

# North Dakota Oil & Gas Research Program

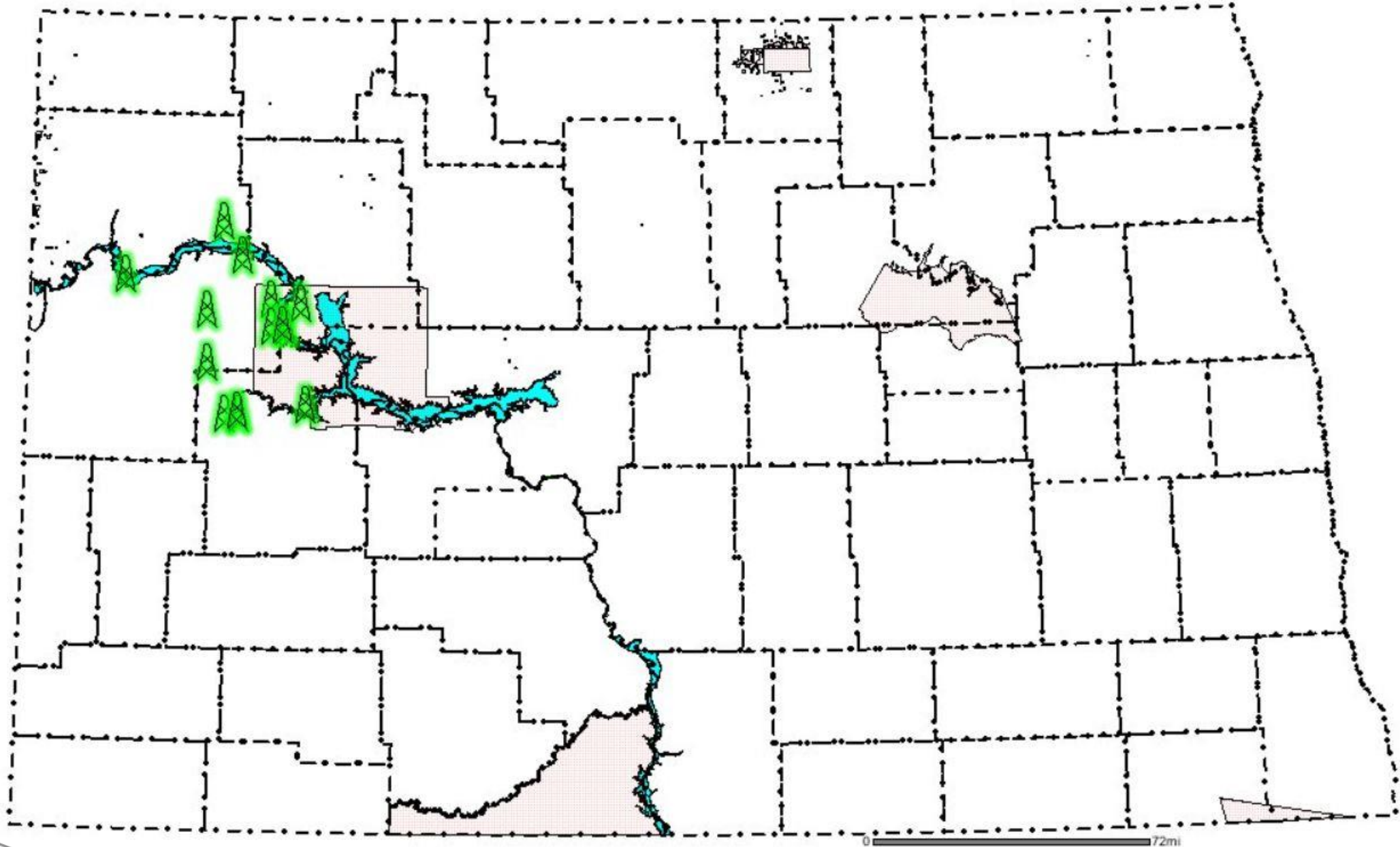


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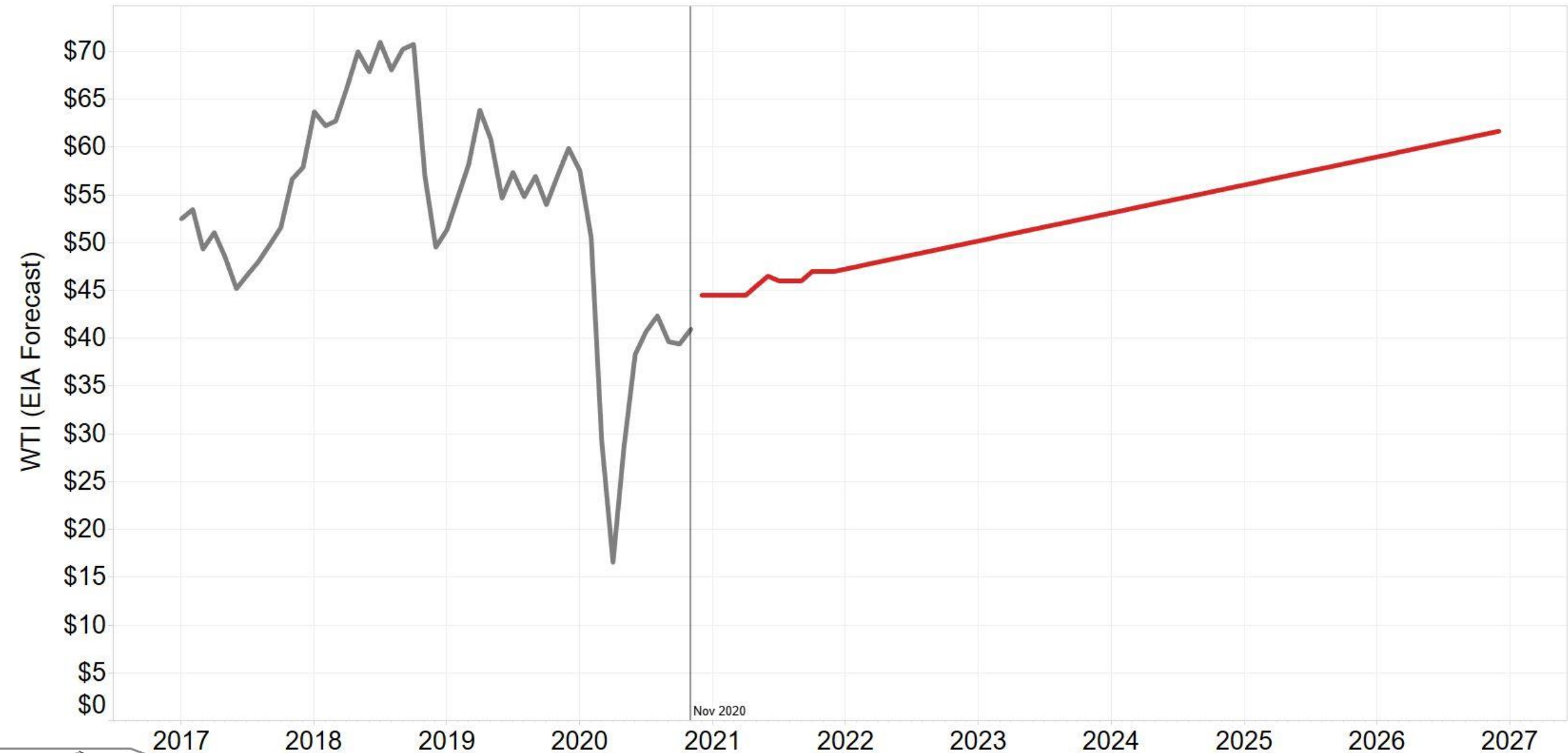


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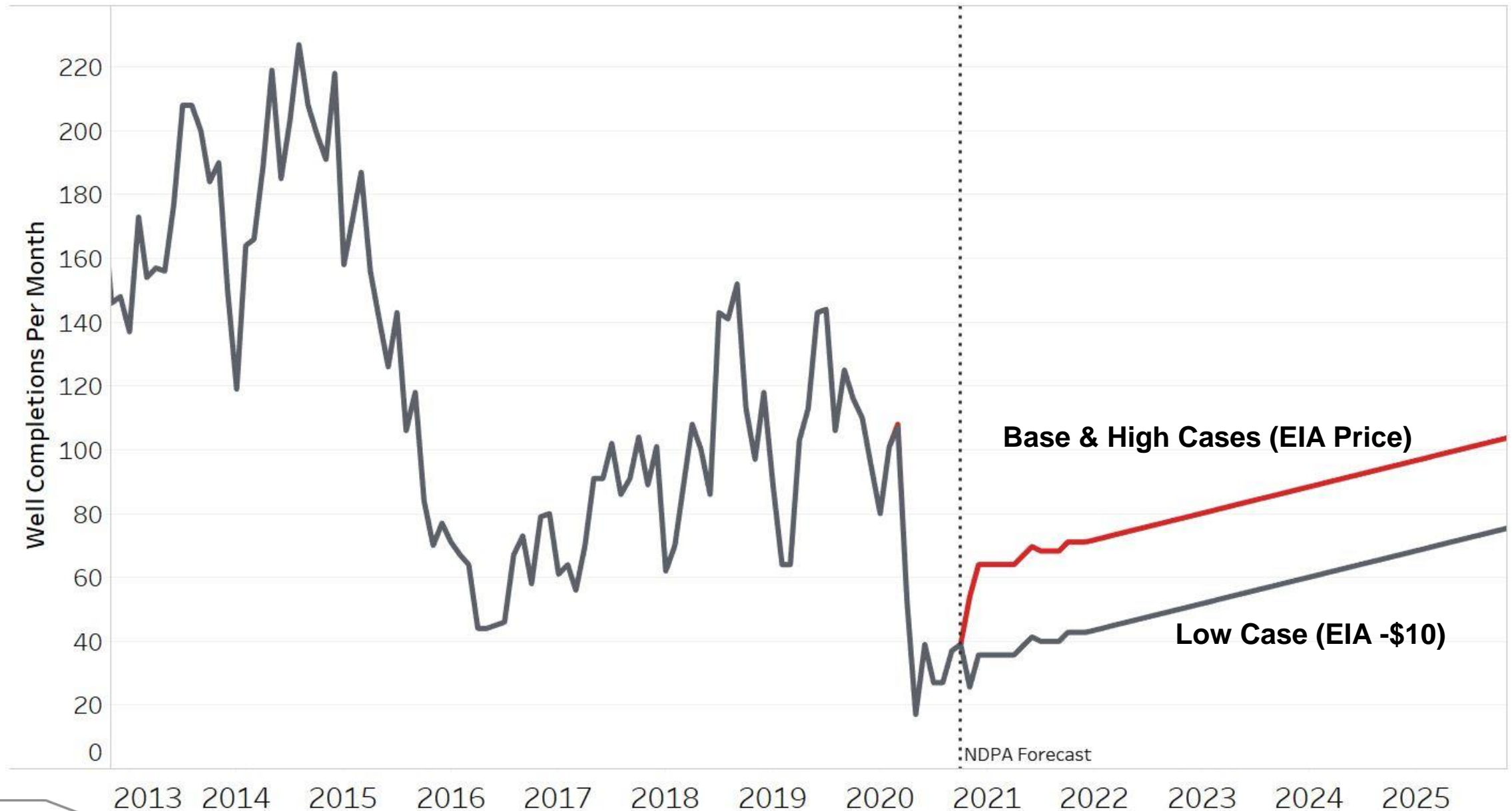
# Current Drilling Rig Fleet – 14 (December 15, 2020)



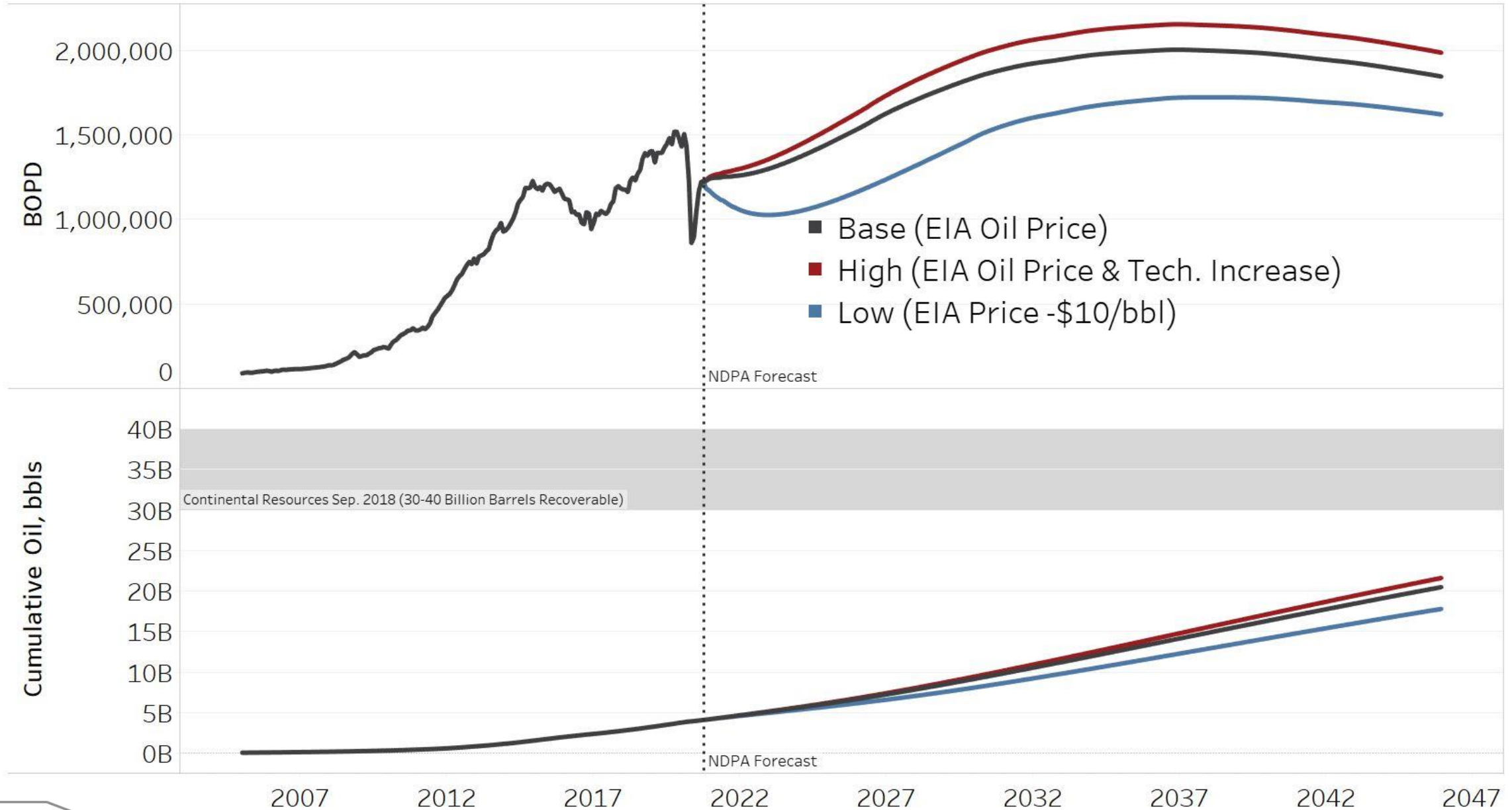
# EIA Price Deck (Near Term)



# ND Completions: EIA Price Deck (Near Term)

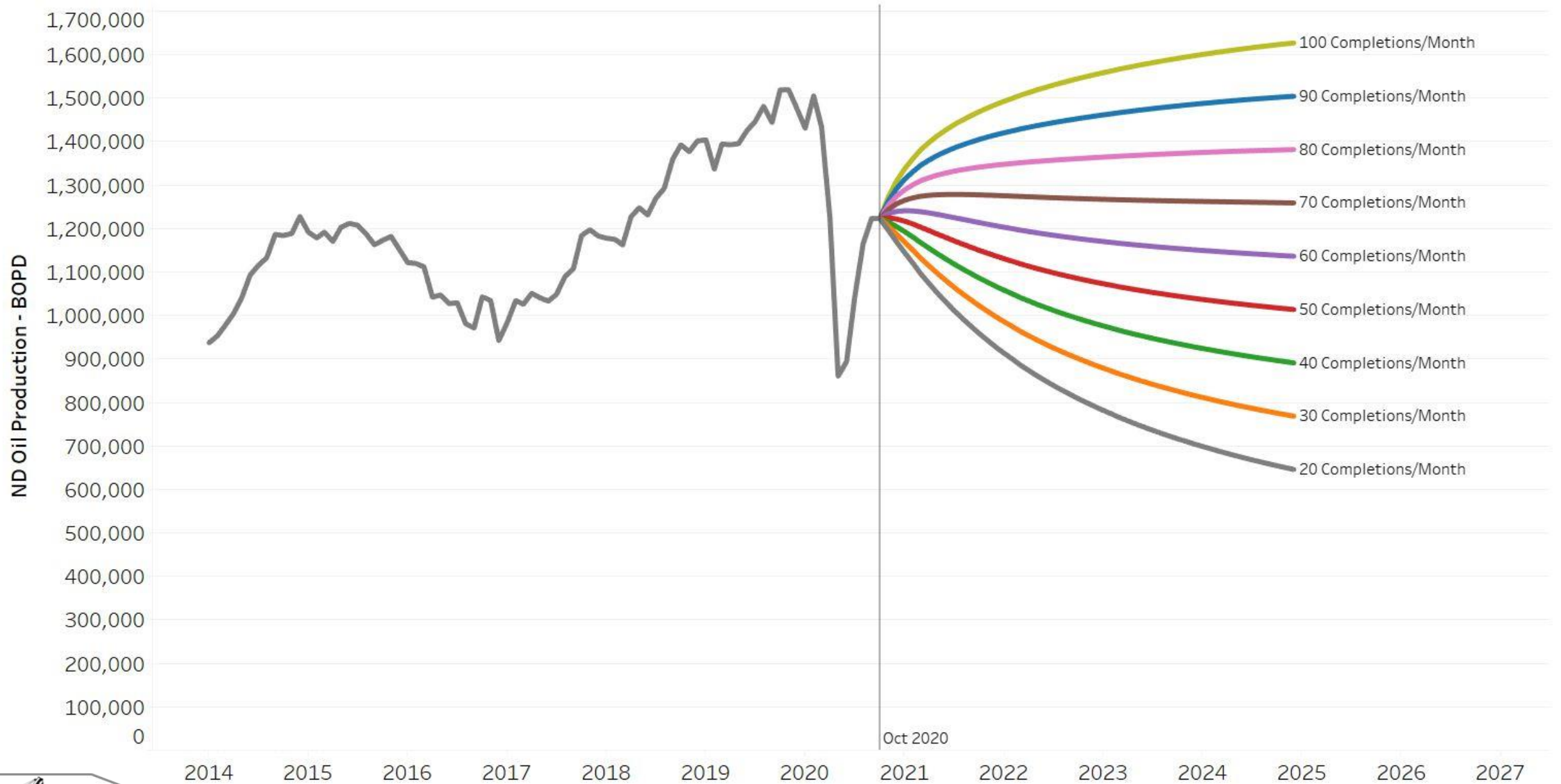


# ND Oil Production: EIA Price Deck

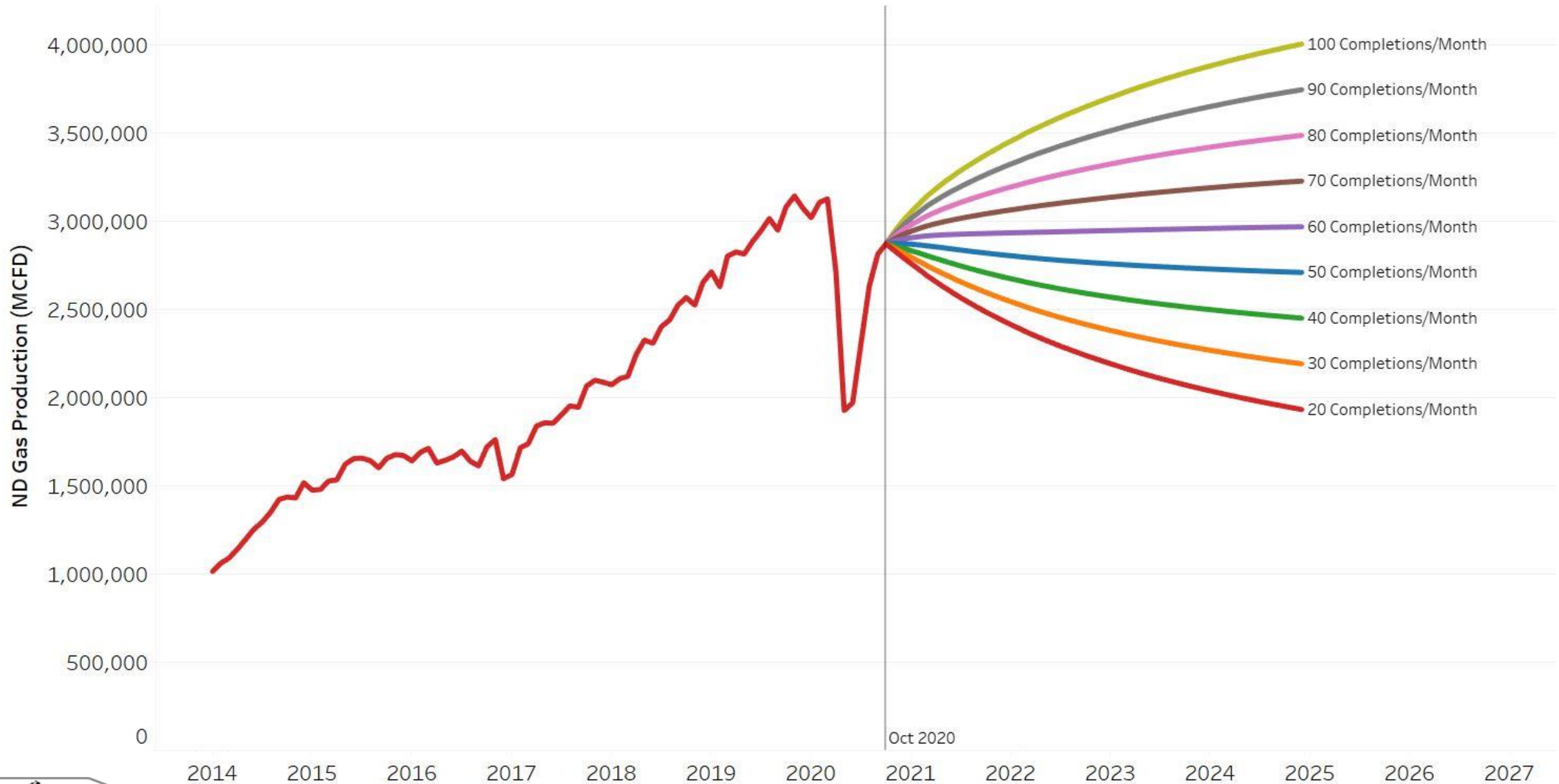




# Monthly Completion Scenarios - Oil

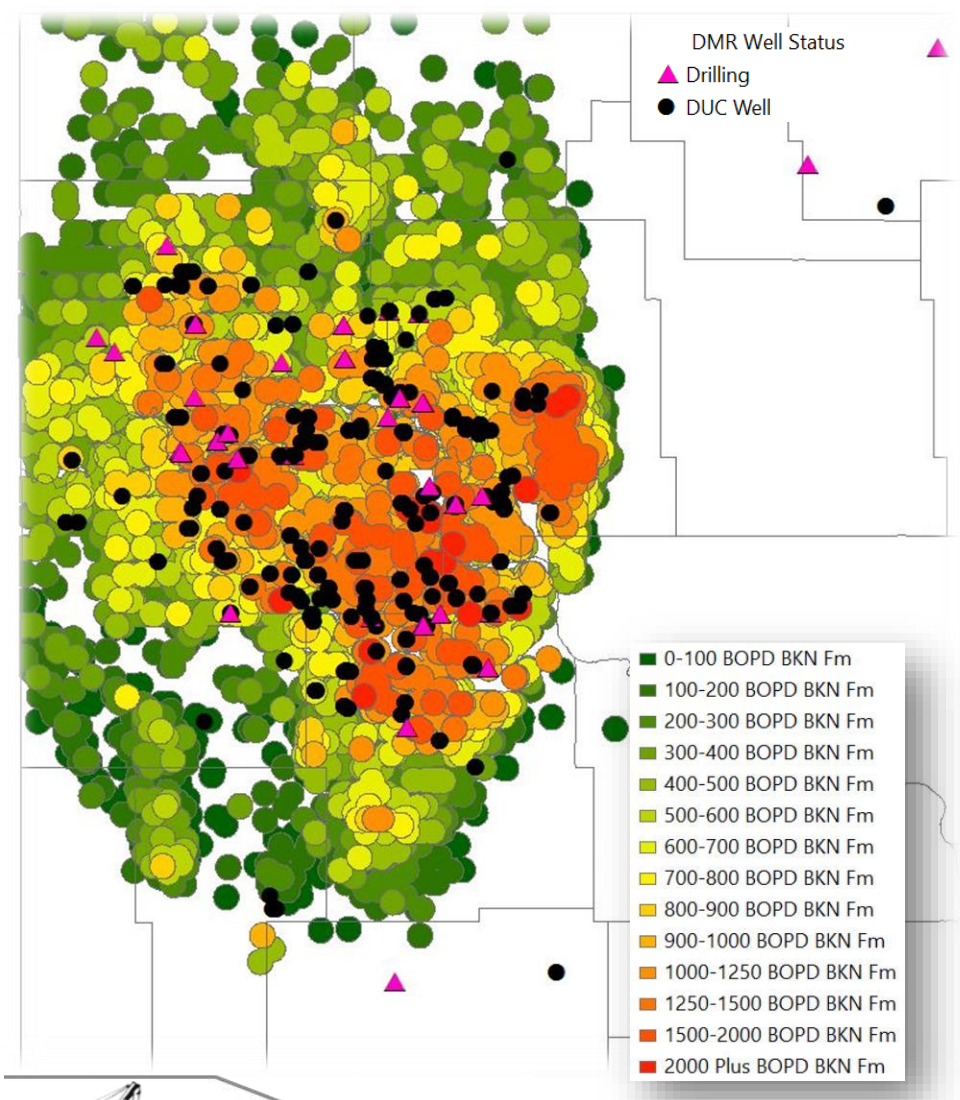


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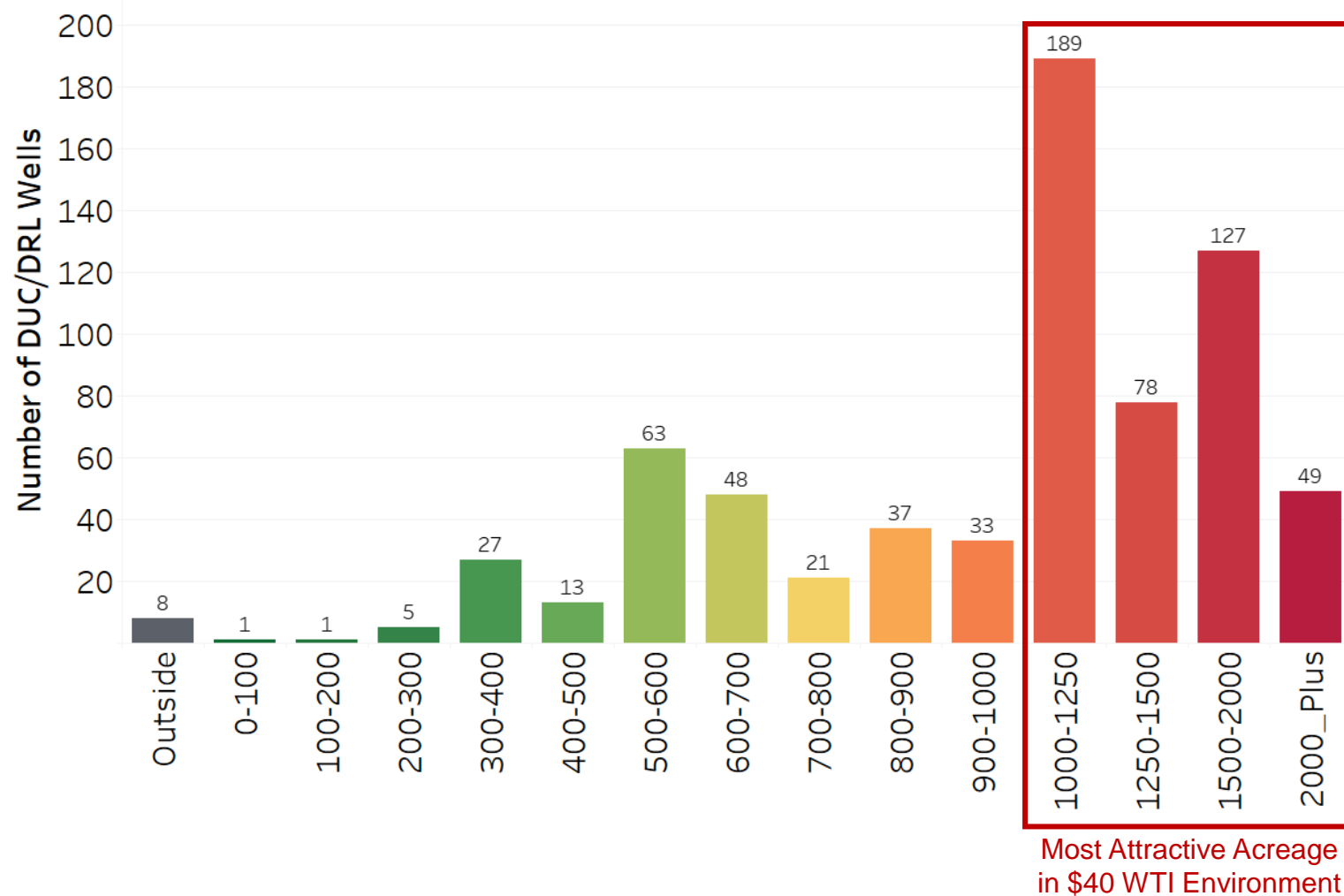


# North Dakota Wells Waiting on Completion – October 2020

Bakken Formation

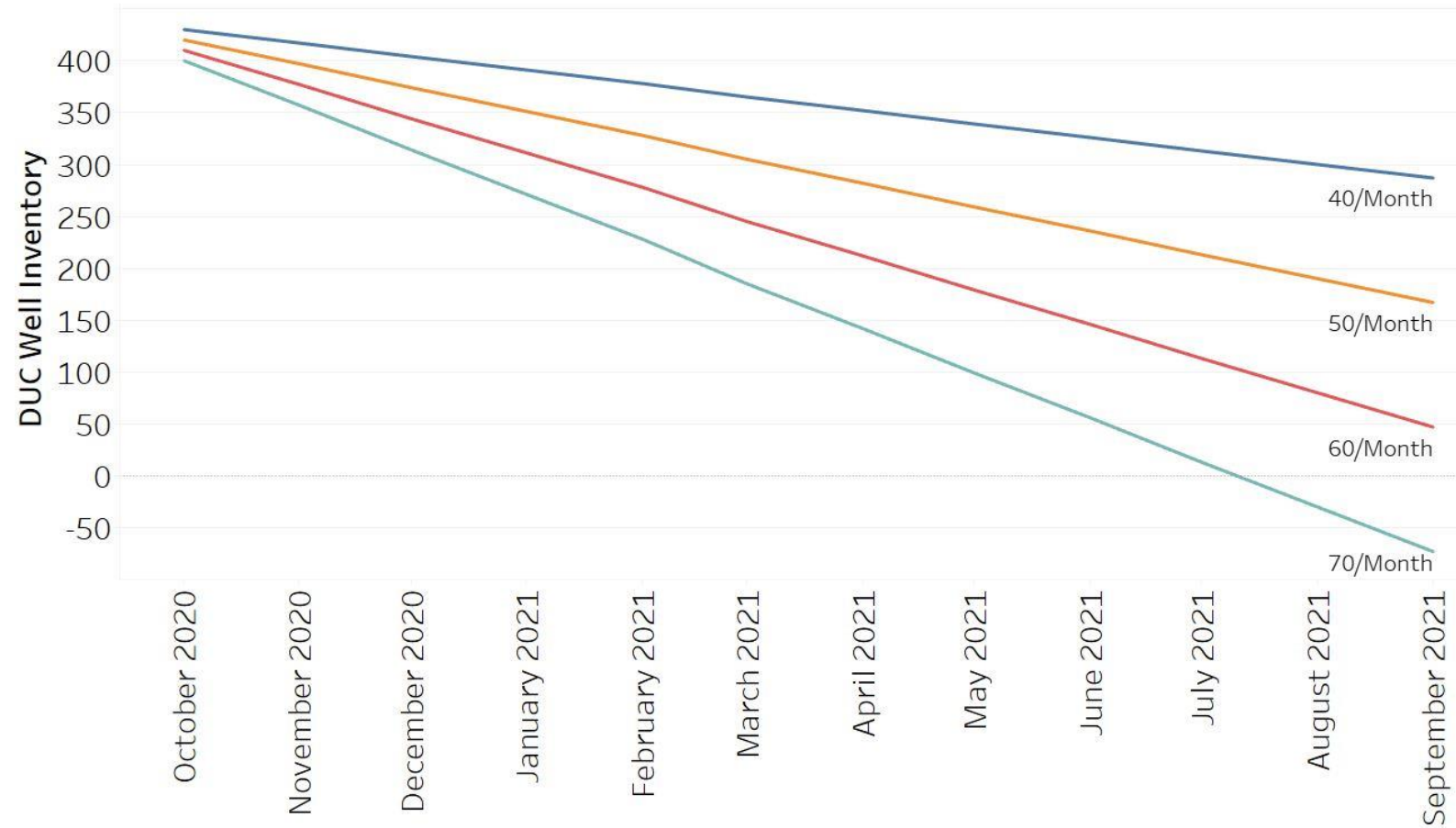


Bakken Geographic Production Zone (First Month BOPD)

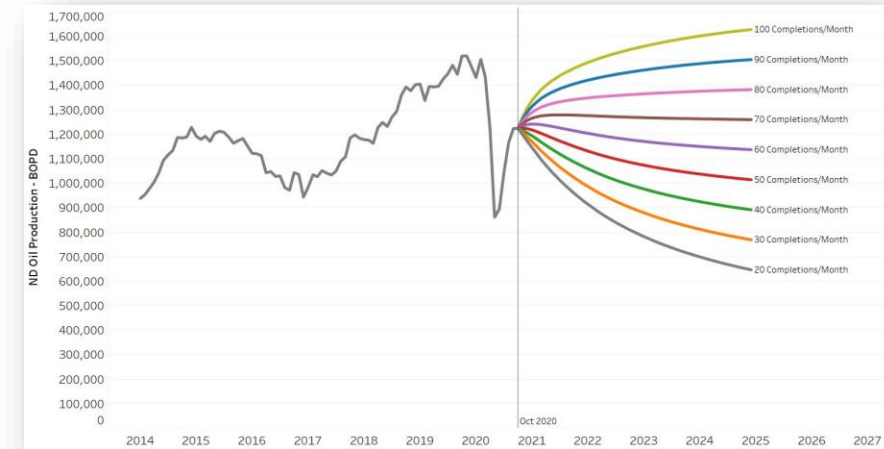
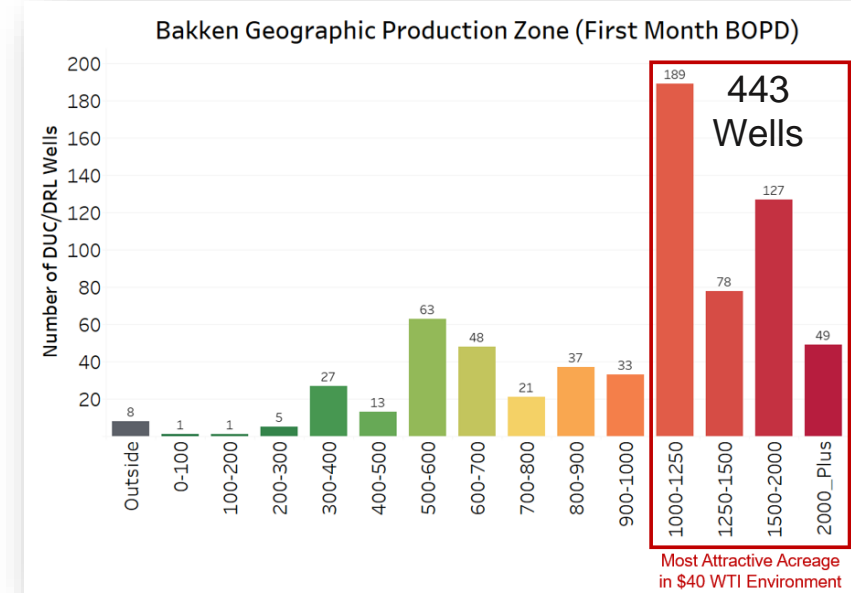




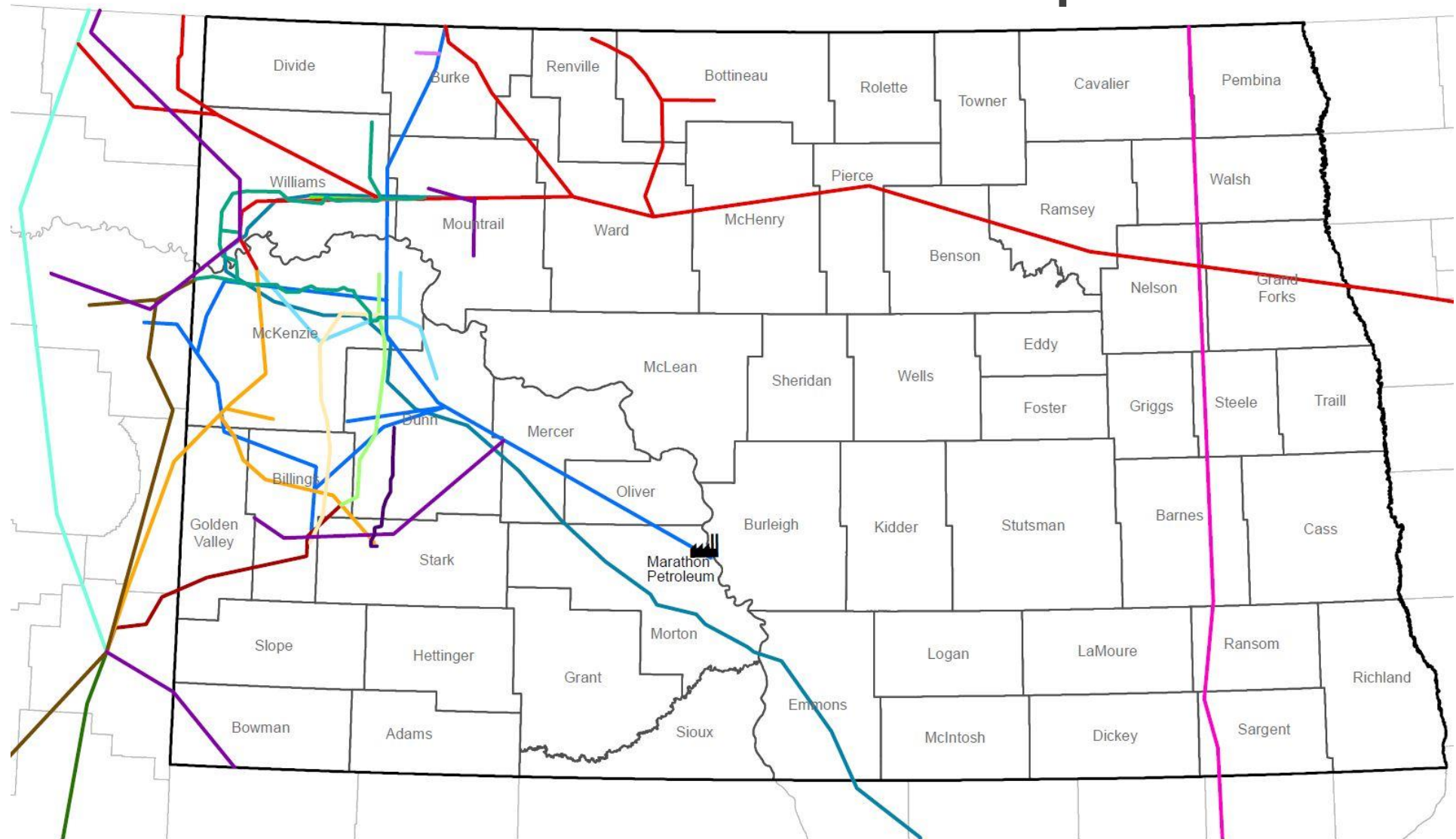
# Completion Scenarios & DUC Inventory\*



\*Assumes 15 Rigs @ 1.8 New Wells Per Month



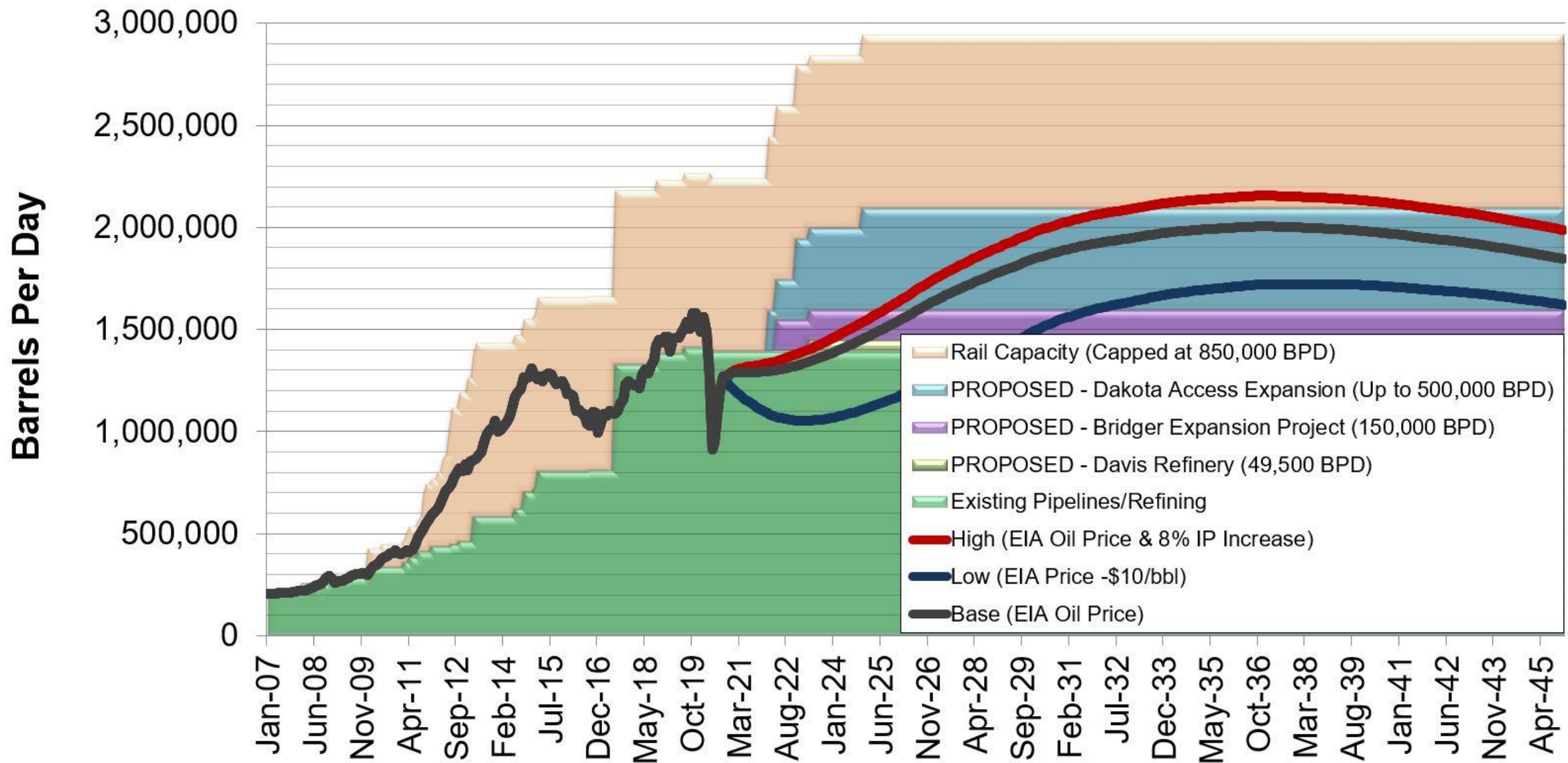
# North Dakota Oil Transmission Pipelines



- |                    |                 |               |            |                   |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------|-------------------|----------|
| Refinery           | Basin Transload | Butte         | Double H   | Hiland            | Bridger  |
| Bakken Oil Express | Belle Fourche   | Crestwood     | Enbridge   | Keystone Pipeline | Targa    |
| BakkenLink         | Bridger         | Dakota Access | Four Bears | Little Missouri   | Marathon |



# Williston Basin Oil Production & Export Capacity, BOPD





# Natural Gas Update



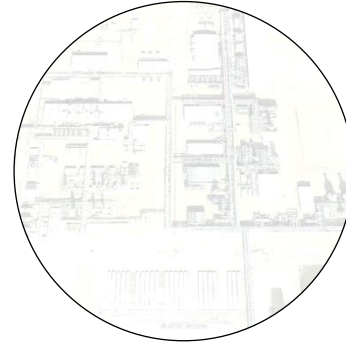
## Production

- Technology
- Markets



## Gathering

- Capacity
- Connections



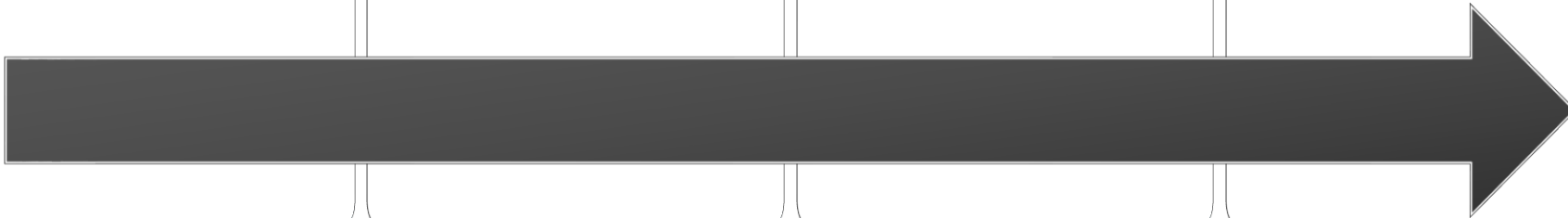
## Processing

- Capacity
- Location



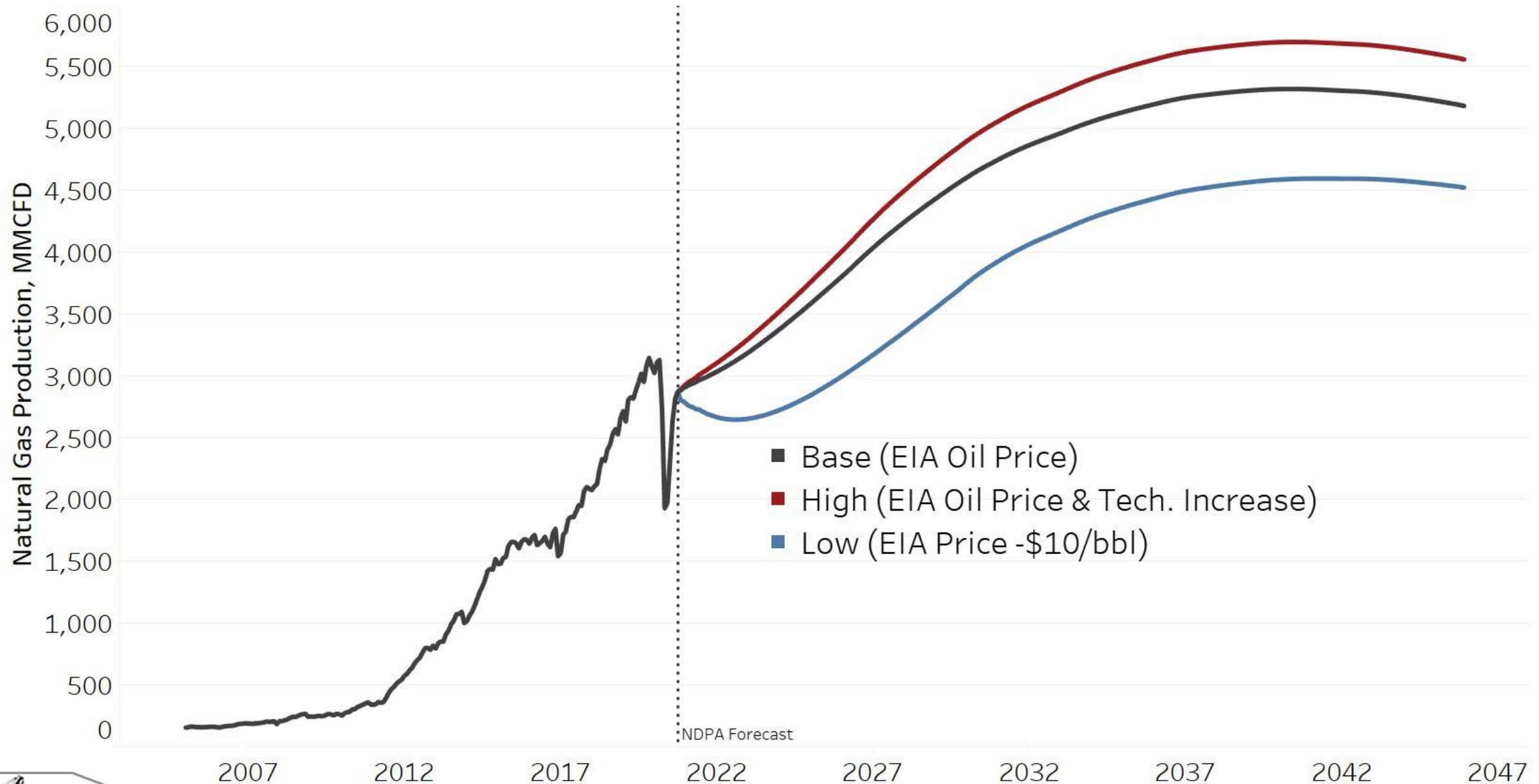
## Transmission

- Dry Gas
- Natural Gas Liquids

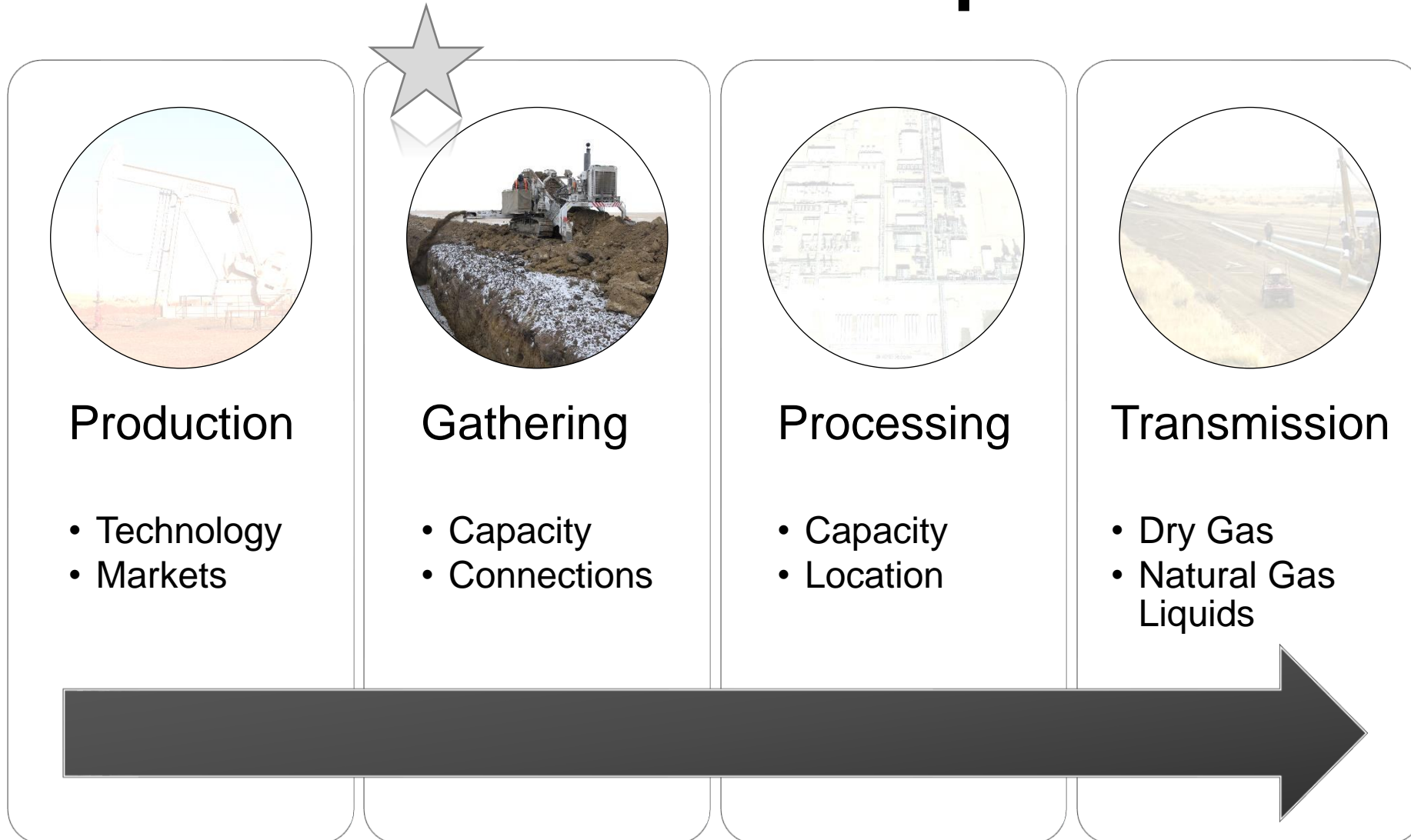




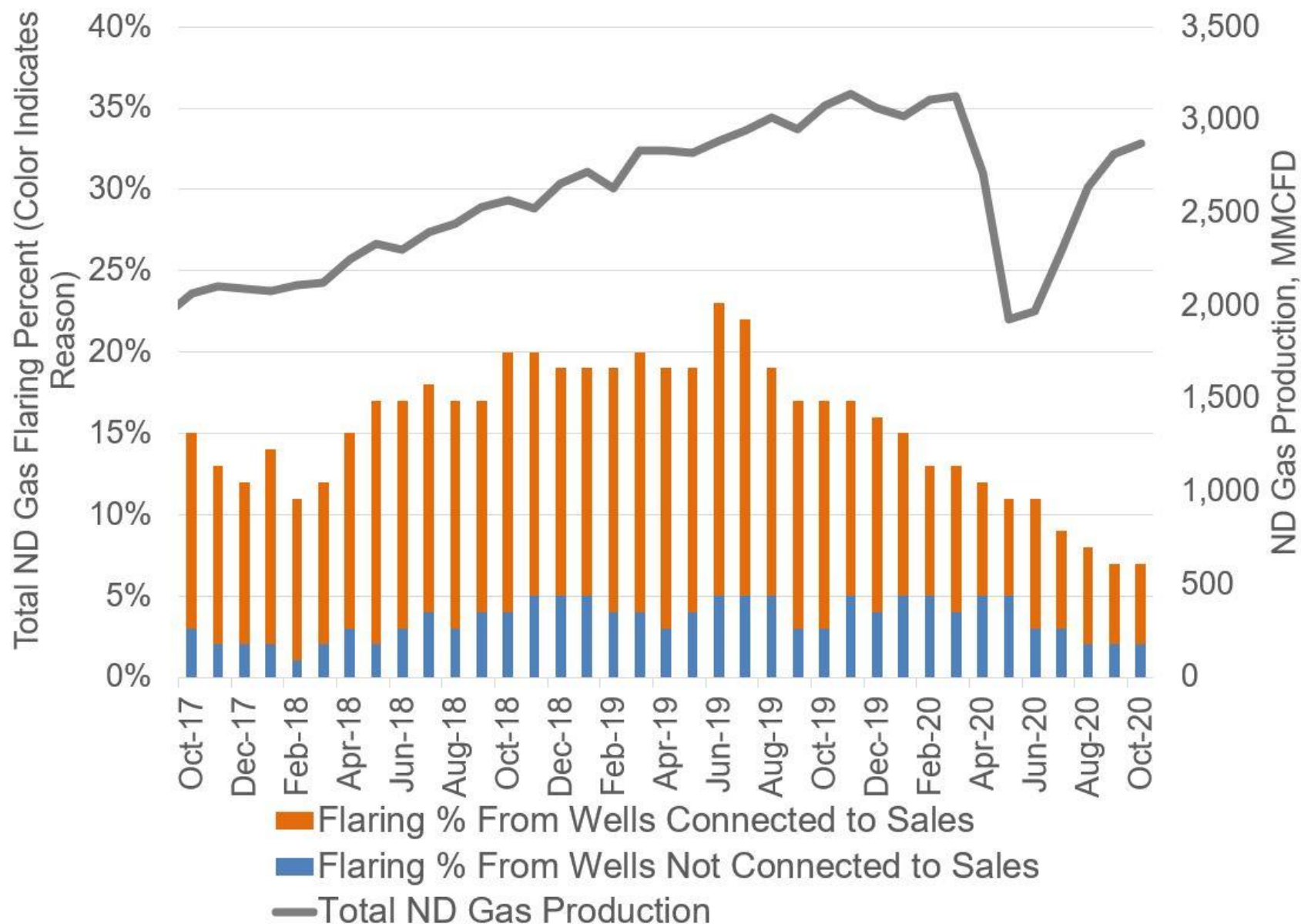
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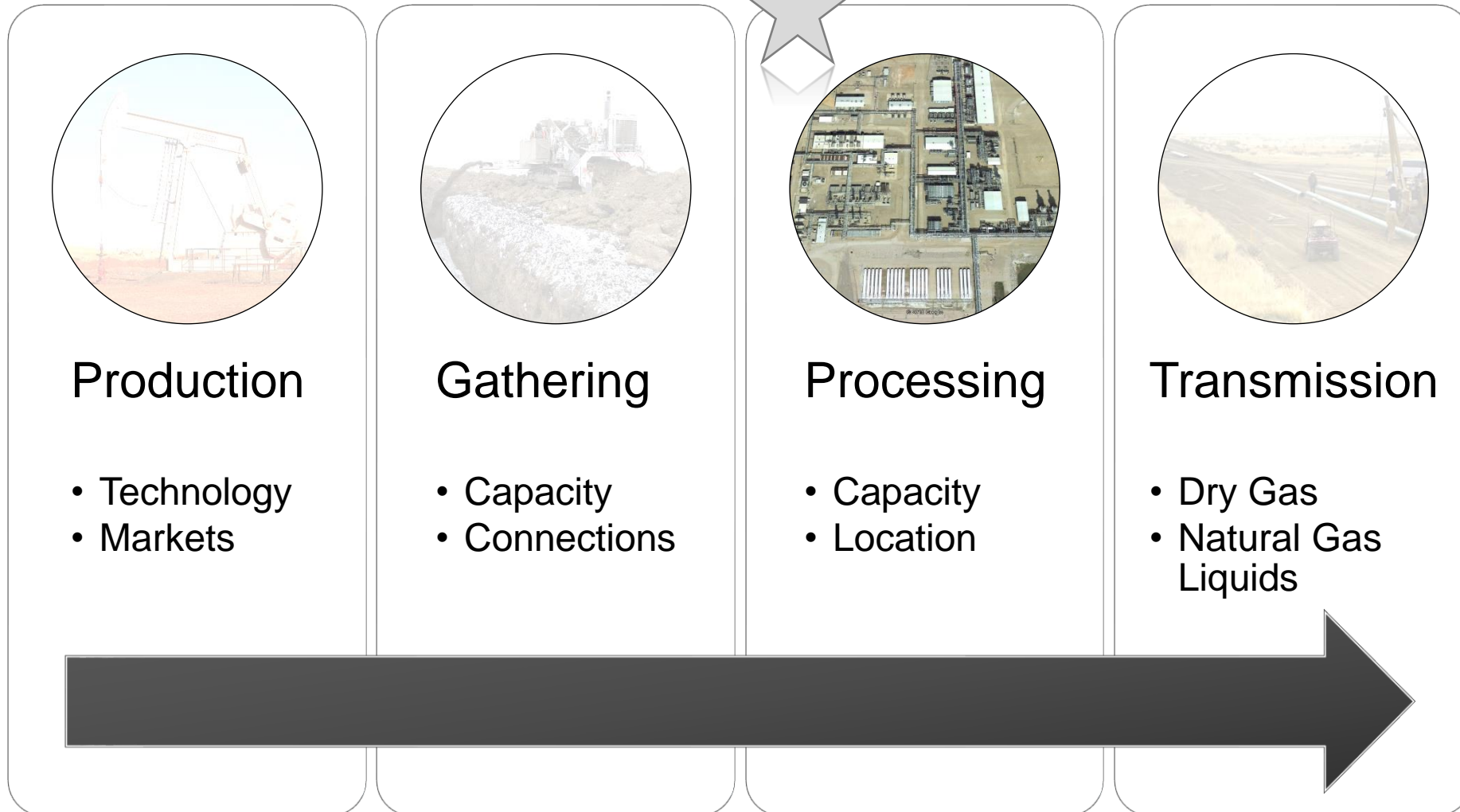
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# Solving the Flaring Challenge



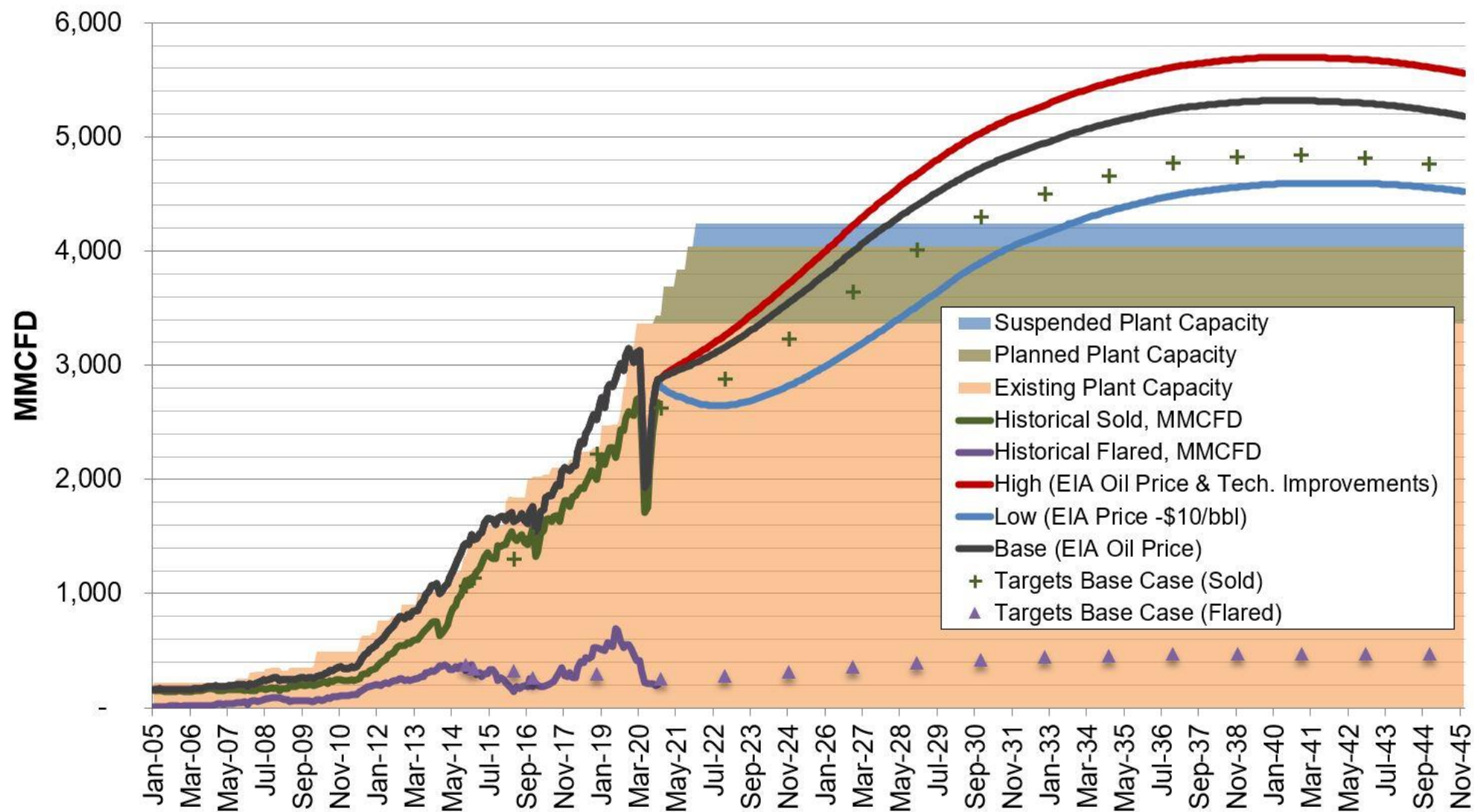
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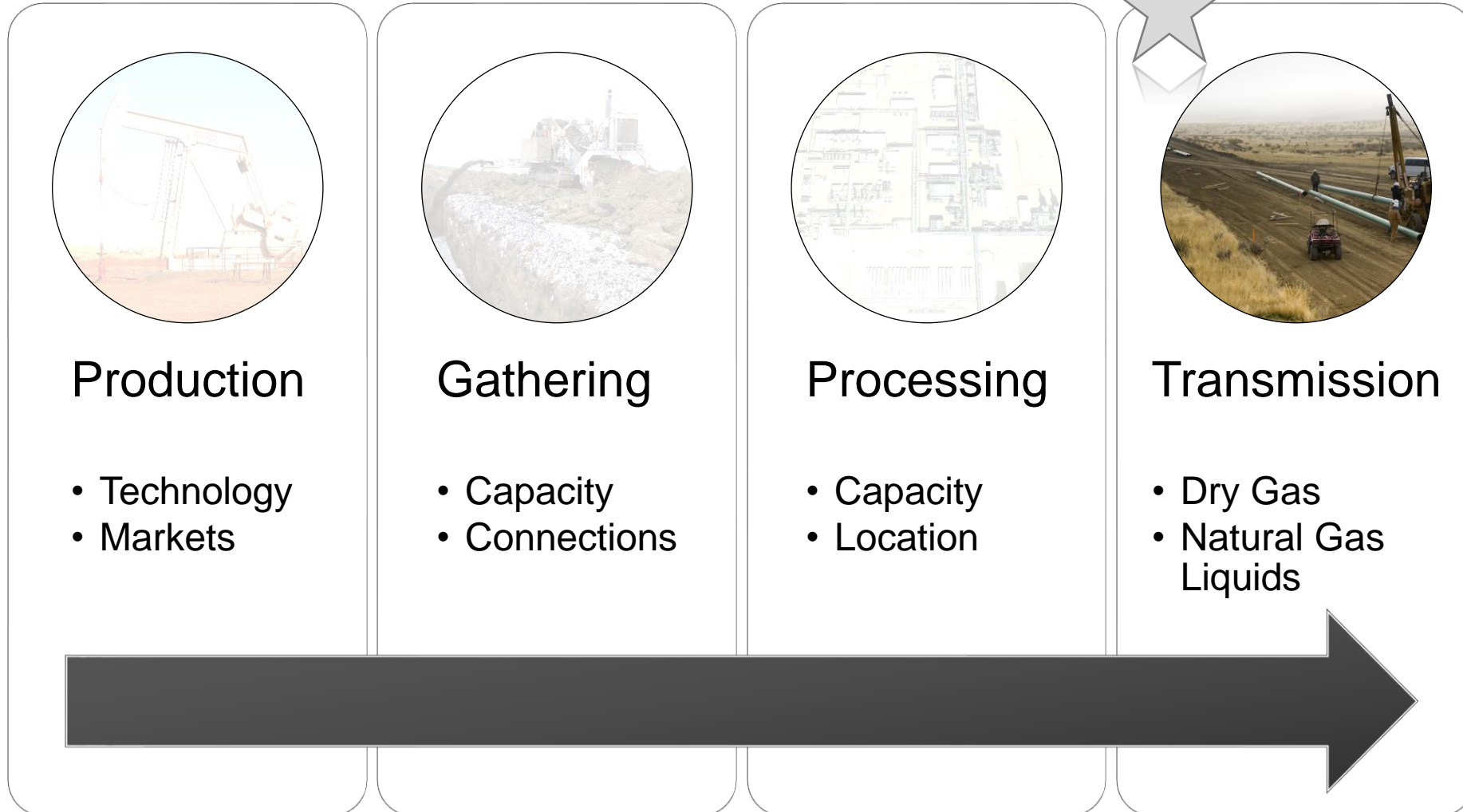


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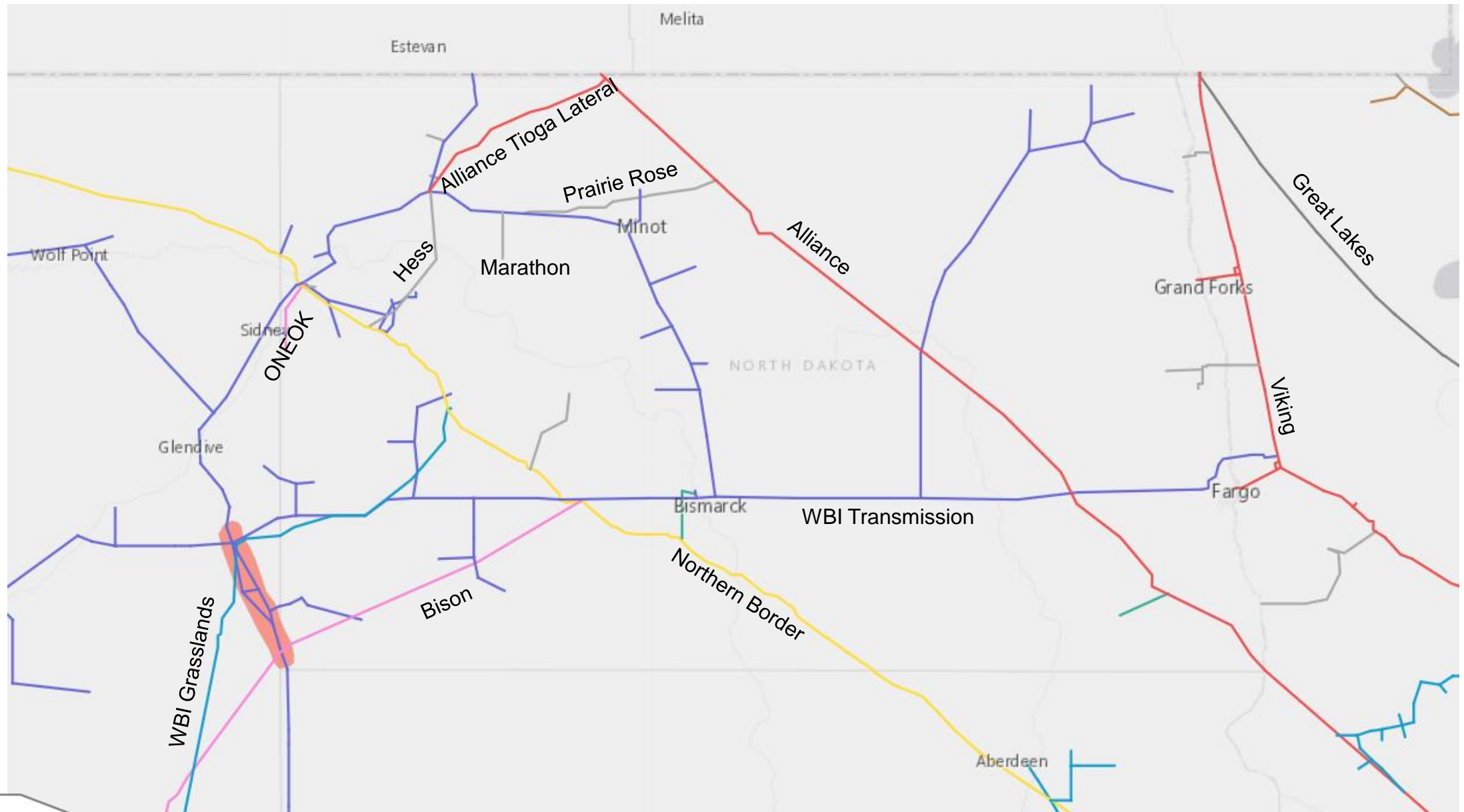
*Assumes Current Technology – Enhanced Oil Recovery Not Included*



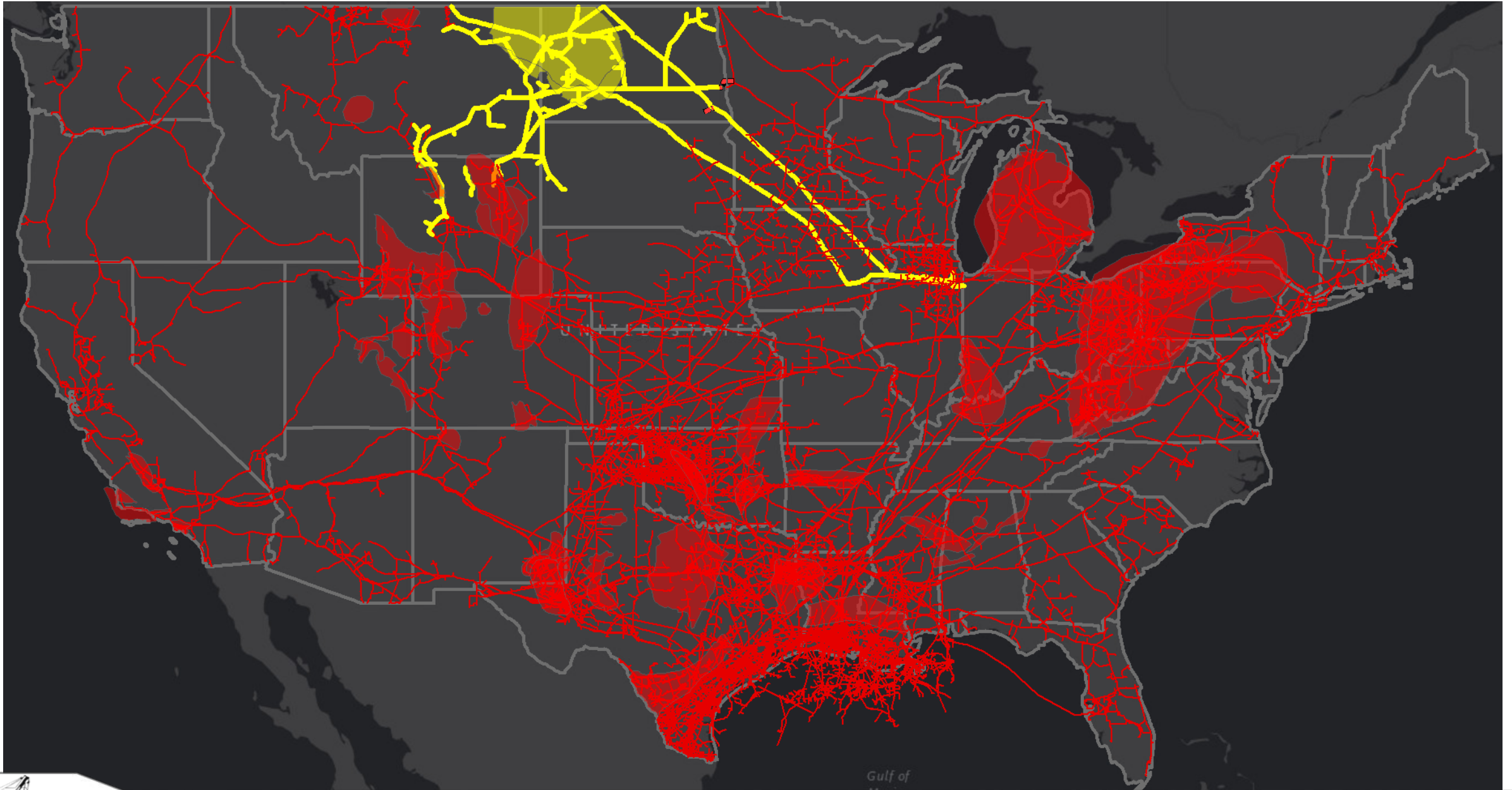
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# Major Gas Pipeline Infrastructure

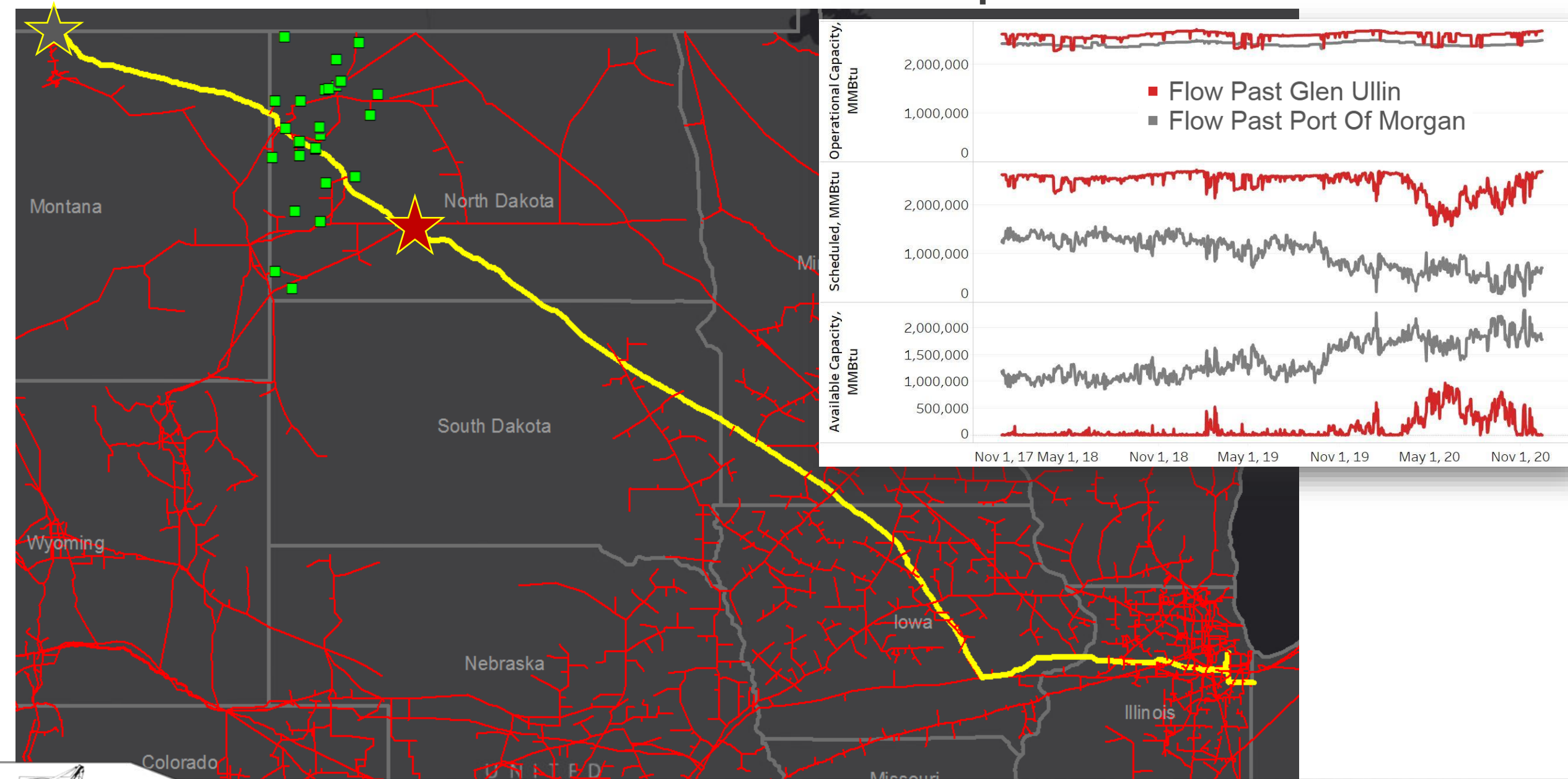


# Bakken Natural Gas Infrastructure

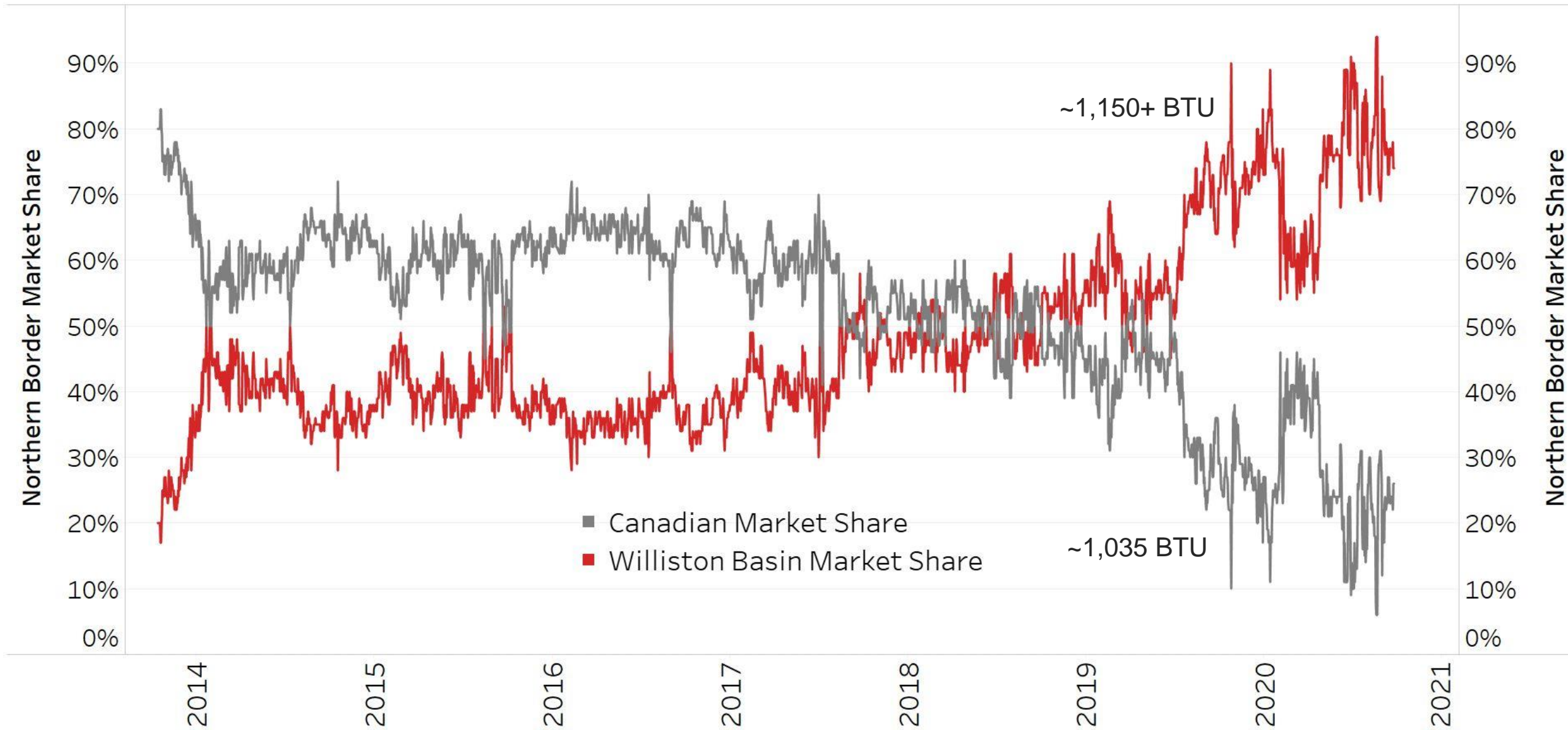




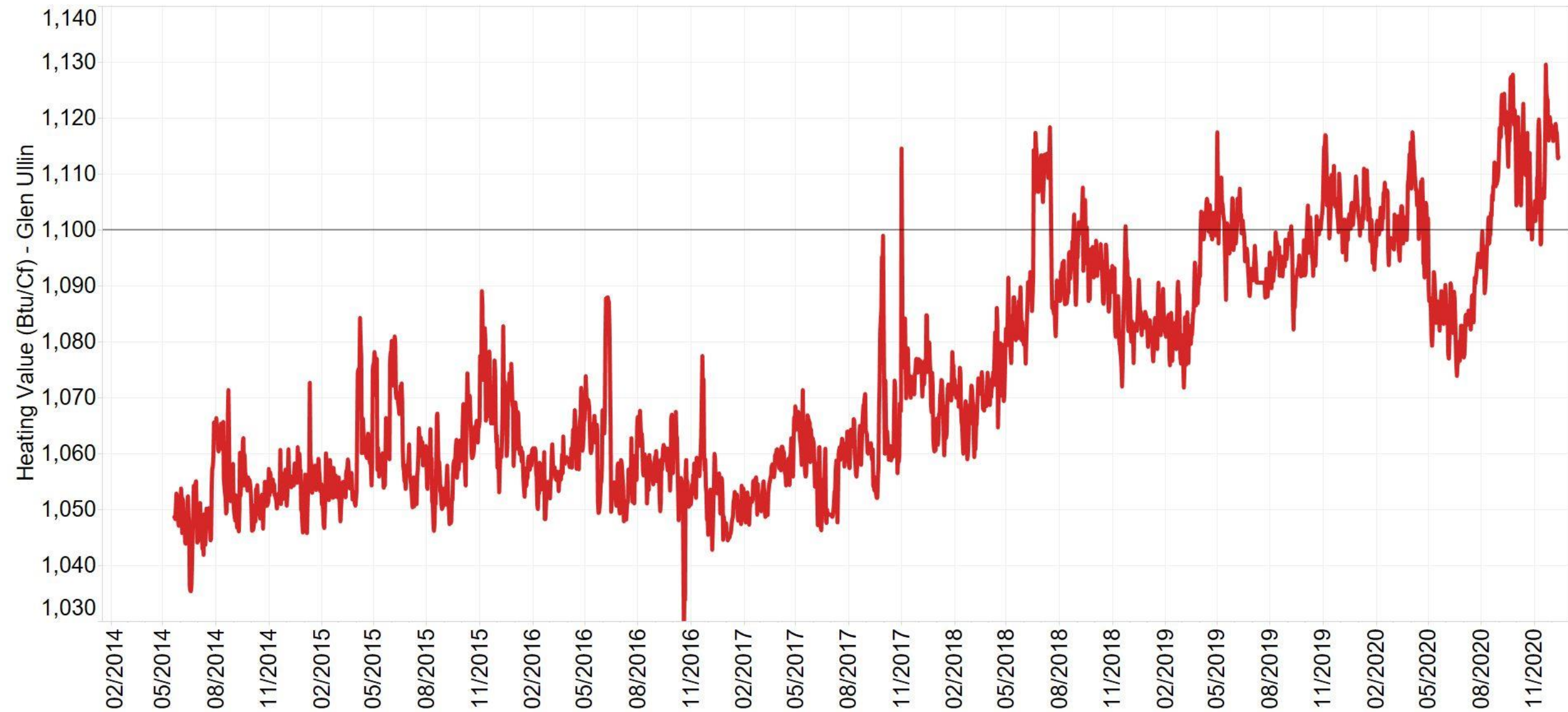
# Northern Border Pipeline



# Northern Border Pipeline Market Share

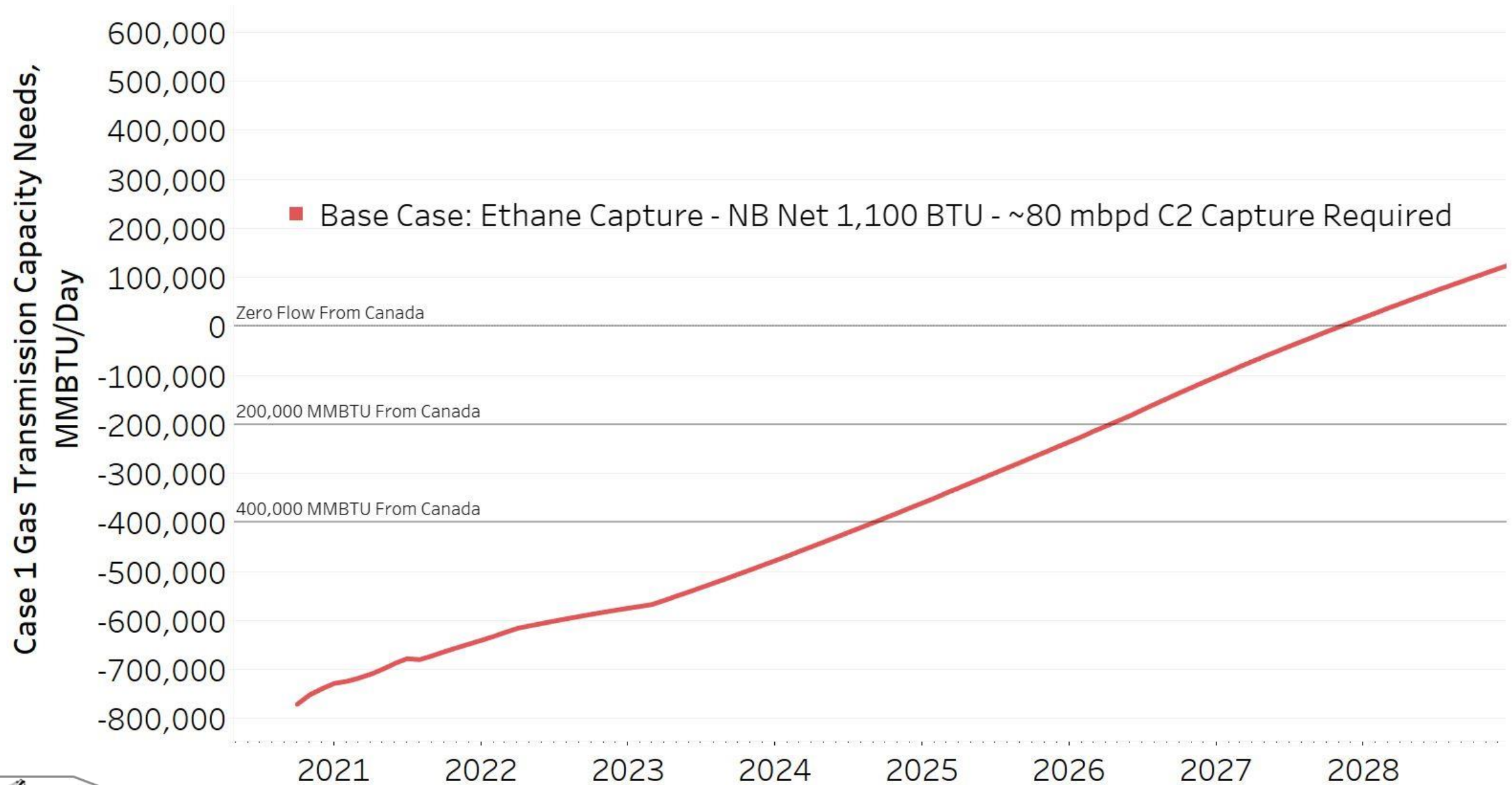


# Northern Border BTU at Glen Ullin, ND



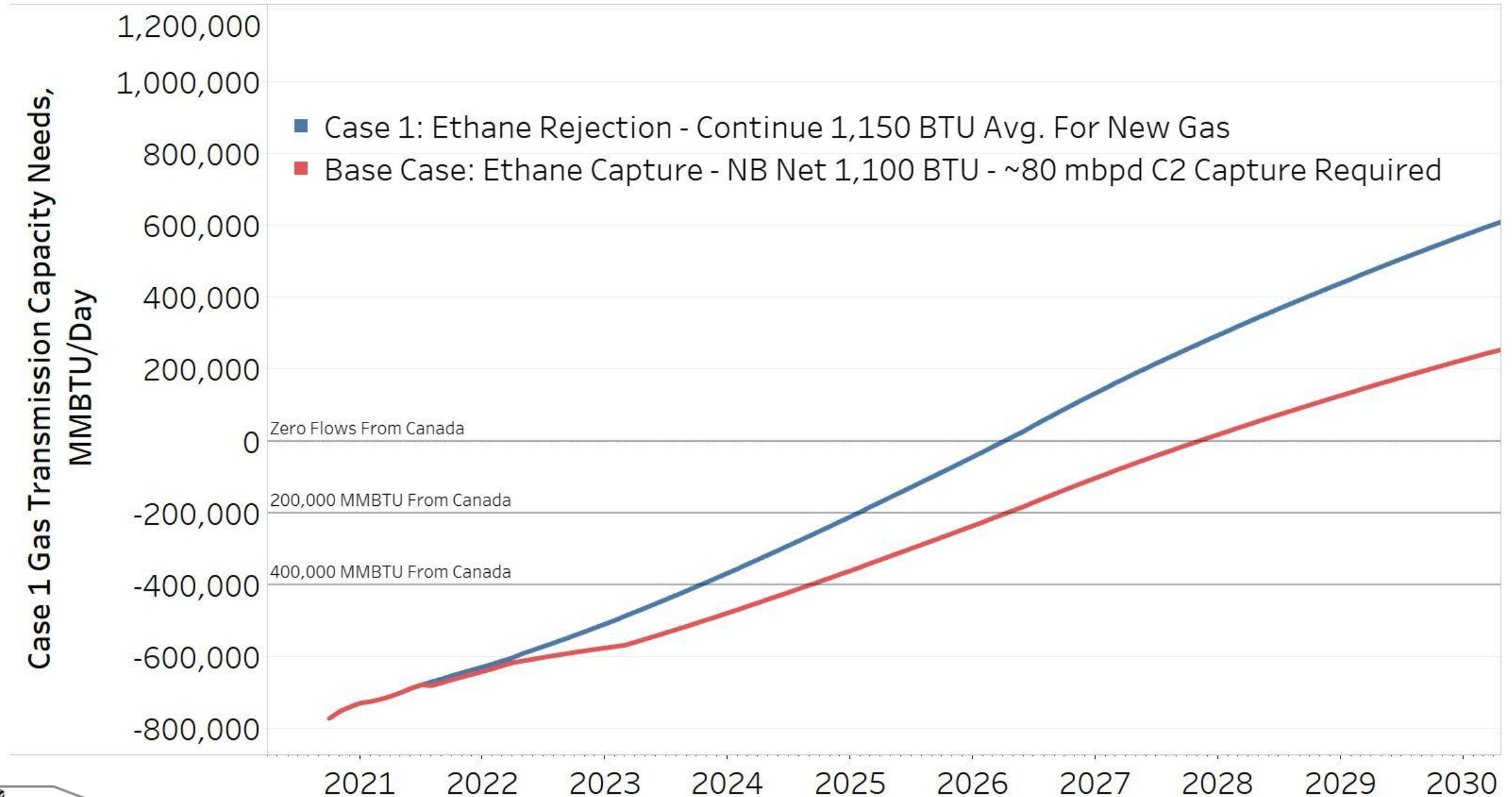


# Northern Border – BTU Calculations\*





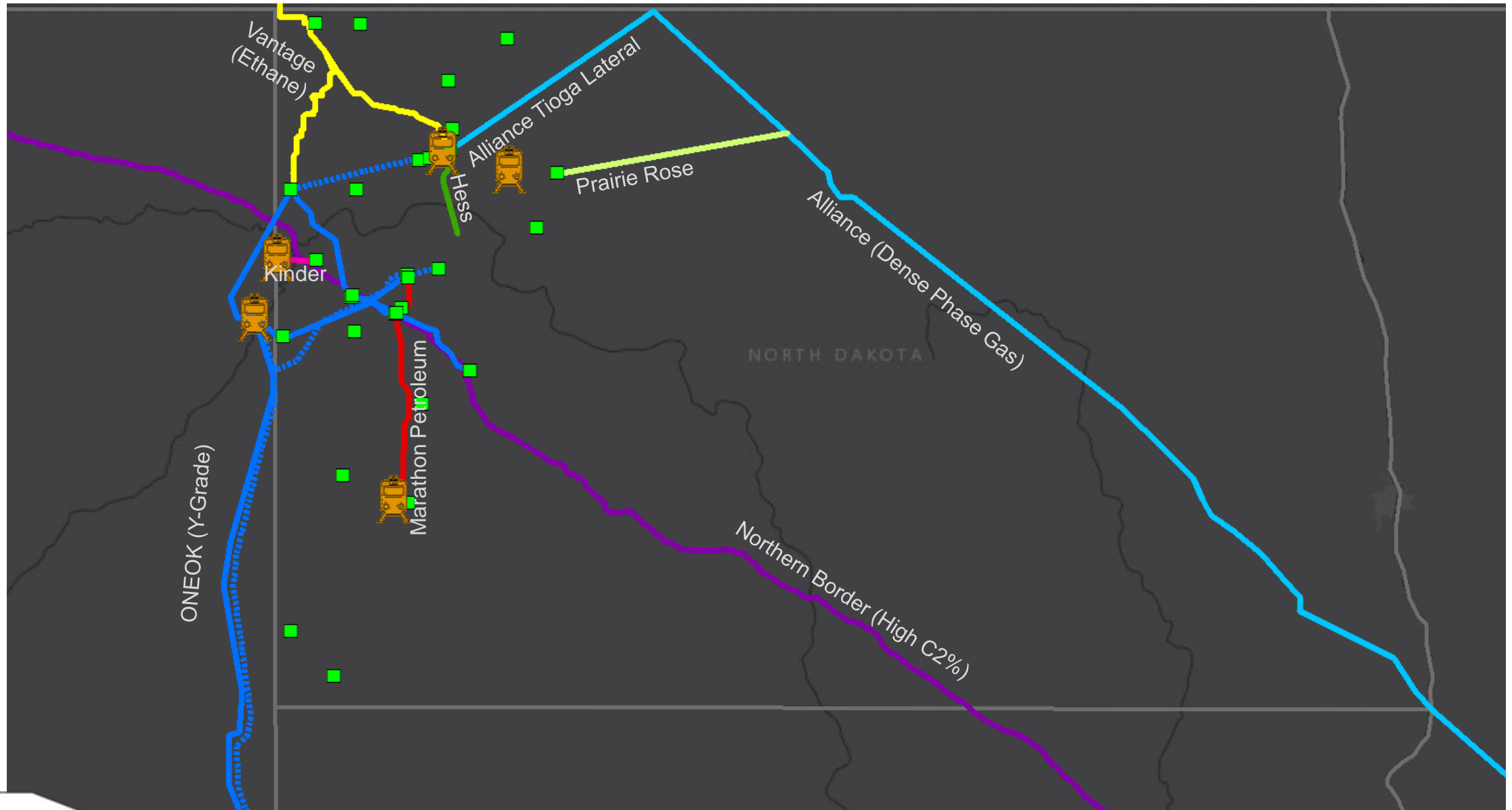
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# **Bakken & Three Forks Natural Gas Liquids Chemistry**

## **EERC Study Completed**

# Regional NGL Infrastructure



# NGL Chemistry Study - 2020



## ASSESSMENT OF BAKKEN PETROLEUM SYSTEM PRODUCED GAS COMPOSITIONS

Final Report

(Project Period: October 15, 2019 – June 19, 2020)

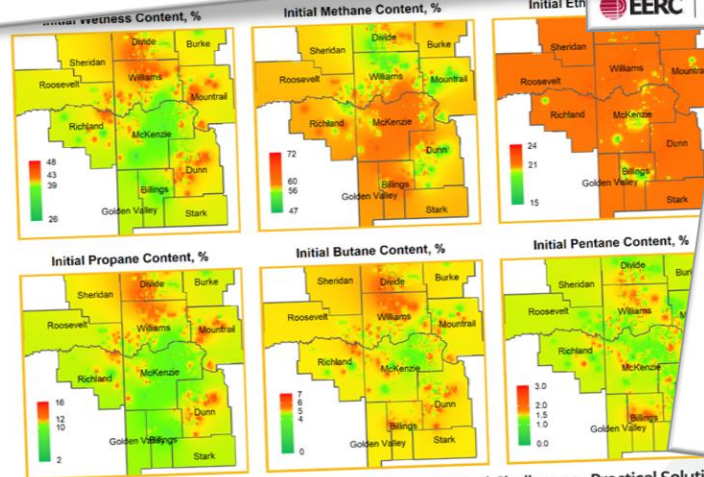
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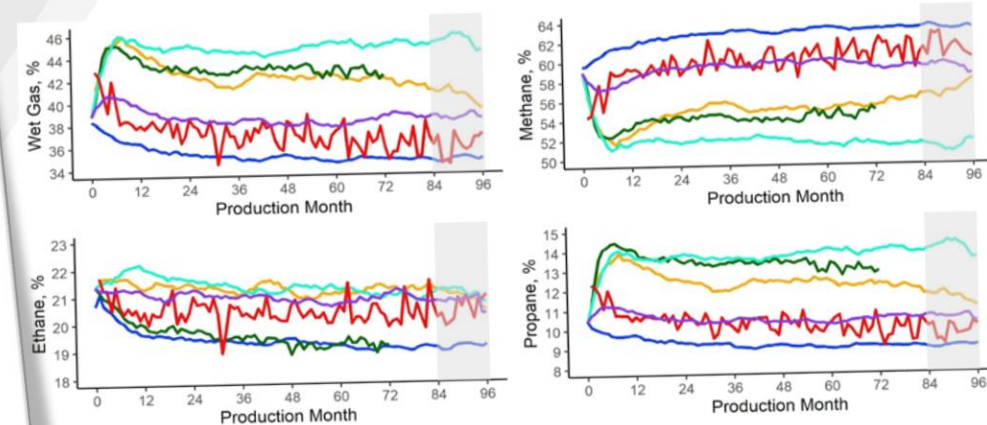
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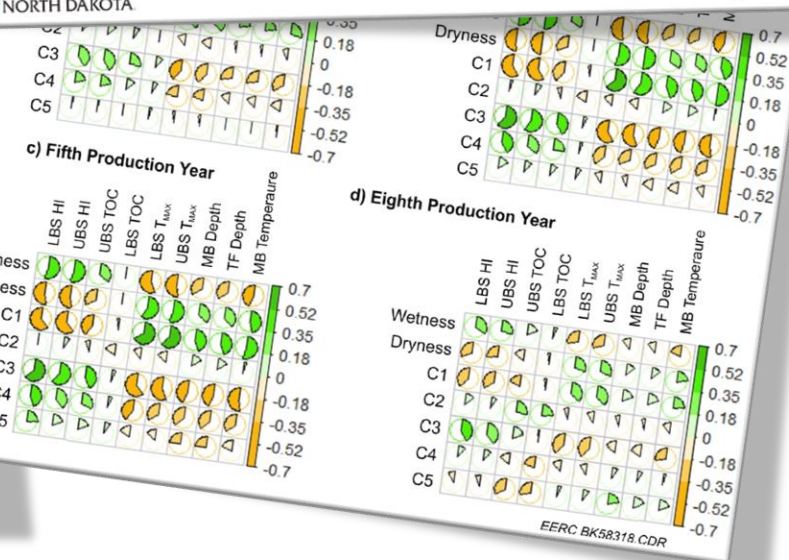
Critical Challenges. Practical Solutions.

### Temporal Patterns in Measured Gas Composition



— Divide — Dunn-McKenzie — Mountrail  
— Dunn — McKenzie — Williams

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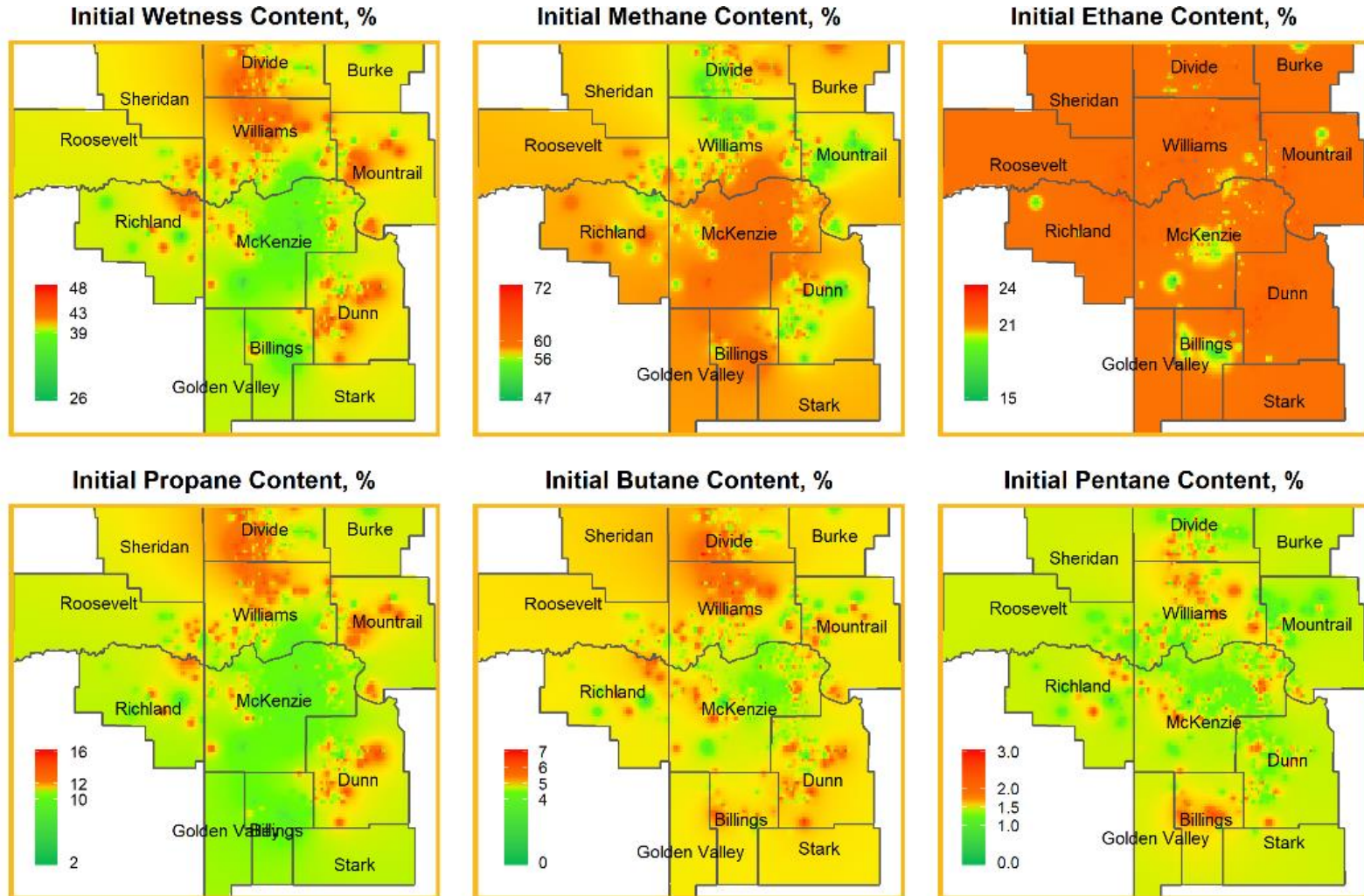


# Gas Compositions During Initial Well Production

Spatial distribution of methane, ethane, propane and wetness levels (mol %) during the initial stages of well production

## Spatial Patterns

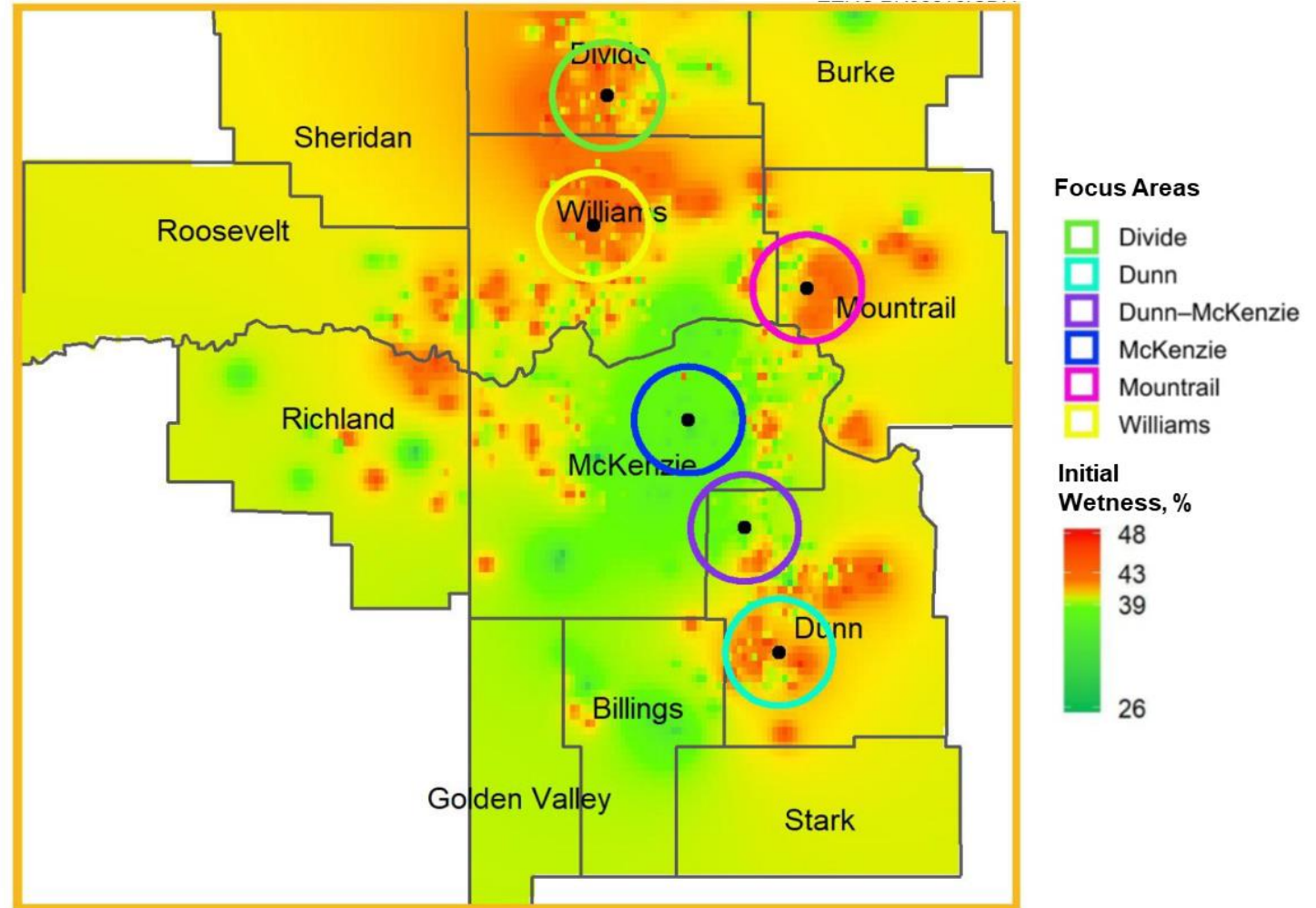
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# Temporal Analysis

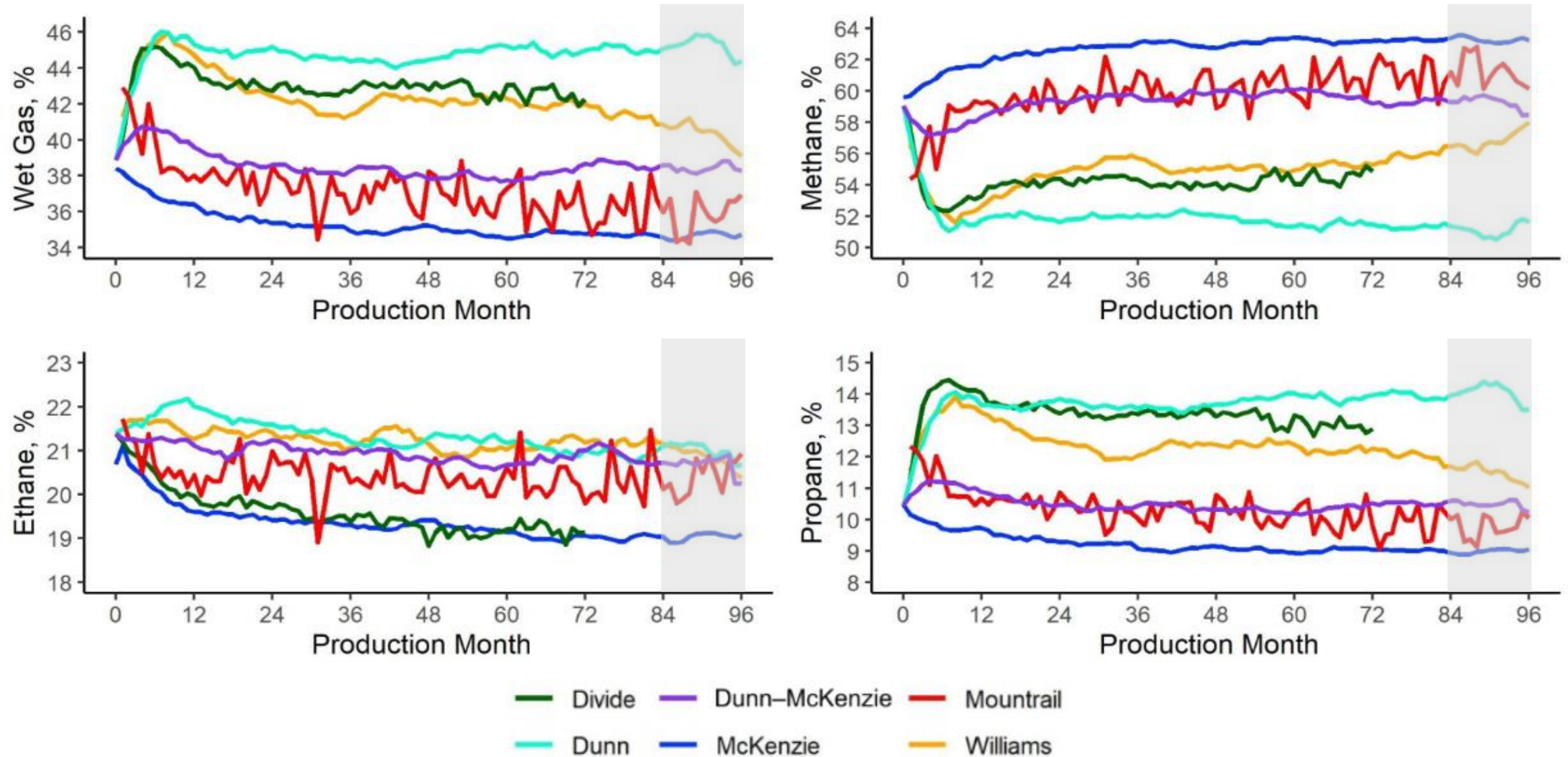
## Locations

- Gas composition data from wells located in six areas were evaluated for temporal trends in gas composition.
- Very few wells had complete time-series data, thus data from multiple wells located within the circled areas were aggregated based on production month.



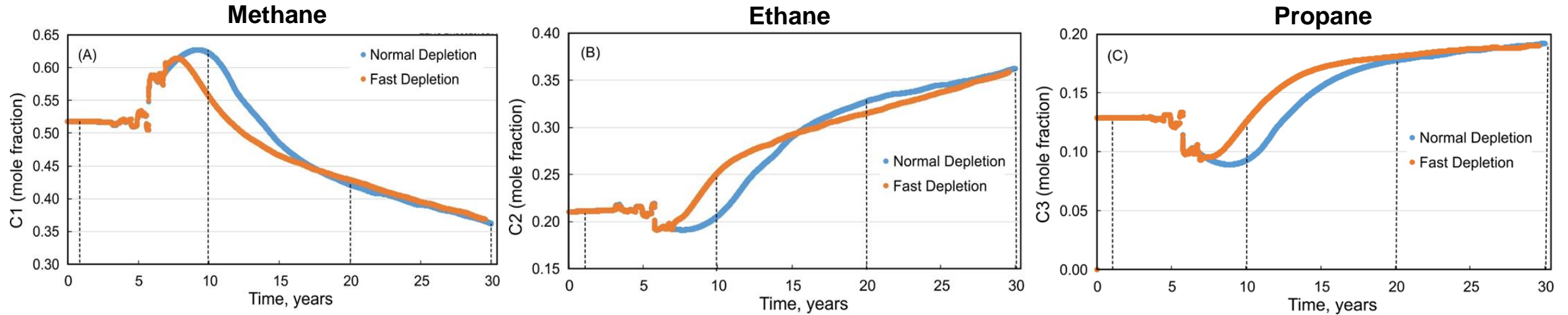


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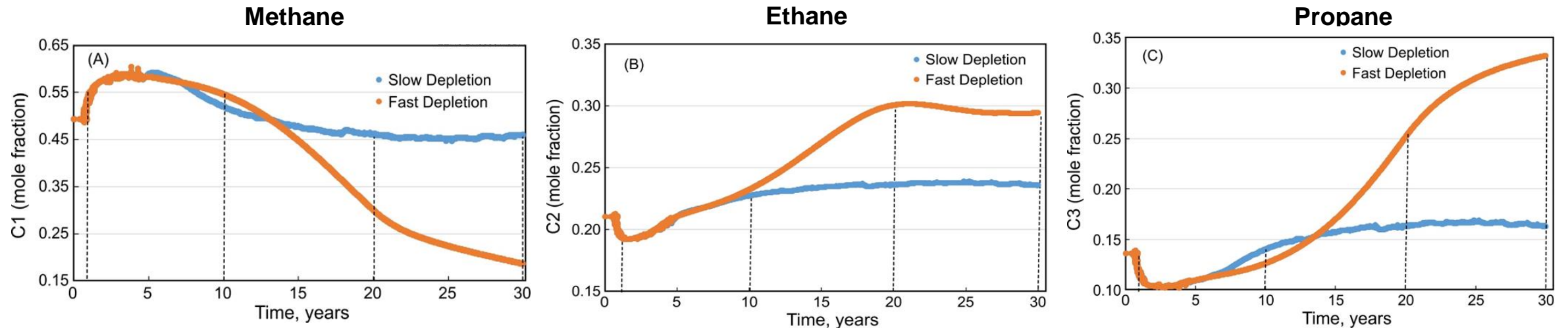


# Predicted Gas Composition Change: Primary Production

Gas composition change in the MB well over 30 years of normal and fast pressure depletion

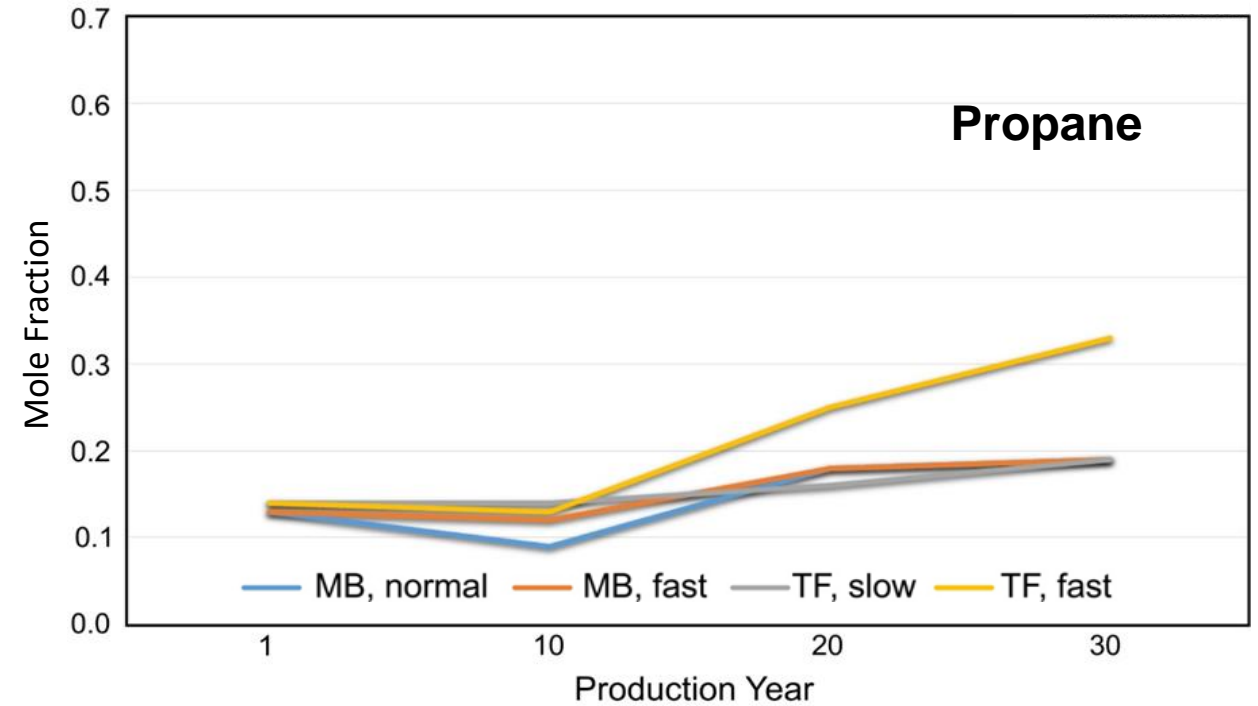
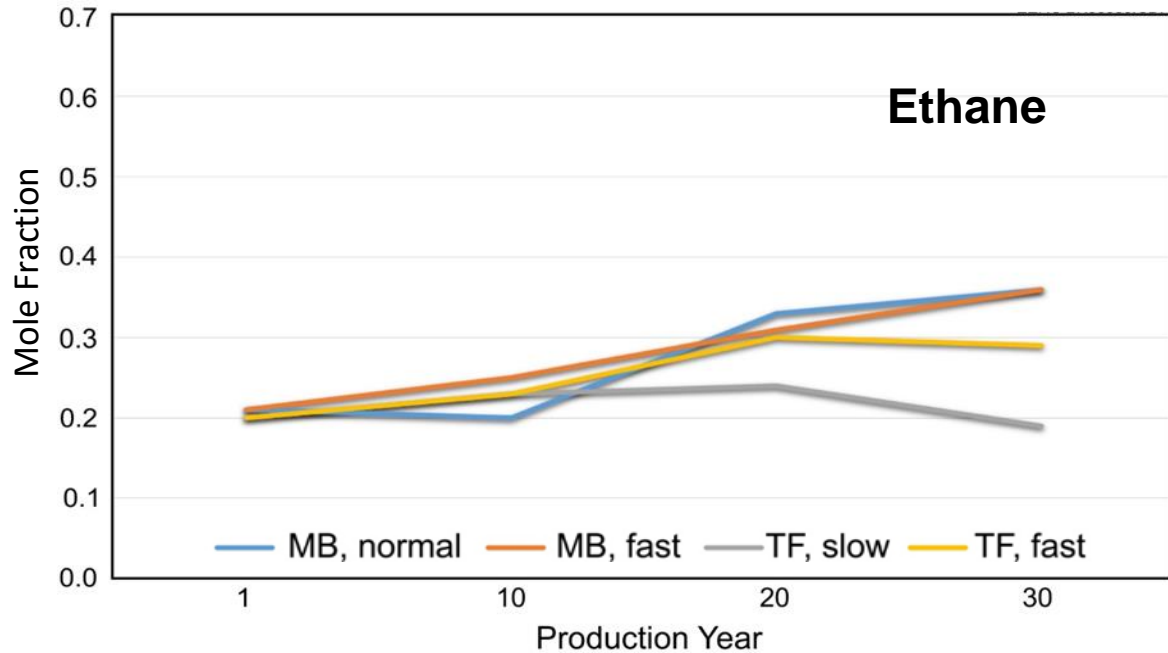
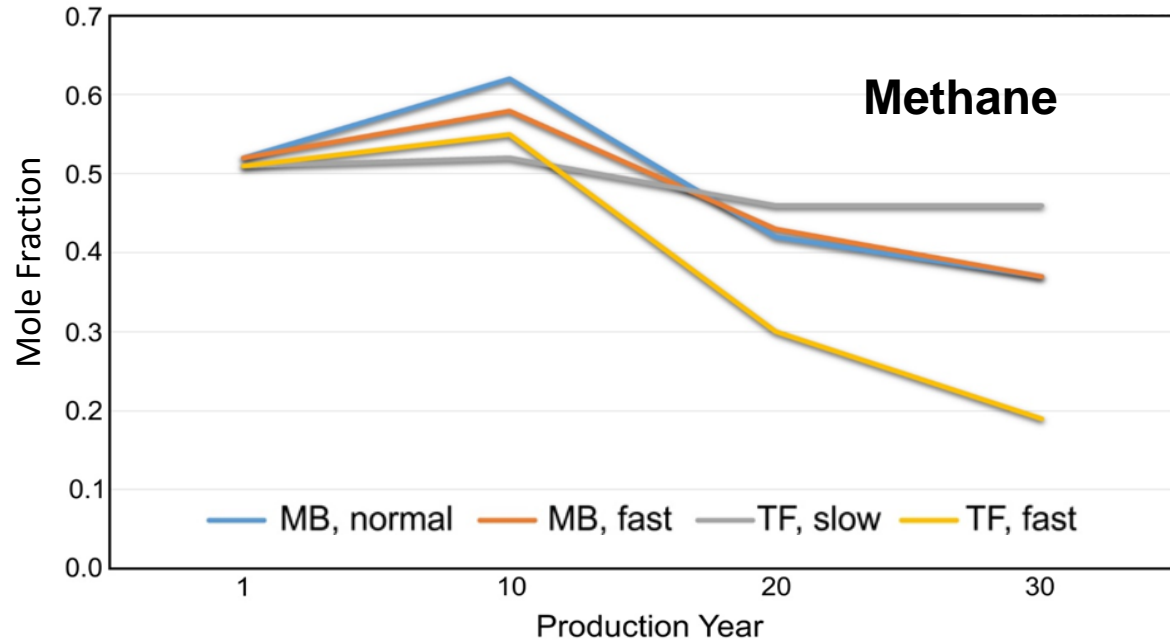


Gas composition change in the TF well over 30 years of slow and fast pressure depletion



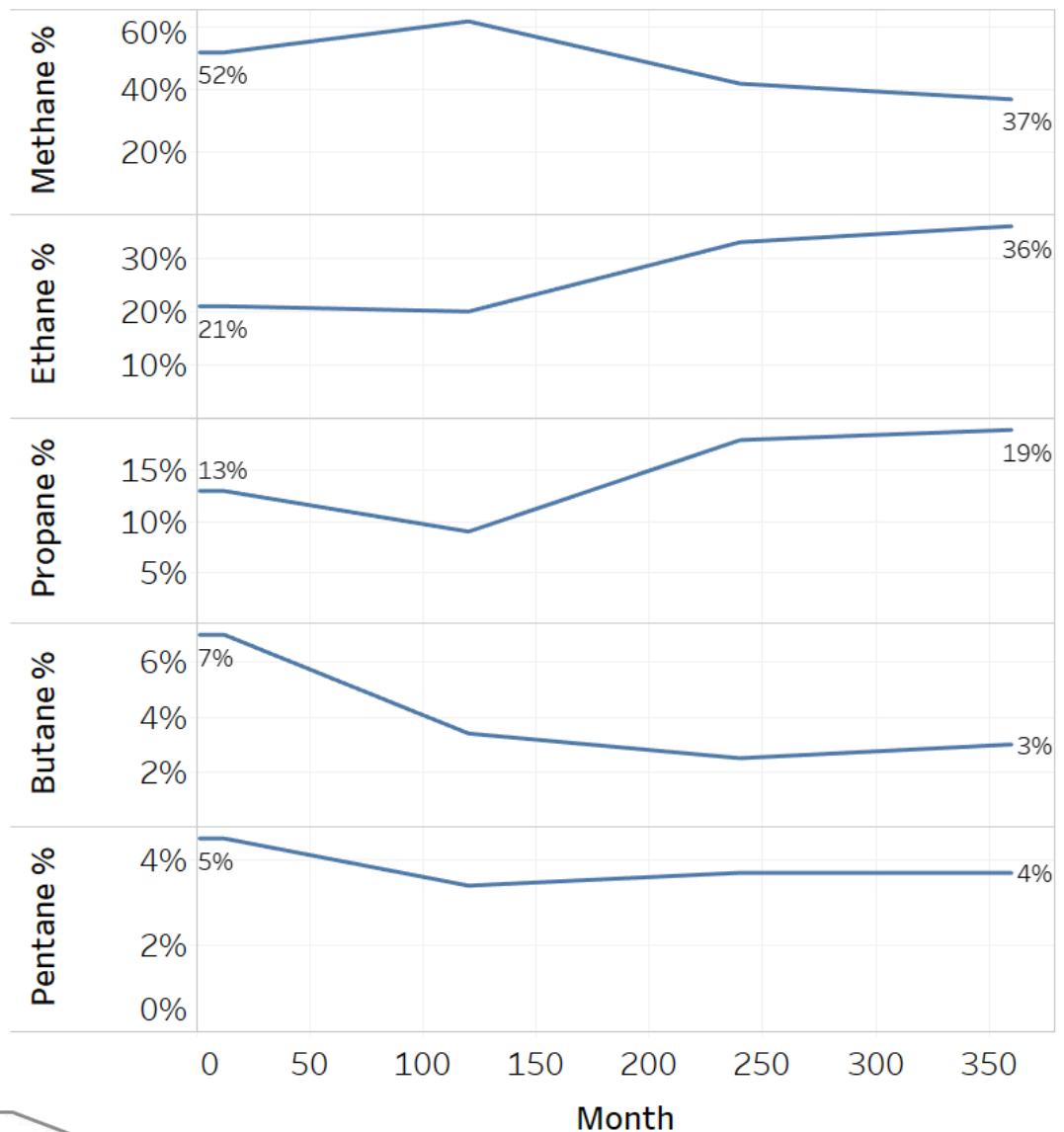


# Forecast of Future Gas Compositions

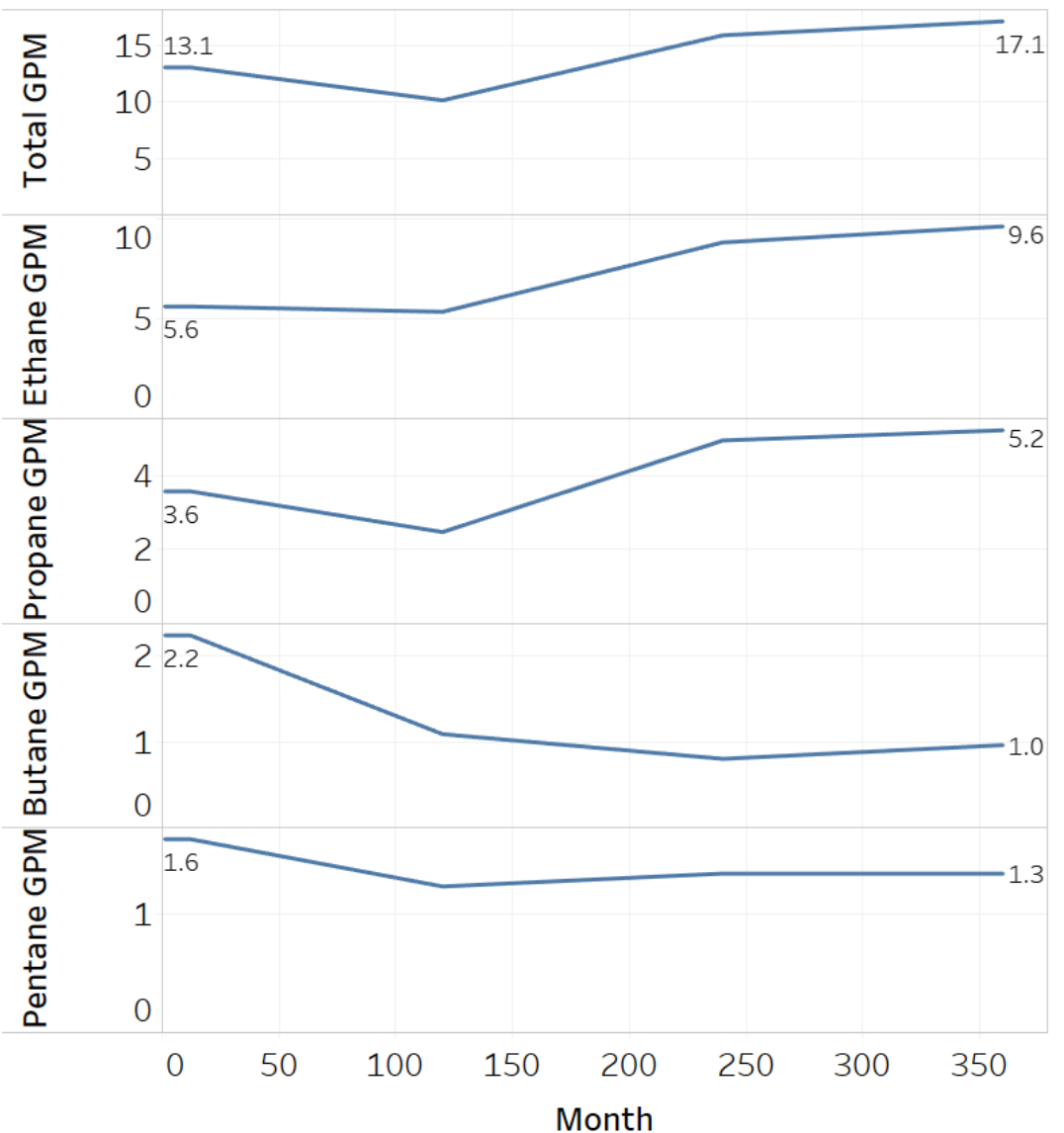


# Overview of NGL Chemistry Study – Middle Bakken

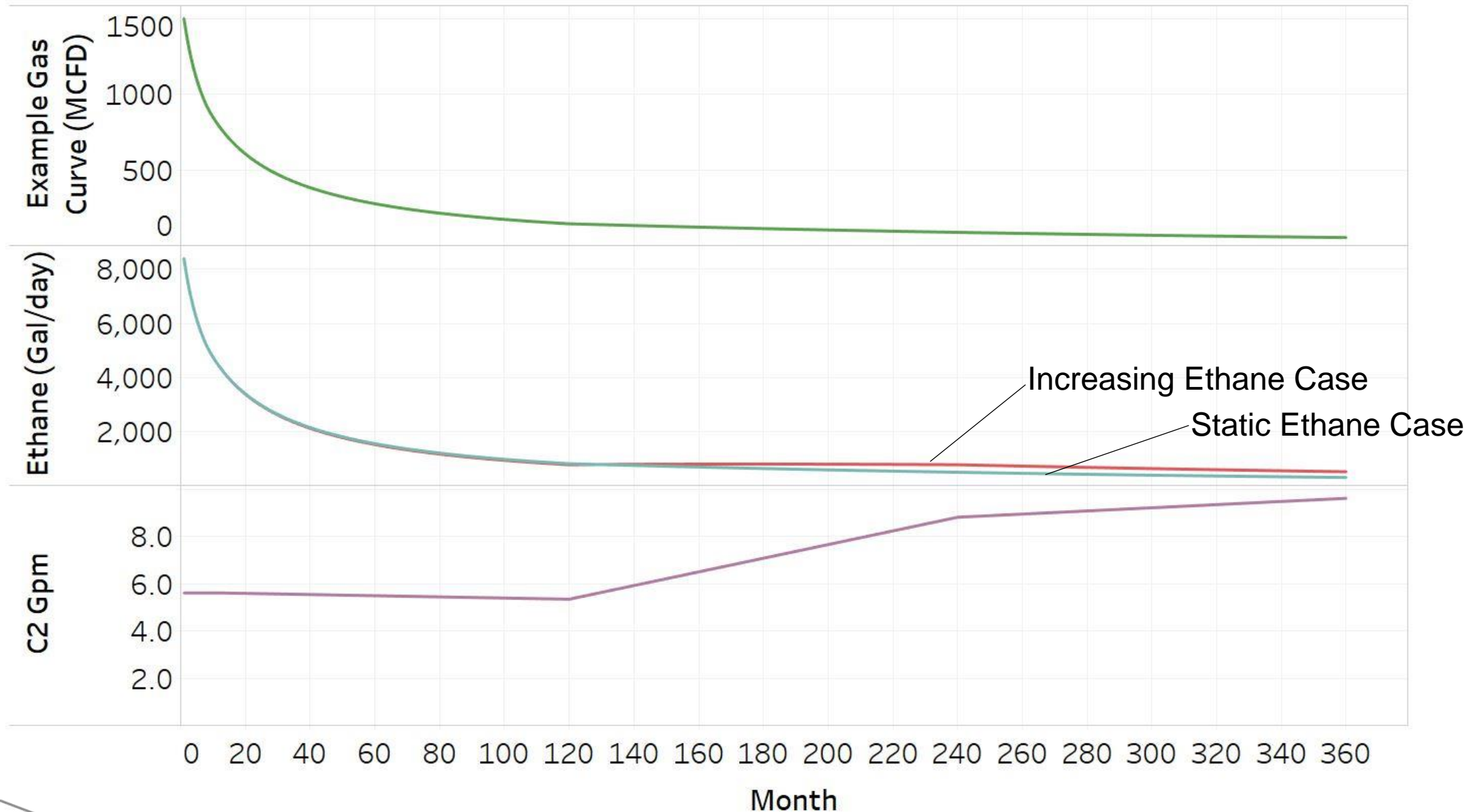
Gas Composition - Middle Bakken - Mole %



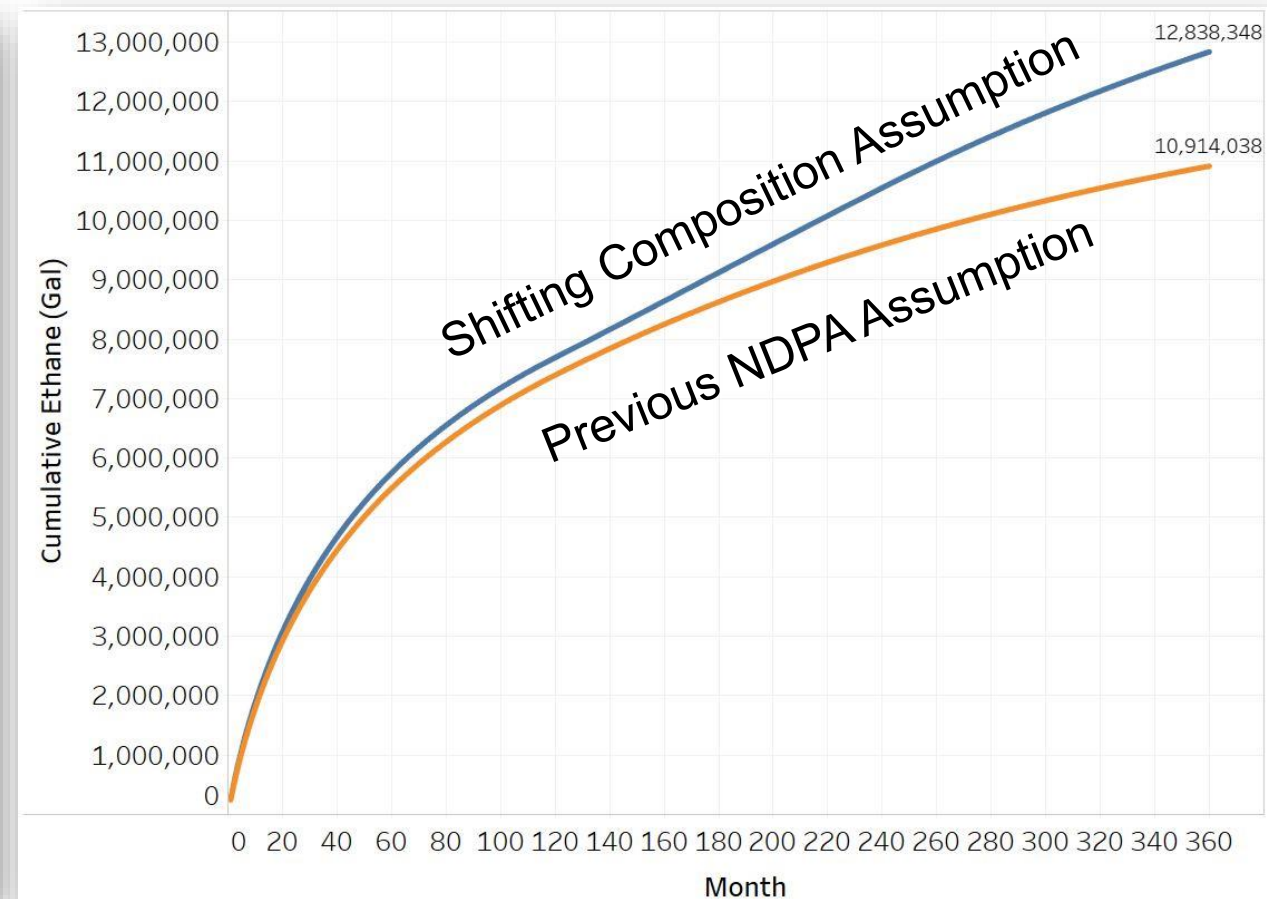
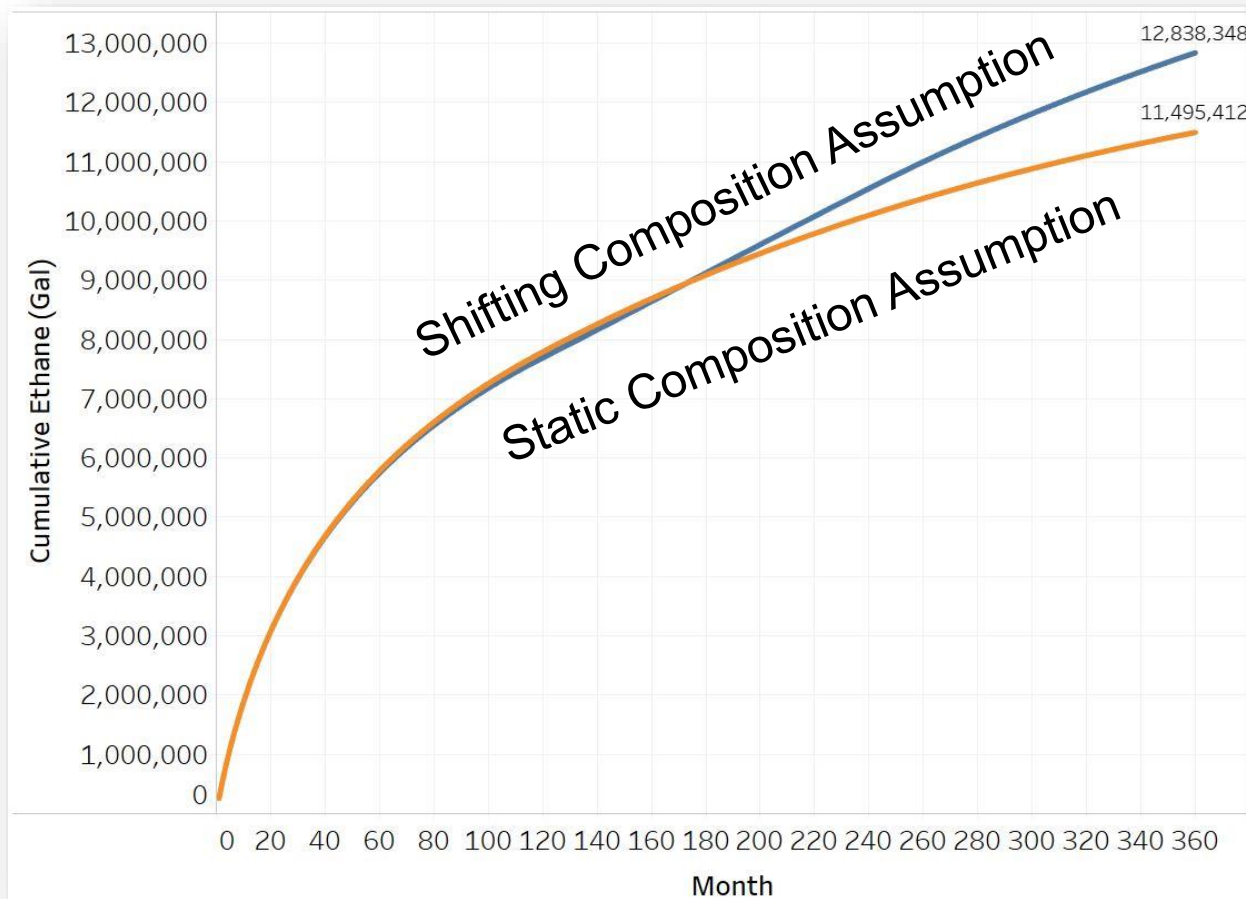
Liquids Content - Gallons per MCF (GPM)



# Estimates Using NGL Chemistry Study – Middle Bakken



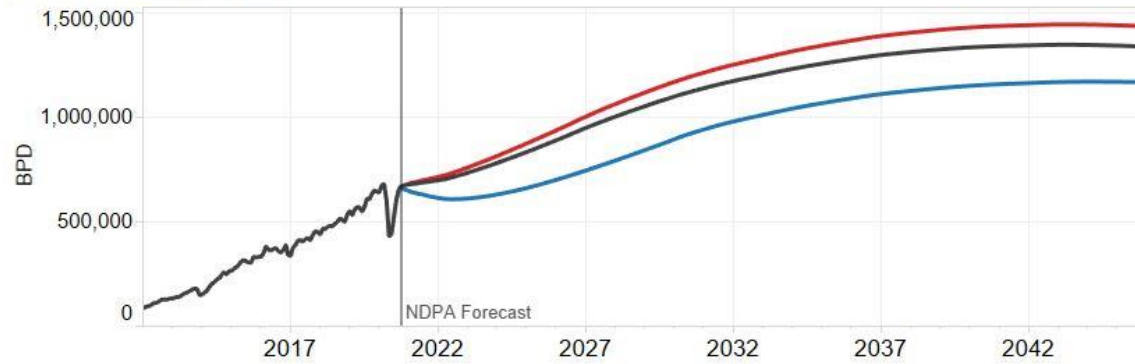
# Cumulative Ethane Production Comparisons



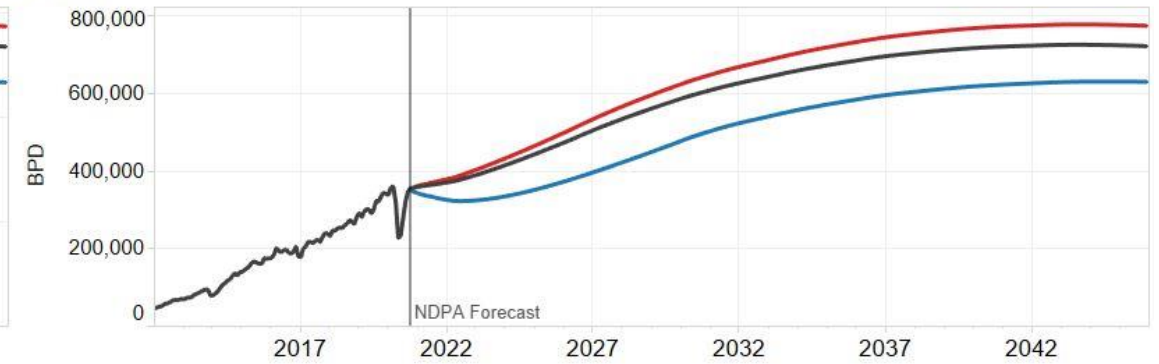


# North Dakota Captured\* NGL's

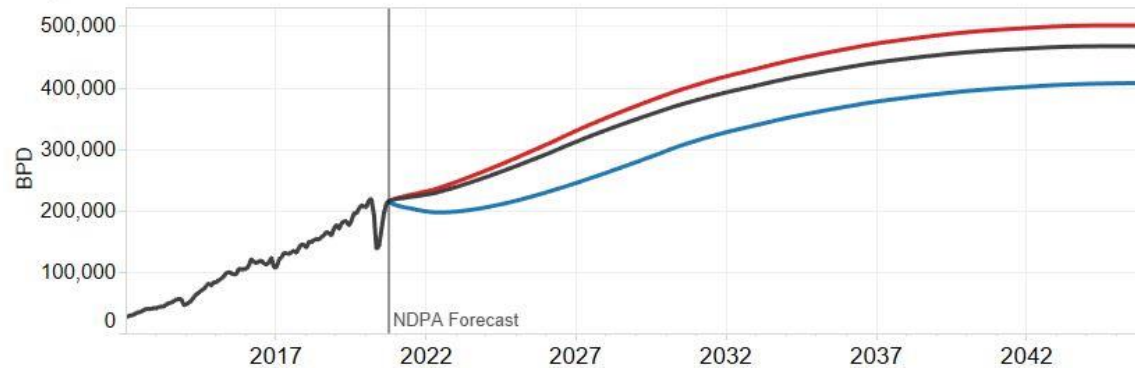
All Natural Gas Liquids



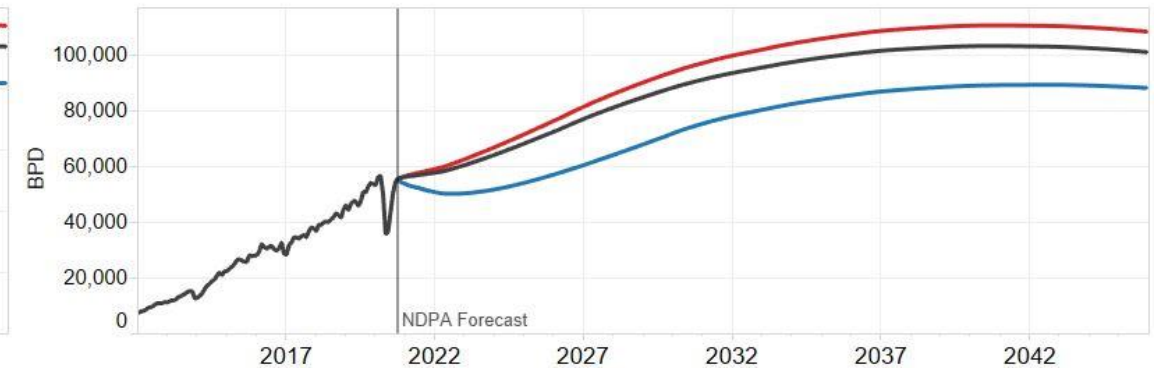
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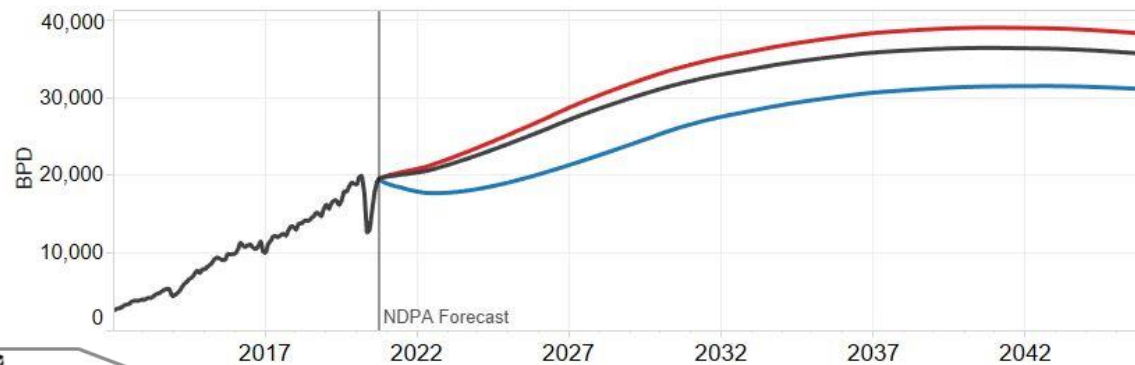
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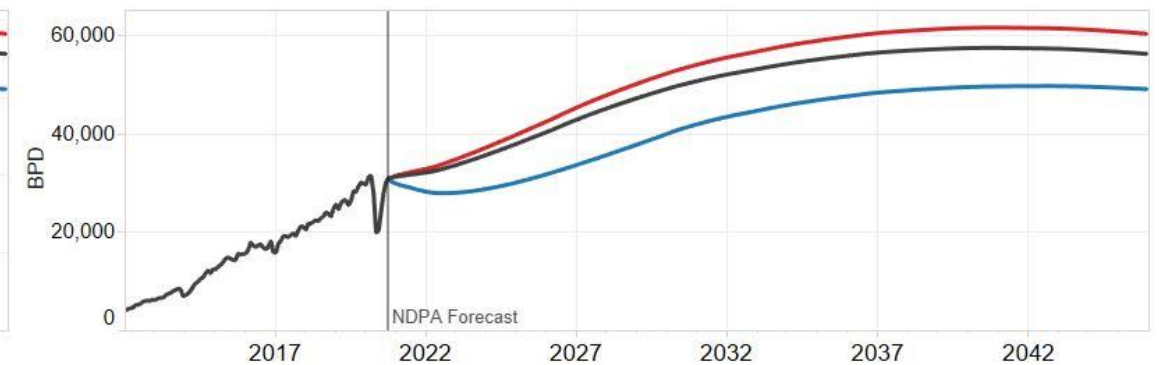
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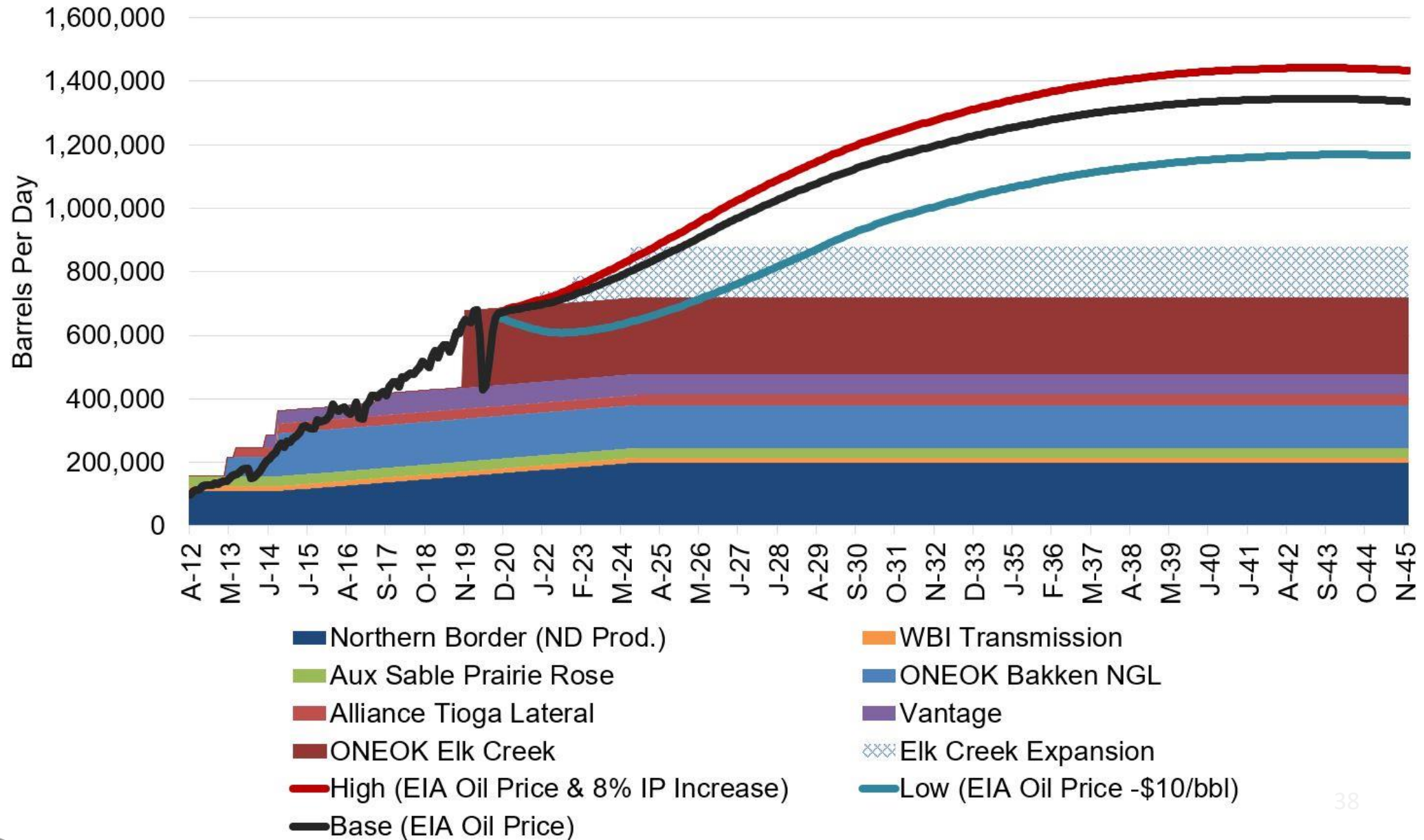
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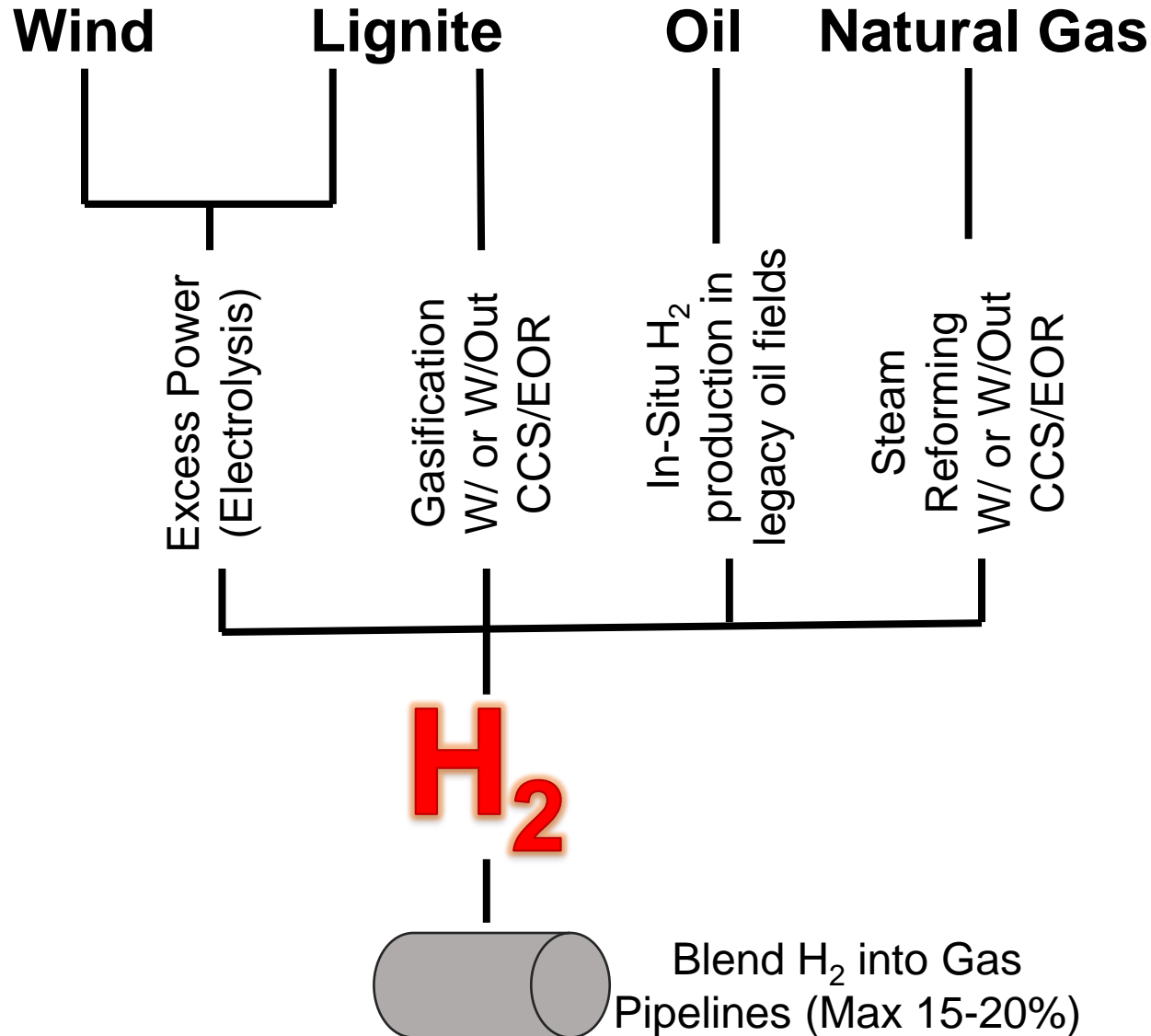
Natural Gasoline



# NGL Pipeline Takeaway Options



# Exploring Hydrogen Solutions



## Electric Generation

- Large and Immediate Market for Excess Power in Regional Pipelines
- Excess Electrons Sold for H<sub>2</sub> BTU Value in Gas Markets
- Gas Pipelines Could Support Intermittent Deliveries
- Gasification Options for Lignite



## Gas Pipelines & Petroleum

- Lowers Pipeline BTU
- Possible Support for Expansion Efforts
- Gas Marketing Advantages with Renewable or Carbon-Free Sources of H<sub>2</sub>
- In-situ H<sub>2</sub> production in legacy fields
- Natural Gas Steam Reforming W/CCS or EOR Options



## North Dakota

- Grows the "Energy Pie"
- Supports Current and Future Jobs
- First Step in Hydrogen Bridge for New Industries (Petchem, Fertilizer, Renewable Natural Gas, vehicles, etc.)
- ESG Benefits?



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