

NRAP: Tools for Geologic Carbon Storage Risk Assessment

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National Risk Assessment Partnership

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U.S. Geologic Storage Capacity



Estimates of CO ₂ Stationary Source Emissions and Estimates of CO ₂ Storage Resources for Geologic Storage Sites											
RCSP or Geographic Region	CO ₂ Stationary Sources		CO ₂ Storage Resource Estimates (billion metric tons of CO ₂)								
	CO ₂ Emissions (million metric tons per year)	Number of Sources	Saline Formations			Oil and Gas Reservoirs			Unmineable Coal Areas		
			Low	Med***	High	Low	Med***	High	Low	Med***	High
BSCSP	115	301	211	805	2,152	<1	<1	1	<1	<1	<1
MGSC	267	380	41	163	421	<1	<1	<1	2	3	3
MRCSP	604	1,308	108	122	143	9	14	26	<1	<1	<1
PCOR*	522	946	305	583	1,012	2	4	9	7	7	7
SECARB	1,022	1,857	1,376	5,257	14,089	27	34	41	33	51	75
SWP	326	779	256	1,000	2,693	144	147	148	<1	1	2
WESTCARB*	162	555	82	398	1,124	4	5	7	11	17	25
Non-RCSP**	53	232	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Total	3,071	6,358	2,379	8,328	21,633	186	205	232	54	80	113

Source: U.S. Carbon Storage Atlas – Fifth Edition (Atlas V); data current as of November 2014

* Totals include Canadian sources identified by the RCSP

** As of November 2014, "U.S. Non-RCSP" includes Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Puerto Rico

*** Medium = p50



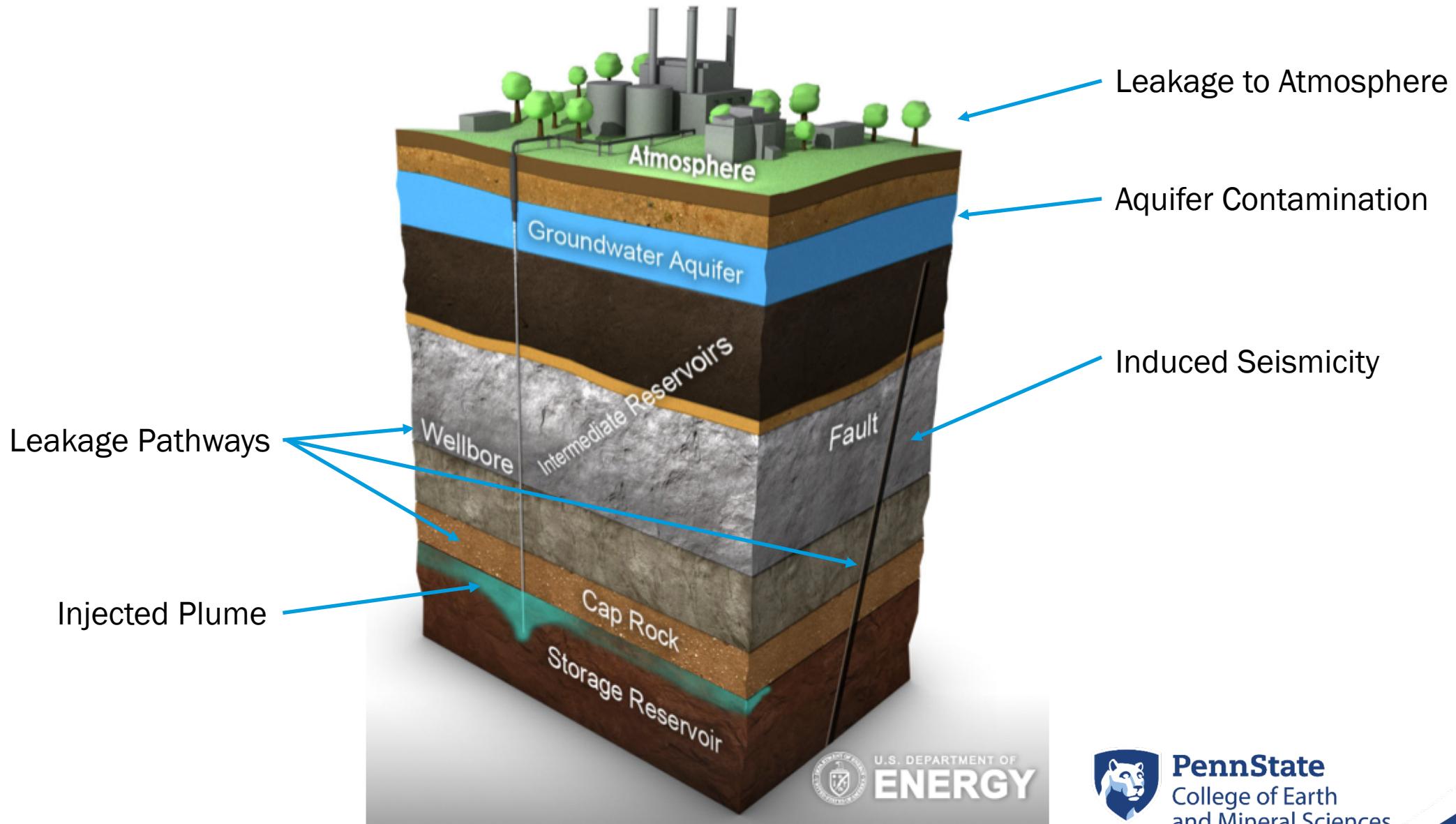
P90: 2.6 trillion metric tons CO₂
P10: 22 trillion metric tons CO₂

Source: “DOE’s Carbon Storage Atlas – Fifth Edition (Atlas V)”



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Potential Hazards of GCS



Mission

- The planning of large-scale, long-term GCS projects requires quantitative, science-based methods for estimating long-term environmental risks related to potential leakage and induced seismicity
- NRAP brings together researchers from five DOE national laboratories: NETL, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, and Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
- Tools developed:
 - Integrated Assessment Model
 - Aquifer Impact Model
 - Ground Motion Prediction for Induced Seismicity
 - Short-Term Seismic Forecasting
 - Probabilistic Seismic Risk Assessment Tool
 - Multiple Source Leakage Reduced-Order Model
 - Reservoir Evaluation and Visualization
 - Reservoir Reduced-Order Model Generator
 - Seal Barrier Reduced-Order Model
 - Well Leakage Analysis Tool
 - Designs for Risk Evaluation and Management
 - State of Stress Assessment Tool



Penn State's Involvement: Workflow Development

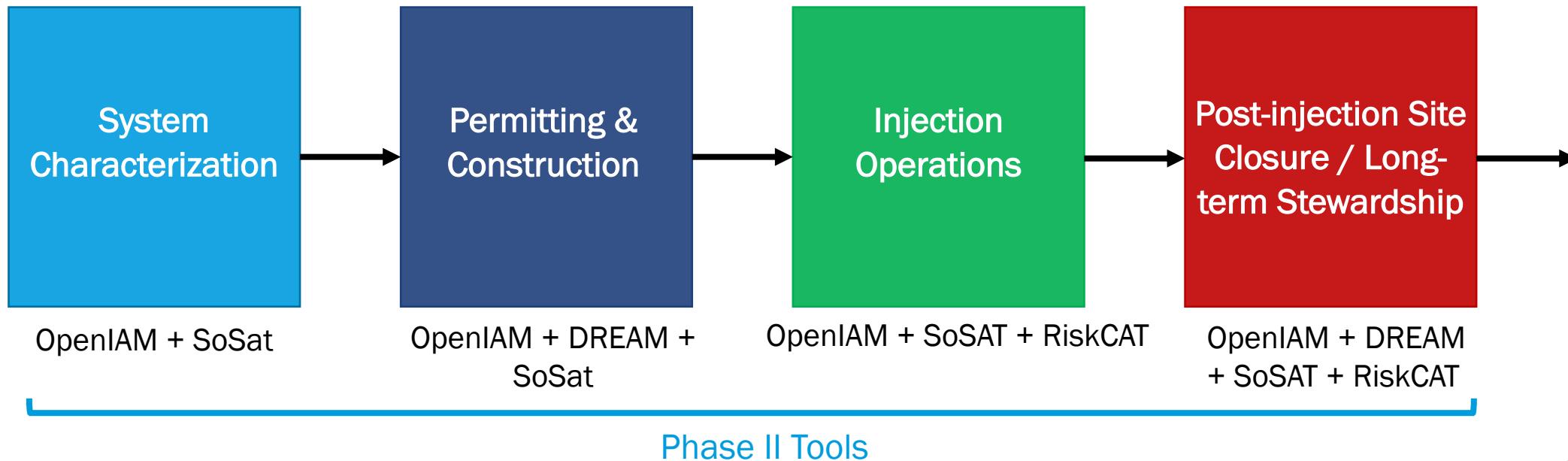
Use Case: Risk Assessment for a Reservoir, Wellbore, and Aquifer System

1. Develop model for reservoir, well, and aquifer system
2. Quantify leakage risk

1. Establish risk-based Area of Review
2. Determine optimum monitoring design

1. Validate leakage model
2. Monitor potential hazards

1. Discontinue injection operations
2. Continue monitoring leakage and hazard risks



New Use Case: CO2-EOR field & 45Q tax credits

Passed in February, 2018, the revamped 45Q tax credits give operators \$35/ton plus the delivered cost of CO2 (up from \$10/ton).

A Proposed New Tool to Help EOR Operators:

- Critical Question: What design of CO2-EOR job is necessary to add financial value to project under 45Q tax credit scheme?
- Workflow: Optimal CO2-EOR design variables
- Case Study: Cranfield, Teapot Dome

Thank You!

Questions? Comments?