

Carbon Dioxide Enhanced Oil Recovery and Sequestration Projects -- Wellington Field, Sumner County and Southwestern Kansas

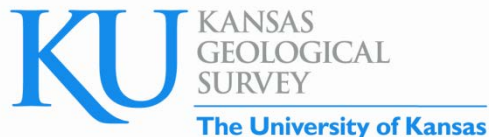
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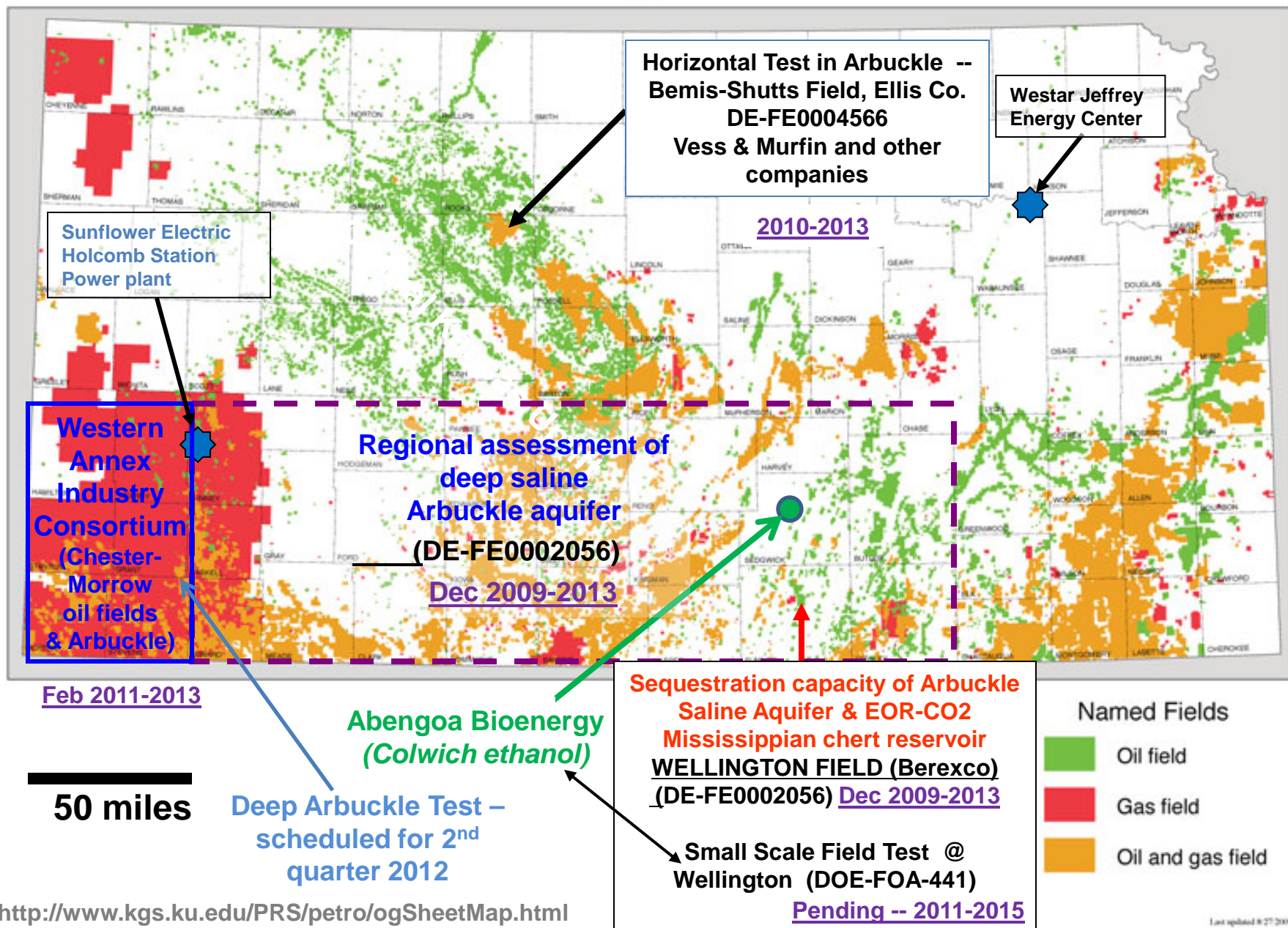


Overview – CO₂ Projects in Kansas

- 1. *Southwest Kansas CO₂-EOR Initiative* -- Chester and Morrow Reservoirs & deep Arbuckle saline aquifer
- 2. Capacity for CO₂ sequestration in regional, deep, saline Arbuckle aquifer in southern Kansas and by CO₂-EOR in Mississippian chert reservoir in Wellington Field, Sumner County
- 3. Small-scale field test demonstrating CO₂ sequestration Wellington field, Sumner County, Kansas (pending)
- 4. Horizontal well to test lateral heterogeneity in Arbuckle oil reservoir defined from seismic attributes, Bemis-Shutts oil field, Ellis County

OIL AND GAS FIELDS OF KANSAS

2009



Modeling CO₂ Sequestration Potential in Kansas

- **Regional distribution of Arbuckle saline aquifer and caprock**

- *Caprock continuity and integrity*
- *Storage*
 - *Continuity of hydrostratigraphic flow units*
 - *Evaluating open or closed hydrologic system*
 - *Capacity via volumetrics and compositional simulation*

- **Structure**

- *Systematically characterize fractures/faults/flexures*
- *Map deep-seated structures and assess nature and timing of reactivation*

- **Preliminary simulations of commercial scale CO₂ injection**

- *Footprint & stratigraphic constraint of commercial scale CO₂ plume in saline aquifer*
- *Improved efficiency and effectiveness of CO₂-EOR*

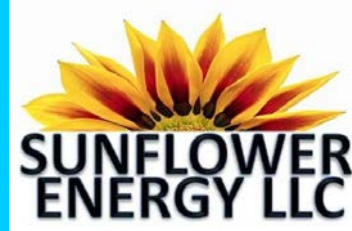
- **CO₂-EOR Potential**

- *Wellington Field, Sumner County Kansas and Chester/Morrow sandstone reservoir (TBN) in SW Kansas*
- *Multicomponent 3D seismic*
- *Gravity/magnetics & remote sensing*
- *3D geomodels*
- *Reservoir simulation*



Industry Partners – Western Annex

SW Kansas CO₂ Sequestration Consortium



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+drilling and seismic contractors TBN



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Industrial and Electrical Power Sources of CO₂

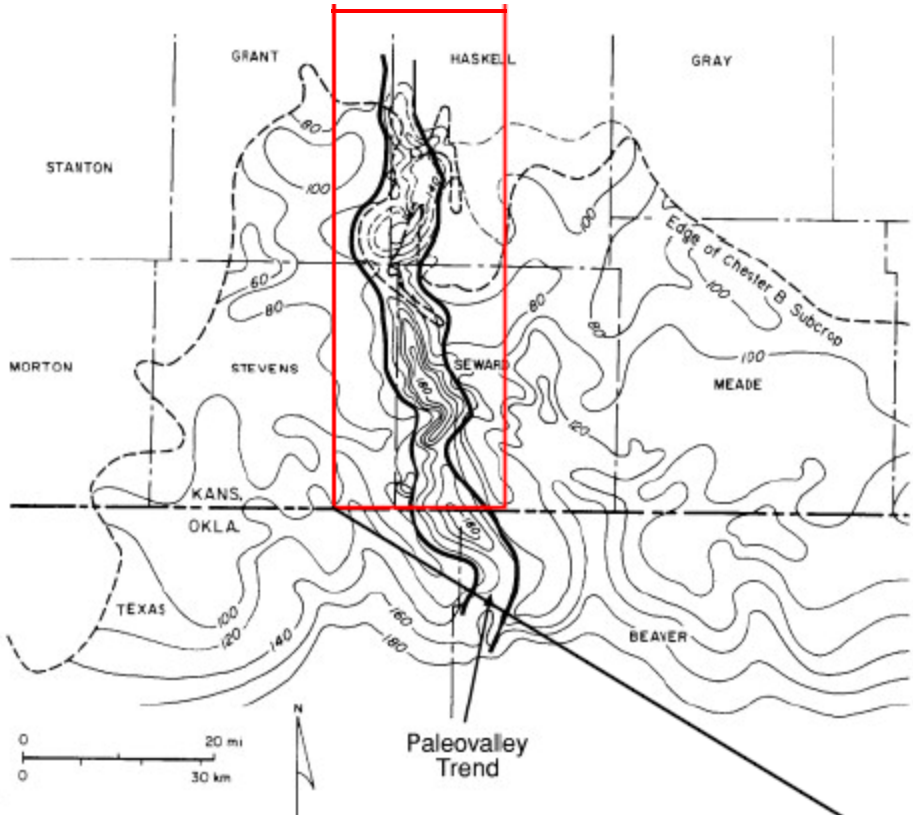


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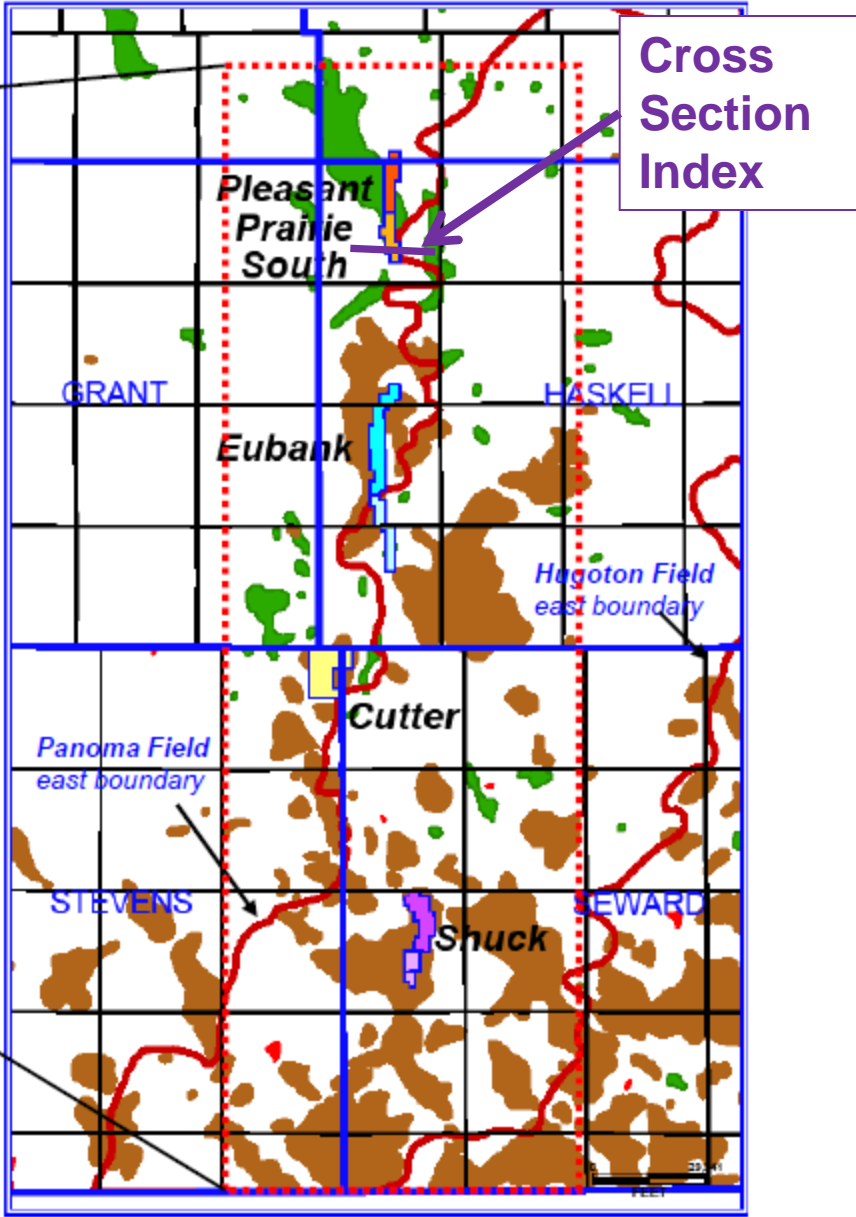
Western Annex

Evaluating CO2-EOR in Chester/Morrow Sandstone Oil Reservoirs and deep saline aquifer sequestration in underlying Arbuckle



(Above) Regional isopach of lowermost Chesterian incised valley fill (*Montgomery & Morrison, 2008*)

(Right) Four fields in study. Green – Oil; Brown – Oil and Gas. Grid is Township-scale (6 mi.).

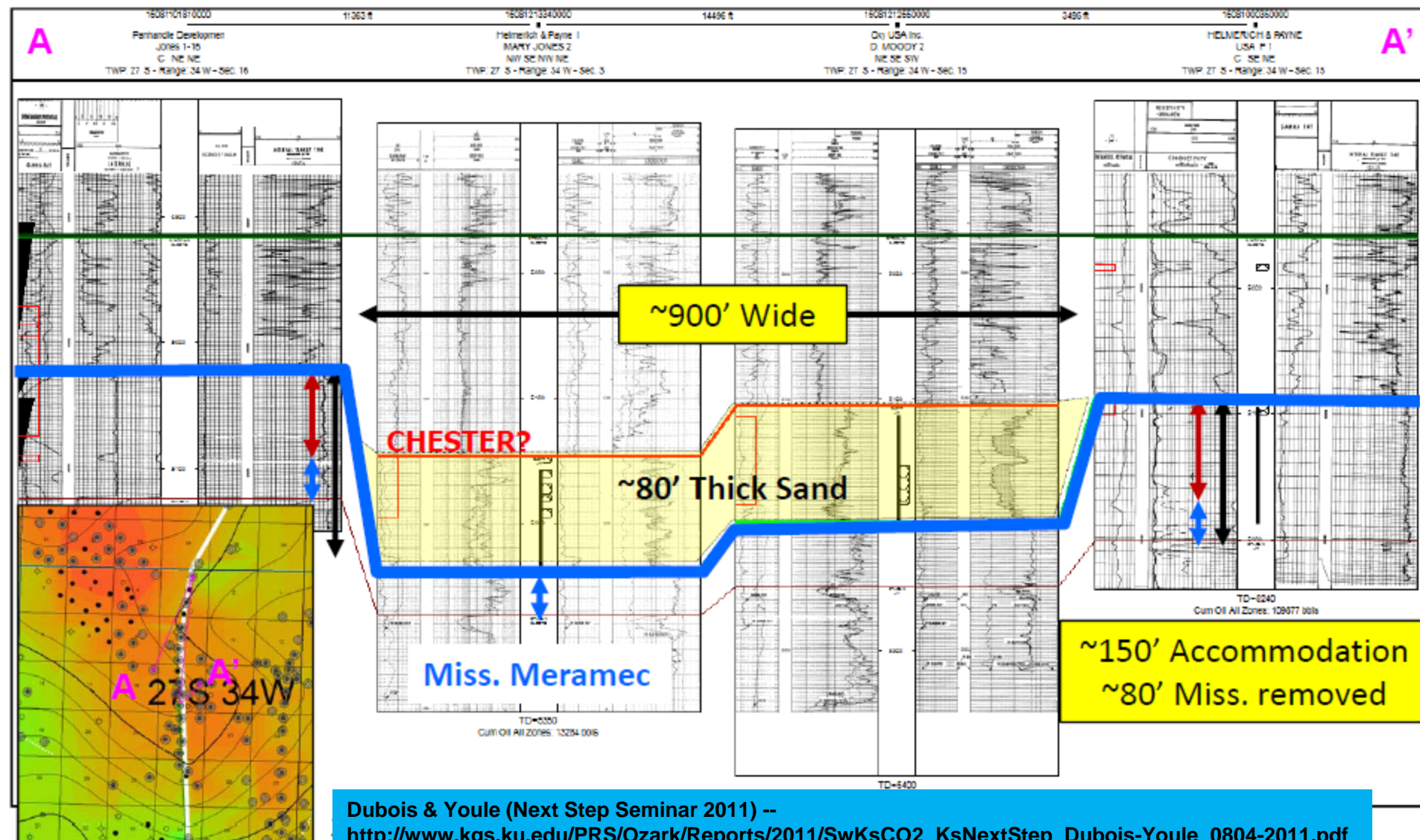


20 MM bbls oil produced
~40 MM bbls oil remaining

VALLEY MORPHOLOGY: North End of Study Area

**Pleasant Prairie
South Field
4.36MBO**

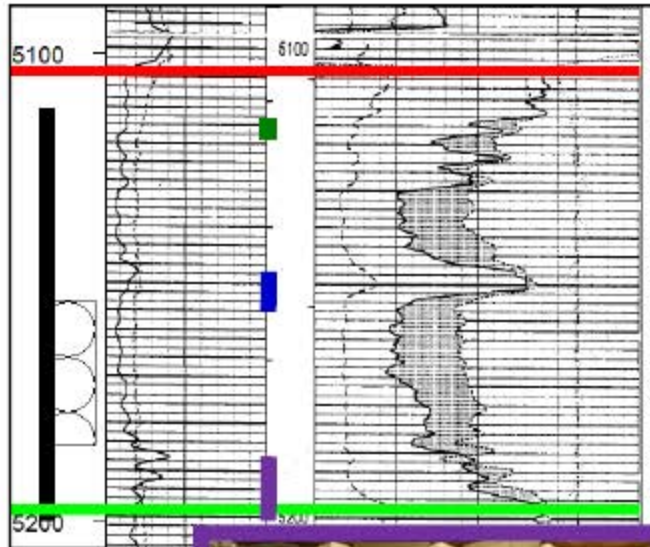
Valley Incised through the SE end of Pleasant Prairie anticline.



Dubois & Youle (Next Step Seminar 2011) --

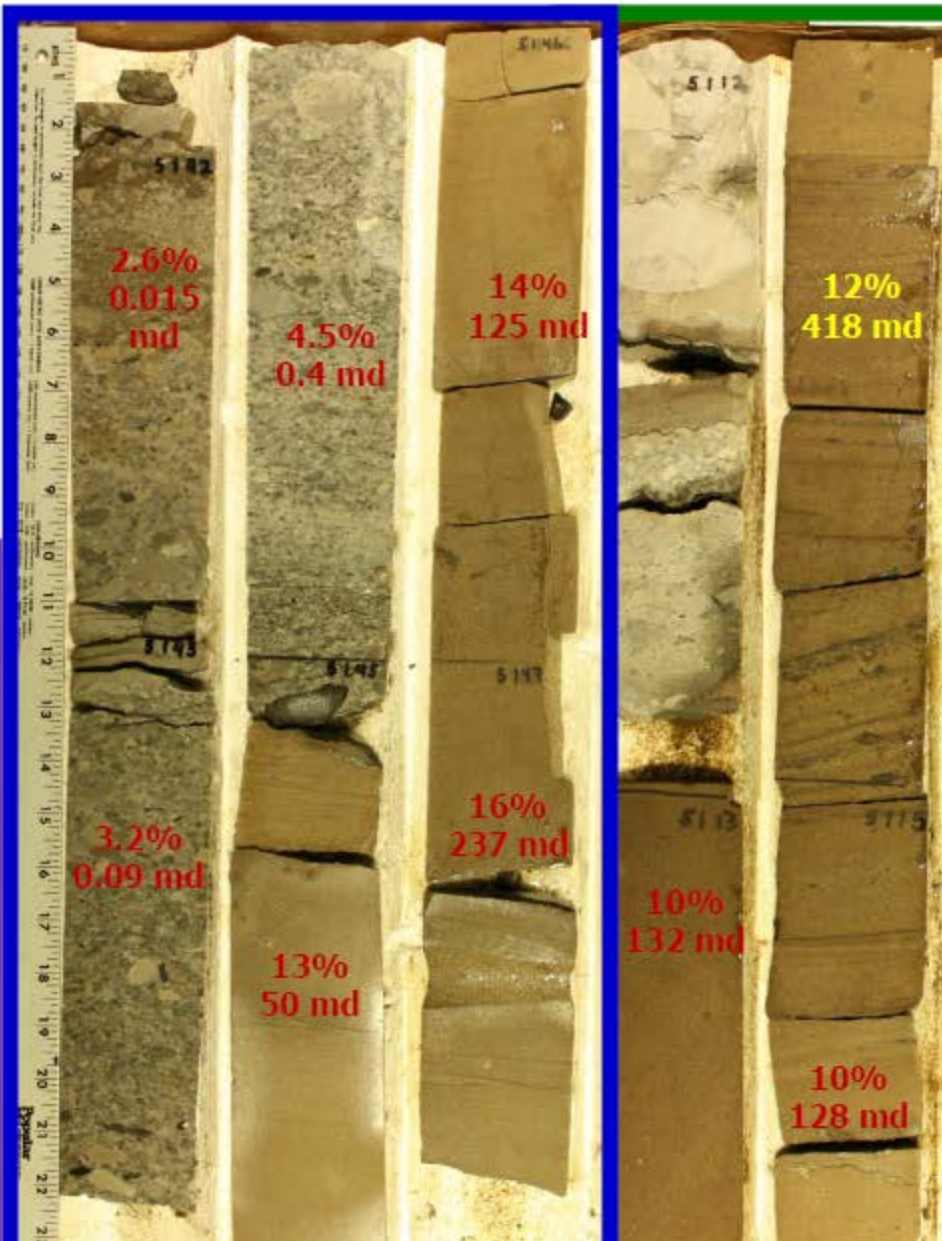
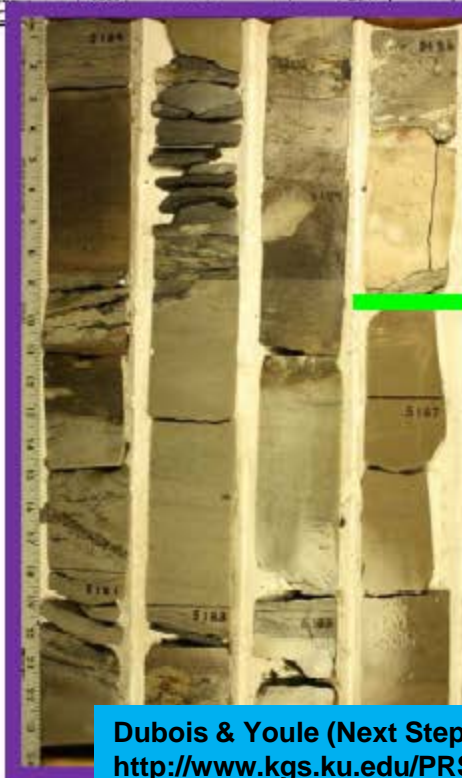
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Valley Fill Facies: Pleasant Prairie Pool Oxy Moody 2 15-27s-34w



**Best
Producing
facies:**

Mostly fgr
to vfgr, tr
md gr, low
angle to
trough X-
bedded SS.
Locally
common
shale
pebbles
and
organic
debris.



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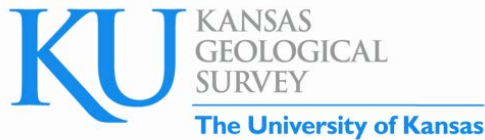
“Modeling CO₂ Sequestration in Saline Aquifer and Depleted Oil Reservoir (**Wellington Field**) to Evaluate Regional CO₂ Sequestration Potential of Ozark Plateau Aquifer System (*OPAS*), South-Central Kansas”

Original DOE-funded Project --

website: <http://www.kgs.ku.edu/PRS/Ozark/index.html>

- Paleozoic-age Ozark Plateau Aquifer System (OPAS)

- Thick and deeply buried Arbuckle Aquifer
- Overlying Mississippian carbonates contain large oil and gas reservoirs
- Arbuckle -- thickness (600-1000 ft), supercritical P-T for CO₂ (>3500 ft), stratigraphic isolation from freshwater aquifers, and very limited oil and gas production.
- Published estimates of CO₂ sequestration capacity in the Arbuckle Group in KS vary between 1.1 to 3.8 billion metric tonnes based on static CO₂ solubility in brine under in situ pressure and temperature



Partners

(Regional and Wellington)



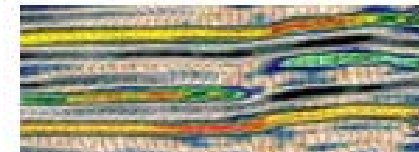
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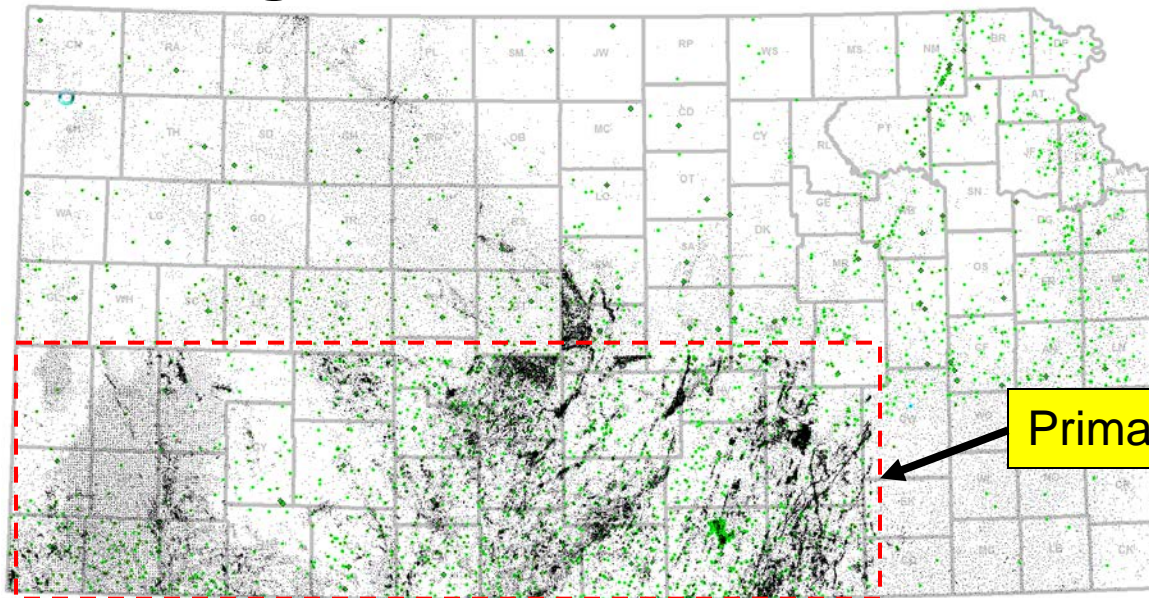
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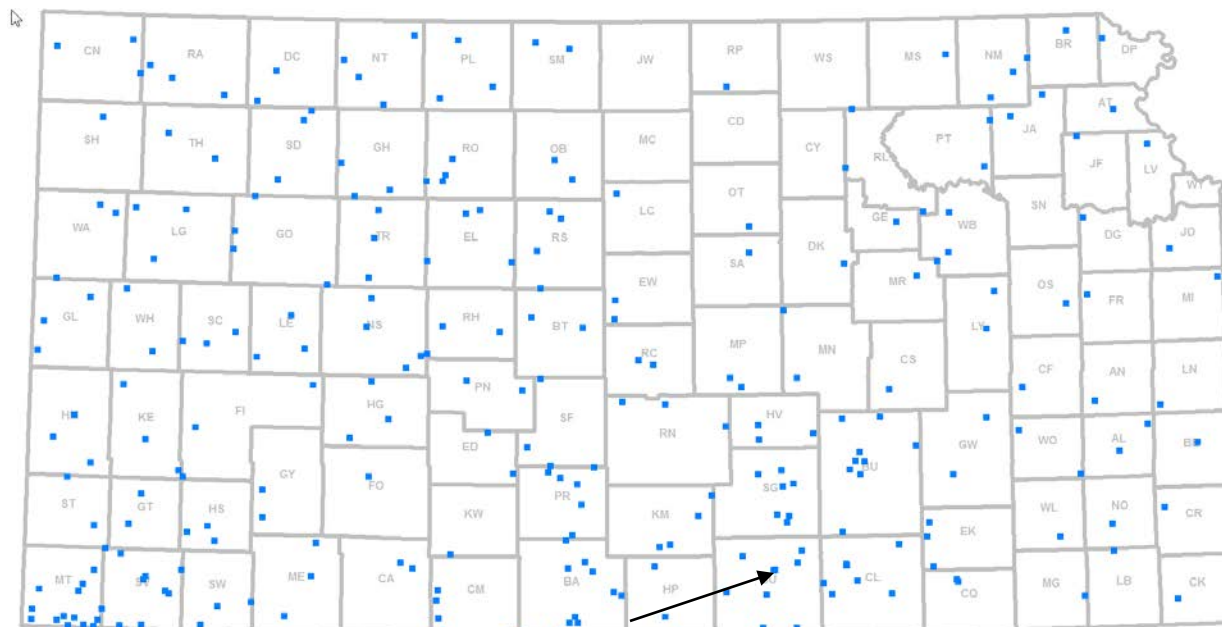
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Regional Characterization of OPAS



Total well database including those used for tops only (black), e-logs (green)

Primary regional study area

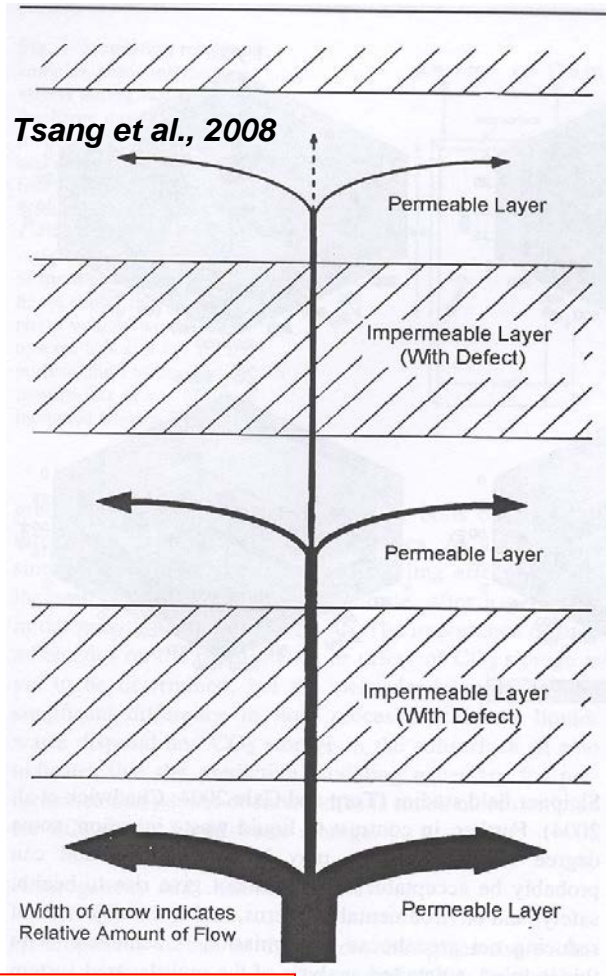


Status of supertype well (5-19-11) – wells with nearly complete penetration of Arbuckle with modern log suite – creating digital LAS files, strat type log linked by cross sections in collaboration with the Ks Geol. Society

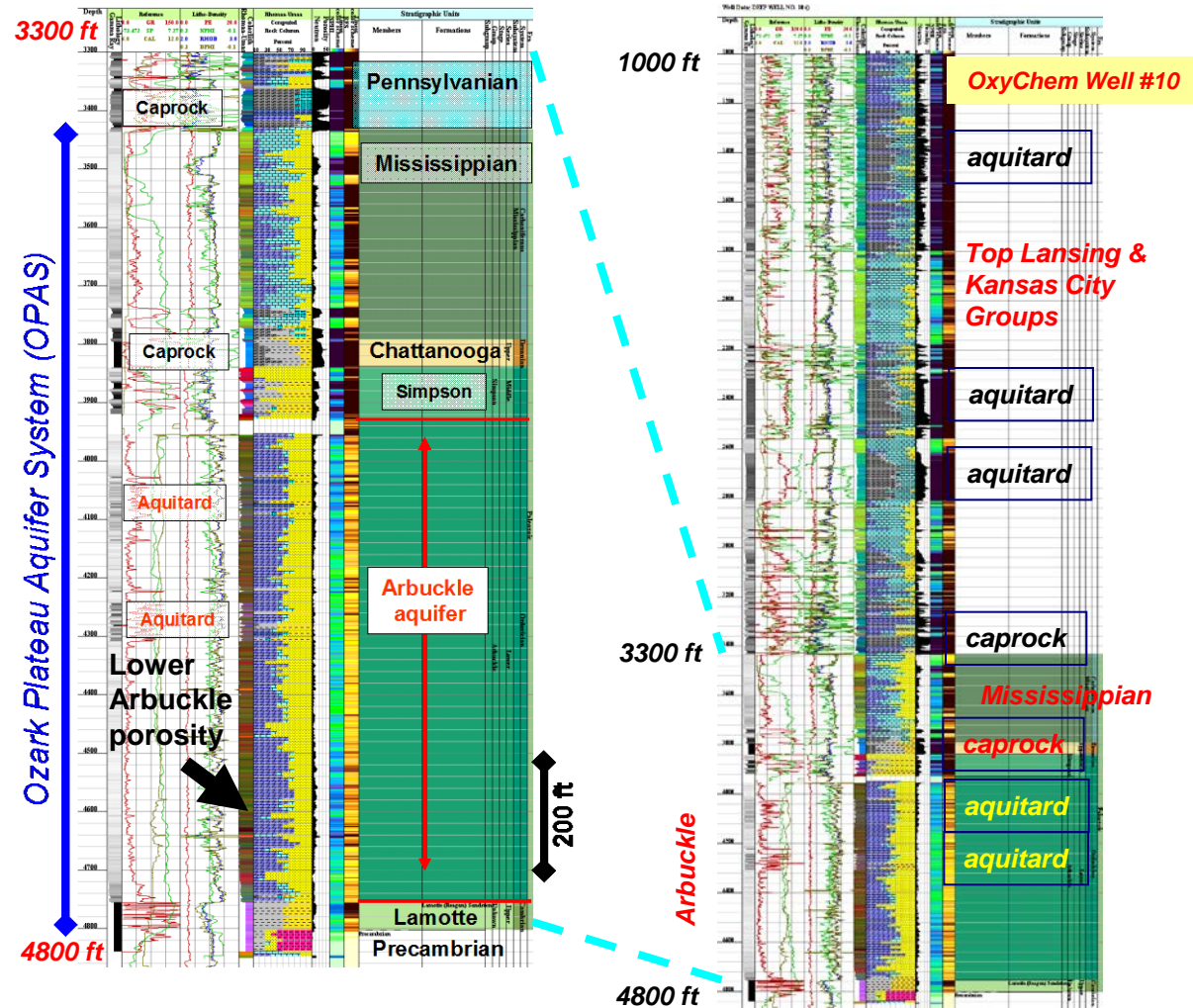
Wellington #1-32 & #1-28

Hydrostratigraphy – *Ozark Plateau Aquifer System*

Multiple Caprocks & Aquitards - Leakage Attenuation

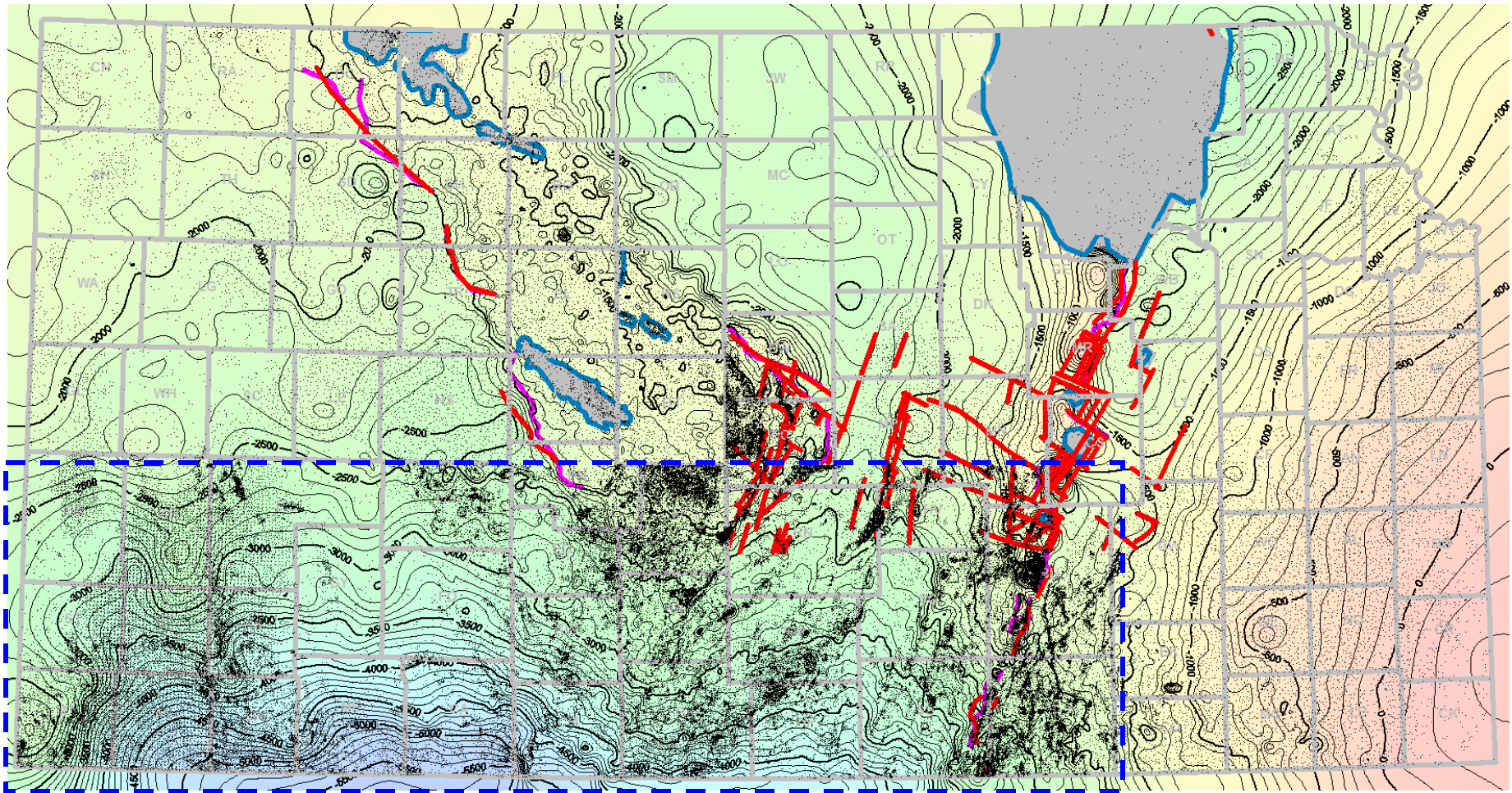


Arrow
thickness
= Relative
amount
of flow



CO₂ plume undergoes pressure reduction in scenario of a breach in the cap rock. Additional CO₂ gets trapped in the fine pores of aquitards.

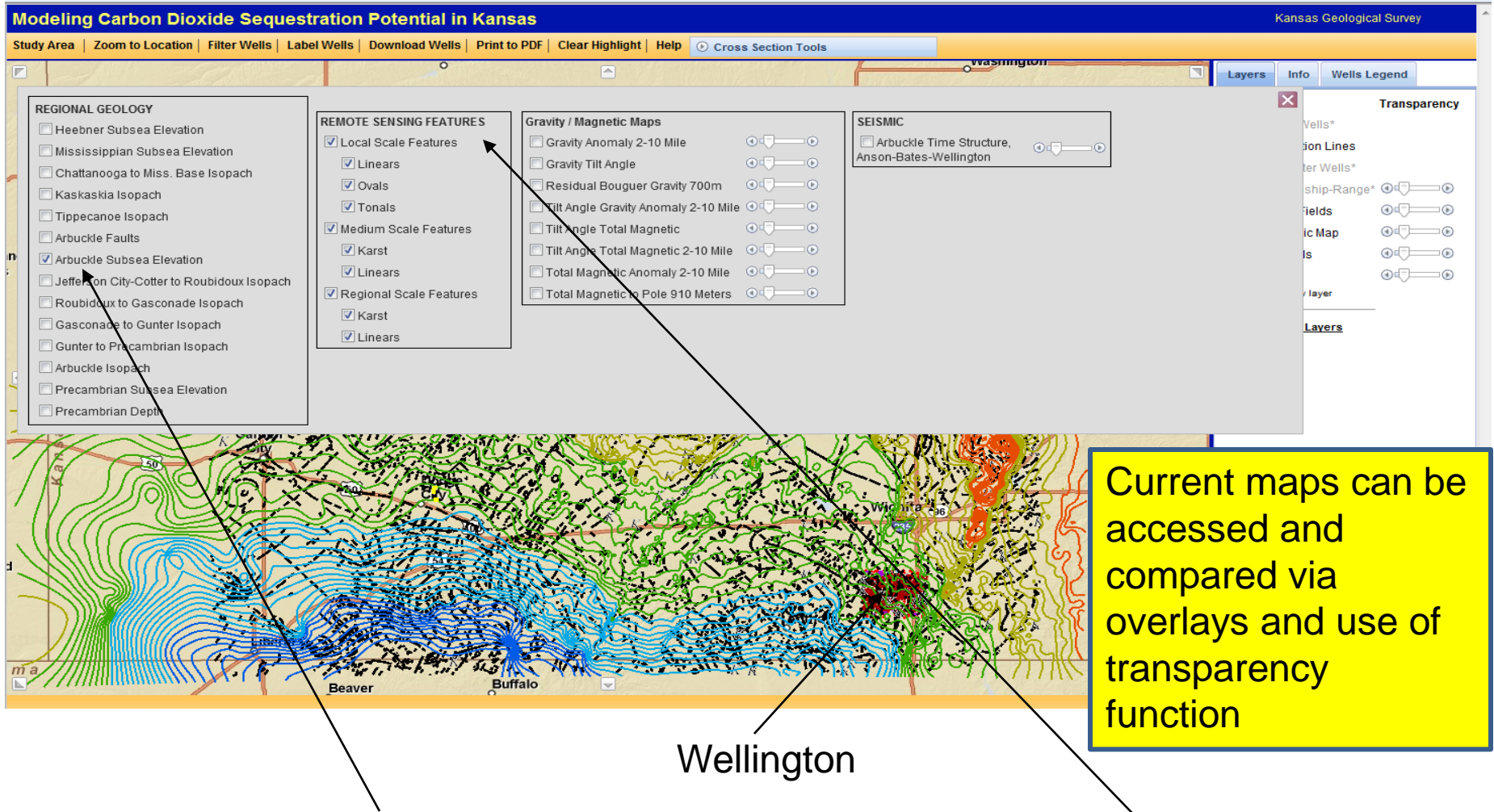
Top Arbuckle Group



- Published faults are being compiled and new ones are under investigation
- Focus of quantitatively assessing CO2 sequestration capacity of Arbuckle saline aquifer is within dashed blue area
- Subsea contours; Contour interval = 100 ft.

Interactive Project Mapper

<http://maps.kgs.ku.edu/co2/?pass=project>



Arbuckle subsea elevation
Contour interval = 100 ft.

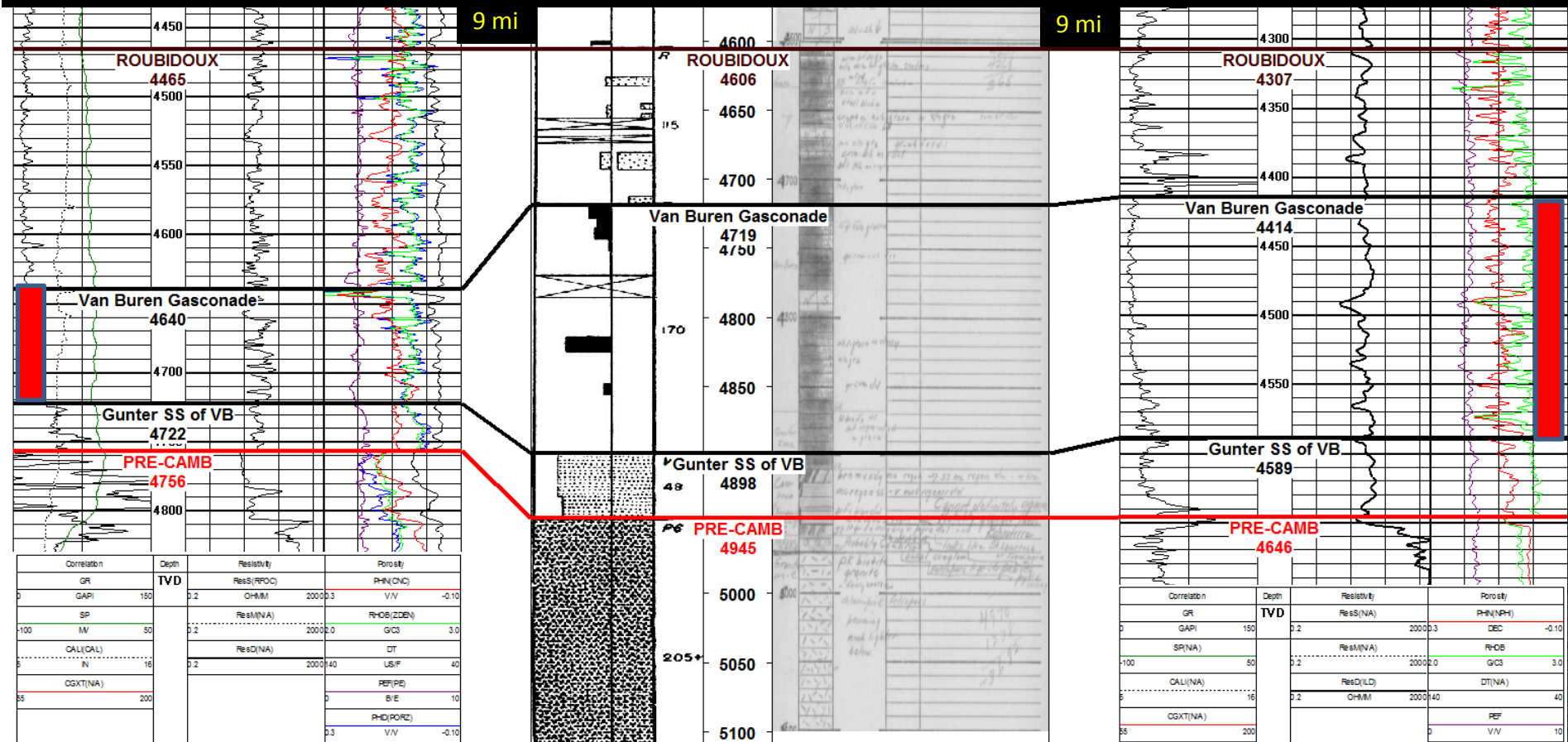
surface lineaments

Quantitative Characterization of Arbuckle in southern Kansas

Quantitative Reservoir Characteristics

Correlated to

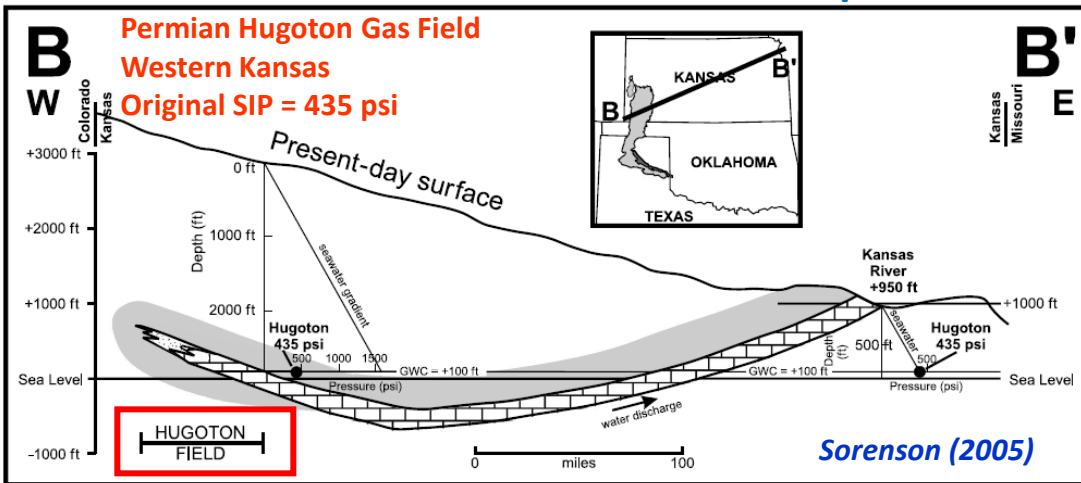
Internal Arbuckle Stratigraphy



Example cross section of lower Arbuckle from top Roubidoux (datum) to basement including new and old well data (insoluble residue logs, georeports, and modern suite of logs managed as LAS files) – Gerlach et al.

Arbuckle saline aquifer is an open system

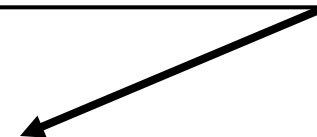
Arbuckle Saline Aquifer Connected to Outcrop



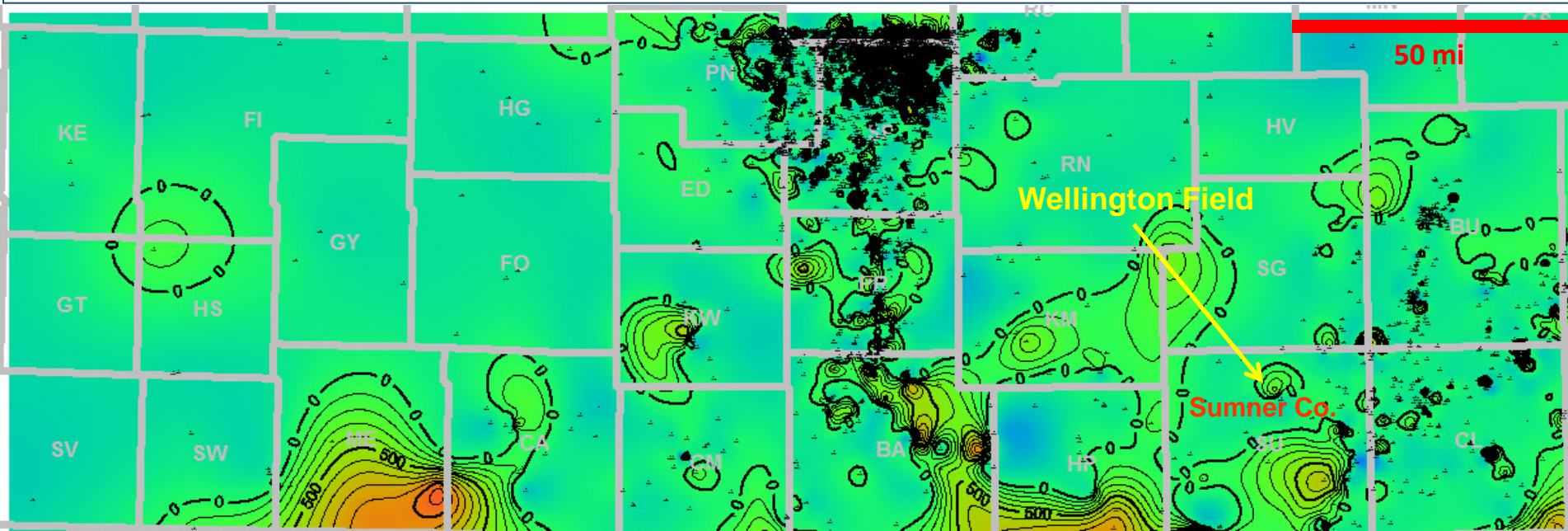
Arbuckle exposure at base of Missouri River, north-central Missouri –

Elevation 450 ft; surface exposures located ~200 mi northeast

Assume hydrostatic gradient =
0.435 psi/ft

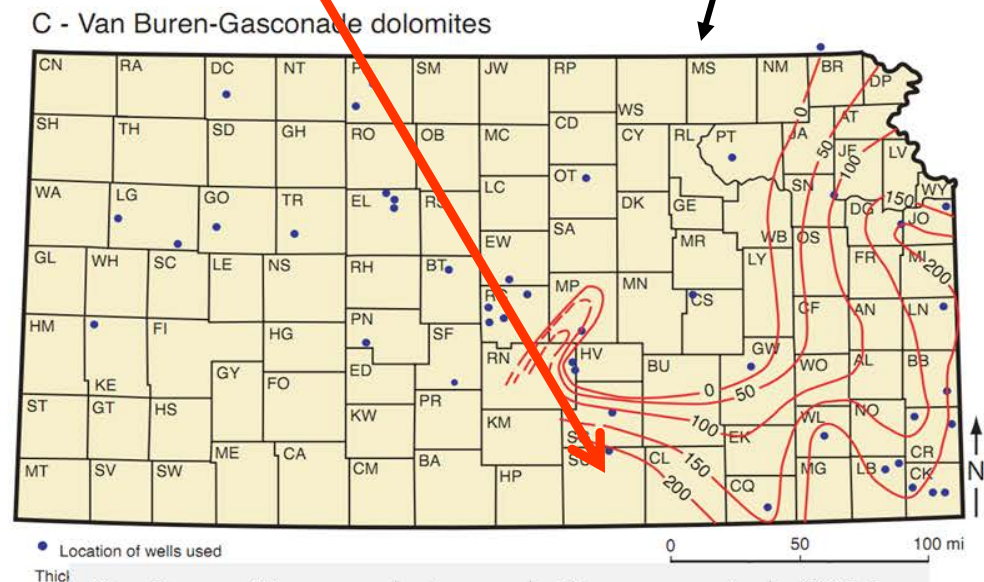
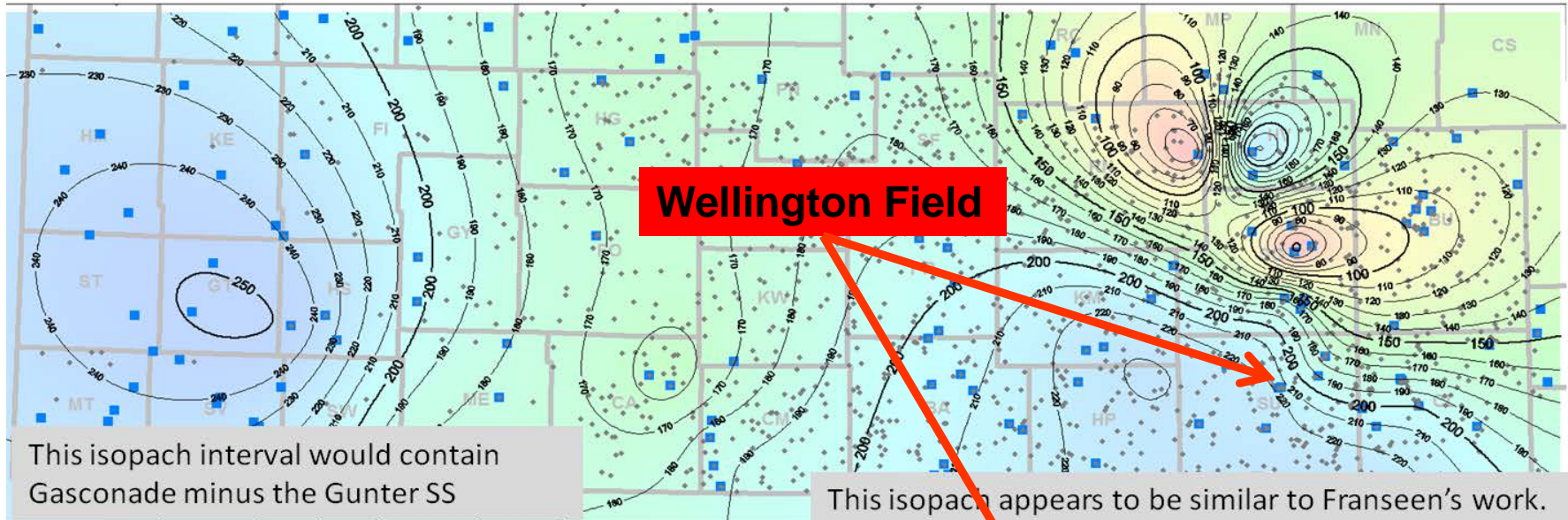


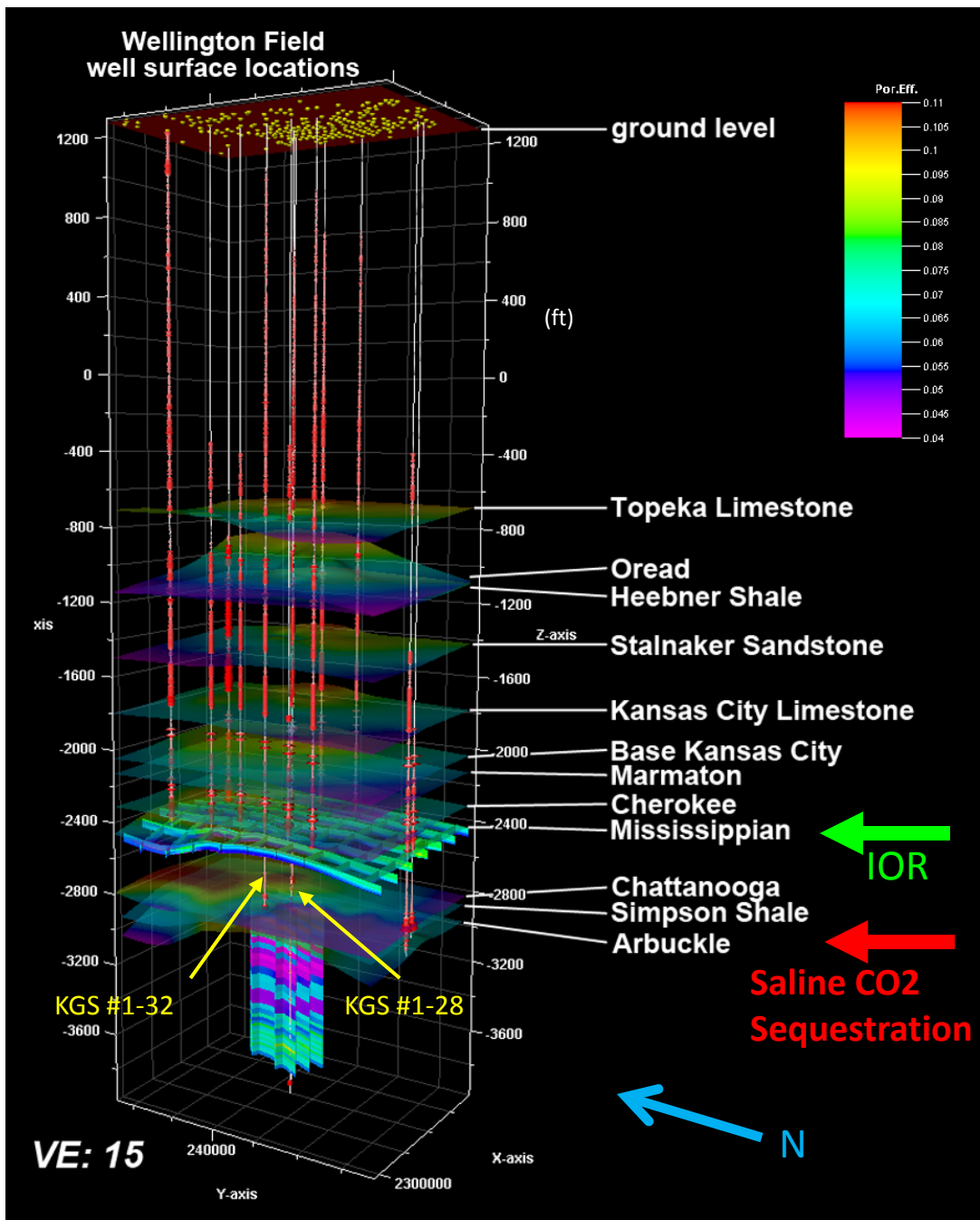
Map of the difference between estimated hydraulic head at base of Arbuckle test interval and measured shut-in pressure



Gerlach et al.

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Wellington Field

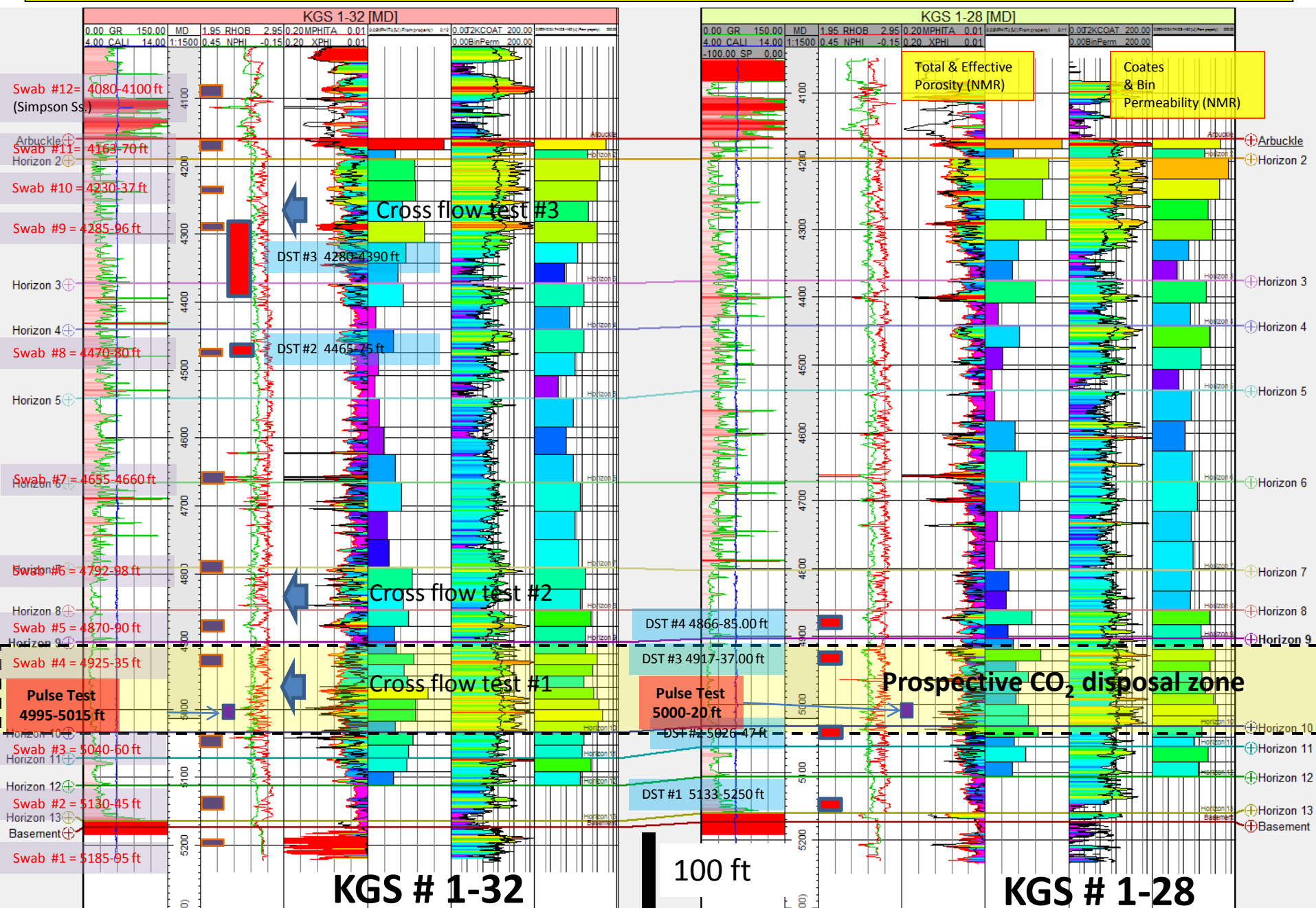
- 1) Mississippian tripolitic chert/dolomite reservoir
- 2) Arbuckle saline aquifer
- 3) Intervening caprocks

- New core and logs from KGS #1-32 and logs from #1-28 obtained in Jan-Feb. 2011
- Using to assess --
 - Integrity of caprocks
 - Porosity types, injectivity, and storage
 - Model potential for CO₂-EOR in Mississippian saline aquifer
 - Sequestration in Arbuckle

Small scale field test (70k tonnes CO₂) contract being negotiated with DOE

- MVA deployment and testing -- LiDAR/InSAR, shallow GW monitoring
- Mississippian reservoir - pressure, geochemistry, strategic 2D seismic
- Arbuckle - in situ cross hole tomography, U-tube plume sampling, CASM (continuous seismic imaging), repeat 3D seismic

Step rate test completed and preliminary perforate & swab intervals in Arbuckle and Simpson Groups



Cross section (east to west) between KGS #1-28 and #1-32 in Wellington Field and upscaled hydrostratigraphic units in Arbuckle Group

ZONAL FRACTURES AND AUTOCLASTIC BRECCIAS IN THE POROUS INTERVALS OF THE ARBUCKLE



4593 ft



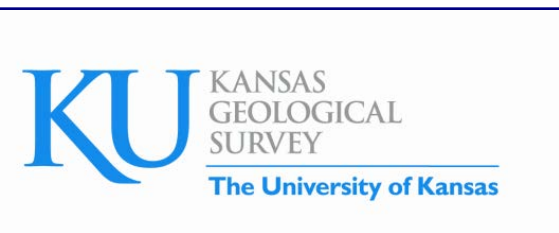
4556.2 ftt



4609 ft.



Small Scale Field Test Demonstrating CO2 sequestration in Arbuckle Saline Aquifer and by CO2-EOR at Wellington field, Sumner County, Kansas



Funding Opportunity Number: DE-FOA-0000441
CFDA Number: 81.089 Fossil Energy Research and Development
\$11,484,490 requested from DOE
\$3.235 million cost share



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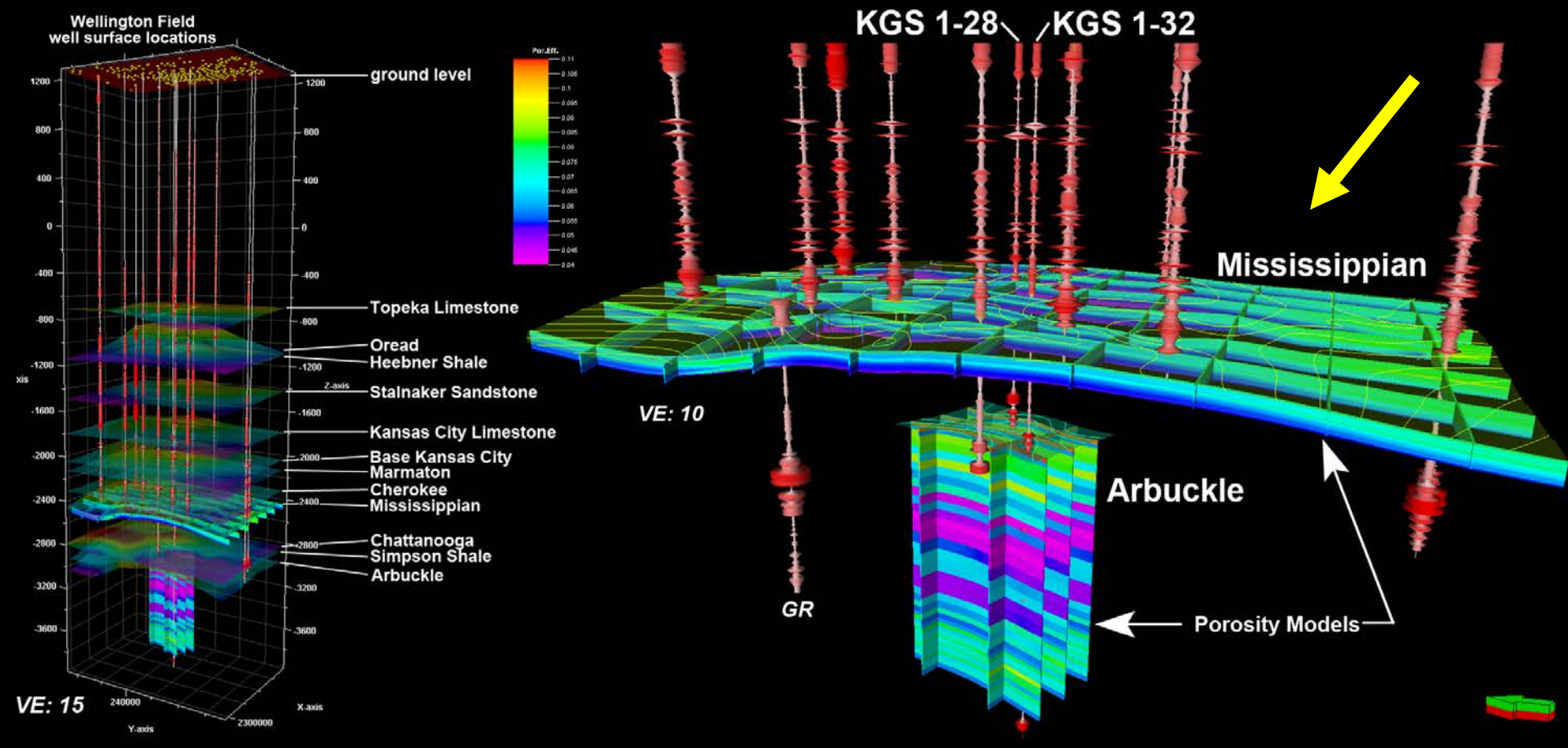


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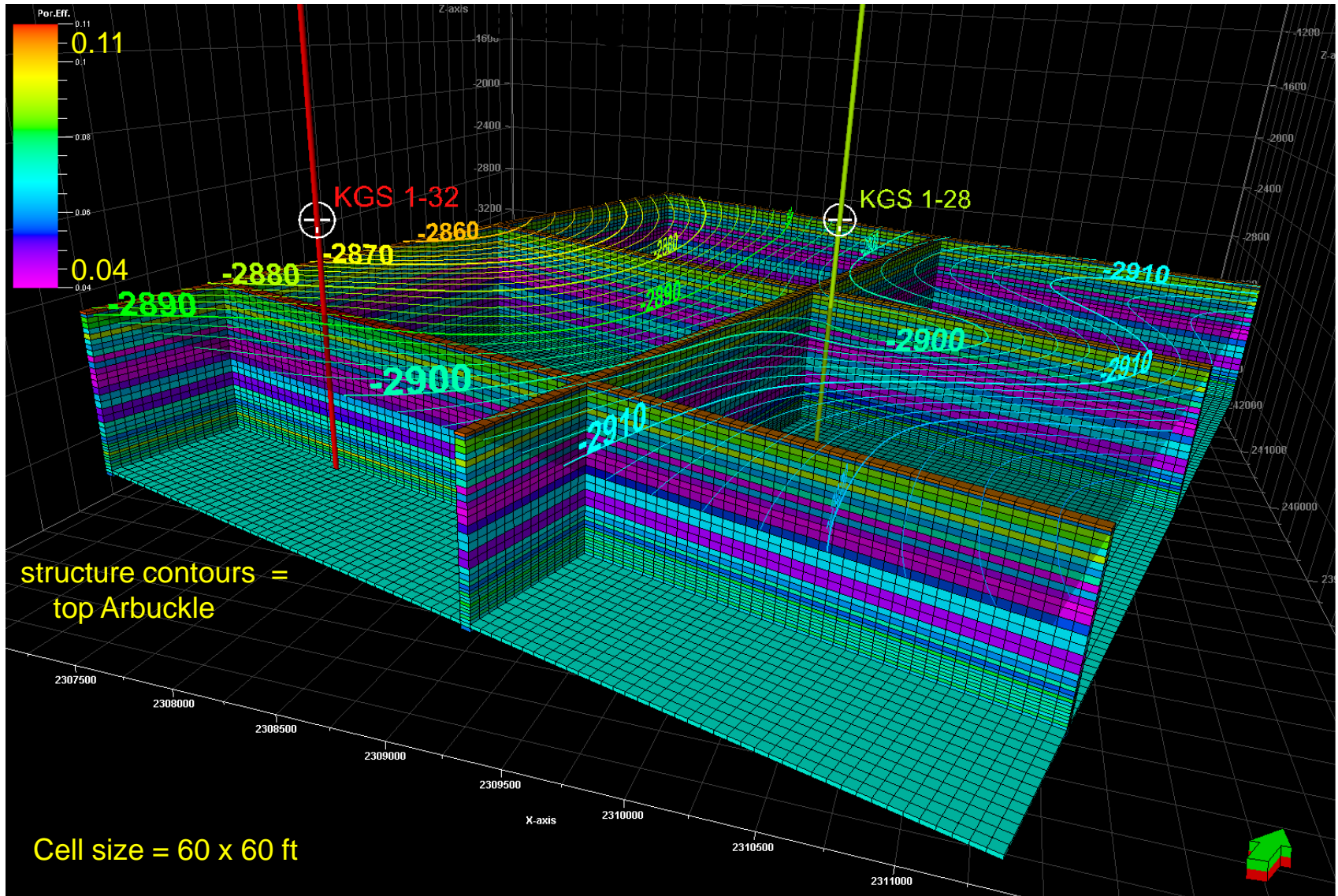


Wellington Field

Mississippian tripolite/chert reservoir (underpressured), lower
Mississippian & Simpson sealing strata, & Arbuckle aquifer



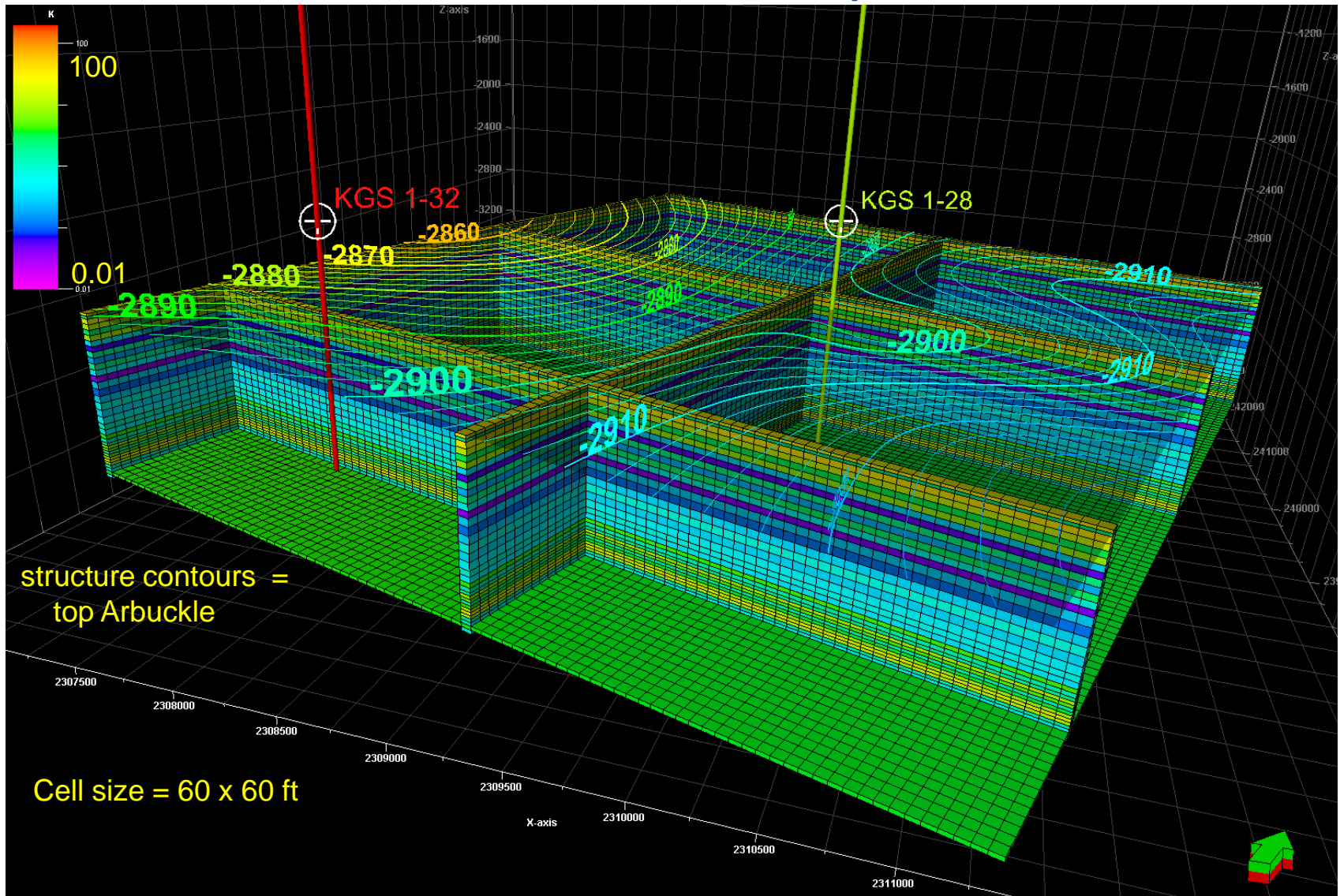
Upscaled average porosity (effective Φ from NMR) for Arbuckle Group in vicinity of KGS #1-32 & #1-28



Permeability Geomodel of Arbuckle Group

in vicinity of KGS #1-32 & #1-28

Upscaled Using geometric Mean of k (Coates NMR), Porosity Used for Trend
-- Contribution of fracture Φ & k yet to done



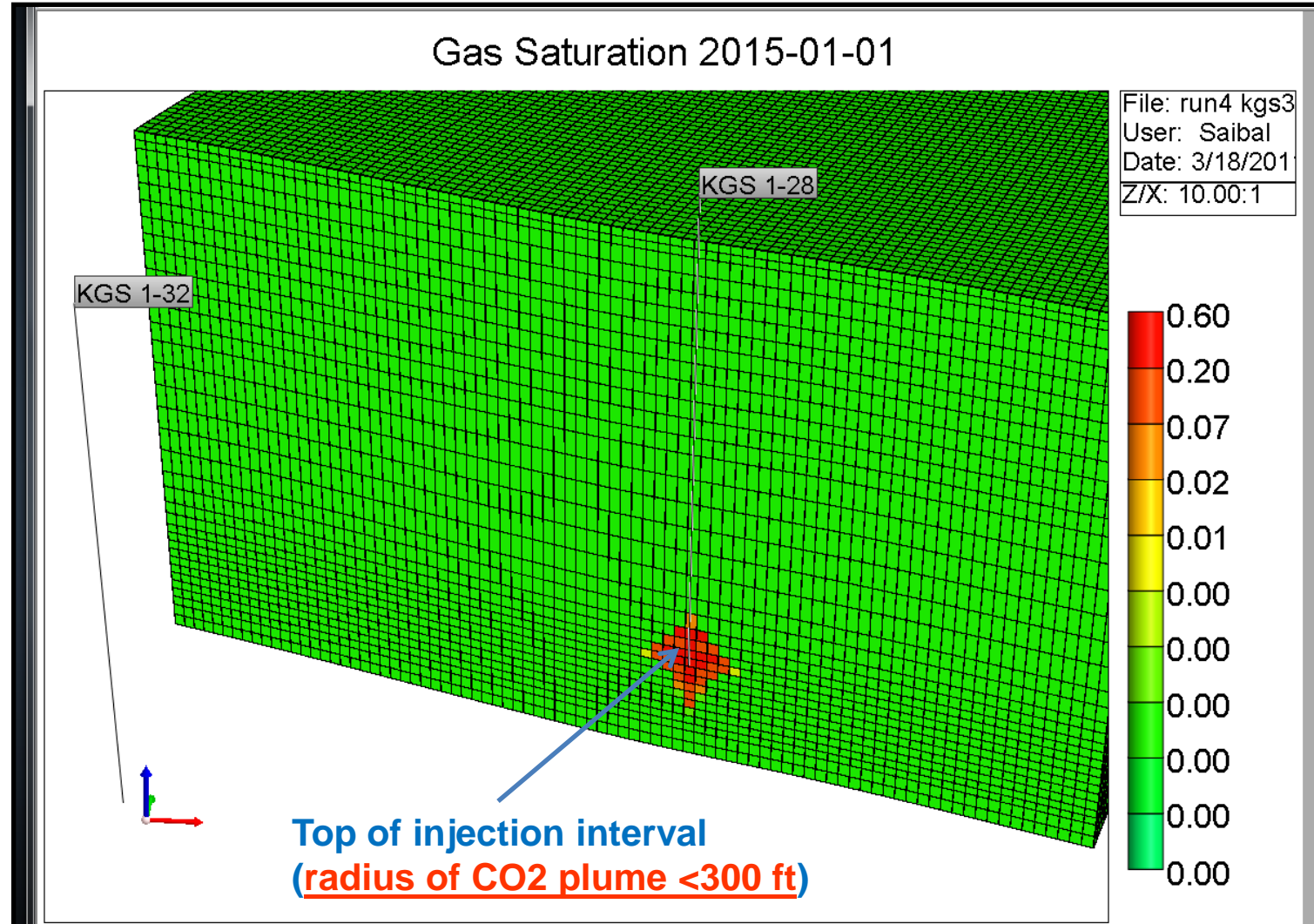
Simulated hypothetical injection

started on Jan 1, 2011 (for 9 months)

Grid cells 60' by 60'

Total CO₂ injected into Arbuckle ~ 40,000 tons

Injection layers – L25 to L30, each ~20 ft thick, 120 ft total



BEREXCO LLC

Wellington Unit Area

KGS Arb. CO2 Injection

Arbuckle Penetrations

Arbuckle -ss

POSTED WELL DATA
 FMTOPS - ARBUCKLE(RWK) (SS) (FEET)

● Well Number
 Well Name

WELL SYMBOLS
 Loc-Blue
 Dry Hole
 Oil Well
 Plugged and Abandoned
 CO2 Injector
 CO2 Monitor

By: nkl
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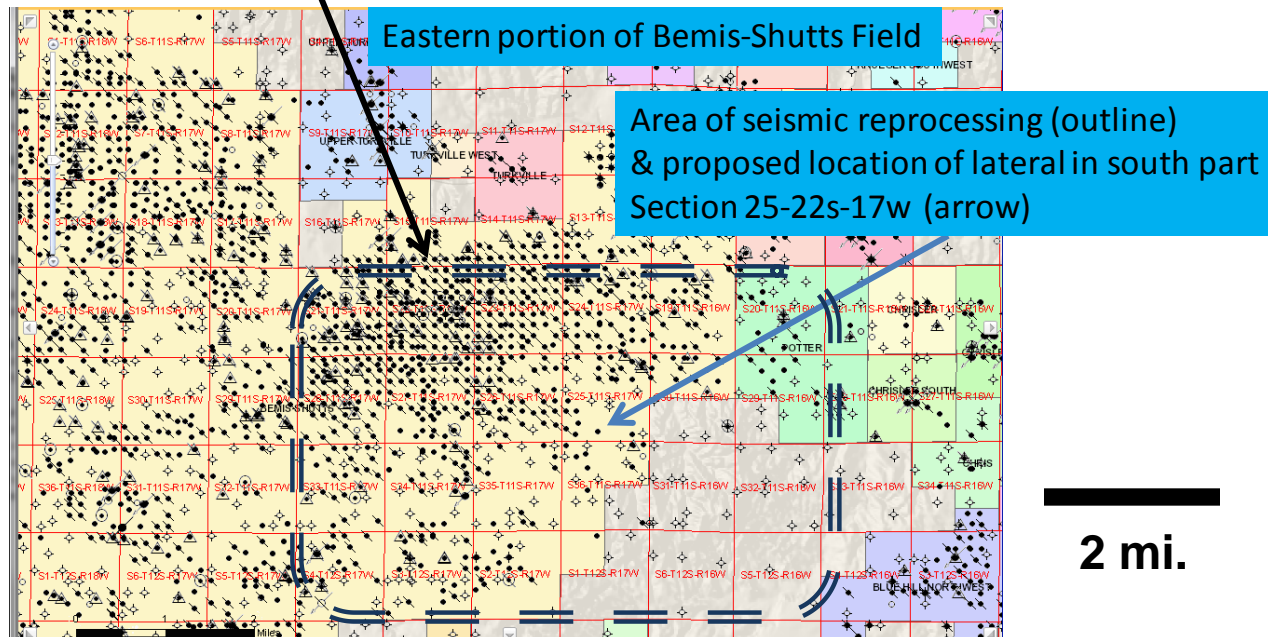
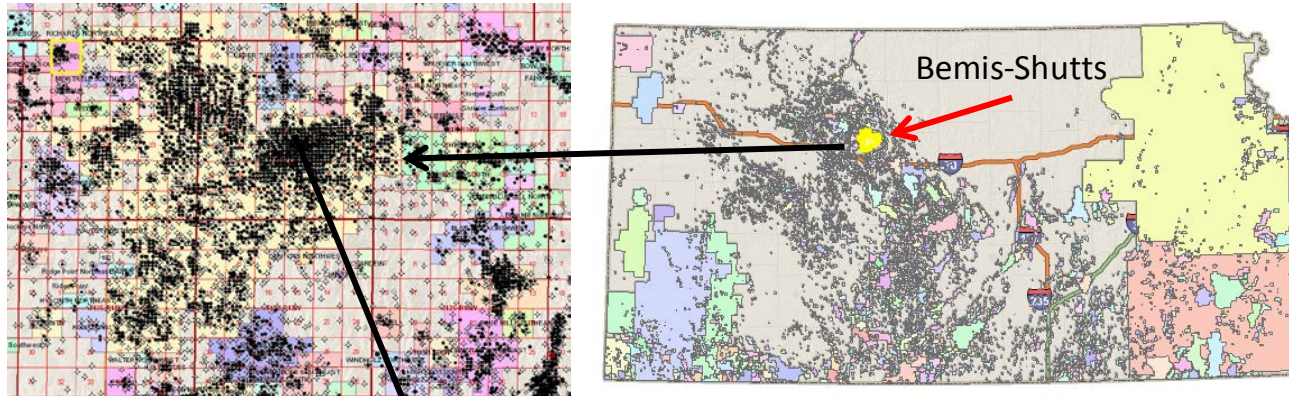
Bemis-Shutts Field Ellis County, Kansas

Vess Oil Corporation

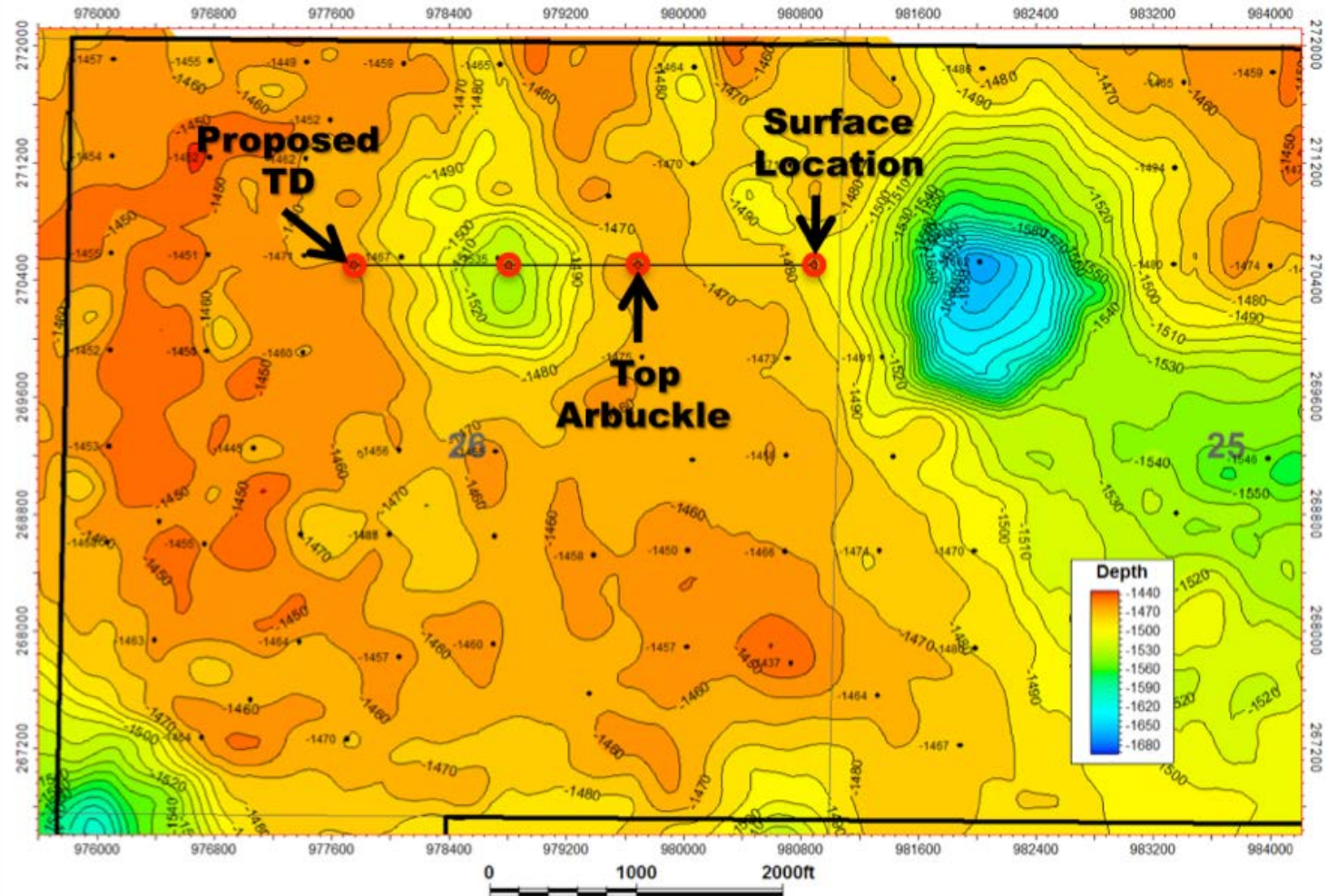
- *"Prototyping and testing a new volumetric curvature tool for modeling reservoir compartments and leakage pathways in the Arbuckle saline aquifer: Reducing uncertainty in CO₂ storage and permanence."*
 - Collaborative study of the Kansas Geological Survey with its industry partners **Vess Oil Corporation** and **Murfin Drilling Company**
 - Funded by the U.S. Department of Energy under grant DE-FE0004566 and cost-sharing by its industry partners
 - Seismic data has been donated to the project by MV Partners, Vess, Noble Energy, Berexco, Lario, Damar, Jolen, and Diehl
 - Other participants include Hedke-Saenger Geoscience, Ltd., Susan Nissan Geophysical Consulting, Geotextures, Tres Management Services, and Saugata Datta, K-State along with staff members in the Energy Research Section of the Kansas Geological Survey

Bemis-Shutts Field, Ellis County, Ks.

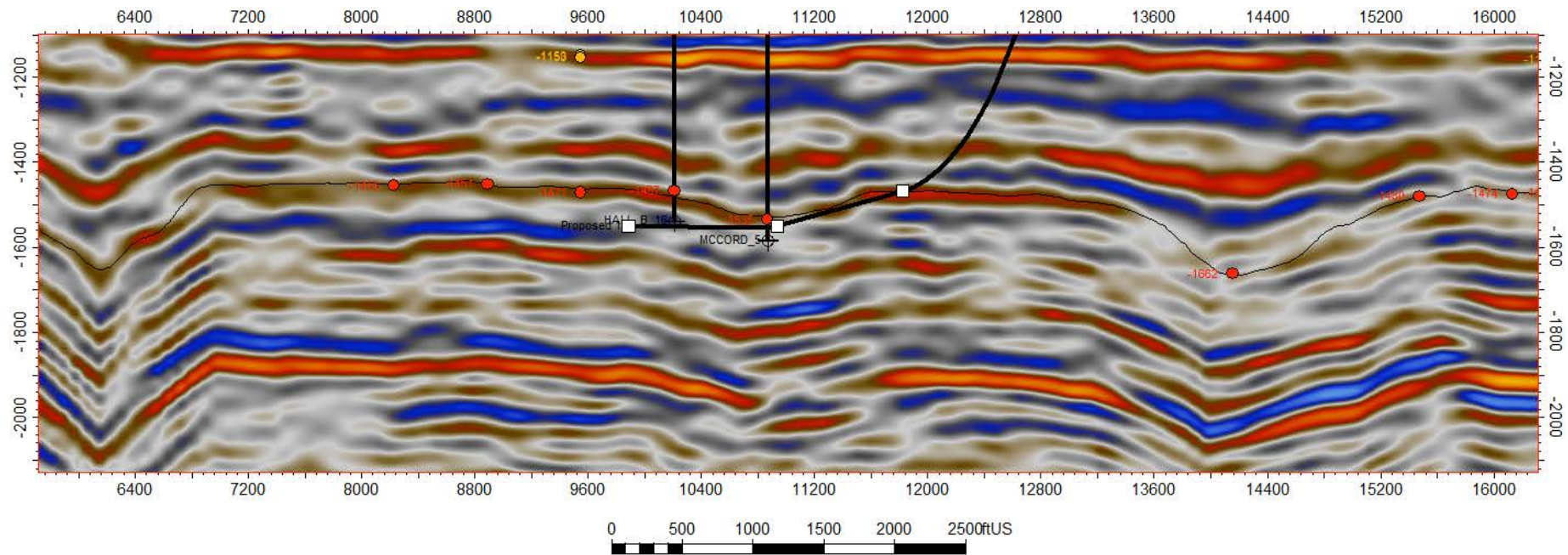
Seismic reprocessing including volumetric curvature and pre-stack depth migration. Seismic and well data used to locate site for horizontal well in this large, mature oil field



Map showing test borehole targets in relation to paleokarst feature



Cross line 182 showing planned test boring trajectory.
Offsetting well control, paleokarst dimensions, and
structure are ideal for meeting project objectives
(i.e., ~1500-ft paleokarst feature)



Kansas State Plane Northern Zone (NAD 83)			
Target	X	Y	Depth (TVDSS)
1 (surface location)	980890	270500	1800
2 (top Arbuckle)	979690	270500	-1467
3 (intermediate target)	978810	270500	-1550
4 (TD)	977755	270500	-1550

Summary of Findings

- **Injectivity and Storage in Arbuckle**

- Discontinuous fracturing compliment matrix porosity
- Karst overprinting
- Lithofacies control porosity & permeability in widespread, correlatable stratal packages
- Arbuckle is an open hydrologic system

- **Structure**

- Deep-seated, basement structures/faulting abundant in Midcontinent craton
- Characterizing flexures & fractures from new processing of gravity-magnetics, structure mapping, multicomponent (converted shear wave) 3D seismic, and lineament analysis from remote sensing
- Developing a mechanical stratigraphy to better characterize and model (predict) fractures and faults affecting reservoir, aquifer, and caprocks

- **Simulation of commercial scale CO₂ injection**

- Estimated footprint for 10 MM tonnes CO₂ injection with plume size < 2 mi radius
- Preliminary simulation of CO₂ injection for small scale field test at Wellington Field, 40,000 tonnes with plume size <300 ft radius
- Internal aquitards in Arbuckle being evaluated as possible baffles and barriers to vertical migration of CO₂ plume
- Preliminary results of pulse test in lower Arbuckle at Wellington Field that at 20 ft flow unit is laterally connected at distance of 3000 feet

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CO₂ EOR & CCS in Kansas

Kansas Ethanol Plants (2008)

Blue – active, Tan - planned

Bemis-Shutts
Horizontal

KGS and five
industry
partners
expand CCS
and EOR study
with another
\$5M DOE
grant (2010)

Petrosandtand
er to move
Garden City
Ethanol CO₂ to
Stewart field
(2010)

Murfin, KGS & TORP
win \$5M DOE award:
for CO₂ pilot (1999)

\$2.3M DOE to CAP-
CO₂ and SW P
EOR feasibility study
(2009)

Western
Annex

Berexco and KGS
to inject CO₂ into
Wellington field in
DOE study (2011)

Transpetco
builds CO₂
pipeline from
Denver City to
Postle Field
(1997)

Chapparral buys
Liberal Ethanol
CO₂ for Okla.
EOR (2009)

Berexco and KGS to
study Arbuckle CO₂
storage potential
with \$5M DOE grant
(2009)

Chapparral and
CVR ink deal
for fertilizer
CO₂ for EOR
(2011)

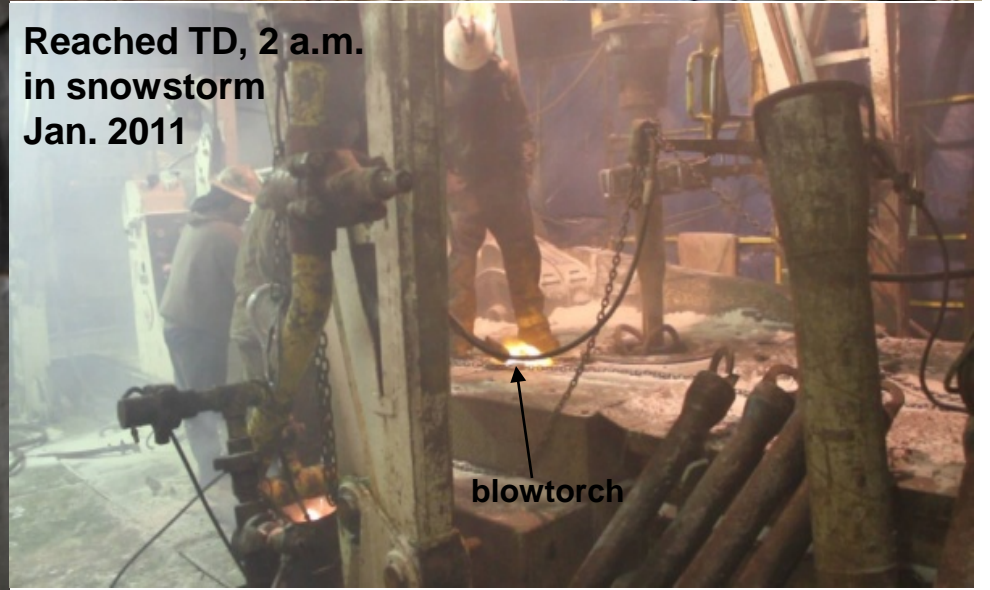
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Basement Faulting in #1-32

“Tombstone” Granite



Reached TD, 2 a.m.
in snowstorm
Jan. 2011



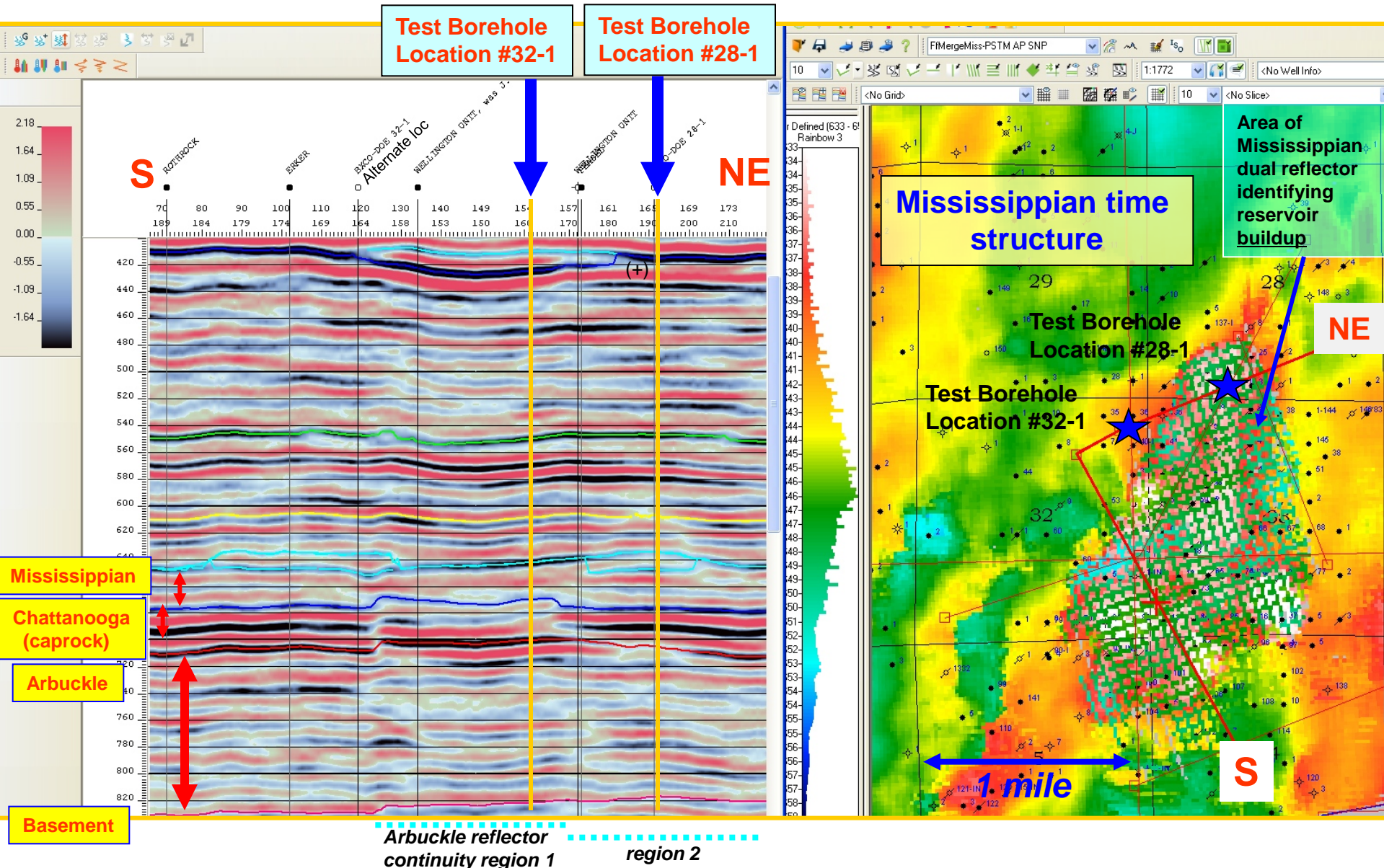
Bemis-Shutts Field Project Objectives

- The project is evaluating the effectiveness of a new seismic tool to identify the presence, extent, and impact of paleokarst heterogeneity on CO₂ sequestration.
- The selection of the test site in Bemis-Shutts Field also has significant implications for oil production from this field and on the Central Kansas Uplift.
- This proposed project will also provide a valuable data set to complement the DOE-funded regional assessment of Arbuckle CO₂ sequestration potential focused on south-central KS (DE-FE0002056).

Wellington Field

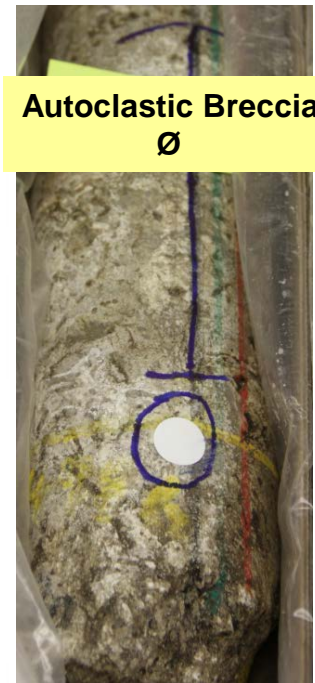
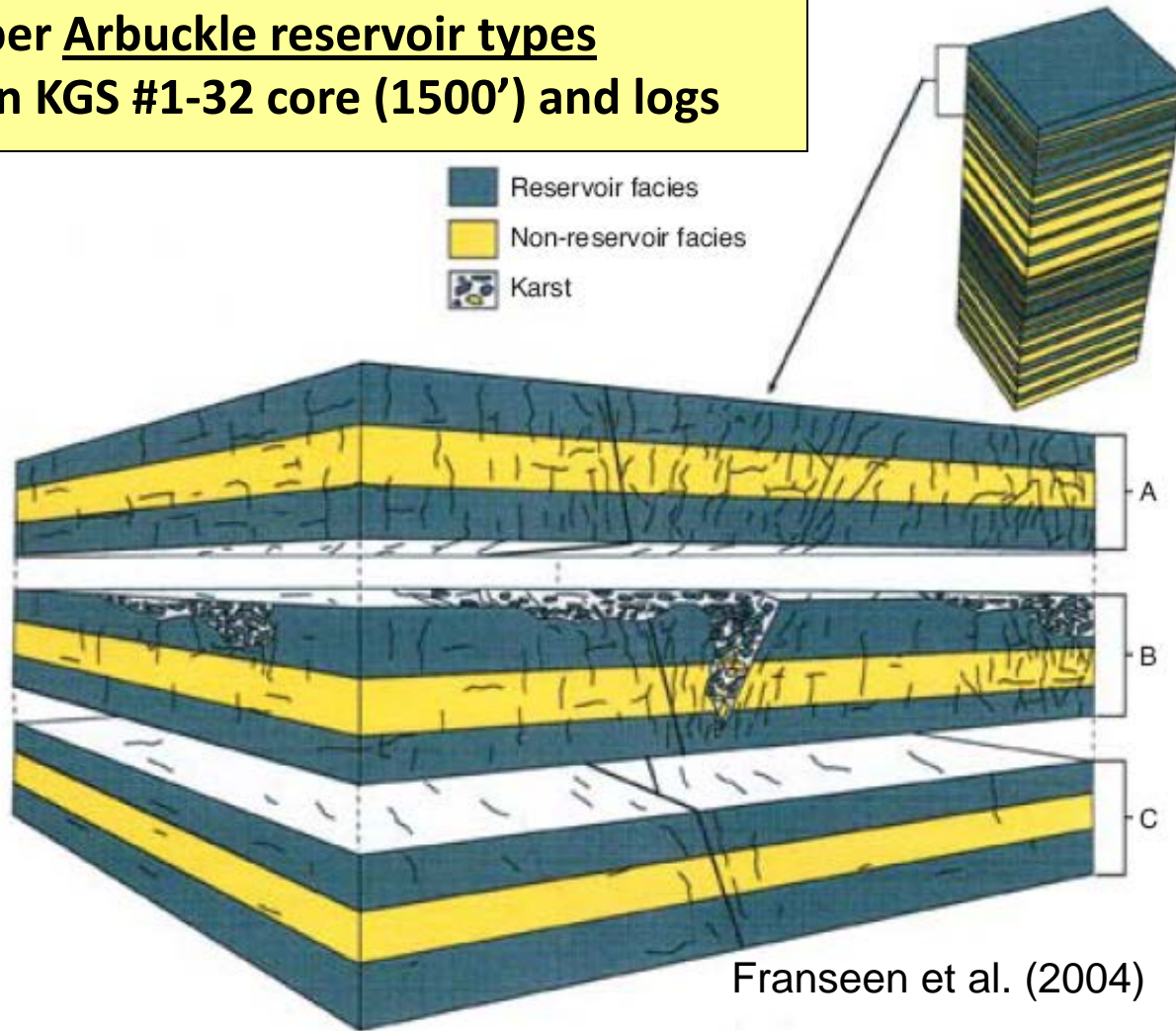
3D Seismic & New Basement Boreholes

Arbitrary seismic profile to compare borehole locations



1000 ft Arbuckle at Wellington Field is complexly stacked lithofacies in persistent stratal packages

End-member Arbuckle reservoir types
observed in KGS #1-32 core (1500') and logs



**Discontinuous fracturing, karst overprinting,
lithofacies control porosity & permeability
in persistent stratal packages**

NMR log showing locations of pulse test & swabbing intervals in lowermost Arbuckle of well #1-32



Pulse Test 4995-15 ft

5049.7; 4997.7; NO Core RECOVERY



Swab #3 =
5040-45 ft

Corresponding to DST #2 in #1-28

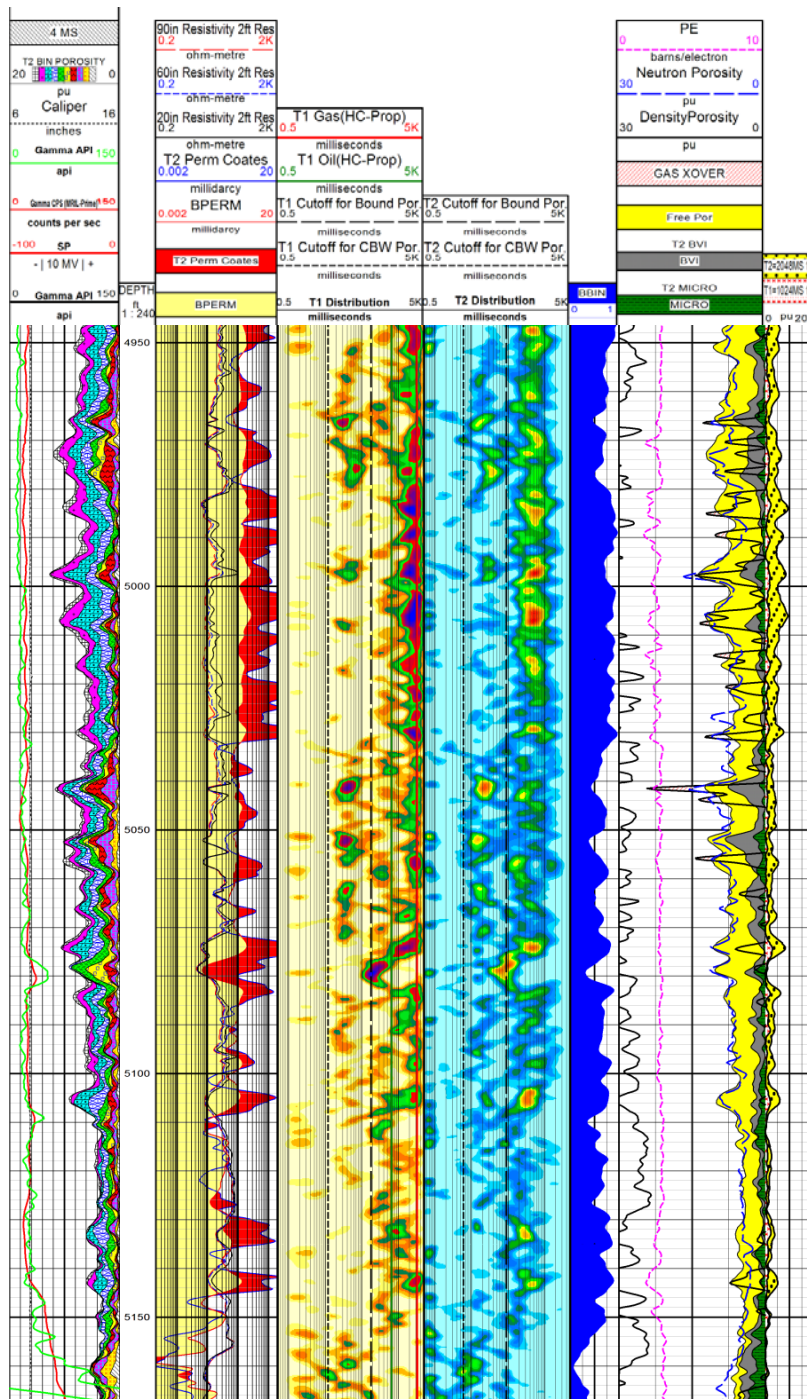
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Swab #2 =
5130-45 ft

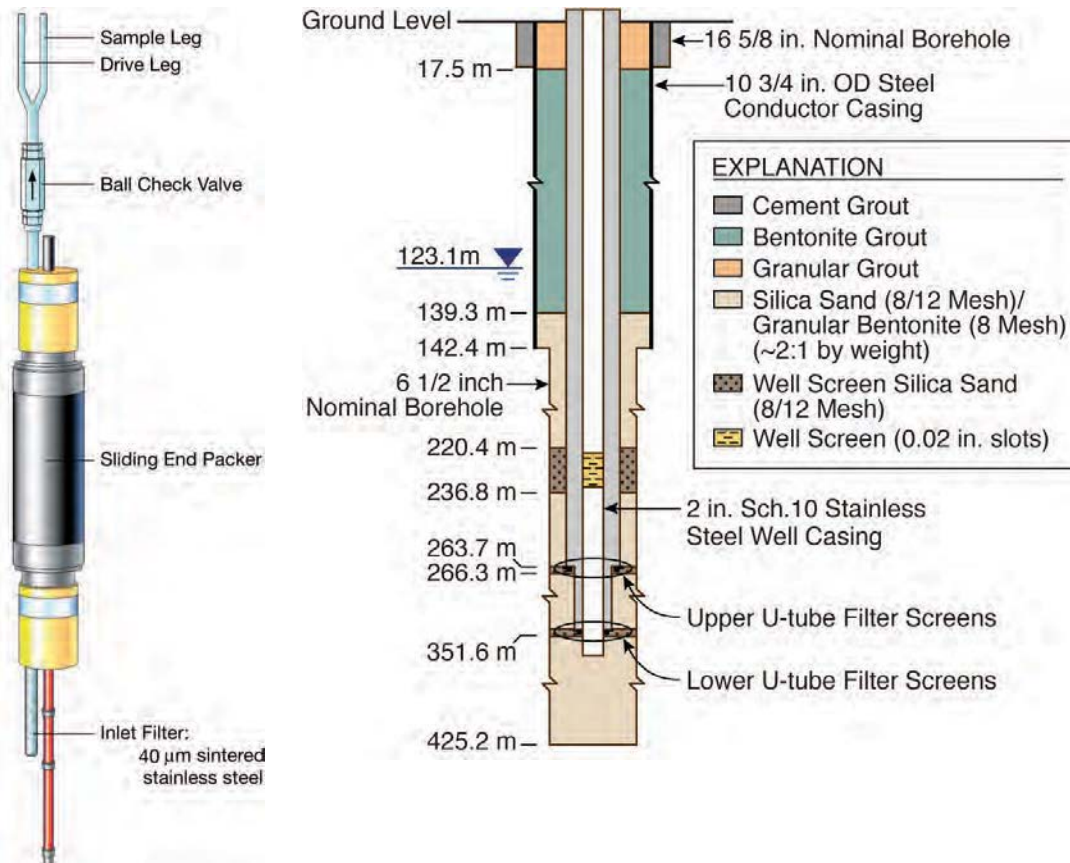
Corresponding to DST #1 in #1-28

5143.4; 5128; 5Y 4/1; olive gray; sandstone with micritic dolomite matrix; frosted grains; medium grade; rounded; increasing amounts of dolomite mud towards the top; bivalves; bioturbated; sm-scale mottling; scattered black lithoclasts; patchy vugs filled with pink dolomite; porous towards the bottom couple feet; gradational contact

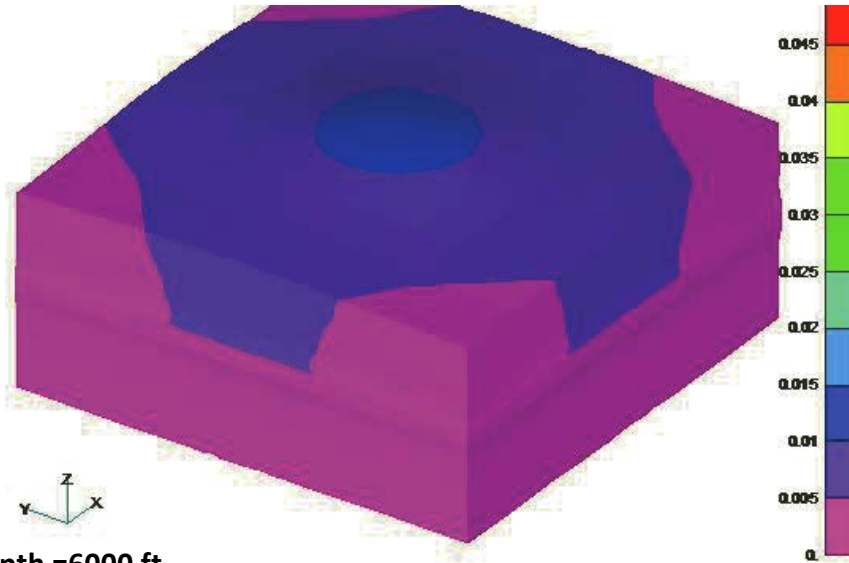


U-Tube In Situ Sampling of CO₂ Plume

- Handling of multiphase fluid collected at high frequency

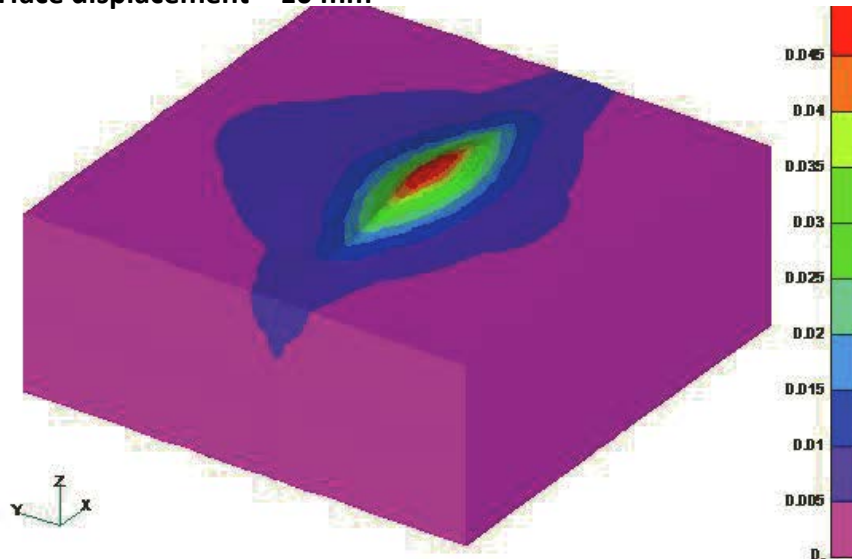


LiDAR and InSAR



Simulated vertical displacement (in meter) after 3 years of CO2 injection (top) without and (below) with a permeable fault intersecting the caprock.

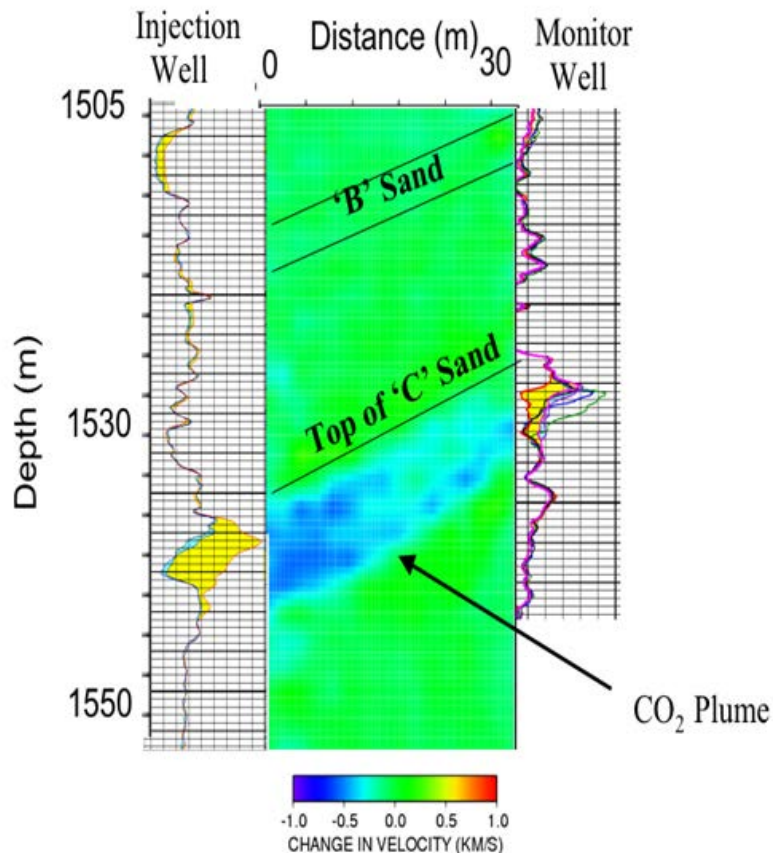
- Injection depth = 6000 ft
- Injection interval = 60 ft thick
- Max pressure ~10 Pa above ambient
- Injection rate = 1 MM tons per year
- Observed surface displacement = 10 mm



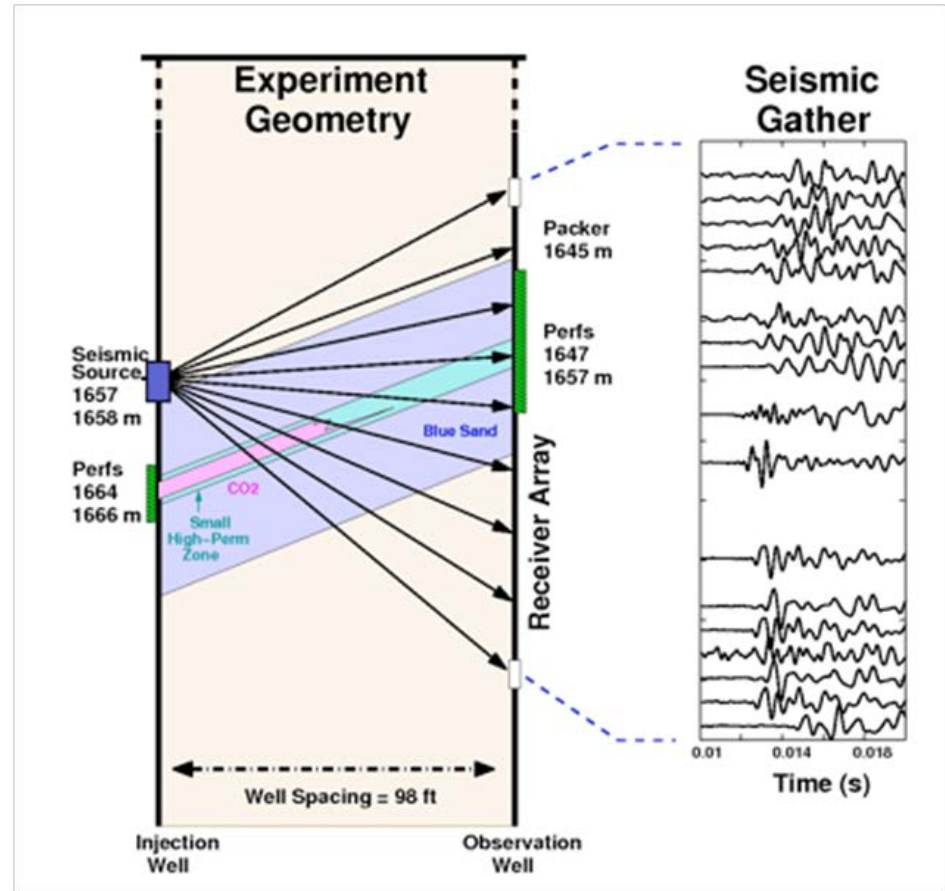
*Coupled reservoir-geomechanical analysis of CO2 injection at In Salah, Algeria
Rutqvista, Vasco, Myer (2009)*

Seismic Tomography & CASSM

In situ CO₂ plume movement to validate simulation



Detailed view of the injector region of the P-wave tomogram along with repeating logging for between monitoring and injector well.



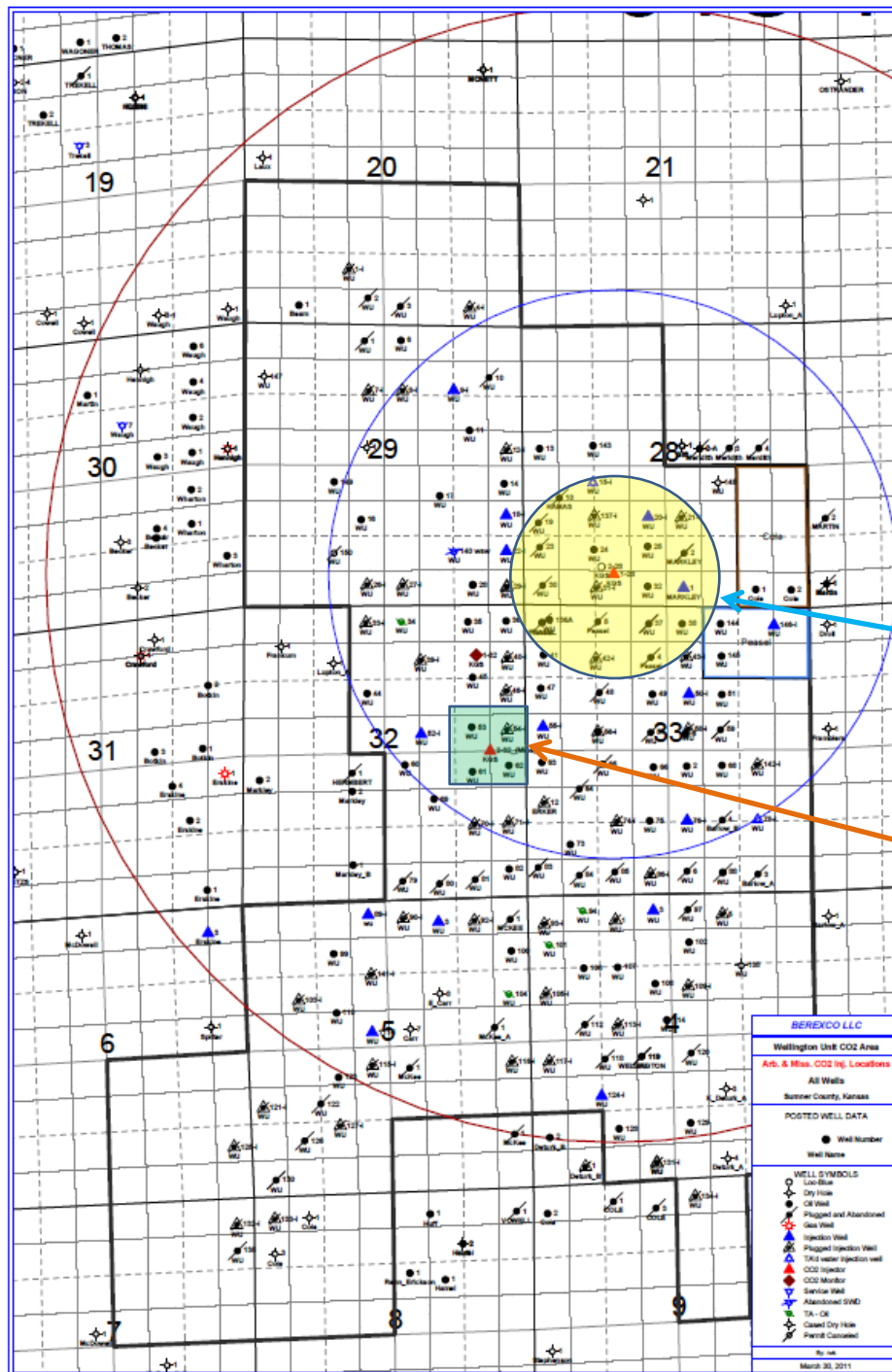
Schematic representation of CASSM survey (left) as deployed for the Frio-II experiment, along with example seismic gather (right). Daley et al. (2008)

Overview – CO₂ Projects in Kansas

- 1. Southwest Kansas CO₂-EOR Initiative Chester and Morrow Reservoirs -Western Annex to Regional CO₂ Sequestration Project
 - CO₂ EOR technical feasibility study –Chester IVF and Morrow
 - Five industry partners (operators of fields)
 - Part of larger KGS-industry CCS and EOR study
 - Will not inject CO₂ –paper study only
 - Get fields in study “CO₂-ready”
- 2. Evaluating CO₂ sequestration capacity of the deep saline Arbuckle aquifer and CO₂-EOR potential in the Mississippian (Osage) chert/dolomite reservoir – regionally and Wellington Field, Sumner County, Kansas
 - Two basement tests drilled in January-February 2011, including a 1638 ft core from the Pennsylvanian Cherokee Group through the 1000 ft Arbuckle Group.
 - Original grant from DOE/NETL -- FE0002056 supported by cost-sharing partners, including **Berexco et al.**

Overview – CO₂ Projects in Kansas

- **3. Small-scale field test demonstrating CO₂ sequestration in Arbuckle saline aquifer and by CO₂-EOR at Wellington field, Sumner County, Kansas**
 - *Current budget negotiations through end of September, scheduled for October 2011 start -- Funding Opportunity Number: DE-FOA-000441*
 - *Small volume injection into Arbuckle saline aquifer and Mississippian (Osage) chert oil reservoir at Wellington Field not scheduled until mid 2013*
 - *CO₂ injection in saline aquifer accompanied by best practice monitoring methods*
- **4. Bemis-Shutts, Ellis County, KS –Horizontal well scheduled for November 2011 in the Arbuckle reservoir**
 - *Evaluate effectiveness of seismic attributes, namely volumetric curvature, to identify the presence, extent, and impact of paleokarst heterogeneity on CO₂ saline aquifer sequestration and oil production.*
 - *Funded by the U.S. Department of Energy under grant DE-FE0004566 and cost-sharing by its **industry partners -Vess, Murfin***
 - *Drill horizontal well in October-November 2011 framework*



Map showing boreholes that penetrate the Mississippian oil reservoir in Wellington Field

- Location of Mississippian boreholes to be monitored during and after CO₂ injection into the Arbuckle
- Location of Mississippian injection borehole and 5-spot pattern of producing boreholes

1 mile