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Health, Safety, & Environmental Update on H₂S and CO₂ Injection and Sequestration

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HSE ISSUES RAISED ABOUT RE-INJECTION AND SEQUESTRATION IN U.S. AND CANADA

- Regulatory
- Economic
- Transportation
- Air Emissions and Global Warming
- Community Health
- Seismicity
- Surface and Ground Water Contamination
- Toxic Chemicals Management
- Community Opposition

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RECENT DEVELOPMENTS: HUGE ECONOMIC UNCERTAINTY & ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES

- Bankruptcies, Corporate Re-Organization, Downsizing, Mergers and Acquisitions
- **Ripe time to purchase assets for less!!**
- Blowouts from Acid Gas injection in Texas and Louisiana
- Minor Injection induced earthquakes
- Continued litigation concurrent with shut ins
- Long term storage of carbon projects initiated despite environmental and economic concerns

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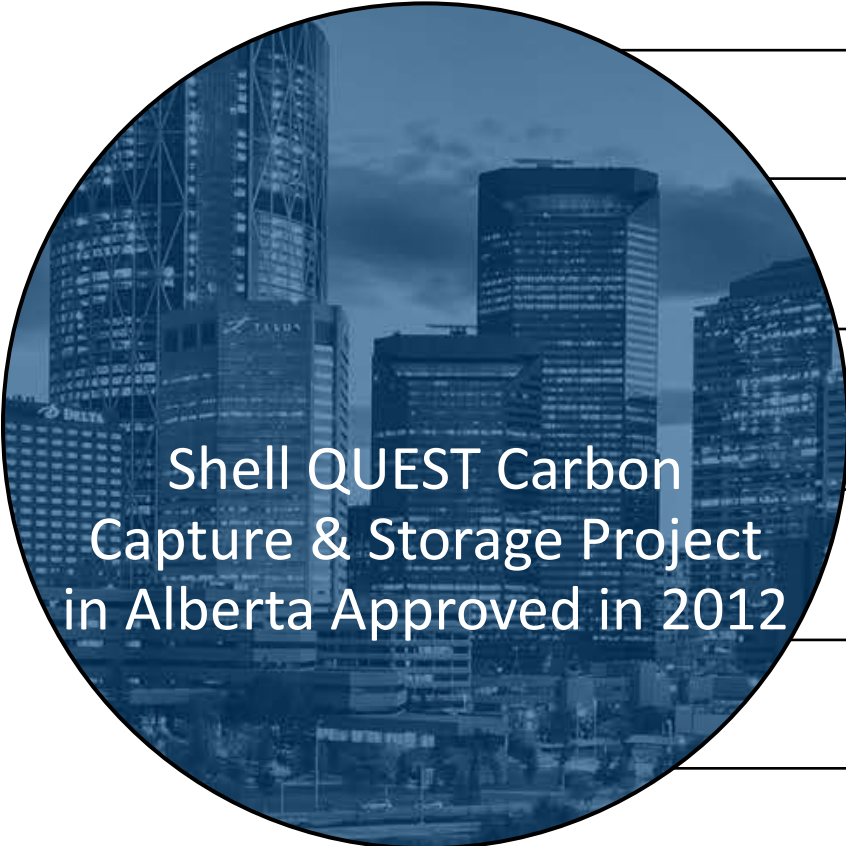
RESEARCH AND HISTORICAL DATA ON ISSUES

- Underground Injection Control (UIC) Record in U.S.
- Basis for Chinese Regulations Developed in 2011.
- Alberta Research proved up cryogenic capture of H₂S and liquid injection of Acid Gases (H₂S and CO₂) in Alberta
- Technology spread to U.S. particularly Texas and Colorado

HISTORY OF INJECTION AND SEQUESTRATION IN CANADA

- First CCS Leases Granted in Alberta in May 2011
- Allows Exploration of Field and Determination of Numbers of Wells Later
- Alberta Experience in Western Canada providing guidance to Eastern Canada
- Initial Regulatory Protocols for Emergency Planning zone

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Scotford Upgrader



1.2 Mtpa CO₂



80 km 30mm line



3-8 Wells



2000 m in saline

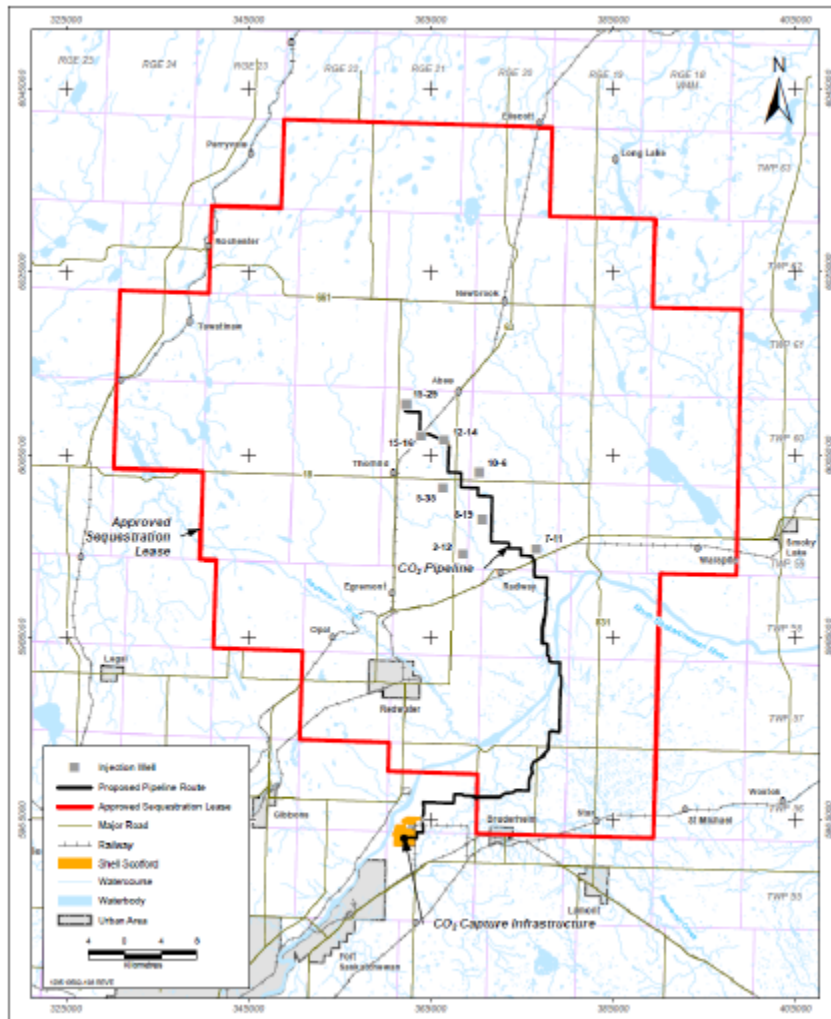


+39 Townships in Area of Interest

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- **Capture and Compression**
 - Capture at Shell Scotford Upgrader- amines
 - CO₂ source 3 x HMUs (SMR technology)
 - Up to 1.2 Mtpa CO₂ ; CO₂ > 95% purity
- **Pipeline**
 - Agricultural lands with distributed population
 - 12 inch line; about 80 km length
 - Laterals pipelines from main to wellheads
- **Disposal Scheme**
 - 3-8 wells
 - Target zone is saline aquifer- over 2000m depth
 - 39+ townships Area of Interest (AOI)
- **MMV Program**
 - To verify containment and storage performance
- **Project Status**
 - July 2012- Regulatory Approvals
 - Sept 2012- Final Investment Decision!!

QUEST MAJOR REGULATORY APPLICATIONS

- Injection-Disposal Application (ERCB Dir 51)
- Pore Space Tenure (Alberta Energy)
- Well & Pipeline Licenses (ERCB Directive 56)
- Capture Infrastructure (ERCB OSCA)
- Disposal Permit (ERCB Directive 65)
- Alberta Environmental Assessment
- Environmental Impact Assessment by
(Environment Canada)
- MMV Plan & Closure Certificate (Alberta Energy)

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ALBERTA ADDRESSING REGULATORY GAPS

Alberta Carbon Capture & Storage Statutes Amendment Act (2010)

- *Enables Gov't to assume Liability for Stored CO2 Project Operators*
- *Clarified ownership of Pore Space (i.e. Province of Alberta)*
- *Enables Alberta to create Post-Closure Stewardship Fund*
- *Enables Alberta to issue Tenure Agreements (pore space tenure)*

Alberta Carbon Sequestration Tenure Regulation (April 2011)

- *Administrative details on permits/ carbon sequestration leases*
- *Framework for MMV Plans and Closure Plans*

Alberta Regulatory Framework Assessment (2011/2012)

- *Multi-stakeholder Review for CCS*
- *Provides Recommendations on How Framework GAPS can be addressed*

COMPARING CANADA WITH U.S.

- Notifications of Surface Occupants extends 1.6 km (1 mi) radius in Canada versus usual ¼ mile in U.S.
- Preference for Saline Areas with no history of oil and gas development, without old wells in Canada
- Provinces assume long-term liability
- Canada requires 3-year monitoring measurement and verification plans
- Granting of Permits in U.S. may limit liability
- Tenure in Canada - 5-Year Evaluation and 15-Year Renewable Sequestration Leases

RECENT CCS DEVELOPMENTS

1. Shell's Quest is one of first commercial demonstrations of cost-effectiveness of Long Term Carbon Storage
2. Permian Basin also has demonstrated long term storage of carbon, about 60% of EOR Injected carbon remains
3. Texas NRG project put on hold
4. Other commercial projects proceeding.

OPEC production increases with Iran export resumption have initiated a new Wild Ride of Oil and Gas Industry with waves of economic consequences moving through the oil patch and certain regions of U.S. and Canada

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MAJOR ISSUES CONFRONTING INJECTION IN U.S. BESIDES ECONOMICS

Practice of Injection in Old Fields

- Releases in Texas & Louisiana

Practice of Injecting H₂S in Highly Lethal Concentrations

- Three releases in Texas

Injection-Related Earthquakes

- Can we limit injection rates and effectively limit earthquake occurrence and magnitude?

U.S. CASE STUDY DATA REVIEW

- Acid Gas (AG) releases in Louisiana and Texas
- Enforcement of EPA guidance on injection well location and zone siting and re-plugging of old wells is under review and being tested in U.S. courts
- Texas & Pennsylvania courts award damages

Case History: Purging Wells Linked To A Disposal Well Through Interference Testing



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2016 One-Year Seismic Hazard Forecast for the Central and Eastern United States from Induced and Natural Earthquakes

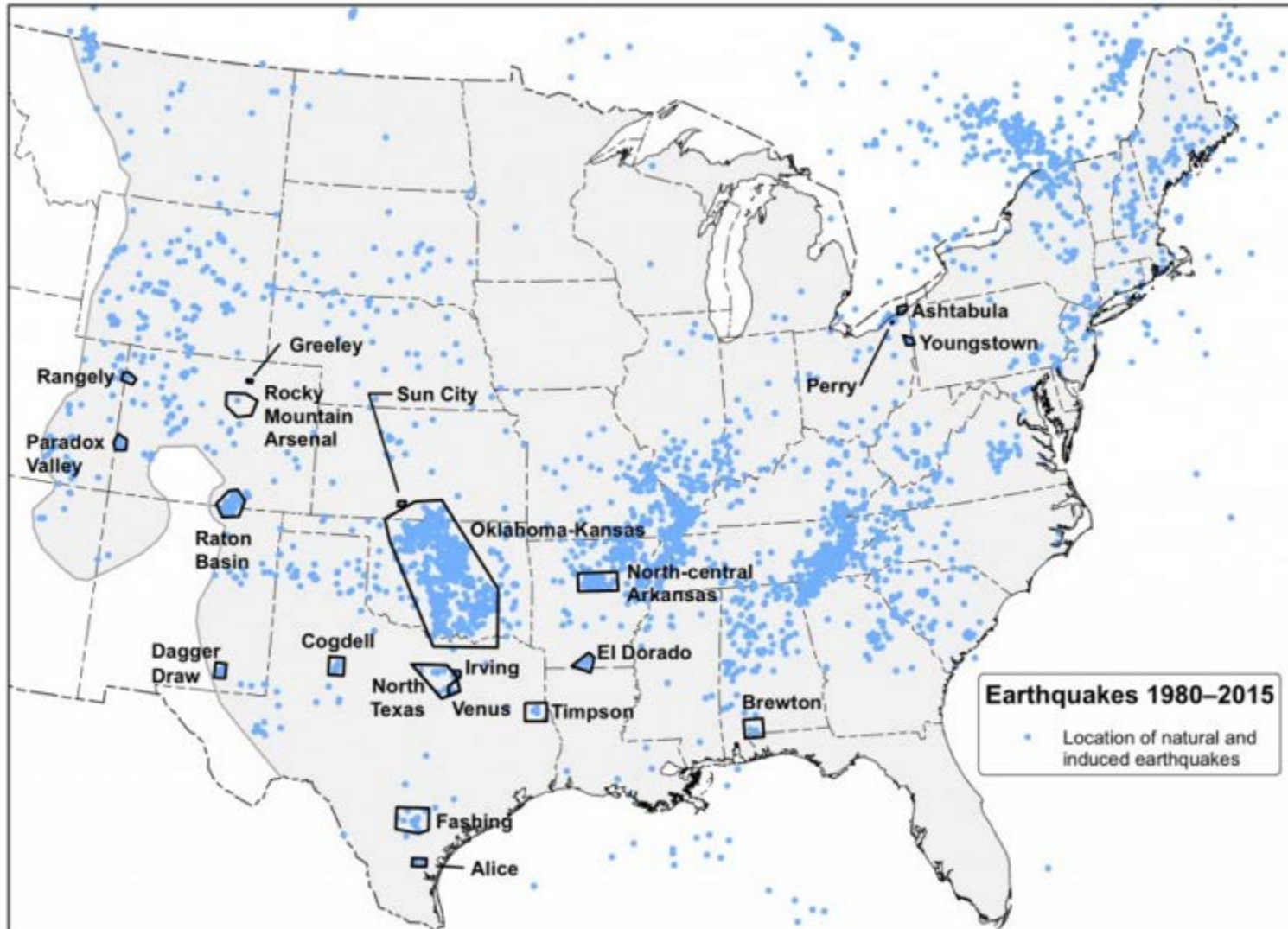
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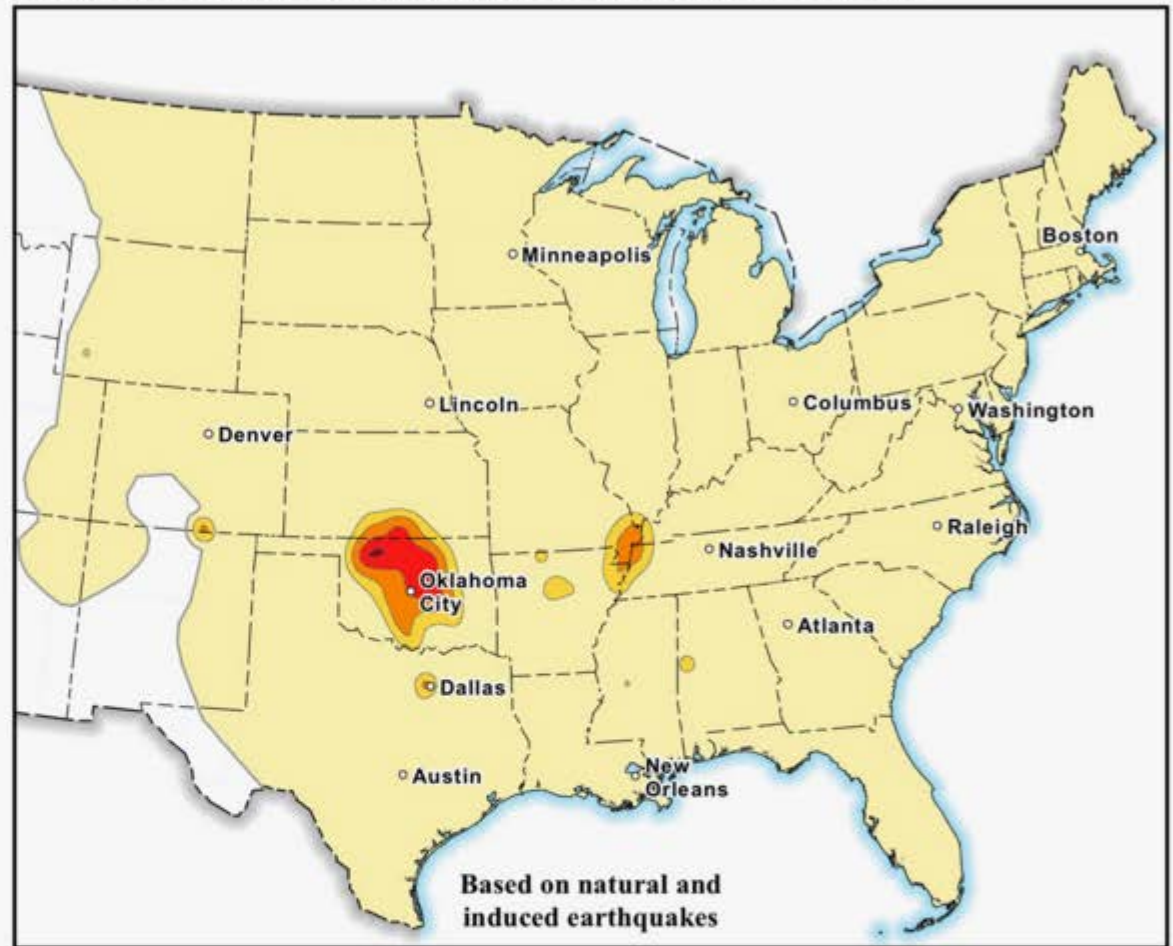
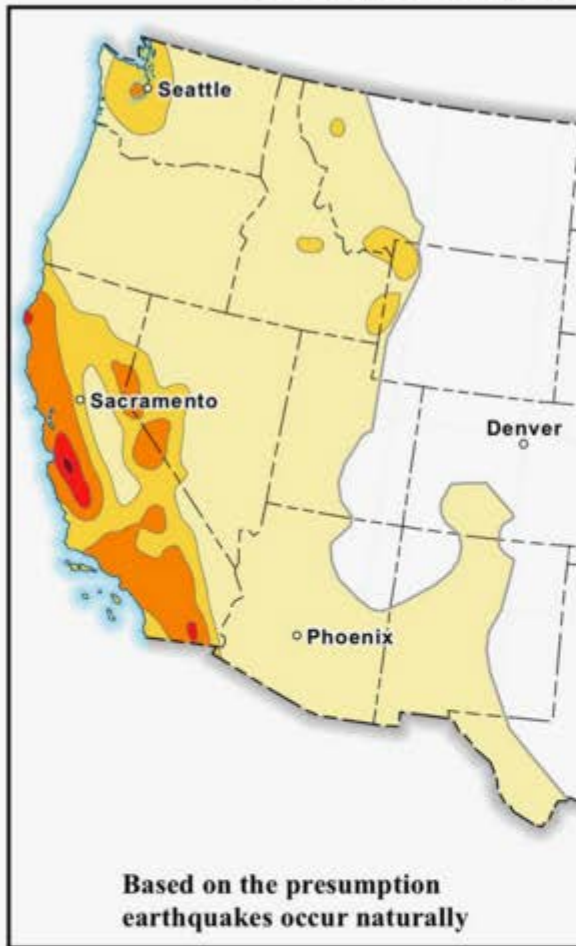
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USGS Map of Earthquakes since 1980 and Recent Areas Impacted by Induced Seismicity

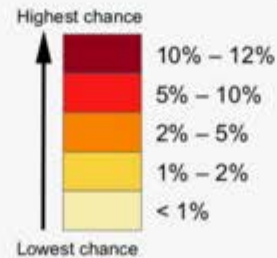


USGS map displaying 21 areas where scientists have observed rapid changes in seismicity that have been associated with wastewater injection. The map also shows earthquakes—both natural and induced—recorded from 1980 to 2015 in the central and eastern U.S. with a magnitude greater than or equal to 2.5.

USGS Forecast for Damage from Natural and Induced Earthquakes in 2016



Chance of damage



USGS map displaying potential to experience damage from natural or human-induced earthquakes in 2016. Chances range from less than 1 percent to 12 percent.

FINDINGS OF EPA & USGS STUDIES

1. Blowouts in Louisiana are directly related to TX injection
2. Communication across formations and between wells can be demonstrated via practical field tests
3. Recent Earthquake activity is related to injection

OBJECTIVES OF NEW & PENDING REGULATIONS IN CANADA AND U.S.

- Requirements for additional disclosure re chemicals in injected fluids generally with strong proprietary confidentiality provisions
- New Emergency Response Requirements and More Robust Monitoring Contingency Plans
- Further study of seismic activity and limitations on injection rates in certain areas
- Major projects can receive favorable consideration and “expedited” permitting

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OUR CONCLUSIONS

- Increased regulatory requirements on horizon
- Pending legal cases in U.S. may impact how we do business
- Economics remains the greatest uncertainty on what happens next
- Working together - many opportunities
- Climate Change/Resource Developments

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