Becoming a global hydrogen hub

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Pre-2014 oil price collapse, Houston enjoyed advantaged economic growth vs. peer cities and the overall US economy



Note(s): Per Capita Net Earnings adjusted using US Bureau of Labor Statistics Inflation Calculator Source(s): US Bureau of Economic Analysis





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Upstream oil and gas has been the primary catalyst for Houston's growth advantage

Houston Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) and US per capita net earnings drivers



The multiplier effect:

- Economic impacts vary by job type
- Job functions requiring driving inputs from manufacturing, services, construction etc. have higher economic impact

Source(s): Dr. Bill Gilmer from the U of H Institute for Regional Forecasting (model back-tested to 1996)







However, it is unlikely Houston can sustain economic outperformance by relying solely on O&G industry growth



Houston MSA oil and gas related jobs versus peak quarter

Source(s): US Bureau of Labor Statistics; The Institute for Regional Forecasting





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Moving forward, Industry diversification will be required to supplement Houston's O&G base economy

| Scenario (Houston GDP growth) | Diversification | Implication |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|---|
| High risk (lag peer cities) | Limited | Assuming the oil and gas rebound does not occur and Houston MSA does not diversify, economic performance will lag the general economy and peer cities |
| Keeping up (match peer cities) | Selective | Limited diversification - arguably the current path - even with continued petrochemicals exports and modest oil and gas recovery, will at best leave the Houston MSA in a parity situation with peer cities and the overall US economy |
| Return to | Significant | Without sustained oil and gas cyclical upside, more significant business diversification will be required to return |









High multiplier sector diversification options exist where Houston has the rights to win, and lead the Energy Transition

High job multiplier sector diversification options:



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Our project sought to develop a customized roadmap to enter and scale clean H2 in greater Houston

Project scope & Objectives

- Summarize how Houston area can leverage its unique assets to enter clean blue and green H2 production
- Identify and prioritize the most advantaged H2 end markets to create new blue and green chains
- Develop a phased roadmap to scale the use of clean H2 and a view/vision of H2 in the Houston energy system
- Identify next steps and key collaborators to operationalize advantaged blue and green H2 chains





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Key Findings

- Global decarbonization momentum is growing, catalyzing substantial global H2 market expansion of \$800 billion by 2050, as part of H2 gas plus related technologies market of \$2.5 trillion
- The Houston area is poised to lead H2's growth in the energy system
 - World leading existing H2 system positioned to bring H2 to market, at-scale, quickly
 - Opportunity to create a green H2 industry over time by leveraging significant low cost renewable power and storage synergies
- There are four immediate initiatives to launch Houston area blue and green H2 market opportunities:
 - Launch heavy trucking
 - Clean existing H2 system (via CCUS)
 - Exploit seasonal storage
 - Pilot long duration storage
- Long term, Houston has opportunity to become a local, national, and global flywheel for H2 penetration into heavy industrial markets
- Kick starting the H2 economy and exploiting Houston's advantages to globalize its leadership in H2, becoming a global H2 hub, will require targeted policy and funding commitments be made in short order

Notes: CCUS refers to carbon capture, usage, and storage







There is snowballing momentum to decarbonize, with hydrogen potentially playing a unique and critical role



For example, Germany issued a decarbonization strategy featuring electrification, renewables, and hydrogen

Guiding principles



• Develop offshore wind supply chain and synergize with H2 as transmission medium







A general pattern is emerging for progressing the clean H2 economy (grey to blue, expand blue, while nurturing green)



Rotterdam is transforming from a global O&G to hydrogen hub, following this grey to blue to green pattern

From - energy hub of today...

- Refining hub with distillation capacity of 1.2MBOE/D
- European gateway and logistics point, where energy commodities arrive and are distributed
- Global market clearing point (e.g., refined products, bunker fuel)

To - energy hub of tomorrow...

- Clean (blue and green) H2 production hub with integrated system
- H2 gateway and logistics point with Northwest Europe, where 20MMt tons pass through annually
- Trading market for H2 with pricing transparency

The Houston area holds an anchor position in a world class H2 system, enabling rapid, scale access to new markets

TX Gulf Coast H2 system advantages^{1,2,3}

Over 900 miles H2 pipelines (56% of US; 32% of global)

~3.4MMt of H2 produced annually largely through steam methane reformation (34% of US; 8.5x Rotterdam)

48 H2 production plants

World's largest storage caverns for H2; adjacent to H2 network

** Existing H2 system could leverage in-place CCUS assets (e.g., Denbury pipeline) to readily add and scale CCUS to convert grey to blue H2

Notes: (1) Houston MSA defined Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Montgomery and Waller counties; (2) TX Gulf Coast includes a region from Corpus Christi, TX to Lake Charles, LA; (3) Number of global H2 plants estimated by dividing global H2 production by US avg. production per H2 plant (52k tons H2 / year) Source: H2Tools; USDOT PHMSA - National Pipeline Mapping System; Seeking Alpha; Office of US Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy; Hydrogen Europe

Additionally, TX has multiple advantages that could improve green H2 economics, supporting a green industry build out

- Low cost generation and competitive market structure
- Extensive and growing renewables (#1 wind, #2 solar by '25), increasing long-duration storage role

Notes: (1) variance for high and low prices is calculated based on summer and fall modified off peak hours (11am to 5 pm) Source: ERCOT, S&P Platts

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 High seasonal price differentials, coupled with low cost storage, enhances storage economics

Potential Houston '2050 vision': local, national, and global flywheel for H2 penetration into heavy industrial markets

A potential customized path for Houston provides a phased approach scale clean hydrogen

Notes: (1) Activate costs assume 50% stretch case investment; (2) 5x stretch case added to investment for expand phase to account for excluded costs (i.e., new blue plants, new green storage applications,); (3) Reduction in Co2 emissions refers to converting trucking to blue H2, buses to green H2, and adding CCUS to existing H2 plants
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Houston hydrogen production

Illustrative

Rollout

mix over time

Activating the plan to achieve global H2 leadership centers on four immediate initiatives, with targeted policy/funding

 Policy and
 Assemble group (e.g., state and federal attorneys, policy makers) to shape potential policy support for TX clean H2 economy
 Develop targeted policy / funding approach, which unleashes new attractive market opportunities, near and longer term
 Critical to establish market opportunity for H2 and address looming impact of low carbon future on TX economy

Notes: (1) PUC refers to Public Utility Commission

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In the activation phase, one priority is to leverage and clean the existing grey system (and the other to initiate green)

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New markets were prioritized based on relative adoption barriers (or advantages) and emissions impacts

Notes: (1) Access to CA Transportation / LCFS via addressed in Expand phase; (2) Seasonal / long duration storage addressed as part of green H2 chain Sources: S&P Platts

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There are several local and regional heavy trucking markets which offer potential demonstration/entry points

Texas truck traffic, 2018

**Truck markets are focused on those involving the Houston area. Assessing viability of H2 trucks in other TX truck markets (e.g., I-35) is out of scope for this study. Houston truck markets: overview and pro's/con's of H2 entry

| - 45 (Dallas - Houston) | Heavy Duty daily truck count: 4,819 Duty cycle: long-haul trucking Pro's for entering with H2 Existing stakeholder coalition in place (NTCOG+) Potential to link to Dallas/central US distribution hub, and on to 170 (transnational corridor) Con's for entering with H2 Houston to Dallas link not sufficient stand-alone |
|---|---|
| I - 10 (San Antonio - Houston) | Heavy Duty daily truck count: 1,557 Duty cycle: long-haul trucking Pro's for entering with H2 Foundation to potential I-10 corridor- east and west Synergies with P/L to tap Calif LCFS market Potential to leverage existing H2 pipeline from Baton Rouge to Houston (and Houston to LA) Con's for entering with H2 Less local traffic than Port and I-45 |
| Regional chemical trucking (Houston ship channel) | Heavy duty truck count: 40,000 (80% chemicals export) Duty cycle: return to base Pro's for entering with H2 Higher payload capacity and torque vs. BEV trucks Potential easier demonstration project Con's for entering with H2 BEV trucks may be advantaged for shorter, return to base ship channel truck trips |

Notes: (1) Number of trucks determined by dividing ton-miles transported between cities by max truck payload Source: NHTSA.gov commercial mdhd trucks; Interview with Chad Burke from Economic Alliance for Houston Port 16Jul20; Oak Ridge National Lab – FAF Tool; TxDOT

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B H2 heavy trucking pilots are underway in the LA port area, and studies indicate advantages vs. with diesel and electric

Port of LA Heavy-Duty truck pilot

- Consortium of public and private (Port of LA, Shell, Toyota, Kenworth) stakeholders convened to test viability of using hydrogen in heavy duty trucks to reduce emissions in port dravage activities
- Pilot involves 10 HD FCEV trucks and 2 filing stations, costing \$82.5M with and funding split between CA and private players

- Lower H2 (SMR) TCO driven by:
 - Low H2 (SMR) cost
 - Increasing diesel costs projected
 - High returns to scale on infrastructure

Notes: (1) ICCT study based on LA Port area with 100, 1,000, and 10,000 trucks deployed in 2020, 2025, and 2030; (3) Time and weight penalty applied to BEV trucks; (4) H2 supplied via tube trailer Source: ICCT UNIVERSITY of

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Preliminary indications are H2 is also advantaged locally. Using grey H2 can kick start the market while reducing emissions

Total Cost of Ownership, diesel and H2 HDVs on I-45, \$M/truck^{1,2}

Phased Market growth for converting diesel to H2¹

| Category | Pilot | Expand | Rollout |
|---------------------------|-------|--------|---------|
| Year | 2021 | 2026 | 2036 |
| Trucks | 10 | 121 | 1,205 |
| Corridor converted (%) | n/a | 2.5 | 25 |
| Filling Stations | 2 | 3 | 14 |

Well-to-wheel tractor trailer emissions, kg CO2e/mile

Notes: (1) 115,620 annual miles driven; (2) station utilization: expand: 50%, rollout: 60% (3) pilot, expand and rollout phases last 10 yrs ea.; (4) YoY H2 truck capex reduction follows three phases (4%: '20-'25, 2.1%: '25-'30, 0.6% ea. yr. afterward)

Source: ANL: HDSRAM, EIA, KPMG analysis, ICCT: Infrastructure needs and costs for zero-emission trucks

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B Several next steps are required to optimize entering I-45 and to evaluate the feasibility of entering other corridors

| Markets | Potential next steps | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| I - 45 (Dallas - Houston) | Continue progressing NCTCOG led ZEV initiative focused on I-45 corridor plan (including Dallas - Houston) Consider adding midstream players to discuss pipeline and rights of way options as part of I-45 plan (to capture cost, time to market, and volume H2 supply advantages) Examine synergies with I70; exploiting Dallas role as central US distribution hub/crossroads | | | |
| I - 10 (San Antonio - Houston) | Assemble coalition of long haul heavy trucking stakeholders involved across the freight route from San Antonio to Houston to Baton Rouge Examine synergies with P/L (greenfield or repurpose existing) along 110 corridor to tap LCFS incentive in CA and support 110 heavy trucking corridor Develop a detailed roadmap from entry to scale; evaluate funding required and available (e.g., TERP) | | | |
| Regional chemical trucking (Houston ship channel) | Assemble coalition of regional chemical trucking stakeholders Example stakeholders: chemical co's with decarbonization objectives, OEMS, industrial gas providers, CCUS providers, station operators Assess feasibility of enabling heavy trucking with H2, hybrid H2/battery, and if H2 is viable, develop a detailed roadmap from entry to scale Evaluate funding required and available (e.g., TERP) | | | |

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C A critical enabler for Houston to lead in the low carbon era is to decarbonize its existing grey H2 system

Peer cities, annual million metric tons GHG emissions Mix of Houston MSA annual industrial CO2 emission sources^{1,2}

Potential annual emissions captured by installing CCUS on H2 plants, Mt CO2³

**Range based on IEA GHG study of CO2 captured at SMR H2 plants

Notes: (1) H2 emissions based on ratio of CO2 emitted per kg H2 produced; (2) SMR CO2 emissions in 2016, other emissions in 2014; (3) Low/high range based on 55% and 90% CO2 by adding CCUS Sources: US EPA Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program (GHGRP); Environmental Science & Technology; H2tools; US DOE , Denbury, DOE, GRP Capital

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For example, Rotterdam's near-term focus is converting its grey H2 to blue through the Porthos offshore CCUS project

Hydrogen production mix (illustrative)^{1,2}

Notes: (1) SMR refers to H2 produced with steam methane formation with CCUS; (2) ATR refers to Autothermal Reforming; (3) Carbon tax increases linearly; (4) Exchange rate of 1.17 USD = 1 euro Source: Rotterdam Vision; H-Vision Fact Sheet; Porthos Fact Sheet; Netherlands National Climate Agreement

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Leveraging existing CCUS infrastructure and prioritizing H2 plants can start Houston on a path to realizing its substantial blue potential

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Existing H2 and CCUS systems in TX-Gulf Coast area

Prioritization of H2 plants to add CCUS in Activate phase

- Approach and rationale
 - Use phased approach to capture highest Houston industrial emitters, leveraging existing infrastructure
 - Fill Denbury capacity in Activate phase with top priority H2 plants and natural gas fired power plants
- H2 plants and emissions reduction
 - Add CCUS to 8 H2 plants with higher capacity and located within 10 miles of Denbury pipeline
 - Lowers H2 emissions by 5.7 Mt CO/year (35% of CO2 resulting from H2 production)
- Estimated cost
 - Each H2 plant estimated at \$78.5M to add carbon capture and tie-into Denbury (excludes policy support such as 45Q)

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We also examined opportunities to activate green H2

Hydrogen demand and mix over time

Green Activation Phase

Houston and ERCOT advantages

A Access to low cost power in TX, a key enabler to green H2

TX renewables penetration driving potential need for long duration storage

- B Growing TX renewables and tapping further low revenue hrs
- C Example: NextEra using green H2 to increase solar asset value

Additional enablers and advantages to promote green H2

- D Houston's unique advantages salt caverns and seasonal price differentials
- E Example: Delta, UT using similar storage advantages as Houston
- F Several policy options could further promote green H2 UNIVERSITY of **HOUSTON**

The competitive TX market structure supports green H2 economics via a low cost generation mix and low power prices

Power price by state (cents/kWh)²

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Power price (cents/kWh)

Competitive market structure

- Deregulated energy market
 - Allows customers to choose their supplier
 - Creates retail market competition
- Energy-only wholesale market
 - Generators paid only for energy delivered to market
 - Unique in US as most competitive markets pay generators to provide capacity

TX wholesale power prices, 2019

Notes: (1) Other consists of solar, hydro and biomass; (2) Average power price refers to 2018 weighted average sales price across retail, commercial, and industrial sectors Sources: ERCOT, EIA

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Additional low price hours are expected with wind and solar growth in TX, creating value synergies with storage

ERCOT and Texas installed and potential wind and solar capacity, MW¹

- TX is among top in US in renewable capacity (#1 in wind, projected #2 in solar due to 250% increase over next 5 yrs.)
- Extent of renewables led to 3.1M MWh of wind curtailment in LTM May'20, lowering wind asset revenue
- Significant uptick in projected solar and wind capacity could increase low revenue hours for renewables

- Long duration storage may have a growing role
 - Coupling storage with renewables helps increase revenue hours and asset value
 - Establishing longer duration storage offsets variability introduced with higher levels of renewable penetration

Notes: (1) Pipeline refers to planned projects; (2) 2025F assumes pipeline installed by 2025; (3) 2025F penetration assumes linear penetration given capacity/penetration levels from 2022 and 2022F Sources: Cleantech Group, Rocky Mountain Breakthrough Batteries, Apex Compressed Air Energy Storage, ERCOT, NREL, Lawrence Berkley National Lab

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ONEXTERA, for example, is testing green H2 storage technology by pairing it with a new solar installation

FP&L green H2 production overview

**Potential H2 storage mechanism not yet announced

Key stakeholders

Sources: S&P Global, Green Tech Media, Clean Technica, Rocky Mountain Institute

Project insights

- NextEra has committed to reduce emissions by 100% in 2050
- Led to pilot study to test green H2 feasibility
- Pilot offers mechanism to improve solar asset value
 - **Exploit price arbitrage** (produce H2 during low demand hours and use H2 during high demand)
 - Offset lower revenue hours
- H2 reduces emissions by replacing portion of natural gas in gas fired power plant
- Plan to request funding approval from Florida Public Service Commission (\$65M)

Unique scale storage plus high price differentials suggests seasonal storage in the Houston hub be explored

Notes: (1) variance for high and low prices is calculated based on summer and fall modified off peak hours (11am to 5 pm) Sources: S&P Platts, NETL

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Though greenfield seasonal storage is currently economically challenged in Houston, a path to viability exists

Annualized margin per MWh for greenfield gas turbine using stored H2 for seasonal price arbitrage, \$/MWh^{1,2}



DOE grant awarded to GTI to further investigate options to leverage utility scale salt caverns in TX Gulf Coast area

Notes: (1) Low priced power is \$13.21/MWh, (2) Reduced electrolyzer capex is \$750 / kw Sources: ERCOT, EIA, H2City Model, Gencost, Barclays, OSTI – Port Arthur Study, DOE





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A brownfield project in Delta, UT is underway exploiting similar economic levers

Delta, Utah H2 storage schematic



Key stakeholders



Project insights

- Drive from CA and UT stakeholders for the local power agency to convert existing coal-based power to clean power
- Combination of curtailed renewable power and utility scale salt caverns provide enablers to generate and store H2, which is blended with NG to decarbonize electricity
- Leverages existing coal-plant transmission infrastructure
- H2 piggy backs off of to-be-built gas-fired power plant
- Project costs \$1.9B (end to end system) funded by Magnum and Mitsubishi Hitachi Power Systems

Notes: (1) Intermountain Power Agency (IPA) provides electricity to Southern CA and other locations in UT; (2) IPA is operated by the LA Power and Water Authority; (3) Application for Department of Energy grant in near future Source: Mitsubishi Hitachi Power Systems, Forbes, Power Technology, Los Angeles times





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Market/policy enhancements in TX could further increase the value of renewables and enhance viability of green H2

Preliminary options

Renewable purchase requirements

- **Option:** require power retailers and municipalities to acquire minimum (and escalating) amounts of renewable power
- Rationale: Provides incentive for construction of additional capacity to meet acquisition mandates

Transmission & distribution

- Option: establish next wave of competitive renewable energy zones (CREZ)
- Rationale: CREZ was an effective tool for enabling wind transmission development in TX; could further maximize existing and new renewables by capturing low revenue hours

ERCOT CREZ for wind



Notes: (1) Expiration of tax credits refer to projects that start construction after the year indicated Sources: ERCOT, energy.gov, Solar Energy Industrial Association (SEIA)





Tax policy

Carbon tax / cap and trade

- Option: institute carbon tax / cap and trade system for carbon emissions
- Rationale: Utilized in regions to set limit on emissions, while allowing emitters to cut lowest cost emitters first; potentially increasing low carbon energy use and investment

Renewable asset tax credits

- Option: extend tax credits for solar and wind development
- **Rationale:** credits have driven uptake and improvements
 - Production Tax Credit for wind expires after 2020
 - Investment Tax Credit for utility solar decreases from 22% to 10% after 2021

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Several next steps are required to leverage Houston's H2 storage advantages and anticipate TX storage needs









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Expand phase H2 focuses on scaling up and exporting blue H2, while fostering green H2 with advantaged market(s)

Hydrogen demand and mix (illustrative)



Expand phase - blue capital

Scaling blue H2 production

- Increasing global demand
- B Building on Houston's advantages and expanding blue production

Potential H2 exporter

C Preliminary export markets (e.g., CA for LCFS, Rotterdam)

Coupling TX green H2 advantages with improved electrolyzer economics

- Projected renewables growth, electrolysis improvement, and policy may increase green role
- E Opportunity to further decarbonize transit buses

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Global demand for H2 is increasing sharply, and some regions will need to import H2 to meet their demand



Sample of potential markets importing H2

US states with potential shortage due to policy drivers (e.g. CA)

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Early market driven adoption (e.g., heavy transportation corridors)

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Source: Barclays, HSBC, Hydrogen Council

Net short H2 regional import hub (e.g.

Rotterdam)

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B Houston area structural H2 production and CCUS advantages suggest the potential for a scale cost export role



To mitigate core business carbon risk and enable new markets, Alberta installed a scalable CCUS system

Schematic of the Alberta CO2 Trunk Line (ACTL) System



Stakeholder participation



ACTL project insights

- Extensive O&G industry is historic CAN prosperity driver, at risk without carbon mgt. system
- Alberta government facilitated competitive process to reduce emissions; two CCUS projects selected (ACTL, Shell Quest)
- ACTL captures, transports, and utilizes CO2 for EOR
 - Initial CO2 captured totals (1.6 Mt CO/yr) from bitumen refinery and fertilizer plant
 - Potential to scale system 10x to 14.6 Mt CO/yr
- Funding (\$1.2B) provided by Alberta government (\$495M), CAN government (\$63M), and remainder by Enhance Energy
- Potential to integrate blue H2 for attractive markets (e.g., Alberta blue H2 freight truck pilot)

Notes: (1) H2 emissions from SMR, by-product, and other based on ratio of 9, 6.8, and 3.4 kg CO2 for each kg of hydrogen produced via SMR, (2) SMR'S CO2 emissions in 2016 and other GHG emissions in 2014 Sources: US EPA Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program (GHGRP); Environmental Science & Technology; H2tools; US DOE





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Two steps are critical for Houston to become a major blue H2 exporter: expand the existing CCUS system and build new blue capacity



Key considerations

- **Capacity:** accommodate (1) converting remaining grey H2 to blue and (2) building new blue ATR/SMR
- Usage / storage: utilize for EOR (e.g., Permian) and/or storage in (1) TX Gulf Coast and (2) Extending into Permian
- Infrastructure: carbon capture at plants; expanded, integrated CCUS pipeline from CO2 sources to CO2 uses / storage



Key considerations

- Capturing global clean H2 demand requires substantial production
- TX Gulf Coast system is 80-90% utilized based on industrial gas provider interviews, requiring new production
- Other global regions (e.g., Rotterdam, Humber UK) have utilized blue ATR to achieve low cost, production at-scale







Initial markets to export blue H2 may include CA for LCFS and/or the I-10 corridor to enable trucking

Illustrative economics for selling TX produced hydrogen in CA to leverage LCFS



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Projected renewable penetration, electrolysis improvement, and policy trends could create an expanded role for green H2



Implications

1 Growing renewable penetration increases need for long duration storage and reduces power prices

2 Manufacturing at scale will drive cost efficiencies and technology advancements

3 Momentum of market and carbon policy are unknown in US and TX

Notes: (1) 2025F assumes pipeline installed by 2025; (2) 2025F penetration assumes linear penetration given capacity/penetration levels from 2022 and 2022F; (3) 2050F represents NREL 2050 base case for TX VRE penetration Source: Cleantech Group, Rocky Mountain Breakthrough Batteries, Apex Compressed Air Energy Storage, ERCOT, NREL, Lawrence Berkley National Lab, CSIRO





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For example, expanded green hydrogen could play a role in progressing heavy transportation decarbonization by fueling transit buses



Notes: (1) Number of buses for T.E cycle is 25% of total 780. (2) Number of buses for T.S cycle is 75% of total 780 Source: Houston metro







The SunLine transit agency in CA, for instance, has transitioned from diesel to CNG to H2 buses

SunLine Transit Agency Bus Routes



Key stakeholders



Source: NREL SunLine Transit Agency, California Air Resources Board, H2 View, U.S. Department of Energy





Project insights

- H2 bus pilots initiated following the Innovated Clean Transit regulation (2018) that requires public transit agencies to be zero emission by 2040
- Three pilots (15 buses, 1 station) have progressed to test the feasibility of routes that operate 20 hours / day
- Pilots funded by US government and CA Climate Investments (\$23.8M)
- Pilots were successful, and Sunline plans to shift its CNG fleet to zero emission buses (currently 15 FCEVs and 4 BEVs)
- Fuel for the pilots was a mix of green and blue H2, and the agency has installed an electrolyzer to provide green H2 for future buses



Preliminary analysis shows H2 competitive with diesel in extended run duty, over time



Total Cost of Ownership for diesel vs green (brown power) hydrogen buses (\$M/bus)^{1,2,3,4}

Scenario for slower electrolyser efficiency and cost progress

Notes: (1) Miles driven per 310/day/bus, 360 days/year; (2) pilot, expand and rollout phases each run 10 years; (3) Base and slower case assume electrolyzer case assumes electrolyzer efficiency and capex cost / unit decrease 79% by 2050 per CSIRO; (4) Base case assumes exponential decrease to CSIRO target, slower case assumes linear decrease Source: H2city tool, NREL, FSH JU





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Several next steps are required to expand H2 market penetration both locally and for export



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The rollout phase for H2 in Houston is uncertain and depends heavily on a variety of forces...

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Hydrogen penetration and mix (illustrative)

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Rollout phase - H2 economy

Long term forces at play, and potential investment required to enter and scale blue and green H2

- Forces impact the extent and pace of utilizing clean H2
- B Potential improvements needed to achieve blue and green at-scale

H2's potential role in decarbonizing Houston's industrial processes

- Significant emissions from Houston's industrial processes
- Analog projects / regions use of blue
 H2 to decarbonize their industrial processes

Transformation required for blue and green to achieve cost and scale needed for industrial processes



Multiple forces will significantly shape demand, pace, and source of H2 in decarbonization over the long run

Interrelated Forces that will Shape the Houston H2 Economy



Cost and technology advances expected for blue and green, though greater gains required for green to be competitive



**Costs exclude transportation, storage, and dispensing station

Current Houston blue and green H2 production costs

Potential improvements for blue

- Continued improvements in CCUS cost and technology
- Policy instituted to support CCUS adoption
- Retaining low methane cost

Potential improvements for green

- Electrolyzer cost and technology materially improve
- Substantial renewables penetration drives ubiquitous low price power
- Policy and investor sentiment favor green H2

Notes: (1) Capacity factor of 38% represents extent of 2019 "low price" hours in Houston Sources: S&P Platts







• H2 could play a unique role in reducing emissions resulting from Houston's vast industrial processes





Houston MSA vs. TX industrial emissions

Notes: (1) Texas Gulf Coast refers to Houston area Source: EIA, Barclays Research







For example, Rotterdam is leveraging blue H2 at scale and policy enablers to decarbonize its industrial processes



Decarbonization methodology screening

Infrastructure investment and pathway for long-term green H2

Rotterdam hydrogen production mix (illustrative)

- Industrial power: modify gas power plants to partially utilize H2, and revamp coal plants to use biomass and H2 as feedstock in lieu of coal
- Industrial process heat: install new burners and supply systems to fire H2 instead of natural gas, refinery fuel gases, and naphtha gas
- Infrastructure adjustments for H2 today are not bias towards blue H2 and can be leveraged to support future scaled green H2
- Install CCS infrastructure systems at plants and tie-ins to CO2 pipeline system; permanent CO2 storage provided by Porthos project

Notes: (1) Emission reductions efficiency refers to the relative avoidance costs (€ t/CO2) among the decarbonization options; (2) Scalability refers to the relative ability to decarbonize industrial processes at scale Source: H-Vision Final Report

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Similarly, Humber, UK leverages blue H2 at scale and policy enablers to decarbonize industrial processes

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Schematic of Humber, UK Industrial Area

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H2H project insights

- Project supports UK's aim to establish a low CO2 industrial cluster by 2030
- Provides mechanism to reduce current CO2 taxes incurred by area operators
- H2 utilized by building new ATR plants with CCUS
- Initially, 900k tons CO2/year reduced by replacing fossil fuels with H2 in industrial processes and power
- Specifics for costs / funding not announced (FID planned for 2023)
- Potential for government funding via the Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund (government fund established to address industrial challenges)





Advancements across several enablers may open the pathway for blue H2 in decarbonizing Houston's industrial processes

Required enablers to decarbonize industrial processes with blue H2

| Blue H2 production at scale | H2 is required at scale to provide energy levels necessary to supplant natural gas or off-gas currently used in industrial processes Advanced blue H2 manufacturing technology (e.g., Auto Thermal Reforming)can enhance CO2 capturability and operating flexibility |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| CCUS at scale | Substantial uptick in blue H2 production will drive up level of CO2 capture needs, creating corresponding need for increased integrated CCUS system scale |
| Policy/cost reductions | Significant retrofit / rebuild costs are required to decarbonize industrial processes Other countries have employed a carbon tax to incentivize decarbonization in the industrial sector |







Green H2 may also be an option, as technology/cost advancements lead to ubiquitous low cost renewable power and low cost electrolysis



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Several technology and cost advancements are required:



- Large scale floating wind production
- Offshore, low cost electrolysis
- Salt-water electrolysis
- Long range offshore to shore H2 transmission
- Scale onshore H2 storage and conversion infrastructure





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Potential Houston '2050 vision': local, national, and global flywheel for H2 penetration into heavy industrial markets



Several phases of action over time are required to reach the potential of becoming a global hydrogen hub

Houston Hydrogen Roadmap

| | Activate | Expand | Rollout |
|-----------------------|--|--|---|
| | 2020 - 2030 | 2030 - 2040 | 2040 - 2050? |
| Guiding principles | Focus on leveraging existing assets and incremental economics to use H2 in most advantaged markets | Capture rapidly growing global H2 demand as export hub; scale green chains in WTX and leveraging Houston advantages | Position Houston to leverage advancements in technology and policy changes for clean H2 |
| Production | Blue: convert grey to blue system; incremental use of existing system | Blue: expand production (~1x) to become global blue export capital | Blue: increase production to supply industrial processes |
| | Green: build pilot electrolyzer project for seasonal H2 storage; pursue WTX long duration pilots | • Green: extend electrolyzer production for H2 transit buses; extend synergistically with renewables | Green: adopt/'drop in' new chains (e.g., large scale offshore wind and electrolyzer, H2 to shore) |
| Markets | Industrial feedstock (clean): refining and petchem | Export to advantaged markets (e.g., CA for LCFS) | Transform industrial process heat for petchem, refining, steel, and cement |
| | Heavy trucking in long-haul corridors and/or regional chemical | Long duration storage paired with substantial and growing renewables | Utilize H2 for industrial power generation |
| | Seasonal storage for price arbitrage | Extended operational routes for Houston METRO transit buses | |
| Infrastructure | Add CCUS to priority H2 plants | Add CCUS to remaining H2 plants | Expand export terminals for ammonia |
| | Build H2 filling stations to enable heavy trucking | Extend CCUS for new CO and to enable EOR for O&G fields | and/or liquid hydrogen • Construct large scale offshore wind |
| | Install pilot electrolyzer system for seasonal H2 storage; WTX storage | Construct new blue H2 plants and extend H2 pipeline network | and electrolyzer systems |
| | | Build H2 export system | |
| | | Build electrolyzer capacity and H2 filling station for transit buses | |
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Each phase will require investment (and policy support)

Screening level investment summary (\$M)^{1,2,3}

| H2 source | Market | Activate (2020-2030) Expand (2030-2040) | | | Rollout (2040-2050?) | | |
|------------------------------------|--|---|----------|--|----------------------|--|------|
| | | Investment | Cost | Investment | Cost | Investment | Cost |
| Blue | Heavy trucking (I-45) | Pilot for freight traffic between Houston and Dallas Extend pilot to enable cumulative 2.5% of traffic | 16 37 | Continue expansion Expand freight trucks to cumulative enablement of 25% trucks | 27 197 | Continue rollout of freight trucks | 143 |
| | Heavy trucking (I-10) | Pilot for freight traffic on San- Antonio-Houston corridor Extend pilot to enable cumulative 4% of traffic | 15 15 | Continue expansion Expand freight trucks to cumulative enablement of 25% trucks | 11 54 | Continue rollout of freight trucks | 37 |
| | Grey to blue (CCUS) | Add carbon capture to priority H2 plants (8) and tie-into Denbury | 310 | Add CCUS to remaining H2 plants (40), and expand CO pipeline to accommodate new CO | 713 | | |
| | Blue export | | | Build and operate new H2 plants Build H2 pipeline to export H2 to CA for LCFS and enable I-10 trucks Expand CO2 pipeline for new CO2 | TBD 520 137 | Further extension of CO2 pipeline to West Texas | TBD |
| Blue / green (H2 source TBD) | Houston METRO buses | | | Initiate pilot for extended operations buses Expand pilot to enable cumulative 15% of extended route buses | 16 12 | Continue rollout of buses on extended routes | 13 |
| | Industrial processes/ power | | | | | Utilize low cost H2 to decarbonize industrial processes and power | TBD |
| Green | Seasonal storage/ long duration storage | Seasonal pilot (electrolyzer + cavern H2 storage) Conduct long duration storage pilot synergizing with renewables growth | 172 | | | Expand seasonal and long- duration storage to take on integral storage and power generation role | TBD |
| | Renewables +electrolyzers | | | Expand on-shore renewables, synergized with storage | TBD | Potentially construct large-scale offshore electrolyzer and wind | TBD |

Notes: (1) Figures shown in 2020 dollars; (2) Phase costs begin at start of initial year and end prior to start of last year; (3) Costs are discounted at 10% WACC; except CCUS (4) CCUS costs equity financed, 12% cost of equity Sources: H2City Model, EIA, DOE Port Arthur SMR Study, ANL: HDRSAM Model, Gencost







Activating the plan to achieve global H2 leadership centers on four immediate initiatives, with targeted policy/funding





 Assemble group (e.g., state and federal attorneys, policy makers) to shape potential policy support for TX clean H2 economy Policv • Develop targeted policy / funding approach, which unleashes new attractive market opportunities, near and longer term and funding Critical to establish market opportunity for H2 and address looming impact of low carbon future on TX economy

Notes: (1) PUC refers to Public Utility Commission









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Glossary

| Term | Description |
|--|---|
| Grey hydrogen | Hydrogen produced with natural gas feedstock via either the SMR process or as a by-product |
| Blue hydrogen | Grey hydrogen coupled with carbon capture technology to reduce the CO2 emissions (to varying degrees) during H2 production |
| Green hydrogen | Hydrogen primarily produced by coupling renewable electricity with electrolysis |
| Carbon capture usage and storage (CCUS) | An integrated series of technologies to capture carbon at sources (e.g., H2 production plants), transport the captured CO2 for potential usage (e.g., CO2 for EOR) or storage (e.g., sequestration in depleted oil reservoirs) |
| Heavy trucking | Truck duty cycles used to carry freight in long-haul or port drayage applications |
| Steam methane reformation | Process utilized to produce hydrogen by combining high pressure steam with methane to produce hydrogen |
| Electrolysis | Process utilized to produce hydrogen by using electricity to split water into hydrogen and oxygen |
| Seasonal storage | Process of generating and storing hydrogen during low price periods (either seasonally or year-round) and utilizing the stored hydrogen to produce electricity and dispatch onto the grid during seasonal high price periods (e.g., high price summer and fall) |
| Long duration storage | Process of storing energy (e.g., hydrogen, battery) for a period of one day or longer and subsequently converting the stored energy into electricity |







Key assumptions: TCO analysis for H2 vs. diesel trucks on I-45, Houston-Dallas corridor

| Specification | Activate (2021) | Expand (2026) | Rollout (2036) | | |
|---|------------------|---------------|----------------|--|--|
| General | | | | | |
| Duty cycle | | Long haul | | | |
| Route / area | Ro | 5) | | | |
| Annual miles travelled per truck ¹ | 115,620 | | | | |
| Cumulative percent of trucks converted | n/a | 2.50% | 25% | | |
| Hydrogen | | | | | |
| Incremental H2 trucks converted | 10 | 111 | 1,084 | | |
| Number of filling stations (utilization) | 2 stations total | 3 (30%) | 14 (37.5%) | | |
| Station dispenser count | 1 | 2 | 2 | | |
| Fueling rate per dispenser (kg/min) | 3.6 | | | | |
| H2 filling station capital cost | \$3,350,116 | \$6,980,182 | \$6,683,699 | | |
| H2 filling station operational cost (\$/kg) | \$2.54 | \$0.53 | \$0.34 | | |
| Onboard hydrogen storage (kg) | 60 | | | | |
| Fuel efficiency - hydrogen (mi/kg) | 9.4 | | | | |
| Hydrogen from natural gas (\$/kg) | \$ 1.16 | \$ 1.04 | \$ 0.88 | | |
| Hydrogen truck capital cost (\$) | \$ 310,247 | \$ 247,444 | \$ 219,115 | | |
| Hydrogen truck maintenance cost (\$/mi) | \$ 0.21 | | | | |
| Diesel | | | | | |
| Fuel efficiency - diesel (mi/gal) | | 5.29 | | | |
| Diesel price (\$/gallon) | \$ 2.81 | \$ 2.85 | \$ 3.21 | | |
| Diesel maintenance cost (\$/mi) | \$ 0.20 | | | | |
| Diesel truck capital cost (\$) | \$242,898 | | | | |

Notes: (1) Miles driven per day per truck - 492, number of days driven per year – 235 Source: ANL: HDSRAM





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Key assumptions: TCO analysis for H2 vs. diesel trucks on I-10, San Antonio-Houston corridor

| Specification | Activate (2021) | Expand (2026) | Rollout (2036) |
|---|---|-----------------------------|----------------|
| General | | | |
| Duty cycle | Long haul | | |
| Route / area | Round trip from Houston to San Antonio (I-10) | | |
| Annual miles travelled per truck ¹ | 94,000 | | |
| Cumulative percent of trucks converted | n/a | 4% | 25% |
| Hydrogen | | | |
| Incremental H2 trucks converted | 10 | 53 | 327 |
| Number of filling stations (utilization) | 2 stations total | 2 (30%) | 5 (37.5%) |
| Station dispenser count | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Fueling rate per dispenser (kg/min) | 3.6 | | |
| H2 filling station capital cost | \$ 3,520,823 | N/A: No additional stations | \$ 7,613,723 |
| H2 filling station operational cost (\$/kg) | \$3.24 | \$1.37 | \$0.38 |
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Preliminary analysis shows H2 trucks are competitive with diesel along the I-10, San Antonio-Houston corridor

Total Cost of Ownership, diesel and H2 HDVs on I-10, \$M/truck^{1,2,3,4}



**Assumes H2 is delivered to fueling stations via pipeline in the Expand (2026) and Rollout (2036) phases. Pipeline installation and costs are considered outside the scope of this evaluation and intended to serve both I-10 trucking market and export H2 from Houston, TX along I-10 to CA for LCFS

Notes: (1) 94,000 annual miles driven, total trucks in target area: 1,557 (2) station utilization: expand: 30%, rollout: 37.5% (3) pilot, expand and rollout phases last 10 yrs ea.; (4) YoY H2 truck capex reduction follows three phases (4%: '20-'25, 2.1%: '25-'30, 0.6% ea. yr. afterward)

Source: ANL: HDSRAM, EIA, KPMG analysis, ICCT: Infrastructure needs and costs for zero-emission trucks







Key assumptions: TCO analysis for H2 transit buses vs. diesel for Houston METRO (1 of 2)

| Assumption | Activate (2021) | Expand (2026) | Rollout (2036) | |
|---|---------------------------|---------------|----------------|--|
| General | | | | |
| Usage | High usage (20 hours/day) | | | |
| Number of buses converted | 10 | 20 | 70 | |
| Cumulative percent of high usage buses converted | N/A | 15% | 50% | |
| Route / area | High usage routes | | | |
| Daily miles driven | 310 | | | |
| Days / year | 360 | | | |
| Current fuel source | Diesel and CNG | | | |
| Capital cost (cost of debt) | 5% | | | |
| Debt amortization period (years) | 10 | | | |
| Hydrogen | | | | |
| Number of filling stations and utilization | 1 | 2 | 10 | |
| Fuel economy | 11.4 miles/kg | | | |
| Refueling station capex | \$2.4m/station | | | |
| Refueling station opex | \$2.59/kg | \$0.76/kg | \$0.56/kg | |
| Bus capex - cost/bus | \$1.2m | | | |
| Annual decrease in bus capex | 1.4% | | | |
| Bus opex per mile cost | \$0.48/mile | | | |
| Hydrogen from natural gas (\$/kg) | \$1.16 | | | |
| Annual cost decrease in hydrogen from natural gas | 1.9% | | | |
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Key assumptions: TCO analysis for H2 transit buses vs. diesel for Houston METRO (2 of 2)

| Assumption | Activate (2021) | Expand (2026) | Rollout (2036) |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Diesel | | | |
| Bus capex - cost/bus | | 480,000 | |
| Bus opex per mile cost | \$0.88/mile | | |
| Fuel economy | | 4.42 mpg | |
| Fuel price 2020 | \$2.81/gal | | |
| Avg fuel price increase 2021-46 | | 0.97% | |
| CO2 emissions ton/mile | | 0.001872 | |







Key assumptions: H2 seasonal storage economics (1 of 2)

| Assumptions | Metric |
|--|----------|
| General | |
| Gas turbine - MW generated per hour during high price in summer/fall, MW | 240 |
| Cost of debt (to annualize capital expenses), % | 7 % |
| Gas turbine capacity factor, % | 80 % |
| Price to store H2, geologic formation, \$ / kwh | \$ 0.02 |
| Power price | |
| Avg. electricity price during low price hours (2019, Houston hub) | \$ 26.43 |
| Number of low price hours per day used to produce hydrogen, hours | 9 |
| Number of high priced hours per day used to put electricity on the grid, hours | 6 |
| Electricity generation source and H2 required | |
| H2 required to generate 1 MWh with H2 gas turbine, kg H2 / MWh | 81.69 |

Source: H2city model, Barclays, Greater Houston partnership, Gencost 2018, EIA







Key assumptions: H2 seasonal storage economics (2 of 2)

| Assumptions | Metric |
|---|----------|
| Electrolyzer | |
| Energy from each kg of H2, kWh | 33.3 |
| Energy efficiency, % | 70% |
| Electrolyzer capital cost, \$ / kW | \$ 1,500 |
| Electrolyzer capacity, MW | 10 |
| Electrolyzer - capacity factor, % | 38% |
| Electrolyzer - lifecycle, years | 15 |
| Fixed opex per kw, \$/kw | \$ 28.17 |
| Water required per kg of H2, H2O gal/ H2 kg | 2.38 |
| Yearly fixed cost of water supply, \$ / year | \$ 2,463 |
| Variable cost of water, \$ / H2O gal | \$ 4.54 |
| Stack life, years | 15 |
| Gas turbine | |
| Size, MW | 506 |
| Capex, \$ / kw | \$884.66 |
| O&M - Fixed, \$ / kw | \$7.46 |
| O&M - Variable, \$ / kw | \$5.25 |
| Lifecycle, years | 25 |
| Carbon tax | |
| CO2 emitted per MWh with natural gas turbine, t CO2 / MWh | 0.46 |

Source: H2city model, Barclays, Greater Houston partnership, Gencost 2018, EIA





