

Potential Development of United States Oil Shale Resources

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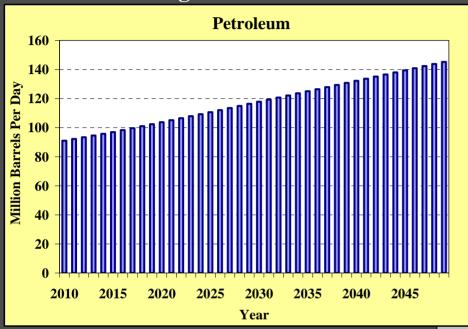


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World Oil Supply and Demand

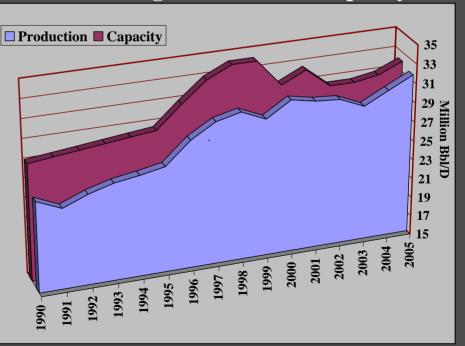
Growing World Demand



Source: Energy Information Administration (AEO 2006)

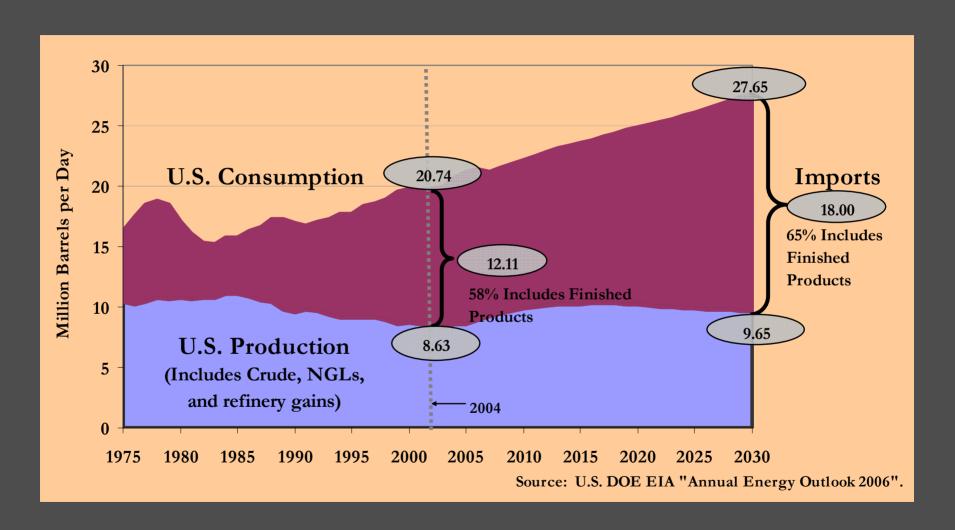
- Demand Growth of 15MMBbl/D (by 2025)
- OPEC Excess Capacity of 1 MMBbl/D (in 2005)
- Where Would the Balance Come From?

Diminishing OPEC Excess Capacity





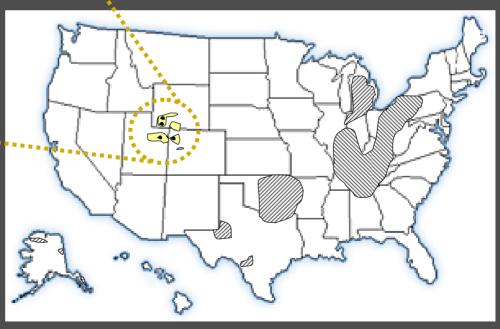
Reason for Concern at Home: Ever Rising Oil & Refined Products Imports



The Opportunity: Most Concentrated Hydrocarbon Deposits on Earth

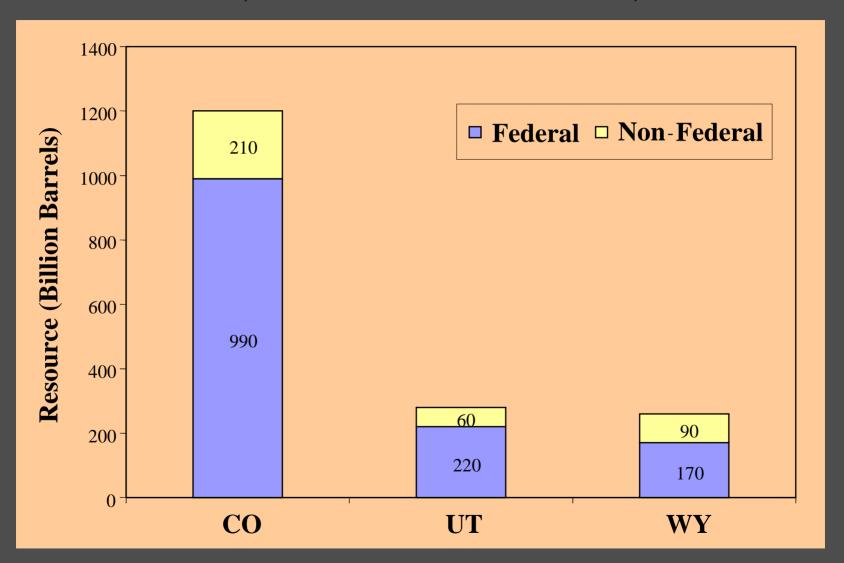


- Over 6 trillion barrels of resource nationwide
- Nearly 2 trillion barrels in rich deposits in Western states
- Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming





Western Oil Shale Ownership (80% on Federal Lands)





Oil Shale Conversion Technology

Surface Process



In-Situ Process





Example Surface Retort Technology

Gas Combustion Retort RAW SHALE OIL MIST **EXTRACTORS** CONDENSER PREHEATING AND MIST FORMATION LIGHT SEPARATOR STRIPPING AND MAKE-UP PRODUCT WATER GAS SHIFT WATER PARTIAL COMBUSTION PARTIAL COMBUSTION RECYCLE COMBUSTION **BLOWER** RESIDUE COOLING BLOWER

Originally developed by

- Cameron Engineering
- Bureau of Mines

Most successful

- High thermal efficiency
- High retort efficiency

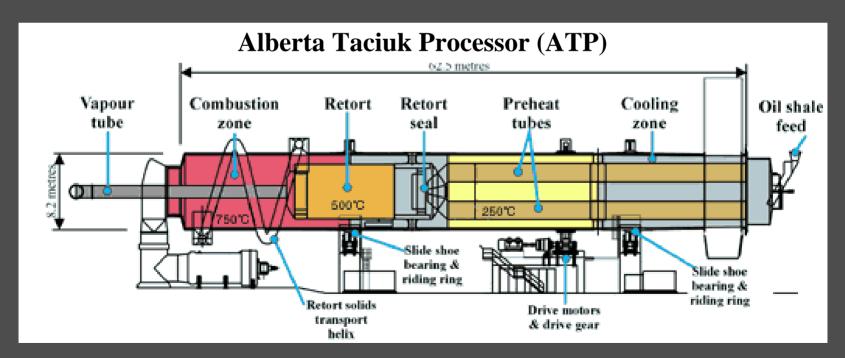
Variations of GCR

- Petro-six operating in Brazil
- Paraho Process being tested for a major project abroad



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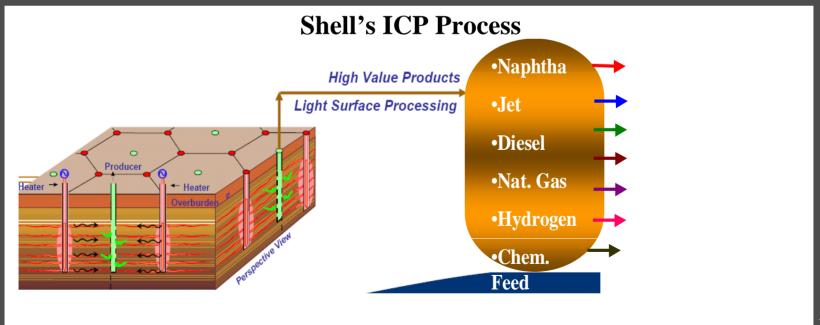
- Initially designed for extracting bitumen from tar sands
- Selected for oil shale conversion in Australia (SPP)
- OSEC to apply ATP for its RD&D efforts in Utah





Example In-Situ Conversion Technology

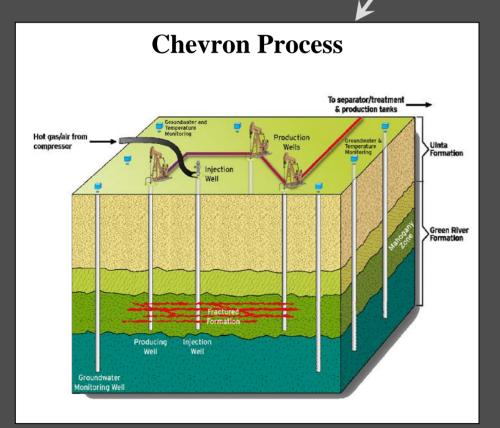
- Developed by Shell Petroleum
- Currently in "pilot" phase in north-western Colorado
- Shell to apply technology at three other sites in Colorado



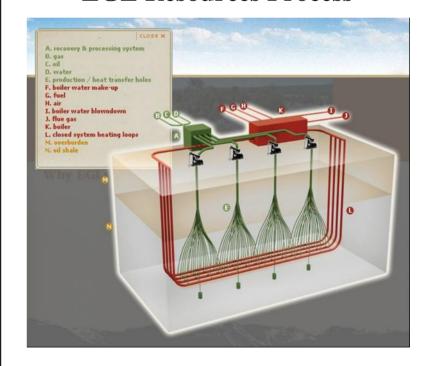


Other Examples of In-Situ Conversion Technology

Pilot tests under development in Colorado



EGL Resources Process



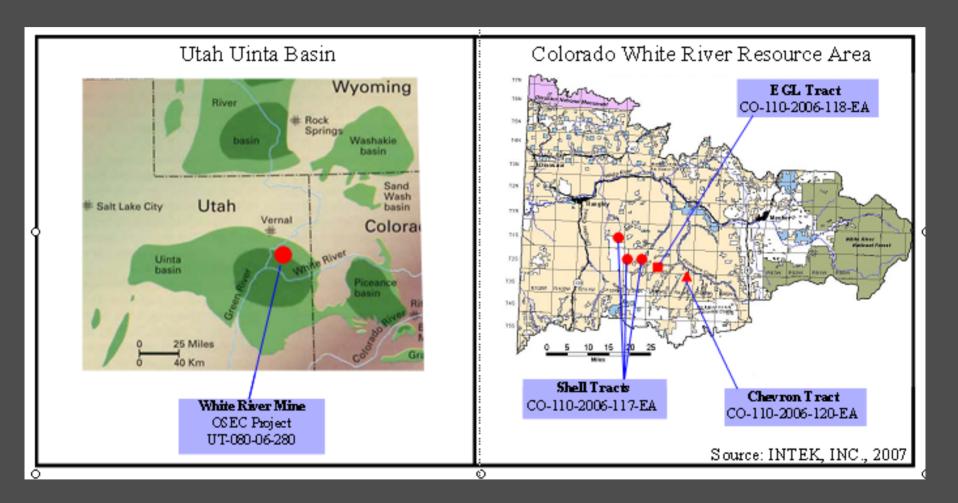


R&D Leasing Program

- DOI awarded five (5) RD&D leases in 2006
 - Shell Frontier
 - Chevron U.S.A.
 - EGL Resources
- A sixth lease is being finalized for award (OSEC LLC)
- Lease size and duration:
 - Initially, 160 acres (per)
 - Option to expand to 5,120 acres (if technology is successful)
 - The RD&D phase is for ten (10) years
- Companies have started process for operations



Location of Oil Shale R&D Leases





A New Model Developed by NPOSR

Developed For:



U. S. Department of Energy Washington, D. C.

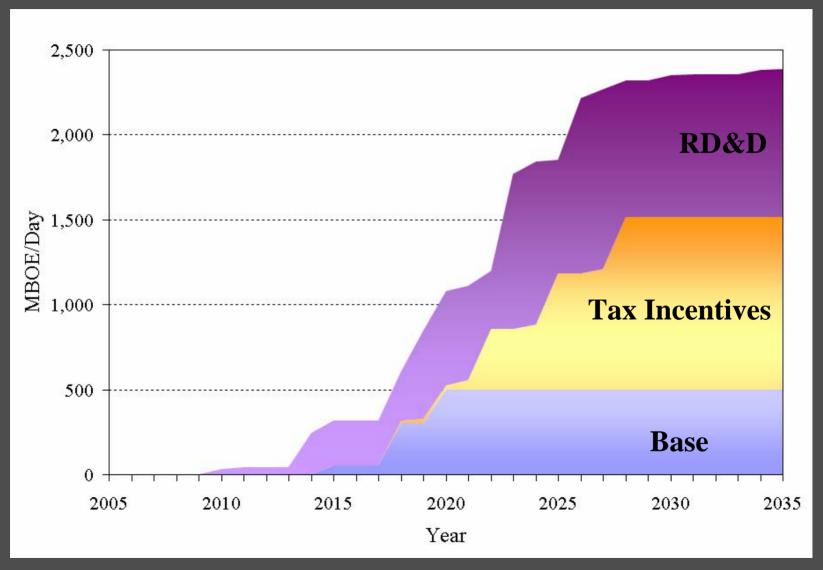
Developed By:

INTEK, Inc. (Subcontractor)
AOC Petroleum Support Services LLC
Contract: DE-AC01-03FE67758
Arlington, Virginia





Projected Production Potential (BOE) (Shale Oil in the U.S.)



Example Benefits of Oil Shale Development Cumulative (Over 25 Years)

Item	Unit	Base	With Tax Credit	With RD&D
Production	Billion Bbls	0.8	1.4	2.2
Direct Federal Revenues ¹	Billion \$	11	15	29
Direct Local/State Revenues ²	Billion \$	7	13	23
Direct Public Sector Revenues ³	Billion \$	18	28	52
Contribution to GDP	Billion \$	71	146	255
Value of Imports Avoided	Billion \$	52	108	215

^{1 –} Federal Revenues are the sum of Federal Business Taxes plus Royalty payments

^{2 –} State Revenues are the sum of State Business Taxes, production taxes, plus the state portion of Federal Royalty payments

^{3 –} Public Sector Revenues are the sum of Direct Federal and Direct State Revenues



Oil Shale Environmental Challenges

Emissions

- -Heating shale can generate gases including SO₂, NOx, CO₂, particulates, and water vapor
- -Technology exists to control / reduce emissions
- -And to sequester

Land Impacts

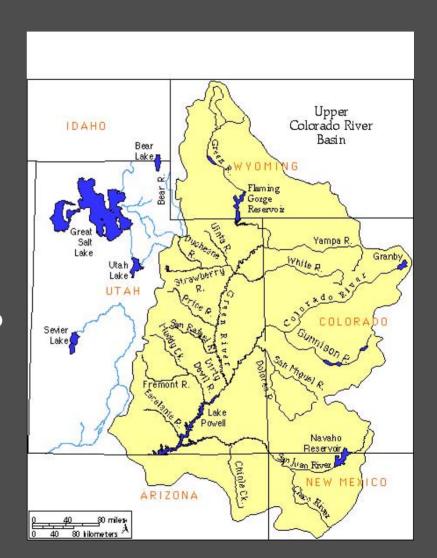
- -Disturbance depends on processes
- -31 square miles per 1 MM Bbl/d capacity
- -Land can be reclaimed
- -For in-situ, similar impact as conventional oil and gas operations



Environmental Challenges

• Water Impacts

- Estimates range from 1-3 barrelsof water per barrel of shale oil
- Demonstration needed to attain reliable data
- In-situ processes are challenged to protect groundwater
- In the West, water will be drawnfrom local and regional sources





Summary

- Over 2 trillion barrels of in place resource
- The most concentrated hydrocarbon deposits on Earth
- Conversion technologies are advancing rapidly
- A unique opportunity to provide long term sustained production
- Production potential of up to 2.5 MMBbl/Day
- Substantial economic benefits to the Nation
- Requires concerted effort by the private sector, Federal &
 State governments, and local communities