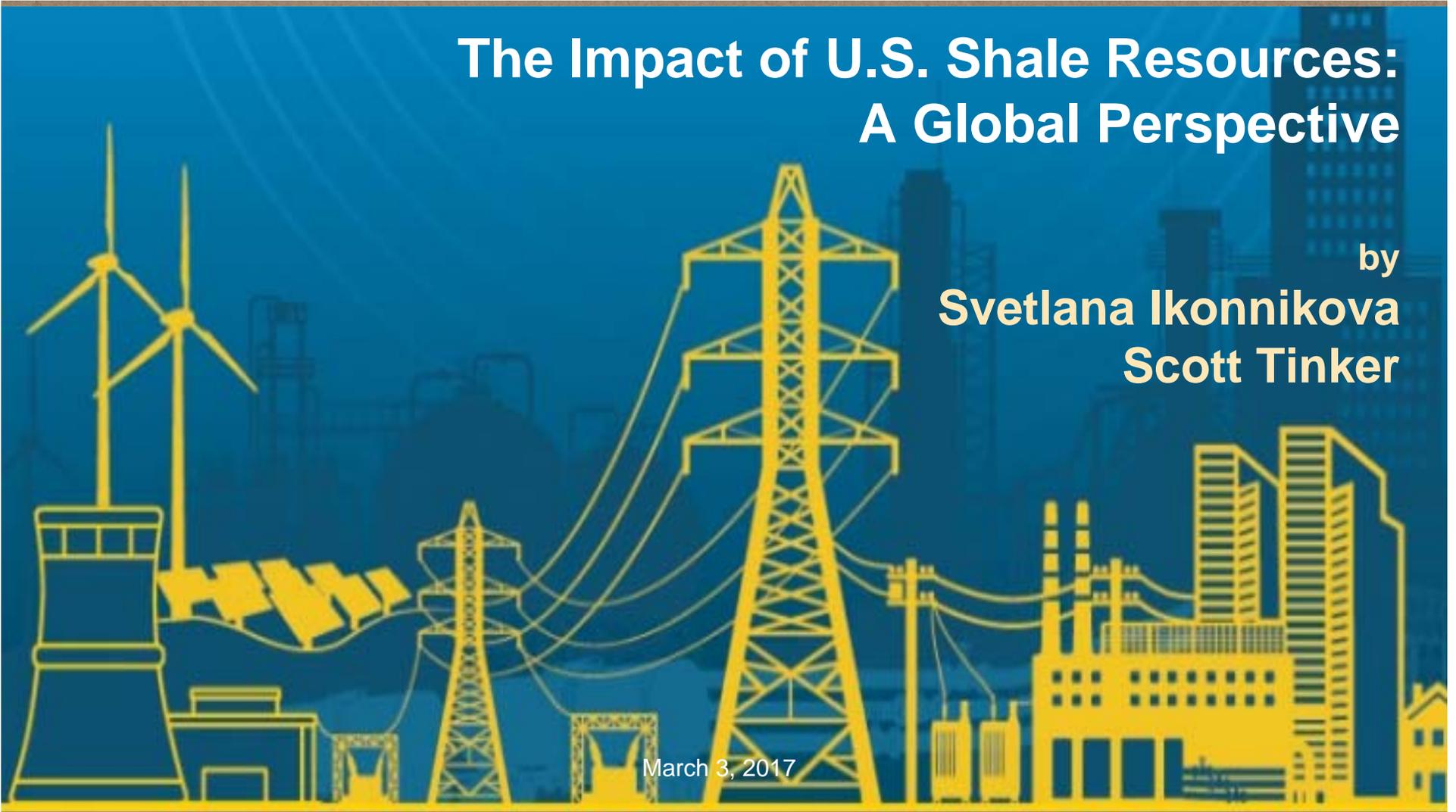


The Impact of U.S. Shale Resources: A Global Perspective

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Outline

- ❖ **Global Perspective**
- ❖ **U.S. Shale Resource Studies**
- ❖ **Implications**

Energy Security

Affordable

Cost: per unit of energy

Price Volatility: stable or fluctuating

Infrastructure: cost to build the plant

Available

Access: substantial resources

Reliable

Intermittent: source consistent or variable

Safe: natural/human causes

Sustainable

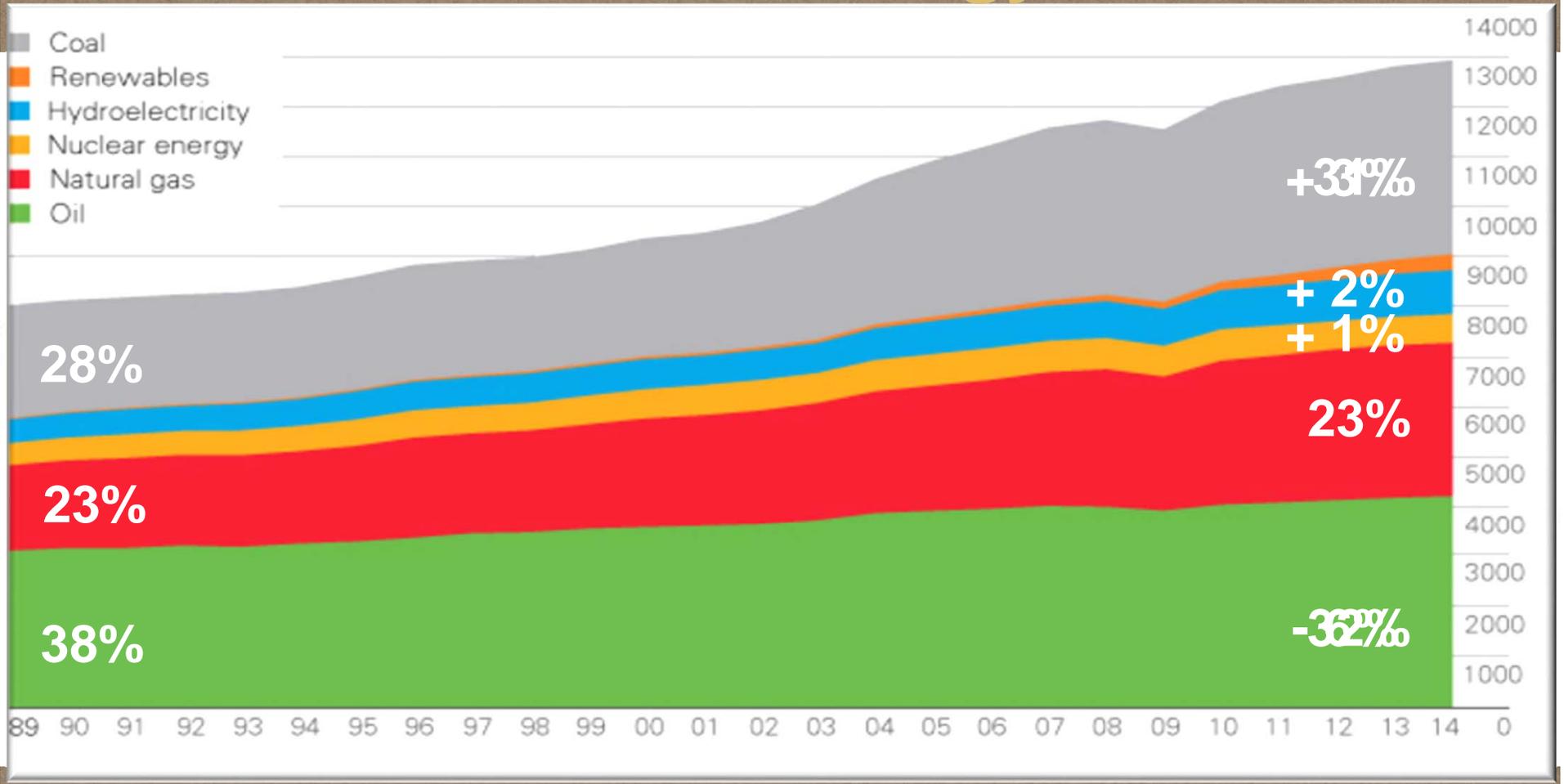
Clean: air and atmospheric emissions

Dense: energy per area, weight and volume

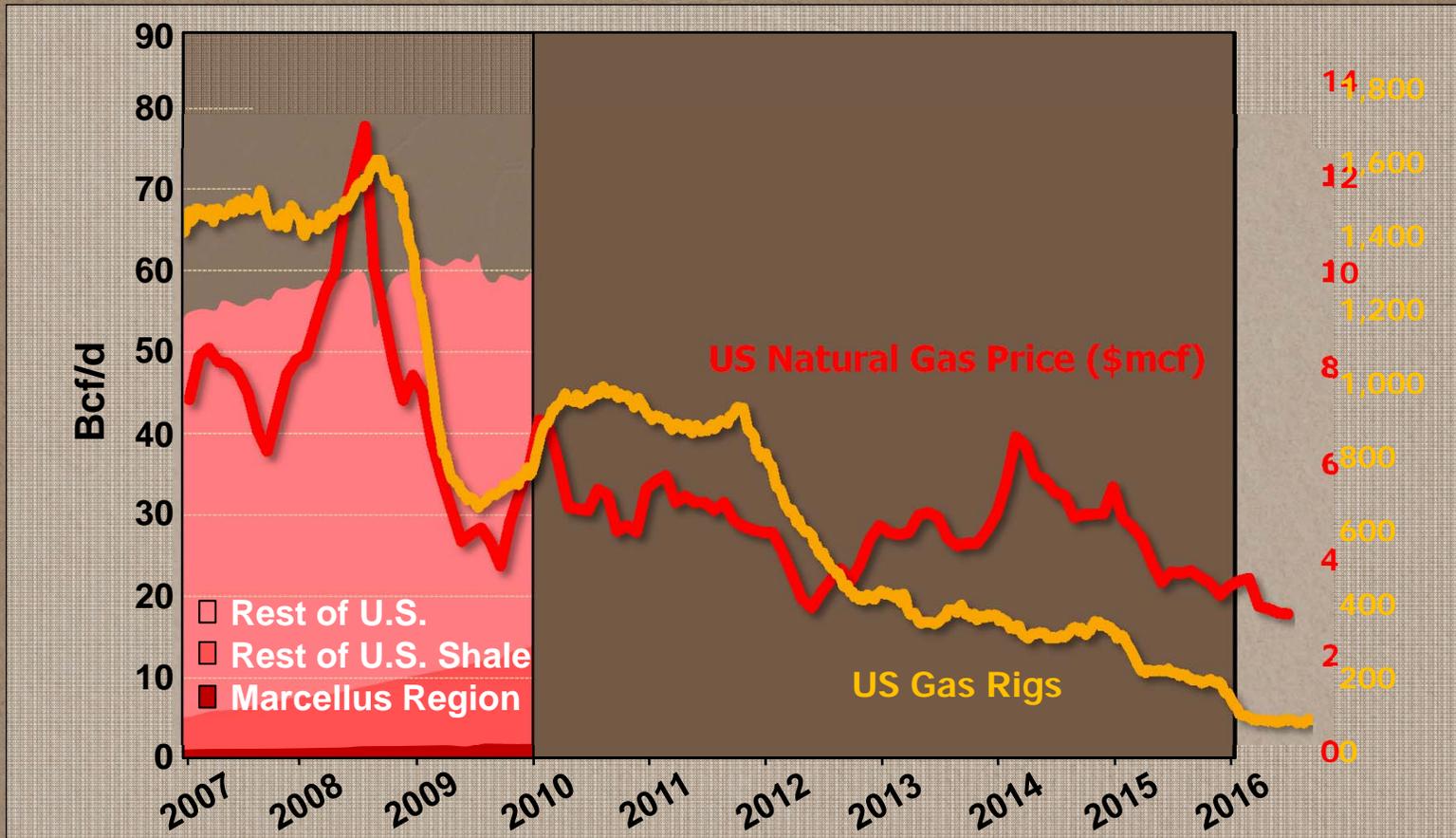
Dry: fresh water use/risk

The Global Energy Mix

2016

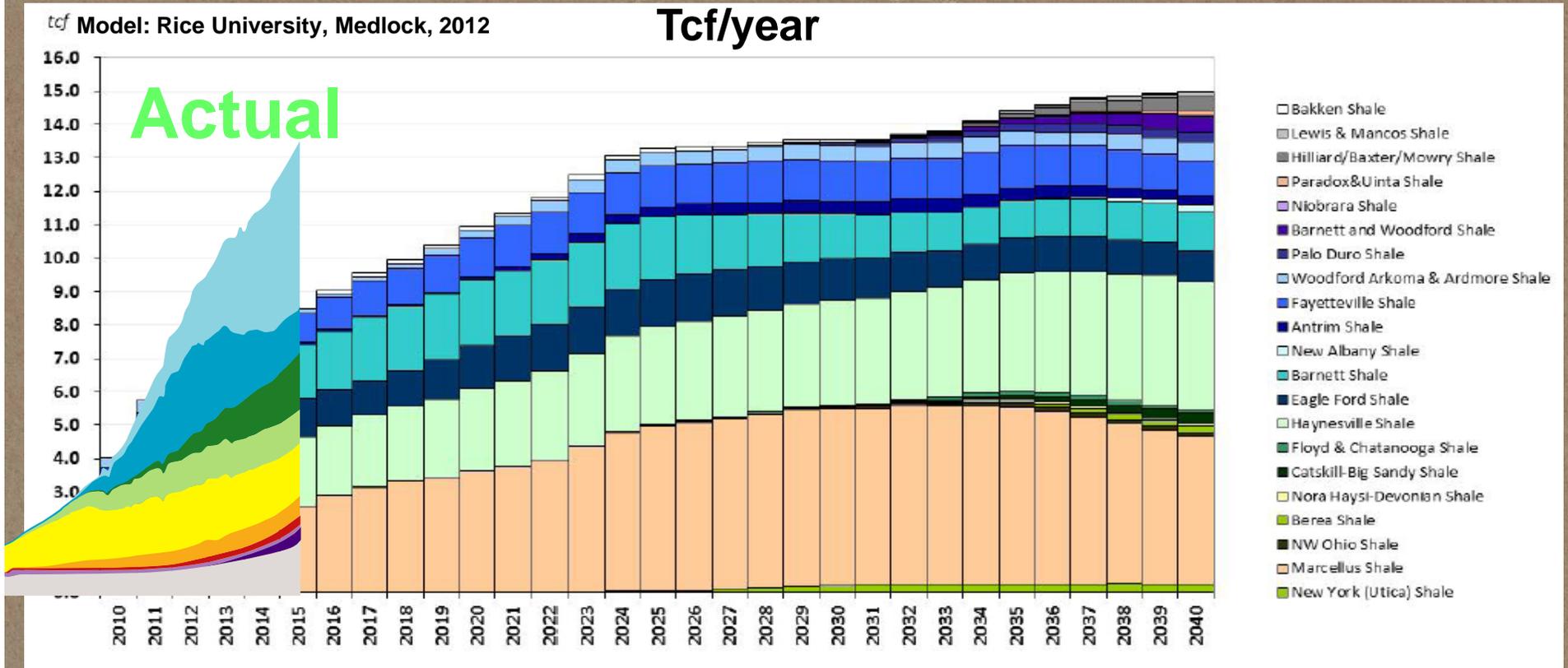


U.S. Marketed Natural Gas Production

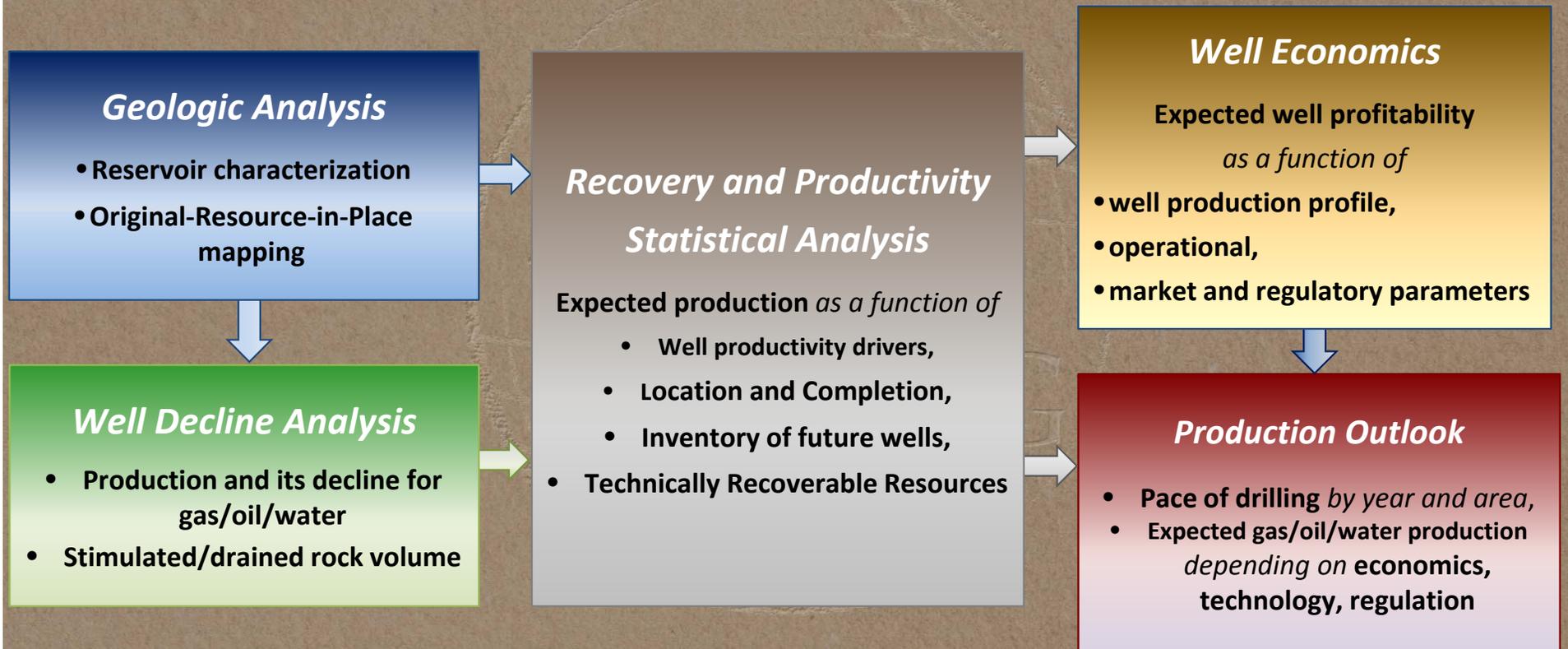


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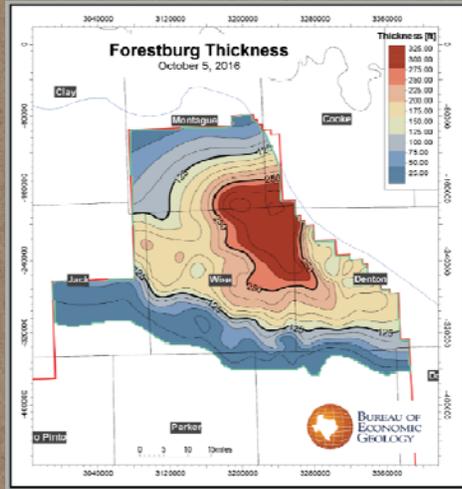
U.S. Natural Gas Forecast vs. Actual



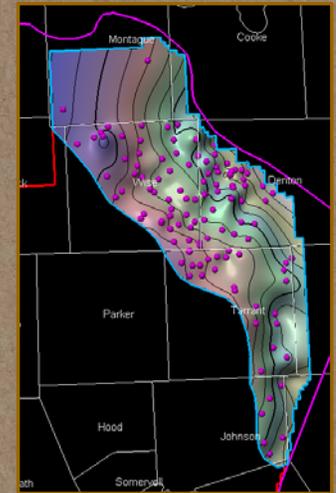
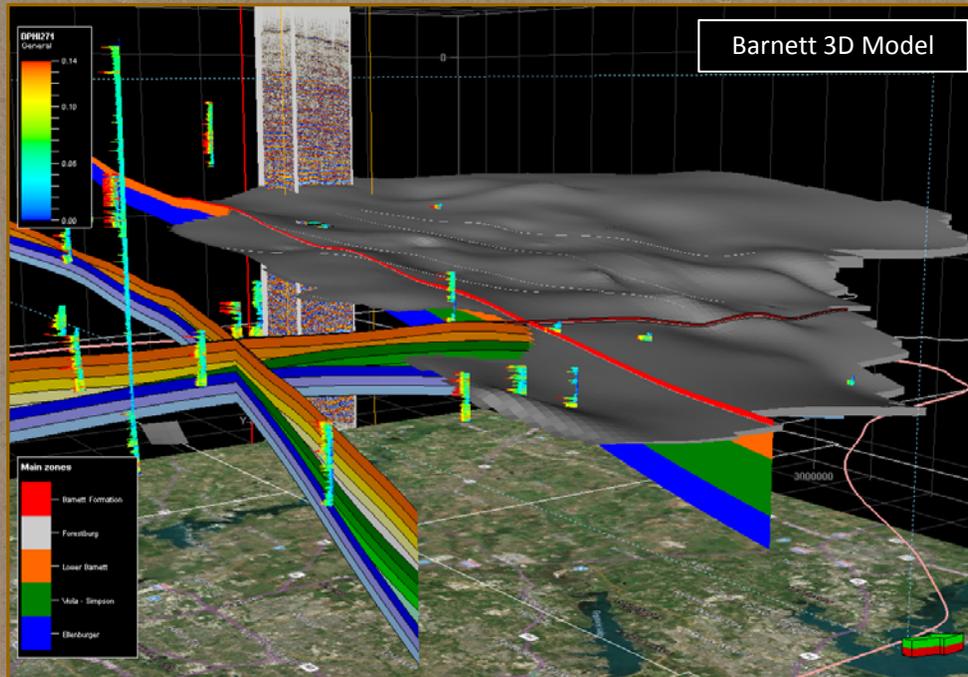
Integrated Study Workflow



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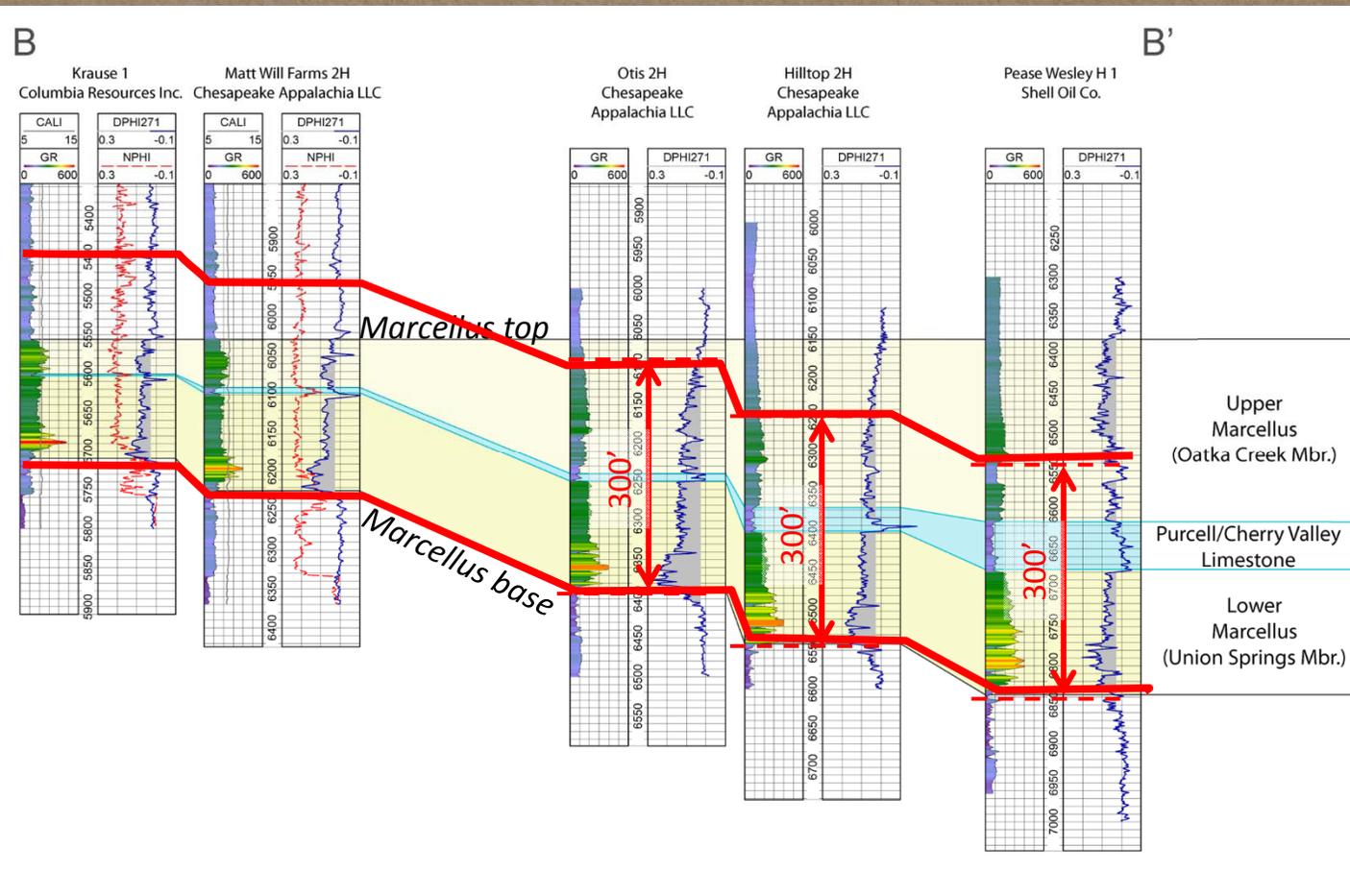


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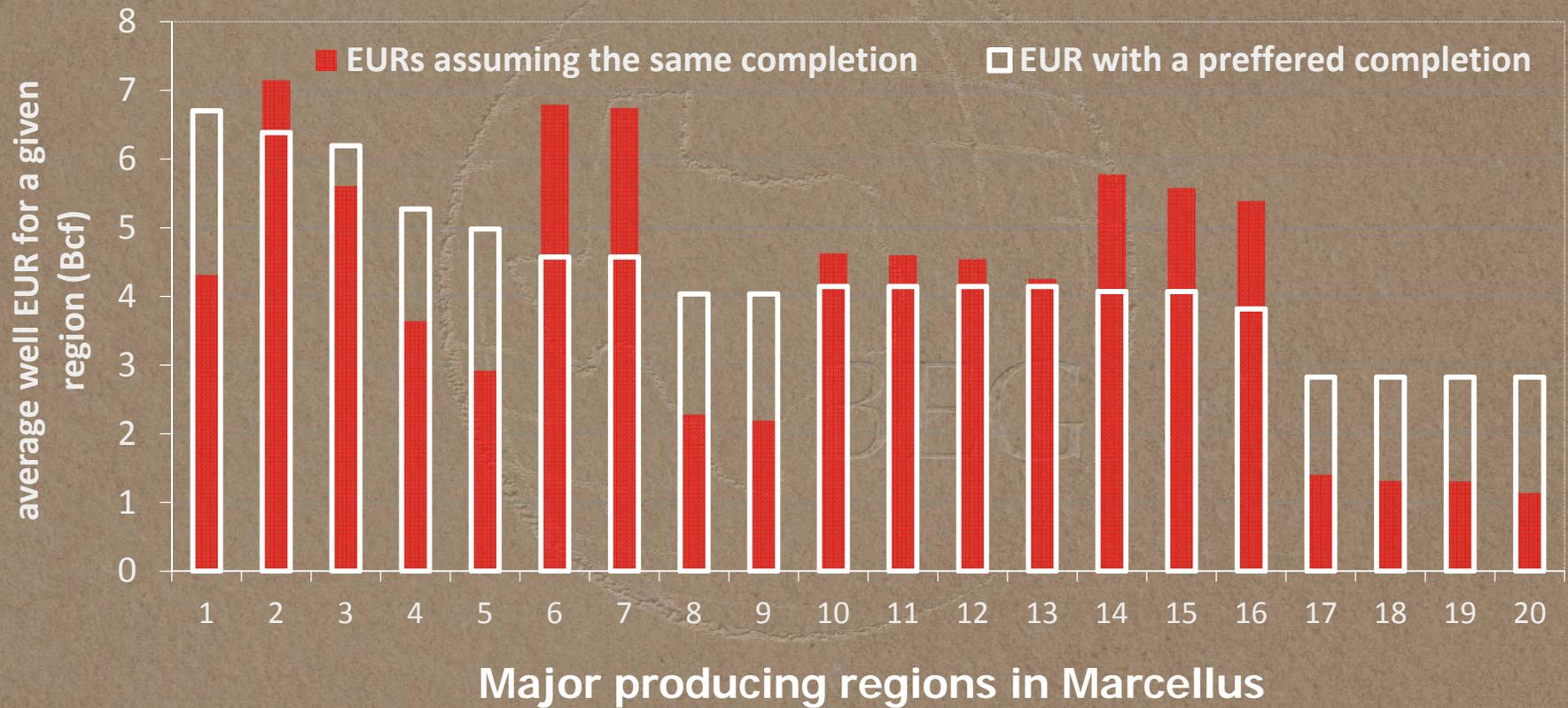


Viola-Simpson Isochore

Phi H Interval

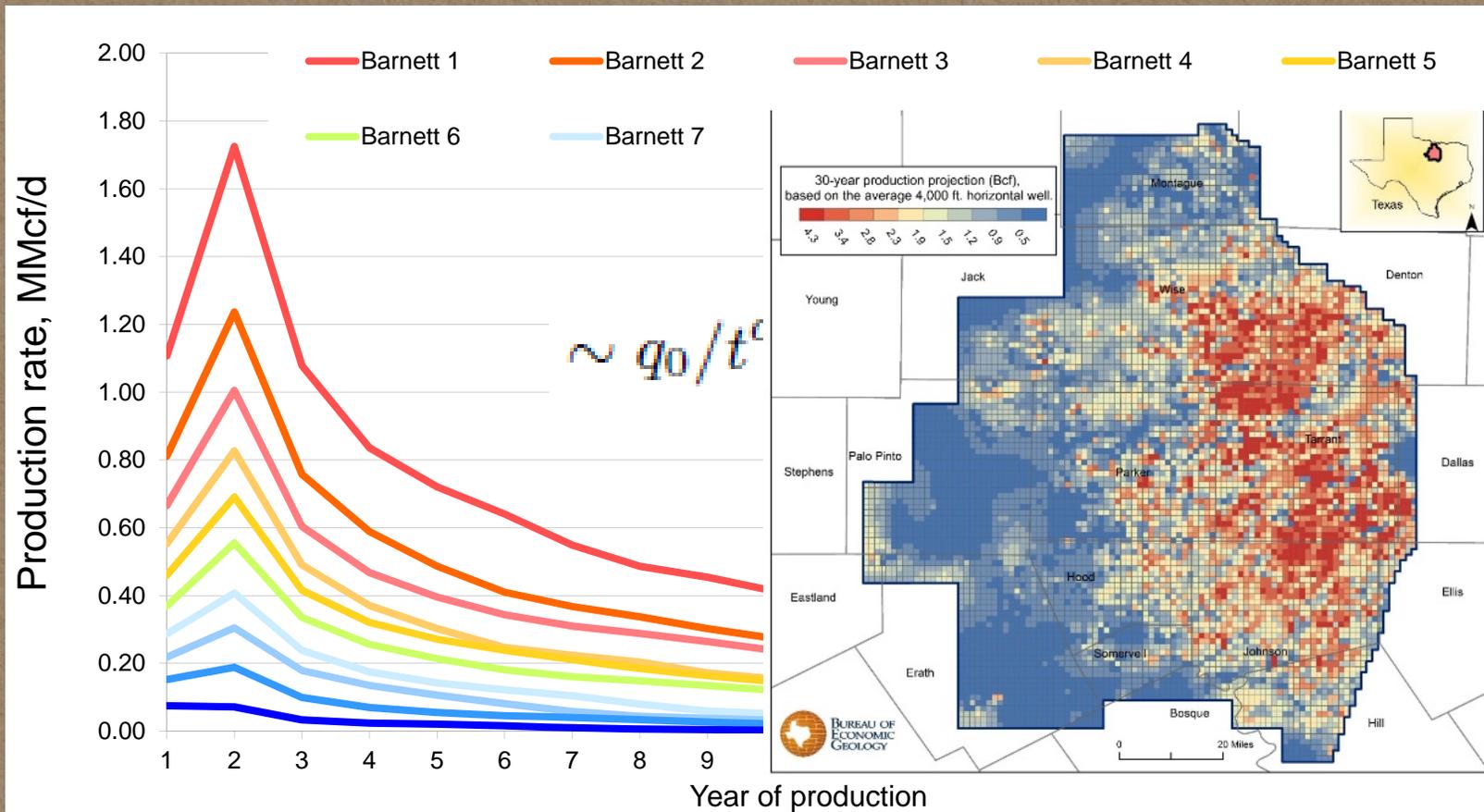


Effect of Completions of Expected Recovery

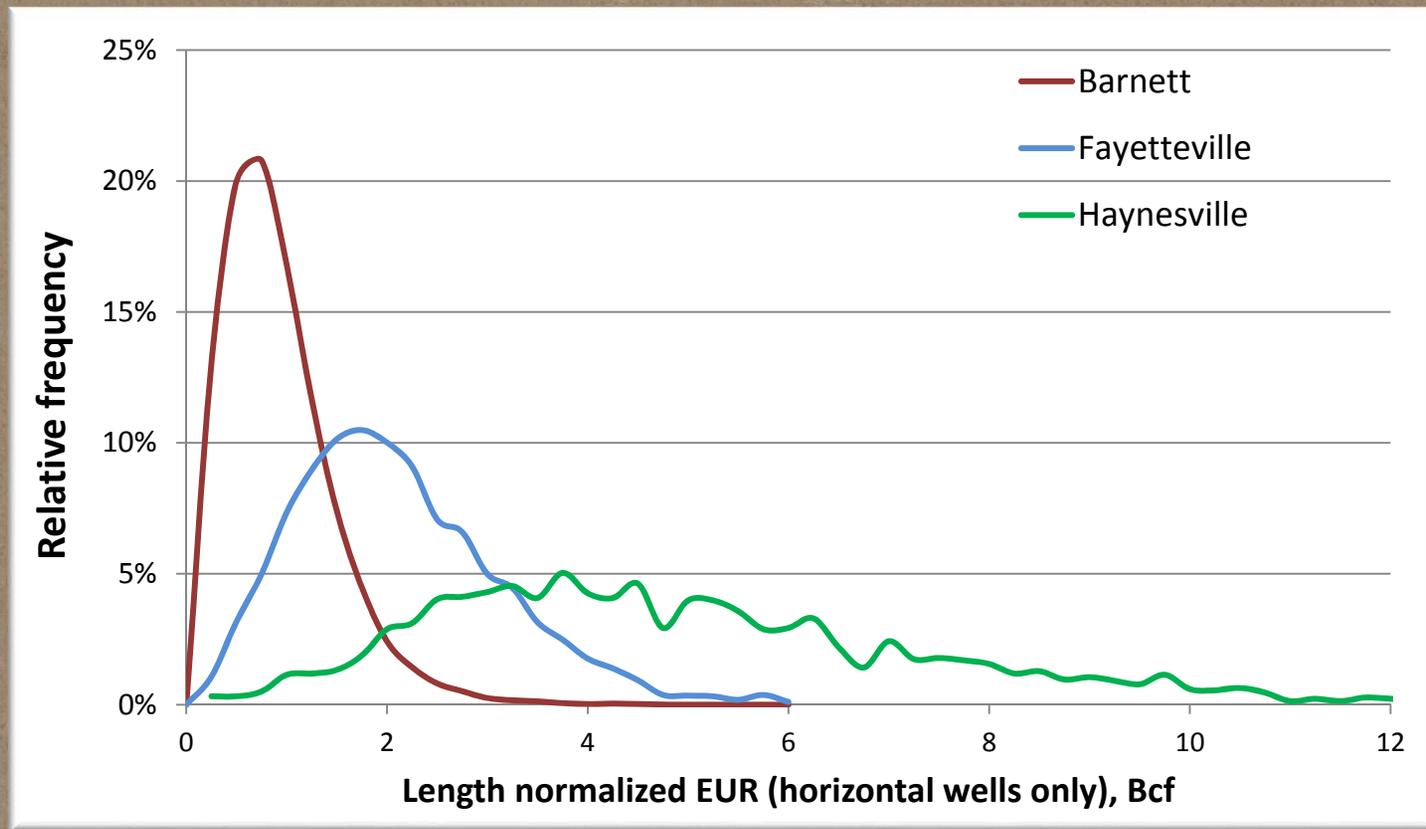


Production Profiles by Tier

Ikonnikova 2016

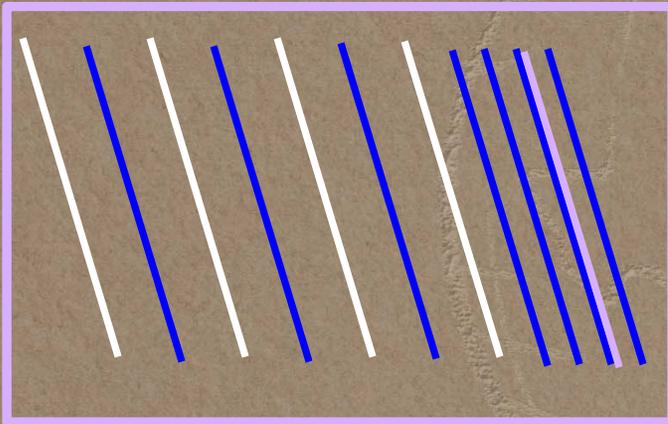


Distributions of Individual Well Recovery



New Completion Strategies

Ikonnikova et al., 2016



- Established drilling patterns rapidly change owing to resource exhaustion, technological advances and new economic realm
- New drilling and completion techniques also affect the use of other resources, i.e. water, land, proppants

Practices like infill drilling and cluster drilling already change our views on the future play recovery and aggregate production possibilities.

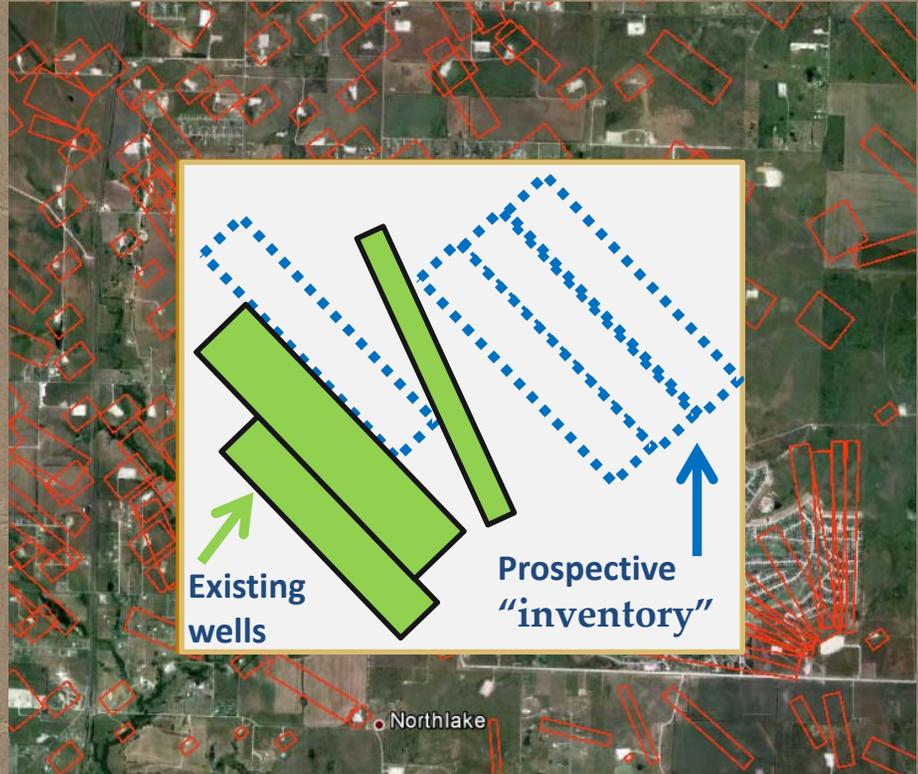
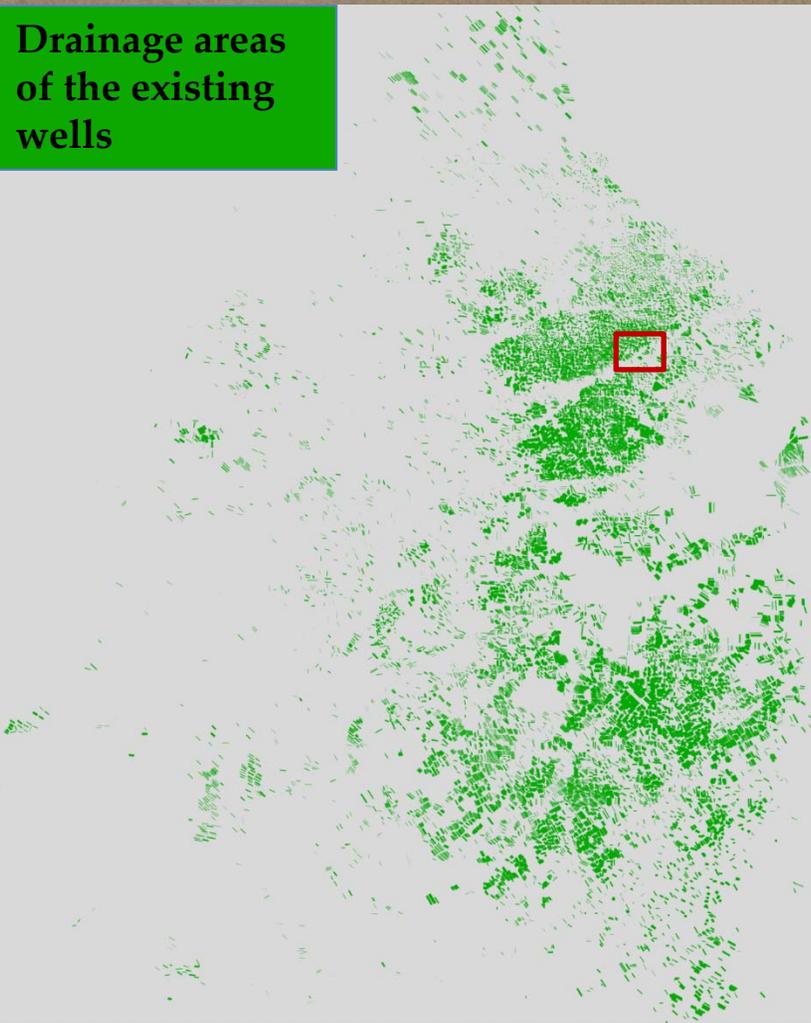
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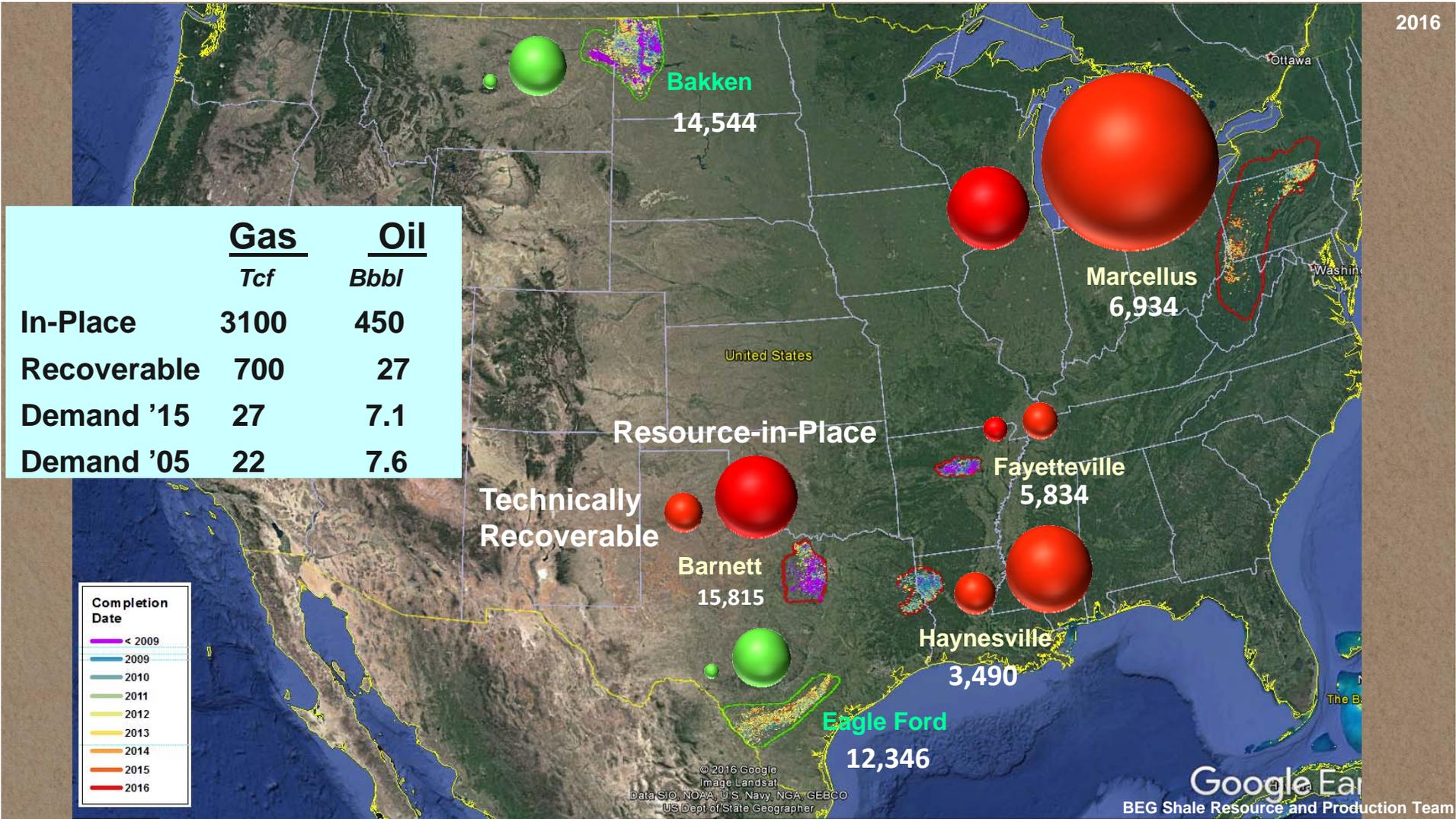
Well economics in the past was very sensitive to D&C costs in particular, so operators get smarter about

- Energy prices: Futures Strips / Hedging,
- Economies of scale with a multi-well pads and joint leases,
- Gathering & transportation costs: develop more efficient solutions,
- Water demand and processing of produced water

Inventory of Future Wells

Drainage areas
of the existing
wells



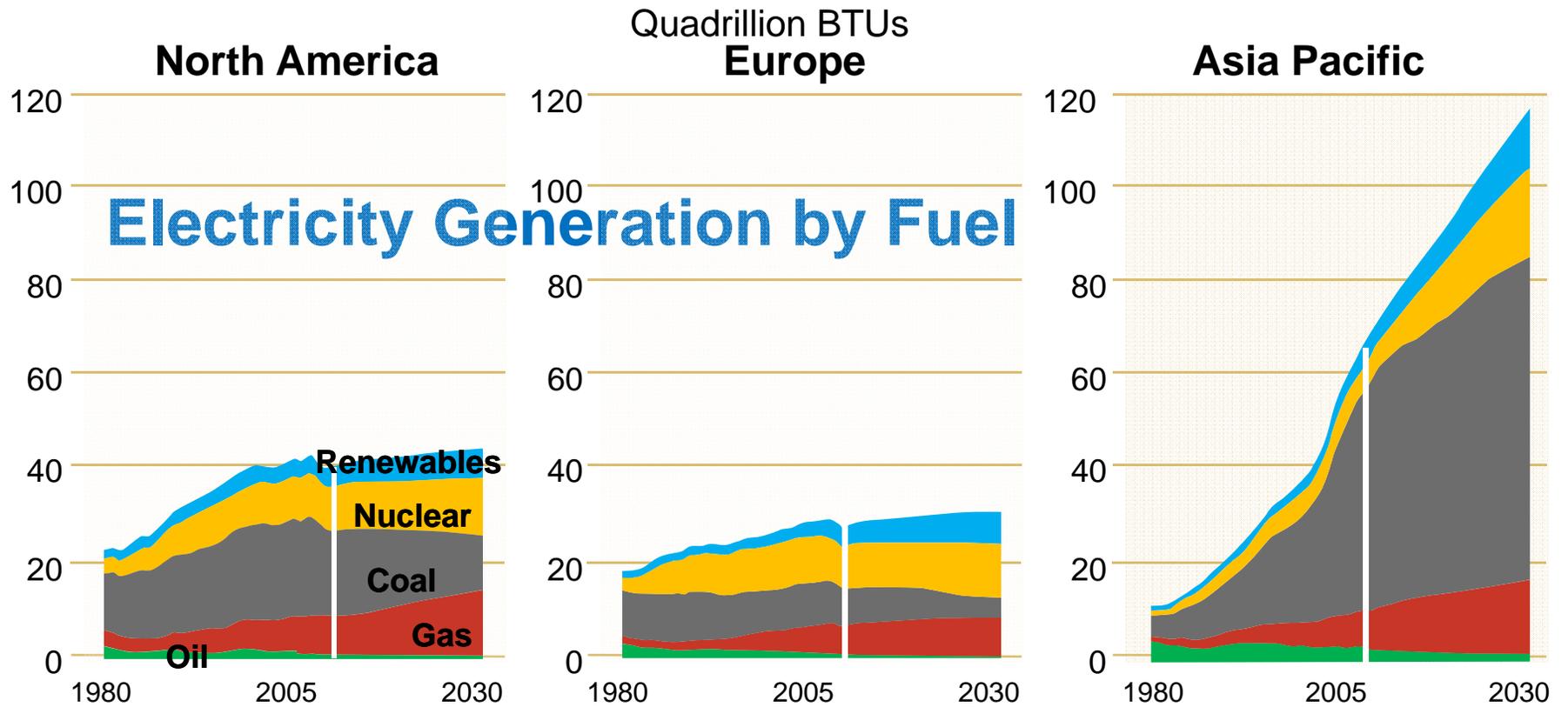


From the Past into the Future *New Advances*

- Improved geologic resource characterization and assessment:
 - ⇒ Higher fracturing efficiency: greater energy return on water and proppant used
 - ⇒ Increased resource recovery: drilling into several sub-horizons
- Advances in well engineering and drilling:
 - ⇒ Greater subsurface area developed from one pad with longer laterals and wells placed closer vertically and spatially
 - ⇒ “Surface” use is more condensed in time and spatially

Uncertainty in parts may decrease, but in total is still high

The Future Electricity Mix



ExxonMobil Corporation, 2010, The outlook for energy: a view to 2030: ExxonMobil report, 53 p.

Economic and Environmental Implications

■ Economics

- High prices stimulated resource exploration and development
- Low prices pushed technology and cost efficiency through scale/intensity
- With large scale operational risks, e.g. spills or gas, are more costly
- Higher risks lead to investments in safety and infrastructure

■ Environment

- Low prices and weak economics makes producers vulnerable to regulatory risks
- Operators “preempt” regulations with acceptable solutions in advance

World Learns from Us: Will We leave Positive Legacy

- Environmental concerns, particularly about land use and water resources, motivated operators to improve
 - Subsurface-to-surface ratio
 - Water handling
 - Spill and leakage protection
 - Local communities involvement

Key Insights

- **Economy-wide implications:**
 - Emissions reduction supported by increasing natural gas supply and low prices
 - Job creation in upstream, midstream, services and more
 - U.S. manufacturing growth owing to affordable and reliable natural gas
- **Unconventional resources are very heterogeneous**
 - Each play is different and there are no “best” recipe
- **Industry is very dynamic**
 - Technology, players, and concerns continuously change
- **We will continue our path forward into the bright future and shale resource will support it!**

Shaping Further Conversation

- Discussion about future development must include major stakeholders, land owners/communities, regulators and producers, supported by:
 - Comprehensive information and data collection/interpretation
 - Understanding of each party interests and responsibilities
 - Longer planning horizon to motivate investments with efficiency

- Lessons about Integration
 - Consistency
 - Integrity
 - Transparency
 - Communication

Wrapping Up

- ❖ Energy security dictates the energy mix.
 - ✓ Oil and coal are secure and difficult to replace.
 - ✓ Natural gas and nuclear are scalable, and cleaner.
 - ✓ Renewables are growing regional supplements.
 - ✓ Energy efficiency has major benefits.
- ❖ Take the long-term view and keep the perspective.

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❖ **Thanks!**