# CARBON CAPTURE AND STORAGE IN THE CAMBRIAN AND ORDOVICIAN STRATA OF THE ILLINOIS BASIN, USA

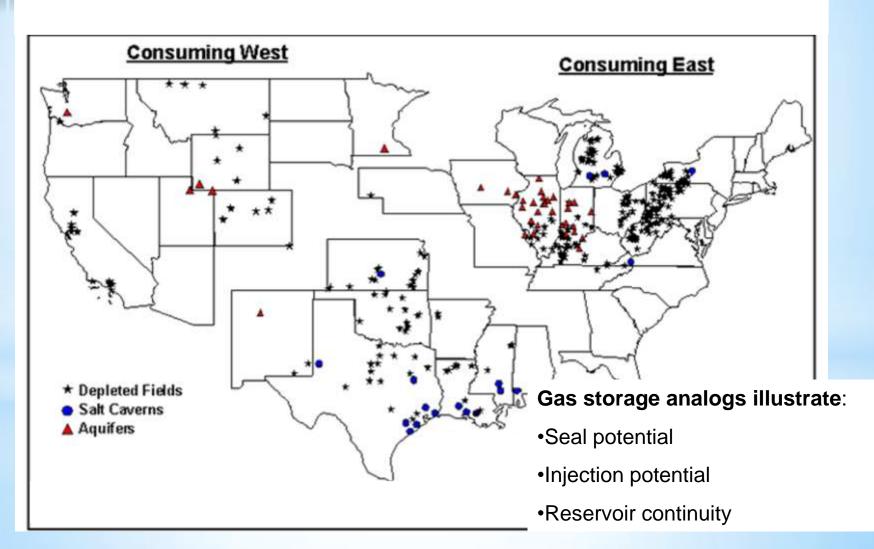
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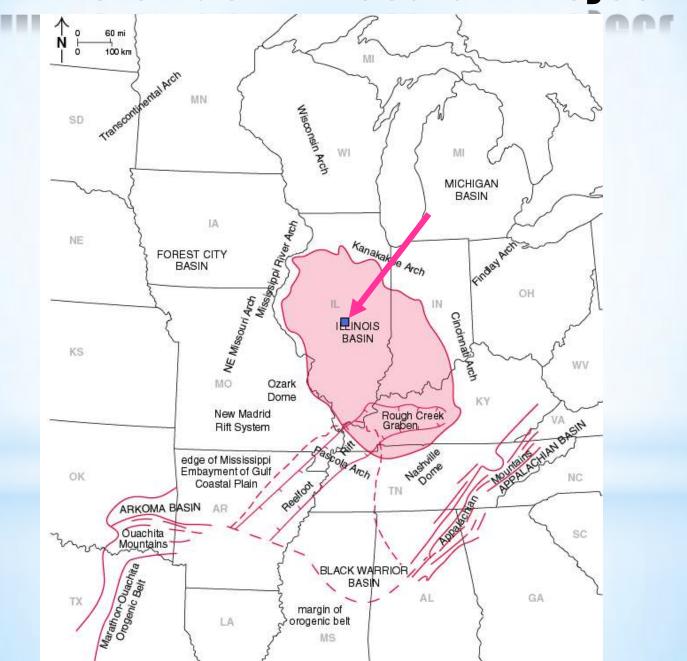
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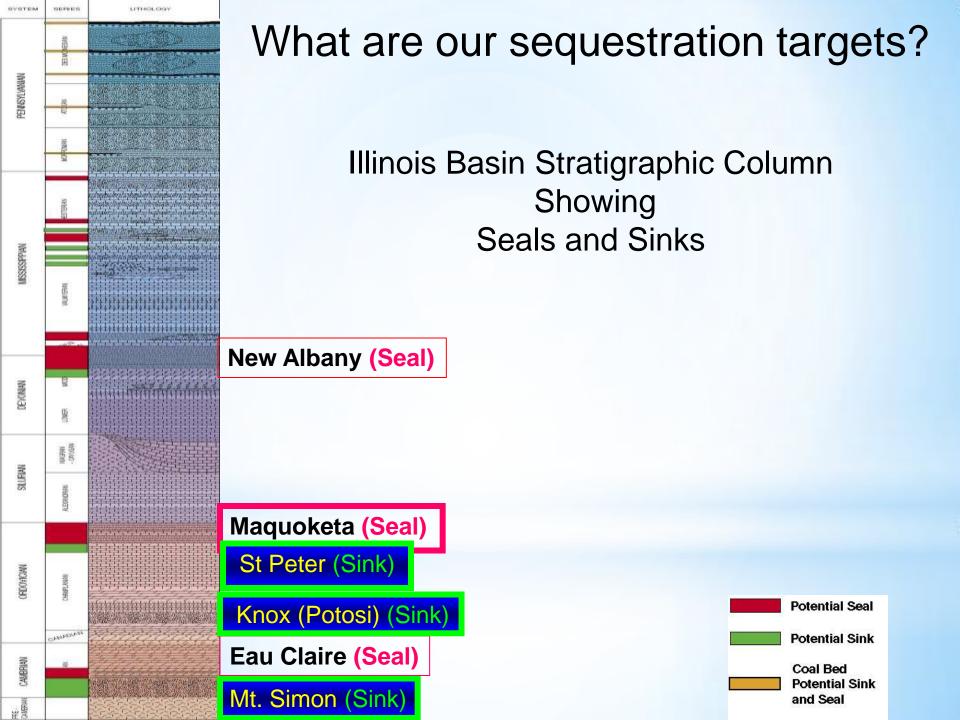
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### Illinois Basin has the Largest Concentration of Saline Natural Gas Storage Reservoirs in the US



### Illinois Basin - Decatur Project



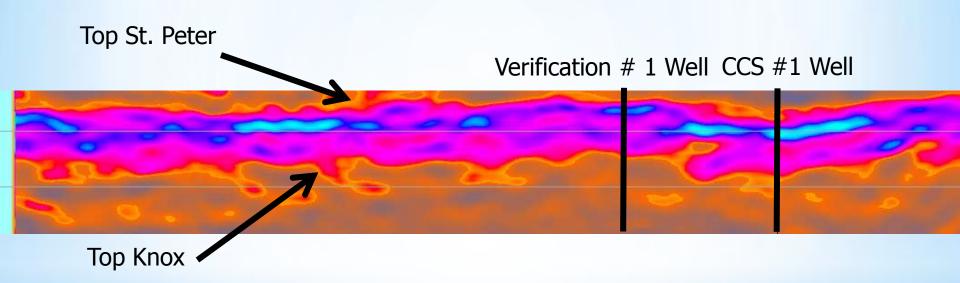


### Why these Formations?

- Mt. Simon is a regional sandstone that underlies most of the Midwest of the United States
- Knox is regionally widespread at supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> depths, yet shallower than the Mount Simon
- St. Peter Sandstone has significant thickness and porosity in both the Michigan and Illinois Basins

### St. Peter Sandstone

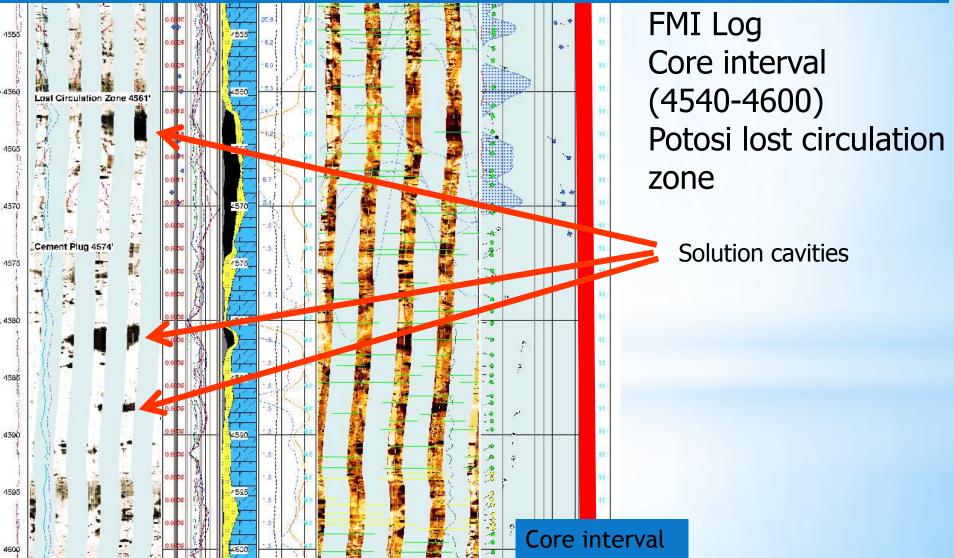
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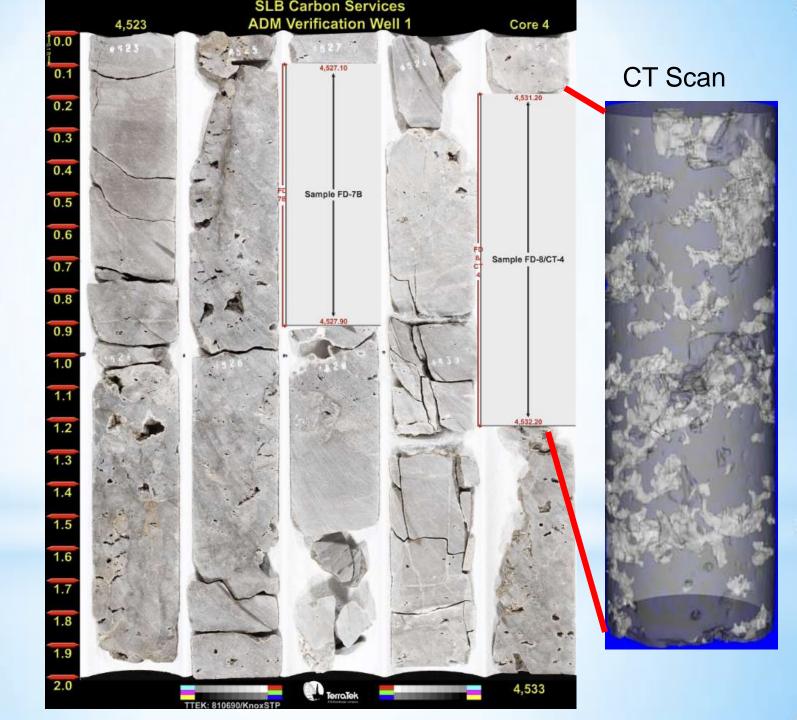
Top is 20 feet on seismic

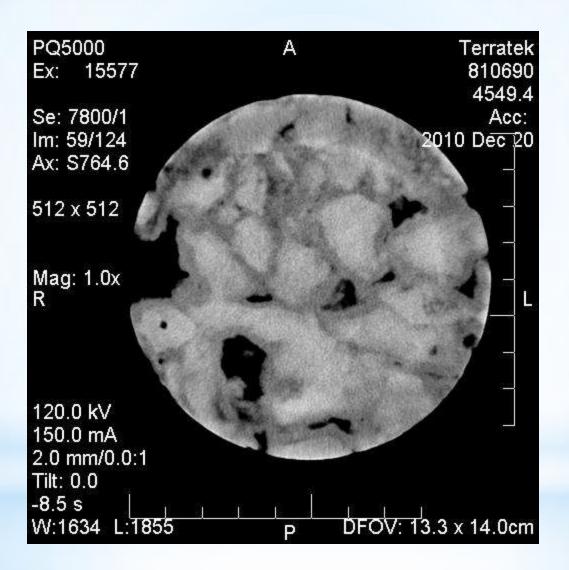
### Potosi Interval

## 4513 - 4544 cut 31 feet recovered 29 ½ 4544 - 4599 cut 15 feet recovered 11 ½ Lost almost 400 barrels of mud during coring



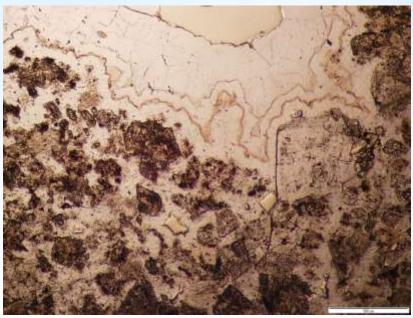
### **Potosi**



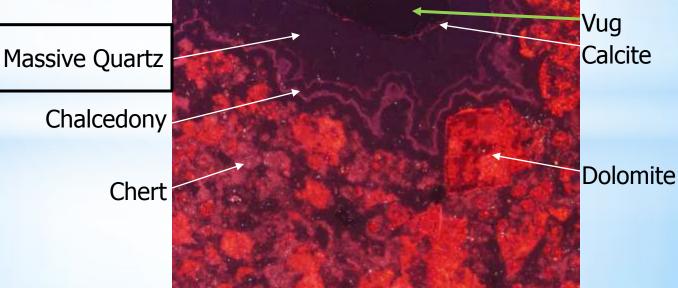


### **Potosi Dolomite Depth 4533.9**′

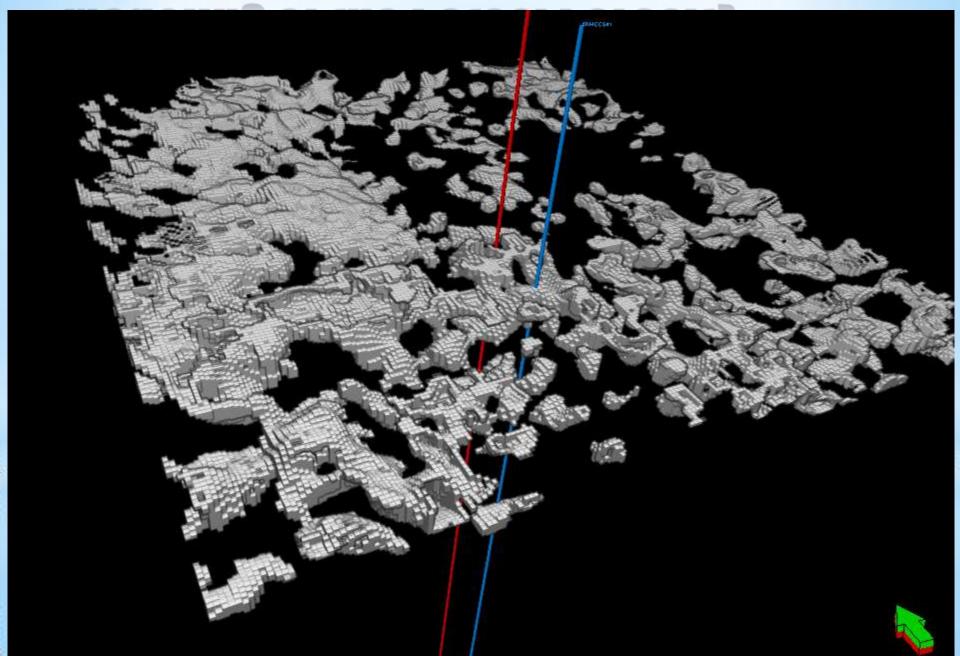
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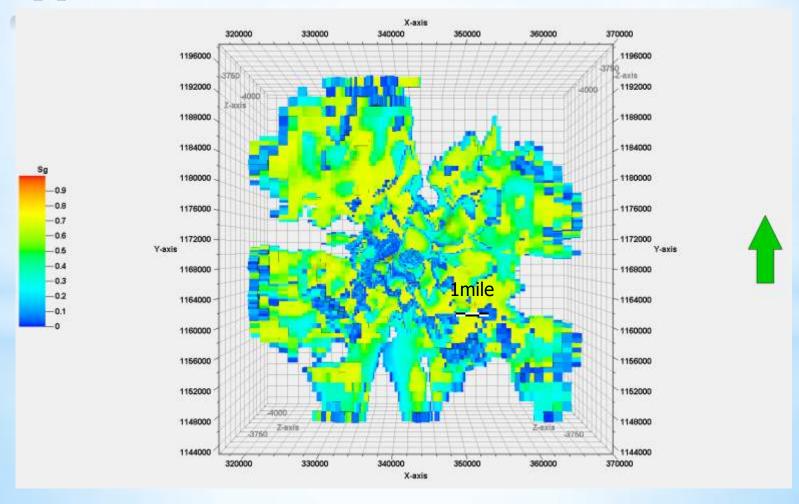
**Cathodoluminescent Light** 



### **Modeling of the Potosi Porosity**



# Geostatistical reservoir model. ${\rm CO_2}$ plume plan view at the end of 20 years with an approximate radius of 5 miles

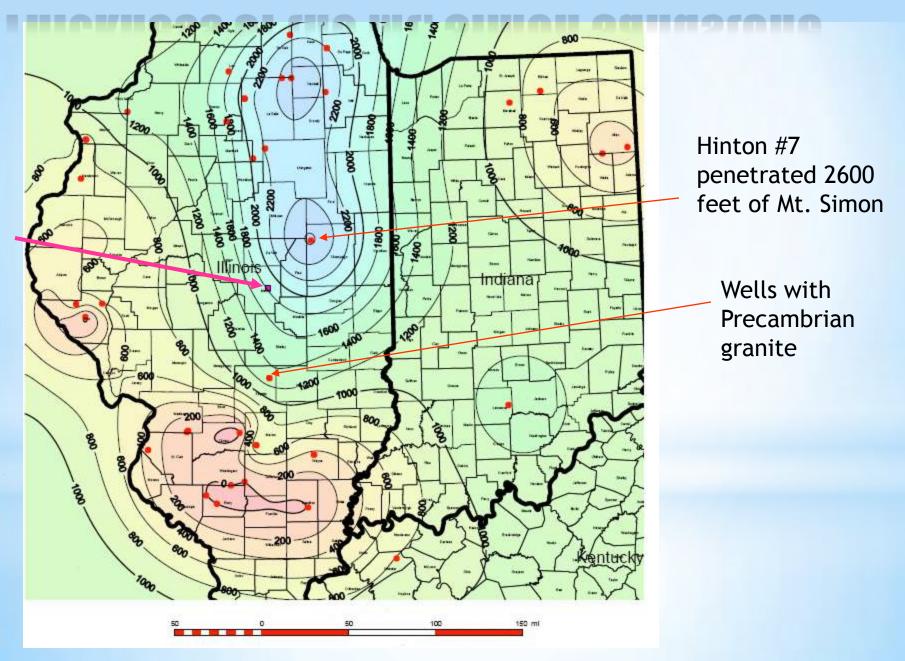


## Reservoir Simulation of $\mathbf{CO}_2$ injection into the Knox

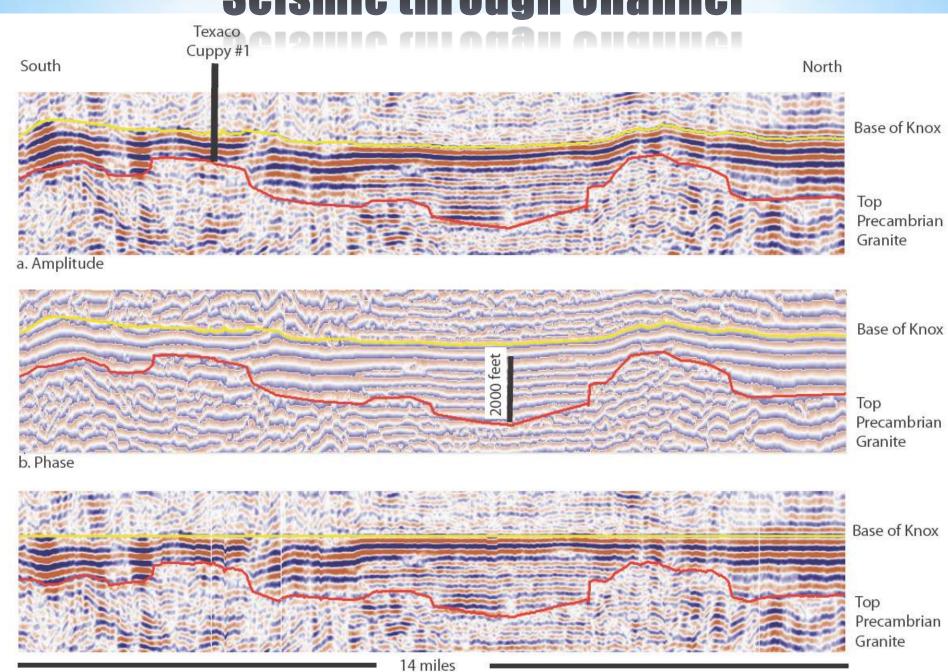
 Plume diameter will be difficult to predict because the CO<sub>2</sub> will follow the solution cavities and could move at a rapid pace through the subsurface

### Mt. Simon Sandstone

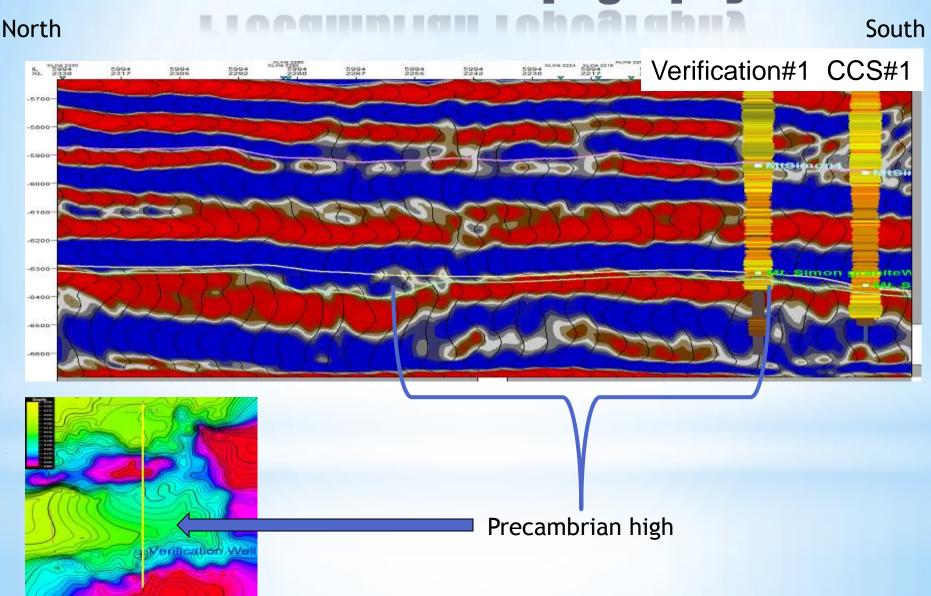
#### Thickness of the Mt. Simon Sandstone



### Seismic through Channel

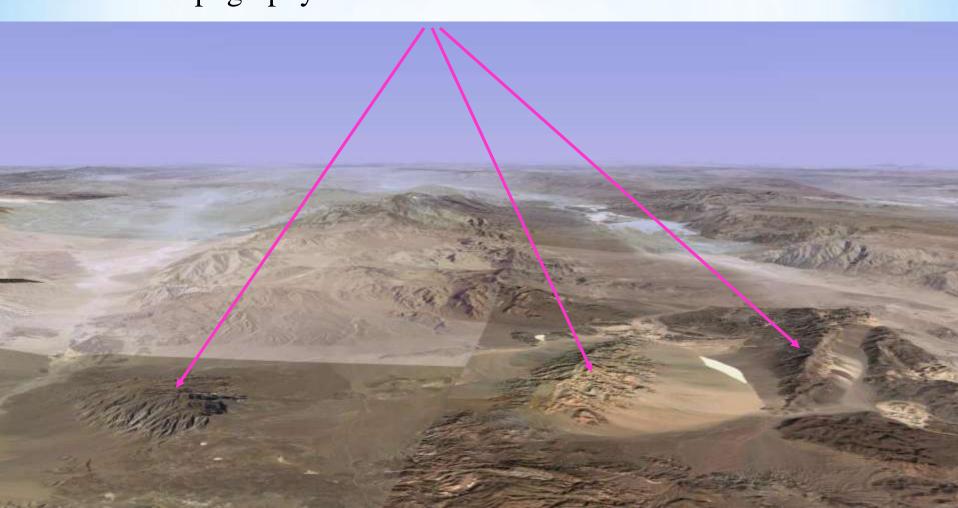


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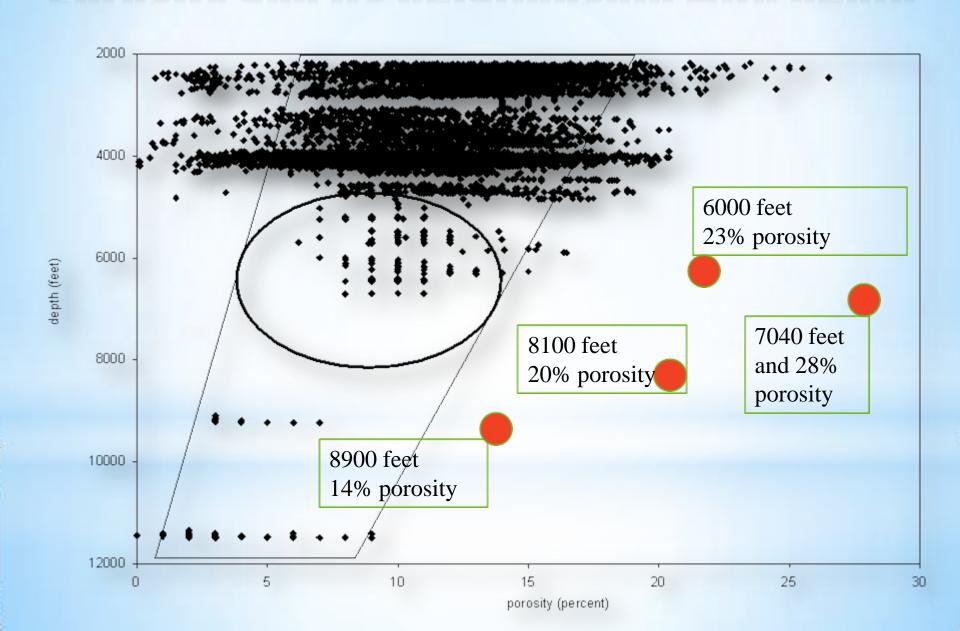


### Death Valley Analog

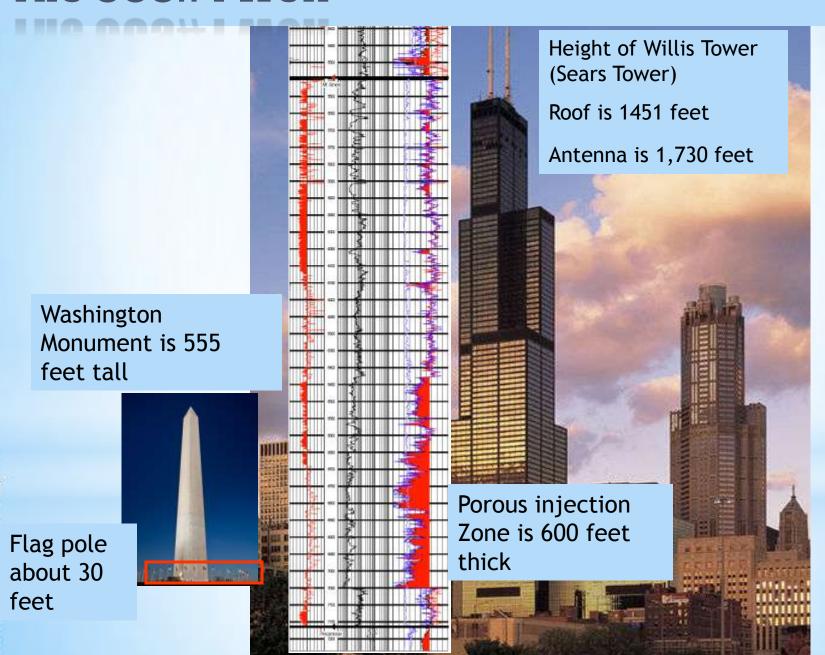
Topography that could become buried hills

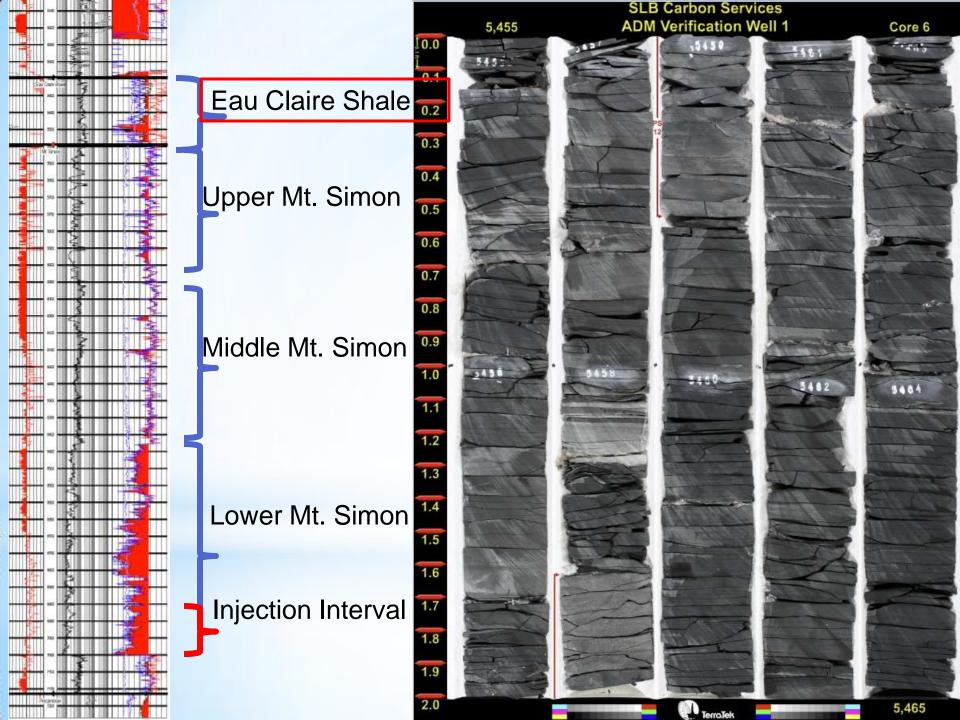


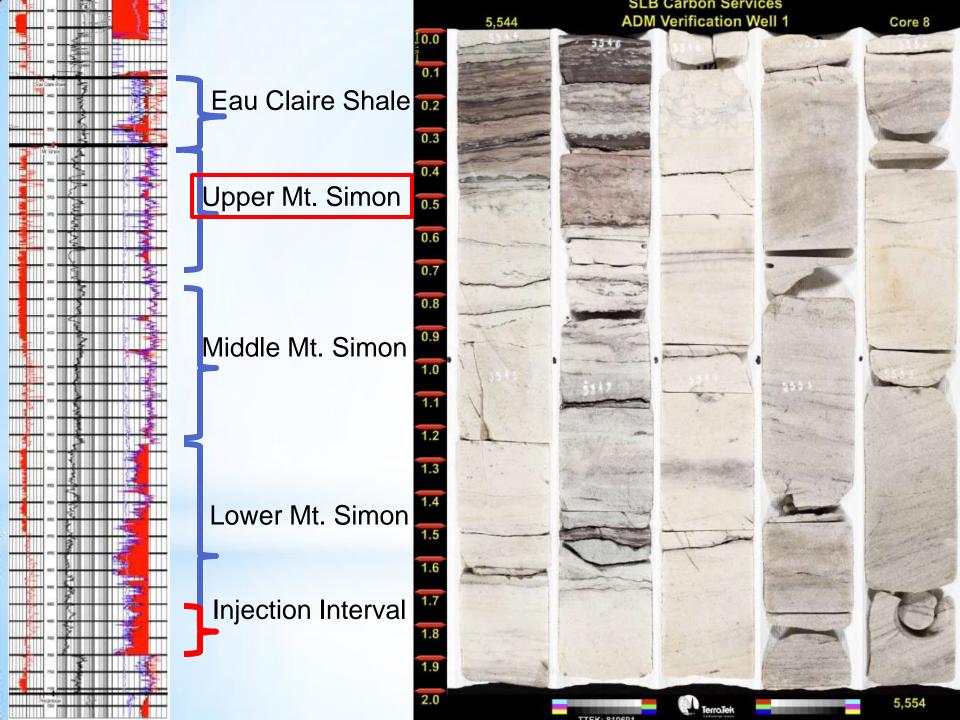
### **Porosity and its Relationship with Depth**

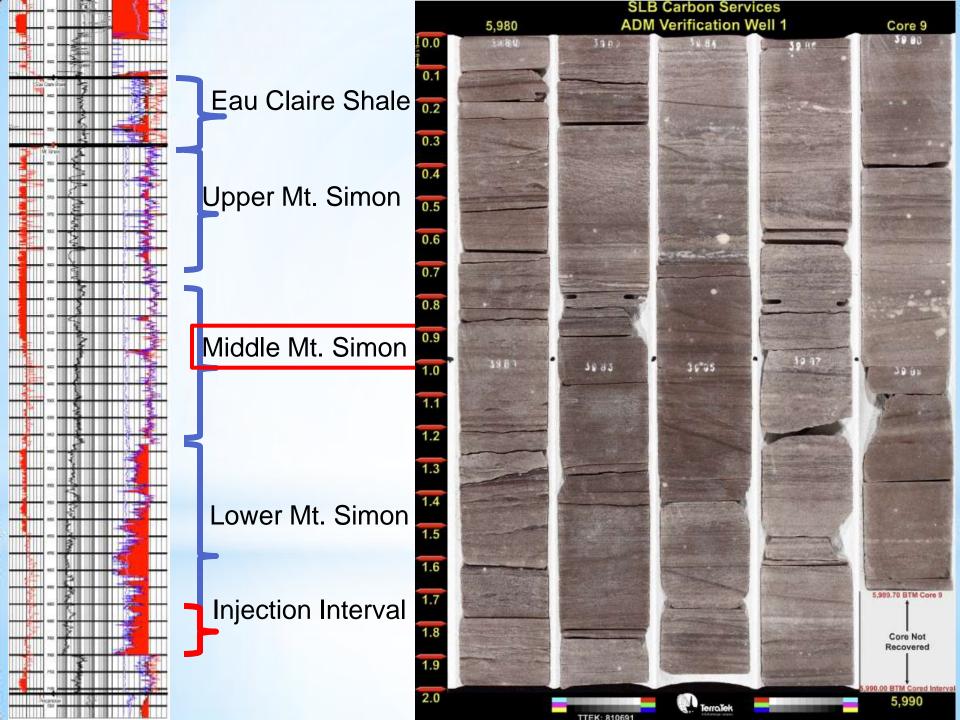


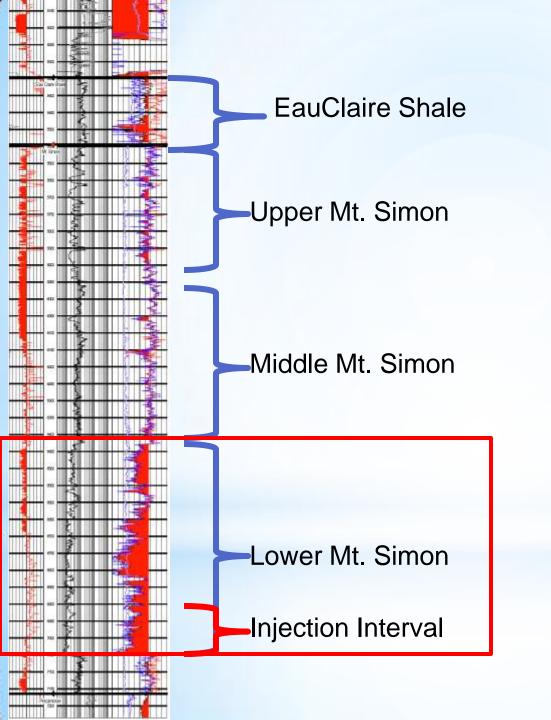
#### The CCS#1 Well





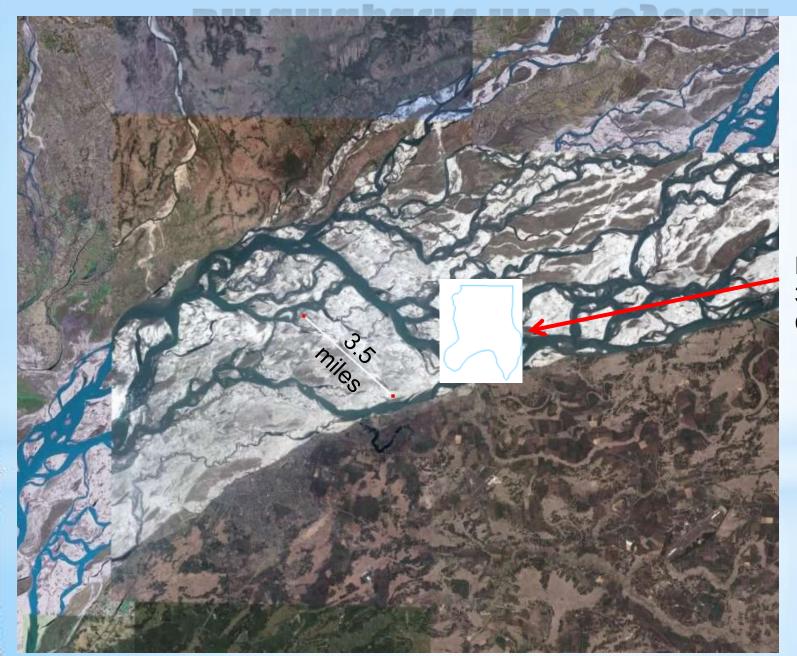




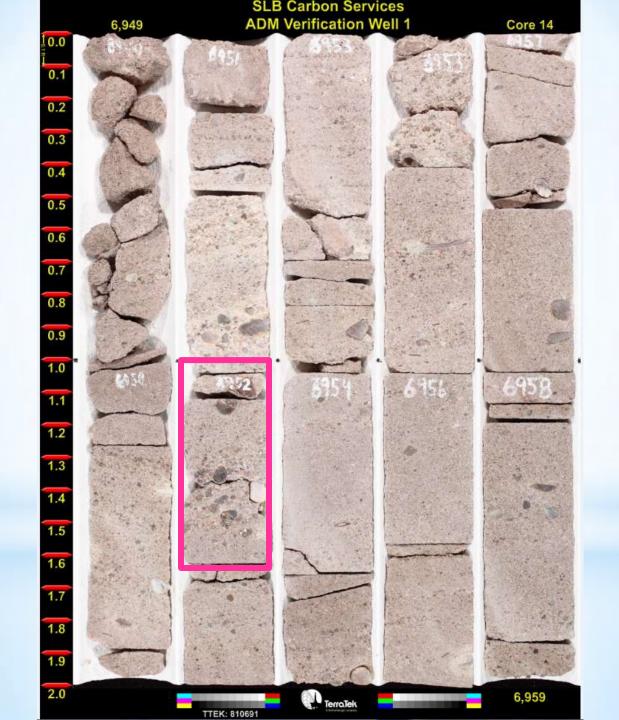


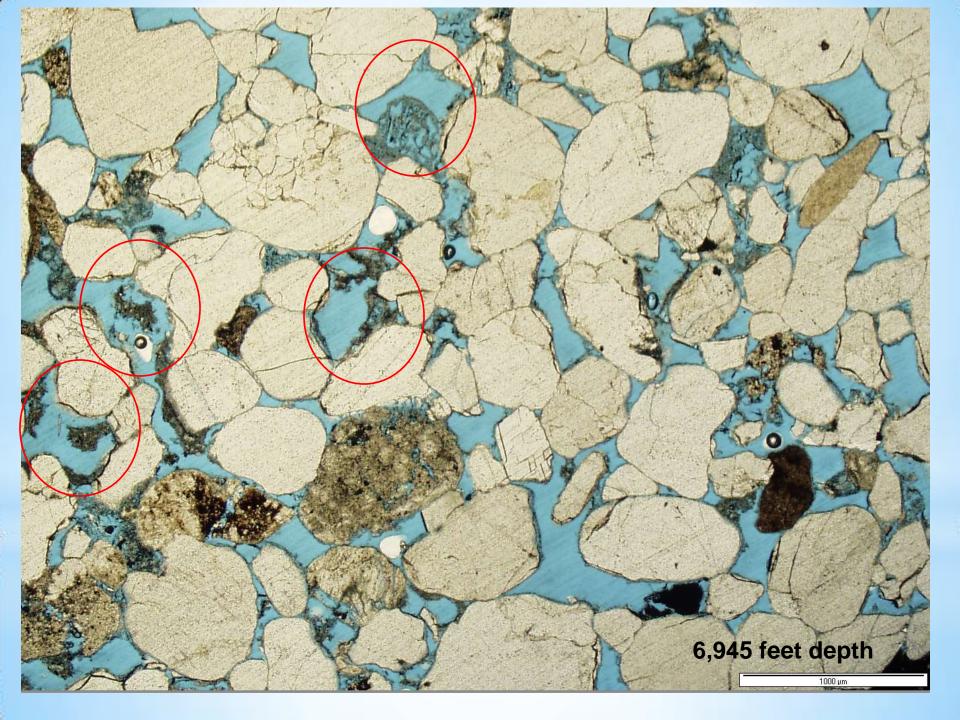
### Geology of the Lower Mt. Simon

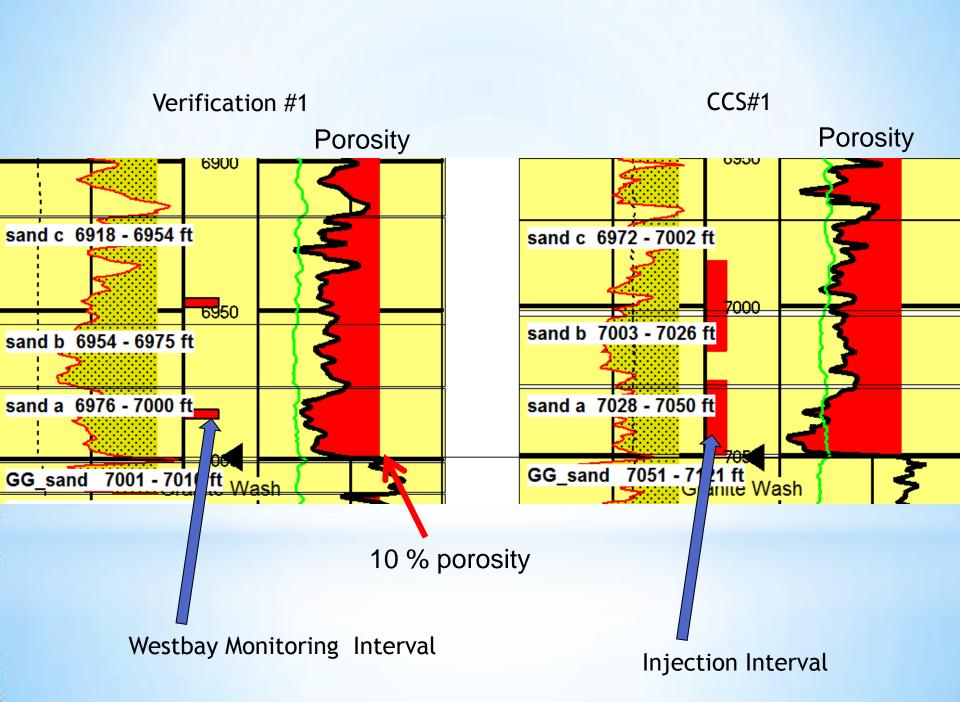
### **Bhramaputra River System**



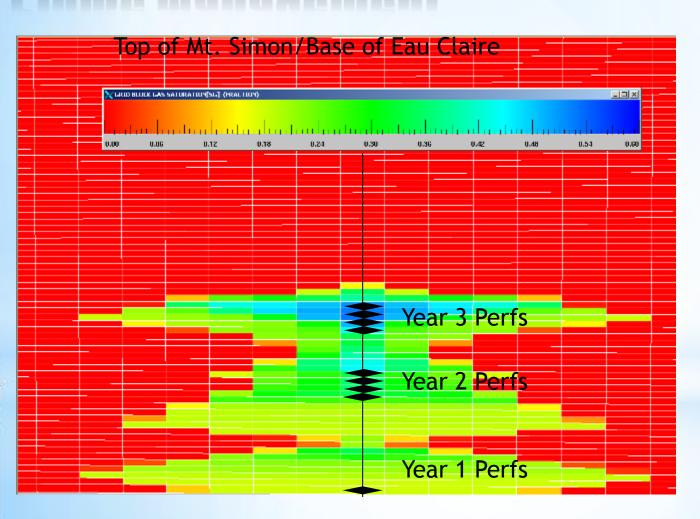
Decatur Site 3D Seismic Coverage







## Reservoir Model: Forecasts Plume Management



Perforation Strategy:

Perforate bottom to top in annual increments

Cell size: 220 x 220 x 15 ft



- Exactly one week ago we started injection of 1000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> into the Mt. Simon at the Illinois Basin Decatur Site.
- Both the St. Peter and Potosi are potential targets for carbon sequestration







### Schlumberger Carbon Services



