

Ohio Hydrogen Economy Outlook

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SARTA Hydrogen Fuel Cell Bus
Refueling Station

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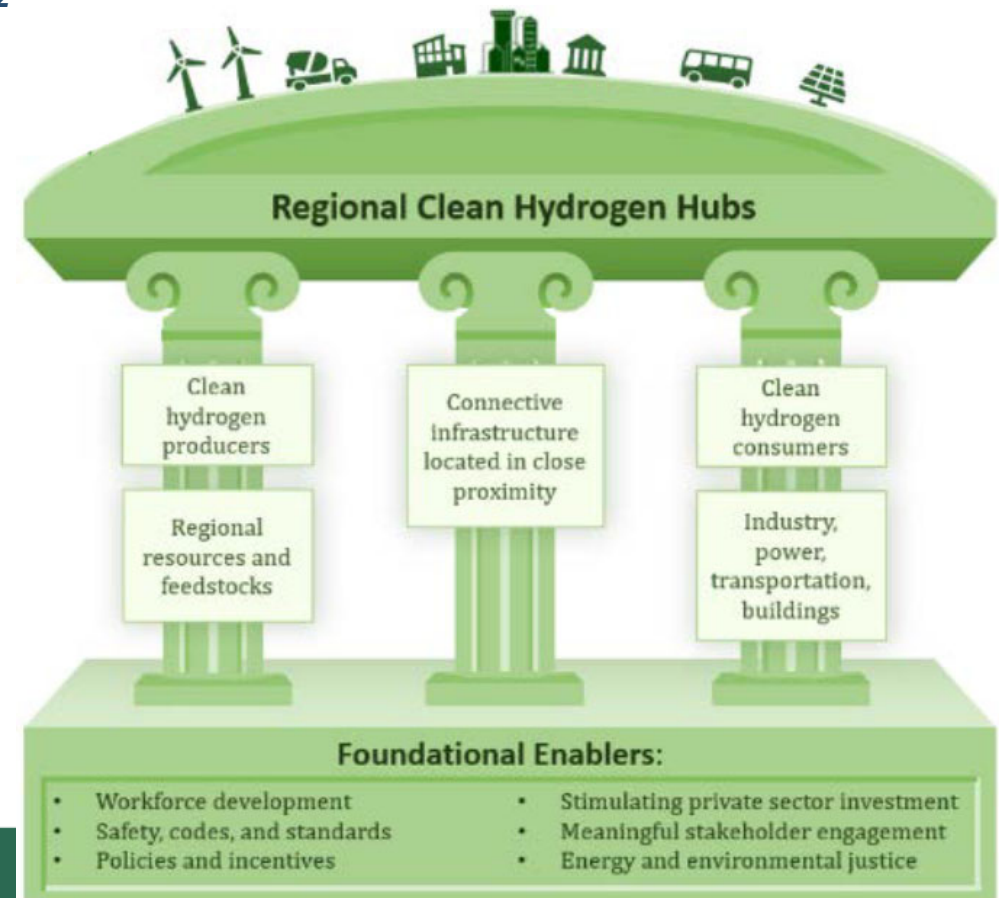
Department of Energy Hydrogen Earth Shot

- First of several DoE Earth Shots aimed at decarbonization of:
 - Transportation
 - Electricity generation
 - Manufacturing
- Goal: \$1.00/kg clean hydrogen by 2030
 - Gray hydrogen already \$1/kg
 - Green -- around \$7/kg
 - Blue – around \$3-4/kg
- But storage and distribution 2/3 of total cost at pump.
 - Currently \$14/kg in California (\$7/gal-equivalent)
- Hydrogen Shot seeks infrastructure cost reduction of 80% by 2030.
 - Department of Energy 6/20/21 Press Release (Energy.gov)

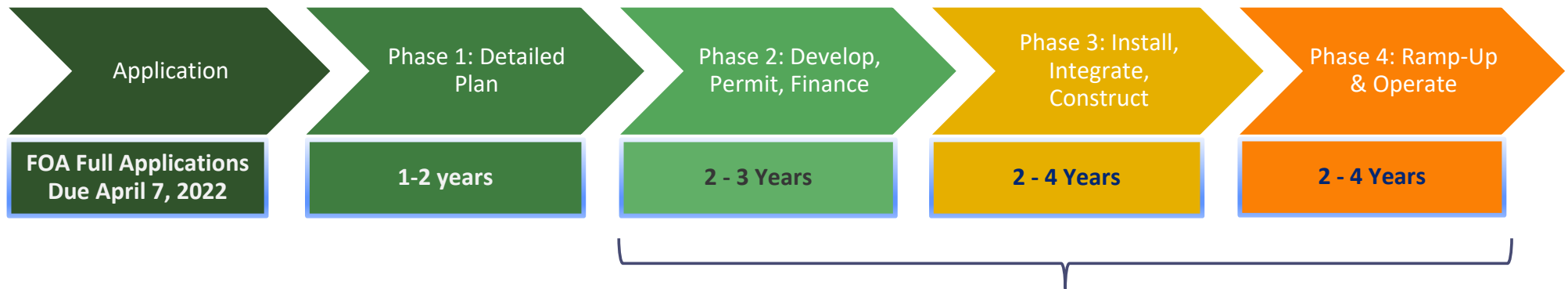
■ Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)

- Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)
- \$9.5 billion for clean hydrogen initiatives
 - \$500 million: mfg. & recycling initiatives to support domestic supply chains
 - \$1 billion: electrolysis R&D to reduce costs of H₂ from renewable power
 - \$8 billion: 6-10 regional clean H₂ hubs

*DOE's concept
of a clean H₂ hub*



Dept of Energy Clean Hydrogen Hub Timeline



Funding of between \$400M and \$1.25B for phases 2-4 combined.

■ Concept papers Submitted November 2022

- 33 (of 79) concepts have been “encouraged” by the DoE
- 6-10 hubs expected to be funded
- \$7 billion available (of total \$8 B program)
- Target of 4 kg CO₂e per kgH₂ for lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions

■ Objectives, Requirements, and Guiding Principles

- Feedstock, End-use, and Geographic Diversity
 - At least 2 hubs in regions with abundant natural gas resources
- Production capacity of at least 50 to 100 metric tons/day
- 50% non-federal cost share
- Justice40 and Employment goals (priority for hubs creating long term jobs)

Sources of Hydrogen

- Steam Reforming of Natural Gas
 - Most cost-effective strategy
 - Without carbon capture: **Gray**
 - With carbon capture: **Blue**
- Electrolysis
 - Wind, Solar Energy: **Green**
 - Nuclear Power: **Pink**
 - Grid: **Gray**
- Other
 - Biomass: **Green**



Steam Methane Reformer

Regional Hub Concepts Encouraged

- **Appalachian Regional Clean Hydrogen Hub (ARCH2):**
 - Focused on natural gas from Appalachia (Blue H2)
 - At least 9 other Blue H2 encouraged concepts
 - Led by Battelle, GTI
 - Public Collaborators:
 - MOUs from WV, Ohio, KY
 - OH2 Hub, SARTA
 - OH: Chamber of Commerce, Business Roundtable, JobsOhio
 - Universities, MHCoE
 - Private Collaborators:
 - Over 150 companies
 - Includes: EQT, Dominion, B&W, Long Ridge, AEP
- **Great Lakes Clean H2 Coalition**
 - Pink H2 Strategy (Energy Harbor)
 - Focused on Toledo markets
- **Midwest Alliance for Clean Hydrogen (MachH2)**
 - Multi-state, from MN to Ohio (NW Indiana focus?)
 - Ohio signed MOU
 - Pink, Green H2
- **Decarbonization Network of Appalachia (DNA)**
 - Blue H2 (natural gas)
 - Shell, Equinor
 - Team Pennsylvania

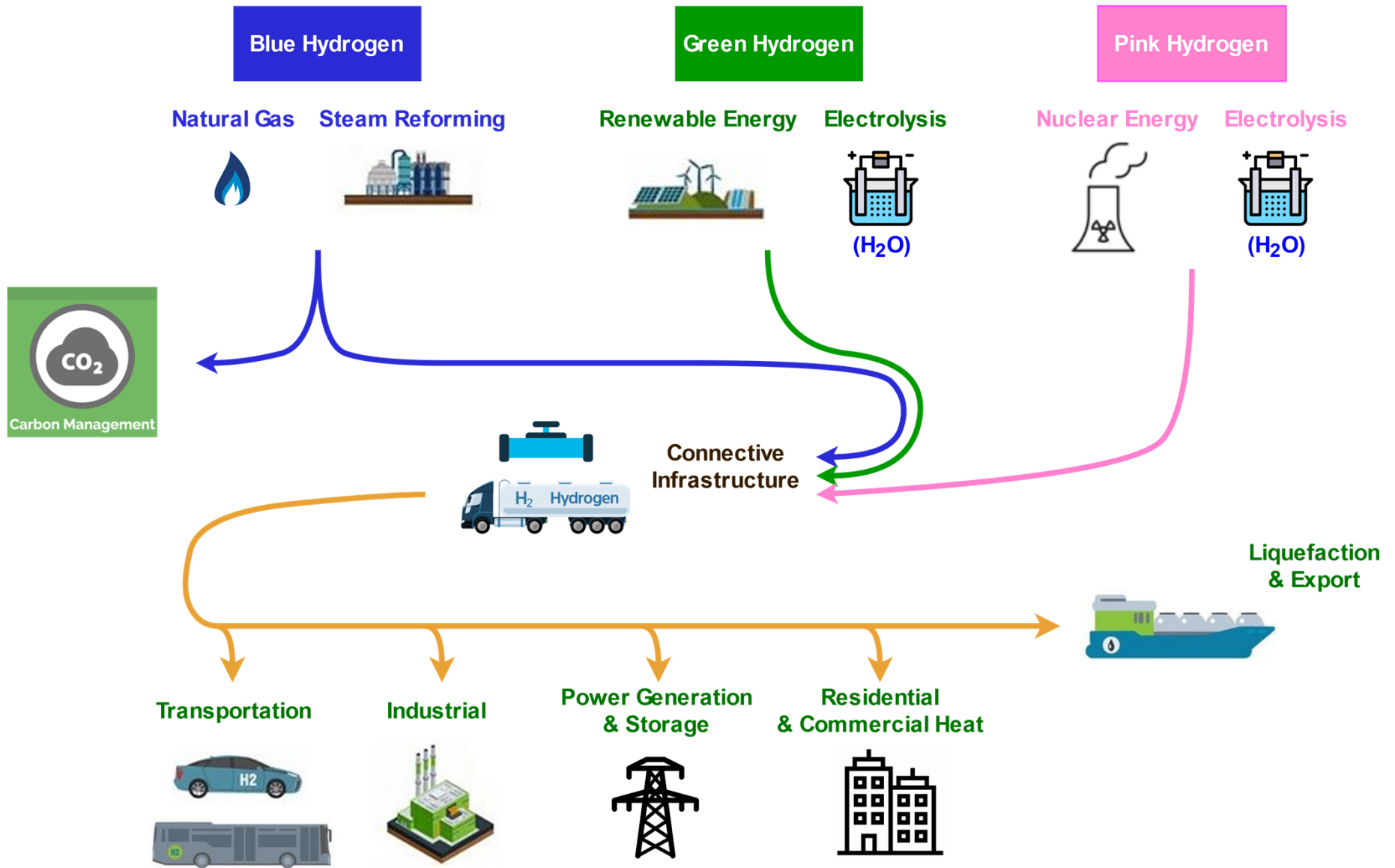
- H₂ production tax credit up to \$3/kg depending on lifecycle CO₂ intensity

kg of CO ₂ per kg of H ₂	Maximum credit
2.5 – 4 kg of CO ₂	20%
1.5 – 2.5 kg of CO ₂	25%
0.45 – 1.5 kg of CO ₂	33.4%
0 kg – 0.45 kg of CO ₂	100%

Carbon intensity of gray hydrogen ~9 kg CO₂/kg H₂

- Maximum credit depends on satisfying prevailing wage requirements
- Not stackable with 45Q carbon sequestration credits
- H₂ storage qualifies as “energy storage technology” eligible for investment tax credit (ITC) up to 30% of installed equipment cost.
 - Conditions for maximizing ITC same as for production tax credit
- Transportation-related credits
 - 15% of the cost of commercial fuel cell vehicles (up to \$40k if over 14,000 lbs.)
 - 30% of cost of hydrogen refueling station up to \$100k

Mapping a Clean Hydrogen Economy



Comparison of Cost and Carbon Intensity for Various Small-Scale Hydrogen Production Options at SARTA (500 kg/day H₂)

Method	Cost (\$/kg H ₂)	Carbon Intensity (kgCO ₂ e/kg H ₂)
SMR: delivered via LH ₂ ^a	5.93	9.81 ^b
SMR: onsite, no capture	3.22	8.98
SMR: RNG, no capture	4.49	2.22 – 5.32 ^c
SMR: onsite with capture (blue)		
- With geological storage	3.65	2.44
- w EOR/East Canton	3.52	4.17
- w EOR/Morrow	3.47	4.40
- Ready Mix Concrete	3.27	2.44
Electrolysis (green) – no grid	7.43	2.58

- This hydrogen is compressed and liquified in Sarnia, Ontario, Canada, and delivered ca. 270 miles in LH₂ tanker trailers to SARTA. Importantly, this method of delivery arrives under pressure, and little or no additional on-site hydrogen compression is required for storage. This cost needs to be accounted for in a true apples to apples comparison.
- The incremental carbon footprint assumes negligible boil-off losses at the Sarnia trailer refill and during transit, and emissions of 220 gCO₂e/tonne/mile due to fuel consumption.
- The lower bound represents WWTP RNG at 19.34 gCO₂e/MJ and the upper bound represents landfill RNG at 46.42 gCO₂e/MJ.

Foothill Transit Study

Lifecycle Cost of Hydrogen Fuel Cell Electric Versus Battery Electric Bus Fleets



Executive Board Meeting - 07/24/2020
Cost Comparison - BEB vs. FCEB

12-Year Lifecycle Cost Comparison		
	34 BEBs	20 FCEBs
Capital Cost - Buses	\$30,260,000	\$25,300,000
Capital Cost - Fueling Infrastructure	\$10,948,000	\$4,000,000
12 Year Fuel Cost	\$11,839,973	\$15,661,340
12 Year PMI Cost	\$626,453.58	\$1,879,361
Mid-life Maintenance Cost	\$6,800,000	\$690,000
	\$60,474,426	\$47,530,700
Cost Savings with FCEB	\$12,943,726	

San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys
Greater Los Angeles, California

<http://foothilltransit.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/07-24-2020-Agenda-Packet-Executive-Board.pdf>

Potential Economic Impact of Transition to H₂ Economy

McKinsey & Co. Report on H₂ Economy Job Creation/Retention
January 2021

Year	U.S. Jobs	Ohio's Projected Share*
2030	700,00	35,000
2050	3,400,000	170,000



50 MMSCFD (120,000 kg/d) capacity
Steam Methane Reformer
Air Products
Geismar, LA

Source: <https://www.fcchea.org/us-hydrogen-study>

*Based on Ohio's approximate 5% national manufacturing share.

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SARTA Key Facts

- Transport 2.8 million passengers
- 212 employees
- \$23 million budget
- Operates express routes to Akron and Cleveland (the longest route in Ohio)
- 30 routes and countywide paratransit

A close-up photograph of a fuel cell bus component, showing a series of circular fuel cell stacks arranged vertically. The component is metallic and appears to be part of a larger vehicle structure.

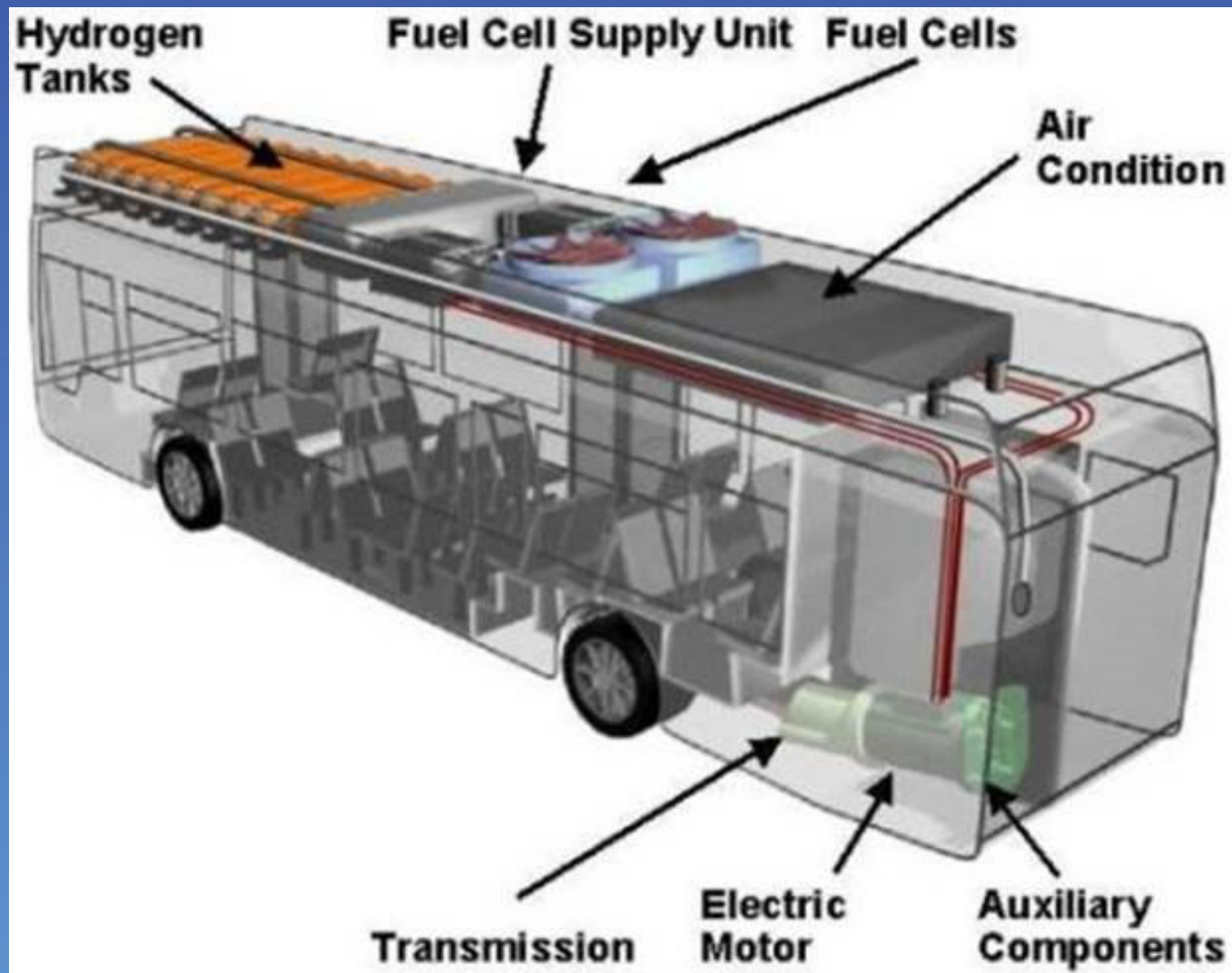
National Fuel Cell Bus Program

- Part of a \$90 million Federal Transit Administration program
- Goal is to demonstrate fuel cell buses
- Set goals for performance and demonstration of vehicles
- Deployed vehicles IN NY, CA, MA, and SC
- 2 fuel cell buses will be in Canton
- Total federal funding is \$5.54 million

Bus at the Statehouse



System Layout



Hydrogen compressors



Compressor Pad



Station Controls





Operations

- Range 220 miles
- Operate every day
- 15 minute fill
- Getting about 7 mpg compared to 4 for diesel
- Program evaluated by NREL



Efforts of Midwest Center

May 5, 2017 Green on the Green – Worthington, OH - Hydrogen bus demonstration

Apr 17-19 2017 OPTA Conference - Columbus, OH – Booth and Hydrogen bus demonstration

Jul 25-26, 2017 – 2 day Hydrogen Workshop at Stark State College/ SARTA

Aug 2017 EcoFest - Grove City, OH - Hydrogen bus demonstration

Sep 13-14, 2017 – 2 day Hydrogen Workshop at Stark State College/ SARTA

Jul 26- Aug 6 2017 Ohio State Fair – Columbus, OH - Booth and Hydrogen bus demonstration – Blue Ribbon Award of Merit – Technology Education

Data loggers installed Jul 2018 for CTE study completed and published Jul 22, 2020 (Using the Birmingham NFCBP Bus for Regional Outreach in Ohio)

Experiment



OSU President Drake @ Horseshoe



The Prince

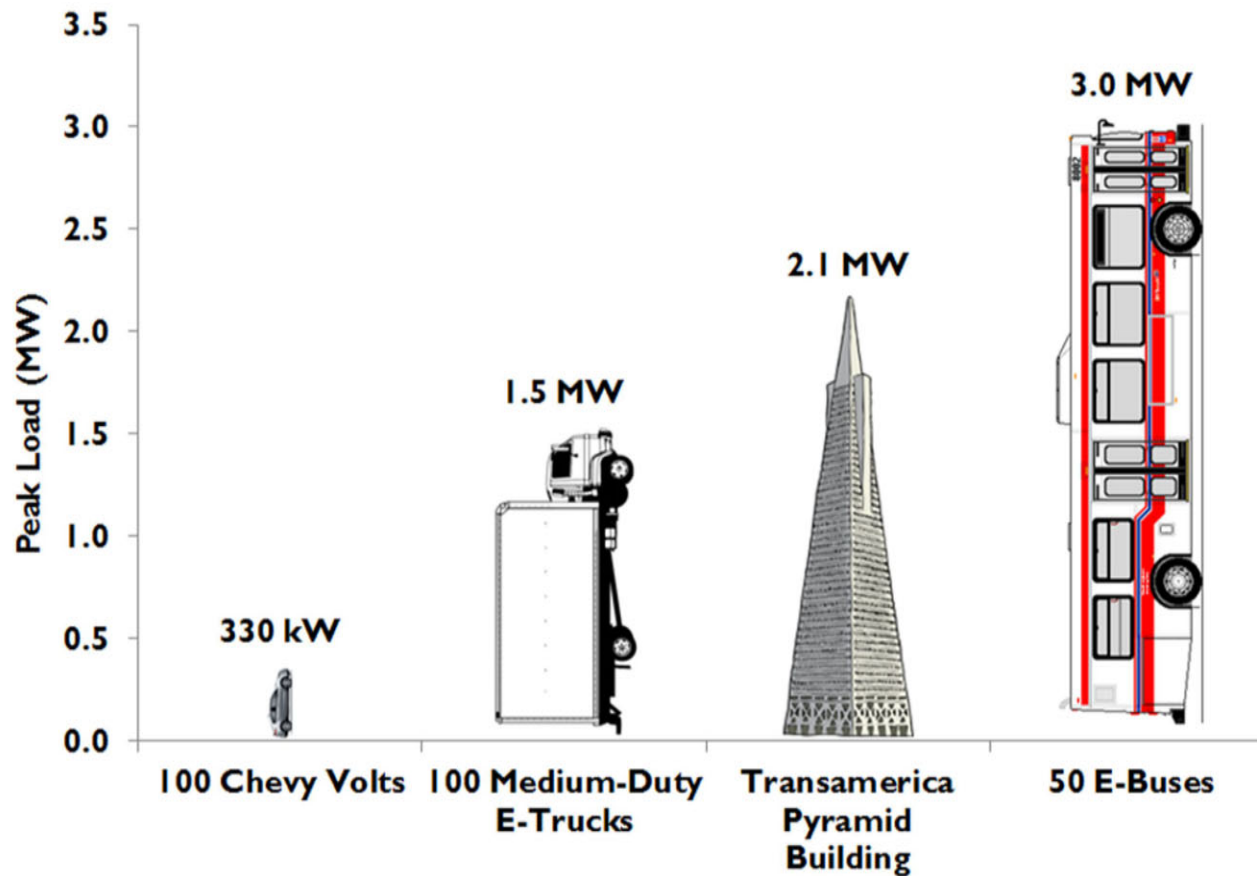


Walking Behind the Prince



Infrastructure the Near Term Challenge for ZEBs

Peak Loads Considerations for Battery Electric Buses



Assumptions: the Chevy Volt charging rate is 3.3 kW, the medium-duty E-Truck charging rate is 15 kW and the E-Bus charging rate is 60 kW.

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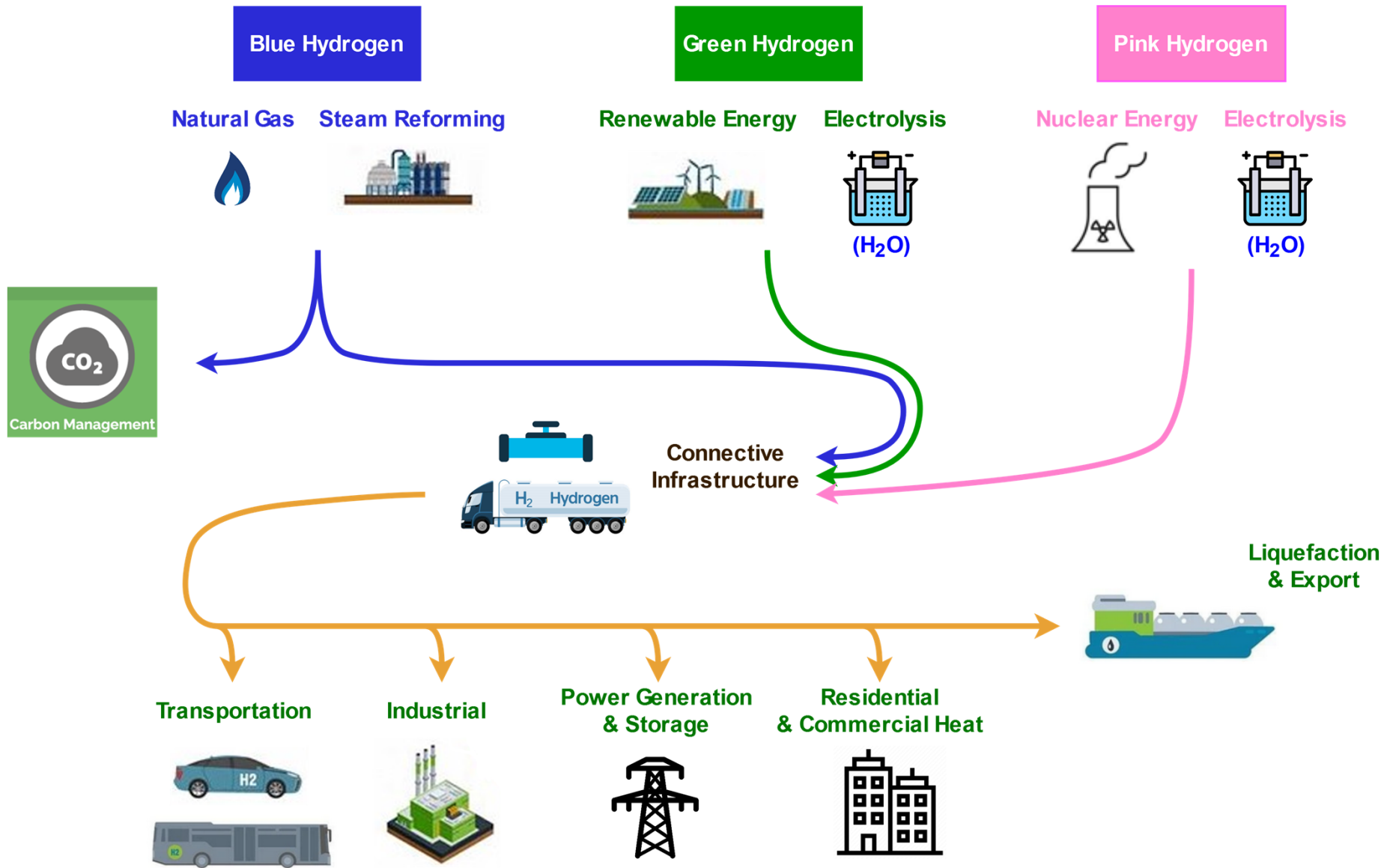
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Mapping a Clean Hydrogen Economy



Decarbonization: Hydrogen's Role in a Clean Energy Economy

➤ **Transportation**

- 27% of U.S. CO₂ emissions.
- 5.1 tons of CO₂ per year for a typical passenger vehicle.



➤ **Power Generation**

- 25% of U.S. CO₂ emissions.
- 0.4 tons of CO₂ per megawatt hour of electricity generation.



➤ **Steel**

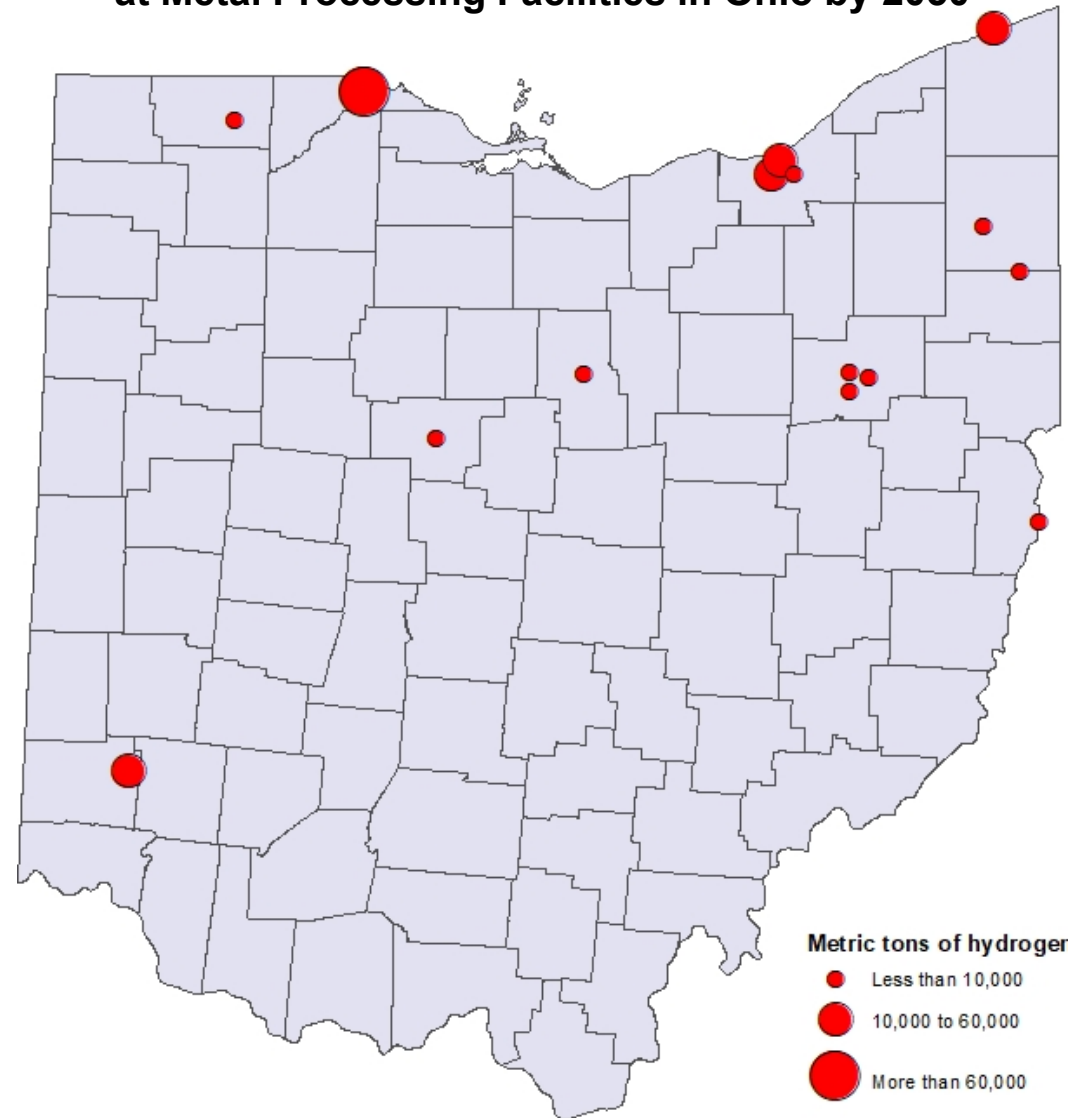
- 1% of U.S. CO₂ emissions.
- 1.9 tons of CO₂ per ton of produced steel.



Example of Industrial Use of H₂ in Ohio: *Transition to H₂ Economy for Iron & Steel*

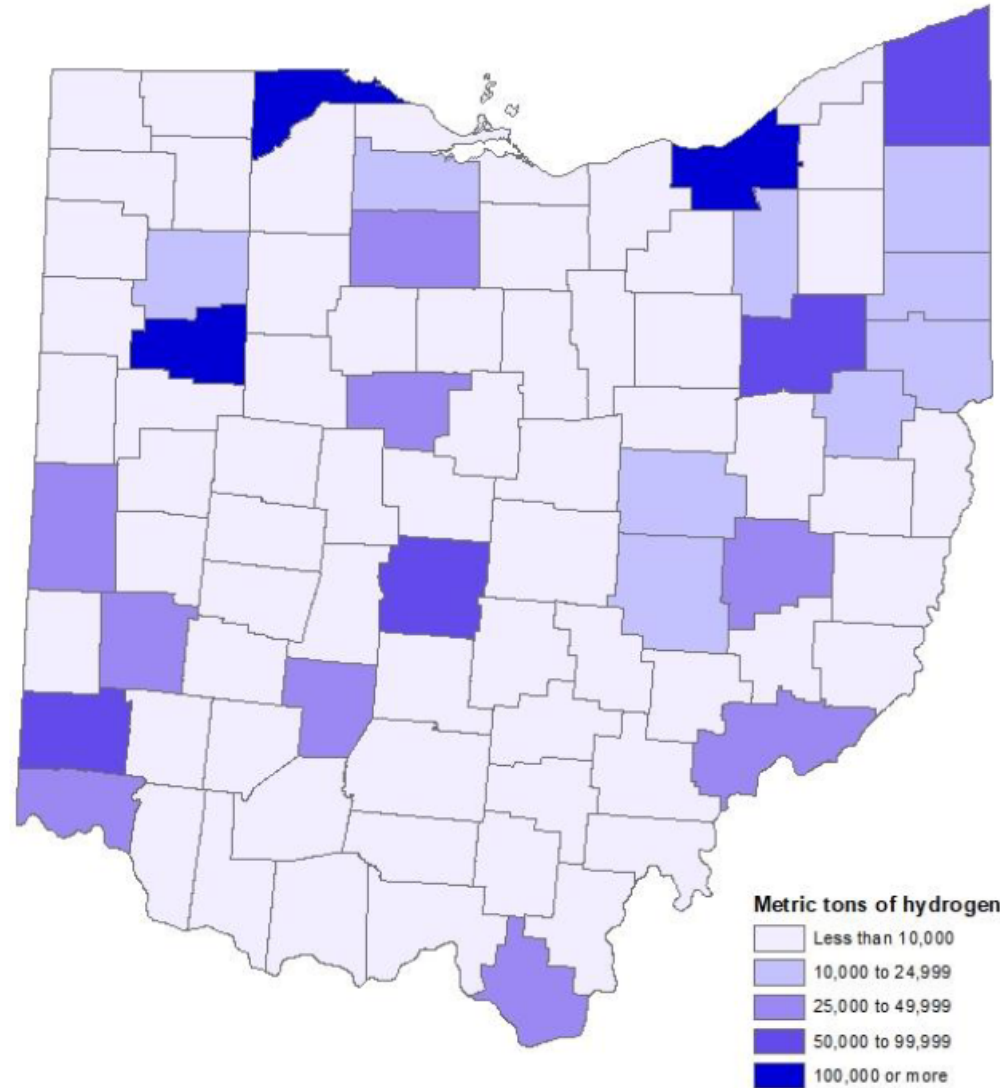
- World Steel Association describes hydrogen as a “breakthrough technology” for reducing emissions in metal refining.
- Cleveland Cliffs: *“We have committed to partnering with hydrogen producers to evaluate the partial replacement of natural gas with hydrogen when it becomes commercially available in quantities sufficient to support our (Toledo) facility.”*

Argonne Projection of Annual H₂ Consumption at Metal Processing Facilities in Ohio by 2050



Annual Hydrogen Consumption in Ohio by 2050 (All Sectors)

Total Projected Annual Hydrogen Consumption in Ohio by 2050
(With No Carbon Dioxide Regulation)



Projecting Demand for Hydrogen in Ohio

Sector	2030	2040	2050
Power generation	31,100	88,400	251,200
FCEVs	2,900	35,400	430,600
Forklifts	4,700	8,400	12,700
Oil refining	188,700	202,400	217,000
Metal refining	23,900	96,600	391,000
Ammonia production	114,200	119,600	125,400
Biofuels	400	7,900	148,000
Synthetic hydrocarbons	63,600	85,800	397,700
Other Mfg. markets	8,100	9,100	10,300
TOTAL	437,600	653,600	1,983,900

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- Assumes no state-level carbon regulation such as vehicle mandates.
- Hydrogen for power generation limited to 15% of capacity.

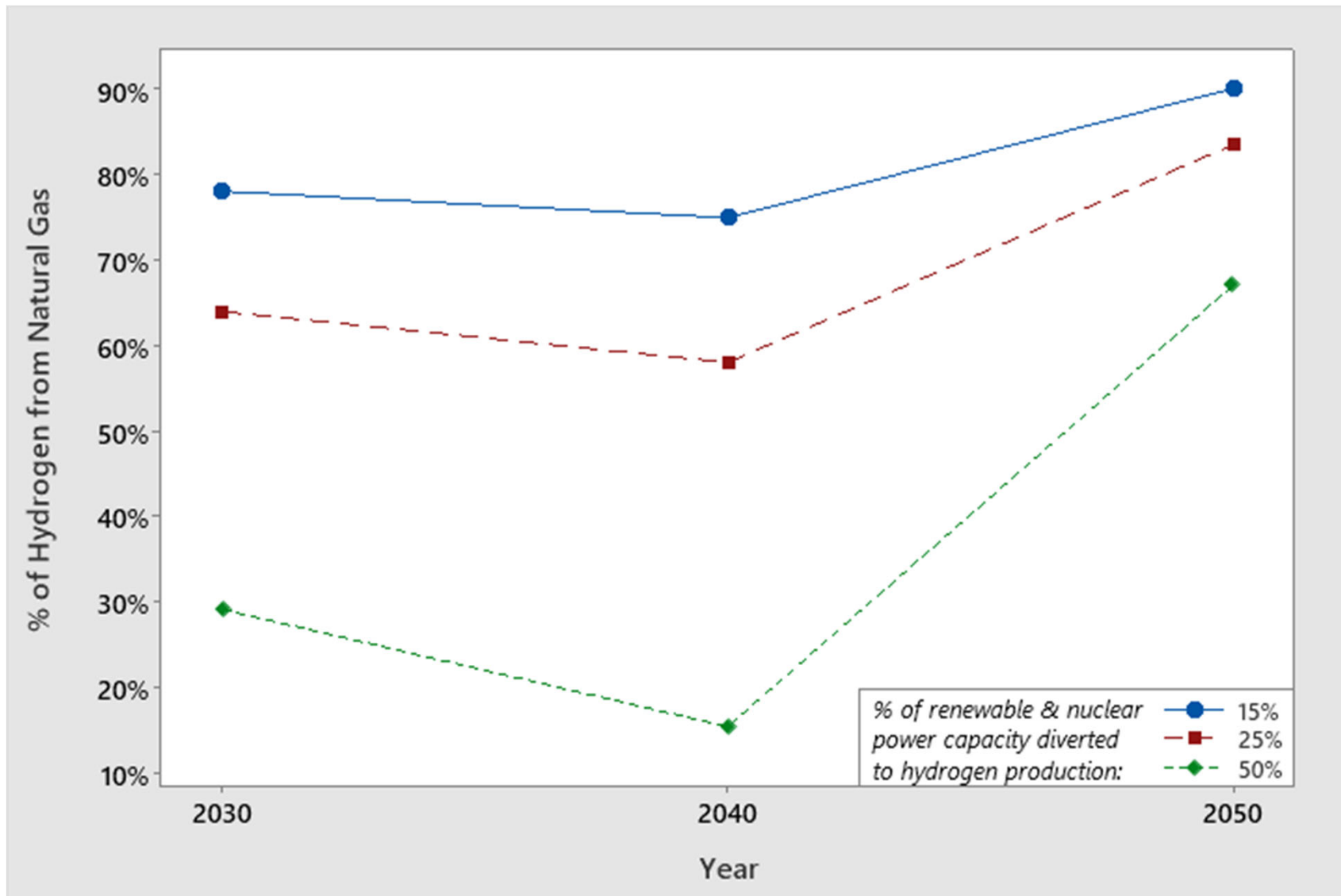
Projecting Supply for Hydrogen in Ohio by Source

Source	2030	2040	2050
Electrolysis via Nuclear Power	9,300	50,700	59,600
Electrolysis via Renewable Sources	86,600	112,800	135,900
Natural Gas (SMR)	341,700	490,100	1,788,400
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- Electrolytic production limited to 15% of power generation capacity.
- Hydrogen from natural gas is what must be supplied to meet demand after accounting for pink and green hydrogen.
- 1.8 million metric tons of hydrogen supplied via SMR would require around 280 bcf of natural gas.
 - 280 bcf \approx 12.5% of what Ohio shale wells produced annually.

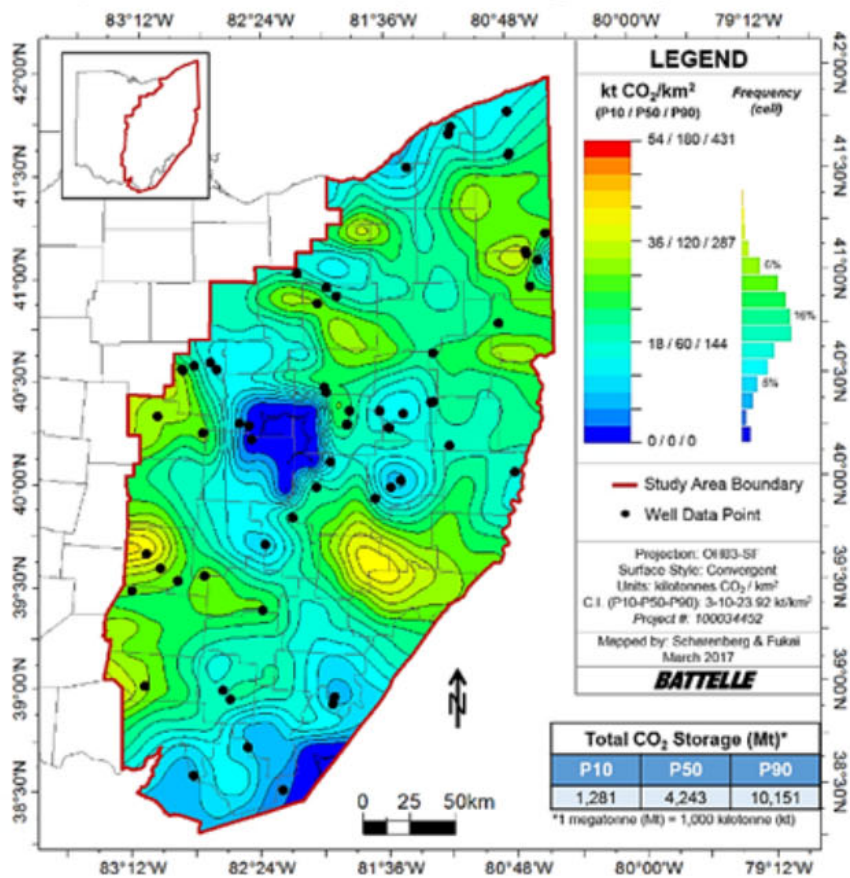
What if more nuclear/renewable power were diverted? How much natural gas would be needed then for hydrogen production?



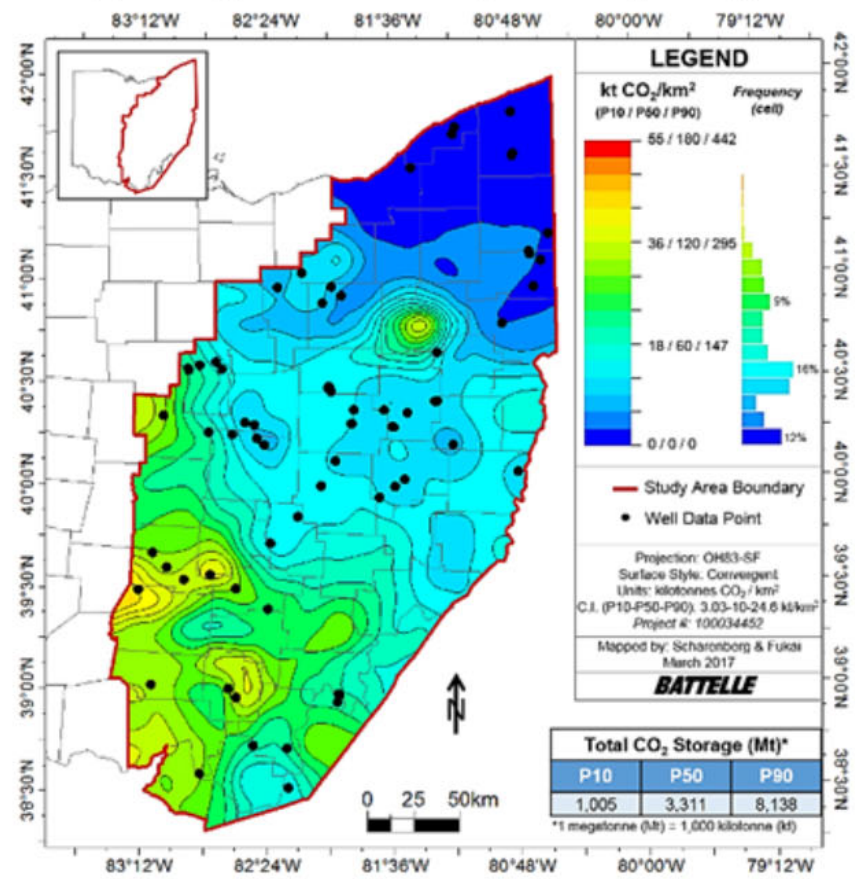
Carbon Management with Blue Hydrogen

- 2 million metric tons (MMT) of blue H₂ would yield around 18 MMT of CO₂.
- Battelle projects over 10 *billion* metric tons of CO₂ storage capacity in Ohio.

Maryville Formation: Prospective CO₂ Storage Resource



Lower Copper Ridge Dolomite: Prospective CO₂ Storage Resource



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Carbon Management and Pore Space Rights

- CO₂ storage would occur in pore space, the tiny voids in subsurface rock that are unoccupied by solid material.
- Pore space ownership is unsettled in Ohio.
 - Surface or mineral estate?
- MT, WY, and ND have enacted statutes.
 - Pore space belongs to surface owner.
- Majority of case law elsewhere → “American Rule”
 - Supports surface owner as owner of pore space.
- What about unitization?
 - States enacting statutes establishing pore space ownership also adopt language on conditions for unitization.
 - Wyoming: owners of 80% of land overlying a pore space unit must approve.
 - Montana and North Dakota: 60% approval required.

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