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#### Plains CO<sub>2</sub> Reduction (PCOR) Partnership

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University of North Dakota

## **About the EERC**

The EERC is a research, development, demonstration, and commercialization facility recognized internationally for its expertise in:



- Cleaner, more efficient energy technologies.
- Air and water pollution prevention and cleanup.
- Water management.
- Contamination cleanup and site remediation.
- Waste management and utilization.
- Advanced analytical methods.
- Education and training.





#### Plains CO<sub>2</sub> Reduction Partnership – Region





## **RCSP Regions – Energy-Related CO<sub>2</sub> Output**

- Total U.S. energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> output = 1477 MMTCE/yr.
- RCSP regions account for 33 states and 79% of U.S. output.
- PCOR Partnership region ranks sixth among RCSP regions in CO<sub>2</sub> output.





### **PCOR Partnership Region – Energy-Related CO<sub>2</sub> Profile**

- 67.6 MMTCE/yr regional CO<sub>2</sub> output
- 2/3 large stationary sources
- Region accounts for 4.6% U.S. total
- Geologic, value-added sequestration projects





#### **Plains CO<sub>2</sub> Reduction Partnership – Sponsors**



MONTANA Department of Environmental Quality

#### Plains CO<sub>2</sub> Reduction Partnership – Partner Contributions

		Task 1	Task 4			Task 2	Task 3	Task 5	
Role	Organization	Mgt., Reporting	Source	Sink	CO₂ Separation and Transport	Regulatory Issues	Public Outreach	Technology Assessment	Action Plans
Project Management	EERC	Ρ	Ρ	Р	Ρ	Ρ	Ρ	Р	Ρ
Research Partners	DGC		S	S	Р	S		S	S
	Fischer Oil and Gas			Р		S		S	S
	Nexant-Bechtel				Р	S		Р	S
	North Dakota State University			Р		S		S	S
	Prairie Public Television						Р		
Industrial Sponsors	Basin Electric Power Cooperative, DGC, Montana- Dakota Utilities, Otter Tail Power, NDIC, Great River Energy		S			S	S	S	S
Collaborating Partners	State, provincial, and federal regulatory agencies; Western Governors' Association; Petroleum Technology Transfer Council; Amerada Hess, Environment Canada			S		Ρ	S	S	S



### Plains CO<sub>2</sub> Reduction Partnership – Funding

- U.S. Department of Energy
- Industry sponsors (cash)
- In-kind contributions
  - Dakota Gasification \$700,000
- Total project

- \$1,586,000
- \$ 360,000
- \$ 800,000

\$2,750,000



#### **Plains CO<sub>2</sub> Reduction Partnership – Organization**



## Task 1 – Program Management

- Overall program management
- Subcontract management
- Budget management
- Communications with DOE
- Communications with partners
- Coordination of Advisory Group and Working Groups



# **Advisory Group**

- Comprises industrial sponsors, collaborating partners, and regional and national stakeholders
- Meets one to two times per year
- Provides guidance on the overall direction of the program
- Provides direction on additional information and activities that would support this project



# **Working Groups**

- Comprised of members of the advisory group as well as research team members
- Provide direction on the specific research activities within the given topic
- Support the individual working groups through in-kind contributions



#### Task 1 – Completed and Future Activities

- Research kickoff meeting on October 22 in Grand Forks
- Dakota Gasification kickoff meeting in Beulah, ND, on October 23
- All partnering agreements near completion
- Pursuing new sponsors
- Invitations out to all Advisory Board members (25)



#### Task 1 – Completed and Future Activities (cont.)

- Presented to the Natural Resources Trust
- Presented to the ND Oil and Gas Council
- Presenting to the Basin members meeting November 5, Bismarck, ND
- Advisory Board kickoff meeting December 11 and 12, Grand Forks



## **Technology Deployment**



Dakota Gasification CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Transport – EnCana Corp. Weyburn Enhanced Oil Recovery





#### Task 2 – Technology Deployment Issues

- Safety, regulatory and permitting requirements
- Public perceptions
- Ecosystem impacts
- Monitoring and verification



# **Regional EOR Projects –**

**Experience in CO<sub>2</sub> Transportation, Injection, and Monitoring** 

- Dakota Gasification EnCana Weyburn field sites
- Anadarko CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline Shute Creek gasprocessing plant to Salt Creek, WY



#### Weyburn Project – Pipeline Map



CO<sub>2</sub> Supply IEA Weyburn CO<sub>2</sub> Monitoring and Storage Project Image courtesy of EnCana



#### Weyburn CO<sub>2</sub> Flood EOR Project – Key Information

- Location near town of Weyburn, Saskatchewan
- Operating company Encana Corporation
- CO<sub>2</sub> provider Dakota Gasification Company
- 95 mmscfd (5000 metric tons/day) CO<sub>2</sub> from DGC contracted and injected
- CO<sub>2</sub> purity 95%
- EnCana currently injects 120 mmscfd (21% recycle)
- Incremental oil >5000 bbl/day
- CO<sub>2</sub> injection started September 2000
- 70 billion cubic feet (bcf) CO<sub>2</sub> injected as of September 2003



#### Task 2 – Completed and Future Activities

- Reviewing DGC and other regional activities for baseline information
- Organizing working groups
- Developing the two-year work plan



## **Public Outreach**



## Task 3 – Public Outreach

- Create informed stakeholders in the PCOR Partnership region
  - Successful sequestration projects require public acceptance.
  - Sequestration is a new, relatively unknown strategy.
  - Effective communication of benefits and risks associated with sequestration strategies is the basis for public acceptance.



## Approach

- Public outreach/education working group
- Public outreach/education plan
- Conduct public information campaign
- Gauge level of public understanding
- Coordinate with and build on DOE's RCSP efforts and local partner efforts



#### Task 3 – Completed and Future Activities

- Initial PCOR Partnership fact sheet
- Developing two-year work plan
- K-12 educational packages
- Newspaper series
- 30-minute video
- Series of fact sheets



Source Characterization

- Sources to be evaluated
  - Coal-fired power plants
  - Great Plains Gasification Plant
  - Ethanol production facilities
  - Oil refineries
  - Natural gas-processing plants





Source Characterization

- Sources to be evaluated, continued
  - Taconite plants
  - Paper mills
  - Sugar plants
  - Cement plants
  - Waste incinerators
  - Manufacturing plants



Sink Characterization

- Geologic sinks
  - Petroleum reservoirs with potential for enhanced oil or gas recovery (EOR and EGR)
    - Weyburn CO<sub>2</sub> EOR project
  - Depleted petroleum reservoirs
  - Deep brine formations
  - Unminable coal beds
  - Coal seams with potential for enhanced coalbed methane recovery (ECBM)







Sink Characterization

- Terrestrial sinks
  - Current agricultural land uses
    - Crop types
    - Management practices
  - Alternative land use and agricultural practices
  - Forests





Infrastructure Characterization

- Separations
- Gas Cleanup
- Transportation



#### Task 4 – Completed and Future Activities

- Developed data-gathering standards and quality assurance measures
- Initiated data gathering for all activities
- Developed internal database and GIS Web site



# Task 5 – Modeling

- Model vs. Modeling Approach
  - Model the way in which you process the given information to generate a series of answers.
  - Model approach the way we feed the model the information and refine its application through iterations.



#### **PCOR Partnership Model**





## **Modeling Approach**



#### Task 5 – Completed and Future Activities

- Currently developing model functions.
- Upon completion of model first draft, we will run a baseline on DGC–Weyburn activities.



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