



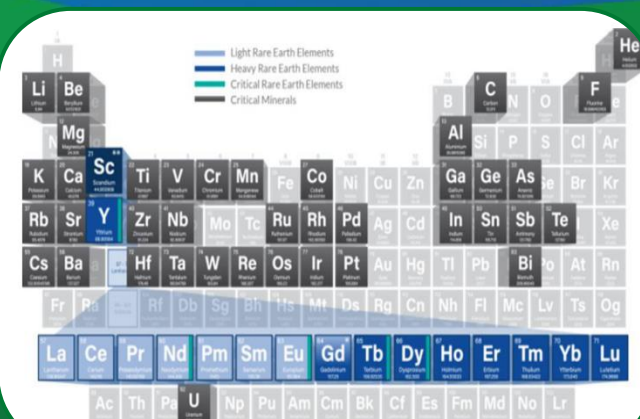
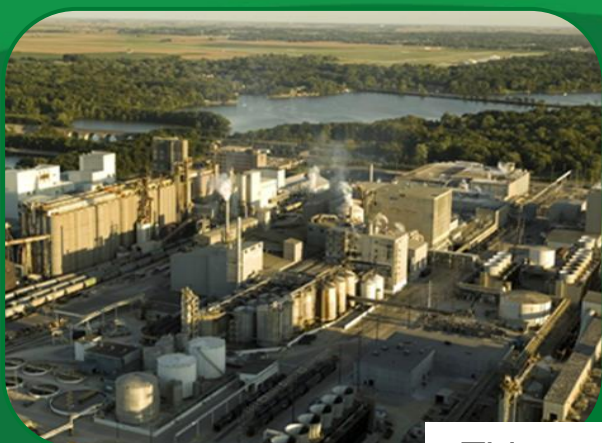
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Fossil Energy and
Carbon Management

FECM's Hydrogen Activities

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FECM's Focus

- Mitigation of environmental impacts from resource recovery and use
- Management of carbon dioxide emissions, including legacy emissions



FECM RDD&D Priorities



Advance Carbon Dioxide Removal & Low Carbon Supply Chains for Industry



Low-Carbon Industrial Supply Chains



Demonstrate and Deploy Point Source Carbon Capture



Advance Critical Minerals, Rare Earth Elements (REE), and Mine Remediation



Accelerate Carbon-Neutral Hydrogen (H₂)



Increase Efficient Use of Big Data and Artificial Intelligence



Reduce Methane Emissions



Address the Energy Water Nexus

Invest in Thoughtful Transition Strategies

FECM Hydrogen Equities

- **Production**

- Gasification
- CCS
- SOECs
- Reforming
- Pyrolysis

- **Pipeline Transport**

- **Underground Storage**

- **Use**

- Turbines
- Solid Oxide Fuel Cells

Advanced Gasification Program



Gasification Process Improvements

Modular design integration capability for cost reduction
Process intensification
Microwave-assisted gasification
Reduce pre-treatment costs



Air Separation Technology

Reduce oxygen production costs (membranes, novel cryogenics, advanced sorbents, etc.)



Achieving Negative CO₂ Emissions

Reduce CO₂ emissions using biomass, wastes & CCS

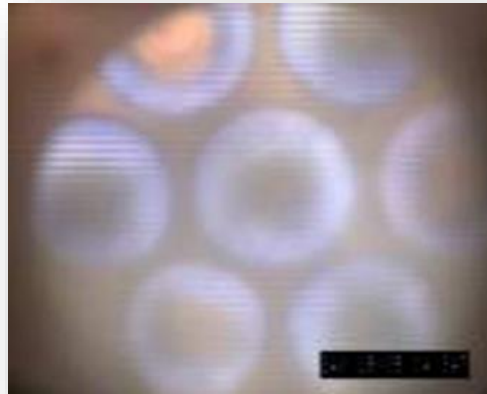
Advanced Turbines Program

Advanced Combustion Turbines

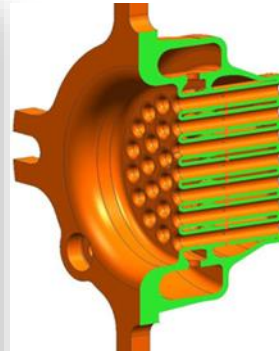
- Syngas, natural gas, H_2 , NH_3 Fuels
- Achieve low NOx emissions & high efficiencies

OVERALL GOAL:

Large frame, industrial and aeroderivative turbines able to fire 100% H_2 by 2030



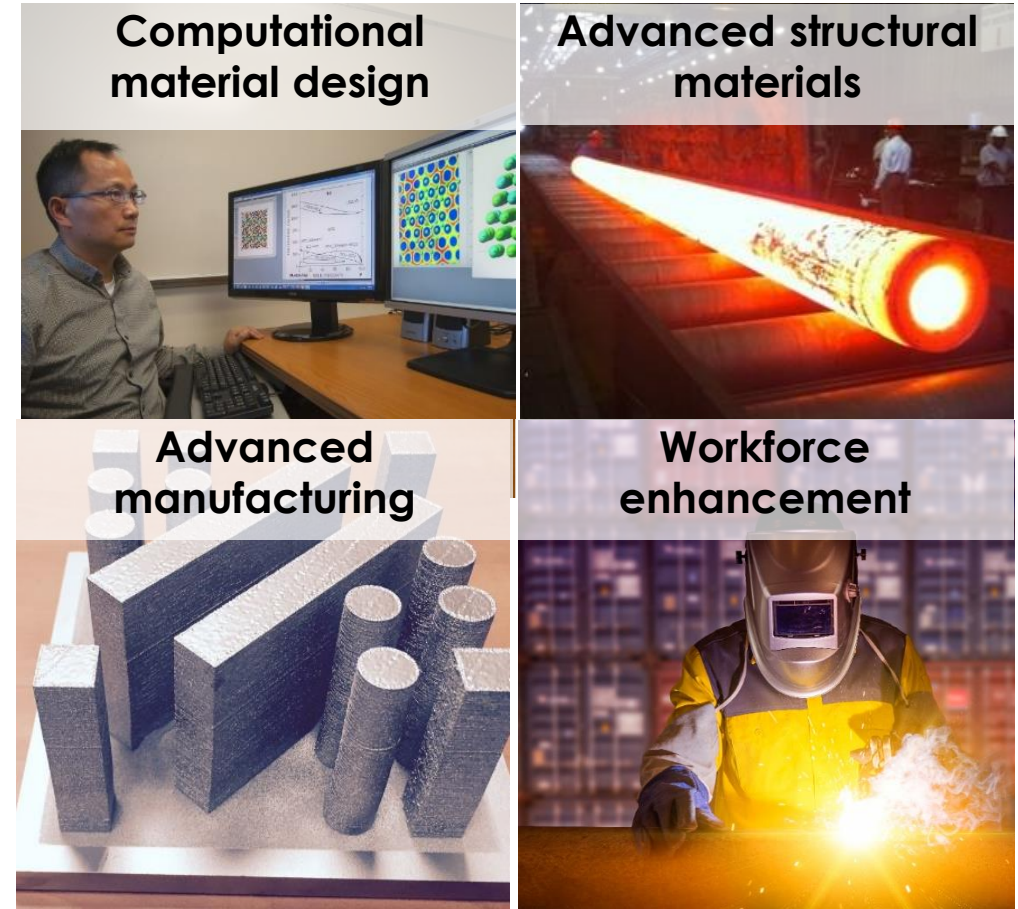
High-Hydrogen



Advanced Energy Materials Program

Goals:

- Evaluate impacts of hydrogen on materials using modeling tools.
- Develop Ceramic Matrix Composite (CMC) materials for greater turbine efficiency and H₂ firing.
- Improve the cost, reliability and performance of materials operating in harsh environments.



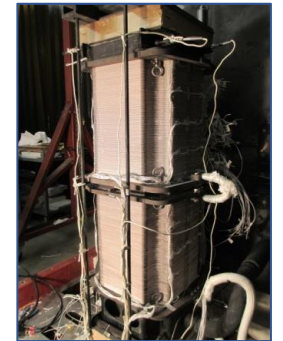
SOFC/SOEC Program

Enable:

- Highest efficiency and lowest cost electric power generation from hydrogen
- Dynamic operation of SOFCs/SOECs
- Flexible, modular, hybrid SOFC/SOEC system design



Cell and Stack Performance Improvements



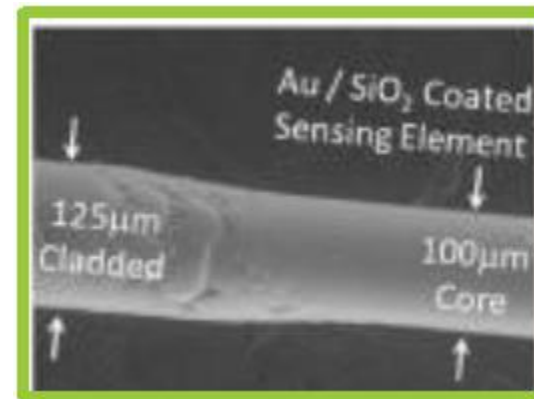
Proof-of-Concept Systems



(courtesy LG Fuel Cell Systems)

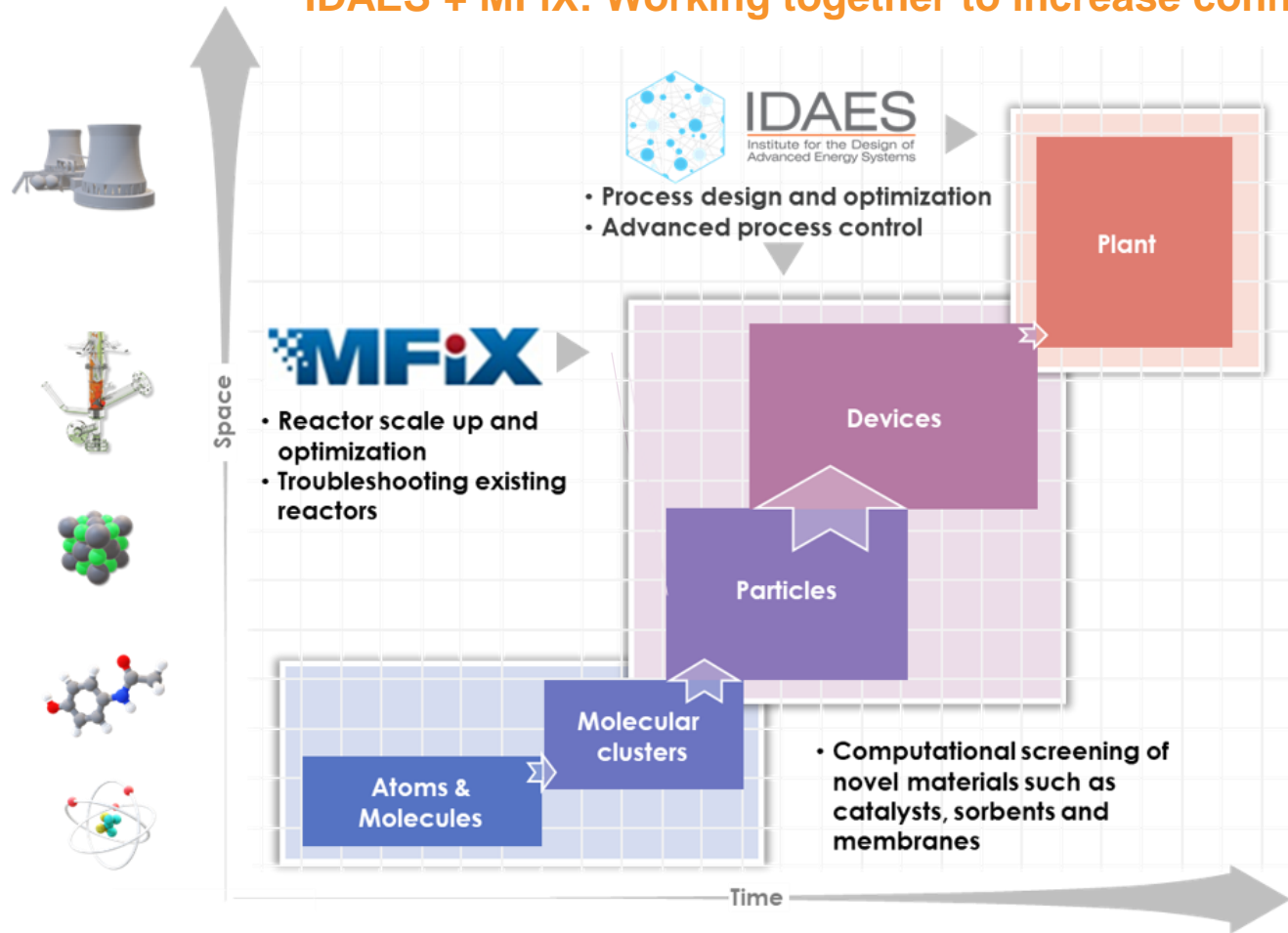
Sensors, Controls and Novel Concepts Program

- Advanced sensors for new hydrogen technologies
- Control and optimization strategies for new hybrid systems
- Novel sensing concepts



Simulation Based Computational Tools

IDAES + MFIX: Working together to increase confidence systems modeling realism and fidelity

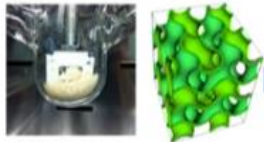


COMPUTATIONAL TOOLS WORKING TOGETHER

- **IDAES** is a process systems engineering framework for the design and optimization of innovative steady state and dynamic processes
- **MFiX** is a suite of multiphase flow simulation software for designing and troubleshooting devices such as gasifiers and combustors

Carbon Capture Program

Lab & Bench



TRL 2-4

Small Pilots



TRL 4-5

Large Pilots



TRL 5-7

FEED Studies



Demonstration



What we've learned in 20+ years:

- “First generation” (e.g. liquid solvent) systems work:
 - At commercial scale at some power plants and industrial facilities
 - With high efficiency (90+%) at moderate cost
 - With manageable non-CO2 pollution

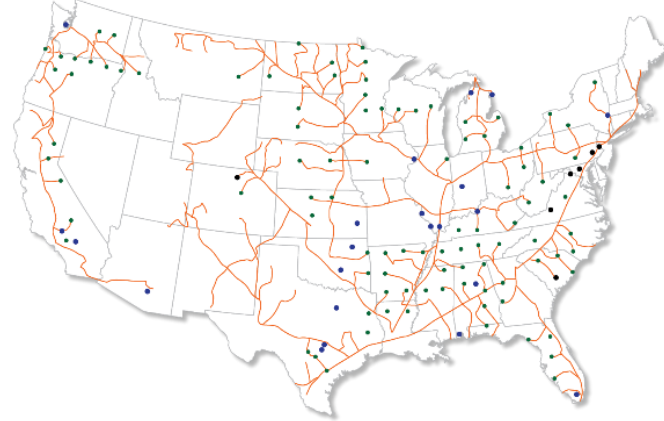
What we're learning now:

- Which “next generation” systems have the greatest potential
- How to increase capture efficiencies (>95%)
- How to enable low carbon supply chains (i.e., cement, steel, hydrogen, etc.)
- Co-Benefits Analysis..How to further reduce other pollutants
- How to accelerate deployment

Carbon Transport and Storage RD&D

CO₂ Transport

- FEED studies & pilots for large-scale transport networks
- Extensive inter-agency coordination
- Sensors for corrosion and metallurgy



Storage

- Site geological characterization
- Well integrity and mitigation
- Monitoring, verification, and accounting
- Storage complex efficiency and security

EarthShot Initiatives – Hydrogen & Others

Gasification Analyses to Obtain the Shots:

- Conduct cost and performance models for gasification systems fed with biomass, MSW and waste plastics.
- Assess the potential of gasification technologies to achieve cost, performance, or operability improvements.
- Down select gasification systems for pilot-scale testing.



1 Dollar



1 Kilogram



1 Decade

Hydrogen Shot



85% Reduction



2035

Clean Fuels and Products Shot



<100 Dollars



1 Ton

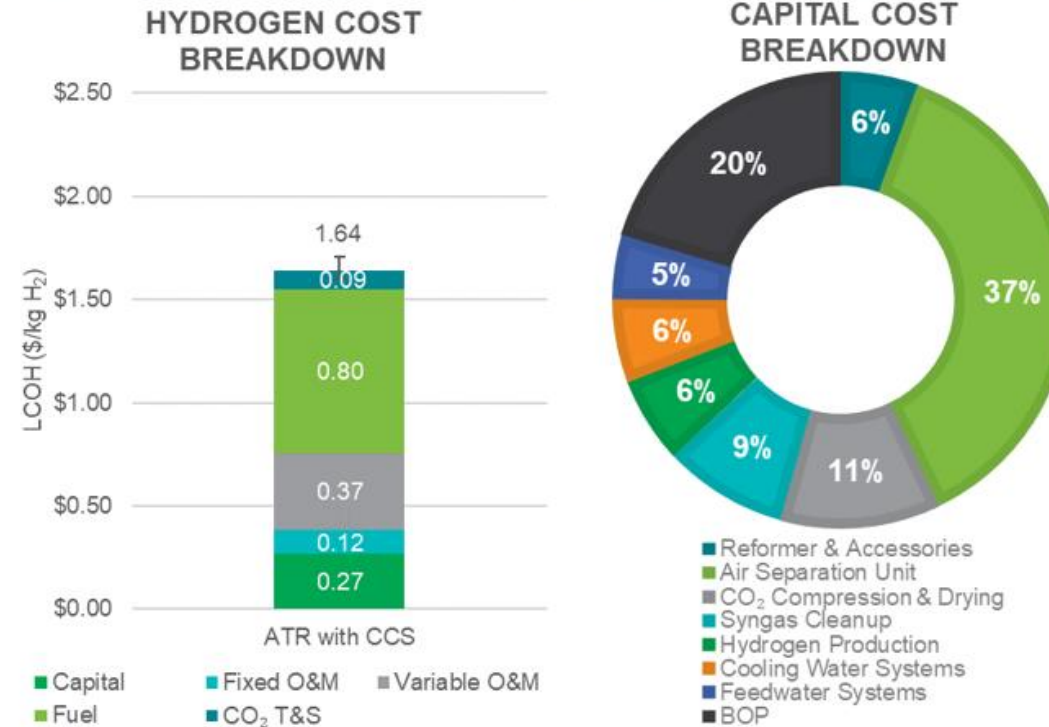


1 Decade

Carbon Negative Shot

Analyses on Hydrogen Production Routes

Breakdown of ATR with CCS baseline LCOH by cost component (left) and capital costs (right)



[Comparison of Commercial, State-of-the-Art, Fossil-Based Hydrogen Production Technologies \(doe.gov\)](https://www.doe.gov)
[Strategies for Achieving the DOE Hydrogen Shot Goal: Thermal Conversion Approaches \(Technical Report\) | OSTI.GOV](https://www.osti.gov)

How FECM Efforts Fit In With Other DOE Offices

EERE	FECM	Nuclear Energy
<p>Feedstocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Renewables and Water <p>Technologies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Electrolysis – Low- and High-Temperature• Advanced Water Splitting – Solar/High-Temp Thermochemical, Photoelectrochemical• Biological Approaches	<p>Feedstocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fossil Fuels – Natural Gas and Solid Wastes <p>Technologies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gasification, Reforming, Pyrolysis• Carbon Capture & Storage• Advanced Approaches – Co-firing and Modular Systems• SOFCs/SOECs/rSOFCs	<p>Feedstocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nuclear Fuels and Water <p>Technologies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Electrolysis Systems for Nuclear• Advanced Nuclear Reactors• Systems Integration and Controls – LWRs and Advanced Reactors

Areas of Collaboration

Reversible Fuel Cells, Biomass, Municipal Solid Waste, Plastics, Polygeneration, High-Temperature Electrolysis, Systems Integration

Funding Opportunities

- None currently open/existing 😞 but soon to come! 😊
- Check here periodically: <https://www.energy.gov/fecm/solicitations-and-business-opportunities>

Past FOAs, for reference:

- FOA 2400: Fossil Energy Based Production, Storage, Transport and Utilization of Hydrogen Approaching Net-Zero or Net-Negative Carbon Emissions → \$100M+ awarded, 50 awards made, closed November 2023
- FOA 3016: University Turbine Systems Research, closed December 2023



To Find Funding Opportunities, Visit:

- [Fedconnect.com](https://www.fedconnect.com)
- [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov)
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Filter/Search for DOE to find open solicitations!

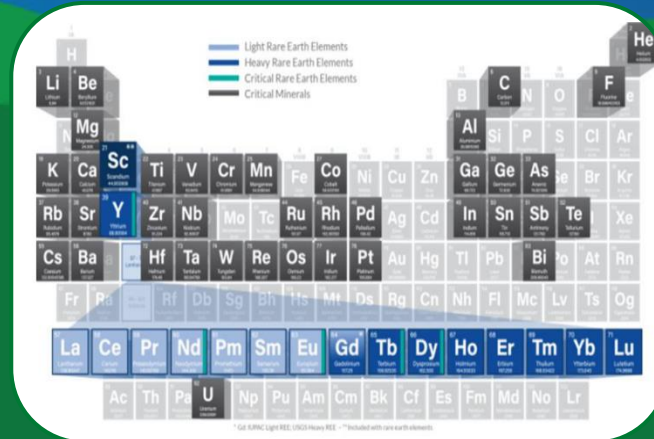




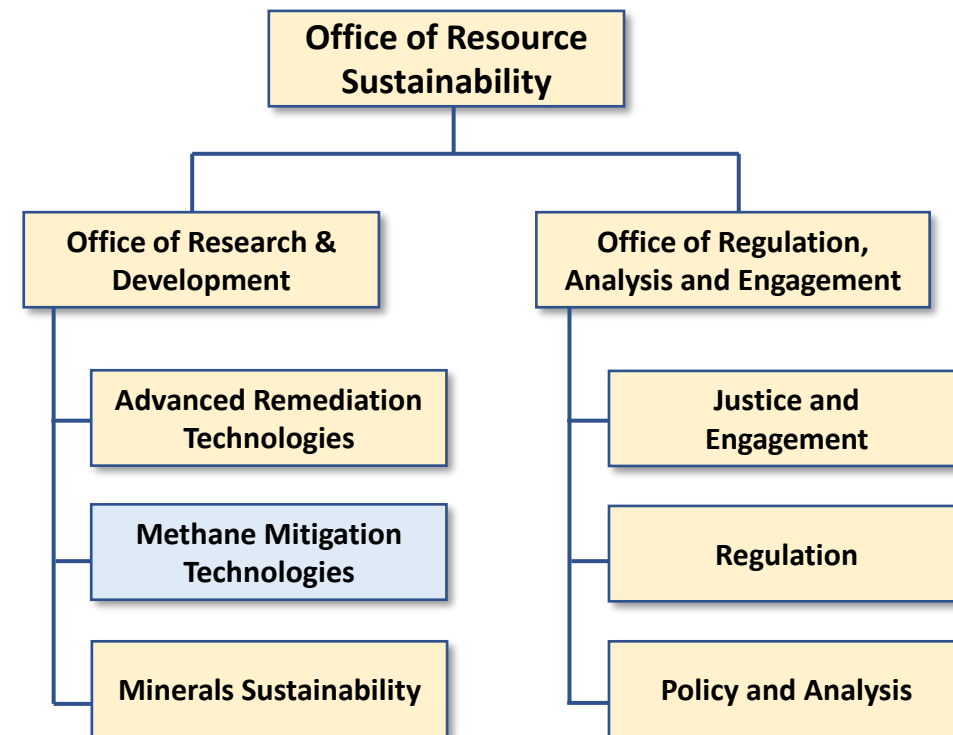
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Natural Gas Decarbonization and Hydrogen Technologies (NG-DHT) Program Overview



Office of Resource Sustainability



Resource Technologies and Sustainability	FY2023 Enacted (\$K)	FY2024 Enacted (\$K)
Advanced Redimiation Technologies	\$ 55,000	\$ 53,000
Methane Mitigation Technologies	\$ 60,000	\$ 55,000
Natural Gas Decarbonization and Hydrogen Technologies	\$ 26,000	\$ 23,000
Mineral Sustainability	\$ 54,000	\$ 70,000
Resource Sustainability - Analysis and Engagement	\$ -	\$ -
	\$ 195,000	\$ 201,000

- Design and administer activities associated with technologies and approaches that will reduce the environmental impacts of our historical and continued dependence on coal, oil, and natural gas:
 - Reduce
 - environmental impacts and emissions associated with fossil energy development, use, transportation, and storage - produced water, abandoned mine remediation, methane mitigation, etc.
 - Improve the economics and reduce environmental impacts of critical minerals extraction, processing, use, and disposal.
 - Regulate the import and export of natural gas.
 - Conduct analysis of oil and natural gas markets
 - Assess policy and regulatory frameworks for potential exports of hydrogen and ammonia (hydrogen carrier), and oversight of carbon offset efforts.
- Accomplish these goals through policy, research, innovation, outreach, and stewardship.

Division of Methane Mitigation Technologies

Methane Emissions Mitigation

Advanced materials, data management tools, inspection and repair technologies, and dynamic compressor R&D for eliminating fugitive methane emissions across the natural gas value chain

Methane Emissions Quantification

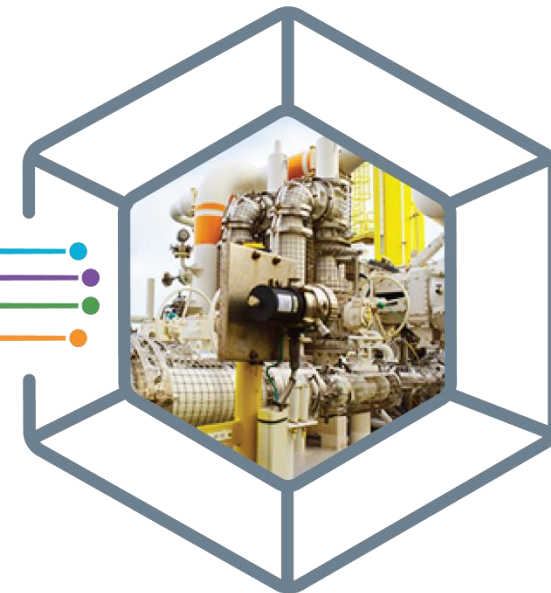
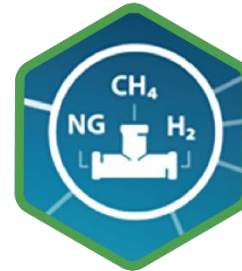
Direct and remote measurement sensor technologies and collection of data, research, and analytics that quantify methane emissions from point sources along the upstream and midstream portion of the natural gas value chain

Natural Gas Decarbonization and Hydrogen Technologies

Technologies for clean hydrogen production, safe and efficient distribution, and geologic storage technologies supported by analytical tools and models

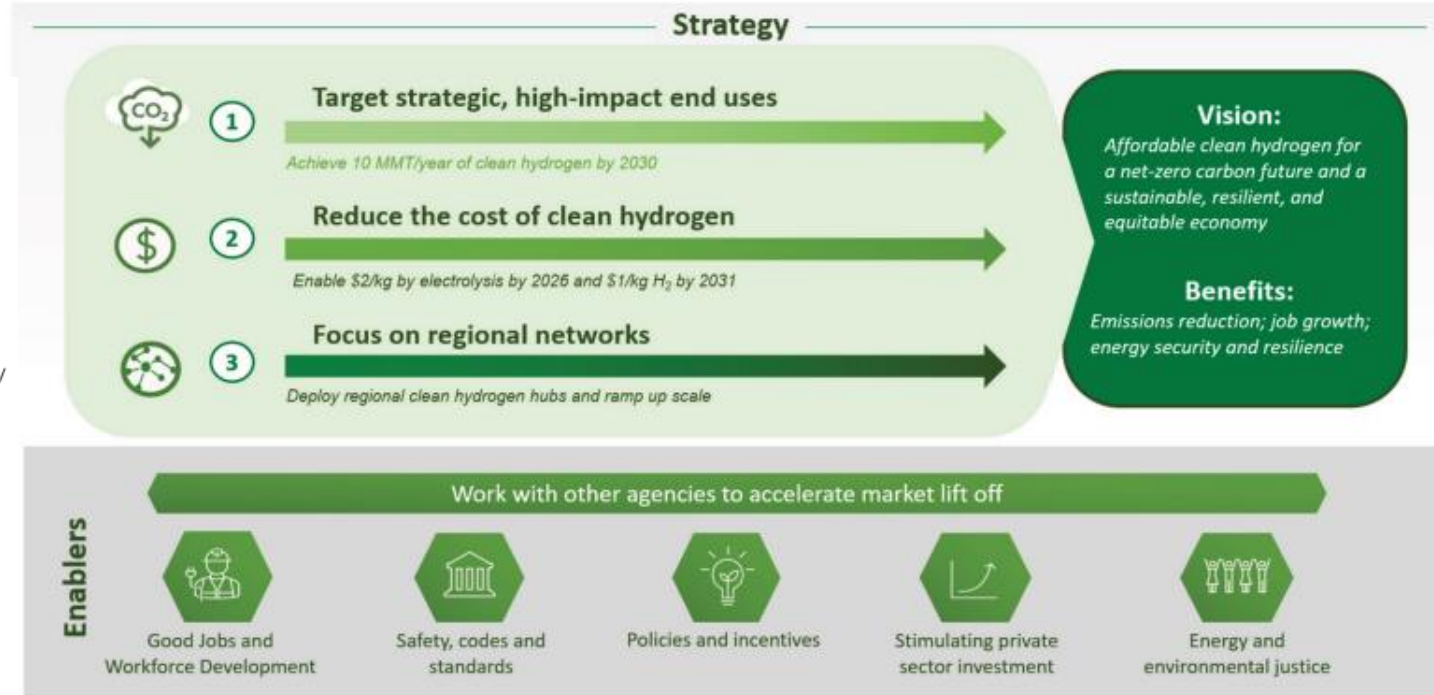
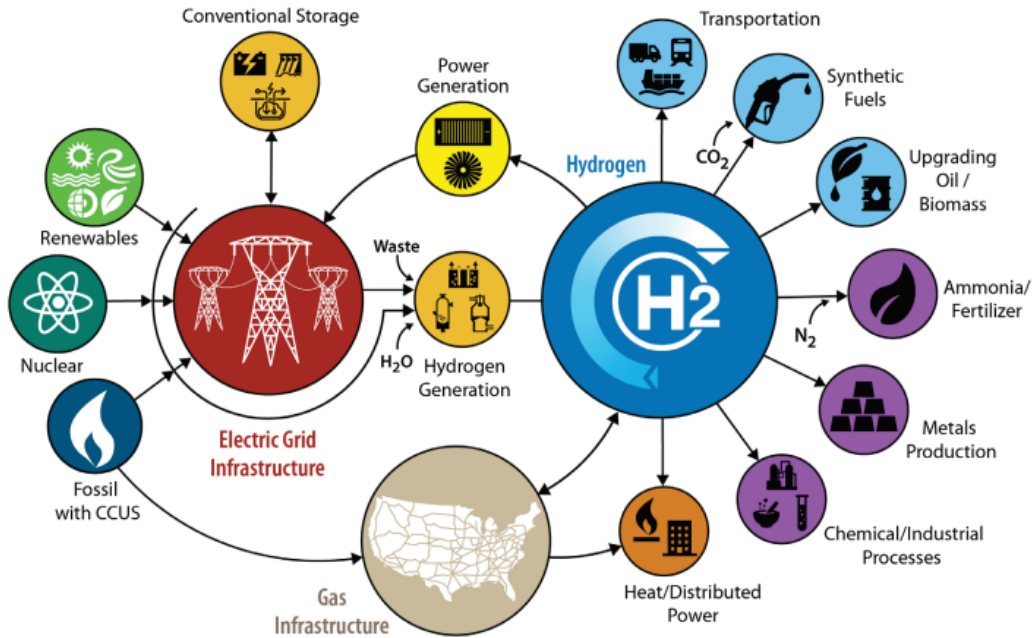
Undocumented Orphaned Wells Research

Developing tools, technologies, and processes to efficiently identify and characterize undocumented orphaned wells in order to prioritize them for plugging and abandonment.



Natural Gas Decarbonization and Hydrogen Technologies

Source: [H2@Scale](#)

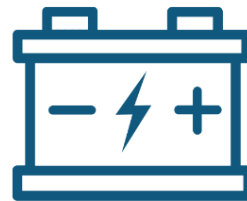


Source: [U.S. Clean Hydrogen Strategy and Roadmap](#)



Hydrogen Shot™

Accelerate innovation and spur demand of clean hydrogen by reducing the cost by 80%, to \$1 per 1 kilogram of clean hydrogen within 1 decade.



Long Duration Storage Shot™

Achieve affordable grid storage for clean power—anytime, anywhere—by reducing the cost of grid-scale energy storage by 90% for systems that deliver 10+ hours of duration within the decade.



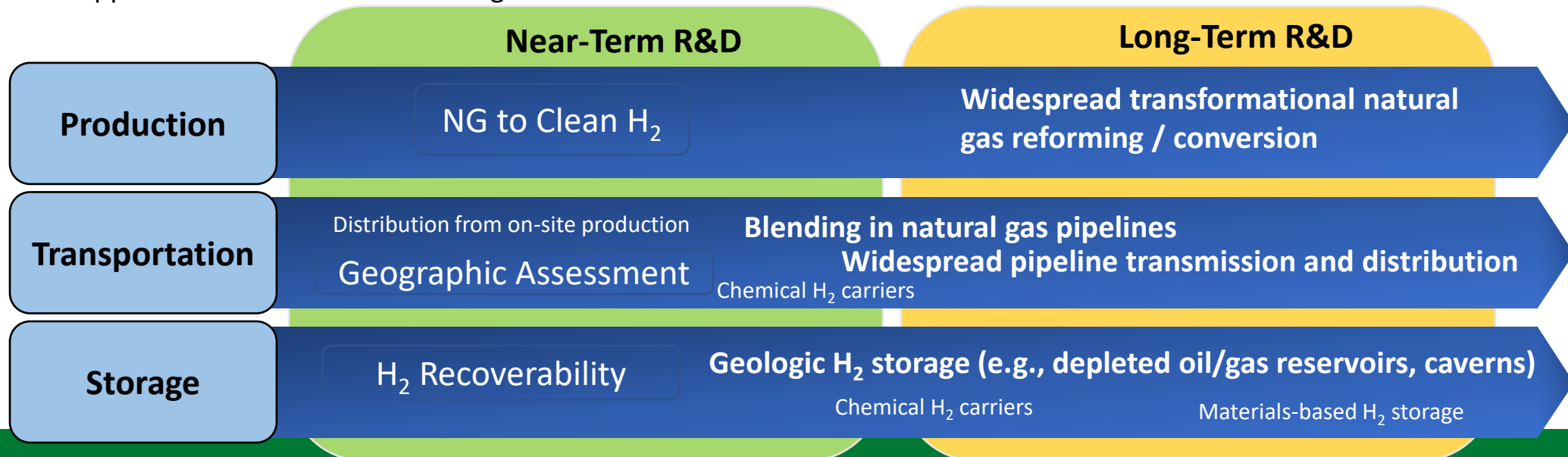
Clean Fuels & Products Shot™

Decarbonize the fuel and chemical industry through alternative sources of carbon to advance cost-effective technologies.

Source: [Energy Earthshots Initiatives](#)

Natural Gas Decarbonization and Hydrogen Technologies

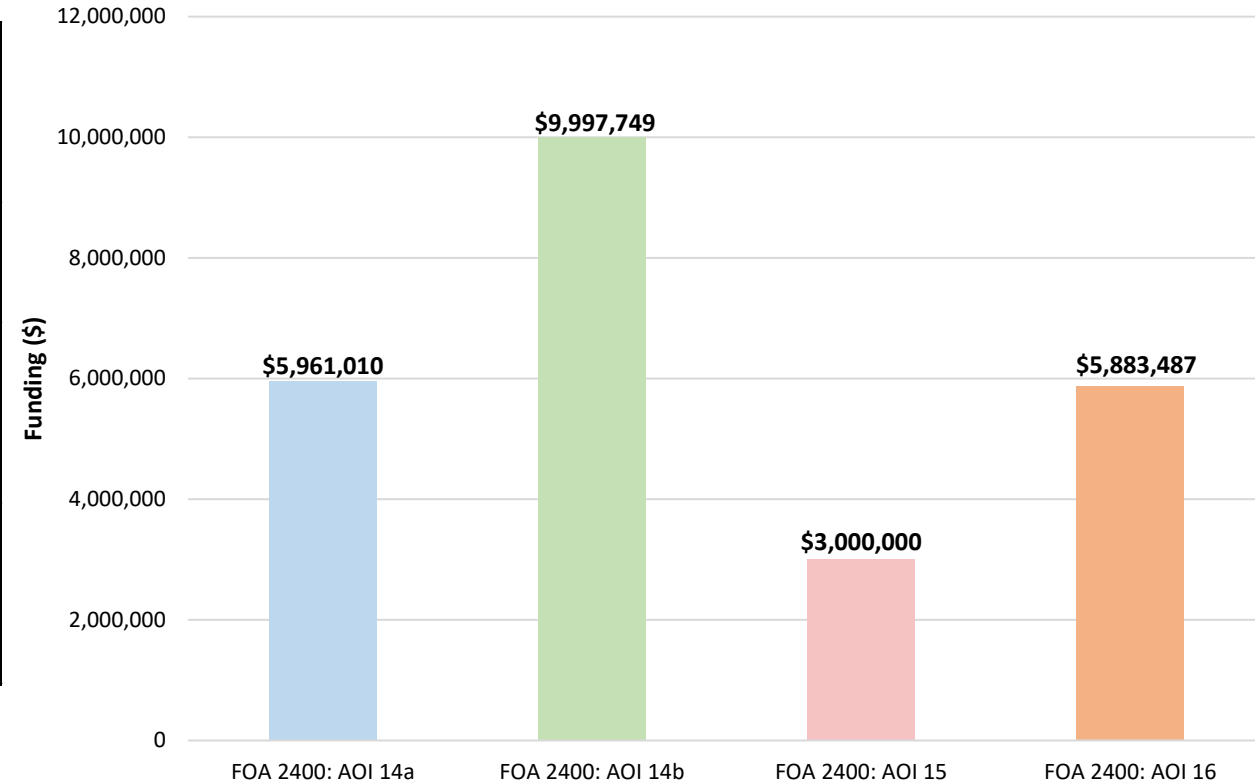
- The **Natural Gas Decarbonization and Hydrogen Technologies (NG-DHT)** Program was formally initiated in 2022 Omnibus.
- The NG-DHT Program coordinates with other DOE offices to support the transition towards a clean hydrogen-enabled economy through the decarbonization of natural gas conversion, transportation, and storage.
 - Supports transformational concepts for clean hydrogen production from domestic natural gas resources, with emphasis on decarbonization opportunities and value tradeoffs within energy markets.
 - Works to ensure the suitability of existing natural gas pipelines and infrastructure for hydrogen distribution, while emphasizing technology opportunities to detect and mitigate emissions.
 - Identifies underground storage infrastructure to handle high-volume fractions of hydrogen, while seeking demonstration opportunities for novel bulk storage mechanisms.



FOA2400 - Fossil Energy Based Production, Storage, Transport and Utilization of Hydrogen Approaching Net-Zero or Net-Negative Carbon Emissions

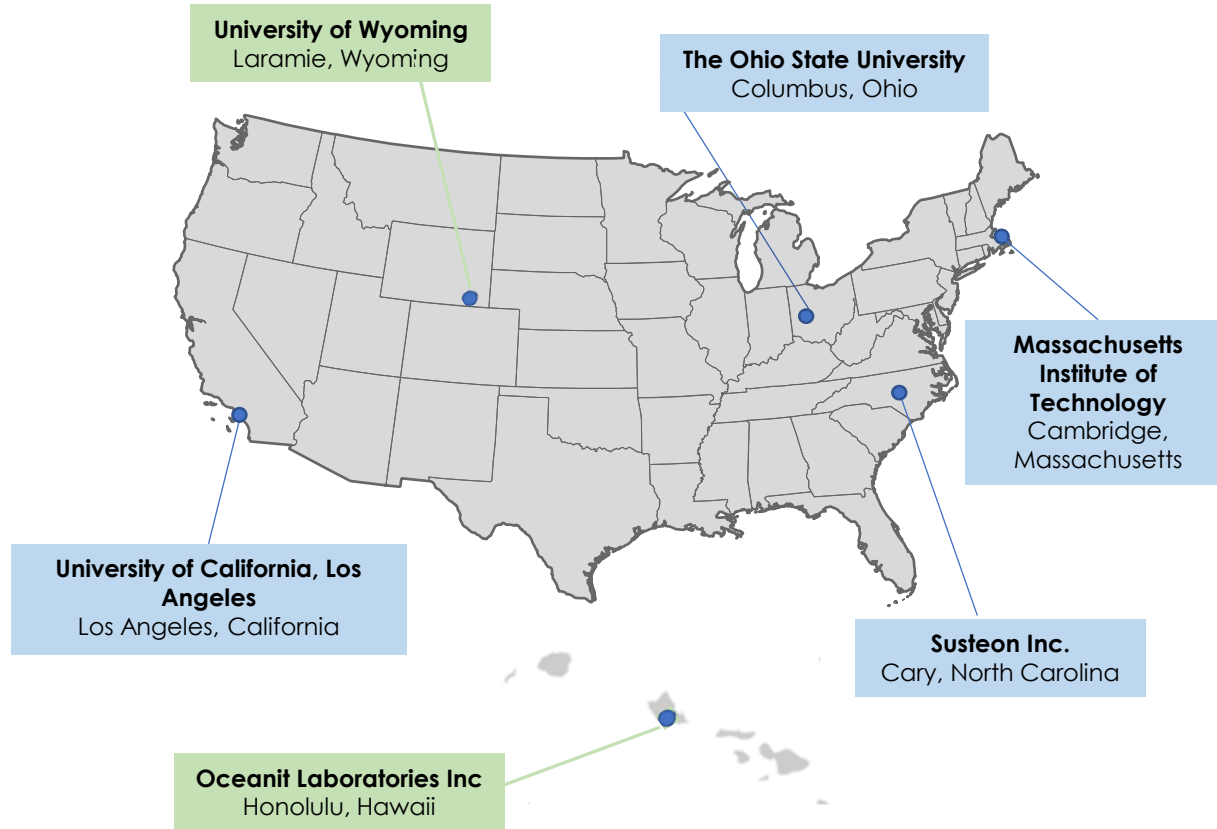
FOA 2400 Clean Hydrogen Production, Storage, Transport and Utilization to Enable a Net-Zero Carbon Economy	Area of Interest 14a: Methane Pyrolysis/Decomposition, In situ Conversion, or Cyclical Chemical Looping Reforming
	Area of Interest 14b: Hydrogen Production from Produced Water
	Area of Interest 15: Technologies for Enabling the Safe and Efficient Transportation of Hydrogen Within the U.S. Natural Gas Pipeline System
	Area of Interest 16: Fundamental Research to Enable High Volume, Long-term Subsurface Hydrogen Storage

FOA 2400 (FY2023)



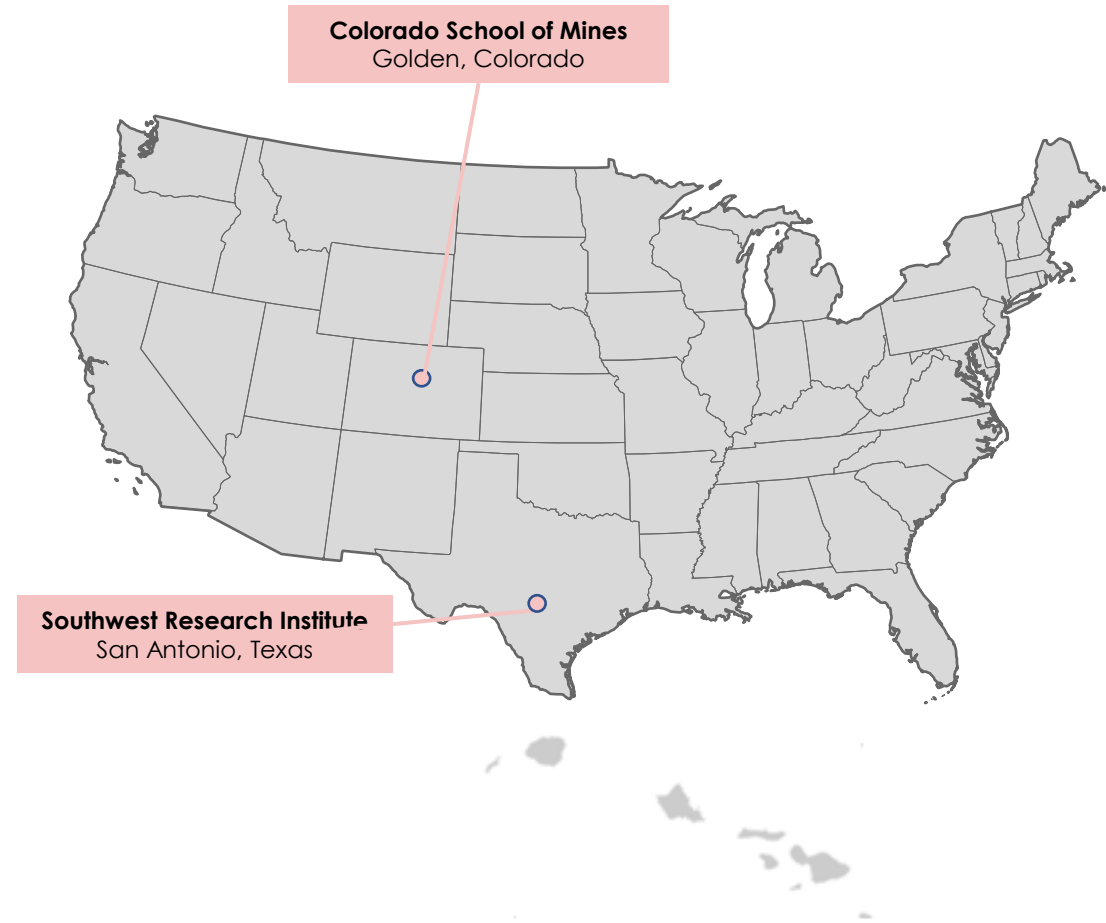
Hydrogen Production Projects

Performer	Project Title	DOE Share	Non-DOE Share	Total Cost
Ohio State University	Bench-scale Testing and Development of Fixed Bed Chemical Looping Reactor for Hydrogen Generation from Natural Gas with CO2 Capture	\$1,499,238	\$375,000	\$1,874,238
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Lower Cost, CO2 Free, H2 Production via CH4 Pyrolysis in Molten Tin	\$1,500,000	\$ 375,048	\$1,875,048
Susteon Inc.	Thermo-Catalytic Co-Production of Hydrogen and High-Value Carbon Products from Natural Gas using Structured Materials	\$1,500,000	\$ 375,000	\$ 1,875,000
University of California, Los Angeles	Direct Solar Self-Catalyzing Pyrolysis of Natural Gas to Hydrogen and High-Quality Graphite	\$1,461,772	\$ 377,848	\$1,839,620
University of Wyoming	Integration of Produced Water Thermal Desalination and Steam Methane Reforming for Efficient Hydrogen Production	\$4,997,749	\$4,999,387	\$ 9,997,136
Oceanit Laboratories Inc	HALO: Hydrogen-Recovery Using an AI-Arc-Plasma Learning Operational System for Produced Water	\$ 5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000
		\$15,958,759	\$11,502,283	\$27,461,042



Hydrogen Transportation Projects

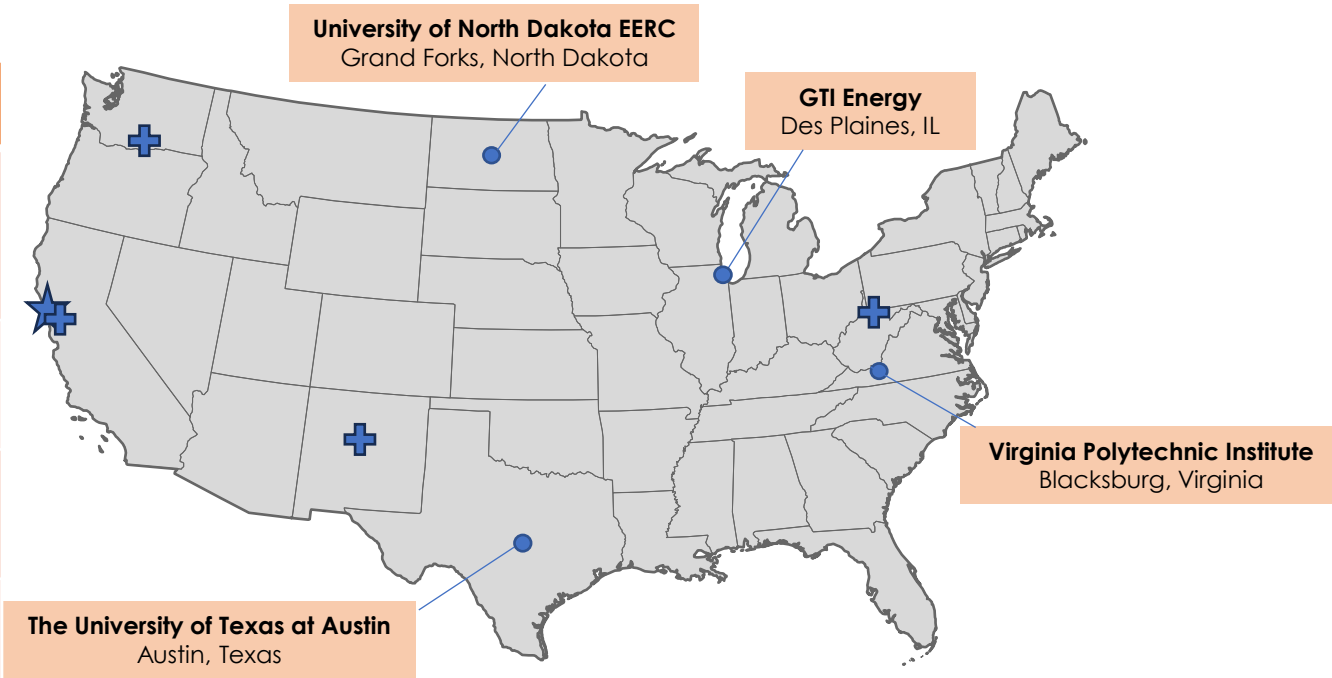
Performer	Project Title	DOE Share	Non-DOE Share	Total Cost
Colorado School of Mines	Assessment of Toughness in H-Containing Blended Gas Environments in High Strength Pipeline Steels	\$1,499,238	\$375,000	\$1,874,238
Southwest Research Institute	Technologies for Enabling The Safe and Efficient Transportation of Hydrogen within the U.S. Natural Gas Pipeline System	\$1,500,000	\$ 375,048	\$1,875,048
		\$15,958,759	\$11,502,283	\$27,461,042



Hydrogen Storage Projects



Performer	Project Title	DOE Share	Non-DOE Share	Total Cost
GTI Energy	Developing & Investigating Subsurface Storage Potential And Technical Challenges for Hydrogen (DISSPATCH H2)	\$1,400,000	\$350,000	\$1,750,000
University of North Dakota EERC	Williston Basin Resource Study for Commercial-Scale Subsurface Hydrogen Storage	\$1,500,000	\$375,000	\$1,875,000
The University of Texas at Austin	Hydrogen Storage in Salt Caverns in the Permian Basin: Seal Integrity Evaluation and Field Test	\$1,483,488	\$370,873	\$1,854,361
Virginia Polytechnic Institute	Assessment of Subsurface Hydrogen Storage in Depleted Gas Fields of Appalachia	\$1,500,000	\$375,000	\$2,250,000
		\$5,883,488	\$1,470,873	\$7,729,361



★ Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory - New Geophysical Tools for Monitoring Geologic Hydrogen Storage

SHASTA Project Objective and Goals



Identify and **address key technological hurdles** and **develop tools and technologies** to enable broad public acceptance for **subsurface storage** of pure hydrogen and hydrogen/natural gas mixtures

Project Goals:

- ✓ Quantify operational risks
- ✓ Quantify potential for resource losses
- ✓ Develop enabling tools, technologies, and guidance documents
- ✓ Develop a collaborative field-scale test plan in partnership with relevant stakeholders



Expertise across subsurface capabilities designed to enable high pressure, high temperature reactor studies that simulate wellbore and subsurface reactions and diffusivity and wettability and interfacial tension, assess the geochemistry and microbiology of reservoir types targeted for H₂/CH₄ storage, and develop optical fiber sensors capable of measuring H₂, CH₄, and pH.



Expertise in geochemical interactions in batch and flowing systems, as well as in the application of high-performance reservoir simulation and geomechanical modeling capabilities.



Expertise across the lab related to subsurface flow and transport, biogeochemistry, and technoeconomic analysis.

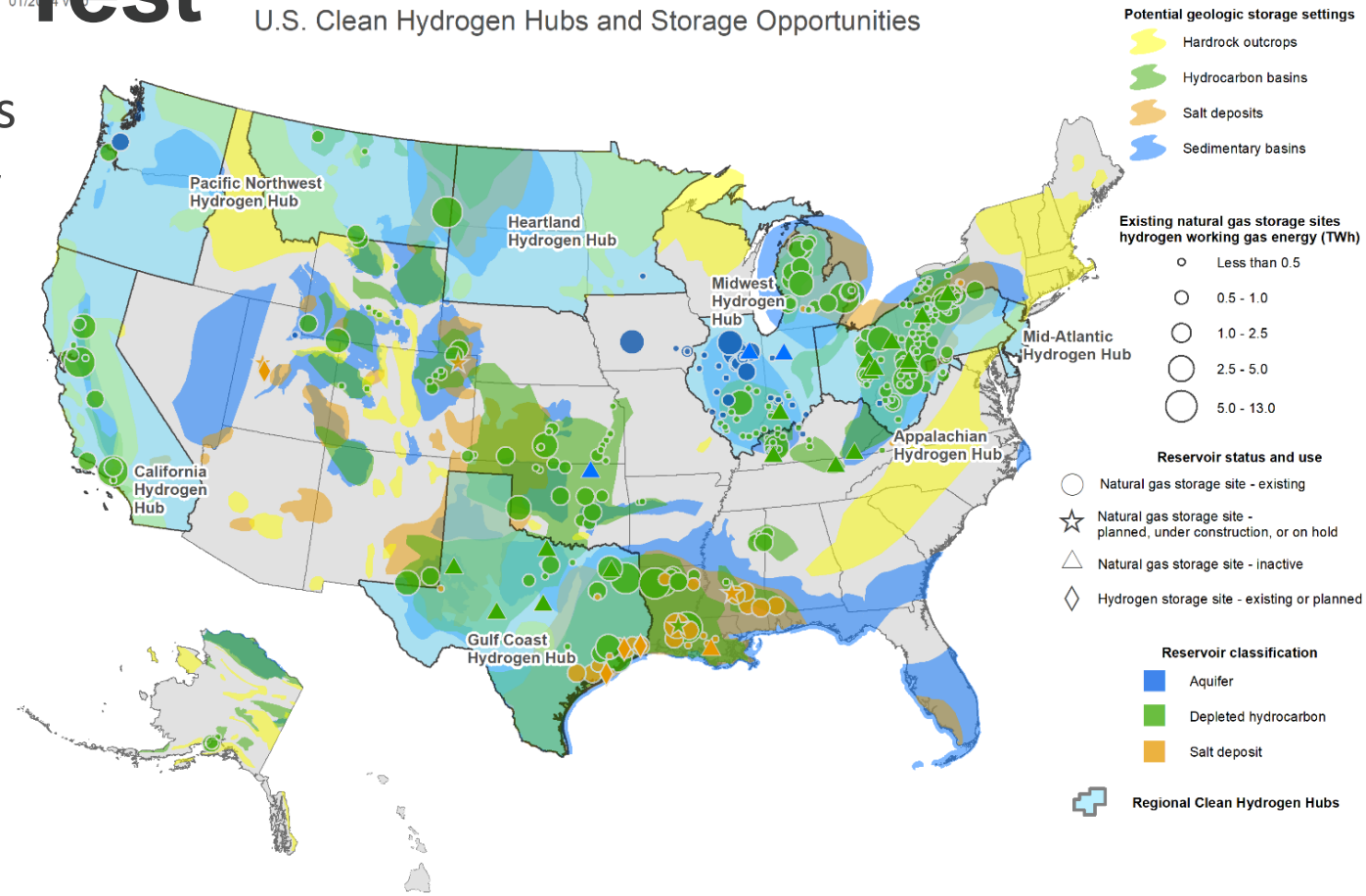


Expertise in applied subsurface geology, permeability testing, geomechanical rock properties testing and imaging, geochemical hydrogen-induced reaction analysis, microbiological testing, hydrogen effects on materials research and multiphaseflow and reactive transport modeling.

Forward Look & Field Test

U.S. Clean Hydrogen Hubs and Storage Opportunities

- SHASTA's ultimate goal is to enable field tests
- Continue to build relationships with industry
- Looking for site owners who may be interested in pilot-scale studies
- Subsurface Hydrogen Assessment, Storage, and Technology Acceleration Workshop, Pittsburgh, PA
 - Connect with complimentary efforts
 - Intra/Inter-Agency R&D
 - FOA-2400 projects
 - HFTO projects
 - H₂ Hubs
 - Partner Government Agencies
 - International R&D
 - Industry & regulatory perspective
 - Discuss next steps/needs in UHS for research, industry, and regulators



Hydrogen working gas energy of active natural gas storage sites from Lackey et al., 2023
 Locations of existing natural gas storage sites (source: PHMSA)
 Locations of inactive natural gas storage sites (source: EIA, HIFLD)
 Generalized locations and capacities of existing Hydrogen storage locations are extracted from web resources
 Generalized locations of natural gas storage sites in development represent that of the hosting county (source: EIA, FERC)
 Clean Hydrogen Hubs represent the participating states in each Clean Hydrogen Hub announced by OCEC.
 Potential geologic storage settings from Lord et al., 2014 with additional contributions from Barry Roberts and Nora Wynn (SAND2023-04266R)



NETL Research Innovation Center

- **Enabling the Hydrogen Value Chain Using Natural Gas Resources and Infrastructure**
 - 1) Transformative production of clean hydrogen from natural gas.
 - 2) Leveraging the existing natural gas pipeline infrastructure as a cost-effective near-term solution to enable decarbonization through hydrogen and blended gas transport.
 - 3) Modeling and producing sustainable chemicals and fuels, such as ammonia, from natural gas resources.
- **Production of H₂ and Valuable Carbons with Novel NETL Pyrolysis Catalyst**
 - Develop a thermo-catalytic H₂ production process that is more economical than steam methane reforming by producing a valuable carbon co-product with no CO₂ emissions.
 - Understand current and potential global markets for different types of carbon products.
- **Methane Pyrolysis**
 - To provide a techno-economic analysis and life cycle assessment of different pyrolysis technologies for industrial clean hydrogen production.
 - The project evaluates natural gas pyrolysis technologies including catalytic and plasma, and it identifies system-level challenges that affect cost and emissions to inform R&D priorities. Key study metrics include the levelized cost of hydrogen (\$/kg H₂) and global warming potential (kg CO₂e/kg H₂).

NETL Research Innovation Center

- **Fossil-Based Ammonia Production**

- To provide baseline cost and performance estimates for current, industrial, fossil-based ammonia production technologies, including a determination of lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions.
- The project focuses on ammonia produced from natural gas resources and informs decision makers of priority research areas. A key study metric includes the levelized cost of ammonia (\$/kg NH₃).

- **H₂ and NG with H₂ Pipeline Transport Cost Models**

- The H₂_P_COM and NG-H₂_P_COM models estimate the costs of building new pure hydrogen pipelines or reusing existing natural gas pipelines for transporting natural gas-hydrogen blends to facilitate the addition of hydrogen to the energy economy.

- **Real-time Sensor Technologies for H₂ Subsurface Storage and Transportation Monitoring**

- Enabling large-scale H₂ storage and transportation.
- Early detection of hydrogen leaks to ensure safety and reliability.
- Wellbore and pipeline integrity monitoring to prevent catastrophic failures.



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Questions?



Legend:

- Light Rare Earth Elements
- Heavy Rare Earth Elements
- Critical Rare Earth Elements
- Critical Minerals

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