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Introduction: Analysis & Sustainability (A&S)





- The Team
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- Challenges
- Approach & Partnerships
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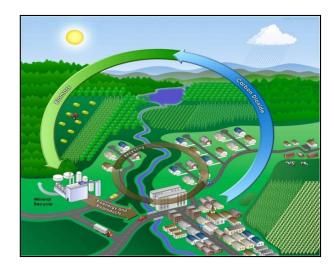
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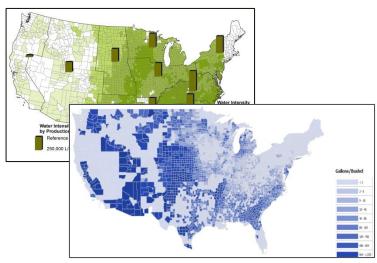


Analysis & Sustainability: Critical to BETO's Mission

Proactively addresses issues that affect the scale-up potential, public acceptance, and long-term viability of the Office's technology investments.



Equips DOE with analyses and expertise to inform national and global dialogues on the benefits and impacts of bioenergy.





Goals and Objectives

Strategic Analysis

Provide context and justification for decisions at all levels by establishing the basis of quantitative metrics, tracking progress toward goals, and informing portfolio planning and management

Cross-Cutting Sustainability

Understand and promote the positive economic, social, and environmental effects and reduce the potential negative impacts of bioenergy production activities



Dimensions of Bioenergy Sustainability

Economic Sustainability

- Commercial viability
- Return on investment
- · Net present value
- · Process efficiency
- Output of desired products



Social Sustainability

- Social acceptability
- · Social well-being
- Energy security and external trade
- Rural development and workforce training

Environmental Sustainability

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- Climate
- · Soil quality and agronomics
- · Water quality and quantity
- · Air quality
- · Biological diversity
- · Land Use



A&S Projects

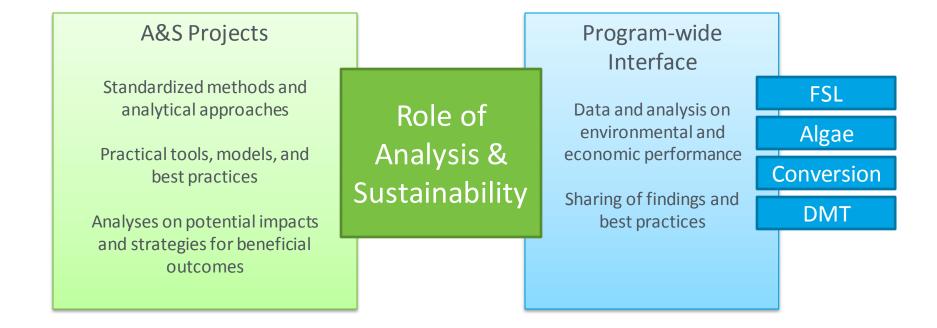
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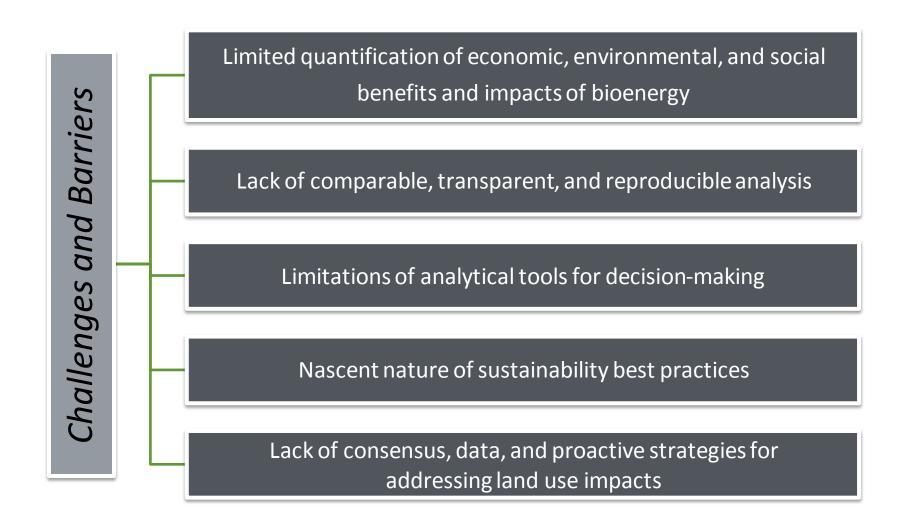
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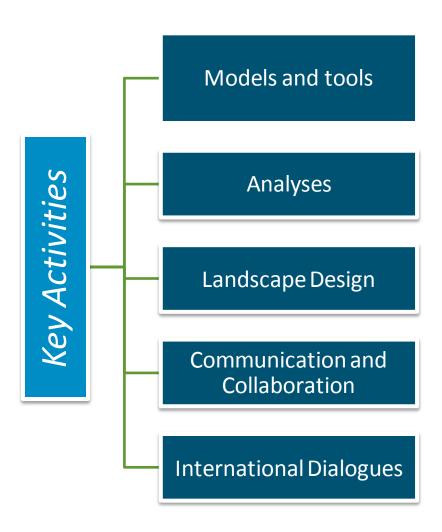
Intra- and inter-agency coordination, stakeholder engagement, and international dialogues



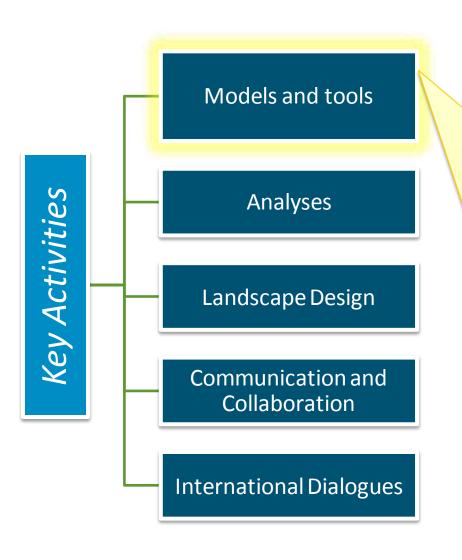
Key Challenges

















Greenhouse Gases, Regulated Emissions, and Energy Use in Transportation (GREET)

Water Assessment Tool for Energy Resources (WATER)

Biomass Scenario Model (BSM)

Landscape Environmental Assessment Framework (LEAF)

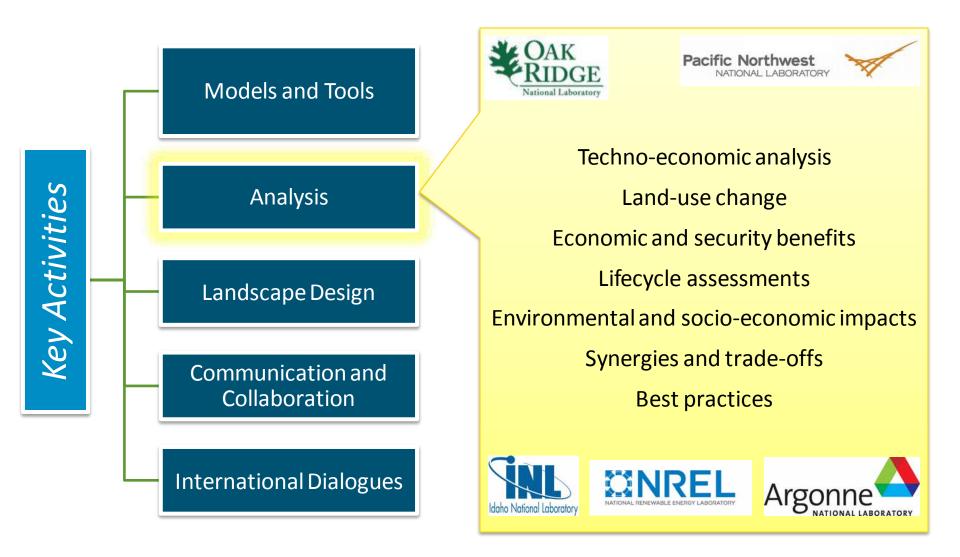
Jobs & Economic Development Impact (JEDI)

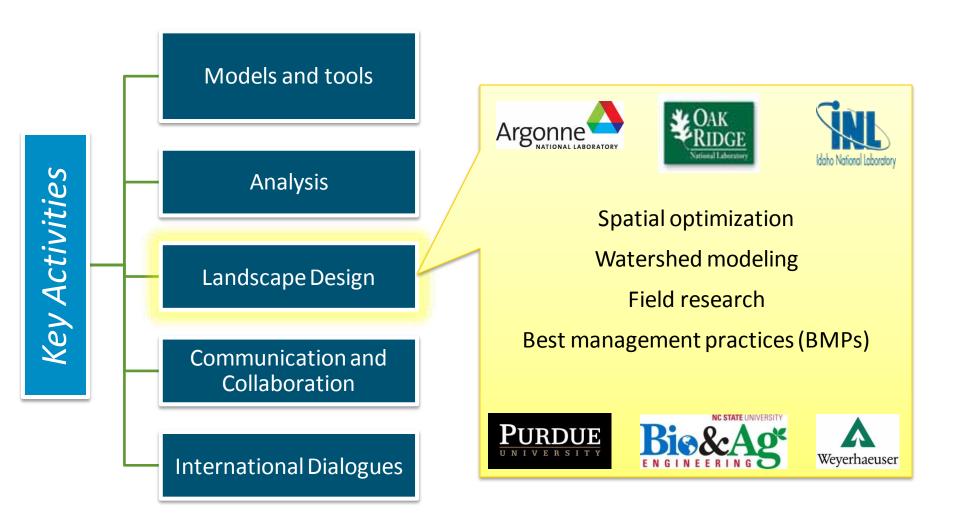
Soil & Water Assessment Tool (SWAT)



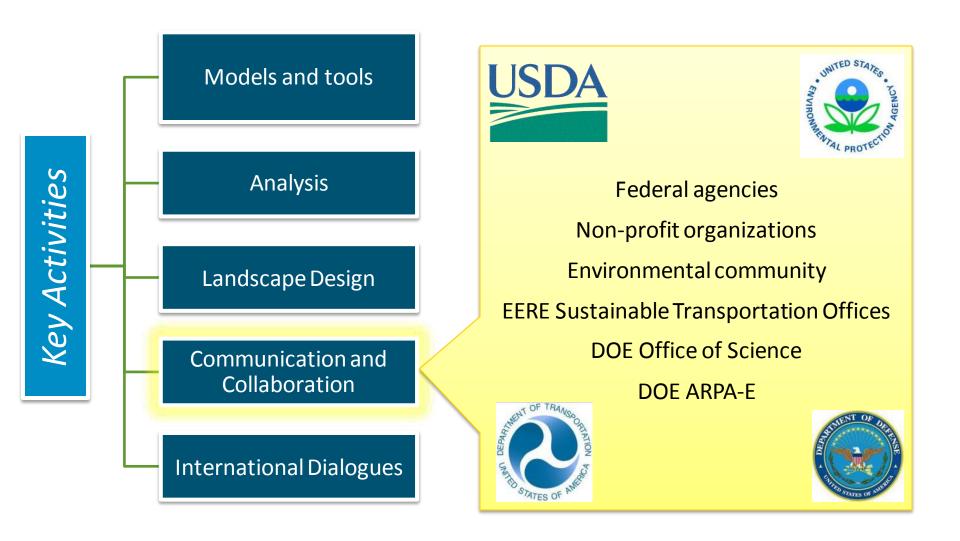














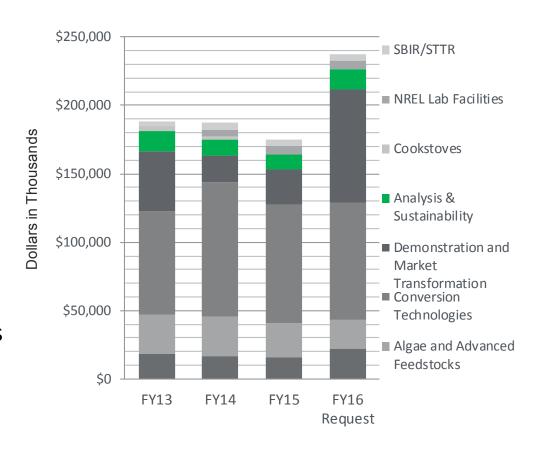
Budget (FY13-FY15)

Annual budget about \$11 M

- Strategic Analysis
- Cross-cutting Sustainability

Currently 29 projects

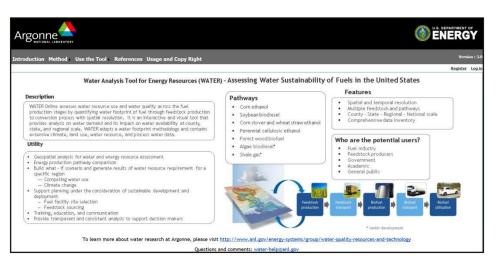
- 25 national lab projects
- 4 academic/industry projects (existing competitive projects not funded by A&S)



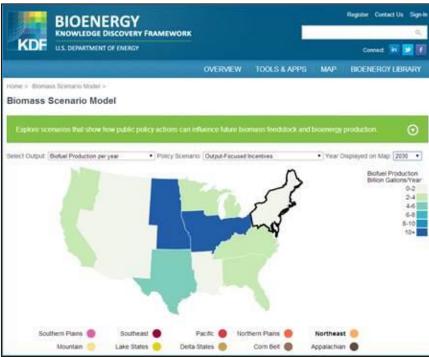


Enhanced widely used tools and models

- GREET.net 2014
- Biomass Scenario Model (BSM) on KDF
- WATER 3.0 2015
- Simulation of bioenergy crops and ag residue in SWAT model (Purdue)
- Suite of Jobs and Economic
 Development Impact (JEDI) models









Increased integration of techno-economic and environmental analyses

- Design cases of biofuel pathways
 - Environmental sustainability metrics for conversion stage
 - GREET analysis of full pathway to identify drivers of GHG emissions
 - Corn stover to ethanol via fermentation
 - Southern pine to ethanol via gasification
 - Hybrid poplar to renewable gasoline and diesel by fast pyrolysis
 - Algae hydrothermal liquefaction
 - Additional pathways underway
 - Assessment of federal air pollutant emission regulations potentially applicable to a biorefinery (fast pyrolysis and sugars-to-hydrocarbons)
 - Estimates of maximum potential emissions of regulated air pollutants for a biomass depot (for fast pyrolysis and sugars-to-hydrocarbons biorefineries)
- Coordination between INL, NREL, PNNL, and ANL
 - Sharing data and results
 - Developing pathways in GREET and WATER models

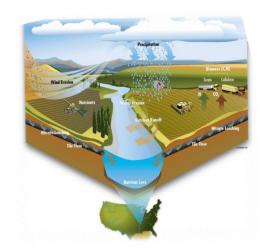


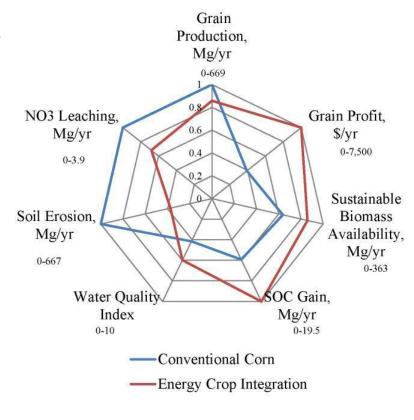
Developed innovative approaches to multiattribute sustainability assessments

Applied LEAF to identify opportunities for energy crop production based on subfield-scale distribution of profitability

- Increase profit and productivity
- Reduce erosion and nitrate runoff









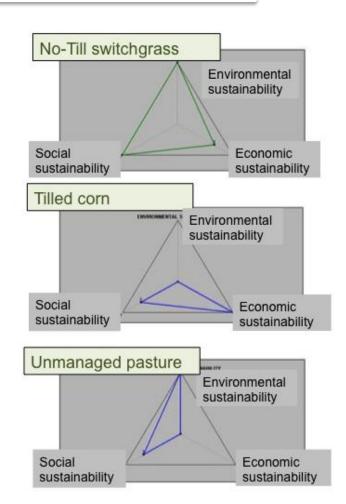
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Developed framework for using indicators to assess progress toward bioenergy sustainability

- Uses Multi-Attribute Decision Support System (MADSS)
- Determines relative contributions of three "pillars" to overall sustainability
- Applied to bioenergy crop production system in East Tennessee







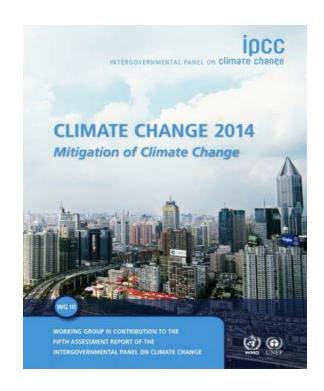
Contributed to high-profile international dialogues and publications

- Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)
- SCOPE Bioenergy & Sustainability Project: Bridging the Gaps
- Draft standard ISO13065, Sustainability Criteria for Bioenergy
 - Systematic methodology based on evidence
 - Measurable, reproducible, verifiable
 - Clarify accounting for fossil and biogenic carbon
 - Methods for detection of soil carbon change
 - Life-cycle assessment methods



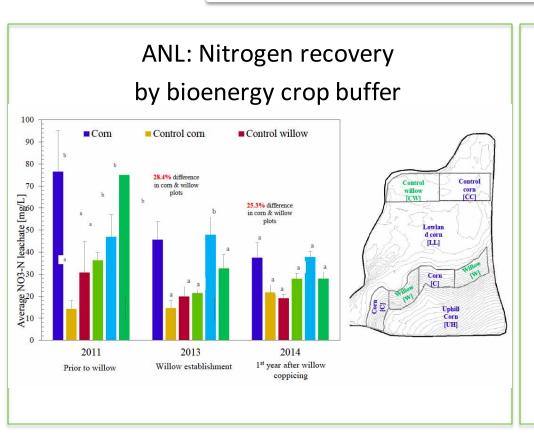




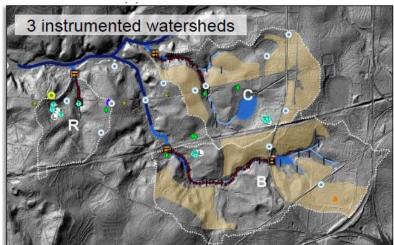




Continued field monitoring and testing of management practices



ORNL-USFS: Intensive shortrotation pine management

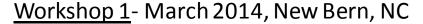


Intensive pine silviculture for bioenergy on 40% of Watersheds B and C (130 ha total; yellow shading on map).

Workshops on Landscape Design

Incorporating Bioenergy into Sustainable Landscape Designs

Two workshops exploring the science and practice of bioenergy landscape design



- Focus on woody/forestry systems
- Organized by ORNL and NCASI

Workshop 2- June 2014, Argonne, IL

- Focus on Midwest/agricultural systems
- Organized by ANL

Workshop agendas, presentations, and other materials:

- https://bioenergykdf.net/content/incorporating-bioenergysustainable-landscape-designs-workshop
- http://web.ornl.gov/sci/ees/cbes/workshop.shtml





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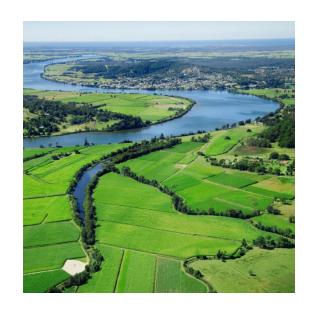


Funding Opportunity Announcement

Landscape Design for Sustainable Bioenergy Systems — Announced on October 20, 2014

 DOE announced up to \$14 million to support landscape design approaches that maintain or enhance the environmental and socio-economic sustainability of cellulosic bioenergy through the improvement of feedstock production, logistics systems, and technology development.





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Future Directions

- Further understand and document evolving markets of biofuels and bioproducts
- Continue work to develop and maintain analytical tools, models, methods, and datasets to advance the understanding of bioenergy and its related impacts
- Further integrate sustainability into strategic planning, goal setting, and techno-economic/state-of-technology assessments
- Communicate successes and findings on bioenergy sustainability to the public, other agencies, stakeholders, and international community









Upcoming Activities

- June 23 & 24, Bioenergy 2015
 - Plenary and break-out session on Sustainability



 2016 Billion Ton Update: Sustainability analysis









Peer Reviewers

- John Sheehan (Lead Reviewer) Colorado State University
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