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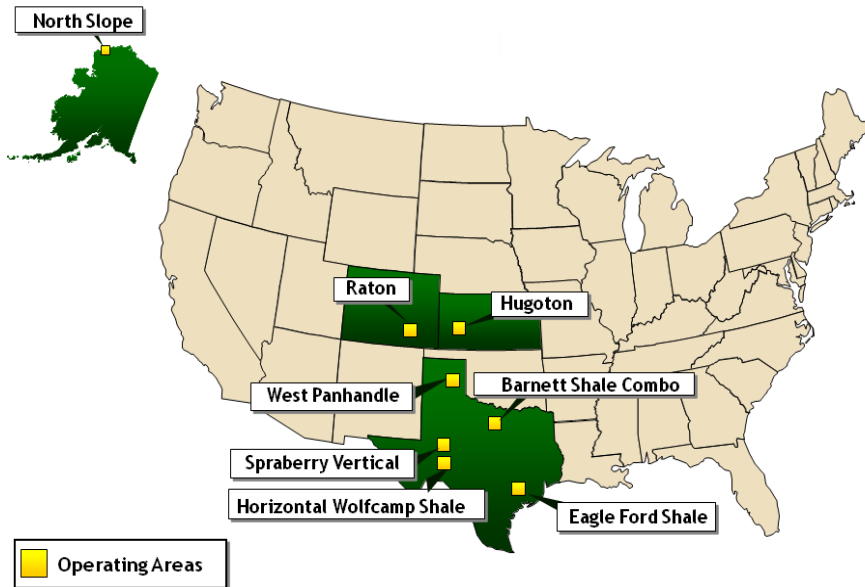
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- Pioneer overview
- Importance of a healthy industry
- Competition for capital
- SB 21/HB 72
- Incentives for Alaskan investments
- Closing thoughts



Corporate overview:

- \$19 Billion enterprise value
- ~3,500 employees
- \$3 Billion capital budget
- \$2 Billion cash flow from operations
- Leading performer in peer group



Alaska Operations Overview:

- 1st independent operator on North Slope
- 70+ full-time Alaska employees
- \$14+ million in annual wages (employees)
- 150 - 300 Alaska contract workers
- ~\$180 million 2013 capital budget
- ~ 6,000 BOPD gross production
- ~ 40% production growth anticipated for 2014

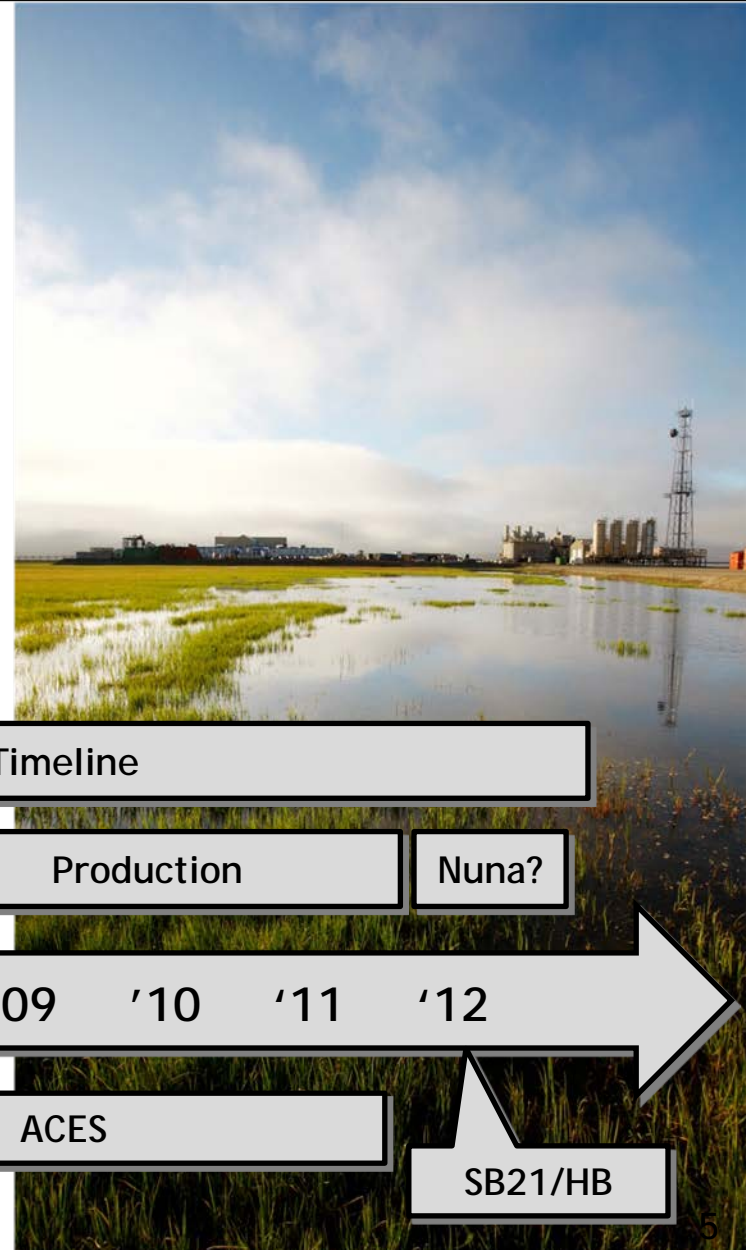
Pioneer Alaska Profile: Oooguruk

Exploration:

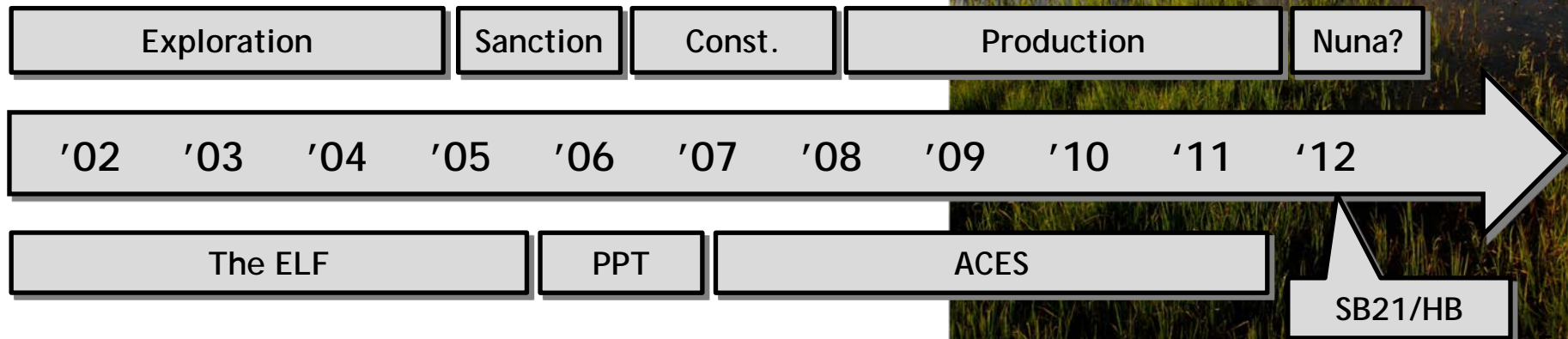
- 11 exploration wells '02 -'05
- 1 commercial project

Oooguruk Quick Facts:

- 70% Pioneer (operator) : 30% Eni
- ~\$1 billion capital invested
- 12+ million barrels produced
- ~\$270 million in credits received
(~7 % of total credits issued by the state)

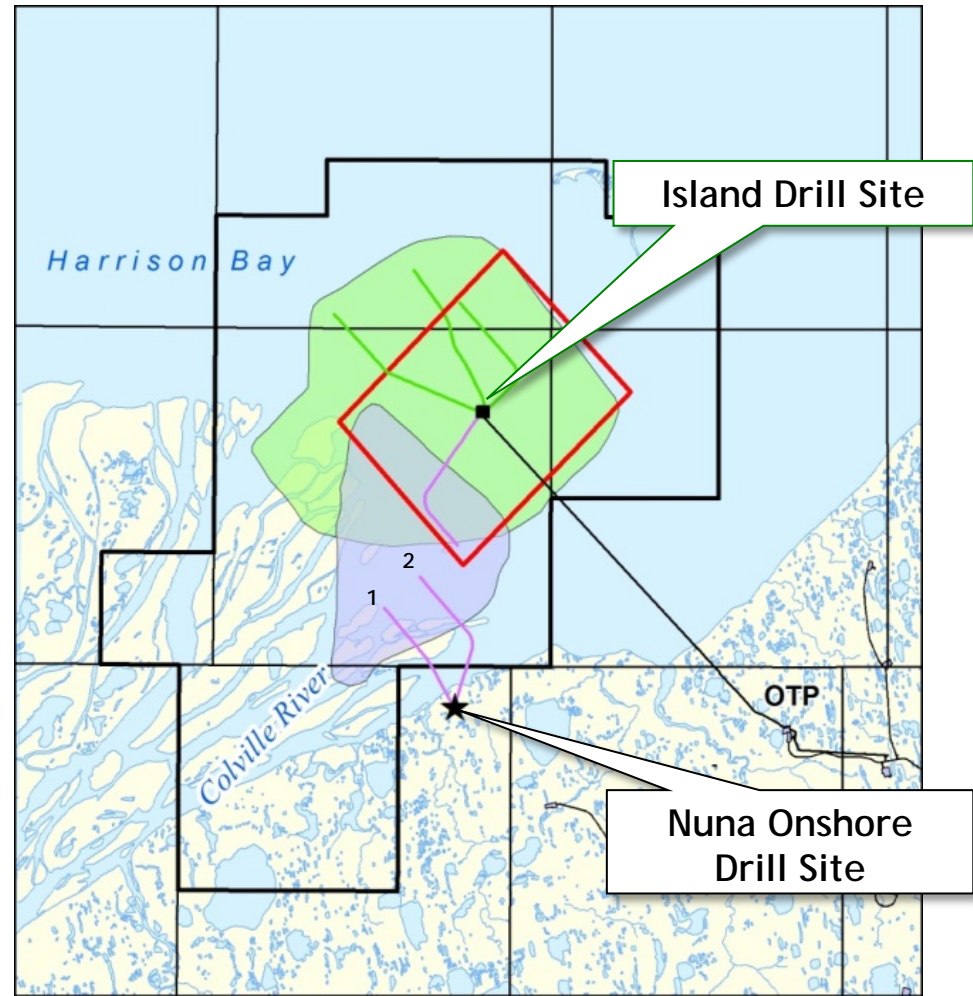


Oooguruk Project and Fiscal Policy Timeline



Nuna Project:

- Nuna-1 well drilled in 2012
- ~50 MMBO of resource potential
- Nuna-2 drilling underway
- Phase I development overview
 - Q3 2013 sanction decision
 - ~\$1 Billion capital required
 - 2015 first oil
 - 14 MBOPD peak production
 - Jobs and economic impact
- Potential for 2nd drill site
- Must compete for limited capital against low-risk, fast-cycle projects in Lower 48



Alaska Relative to Lower 48 Resource Plays:

■ Resource

| | Alaska | Lower 48 |
|-------------------------|--------|----------|
| Resource Report Card | | |
| Resource Potential | ✓ | ✓ |
| Resource Competition | ✓ | |
| Geologic Risk | | ✓ |
| Oil Bias | ✓ | ✓ |
| Regulatory Process Ease | | ✓ |
| Land Acquisition | ✓ | ✓ |

■ Profitability

| | Alaska | Lower 48 |
|---------------------------|--------|----------|
| Profitability Report Card | | |
| Cycle Times / Payback | | ✓ |
| Execution Risk | | ✓ |
| Operational Flexibility | | ✓ |
| Operating Margins | | ✓ |

Pioneer Competitive Resource Opportunities

PIONEER
NATURAL RESOURCES

WOLFCAMP / SPRABERRY

\$1,650 MM Drilling Program
627 MMBOE Proven

Vertical Program

20 Wells ('13)
+1.5 BBOE Net Potential

Wolfcamp / Spraberry

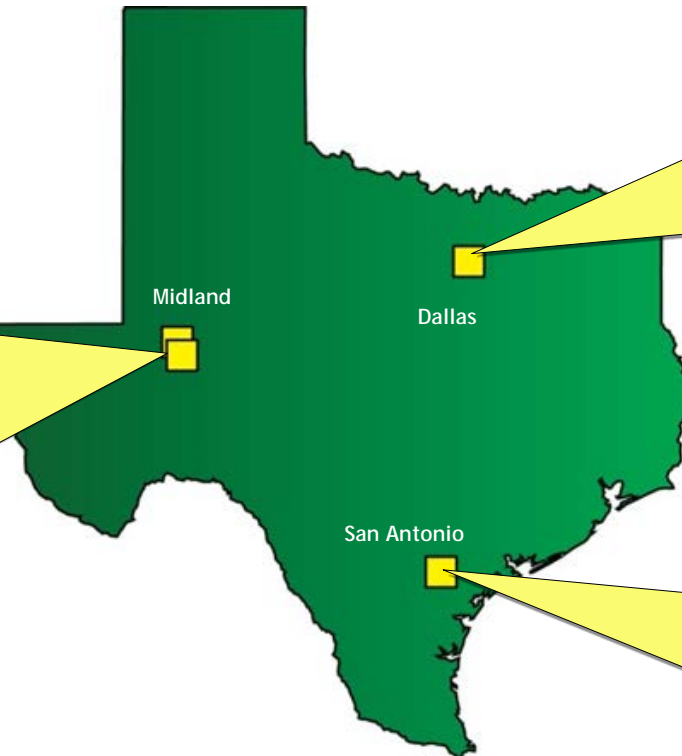
30-40 Wells ('13)
+3.0 BBOE Net Potential

Wolfcamp Joint Interest Area Drilling Program(2)

120 wells ('14)
+1.6B BBOE Net Potential

2013 Production (Growth):
75-80 MBOEPD (+14 - 21%)

> 40 rigs running
> 2000 drilling locations



Barnett Shale Combo

\$185 MM Drilling Program
33 MMBOE Proved
+300 MMBOE Net Potential

2013 Production (Growth):
9-12 MBOEPD (+22 - 41%)

Eagle Ford Shale

\$575 MM Drilling Program
116 MMBOE Proved
86 Wells ('13)
+340 MMBOE Net Potential

2013 Production (Growth):
38-42 MBOEPD (+36% - 50%)

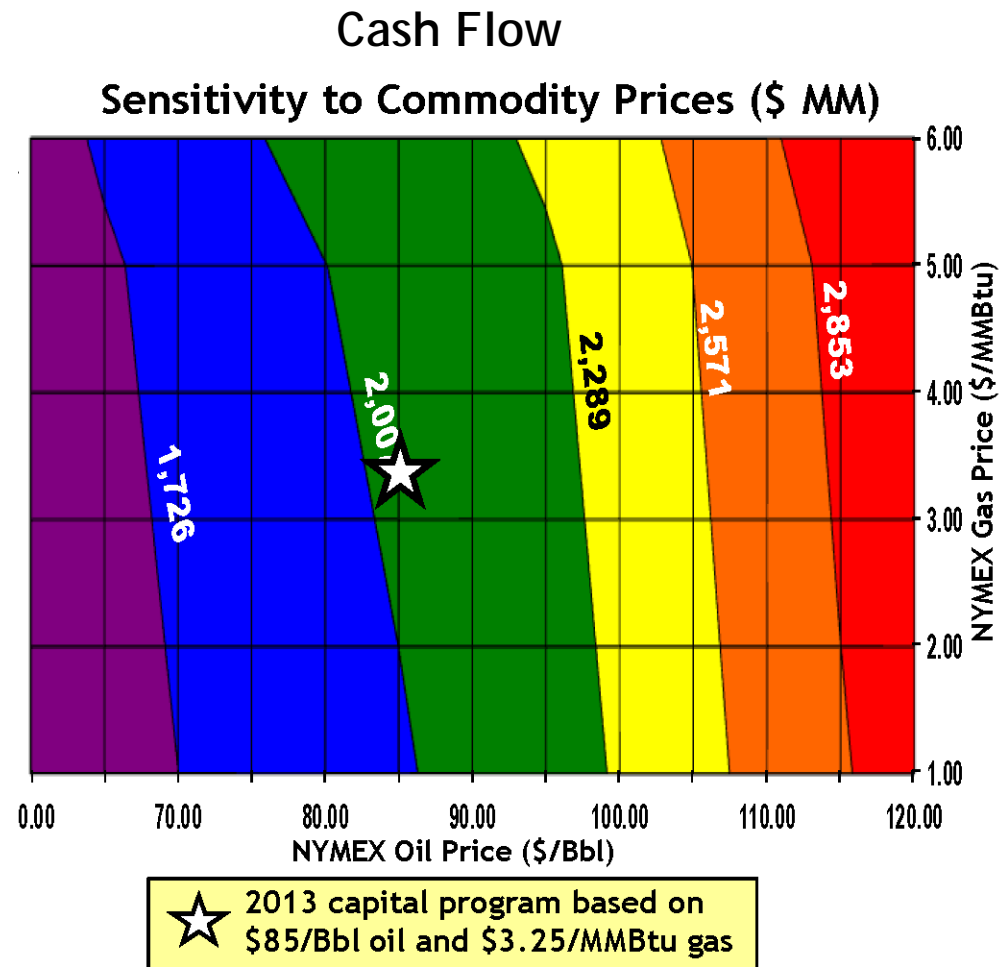
2013E Capital Spending and Cash Flow¹

■ Capital Program of \$3.0 B includes:

- Drilling capital: 2.75 B total
 - \$190 MM Alaska
(7% of pioneer drilling capital)

■ Capital program funded from:

- \$2.0 B operating cash flow
- \$0.6 B joint interest cash flow (2)
- \$0.4 B capital markets



1) Capital spending excludes acquisitions, asset retirement obligations, capitalized interest and G&G G&A

2) Pioneer incurs 100% of capital costs from January 1st through estimated closing date of June 1st; Pioneer will be reimbursed by Sinochem for 40% of this amount as an adjustment at closing (not credited to cost incurred); Sinochem pays 40% of capital costs and carries Pioneer for 75% of Pioneer's 60% of capital costs post closing

Governor's Guiding Principles

- Tax policy must be fair to Alaskans
- Any changes to oil taxes should, when taken together, be geared to foster new production
- Changes should result in a more simple tax system and restore balance to our fiscal system
- Tax policy must make Alaska competitive for the long-term

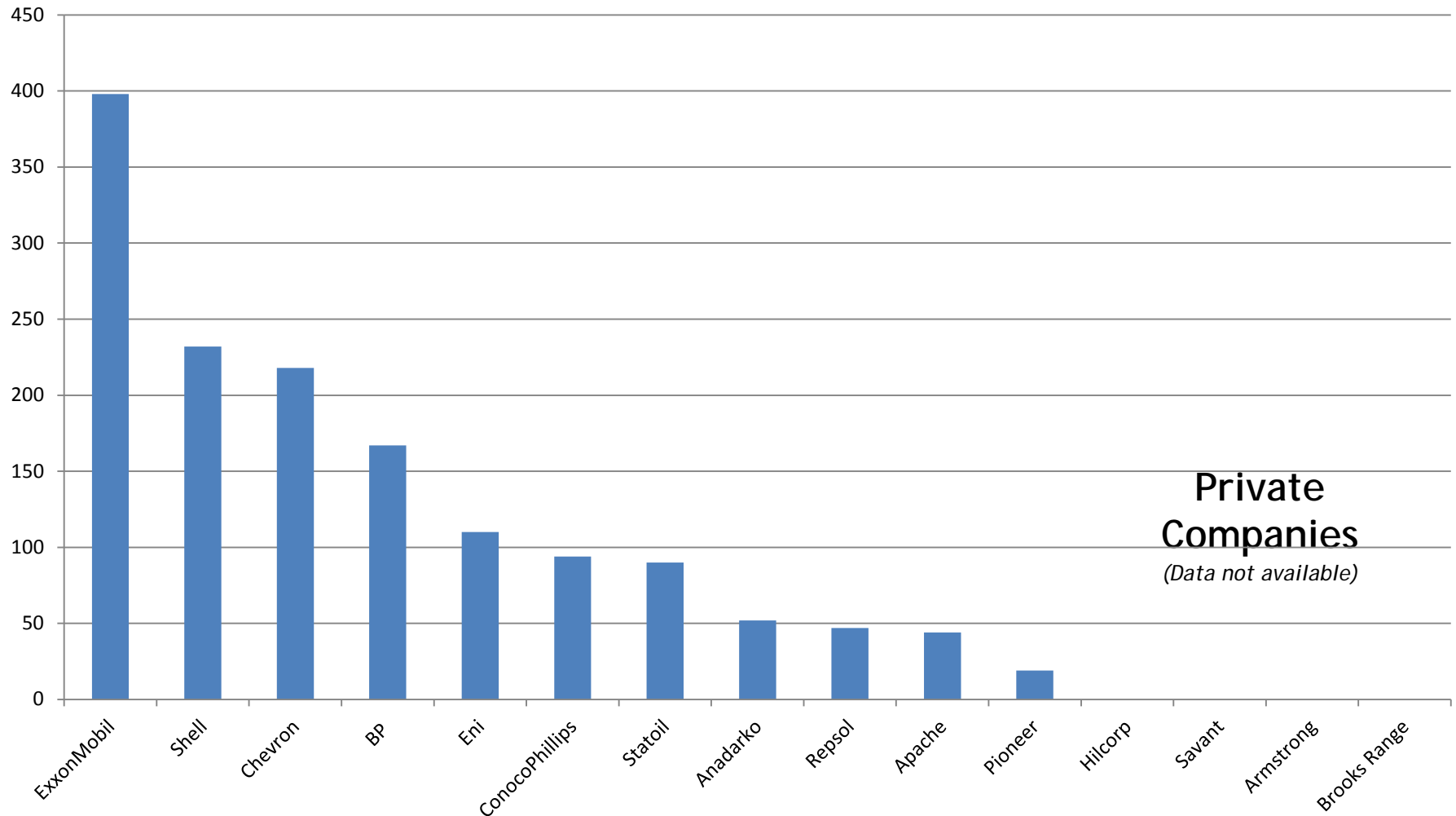
■ Positives:

- Elimination of progressivity
- Small producer credit extension
- Gross revenue exclusion (GRE)
- Escalating loss carry forward credit

■ Negatives:

- Disadvantages smaller new projects
- Loss of capital credits
- Complicated carried-forward loss calculation
- No GRE for legacy fields
- Advantage to legacy producers may motivate consolidation of assets

Enterprise Value (Bn\$)



■ Independents ¹

- A non-integrated company
- Primarily in the exploration and production side of the industry (limited downstream)
- Come in large, medium and small varieties
- ~18,000 companies in U.S.
- Accounted for 2.1 million U.S. jobs in 2010
- First to drill in the offshore
- Often first to adopt and develop new technologies
- Independents account for 65% of total natural gas production and 45% of total oil production in the United States
- Independents drill close to 94% of America's oil and natural gas wells

■ Financial Market Drivers

- Independents are rewarded for **production growth and debt management**

"While their [smaller Independents] production may not seem significant, their economic impact is. Some companies would have had to move their work to North Dakota if it wasn't for them."

~Doug Smith, president, Little Red Services,
Testimony before TAPS Throughput
Committee Jan 13, 2013

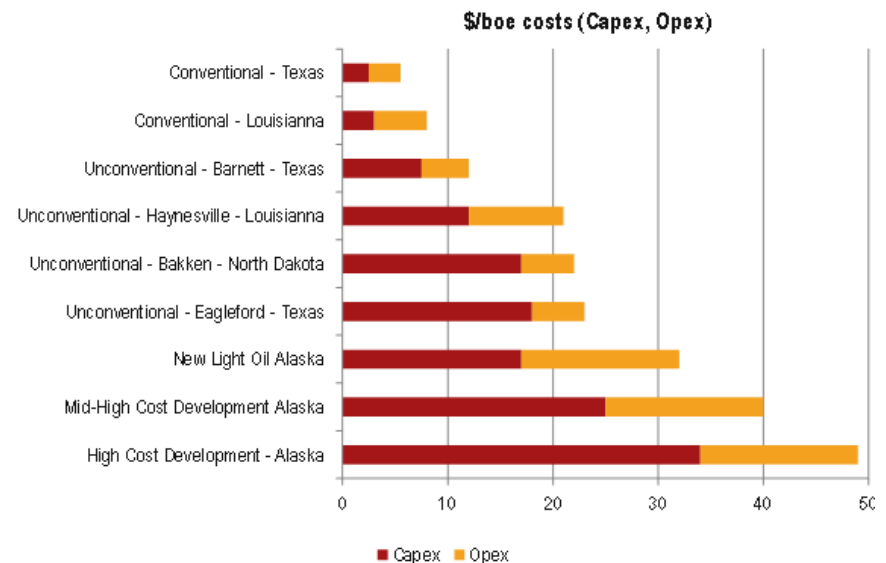
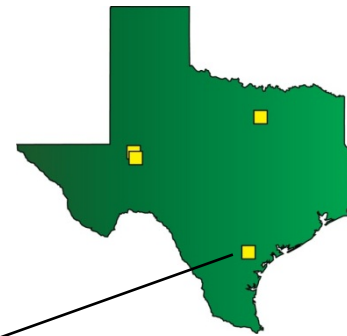
"Independents compete on growth"

-Tony Reinsch, PFC Energy
TAPS Throughput Decline Committee
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¹ Source: The Economic Contribution of the Onshore Independent Oil and Natural Gas Producers to the US Economy, IHS Global insight(USA), Inc, April 2011

Eagle Ford Operators and Companies

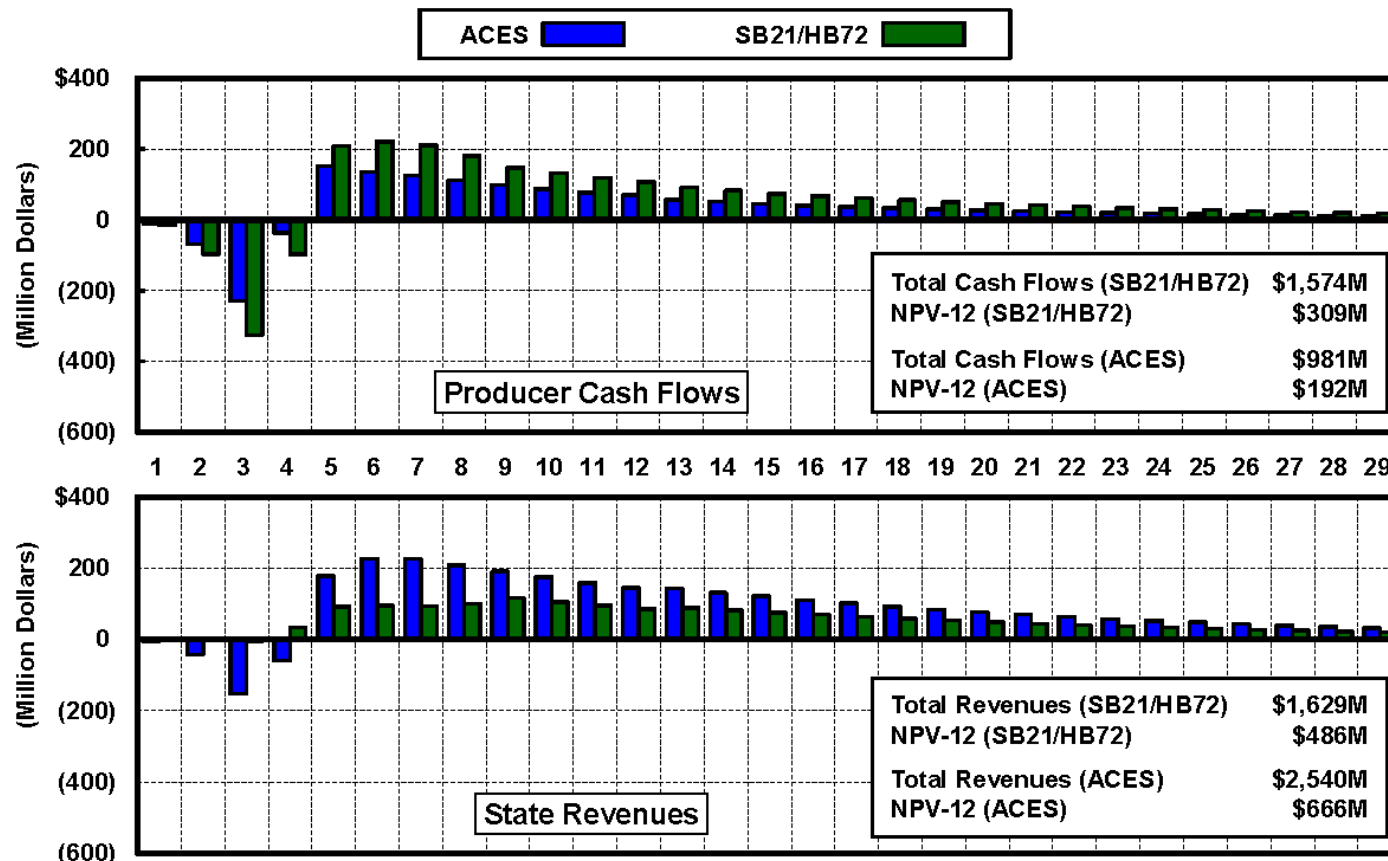
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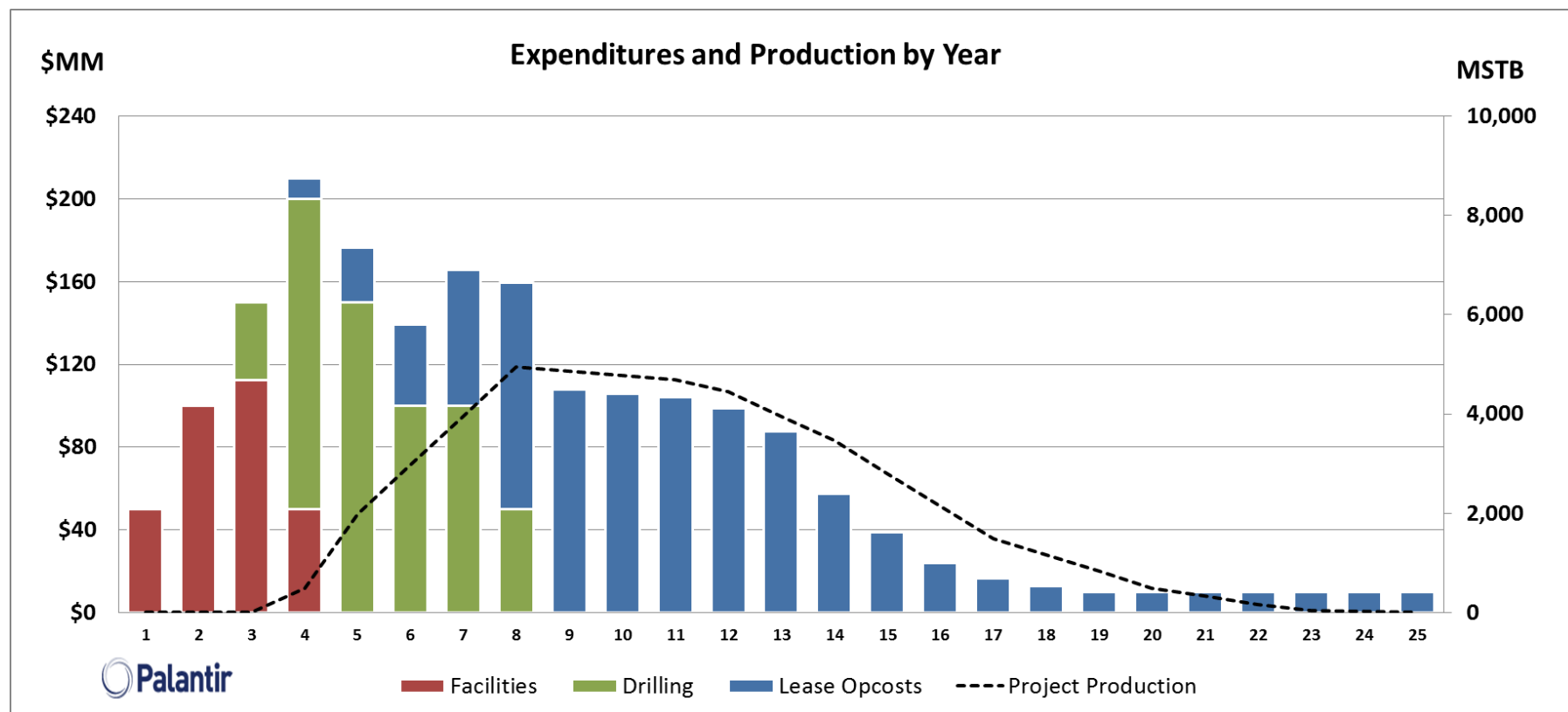
Source: Alaska Discussion Slides, PFC Energy 2012, February 11, 2013

SB21/HB72: Econ One Initial Project Evaluation

Annual State Revenues and Producer Cash Flows at \$100 West Coast ANS
Light Conventional Oil Alaska Development
New Participant in Alaska



Typical New Project Spend Profile



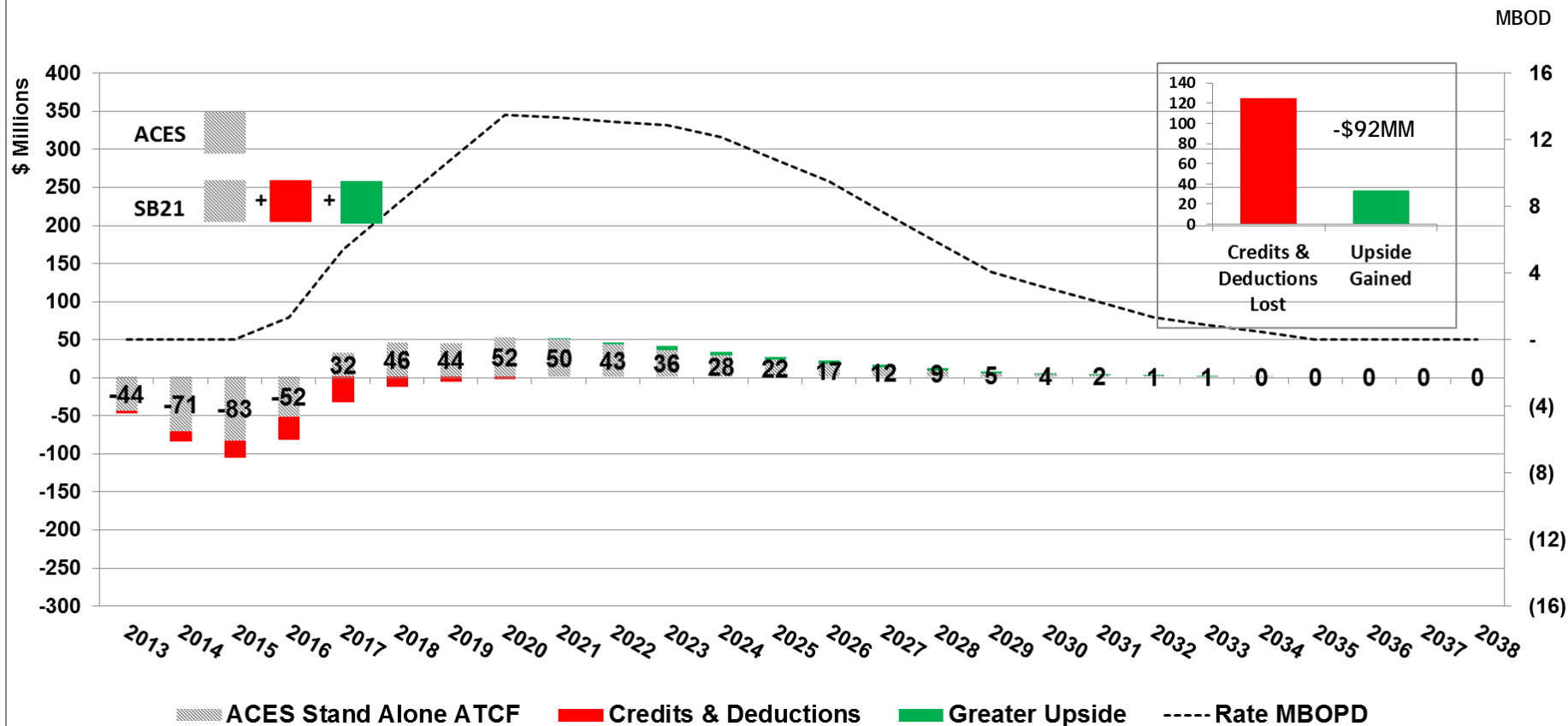
Typical Project (after discovery):

- 1st year: front end engineering work
- 2nd year: 100% of capital spent on facilities
- 3rd year: 75% capital is for facility work
- Drilling begins late in 3rd year, no production until 4th year
- 4th year: production begins
- Peak production rate occurs during 5th year after start of production

New Entrant - Stand Alone Project

DISCOUNTED AFTER TAX CASH FLOW (\$100/bbl ANS)

Under SB21 a standalone producer has to source **more upfront capital** in exchange for **greater upside** later



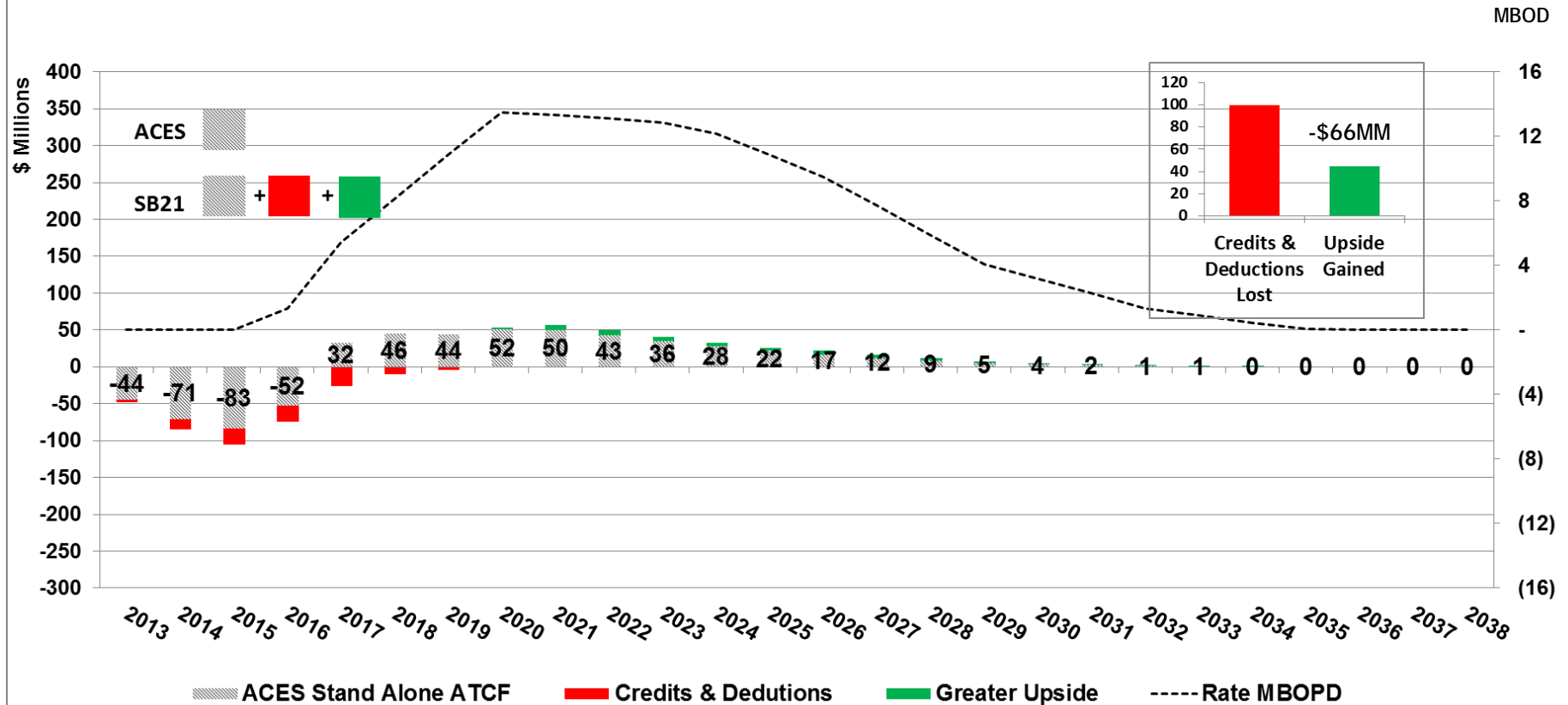
Field assumptions:

- 50 MMBO field
- \$1 billion Capex
- \$10-\$20/bbl variable Opex
- \$100 ANS West Coast
- NPV-12
- Gross revenue exclusion
- Small producer credit

Current Small Producer

DISCOUNTED AFTER TAX CASH FLOW (\$100/bbl ANS)

Under SB21 a midsize producer has to source **more upfront capital** in exchange for **greater upside** later



Field assumptions:

- 50 MMBO field
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Current Large Producer with GRE

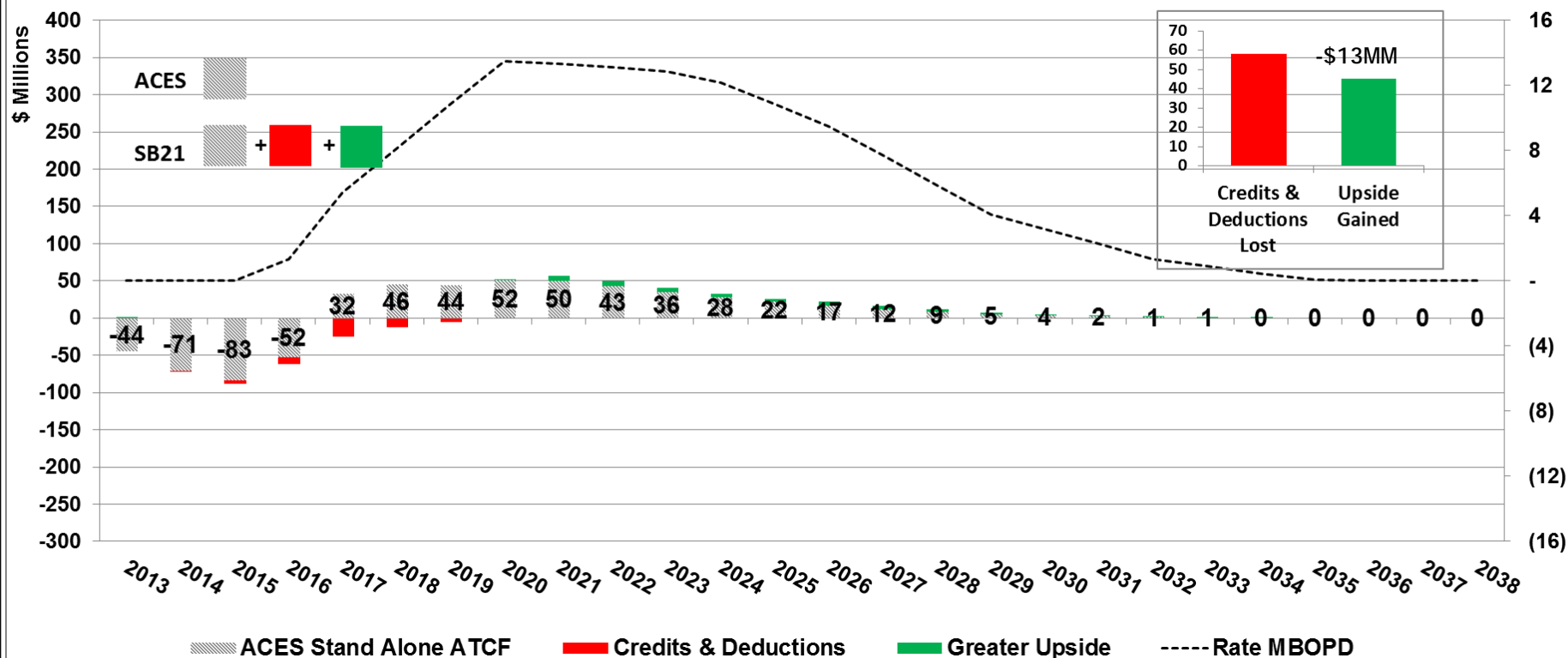
DISCOUNTED AFTER TAX CASH FLOW (\$100/bbl ANS)

Under SB21 a large producer with gross value exemption

has to source **more upfront capital** in exchange for **greater upside** later



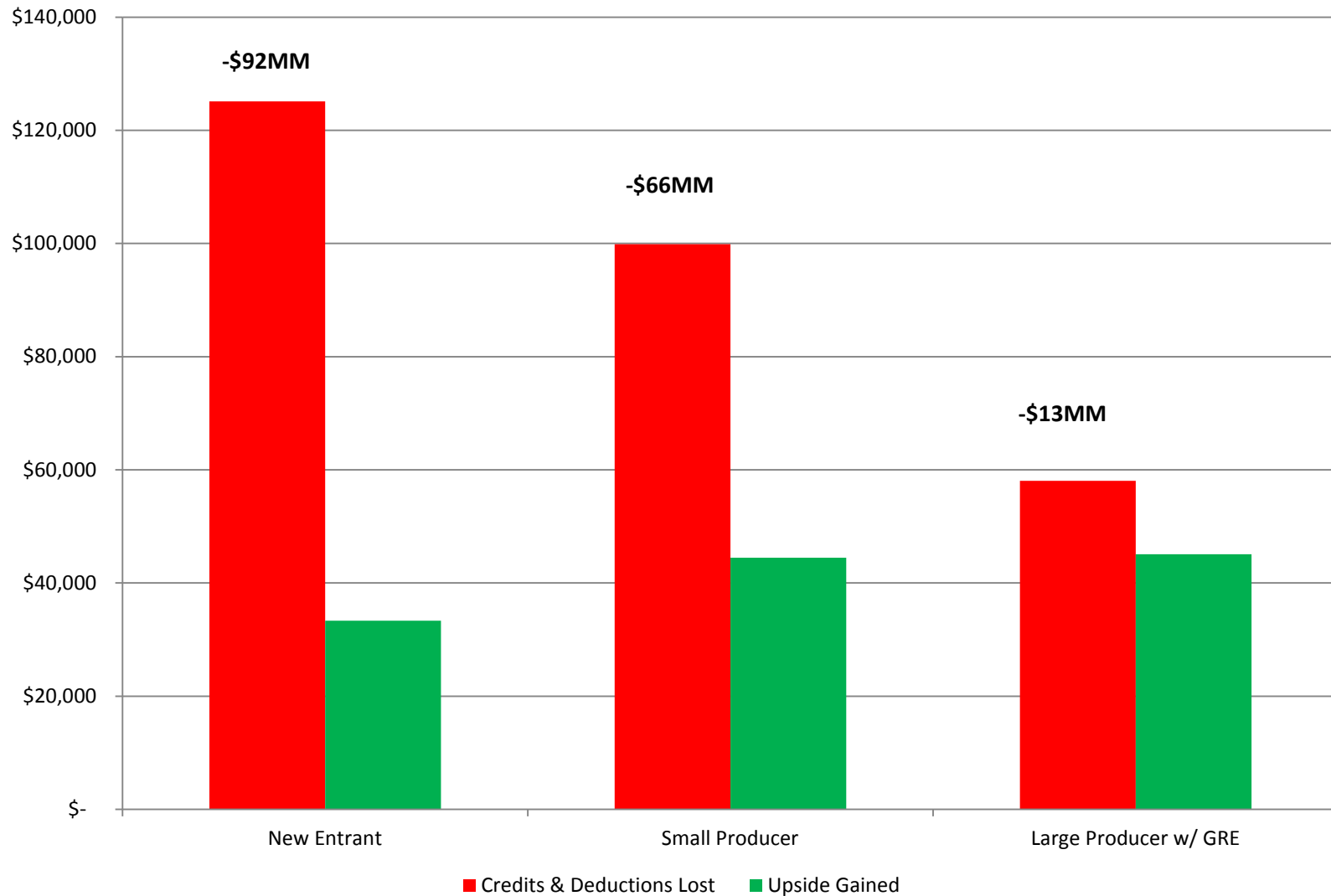
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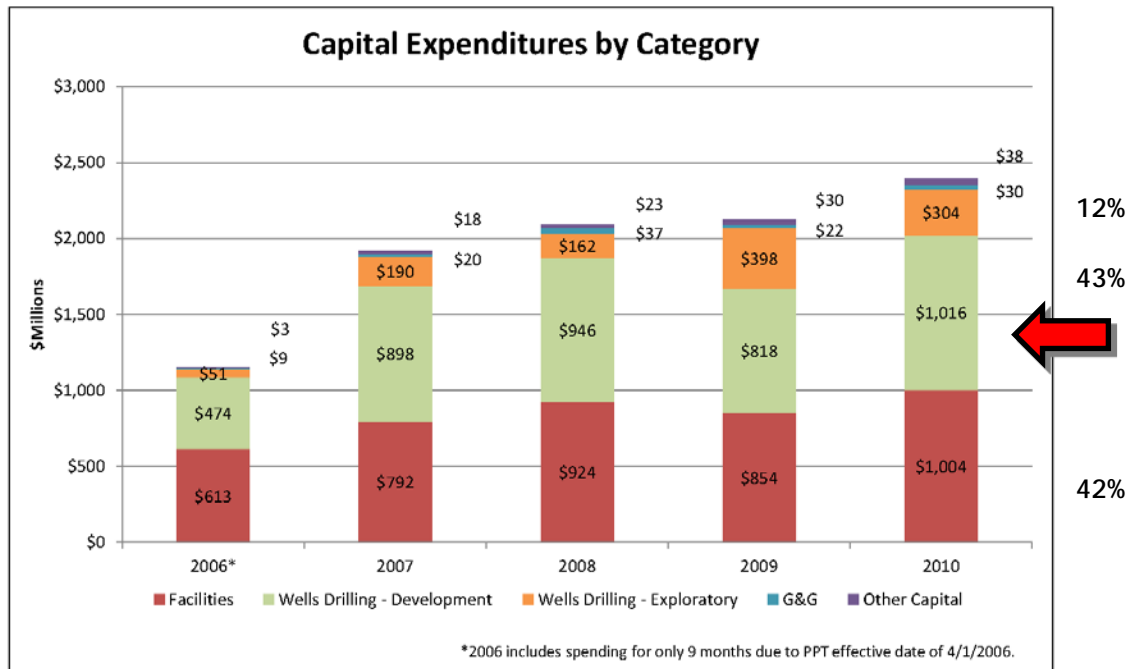
New Field: ACES vs. SB 21/HB 72 Summary



Industry Spending on North Slope



Historical CAPEX by Category (CY)



Alaska Department of Revenue: 5 year look back

- Goal: to answer capital expenditure questions relating to credits
- Oil industry capital expenditures by category
- Categorized capital expenditure data represents 90% of costs related to credit applications

Source: Dept. of Revenue presentation to the Senate Resources Committee, Feb. 13, 2012

■ Benefits to State

- Credits encourage activity
 - Jobs, direct and indirect (9X multiplier)
 - More wells
 - More oil
 - More royalties, taxes and throughput

■ Benefits to Developer

- Reduces investor risk
- Improves small project economics
- Improves financial performance
 - Doesn't increase debt
- Builds healthy industry
- Strengthens competitiveness

Purpose of Tax Credit Provisions:

"The fiscal impact of the tax credits was an investment incentive that state must offer to secure a 'long-term stream of oil.'"

- Senate Finance Committee 5/13/2003

Source: DOR Presentation to Senate Resources Committee 2/13/2012

SB 21 Closing Thoughts:

■ Pros

- Eliminates progressivity
 - Shares upside potential
 - Improves competitiveness
- GRE reduces tax for new oil
- Extends small producer credit

■ Cons

- Elimination of credits increases investor risk
 - Requires more upfront capital
- Does not simplify tax calculations
 - Complex carried-forward loss calculations
- Does not strongly motivate additional investment
- Does not create balance/equities among investors

■ SB 21 / HB 72 Suggestions

- Targeted incentives for well related costs
- Targeted incentives for new facilities (time limited)
- Redeemable / transferable credits for new projects
- Expand use of the gross revenue exclusion (legacy fields)
- Simplify carry-forward loss calculation

