# Alaska's Carbon Management Opportunities

House Special Committee on Ways & Means



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### OUTLINE



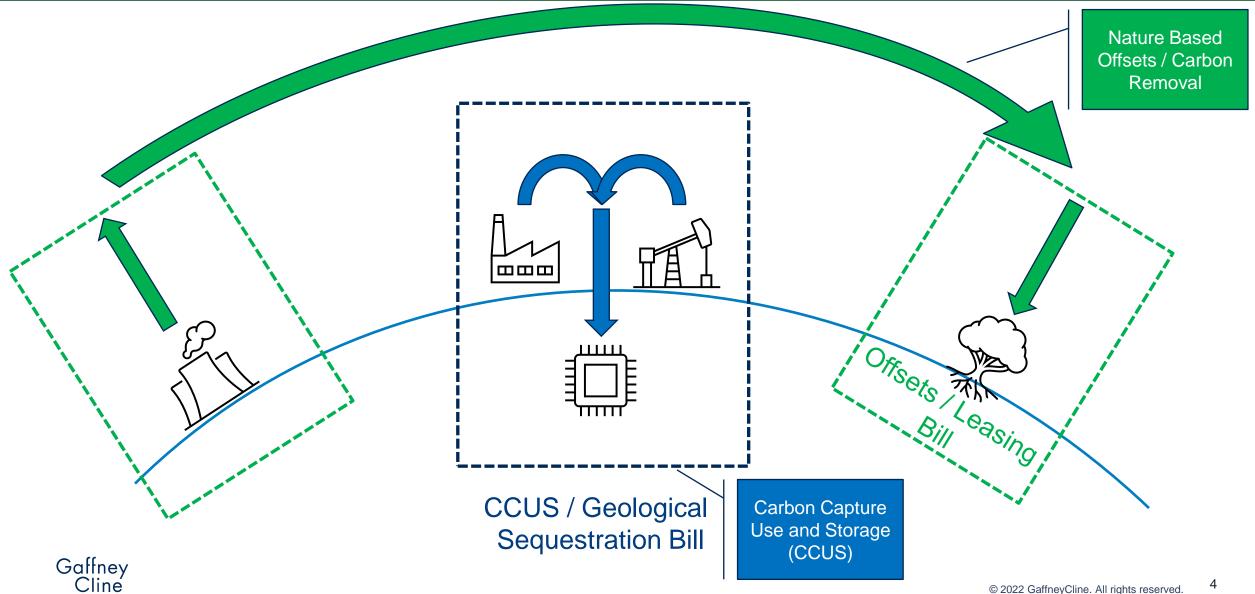
- What is Carbon Management?
- Carbon Offsets
- Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage
- Why is Carbon Management good for Alaska?



## WHAT IS CARBON MANAGEMENT?

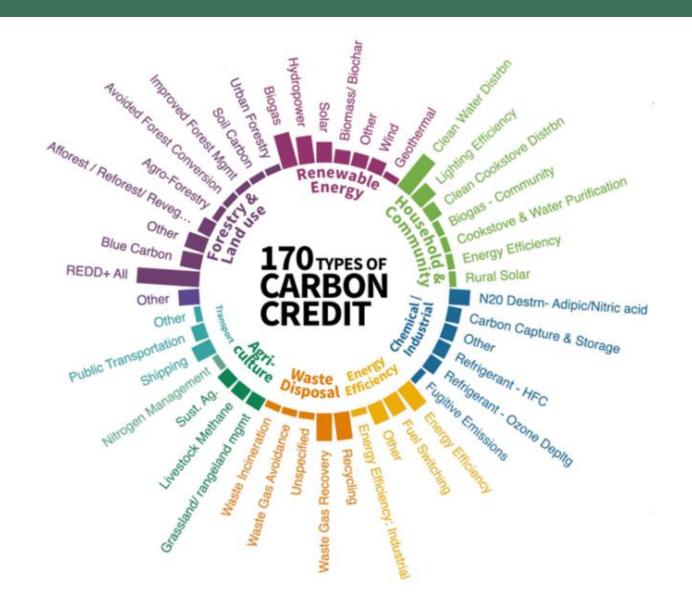
## CARBON MANAGEMENT - SIMPLIFIED





## CARBON MANAGEMENT - NOT SO SIMPLE





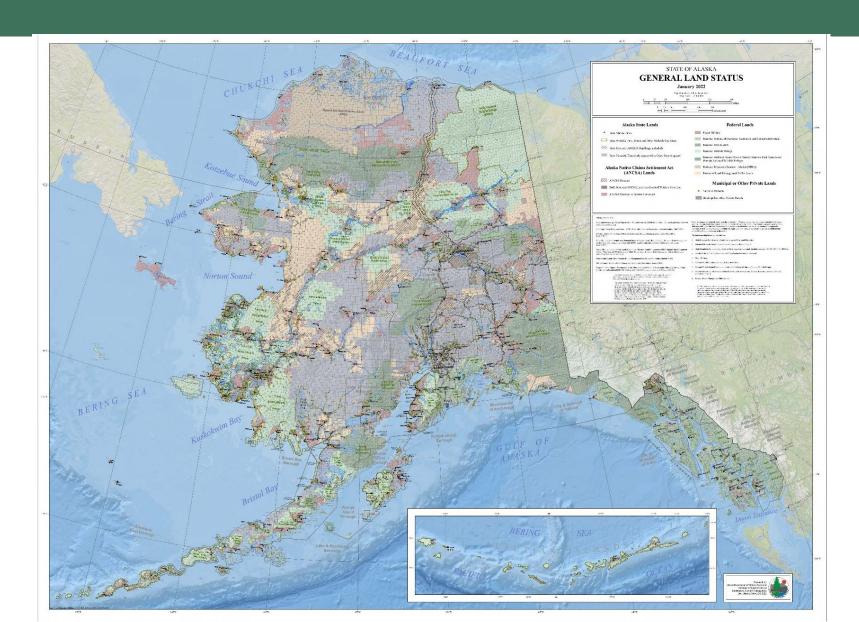




## CARBON OFFSETS

## CARBON MARKETS – ALASKA'S POTENTIAL





## CARBON MARKETS - GROWTH



#### **Insights from:**

2021

Compliance market soared to



~\$850bn in value

2.5x value of 2020

~15 GtCO₂ transacted volume

The voluntary carbon market: 2022 insights and trends BCG

The voluntary market reached



~\$2bn in value

4x value of 2020

~500 MtCo<sub>2</sub> transacted volume

2022 was a record-breaking year for both compliance and voluntary carbon markets

During which, approximately of carbon emissions were covered by retirements

Voluntary markets expected to be

5x

bigger by 2030

Reaching a market size of

\$10-40 bn in value and **0.5-1.5** GtCO<sub>2</sub> in scale<sup>4</sup>

That is comparable to the emissions of the aviation industry, which reached ~1 GtCO<sub>2</sub> in 2019<sup>5</sup>.

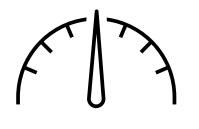
Future Size of the VCM, Trove Research, 2021.
 Aviation report, IEA, 2022.

#### KEY ATTRIBUTES OF CARBON CREDITS

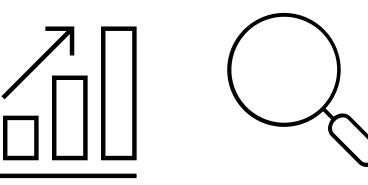


Robust verification and validation of carbon removal and reduction is essential to credibly claim credits











Real A physical project with defined boundaries and a tangible impact on **GHG** emissions

Measured

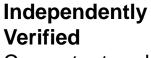
Measurable and verifiable impact on **GHG** emissions

**Permanent** 

Indefinite removal or reduction of GHG emissions



Project wholly reliant on Carbon finance



Competent and independent assessment and verification

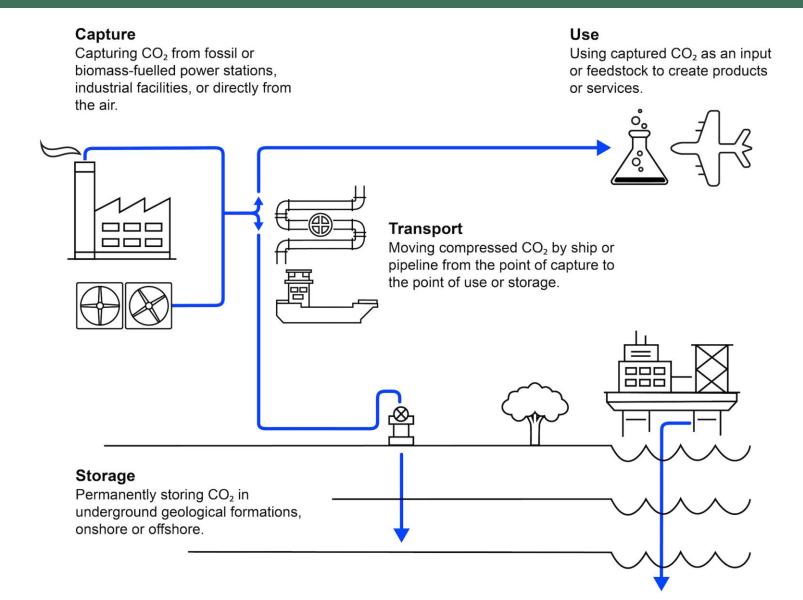




# CARBON CAPTURE, UTILIZATION, AND STORAGE (CCUS)

## CARBON CAPTURE, UTILIZATION, AND STORAGE





### CCUS - WHAT AND WHY?



#### What is it?

Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage (CCUS) is a process to capture carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), from industrial
processes, point sources, or even directly from the atmosphere, for the purpose of utilizing it for other activities or storing
it underground in geologic formations

#### Why Now?

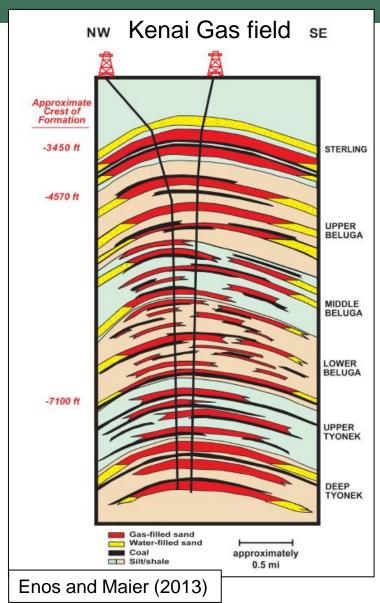
- Sets the stage for continued development of Alaska's oil resources, and potential major gas development
- The CCUS market is rapidly expanding, both within the U.S. and worldwide
- Recent federal legislation has expanded grants and tax incentives for CCUS, increasing industry interest
- Federal funds are available for states seeking Class VI well permitting, showing federal support for state primacy
- Protracted project timelines and milestone requirements in the federal tax credit structure necessitate prompt action

#### What is the potential in Alaska?

- Alaska's depleted oil & gas fields, saline aquifers, and deep coal seams have significant CO<sub>2</sub> storage potential
- Alaska has important competitive advantages we own the pore space & we know the reservoirs
- Fifteen other states have passed CCUS omnibus legislation that we have learned from

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR GEOLOGIC CO2 STORAGE





Sandstone, Tyonek Formation (blue is pore space)

Depleted Reservoirs, Saline Aquifers, or Unmineable Coal Seams with:

Porosity – void space

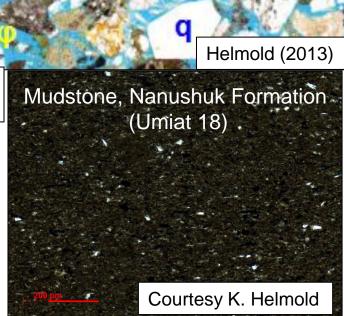
Permeability – interconnected voids

Trap

Seal

Depth >~2,600 ft

500 μm = 0.5 mm 200 μm = 0.2 mm Impermeable mudstone (no blue space)



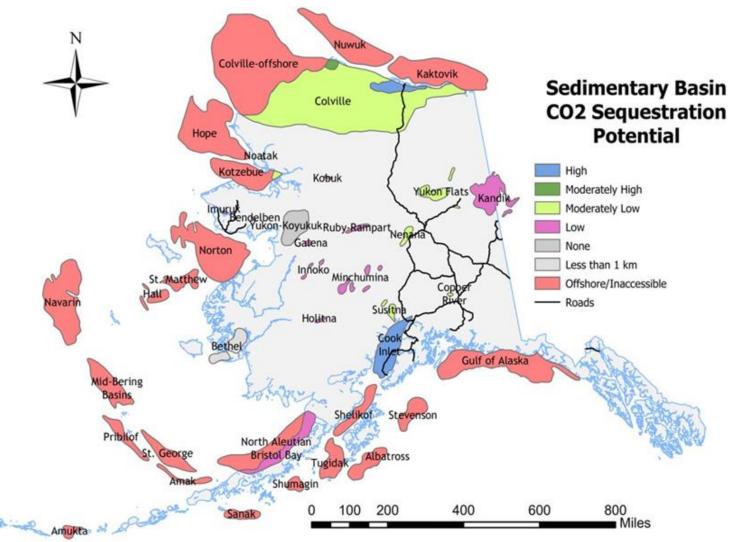
#### CCUS - WHERE?

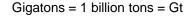


Geologic Storage Potential: 1600+ Gt

- 2021 Global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions = 36.3 Gt
- Storage Targets:
  - Depleted Oil & Gas Fields
  - Saline Aquifers
  - Unmineable CoalSeams

12.4 billions barrels through CO<sub>2</sub> enhanced oil recovery (EOR)

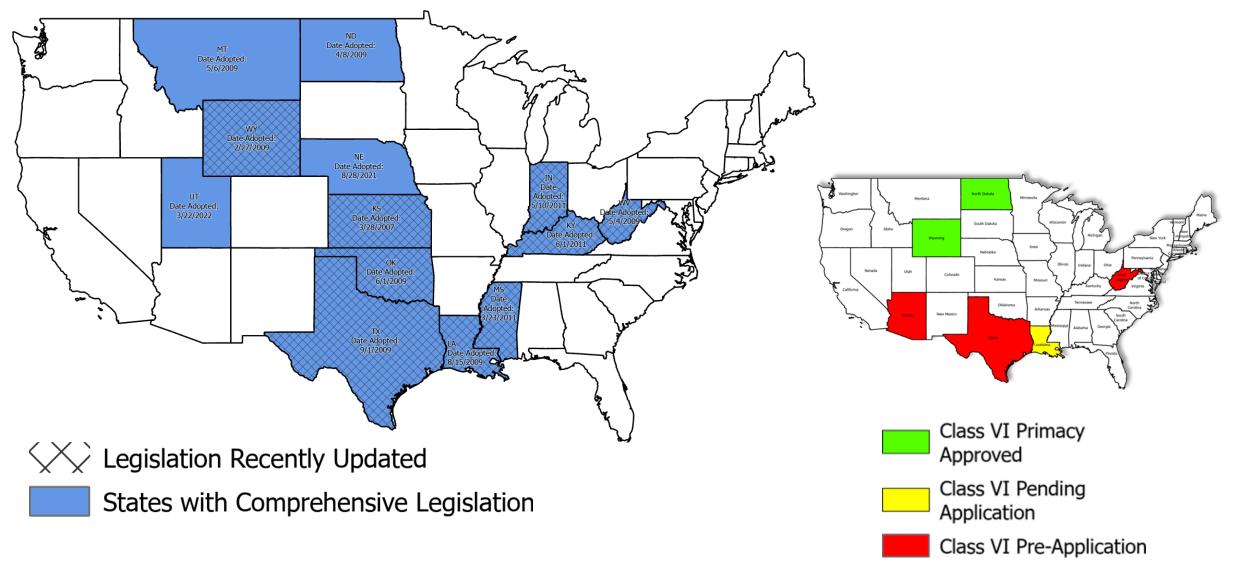






## CCUS - WHERE ELSE?





### STATEWIDE CCUS WORKGROUP



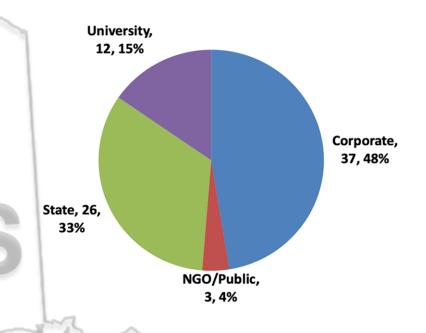
#### **Workgroup Committees**

- 1. Regulatory framework
  Stakeholder white paper
- 2. Government engagement and funding opportunities
- 3. CCUS Roadmap
- 4. Public outreach and education











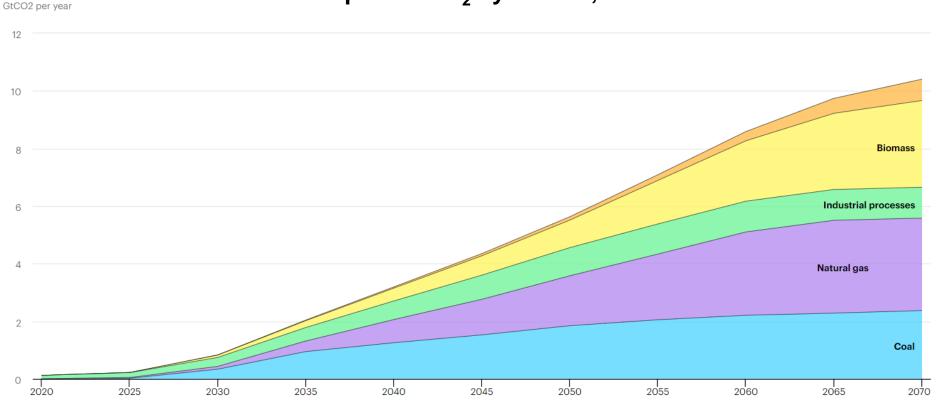


## WHY IS CARBON MANAGEMENT GOOD FOR ALASKA?

#### CARBON MARKETS - MORE GROWTH



#### World captured CO<sub>2</sub> by source, 2020-2070



Industrial processes

Biomass
 Direct air capture

- Approximately 35
   commercial
   CCUS facilities today
   globally
- Targeted growth:

   2,500 facilities to
   reach International
   Energy Agency (IEA)
   scenario of net zero
   carbon emissions by

IEA. Lic

Source: International Energy Agency

## NET ZERO GREENHOUSE GAS (GHG) INITIATIVES OF NORTH SLOPE COMPANIES



#### **ConocoPhillips Emissions Reductions Targets and Performance**

- Reduce methane intensity by 10% and routine flaring to zero by 2025.
- Reduce Scope 1 and Scope 2 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) intensity by 40–50% (gross operated and net equity) by 2030
- Net zero Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions by 2050

**Emissions Reduction Targets | ConocoPhillips** 

#### **ENI's Strategy Against Climate Change**

- 35% reduction in net Scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions by 2030
- 55% reduction in net Scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions by 2035
- 80% reduction in net Scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions by 2040
- Net zero Scope 1, 2, and 3 emissions by 2050

Net Zero al 2050 | Eni

#### Exxon 2030 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emission Reduction Plans:

(Relative to 2016 level and apply to Scope 1 and Scope 2 GHG emissions from operated assets)

- 20–30% reduction in corporate-wide GHG intensity
- 40–50% reduction in upstream GHG intensity
- 70–80% reduction in corporate-wide methane intensity
- 60–70% reduction in corporate-wide flaring intensity

Advancing climate solutions | ExxonMobil

#### Hilcorp

"We have to operate to the same high standards as everyone else. We may be private, but we have capital providers, we have partners, we have lots of other people involved in business with us. They're feeling those pressures (i.e. ESG, emissions reductions), and we have to be responsive to those as well." — Greg Lalicker, Hilcorp CEO.

How America's Biggest Privately Owned Oil Company Takes A Divergent Approach To The Energy Transition (forbes.com)

#### **Repsol Path Towards Decarbonization**

- 55% reduction in scope 1 and scope 2 emissions in operated assets by 2025
- 30% reduction in scope 1, 2, and 3 net emissions by 2030
- Net zero by 2050

Net zero emissions by 2050 commitment | Repsol

#### Santos Path to Net Zero

- 26–30% reduction in scope 1 and scope 2 absolute emissions (from 2020 baseline) by 2030
- Actively work with customers to reduce scope 1 and scope 2 emissions by > 1 million tons of carbon dioxide per year by 2030
- Scope 1 and scope 2 absolute emissions at net zero by 2040.
- Santos has committed to net-zero emissions (scope 1 and scope 2) for the Pikka Project

Santos to be net-zero emissions by 2040 | Santos

Santos Announces Pikka FID | Santos

## QUESTIONS?



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