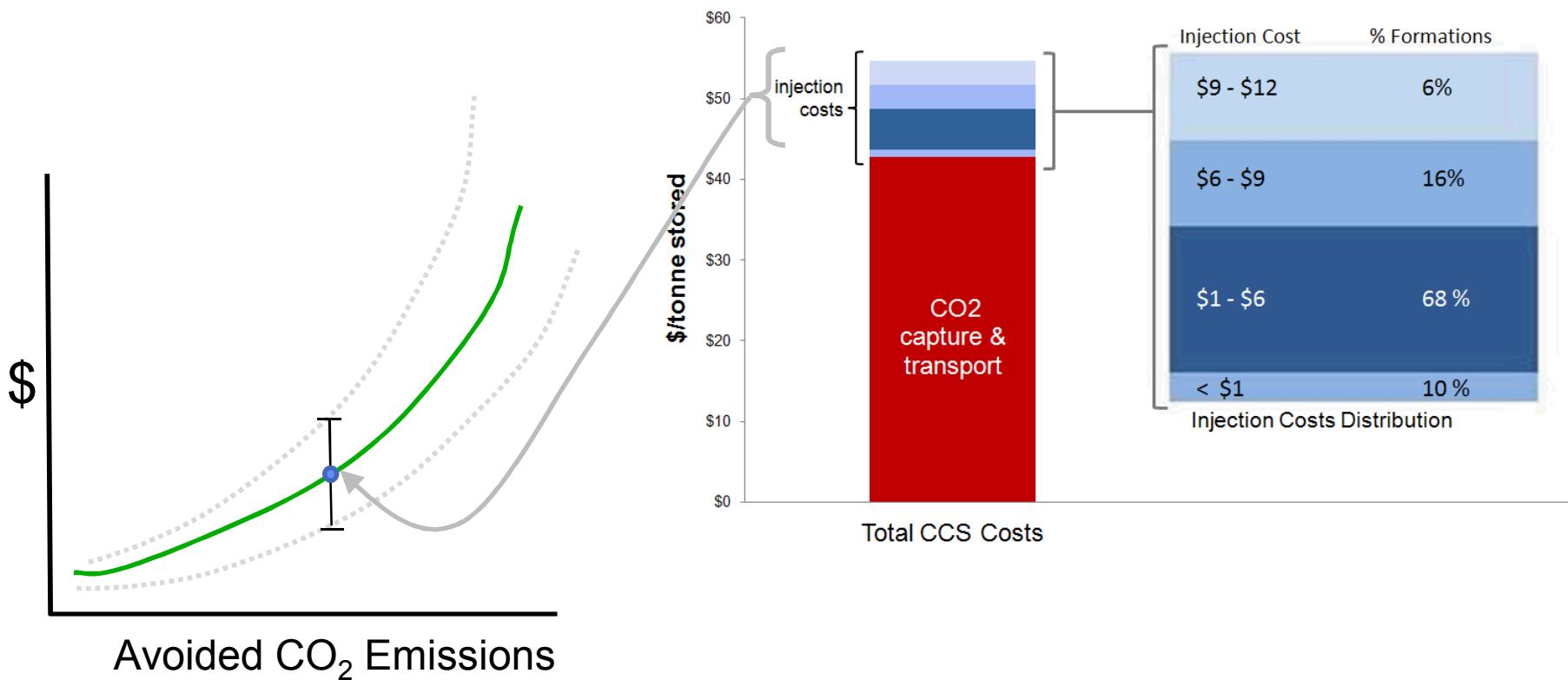


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# WECSsim Results:

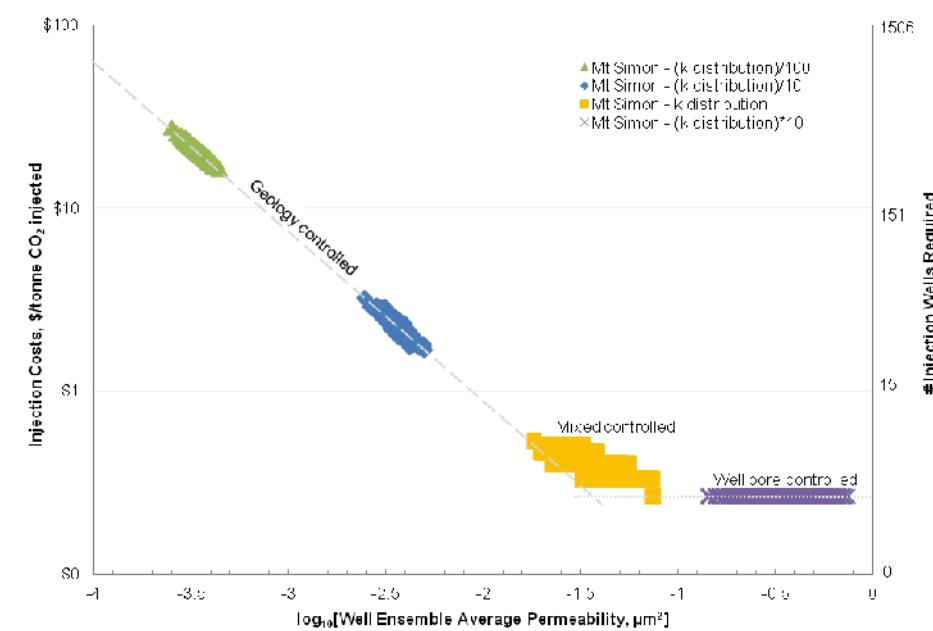
## *Similar Full Economic Analysis Underway*



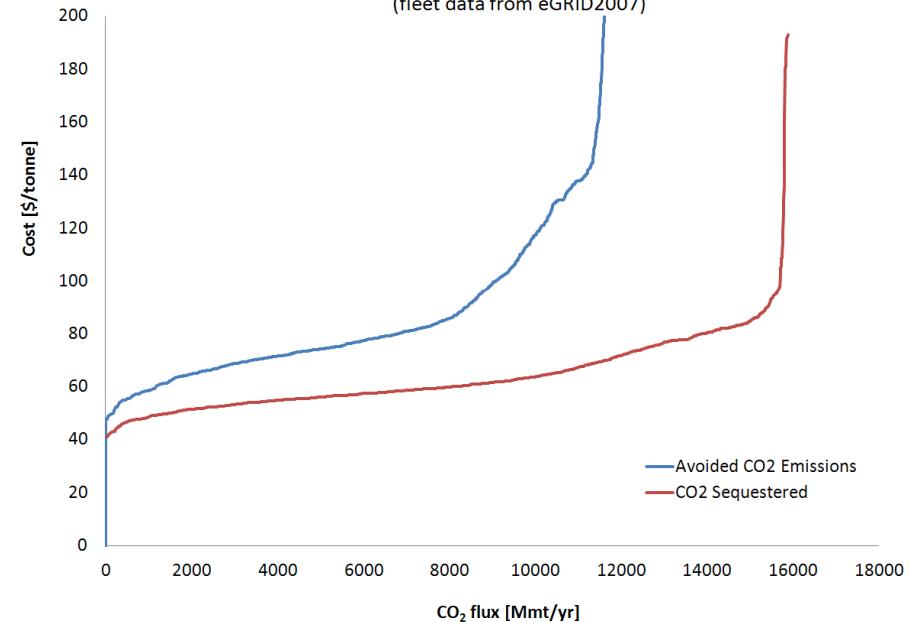
**Note: Illustrative Example at this time**

# Summary:

## Identifying costs, capacity, and siting criteria



CO<sub>2</sub> Capture & Storage Potential for 2005 U.S. Coal & Gas Fleet  
(fleet data from eGRID2007)





# Key Messages

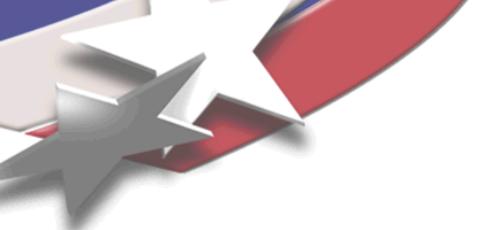
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## Framework for National Level Assessment

- Cost of CCS from any U.S. fossil fuel power plant to any deep saline formation
- Site-specific nature of geologic data challenge

## Impact of Geologic Uncertainty on Costs

- Low injectivity requires more injection wells and therefore higher costs
- High permeability reservoirs with low injection costs (< \$1/tonne) represent < ~10% of the 325 formations
- Scale-up challenge



## For Further Information:

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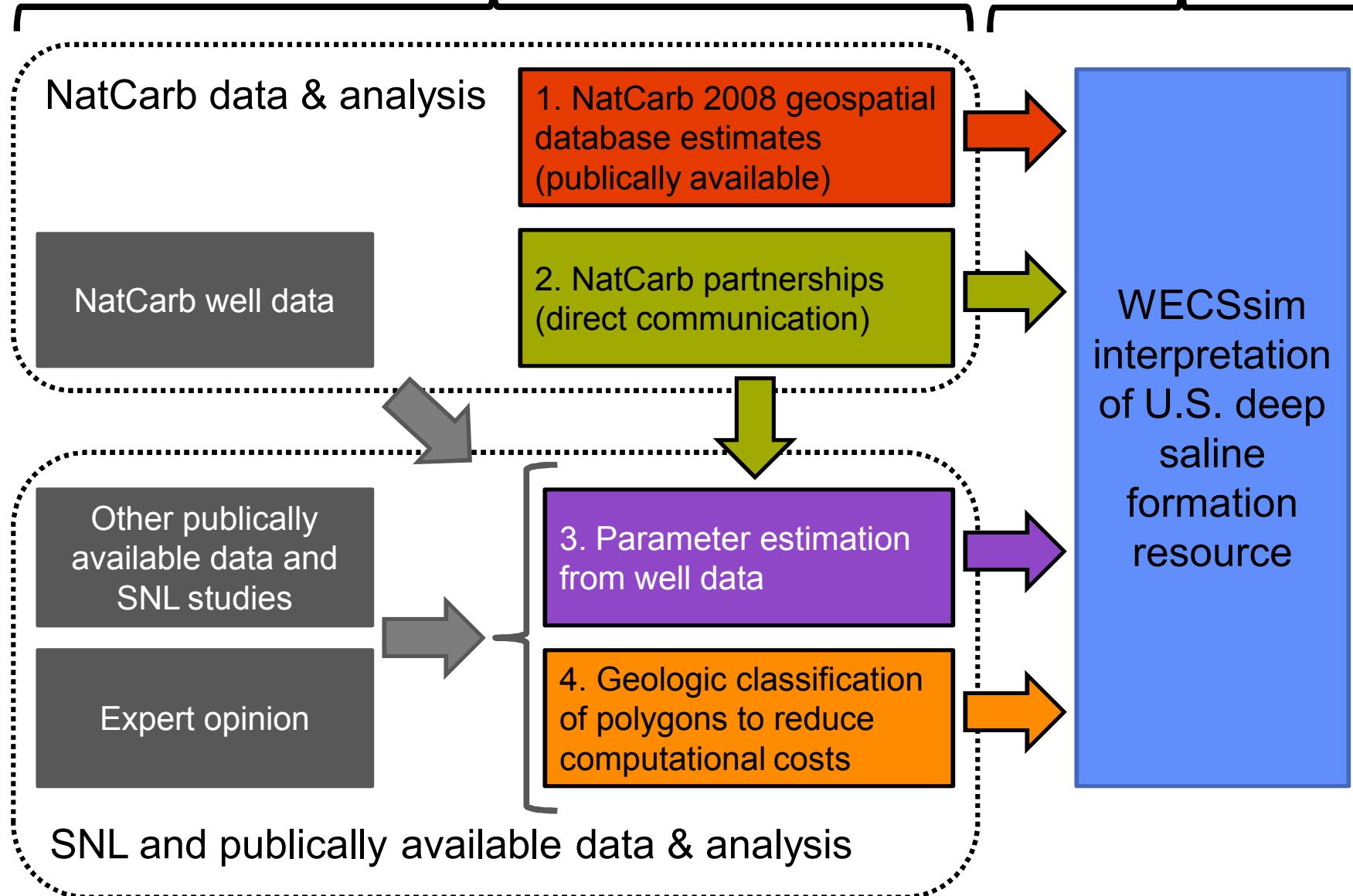
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# Assessing U.S. deep saline formations

## Data and Analysis

## Product





# Limited Saline Formation Data

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Data availability by source for 325 polygons derived from NatCarb 2008

Data Source	CO <sub>2</sub> storage capacity	Area	Depth	Thickness	Porosity	Perm	TDS	Temp	Pressure
NatCarb 2008	42%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Partnerships	42%	100%	62%	64%	55%	0%	18%	44%	45%
Well records	NA	NA	70% <sup>1</sup>	70% <sup>1</sup>	0%	0%	70% <sup>1</sup>	100% <sup>2</sup>	NA
Geologic class	NA	NA	NA	NA	100%	100%	0%	NA	NA
<b>No estimate</b>	<b>16%</b> (52)	<b>0%</b> (0)	<b>14%<sup>3</sup></b> (47)	<b>14%<sup>3</sup></b> (47)	<b>0 %</b> (0 )	<b>0 %</b> (0 )	<b>14%<sup>3</sup></b> (47)	<b>14%<sup>3</sup></b> (47)	<b>14%<sup>3</sup></b> (47)

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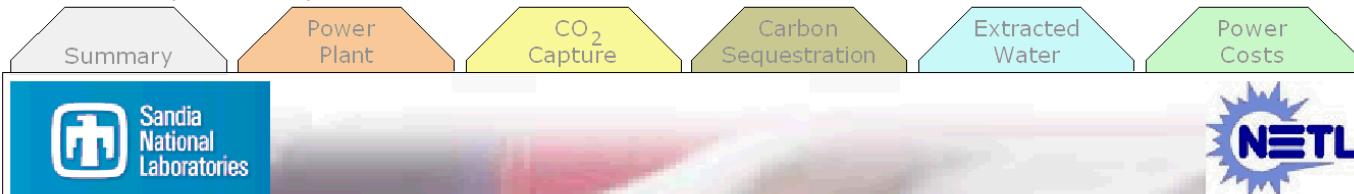
1. 30% of polygons (97 of 325) have no potentially intersecting wells associated with them from well databases used here.

2. Temperature calculated from depth and geothermal gradient. Geothermal gradient was developed spatially from publically available well records.

3. 14% of polygons (47 of 325) have no depth, thickness, or salinity information and no potentially intersecting wells.



WECSSim: a dynamic analysis tool



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**Version 1.0, September 2011; Working Version, as of 2/2012.**

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Module Input

**Overview**

Power Plant  
Carbon Capture  
Carbon Storage  
Extracted Water  
Power Costs

**Specify a Power Plant and Desired Carbon Capture %:**

Plant Type & Specific Plant

Pulverized Coal NM - Four Corners  
 IGCC FL - Polk  
 NGCC AL - ExxonMobil Mobile Bay Onshore  
 Gas Turbine AL - ABC Coke  
 Hypothetical

% CO<sub>2</sub> Capture  
90 %

**Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) with Saline Water Extraction: Where and How Much?**

Sequestration Formation:	Southwest - SanJuan - Entrada	
CO <sub>2</sub> Stored:	12.90 Mmt/yr base	16.48 Mmt/yr total (w makeup power ccs)
CCS Cost per Mass CO <sub>2</sub> :	\$54.7 per tonne stored	\$72.2 per tonne of avoided emissions
Added Energy Cost:	5.48 cents/kWh for CCS	0.38 cents/kWh water related

**Output**

Rescale output graph axes

Locations of Formation & Power Plant

Selected formation centroid  
Power plant

Mass CO<sub>2</sub> generated x1000 tonnes/yr

Base Case

Captured (cyan)  
Emitted (orange)

LCOE cents/kWh

12.6 cents/kWh

h2o  
ccs  
base

Cost of avoided CO<sub>2</sub> emissions: \$72.2 per tonne

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Summary Power Plant CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Carbon Storage Extracted Water Power Costs

**Module Input**

**Summary**

Plant location  
Plant type & size  
Water use  
LCOE

**Specify a Power Plant (Existing or Hypothetical):**

Plant Type & Specific Plant

Pulverized Coal      NM - Four Corners  
 IGCC      FL - Polk  
 NGCC      AL - ExxonMobil Mobile Bay Onshore  
 Gas Turbine      AL - ABC Coke  
 Hypothetical

The radio-buttons and dropdowns set the default power plant parameters to values for any eGRID 2007 plant (first four radio-button options) or an entirely user specified ("Custom") plant. In either case, resulting model defaults can be changed individually as well.

Plant type	PC-Subcritical			
Capacity & Capacity Factor	2,270 MW	0.7854		
CO <sub>2</sub> Generation Rate	2,051 lbs/MWh			
Latitude - Longitude	Lat	36°41'24"	Long	-108°28'53"

**Output**

**Key Information from Power Plant Module**

Plant type	PC-Subcritical
Base electricity generation	15,403.9 GWh/yr
Base CO <sub>2</sub> generation	15,797,847.7 tons/yr
Cooling type	Cooling tower
Base water withdrawals	643.1 MGD
Base water consumption	1.6 MGD

**Power Plant Location**

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12.6 cents/kWh

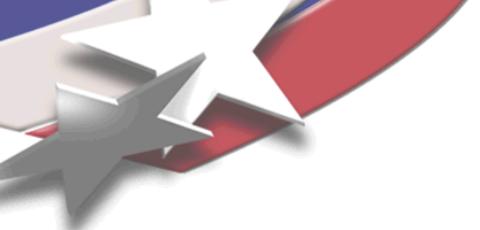
cents/kWh

H<sub>2</sub>O  
CCS  
Base

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Summary Power Plant CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Carbon Storage Extracted Water Power Costs

**Module Input**

**Summary**

Parasitic Energy  
Make-up Power  
Direct Water Use

**Carbon Capture Module Inputs Summary**

Plant Type	Pulverized coal subcritical
% Base CO <sub>2</sub> Captured (CC)	90 %
Water withdrawal demand specific to CC & compression	298 gal/tonne CC
Make-up Power (MUP) Plant Type	PC-Subcritical
MUP CO <sub>2</sub> Production Rate	1,900 lbs/MWh
% MUP CO <sub>2</sub> Captured	90 %
MUP LCOE	13.1 cents/kWh
MUP Plant Cooling Type	Cooling tower
MUP water withdrawal rate	22.2 MGD

**Output**

Rescale output graph axes

**CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Summary Values**

Base plant type	PC-Subcritical
% CO <sub>2</sub> Captured (CC)	90 %
Parasitic Energy Loss	30 %
=	534,857 kW
Make-up plant type	PC-Subcritical
Make-up plant cooling type	Cooling tower
Added water withdrawal demand	3 %
=	22 MGD
Total CC	16.5 Mmt/yr
LCOE of CC	5.4 cents/kWh

**Total CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions & Fate**

Total mass CO<sub>2</sub> generated

1000 tonnes/yr

20,000  
15,000  
10,000  
5,000  
0

Base Case

Captured  
Emitted

**CO<sub>2</sub> produced per kWh to grid**

lbs/kWh

3  
2  
1  
0

Base Case With CC

Captured  
Emitted to Atmosphere

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Module Input

**Summary**

Sink ID & Location

Sink Area

Sink Depth & Thickness

Sink TP CO<sub>2</sub> D

Sink Porosity

Sink Permeability

Injection Wells

Sink Storage Resource

**Carbon Storage Target (NatCarb Partnership - Basin - Formation)**

Southwest - SanJuan - Entrada

Formation Centroid	36°24'35" N    -107°42'43" W
Formation footprint area	29,181.6 km <sup>2</sup>
Formation depth	5,887 ft
Formation thickness	420 ft
Formation average porosity	0.168
Formation geometric mean permeability	396.9 mD
Formation temperature	59°C
Formation pressure	175.8 bar

**Output**

**Carbon Storage Target**

Southwest - SanJuan - Entrada

Sink life for this CO <sub>2</sub> only	550 yr
Sequestration depth	5,887 ft
Initial temp. at seq. depth	59°C
Initial pressure at seq. depth	176 bar
Resulting initial CO <sub>2</sub> density	727 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
CO <sub>2</sub> to be sequestered	16.5 Mmt/yr
Power Plant to sink distance	0 mi
# injection wells required	10
LCOE CO <sub>2</sub> transport & seq.	0.05 cents/kWh

**Locations of Formation & Power Plant**



- Selected formation centroid location ( 36°24'35" N -107°42'43" W )
- Power plant location (set on Power Plant Tab) ( 36°41'24" N -108°28'53" W )



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Module Input

**Summary**

Quantity & Quality  
Extraction Wells  
Water Treatment  
Brine Disposal

Extracted Water Module Inputs Summary	
Saline formation targeted	Southwest - SanJuan - Entrada
Deep saline water extraction rate	25.25 MGD
Number of extraction wells	10
Extraction depth	2500 to 5000 ft
Minimum salinity threshold	10 ppt
Maximum salinity threshold	30 ppt
Average salinity of extracted water	19 ppt
Treated water stream	16.64 MGD
% new (CCS) H2O demands met	75 %
Brine disposal method	injection

Output

Extraction formation:	
Southwest - SanJuan - Entrada	
Holes drilled per extraction well:	2.6
Number of extraction wells:	10
Average TDS of extracted water:	19 ppt
RO treatment plant efficiency:	66 %
Brine concentrate (bc) disposal:	injection
Treated water stream:	16.6 MGD
% new (CCS) H2O demands met:	75 %
Cost of extraction and transport:	\$4.66 per 1000 gal
Cost of treatment and bc disposal:	\$5.10 per 1000 gal
Total treated water cost:	\$9.76 per 1000 gal

**Distribution of water quality in target formation at depths of: 2500 to 5000 ft**

Salinity Interval (ppt)	Percentage (%)
0 to 10	30
10 to 12	5
12 to 14	3
14 to 16	5
16 to 18	2
18 to 20	3
20 to 22	2
22 to 24	5
24 to 26	2
26 to 28	3
28 to 30	2
30 to 32	3
32 to 34	2
34 to 36	3
36 to 38	2
38 to 40	20
40 ppt plus	20

Rescale

Salinity Intervals

Caution: Distribution is from potentially intersecting well records and thus only an estimate of tds in the formation



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Summary
Power Plant
CO<sub>2</sub> Capture
Carbon Storage
Extracted Water
Power Costs

**Module Input**

**Summary**

- Base year & cap factors
- Base LCOE
- CCC Costs - Amine
- CCC Costs - Selexol
- CO<sub>2</sub> Pipeline Costs
- Injection Well Costs
- H<sub>2</sub>O Extraction Costs
- H<sub>2</sub>O Pipeline Costs
- H<sub>2</sub>O Treatment Costs
- Brine Disposal Costs

**CCS Costs Summary Values**

\$ Display Year	2010
Power Plant Capitalization Factor	8.02 %/yr
Saline Formation Capitalization Factor	8.02 %/yr
Base LCOE at Plant	6.71 cents/kWh
Make-up Power LCOE	13.1 cents/kWh
CCC Costs Amine Scrubbing	1.5 cents/kWh
CCC Costs Selexol (IGCC)	? cent/kWh
CO <sub>2</sub> Pipeline Costs	0 cents/kWh
CO <sub>2</sub> Injection Well Costs	0.05 cents/kWh
H <sub>2</sub> O Extraction Well Costs	0.18 cents/kWh
H <sub>2</sub> O Pipeline Costs	0 cents/kWh
H <sub>2</sub> O Treatment Costs	0.19 cents/kWh
Brine Disposal Costs	0.01 cents/kWh

**Output**

**Power Cost Results**  
In **2010** dollars

Marginal LCOE for treated water:	0.38 cents/kWh
Cost of treated water:	\$3.55 per tonne
Marginal LCOE for CO <sub>2</sub> transport:	0 cents/kWh
Length of CO <sub>2</sub> pipeline:	0 mi
Cost of CO <sub>2</sub> transport:	\$0 per tonne
Marginal LCOE for CO <sub>2</sub> injection:	0.05 cents/kWh
Cost of CO <sub>2</sub> injection:	\$0.45 per tonne
Marginal LCOE for Make-Up Power:	3.93 cents/kWh
Marginal LCOE for CCC:	1.5 cents/kWh
CCC Cost Including Make-Up Power:	\$50.72 per tonne
Base LCOE:	6.71 cents/kWh



Total LCOE with CCS 12.57 cents/kWh

cents/kWh

Rescale axis

H <sub>2</sub> O	Red bar
CCS	Yellow bar
Base	Blue bar



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