



Production Chemicals Optimization Congress

Implementing a Metric-Driven Chemical Management Program

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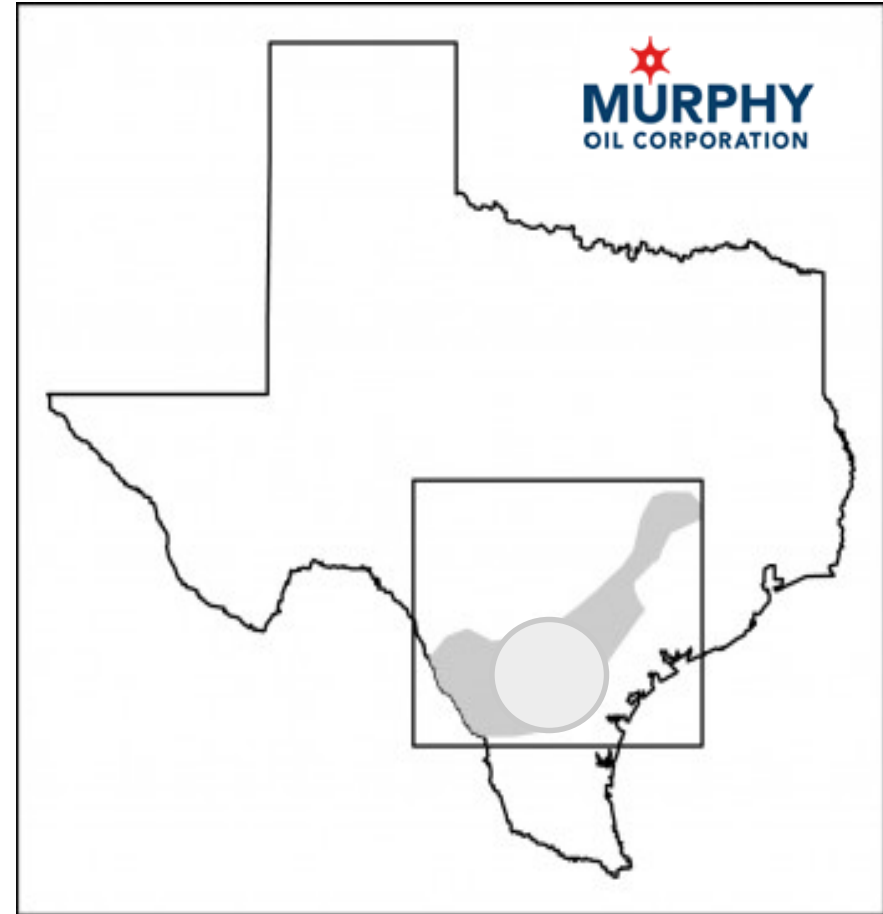


Agenda

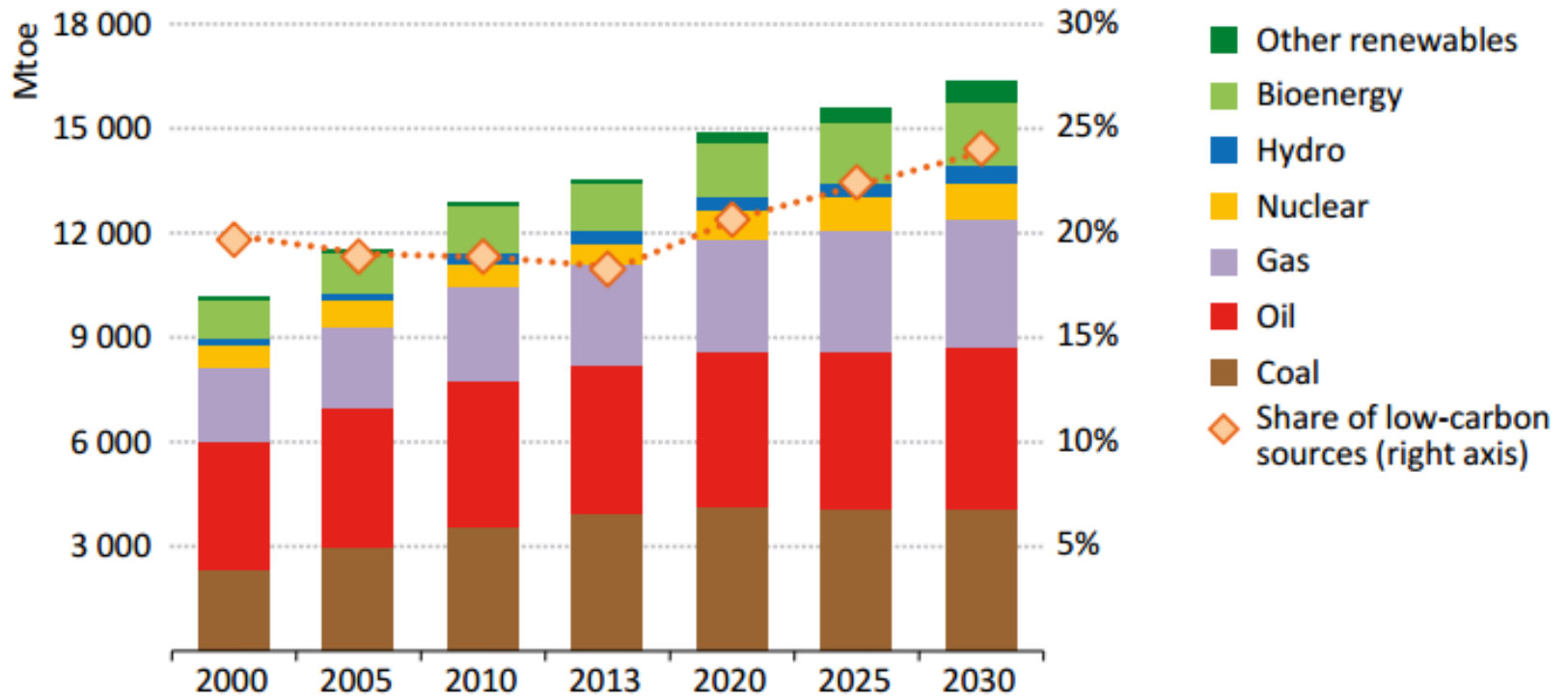
- **Challenge**
- **Chemicals**
 - H_2S
 - Paraffin
 - Biocide
 - Corrosion
 - SI
- **Practical Application**

Murphy Oil-Eagle Ford Operations

- Over 150,000 acres
- 600 + producing oil wells
- H₂S: Range 0 to 7%
- CO₂: 0 to 10%
- Geographically dispersed in the Eagle Ford
- 430 beam pumps operating
- Eagle Ford Head office, Houston, TX



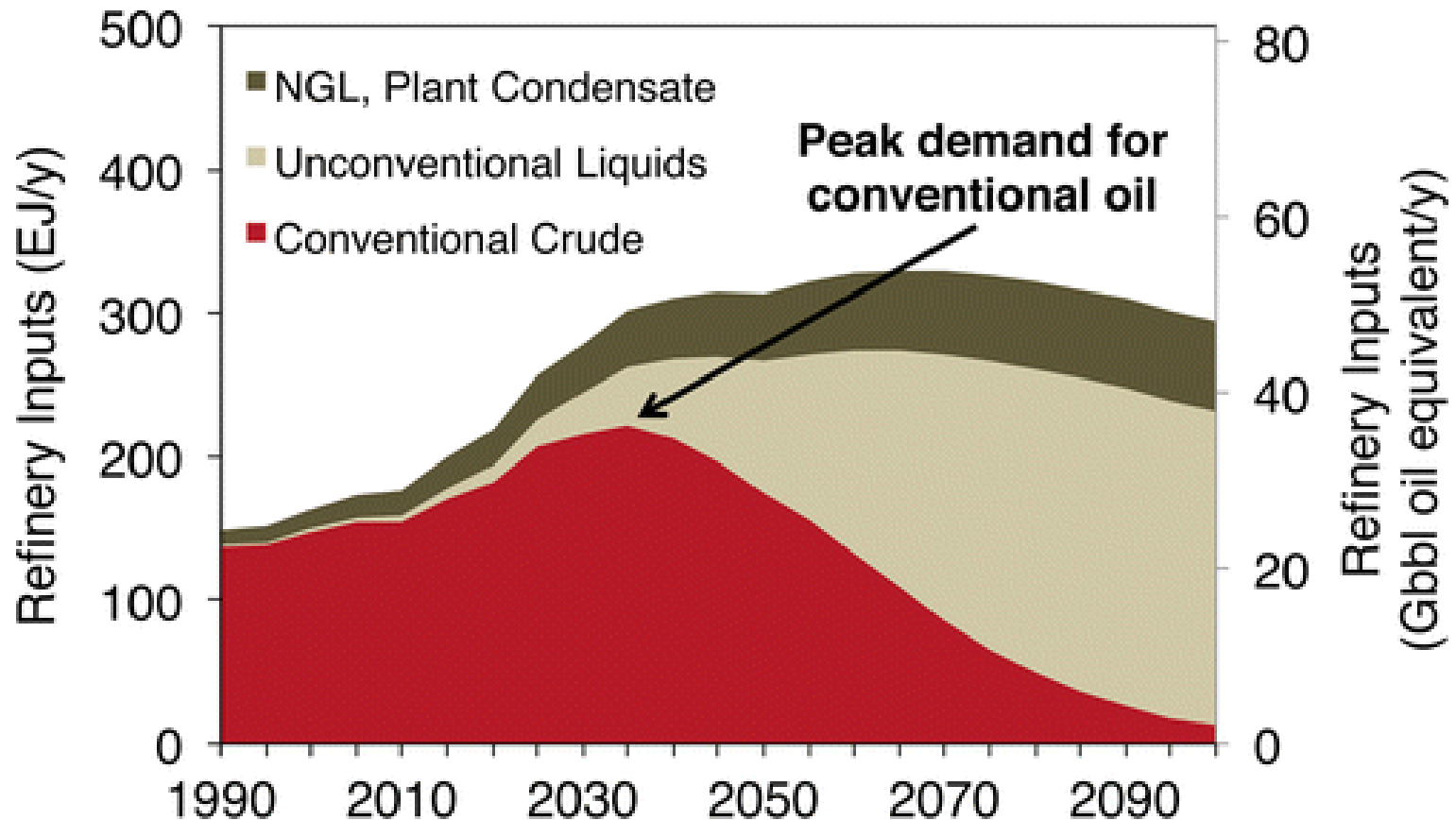
Global Energy Demand



Hydrocarbon still dominate in 2030 and beyond

- IEA - [World Energy Outlook Special Report 2015: Energy and Climate Change](#) – June 2015

Peak Oil



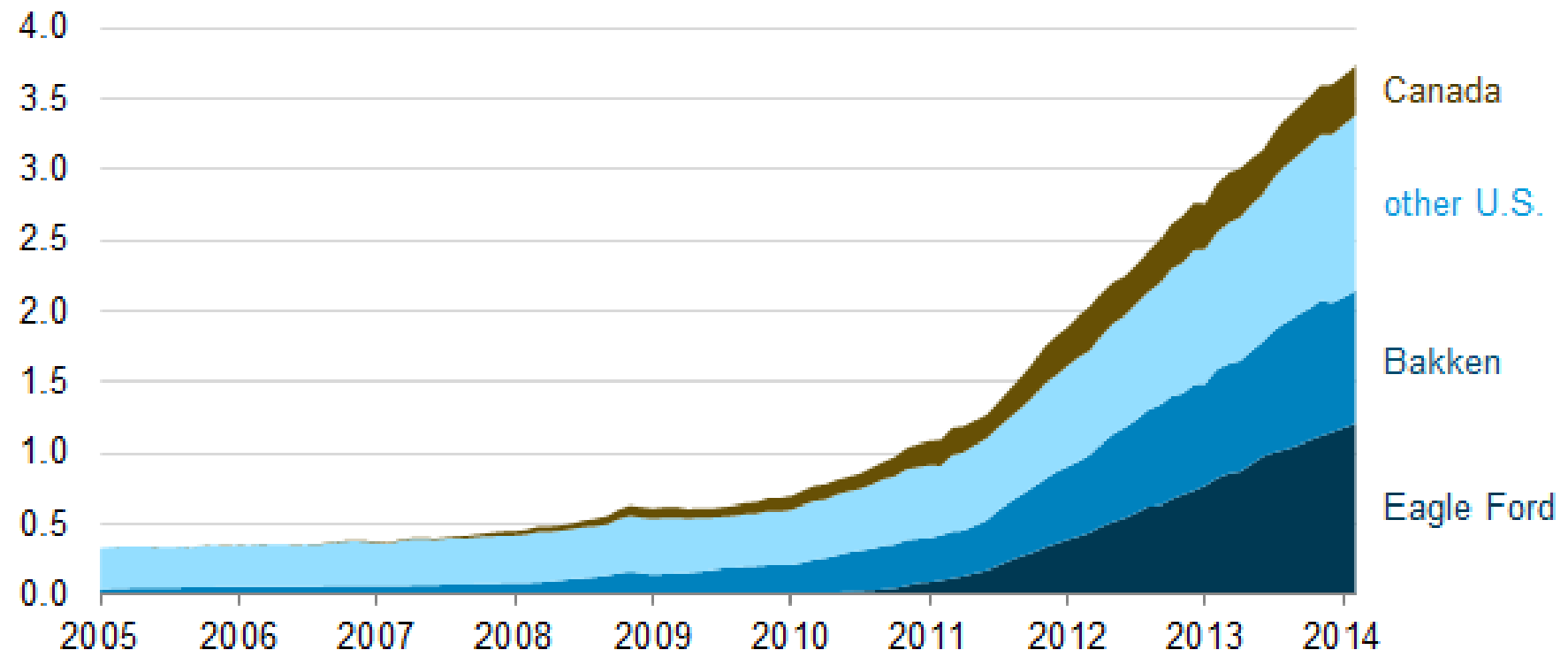
Peak Oil Demand: The Role of Fuel Efficiency and Alternative Fuels in a Global Oil Production Decline

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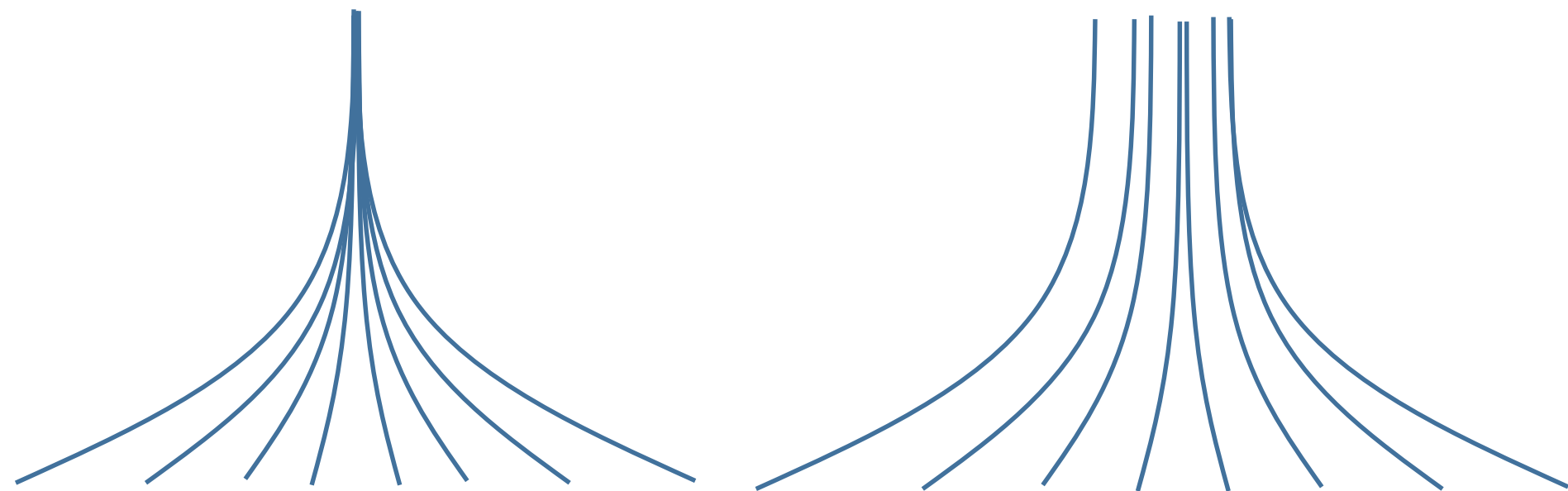
US Unconventional Plays

North American tight oil production (January 2005-February 2014)
million barrels per day

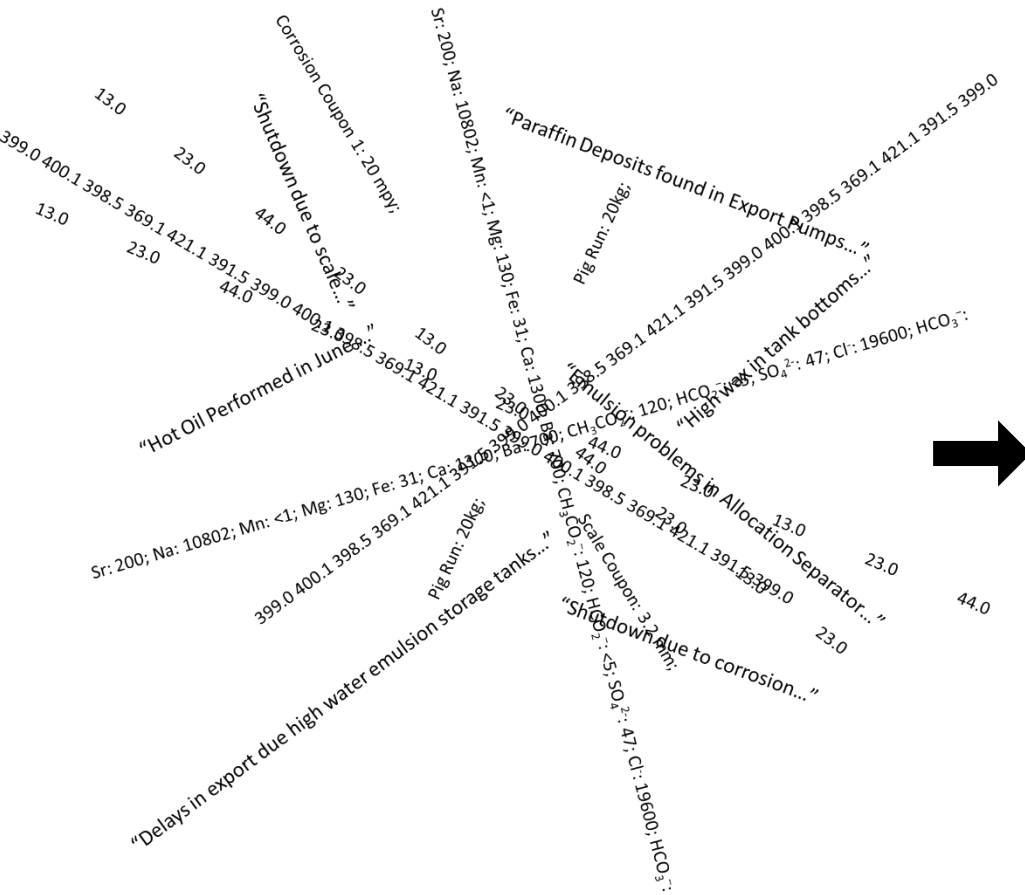


EIA – 2014 Report

Conventional



Database

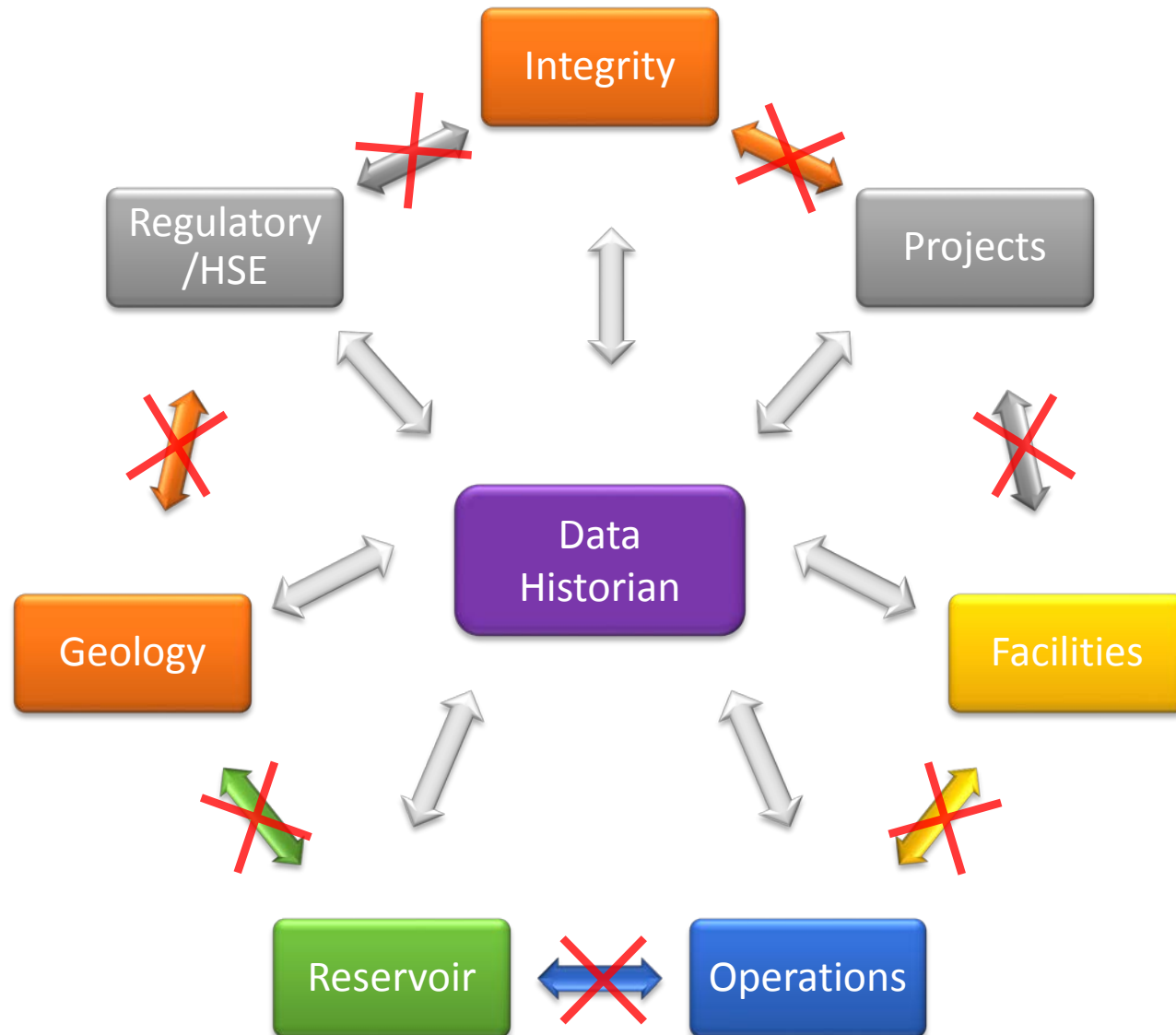


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2/17/2014 12:00:00 AM	226.64	0.00	222.43	205.592
2/18/2014 12:00:00 AM	241.56	0.00	209.25	193.154
2/19/2014 12:00:00 AM	263.69	16.15	219.35	204.888
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Several H₂S Database

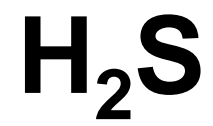
- Operations
- Field Service Reports from Chemical Service Provider
- Meters

Integration



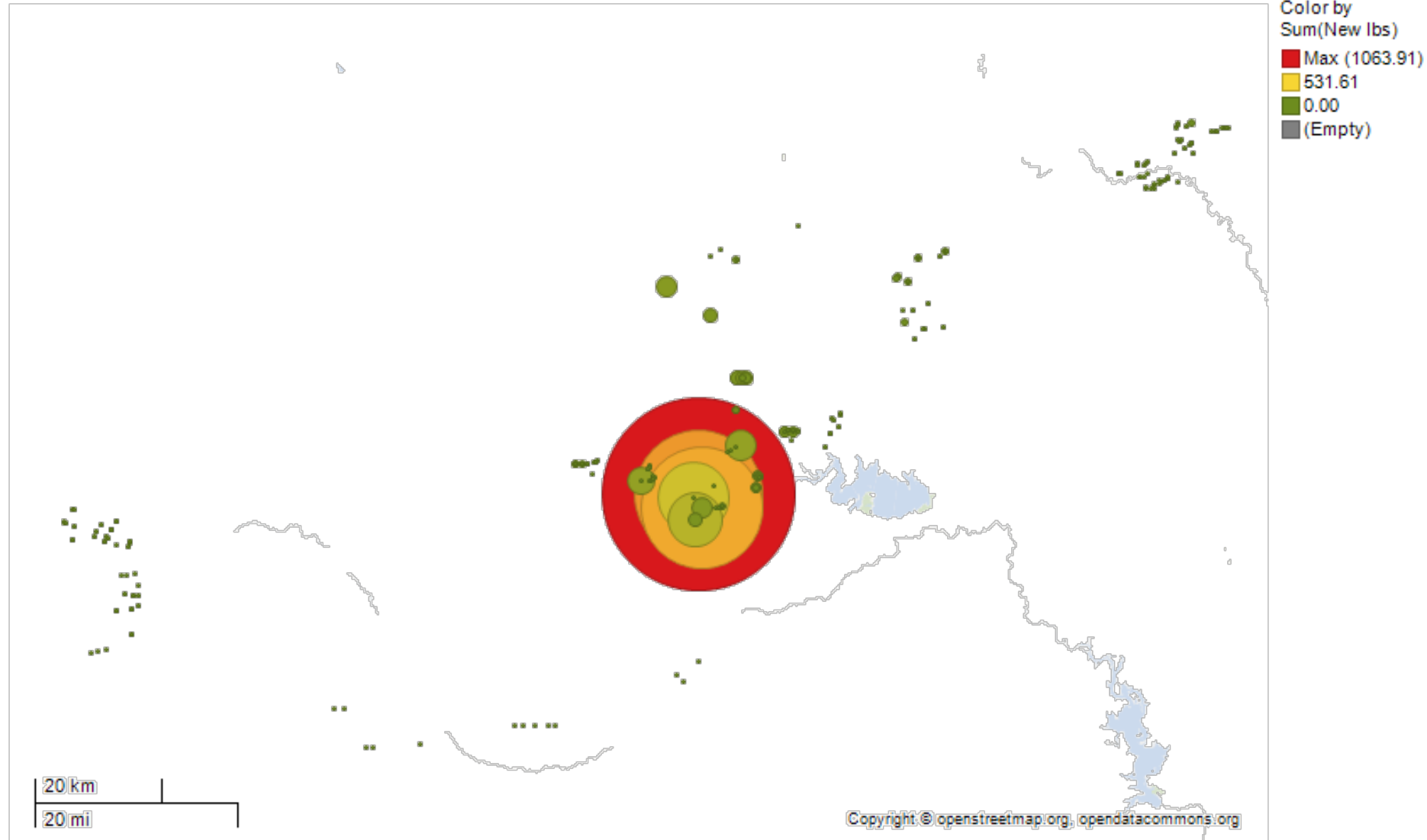
Best Practices - Database

- **Drilling**
 - Toe up, toe down...
- **Completions**
 - Frac Water Chemistry, well spacing, guar, proppant...
- **Productions**
 - Oil, Gas, Water Rate, T, P...
 - Water Quality: TSS, TDS, pH, Dissolved Oxygen
 - **Water Chemistry**: Na, Mg, Ca, Ba, Sr, Fe, HCO_3 , SO_4 ...
 - Oil Assay: API, Wax, %Asphaltene, Naphthanate
 - **Production Chemistry**
- **Operational Data**
 - Shut-down, turn around, Pigging...
-  PDF
-  Locked Excel
- **Standardize** Report formats
- Develop a **Strategy** for monitoring
- **KPI**

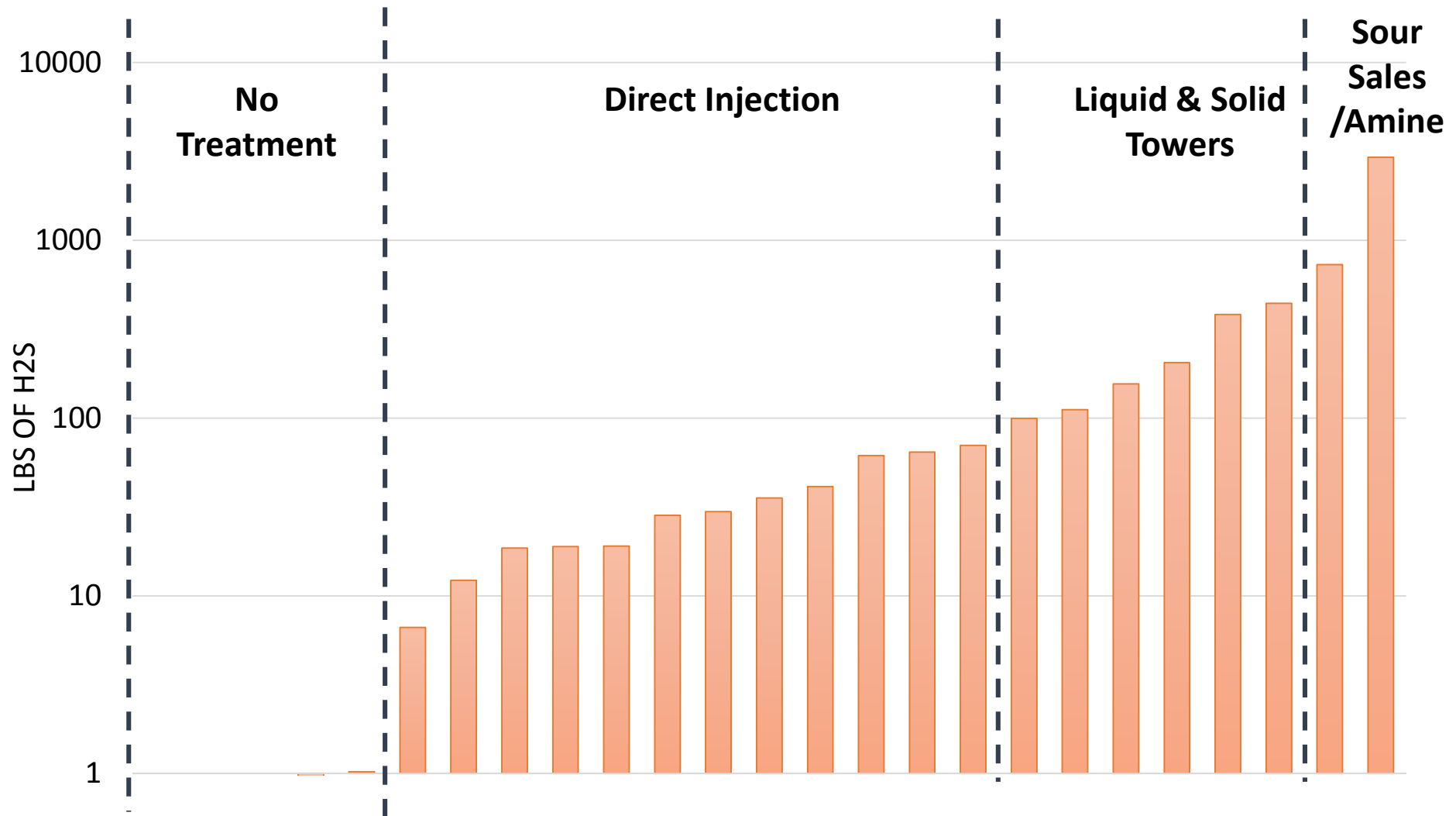


Data Visualization

Geographic H2S Profile



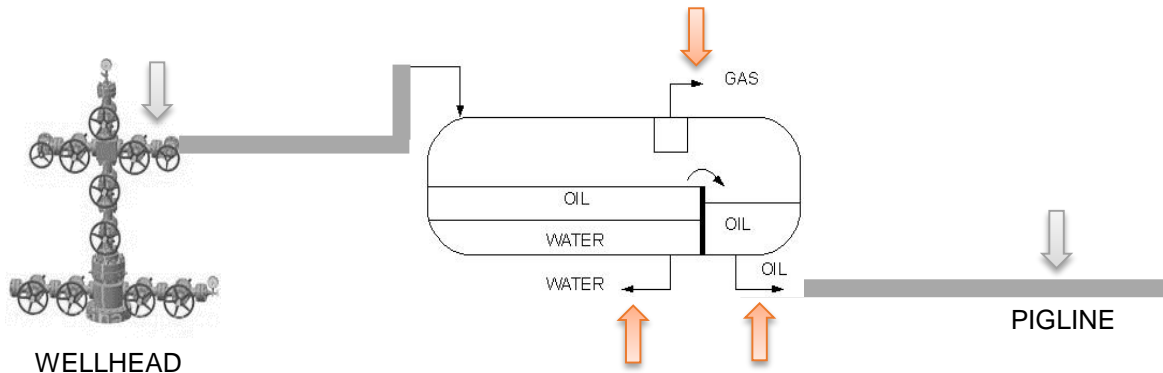
Facilities Review



Direct Injection – Water Soluble Scavenger

		Key					
		Low Injection Rate		Medium Injection		High Injection Rate	
		AM			PM		
Day 1		HS&E		Baseline-Well 1		Baseline-Well 2	
Day 2		Vendor 1 –Well 1			Vendor 2 –Well 1		
Day 3		Vendor 3 –Well 1		Baseline-Well 1		OS-Well 1	
Day 4		Vendor 1 –Well 2			Vendor 2 –Well 2		
Day 5		Vendor 3 –Well 2			OS-Well 2		

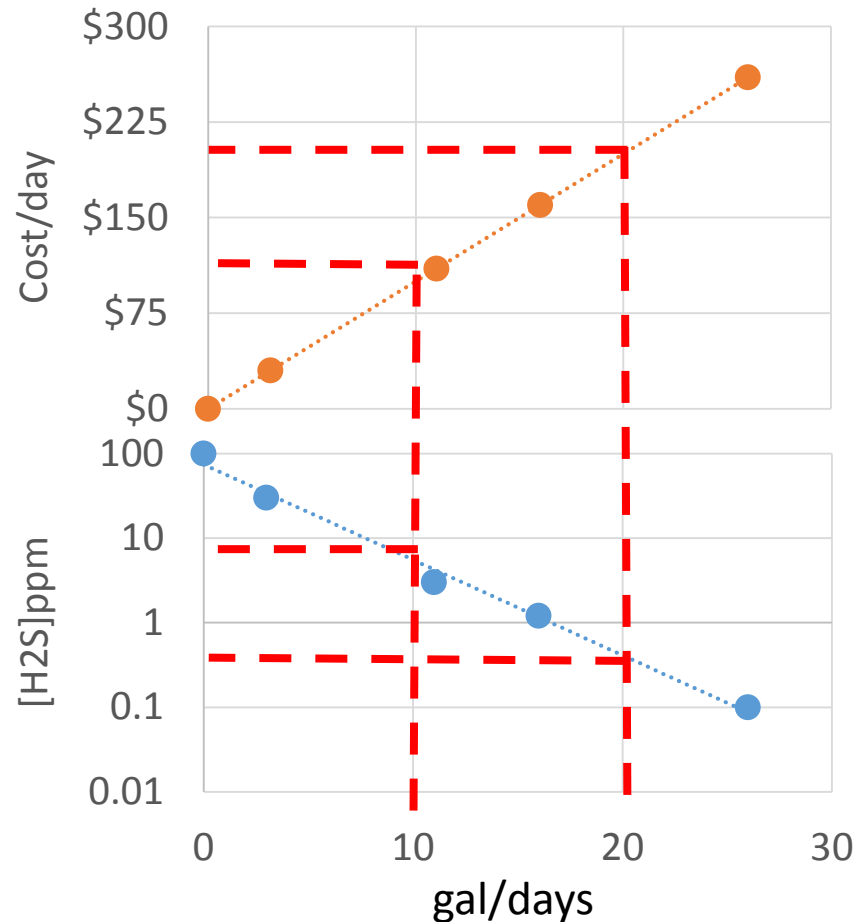
- H₂S
 - Oil
 - Water
 - Gas
 - pigline



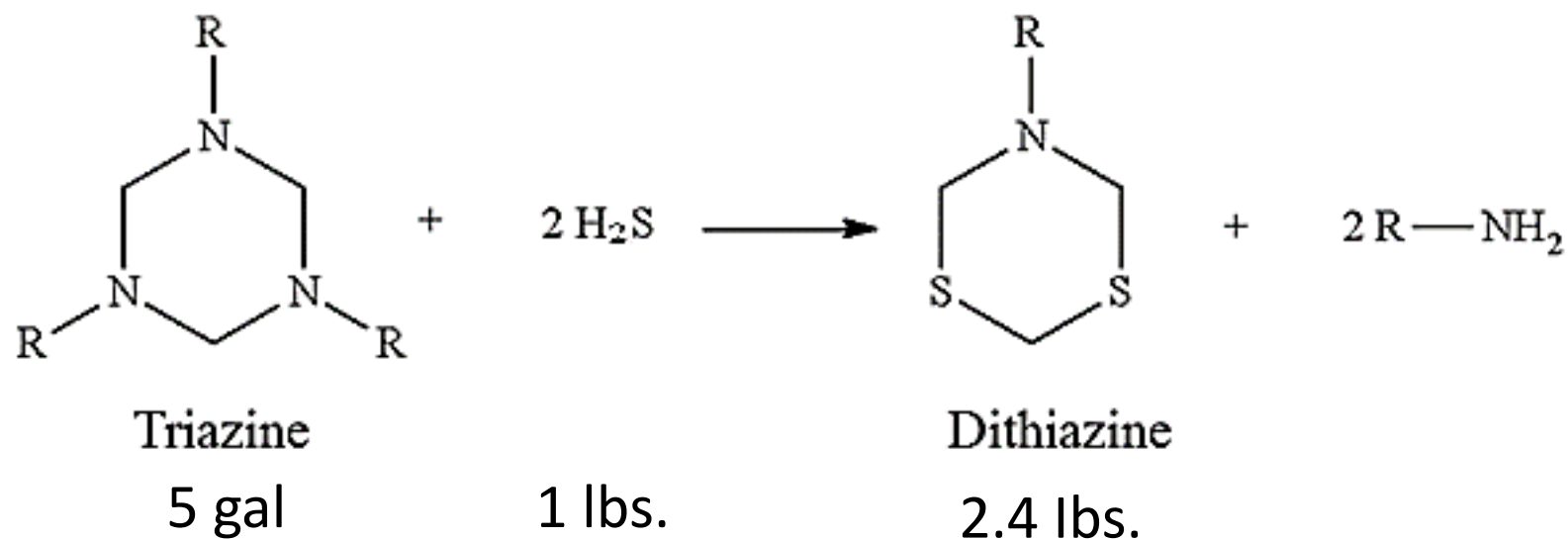
- Water
 - pH
 - Hardness
 - Calcium
 - Magnesium
 - Millipore
 - Emulsion

H₂S Scavenger Performance & Economics

MEA triazine scavenger



H₂S Scavenger – Flow Assurance



H ₂ S (ppm)	Gas Rate (MCFD)	Chemical rate (GPD)	dithazine (lbs/day)
100	500	23	11
10000	500	2347	1100

Conclusions – H₂S

- Triazine is still the most economical option for sub-50 lbs H₂S application
- Oil Soluble – poor efficiencies
- Centralized treatment best strategy
- Solid Tower not the best option due to CAPEX

Treatment Technology*	Cases	Expectation (\$/lbs of H ₂ S)	Actual (\$/lbs of H ₂ S)	
			Low	High
Direct Injection	50	\$18	\$ 31	\$ 202**
Liquid Tower	8	\$13	\$ 15	\$ 21
Solid Media Tower	4	\$ 6	\$ 20	\$ 41

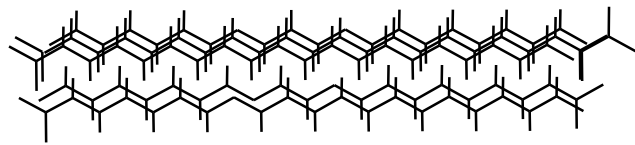
*CAPEX + OPEX – 3 year payout

**when managed by service provider

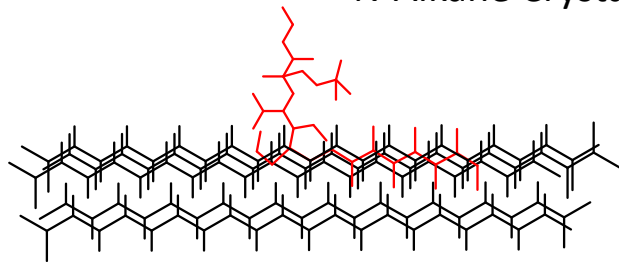
Paraffin

Paraffin Inhibitor

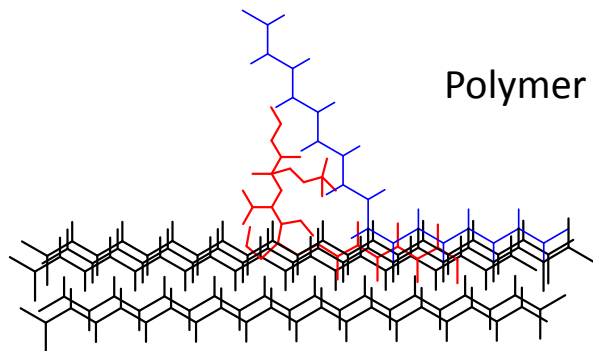
Wax Dispersants



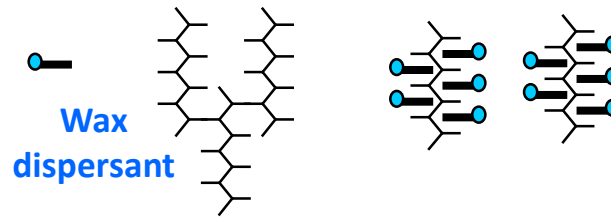
N-Alkane Crystal Formation



Polymer Co-crystallisation

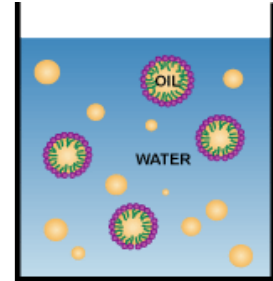


Crystal Distortion



Wax
dispersant

Wax crystal
agglomerate



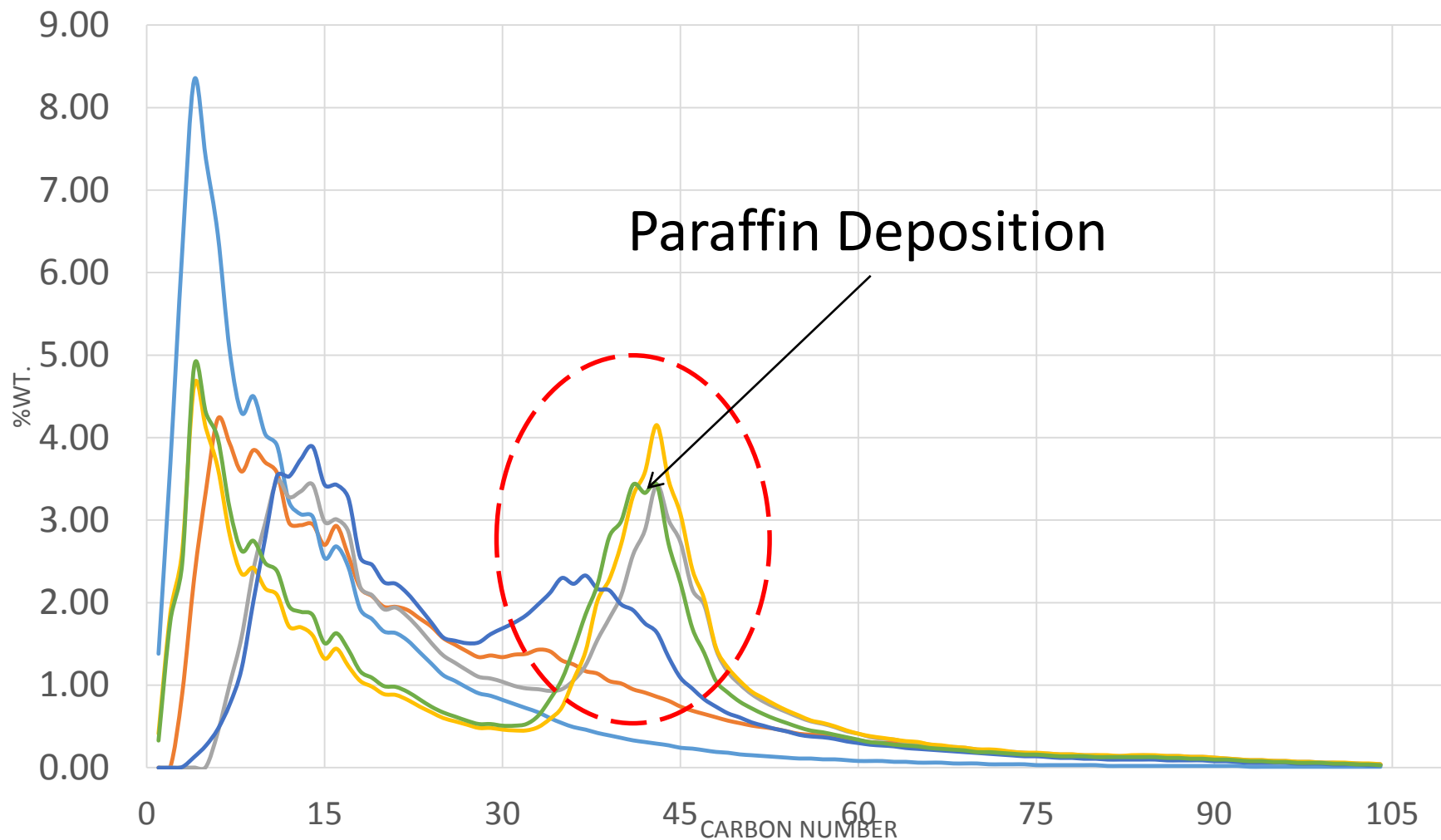
Advantages over conventional paraffin inhibitors:

- Lower dosages required
- Can be applied below the Wax Appearance Temperature

Solvents

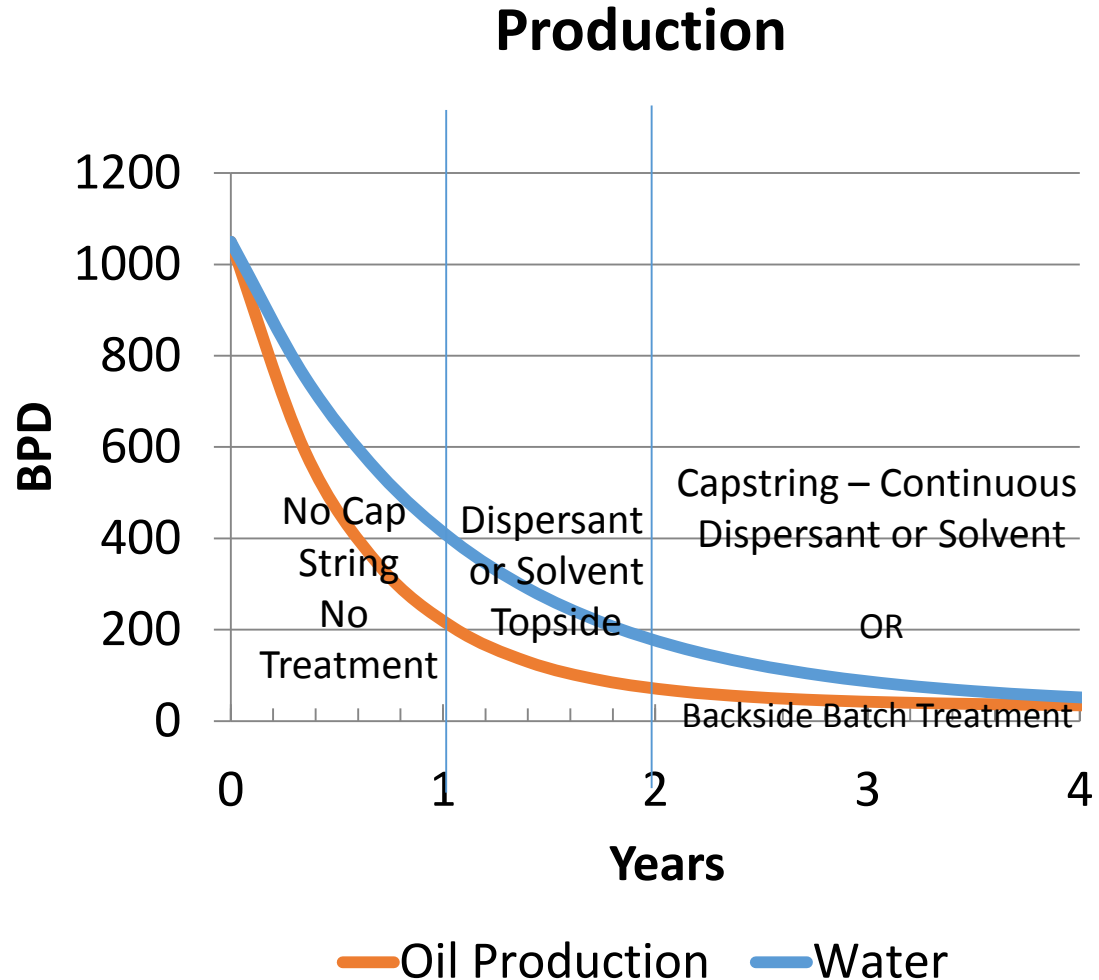
- Xylene
- Diesel
- Kerosene
- Toluene
- Naphtha

HTGC

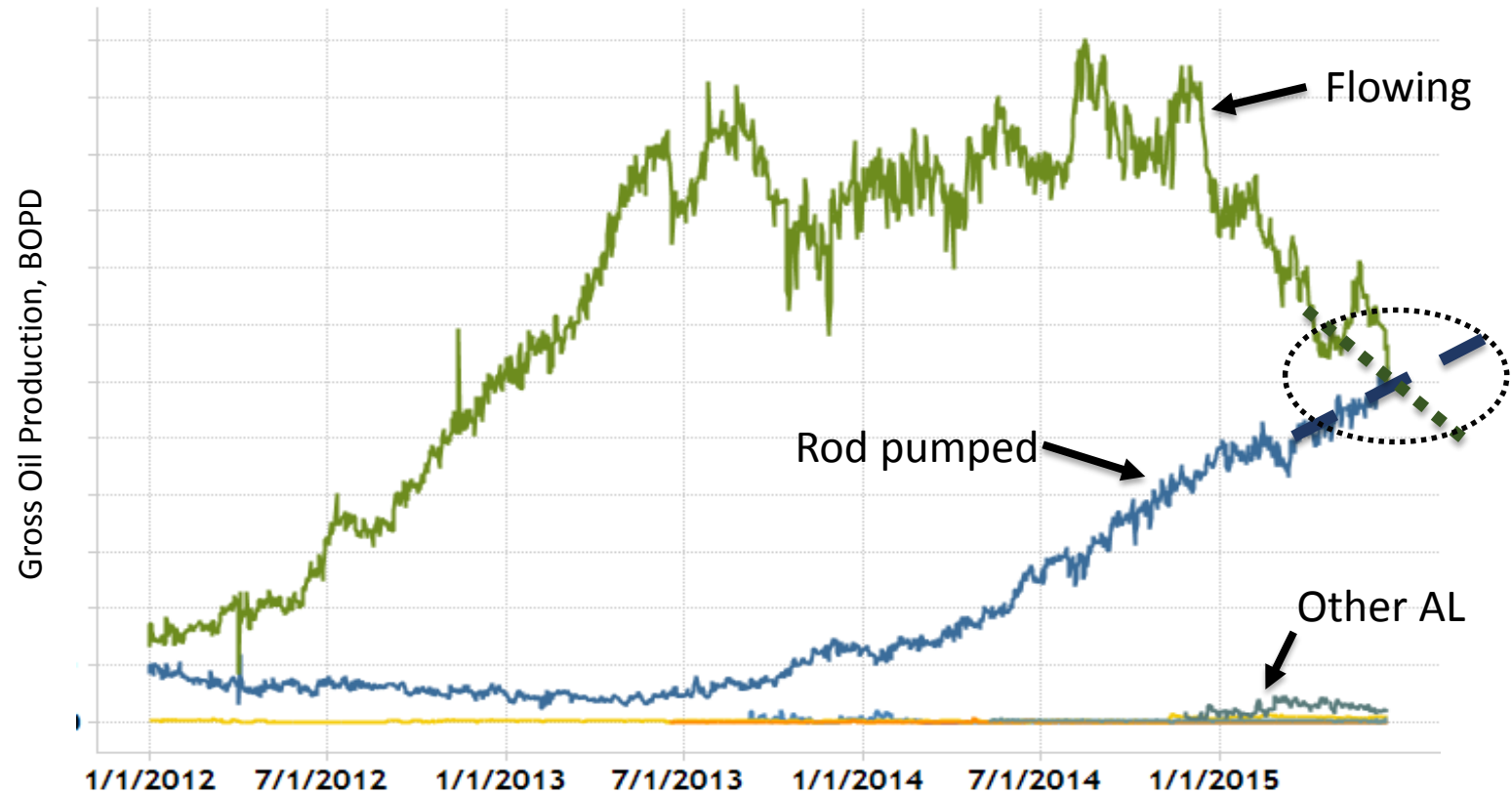


Conclusions from the Model

- Dispersant should provide the best results
- Solvent also provide good results but high dosage made it uneconomical
- Crystal Modifier shows poor results



Artificial Lift Production Equals Flowing Production



Practical Applications

Chemical Pumps

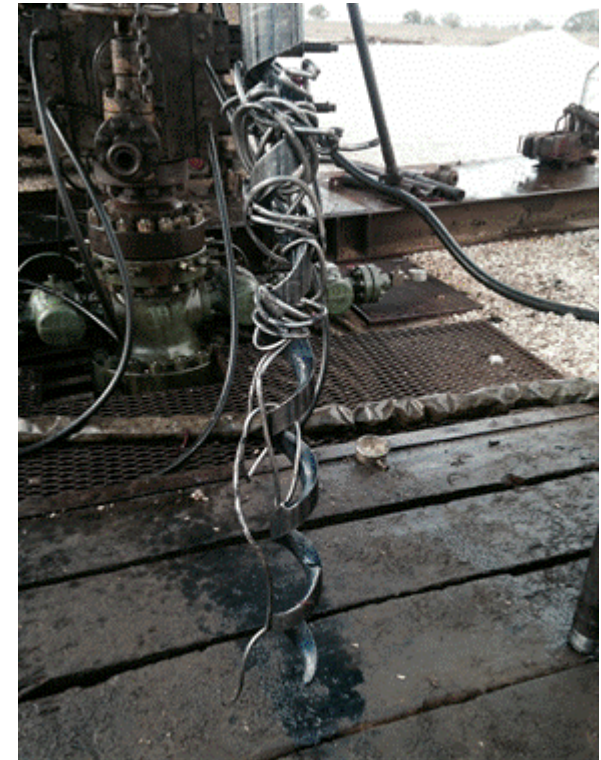
- Fit for purpose
- Maintenance
- Injection Rate



Practical Applications

Cap Strings

- Installed at 5000 ‘
- Connected
- Plugged
- Failures



Practical Applications

Hot Water - Batch Treatments

- Management
- Tracking
- KPI's



Practical Application

Automation

- VSD to automate injection rate
- Adjust rate based on production
- Shut off chemical automatically when well is down



- **Questions**

