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Re: Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) Plan for Wellman

Dear Mr. Thunem:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) Plan submitted for Wellman, as required by 40 CFR Part 98, Subpart RR of the Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program. The EPA is approving the MRV Plan submitted by CapturePoint LLC. on May 10, 2024, as the final MRV plan. The MRV Plan Approval Number is 1009875-1. This decision is effective July 13, 2024 and is appealable to the EPA's Environmental Appeals Board under 40 CFR Part 78. Furthermore, this decision is applicable only to the MRV plan and does not constitute an EPA endorsement of the project, technologies, or parties involved.

If you have any questions regarding this determination, please contact me or Melinda Miller of the Greenhouse Gas Reporting Branch at [miller.melinda@epa.gov](mailto:miller.melinda@epa.gov).

Sincerely,



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# Technical Review of Subpart RR MRV Plan for Wellman

July 2024

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This document summarizes the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) technical evaluation of the Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program (GHGRP) Subpart RR Monitoring, Reporting, and Verification (MRV) plan submitted for the carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)-enhanced oil recovery (EOR) project in the Permian-aged Wellman Field (WF) in Terry County, Texas. Note that this evaluation pertains only to the Subpart RR MRV plan, and does not in any way replace, remove, or affect Underground Injection Control (UIC) permitting obligations. Furthermore, this decision is applicable only to the MRV plan and does not constitute an EPA endorsement of this project, technologies, or parties involved.

## 1 Overview of Project

As described in the MRV plan, CapturePoint currently operates a CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR project in the WF located in Terry County, Texas, approximately 10 miles southwest of the town of Brownfield, Texas for the primary purpose of CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR, with a subsidiary purpose of geologic sequestration of CO<sub>2</sub> in a subsurface geologic formation. The WF is comprised of the Wolfcamp Reef (WLFRR), which is the main producing reservoir. The MRV plan states that production from the WLFRR is between 9,200-10,000 feet below surface throughout the well-defined reef. The WF first produced oil more than 70 years ago. The MRV plan states that water flooding was initiated in 1979, while CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was initiated in 1983. Under this MRV plan, WF plans to inject approximately 100 million tons of CO<sub>2</sub> over the duration of the project. This MRV plan was developed in accordance with 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) to provide for the monitoring, reporting, and verification of the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered at the WF.

The MRV plan states that all EOR injection wells in the WF are currently classified as UIC Class II wells permitted by the Texas Railroad Commission (TRRC). The TRRC has primacy to implement the UIC Class II program in the state. Wells in the WF are identified by name, American Petroleum Institute (API) number, type, and status. The list of wells as of March 2023 is included in Section 12.1 of the MRV plan. WF recognizes that any and all changes to wells within the WF will be indicated in the Subpart RR Annual Report.

The WF is located in the northeast portion of the Central Basin Platform in West Texas. As explained in the MRV plan, the productive portion of the WF is composed of the WLFRR. The WLFRR was developed on the far north-western edge of a larger Pennsylvanian reef trend known as the Horseshoe Atoll. The environment of deposition was shallow muddy (turbid) water with encroaching shales at the flank and eventually buried by terrigenous sediments (shales, siltstones, sands). Those sediments finally drowned out the reef and now form the primary seal for the reservoir. The structure is a pinnacle reef with two smaller bioherm buildups creating an overall structure oriented in a north to south direction. According to the MRV plan, by the time the reef was deposited, the sinking of the Horseshoe Atoll was well underway, leaving a great deal of vertical accommodation space. As a result, the reef is steep-sided and slumping of the outer edges of the reef is common, as is mixing of the reef-slump (limestone) debris with shale from the overlying seal.

According to the MRV plan, anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> is delivered to the WLFRR via the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline network. The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received at the WF is metered and calculated through the custody transfer meter located at the pipeline delivery point. The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received is combined with recycled

CO<sub>2</sub>/hydrocarbon gas mix from the recycle compression facility (RCF) at the WLFRR and distributed according to the injection plan for the reservoir. The MRV plan states that this is an EOR project and reservoir pressure must be maintained above minimum miscibility pressure. Therefore, injection pressure must be sufficiently high to allow injectants to enter the reservoir, but below formation parting pressure (FPP).

The MRV plan states that WF CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations are designed to avoid conditions which could damage the reservoir and cause a potential leakage pathway. Additionally, reservoir pressure in the WF is managed by maintaining an injection-to-withdrawal ratio (IWR) of approximately 1.0. Injection pressure is also maintained below the FPP, which is measured using step-rate tests.

The MRV plan states that produced fluids from the production wells (oil, hydrocarbon gas, water, CO<sub>2</sub>, and other constituents including nitrogen and hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S)) are transported via flowlines to the Central Tank Battery (CTB) for separation into a gas/CO<sub>2</sub> mix and a produced fluids mix of water, oil, gas, and CO<sub>2</sub>. The produced gas, which is composed primarily of CO<sub>2</sub> and minor hydrocarbons, is sent to the recycle compression facility for dehydration and recompression before reinjection into the reservoir. An operations meter at the RCF is used to determine the total volume of produced gas that is reinjected. The separated oil is metered through a custody transfer meter located at the central tank battery and sold into a pipeline.

The MRV plan states that a long-term CO<sub>2</sub> and hydrocarbon injection and production forecast was developed using a dimensionless performance curve (DPC) approach. Using this approach, a total injection of approximately 100 million tons of CO<sub>2</sub> is forecasted over the life of the project ending in the year 2061. Total injection is the volumes of stored CO<sub>2</sub> plus the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> produced with oil.

The description of the project provides the necessary information for 40 CFR 98.448(a)(6).

## **2 Evaluation of the Delineation of the Maximum Monitoring Area (MMA) and Active Monitoring Area (AMA)**

As part of the MRV plan, the reporter must identify and delineate both the maximum monitoring area (MMA) and active monitoring area (AMA), pursuant to 40 CFR 98.448(a)(1). Subpart RR defines maximum monitoring area as “the area that must be monitored under this regulation and is defined as equal to or greater than the area expected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume until the CO<sub>2</sub> plume has stabilized plus an all-around buffer zone of at least one-half mile.” Subpart RR defines active monitoring area as “the area that will be monitored over a specific time interval from the first year of the period (n) to the last year in the period (t). The boundary of the active monitoring area is established by superimposing two areas: (1) the area projected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume at the end of year t, plus an all-around buffer zone of one-half mile or greater if known leakage pathways extend laterally more than one-half mile; (2) the area projected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume at the end of year t + 5.” See 40 CFR 98.449.

As noted previously, the MRV plan states that CO<sub>2</sub> storage volumes were forecasted using a DPC approach. According to the MRV plan, this technique indicates that the flooded acreage still has significant additional storage potential. The maximum CO<sub>2</sub> storage of 551 billion cubic feet (BCF) is limited to the amount of pore space made available by the removal of the produced fluids. WF's calculated projection indicates there is enough pore space available to store approximately 0.66 decimal fraction of the hydrocarbon pore volume (HCPV), which amounts to 364 BCF.

According to the MRV plan, the lateral extent of CO<sub>2</sub> in the injection zone or the CO<sub>2</sub> storage radius for each well was estimated by calculating a storage radius based on the forecasted CO<sub>2</sub> storage volume of 364 BCF. A map detailing the estimated storage radius can be seen in Figure 4-1 of the MRV plan. The MRV plan explains that this calculation showed approximately 1,043 acres would be needed to store 364 BCF. Therefore, the CO<sub>2</sub> plume would remain contained in the WF Unit at the end of year 2066 (t+5). Therefore, the AMA is defined by a ½ mile buffer surrounding the WLFRR storage area boundary. This serves to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally, allowing the plume to stabilize within the WLFRR impermeable seal.

The MRV plan states that the MMA is defined as equal to or greater than the area expected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume until the CO<sub>2</sub> plume has stabilized plus an all-around buffer zone of at least one-half mile. WF states that the CO<sub>2</sub> plume will stabilize within the WLFRR storage area boundary, which serves to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally beyond the reservoir's impermeable seal. The MRV plan also states that the MMA has the same boundary as the AMA.

The MMA, as it is defined in the MRV plan, is consistent with Subpart RR requirements because the defined MMA accounts for the expected free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume, based on storage area modeling results, and incorporates the additional ½ mile or greater buffer area. The rationale used to delineate the MMA accounts for the existing operational and subsurface conditions at the site, along with any potential changes in future operations. Similarly, the AMA, as it is defined in the MRV plan, is consistent with Subpart RR requirements because the defined AMA is projected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plus an all-around buffer zone of one-half mile.

The delineations of the MMA and AMA were determined to be acceptable per the requirements in 40 CFR 98.448(a)(1). The MMA and AMA described in the MRV plan are clearly delineated in the plan and are consistent with the definitions in 40 CFR 98.449.

### **3 Identification of Potential Surface Leakage Pathways**

As part of the MRV plan, the reporter must identify potential surface leakage pathways for CO<sub>2</sub> in the MMA, and the likelihood, magnitude, and timing of surface leakage of CO<sub>2</sub> through these pathways pursuant to 40 CFR 98.448(a)(2). WF identified the following as potential leakage pathways in their MRV plan that required consideration:

1. Existing Wells
2. Faults and Fractures

3. Natural and Induced Seismic Activity
4. Previous Operations
5. Pipeline/Surface Equipment
6. Lateral Migration Outside the WF
7. Drilling Through the CO<sub>2</sub> Area
8. Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal

### **3.1 Leakage Through Existing Wells**

According to the MRV plan, an extensive review of all WF penetrations was completed to determine the potential need for corrective action as part of the TRRC requirement to initiate CO<sub>2</sub> flooding. This analysis showed that all penetrations have either been adequately plugged and abandoned or, if in use, do not require corrective action. The MRV plan also states that all wells in the WF were constructed and are operated in compliance with TRRC rules. As part of routine risk management, WF identified and evaluated the potential risk of CO<sub>2</sub> wellbore leakage occurring through CO<sub>2</sub> flood electrical submersible pump (ESP) producing wells, CO<sub>2</sub> flood flowing production wells, and CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells.

The risk assessment, as described in the MRV plan, classified the risk associated with leakage occurring through existing wellbores as low risk, i.e., less than 1% likelihood to occur and having a consequence that is insubstantial. The MRV plan further states that the risks were classified as low risk because the WF geology is well suited to CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration with an extensive confining zone that is free of fractures and faults that could be potential conduits for CO<sub>2</sub> migration. WF claims that any risks are further mitigated because the WF is operated in a manner that maintains, monitors, and documents the integrity of the reservoir. Furthermore, WF states that the potential risk of wellbore CO<sub>2</sub> leakage will be mitigated through:

- Adhering to regulatory requirements for well drilling and testing,
- implementing best practices that WF has developed through its extensive operating experience,
- monitoring injection/production performance, wellbores, and the surface; and
- maintaining surface equipment.

The MRV plan states that the most likely instance of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage from wellbores would occur during workover operations of installing the blowout preventer or wellhead. This release would be limited in nature to only a few thousand standard cubic feet (MCF).

Thus, the MRV plan provides an acceptable characterization of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected through existing wells.

### **3.2 Leakage Through Faults and Fractures**

According to the MRV plan, there are no known faults or fractures that transect the WLFRF reservoir into overlying formations in the project area. The MRV plan states that there have not been any fracture

treatments performed on WF wells and there are no future fracture treatments contemplated and thus induced fracture risk is eliminated. Seismic evaluation also confirmed the lack of faults in the area. Therefore, WF claims that there is little to no risk of leakage due to fractures or faults. Nevertheless, WF states that they routinely update measurements to determine the FPP and reservoir pressure. The MRV plan states that this data will be used to manage injection patterns so that the injection pressure will not exceed FPP. The MRV plan describes that WF maintains an IWR at or near 1 based on consistent reservoir pressure measurements. WF states that these activities mitigate the potential for inducing faults or fractures.

Thus, the MRV plan provides an acceptable characterization of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected through faults or fractures.

### **3.3 Leakage Through Natural and Induced Seismicity**

According to the MRV plan, there is no direct evidence that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. Due to the lack of indication of seismic activity posing a risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface within the MMA, the plan states that the risk of surface leakage through seismicity is unlikely. WF reviewed the nature and location of seismic events in West Texas. The MRV plan states that the other earthquakes that are near oil fields or water disposal wells are places in the category of quakes in close association with human enterprise. Using the United States Geologic Survey (USGS) database on recorded earthquakes, WF's review showed that only a magnitude 2.5 earthquake 38 miles to the south of the project area has occurred since 1956.

The MRV plan states that the TRRC approved injection pressures in the WF are maintained and monitored so that injection pressure is kept well below the TRRC approved injection pressures which are significantly below the fracture initiation pressure. Furthermore, the MRV plan states that WF is not aware of any reported loss of injectant (brine water or CO<sub>2</sub>) leakage to the surface.

Thus, the MRV plan provides an acceptable characterization of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected through natural or induced seismicity.

### **3.4 Leakage Through Previous Operations**

The MRV plan states that CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was initiated in the WF in 1983. Furthermore, to obtain permits for CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, WF states that the Area of Review (AoR) around all CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells was evaluated to determine if there were any unknown penetrations and to assess if corrective action was required at any well. This evaluation reviewed the identified penetrations and determined that no additional corrective action was needed. WF claims that their standard practice for drilling new wells includes a rigorous review of nearby wells to ensure that drilling will not cause damage to or interfere with existing wells. Additionally, the MRV plan states that requirements to construct wells with materials that are designed for CO<sub>2</sub> injection are adhered to at the WF. Therefore, WF maintains that these practices ensure that there are no unknown wells within the WF and that the risk of migration from older wells

has been sufficiently mitigated. The MRV plan also states that the likelihood of surface leakage from this pathway is less than 1% and the magnitude would be low with a timely response and remediation. If leakage were to occur, well intervention methods would address the failure in a matter of hours to days limiting the volume of leakage to a range of a few MCF to a few Million Standard Cubic Feet (MMCF).

Thus, the MRV plan provides an acceptable characterization of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected through previous operations.

### **3.5 Leakage From Pipelines and Surface Equipment**

The MRV plan states that WF anticipates that the use of prevailing design, construction practices, and compliance with applicable laws will reduce, to the maximum extent possible, the risk of unplanned leakage from surface facilities. WF states that they will continue to utilize materials of construction and control processes that are standard for CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects in the oil and gas industry. The MRV plan describes that all equipment is designed with isolation valving to reduce the leakage from any failed equipment resulting in the potential leakage limited from the MCF to hundreds of MCF range. The MRV plan also states that the leakage of CO<sub>2</sub> through this leakage pathway is unlikely.

Thus, the MRV plan provides an acceptable characterization of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected from pipelines and surface equipment.

### **3.6 Leakage From Lateral Migration Outside the WF**

The MRV plan states that it is highly unlikely that injected CO<sub>2</sub> will migrate downdip and laterally outside the WF because of the nature of the geology and the approach used for injection. The MRV plan explains that the reef is completely encased with impermeable sediments, which is what created a defined reservoir that trapped oil over millions of years. WF states that the water flooding from the edges combined with the vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the top of the reef will contain the CO<sub>2</sub> to the upper portions of the reef. Finally, WF states that the total volume of fluids contained in the WF will stay relatively constant, and these fluids are projected to be considerably less than calculated capacity. The storage capacity down to the spill point is greater than the stored volume, so no CO<sub>2</sub> would be leaked laterally.

Thus, the MRV plan provides an acceptable characterization of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected from lateral migration outside the WF.

### **3.7 Leakage From Drilling Through the CO<sub>2</sub> Area**

The MRV plan states that, in accordance with TRRC rules, well casings shall be securely anchored in the hole in order to effectively control the well at all times, all useable-quality water zones shall be isolated and sealed off to effectively prevent contamination or harm, and all productive zones, potential flow zones, and zones with corrosive formation fluids shall be isolated and sealed off to prevent vertical migration of fluids, including gases, behind the casing. Where TRRC rules do not detail specific methods

to achieve these objectives, WF states that they will make every effort to follow the intent of the section, using good engineering practices and the best currently available technology. Finally, WF intends to operate the WF for several more years and will continue to be vigilant about protecting the integrity of its assets and maximizing the potential of its resources. Leakage during drilling operations is unlikely but possible. It would occur when reservoir pressure is high. Drilling mud weight is designed to control that leakage therefore making the potential very low with volumes leaked kept at low levels. Therefore, the MRV plan states that the risks associated with third parties penetrating the WF are negligible.

Thus, the MRV plan provides an acceptable characterization of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected from drilling through the CO<sub>2</sub> area.

### **3.8 Leakage Through the Seal**

The MRV plan states that diffuse leakage through the seal formed by the upper Wolfcamp is highly unlikely. WF states that there are several sections above the reservoir that are impermeable and serve as reliable barriers to prevent fluids from moving upwards towards the surface. WF states that their injection monitoring program assures that no breach of the seal will be created. Furthermore, WF states that wellbores that penetrate the seal make use of cement and steel construction that is closely regulated to ensure that no leakage takes place. and, therefore, the potential for leakage from this pathway is very low with the magnitude of such leakage in the range of several MCF into other formations but not to the surface.

Thus, the MRV plan provides an acceptable characterization of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected through the seal.

The MRV plan concludes that, based on a careful assessment of the potential risk of release of CO<sub>2</sub> from the subsurface, it has been determined that there are no leakage pathways at the WF that are likely to result in significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the atmosphere. Thus, the MRV plan provides an acceptable characterization of potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage pathways as required by 40 CFR 98.448(a)(2).

## **4 Strategy for Detecting and Quantifying Surface Leakage of CO<sub>2</sub> and for Establishing Expected Baselines for Monitoring**

40 CFR 98.448(a)(3) requires that an MRV plan contain a strategy for detecting and quantifying any surface leakage of CO<sub>2</sub>, and 40 CFR 98.448(a)(4) requires that an MRV plan include a strategy for establishing the expected baselines for monitoring CO<sub>2</sub> surface leakage. Sections 5 and 6 of the MRV plan detail WF's strategy for monitoring and quantifying CO<sub>2</sub> leakage, and section 7 of the MRV plan details strategies for establishing expected baselines for CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. WF's approach for detecting and quantifying surface leakage of CO<sub>2</sub> primarily includes routine field inspections, Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system monitoring of wellhead pressures, Mechanical Integrity Testing (MIT), and monitoring reservoir pressure in injection headers.

A summary table of WF’s strategies for monitoring and responding to any possible CO<sub>2</sub> leakage can be found in Table 5.1 of the MRV plan and is reproduced below:

<b>Risk</b>	<b>Monitoring Plan</b>	<b>Response Plan</b>
Tubing Leak	Monitor changes in tubing and annulus pressures;	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Casing Leak	Routine Field inspection; Monitor changes in annulus pressure, MIT for injectors; extra attention to high-risk wells	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Wellhead Leak	Routine Field inspection, SCADA system monitors wellhead pressure	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Loss of Bottom-hole pressure control	Blowout during well operations	Maintain well kill procedures. Magnitude would be millions of cubic feet.
Unplanned wells drilled through WLFRRF	Routine Field inspection to prevent unapproved drilling; compliance with TRRC permitting for planned wells.	Assure compliance with TRRC regulations is maintained.
Diffuse leakage through the seal	Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Conduct an injection radioactive tracer survey. If verified, the well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Loss of seal in abandoned wells	Routine field inspections of abandoned well locations	Re-enter and reseal abandoned wells. Magnitude could be millions of cubic feet.
Pumps, valves, etc.	Routine Field inspection, Monitor SCADA	Repair crews respond within hours to days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Overfill beyond spill points	Monitor reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure discovered in new wells	Fluid management along into the reservoir by reduction of injection. This reservoir is a well-defined tank. Volumetric evaluation will direct fluid volume injection.
Leakage through induced fractures	Monitor reservoir pressure in injector headers; Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause. High pressure discovered in new wells	Comply with TRRC approved injection pressures below parting pressure.
Leakage due to seismic event	Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Shut in injectors near seismic event. Inject water near seismic event to stop leakage.



#### **4.1 Detection of Leakage Through Existing Wells**

Section 5.1 of the MRV plan states that continual and routine monitoring of the wells and site operations will be used to detect leaks or other potential well problems. The MRV plan describes the following monitoring methods:

- Pressure in injection wells is monitored daily. Leakage on the inside or outside of the injection wellbore would affect pressure and be detected through this approach. CapturePoint's experience, from over 10 years of operating CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects, is that such leakage has not occurred.
- Production well performance is monitored using the production well test process conducted when produced fluids are gathered and sent to test vessels. There is a routine well testing cycle, with each well being tested approximately once every month. If production is different from the expected plan, WF states that it will investigate and address any identified issues.
- All personnel are equipped with personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors. These personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are designed to detect leaked fluids around production wells during well and equipment inspections.
- Field inspections are conducted on a routine basis by field personnel. Since leaking CO<sub>2</sub> is very cold and leads to formation of bright white clouds and ice, personnel can quickly identify instances of surface leakage around production wells. Any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected will be documented, reported, and quantified.

Based on ongoing monitoring activities and review of the potential leakage risks posed by wellbores, the MRV plan concluded that the risk of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage through wellbores is being mitigated by detecting problems as they arise and quantifying any leakage that occurs.

Table 5-1 of the MRV plan provides a strategy for detecting CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected through existing wellbores. Thus, the MRV plan provides adequate explanation of WF's approach to detect potential leakage from existing wells as required by 40 CFR 98.448(a)(3).

#### **4.2 Detection of Leakage Through Faults and Fractures**

As stated in the MRV plan, there is little to no risk (less than 1%) of leakage due to fractures or faults. Still, WF routinely updates measurements to determine FPP and reservoir pressure of the WF. This information is used to manage injection patterns so that the injection pressure will not exceed FPP.

Table 5-1 of the MRV plan provides a detailed characterization of detecting CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected through faults or fractures. Thus, the MRV plan provides adequate characterization of WF's approach to detect potential leakage through faults or fractures as required by 40 CFR 98.448(a)(3).

### **4.3 Detection of Leakage Through Natural and Induced Seismicity**

The MRV plan states that WF concluded that there is no direct evidence that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, specifically in the WF. In addition, the MRV plan states that WF is not aware of any reported loss of injectant (brine water or CO<sub>2</sub>) to the surface above WF associated with any seismic activity. If induced seismicity resulted in a pathway for material amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> to migrate from the injection zone, WF's other reservoir fluid monitoring provisions (e.g., reservoir pressure, well pressure, and pattern monitoring) would detect the migration and lead to further investigation.

Table 5-1 of the MRV plan provides a detailed characterization of detecting CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected through natural or induced seismicity. Thus, the MRV plan provides adequate characterization of WF's approach to detect potential leakage through natural or induced seismicity as required by 40 CFR 98.448(a)(3).

### **4.4 Detection of Leakage From Previous Operations**

As stated in the MRV plan, WF's investigation into previous operations determined that no additional corrective action was needed. Therefore, the MRV plan states that the risk of migration from older wells has been sufficiently mitigated. MITs will take place every five years to verify the containment of appropriate operating pressures in the well and wellhead. Upon detection of a leak, the well would be isolated, and the leak mitigated to prevent leakage of the injectate to the atmosphere. WF believes that this intervention method would address the failure in a matter of hours to days limiting the volume of leakage from a few MCF to a few MMCF.

Table 5-1 of the MRV plan provides a detailed characterization of detecting CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected from previous operations. Thus, the MRV plan provides adequate characterization of WF's approach to detect potential leakage from previous operations as required by 40 CFR 98.448(a)(3).

### **4.5 Detection of Leakage From Pipelines and Surface Equipment**

As stated in the MRV plan, the use of prevailing design and construction practices and compliance with applicable laws will reduce the risk of unplanned leakage from surface facilities. The MRV plan states that field personnel are trained to look for and report potential leaks from pipelines and surface equipment as part of their routine activities. The emergency vent at the WF is a planned relief system that has the potential to release unplanned CO<sub>2</sub>. That volume is measured by an operations meter and recorded for reporting purposes. Should surface leakage be detected from pipeline or surface equipment, the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> surface leakage will be quantified by WF following the requirements of Subpart W of EPA's GHGRP.

Table 5-1 of the MRV plan provides a detailed characterization of detecting CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected from pipelines and surface equipment. Thus, the MRV plan provides adequate characterization

of WF's approach to detect potential leakage from pipelines and surface equipment as required by 40 CFR 98.448(a)(3).

#### **4.6 Detection of Leakage From Lateral Migration Outside the WF**

The MRV plan explains that the nature of the geology and the approach used for injection at WF make it highly unlikely that injected CO<sub>2</sub> will migrate laterally outside the WF. Reservoir pressure in injector headers and high pressure found in new wells will be indicative of leakage due to lateral migration outside of the WF.

Table 5-1 of the MRV plan provides a detailed characterization of detecting CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected from lateral migration outside the WF. Thus, the MRV plan provides adequate characterization of WF's approach to detect potential leakage from lateral migration as required by 40 CFR 98.448(a)(3).

#### **4.7 Detection of Leakage From Drilling Through the CO<sub>2</sub> Area**

As stated in the MRV plan, all well drilling activity at the WF is conducted in accordance with TRRC rules. WF's visual inspection process, including routine site visits, will identify any unapproved drilling activity in the WF.

Table 5-1 of the MRV plan provides a detailed characterization of detecting CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected from drilling through the CO<sub>2</sub> area. Thus, the MRV plan provides adequate characterization of WF's approach to detect potential leakage from drilling as required by 40 CFR 98.448(a)(3).

#### **4.8 Detection of Leakage Through the Seal**

As stated in the MRV plan, diffuse leakage through the seal formed by the upper Wolfcamp is highly unlikely. WF states that their injection monitoring program assures that no breach of the seal will be created. The MRV plan states that they continuously monitor injection pressure. The MRV plan states that unexplained changes in injection pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.

Table 5-1 of the MRV plan provides a detailed characterization of detecting CO<sub>2</sub> leakage that could be expected through the seal. Thus, the MRV plan provides adequate characterization of WF's approach to detect potential leakage through the seal as required by 40 CFR 98.448(a)(3).

#### **4.9 Quantification of Potential CO<sub>2</sub> Leakage**

As described in Section 5.9 of the MRV plan, the potential sources of leakage include problems with surface equipment (pumps, valves, etc.) or subsurface equipment (wellbores) and unique events such as induced fractures. WF will use an event-driven process to assess, address, track, and, if applicable, quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. The MRV plan states that given the uncertainty concerning the nature and characteristics of any leaks that may be encountered, WF will determine the most appropriate

methods for quantifying the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> on a case-by-case basis in the event a leakage event occurs. Notice of the event and the quantification method will be reported in the Annual Subpart RR Report. WF states that the potential quantification methods may include, but are not limited to:

- For leakage through wellbores, continuous SCADA monitoring data provide the basis to determine duration and the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> loss;
- For leakage from surface equipment and pipelines, continuous SCADA monitoring data and acceptable emission factors, such as those in 40 CFR Part §98 Subpart W, provide the basis to determine duration and the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> loss;
- For leakage related to the competency of the confining layer, reservoir modeling and engineering estimates provide the basis for determining the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> losses.

The MRV plan also states that any volume of CO<sub>2</sub> detected leaking at the surface will be quantified using acceptable emission factors such as those found in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W or engineering estimates of leak amounts based on measurements in the subsurface, field experience, and other factors such as the frequency of inspection. Finally, WF states that leaks will be documented, evaluated, and addressed in a timely manner.

#### **4.10 Determination of Baselines**

According to Section 7 of the MRV plan, ongoing operational monitoring has provided data for establishing baselines and will be utilized to identify and investigate excursions from expected performance that could indicate CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. WF states that data systems are used primarily for operational control and monitoring and as such are set to capture more information than is necessary for reporting under Subpart RR of the GHGRP. Finally, the MRV plan states that the necessary system guidelines to capture the information that is relevant to identify possible CO<sub>2</sub> leakage will be developed. Approaches for collecting this information include:

##### **Visual Inspections**

The MRV plan states that the field foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot during routine field inspections and repairs. Each incident will be flagged for review by the person responsible for MRV documentation. As such, the MRV plan states that the Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage.

##### **Personal H<sub>2</sub>S Monitors**

WF states that H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are worn by all field personnel. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitors detect concentrations of H<sub>2</sub>S up to 500 parts per million (ppm) in 0.1 ppm increments and will sound an alarm if the detection limit exceeds 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the immediate response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of persistent alarms. Therefore, WF

considers H<sub>2</sub>S to be a proxy for potential CO<sub>2</sub> leaks in the field. The MRV plan states that the Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from any such incidents.

### **Injection Rates, Pressures and Volumes**

The MRV plan states that the target injection rate and pressure for each injector are developed within the permitted limits based on the results of ongoing pattern balancing. WF field operations personnel will flag statistically significant deviations from the targeted ranges. For purposes of Subpart RR reporting, flags (or excursions) will be screened to determine if they could also lead to CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. As such, the MRV plan states that the person responsible for the MRV documentation will receive notice of excursions. Finally, the Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of these CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

### **Production Volumes and Compositions**

The MRV plan states that a general forecast of production volumes and composition is developed which is used to periodically evaluate performance, refine current and projected injection plans, and produce the forecast. This information is used to make operational decisions but is not recorded in an automated data system. As such, the MRV plan states that any impact to Subpart RR reporting will be addressed, if deemed necessary.

Thus, WF provides an acceptable approach for detecting and quantifying leakage and for establishing expected baselines in accordance with 40 CFR 98.448(a)(3) and 40 CFR 98.448(a)(4).

## **5 Considerations Used to Calculate Site-Specific Variables for the Mass Balance Equation**

### **5.1 Calculation of Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received**

Section 8.1 of the MRV plan states that Equation RR-2 will be used as indicated in Subpart RR 40 CFR 98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> at the receiving custody transfer meter from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system. The volumetric flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine mass.

$$CO_{2T,r} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,r} - S_{r,p}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,r}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-2})$$

where:

$CO_{2T,r}$  = Net annual mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received through flow meter r (metric tons).

$Q_{r,p}$  = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

$S_{r,p}$  = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into your well in quarter p (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter):  
0.0018682.

$C_{CO_2,r}$  = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter r in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

r = Receiving flow meter.

WF provides an acceptable approach for calculating the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received under the Subpart RR requirements.

## 5.2 Calculation of Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected

Section 8.2 of the MRV plan states that the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> injected into the subsurface at the WF is equal to the sum of the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received as calculated in RR-2 of 40 CFR 98.443 and the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> recycled calculated using measurements taken from the flow meter located directly downstream of the separation facilities. The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> recycled will be determined using Equation RR-5 as follows:

$$CO_{2,u} = \sum_{p=1}^4 Q_{p,u} * D * C_{CO_2,p,u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-5})$$

where:

$CO_{2u}$  = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

$Q_{p,u}$  = Quarterly volumetric flow rate measurement for flow meter u in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters per quarter).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter):  
0.0018682.

$C_{CO_2,p,u}$  = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter u in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

u = Flow meter.

The total mass of CO<sub>2</sub> injected will be the sum of the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received (RR-2) and mass of CO<sub>2</sub> recycled (RR-5).

$$CO_{2I} = \sum_{u=1}^U CO_{2u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-6})$$

where:

CO<sub>2I</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) through all injection wells.

CO<sub>2,u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

u = Flow meter.

WF provides an acceptable approach for calculating the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> injected under the Subpart RR requirements.

### 5.3 Calculation of Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced

Section 8.3 of the MRV plan states that quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurement database. Equation RR-8 in 40 CFR 98.443 will be used to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from all production wells as follows:

$$CO_{2W} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,w}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,w}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

where:

CO<sub>2W</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.

Q<sub>p,w</sub> = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for separator w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter):  
0.0018682.

CCO<sub>2,pw</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for separator w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

w = Separator.

For Equation RR-9 in 40 CFR 98.443 the variable X will be measured as follows:

$$CO_{2P} = (1 + X) * \sum_{w=1}^W CO_{2,w} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-9})$$

where:

$CO_{2P}$  = Total annual  $CO_2$  mass produced (metric tons) through all separators in the reporting year.

$CO_{2,w}$  = Annual  $CO_2$  mass produced (metric tons) through separator W in the reporting year.

X = Entrained  $CO_2$  in produced oil or other fluid divided by the  $CO_2$  separated through all separators in the reporting year (weight percent  $CO_2$ , expressed as a decimal fraction).

w = Separator.

WF provides an acceptable approach for calculating the mass of  $CO_2$  produced under the Subpart RR requirements.

#### **5.4 Calculation of Mass of $CO_2$ Emitted by Surface Leakage**

Section 8.4 of the MRV plan states that the mass of  $CO_2$  emitted by surface leakage will be calculated and reported using an approach that is tailored to specific leakage events including calculation methodologies in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W for emissions and leaks from equipment. WF is prepared to address the potential for leakage in a variety of settings. Estimates of the amount of  $CO_2$  leaked to the surface will depend on several site-specific factors including measurements, engineering estimates, and emission factors, depending on the source and nature of the leakage.

The MRV plan states that while it is not possible to predict in advance the types of leaks that will occur, some approaches for quantification are described in Sections 5.9 and 6 of the MRV plan. In the event leakage to the surface occurs, leakage amounts would be quantified and reported, and records that describe the methods used to estimate or measure the volume leaked as reported in the Subpart RR Annual Report would be retained.

Equation RR-10 in 40 CFR 98.433 will be used to calculate and report the mass of  $CO_2$  emitted by surface leakage:



$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^X CO_{2,x} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

where:

$CO_{2E}$  = Total annual  $CO_2$  mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year.

$CO_{2,x}$  = Annual  $CO_2$  mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year.

x = Leakage pathway.

WF provides an acceptable approach for calculating the mass of  $CO_2$  emitted by surface leakage under the Subpart RR requirements.

### 5.5 Calculation of Mass of $CO_2$ Emitted by Facility Emergency Vent

Section 8.5 of the MRV plan states that the mass of  $CO_2$  emitted by the emergency vent at the WF will be calculated using the measurements from the flow meter at the vent using Equation RR-8:

$$CO_{2w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,w}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,w}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

where:

$CO_{2w}$  = Annual  $CO_2$  mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.

$Q_{p,w}$  = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for separator w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of  $CO_2$  at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter):  
0.0018682.

$C_{CO_{2,p,w}}$  =  $CO_2$  concentration measurement in flow for separator w in quarter p (vol. percent  $CO_2$ , expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

w = Separator

WF provides an acceptable approach for calculating the mass of  $CO_2$  emitted by the facility emergency vent under the Subpart RR requirements.

## 5.6 Calculation of Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered in Subsurface Geologic Formation

Section 8.6 of the MRV plan states that the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered in subsurface geologic formations will be calculated using Equation RR-11:

$$CO_2 = CO_{2I} - CO_{2P} - CO_{2E} - CO_{2FI} - CO_{2FP} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-11})$$

where:

CO<sub>2</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass sequestered in subsurface geologic formations (metric tons) at the facility in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2I</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) in the well or group of wells covered by this source category in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2P</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) by surface leakage in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2FI</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

CO<sub>2FP</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity, for which a calculation procedure is provided in part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting

WF provides an acceptable approach for calculating the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered under the Subpart RR requirements.

## 6 Summary of Findings

The Subpart RR MRV plan for the Wellman Field is acceptable per the requirements of 40 CFR 98.448. The regulatory provisions of 40 CFR 98.448(a), which specifies the requirements for MRV plans, are summarized below along with a summary of relevant provisions in the WF MRV plan.

Subpart RR MRV Plan Requirement	WF MRV Plan
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<p>40 CFR 98.448(a)(1): Delineation of the maximum monitoring area (MMA) and the active monitoring areas (AMA).</p>	<p>Section 4 of the MRV plan describes the MMA and AMA. The MMA and AMA share the same boundary. The MMA is defined by the WLFRR boundaries plus the required ½ mile buffer.</p>
<p>40 CFR 98.448(a)(2): Identification of potential surface leakage pathways for CO<sub>2</sub> in the MMA and the likelihood, magnitude, and timing, of surface leakage of CO<sub>2</sub> through these pathways.</p>	<p>Section 5 of the MRV plan identifies and evaluates potential surface leakage pathways. The MRV plan identifies the following potential pathways: existing wells; faults and fractures; natural and induced seismic activity; previous operations; pipeline/surface equipment; lateral migration outside the WF; drilling in the WF; diffuse leakage through the sea. The MRV plan analyzes the likelihood, magnitude, and timing of surface leakage through these pathways. WF determined that these leakage pathways are not likely at the facility, and that it is not expected that potential leakage conduits would result in significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the atmosphere.</p>
<p>40 CFR 98.448(a)(3): A strategy for detecting and quantifying any surface leakage of CO<sub>2</sub>.</p>	<p>Sections 5 and 6 of the MRV plan describe a strategy for how the facility would detect and quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface should it occur, such as MITs, SCADA systems, and field inspections. Section 6 of the MRV plan also describes a strategy for how surface leakage would be quantified.</p>
<p>40 CFR 98.448(a)(4): A strategy for establishing the expected baselines for monitoring CO<sub>2</sub> surface leakage.</p>	<p>Section 7 of the MRV plan describes the strategy for establishing baselines against which monitoring results will be compared to assess potential surface leakage. Strategies include visual inspections; personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors; the monitoring of injection rates, pressures, and volumes; and the monitoring of production volumes and compositions.</p>
<p>40 CFR 98.448(a)(5): A summary of the considerations you intend to use to calculate site-specific variables for the mass balance equation.</p>	<p>Section 6 and 8 of the MRV plan describes WF's approach to determining the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered using the Subpart RR mass balance equation, including as related to calculation of total annual mass emitted from equipment leakage.</p>
<p>40 CFR 98.448(a)(6): For each injection well, report the well identification number</p>	<p>Section 12 (Appendix) of the MRV plan provides well identification number for all active wells in the WF. The</p>

used for the UIC permit (or the permit application) and the UIC permit class.	MRV plan specifies that all of the injection wells at WF are permitted by the TRRC as UIC Class II wells.
40 CFR 98.448(a)(7): Proposed date to begin collecting data for calculating total amount sequestered according to equation RR-11 or RR-12 of this subpart.	Section 9 of the MRV plan states it will be implemented starting October 2023 or within 90 days of EPA approval, whichever occurs later.

## **Appendix A: Final MRV Plan**

**CAPTUREPOINT LLC**  
**WELLMAN FIELD**  
**SUBPART RR MONITORING, REPORTING AND**  
**VERIFICATION (MRV) PLAN**

**May 2024**

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## 1 Introduction

CapturePoint LLC operates a carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) enhanced oil recovery (EOR) project in the Wellman Field (WF) located in Terry County, Texas, approximately 10 miles southwest of the town of Brownfield for the primary purpose of EOR using CO<sub>2</sub> with a subsidiary purpose of geologic sequestration of CO<sub>2</sub> in a subsurface geologic formation. The WF is comprised of the Wolfcamp Reef (WLFRRF), the main producing reservoir. Production from the WLFRRF is between 9,200-10,000 feet throughout the well-defined reef. The MRV plan was developed in accordance with 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) to provide for the monitoring, reporting, and verification of the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered at the WF during a specified period of injection.

## 2 Facility Information

### 2.1 Reporter Number

544182 – WF

### 2.2 UIC Permit Class

The Oil and Gas Division of the Texas Railroad Commission (TRRC) regulates oil and gas activity in Texas. All wells in the WF (including production, injection, and monitoring wells) are permitted by TRRC through Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Title 16 Chapter 3. TRRC has primacy to implement the Underground Injection Control Class II program in the state for injection wells. All EOR injection wells in the WF are currently classified as UIC Class II wells.

### 2.3 Existing Wells

Wells in the WF are identified by Wellman Unit (WU) and their number, American Petroleum Institute (API) number, type, and status. The list of wells as of March 2023 is included in Section 12.1. Any changes in wells will be indicated in the annual report.

## 3 Project Description

This project takes place in the WF, an oil field located in West Texas that was first produced more than 70 years ago. WF is comprised of the WLFRRF. The WLFRRF is the main oil and gas producing unit, which is now under the sole operatorship of CapturePoint LLC. Water flooding was initiated in 1979 with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding beginning in 1983, in the WLFRRF. The field is well characterized and is suitable for secure geologic storage. CapturePoint uses a continuous injection process to maintain a constant reservoir pressure. This is achieved with an injection to withdrawal ratio (IWR) at or near 1.

### 3.1 Project Characteristics

The WF was discovered in 1950 and started producing oil in the same year. The WLFRRF began to produce in May 1950 and a waterflood was initiated in July 1979 in the flanks of the reef to push the oil column up towards the top of the structure. CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was then initiated in 1983 and was injected into the top of the structure for vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding. The entire reef is an oil-bearing zone that has been produced for years, swept by a waterflood, and is now CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the

top down for residual oil. This geologically well-defined reef system is an attractive target for EOR with CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Sequestration.

A long-term CO<sub>2</sub> and hydrocarbon injection and production forecast for the WLFRF was developed using a dimensionless performance curve (DPC) approach. Using this approach, a total injection of approximately 100 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> is forecasted over the life of the project ending in year 2061. Total injection is the volumes of stored CO<sub>2</sub> plus the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> produced with oil. Figure 3-1 shows actual and projected CO<sub>2</sub> injection, production, and stored volumes in WF.

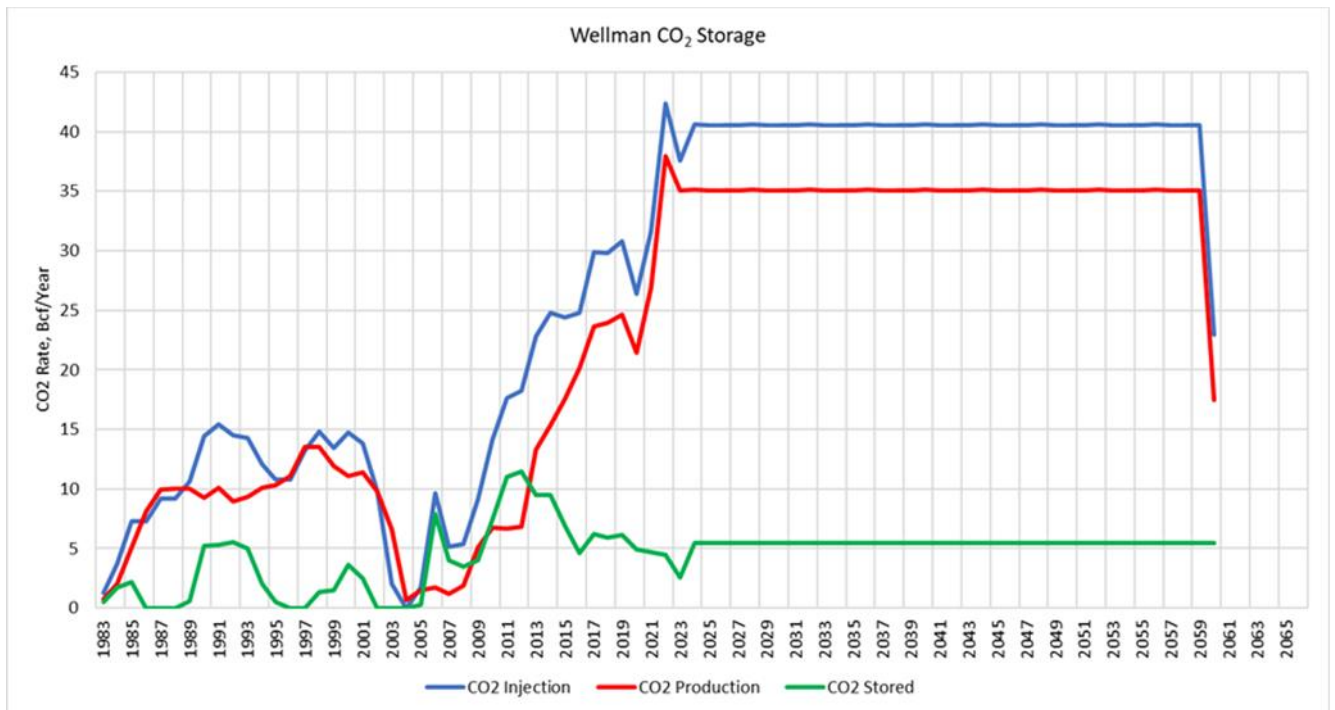
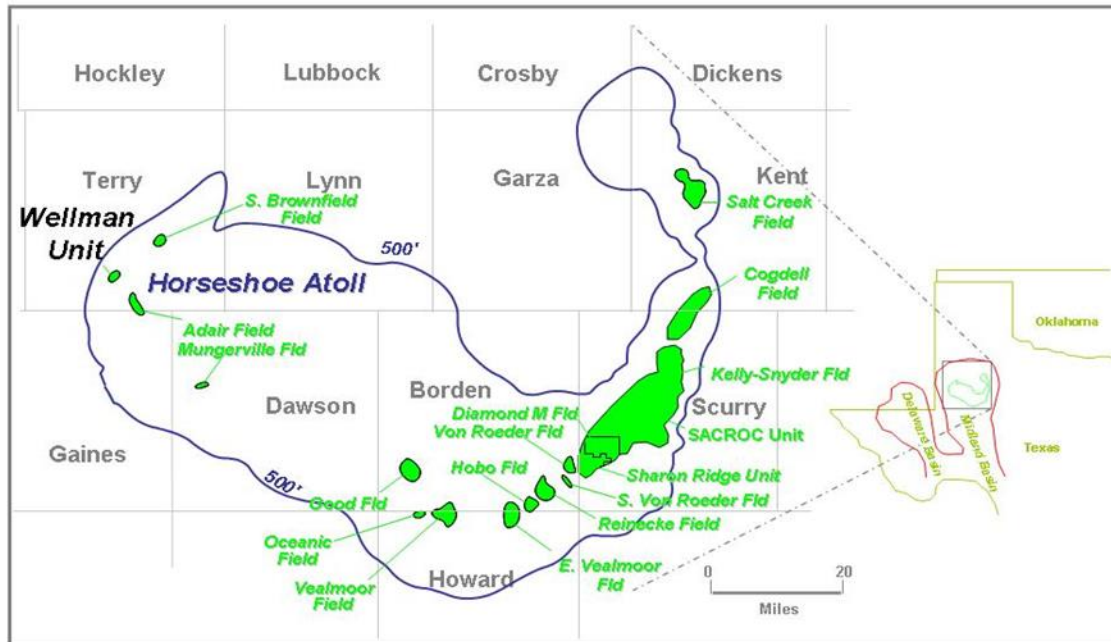


Figure 3-1 WF Historic and Forecast CO<sub>2</sub> Injection, Production, and Storage

### 3.2 Environmental Setting

The WF is in the NE portion of the Central Basin Platform in West Texas (See Figure 3-2). The productive portion of the WF is composed of the WLFRF.



**Modified from Vest, 1970**

*Figure 3-2 Location of WF in West Texas*

The WLFRRF was developed on the far north-western edge of a larger Pennsylvanian reef trend known as the Horseshoe Atoll. The environment of deposition was shallow muddy (turbid) water with encroaching shales at the flank and eventually buried by terrigenous sediments (shales, siltstones, sands). Those sediments finally drowned out the reef and now form the primary seal for the reservoir. The structure is pinnacle reef like with two smaller bioherm buildups creating an overall structure oriented in a north to south direction (See Figure 3-4).

By the time the reef was deposited, the sinking of the Horseshoe Atoll was well underway, leaving a great deal of vertical accommodation space. As a result, the reef is steep-sided and slumping of the outer edges of the reef is common, as is mixing of the reef-slump (limestone) debris with shale from the overlying seal (Anderson, 1953). The peak of the reservoir occurs at approximately -5,900'SS and plunges below the original oil / water contact at -6,680'SS inside the boundaries of the Wellman Unit. Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formations, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval here is informally called the "Spraberry Group." The Spraberry Group forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastic rock above the reservoir (See Figure 3-3).

# WELLMAN FIELD TYPE LOG & GENERALIZED STRATIGRAPHIC SECTION

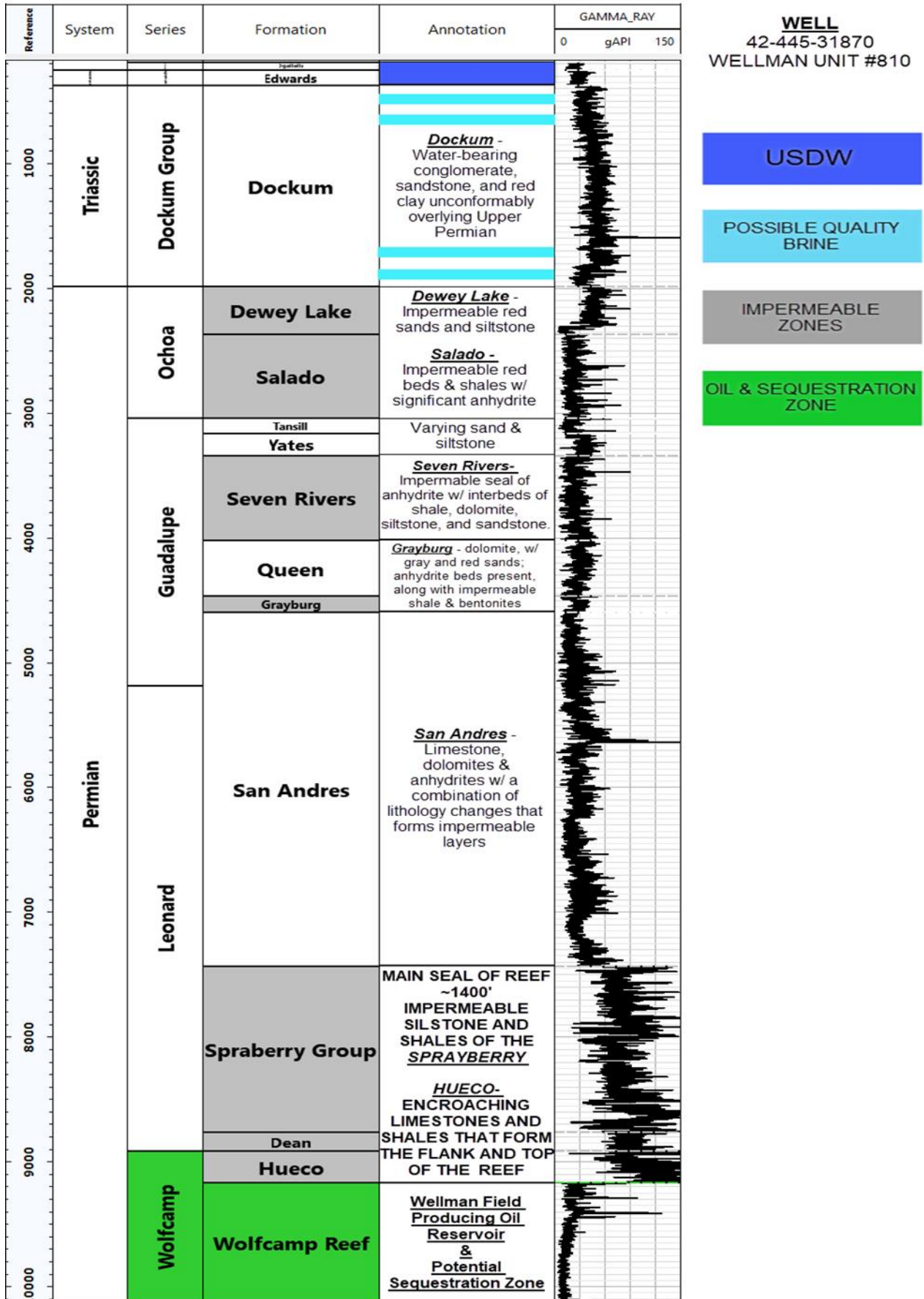


Figure 3-3 WF generalized stratigraphic section.

## Wellman Field Stratigraphy

The Wellman Field produces from a Wolfcampian aged 299-280 million years ago (299-280 mya) limestone biohermal type reef. It was deposited on an isolated platform on the Pennsylvanian (320-299 mya) structure called the Horseshoe Atoll. The Horseshoe atoll is composed of bedded bioclastic limestone and limestone detritus that accumulated in the interior part of a developing intracratonic basin during late Paleozoic (355-280 mya) time. The reef environment was established early in the basin history and endured because of the lack of a significant terrigenous clastic source to fill the basin interior. Mixed types of bioclastic debris accumulated cyclically and the upper level of the reef complex was maintained near sea level as the basin subsided. About 1,800 ft of limestone accumulated during the Pennsylvanian (355-299 mya), with a primary dip as great as 8 percent that developed along the margins of the atoll. During early Permian time (299-280 mya) the reef was restricted to the southwest side of the atoll where more than 1,100 ft of additional limestone accumulated before death of the reef. The Horseshoe Atoll encompasses all or portions of 14 counties (Terry, Lynn, Garza, Kent, Scurry, Mitchell, Howard, Borden, Dawson, Gaines, Martin, Lubbock, Crosby, and Dickens); an area of approximately 8,100 square miles. The Wellman field is a pinnacle reef on the southwestern arm of the Horseshoe Atoll.

The following is a description of each formation in ascending order (Figure 3-3). All the formations are Permian (299-245 mya) in age through the Dewey Lake formation. The Dockum Group is Triassic (245-202 mya) in age and the Edwards and Ogalala are Late Tertiary (6-3 mya).

### *Wolfcamp Reef*

The Wolfcampian (299-280 mya) Wolfcamp Reef is a fusulinid-algal packstone with vuggy and moldic porosity. With increasing depth, brachiopods, other bivalves, and crinoids are present. Bioturbation and some brecciated zones occur along with low amplitude stylolites.

### *Hueco Formation*

The Late Wolfcampian (285-280 myo) Hueco Formation consists of interbedded limestones, sandstones, and shales. They interfinger to form the flank and caprock of the reef. Early deposition was almost exclusively shales and limestones. Influxes of clastics started with subsidence of the basin.

### *Dean*

The Leonardian (280-279 mya) Dean Formation is a thin very fine-grained sandstone that grades upwards into laminated siltstones containing silty, bioturbated, mudstones.

### *Spraberry Group*

The Early Leonardian (~281-278 mya) Spraberry Group consists of predominately silty mudstones and clay-rich siltstones with interfingering of sands and limestones. The siltstones and mudstones were deposited on a high stand carbonate ramp. During low sea level, the eolian sandstones increased when the shelf was exposed. It is fine-grained, low permeability with some bioturbation and organic rich shales. The sandstones are turbidites and channel deposits. The carbonates display turbidite with slump and debris flow characteristics.

### *San Andres*

The Upper Leonardian - Lower Guadalupian (278-267 mya) San Andres Formation is predominantly dolomite with considerable amounts of anhydrite in the upper 300 feet. The depositional environment of the San Andres was shallow lagoon and sabkha complexes with an upward-shoaling, prograding-aggrading sequences.

### *Grayburg*

The Guadalupian (267 mya) Grayburg Formation is a mixed carbonate-siliciclastic composite sequence with evaporites and halites deposited in a sabkha and tidal flat environment. The San Andres and Grayburg are frequently grouped together as they have similar depositional environments.

### *Queen*

The Guadalupian (266-265 mya) Queen Formation is interbedded with siliclastic, carbonate mudstones, and evaporites. They were deposited in a fluvial depositional environment. Sandstones of the Queen formation are often reservoirs in the Permian basin.

### *Seven Rivers*

The Guadalupian (265-262 mya) Seven Rivers Formation is composed of cyclically interbedded mudstones, salt, anhydrite, and dolomite.

### *Yates*

The Guadalupian (262-261 mya) Yates Formation consists of sandstone, siltstone, and anhydrite. The sandstone is fine to very fine grained and contains scattered large rounded, frosted quartz grains.

### *Tansill*

The Guadalupian (261-260 mya) Tansill Formation consists of interbedded salts and anhydrite.

### *Salado*

The Ochoan (260-250 mya) Salado Formation is the dominant halite-bearing unit of the Midland Basin. The anhydrite contained in this formation represents the most-flooded, least-restricted conditions over the evaporite shelf where wind, storm, and seasonal circulation was adequate to maintain gypsum deposition. Overlying anhydrite beds contain halite, polyhalite, and mudstone beds.

### *Dewey Lake*

The Ochoan (250-245 mya) Dewey Lake Formation contains orange-red, fine to very fine-grained sandstones and siltstones with anhydrite and gypsum cements.

### *Dockum*

The Triassic (245-208 mya) Dockum Group consists mainly of terrigenous clastic red beds, mudstones and siltstones to conglomerates recording a change from the sabkha environments of Permian time to the humid continental environments of Triassic time.

There is an unconformity between the Dockum Group and the Edwards of approximately 98 million years. This was due to either non-deposition or uplift and erosion.

#### *Edwards*

The Cretaceous (142-68 mya) Edwards is a fine- to coarse-grained, thick-bedded to massive, light gray to grayish yellow limestone with abundant rudistids.

There is an unconformity between the Edwards and the Ogallala of approximately 45 million years.

#### *Ogallala*

The Miocene-Pliocene (23-2.5 mya) Ogallala Formation consists of gravel, sand, and finer grained clastic that were deposited in fluvial and upland eolian settings. Caliche and ash beds can also be found in the Ogallala.

The Ogallala and Edwards are USDWs in the Wellman Field.



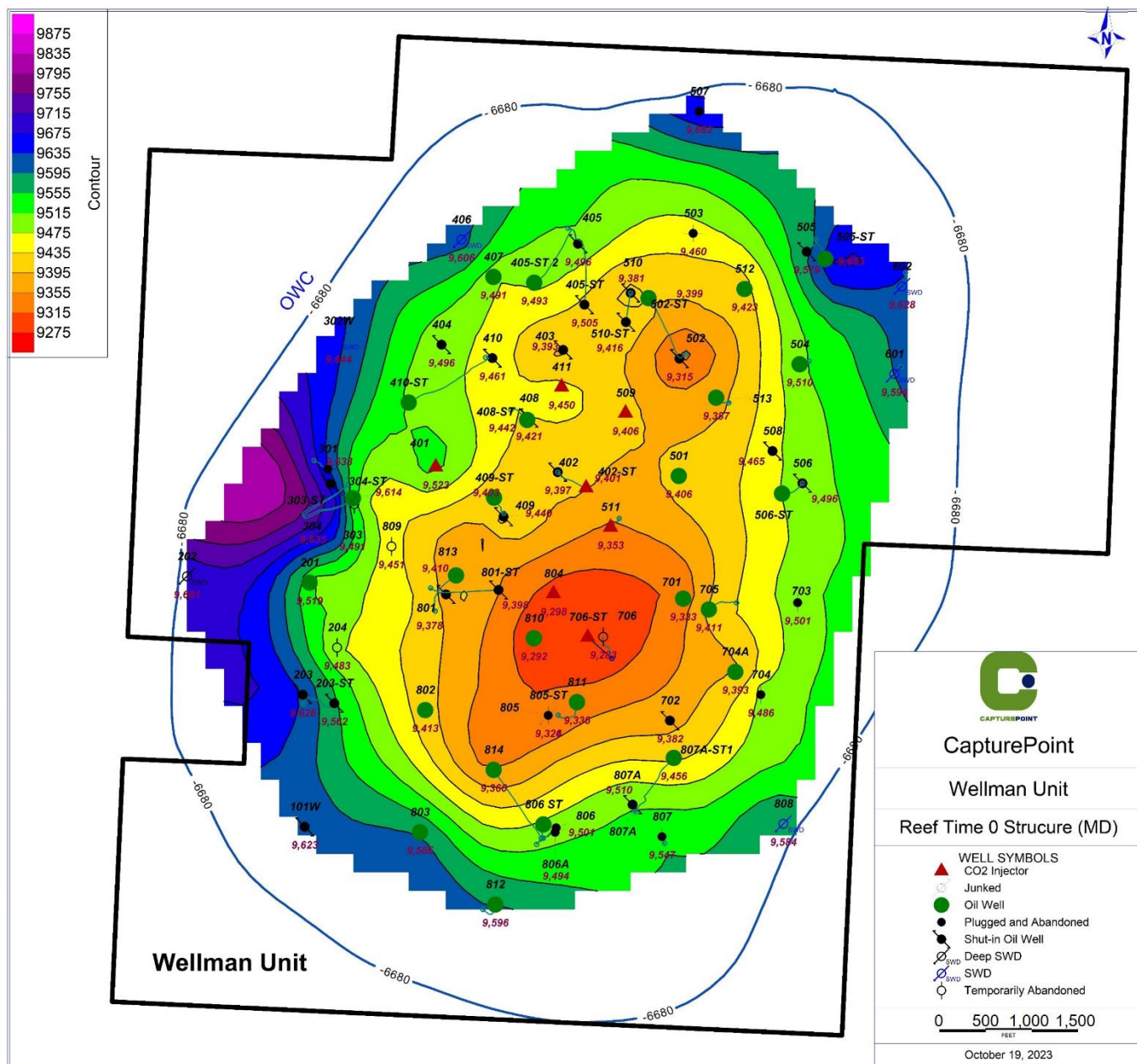


Figure 3-4 Local Area Structure on Top of the Wolfcamp Reef

Once the CO<sub>2</sub> flood is complete and injection ceases, the remaining mobile CO<sub>2</sub> will rise slowly upward, driven by buoyancy forces. There is more than enough pore space to sequester the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> planned for injection. The amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected will not exceed the reservoir’s secure storage capacity and, consequently, the risk that CO<sub>2</sub> could migrate to other reservoirs in the basin is negligible.

The volume of CO<sub>2</sub> storage is based on the estimated total pore space within WLFRRF. The total pore space within WF, from the top of the reservoir down to the base of the WLFRRF, is calculated to be 304.5 million reservoir barrels (RB). This is the volume of rock multiplied by porosity. Table 3-1 below shows the conversion of this amount of pore space into an estimated maximum volume of approximately 551 Billion Cubic Feet (BCF) (29 million tonnes) of CO<sub>2</sub> storage in the reservoir at original reservoir pressure conditions of 4100 psi. Based on the current project



forecast, CO<sub>2</sub> will occupy only 66% (364 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity by the year 2060. CO<sub>2</sub> currently occupies 29% (159 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity.

Table 3-1 Calculation of Maximum Volume of CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Capacity at WF

<b>Top of Main Pay to Original Oil/Water Contact</b>	
Variables	WF Outline in Figure 3-4
Pore Volume (RB)	304,516,542
BCO <sub>2</sub> (RB/MCF)	0.42
S <sub>wirr</sub>	0.15
S <sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub>	0.09
Max CO <sub>2</sub> (MCF)	551,029,933
Max CO <sub>2</sub> (BCF)	551

$$\text{Max CO}_2 = \text{Pore Volume} * (1 - S_{wirr} - S_{or CO_2}) / BCO_2$$

Where:

Max CO<sub>2</sub> = the maximum amount of storage capacity

Pore Volume = Total pore space in reservoir barrels (RB)

BCO<sub>2</sub> = the formation volume factor for CO<sub>2</sub>

S<sub>wirr</sub> = the irreducible water saturation

S<sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub> = the irreducible oil saturation

Reservoir management is employed on a constant basis to obtain the maximum possible economic recovery from a reservoir based on facts, information, and knowledge. As WF is a vertical displacement flood, long-term storage utilizes the natural buoyancy of CO<sub>2</sub> to oil and water, along with the existing reservoir seal, to contain the CO<sub>2</sub>. In this scenario, there is no lateral migration and injected fluids (CO<sub>2</sub>) will stay in the reservoir within the WF unit boundary and not move laterally to adjacent areas.

Given that in WF the confining zone has proved competent over millions of years, has remained intact with the current CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, and that the WF has ample storage capacity, there is confidence that stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained securely within the reservoir.

### 3.3 Description of CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR Project Facilities and the Injection Process

Figure 3-5 shows a simplified process flow diagram of the project facilities and equipment in WF. CO<sub>2</sub> is delivered to the WLFRRF via the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline network. CO<sub>2</sub> is supplied by anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> sources. Available amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> are drawn from an outside source pipeline based on contractual arrangements among suppliers of CO<sub>2</sub>, purchasers of CO<sub>2</sub>, and the pipeline operator. These amounts will vary over time and be added to the recycled CO<sub>2</sub> for injection into the reservoir.

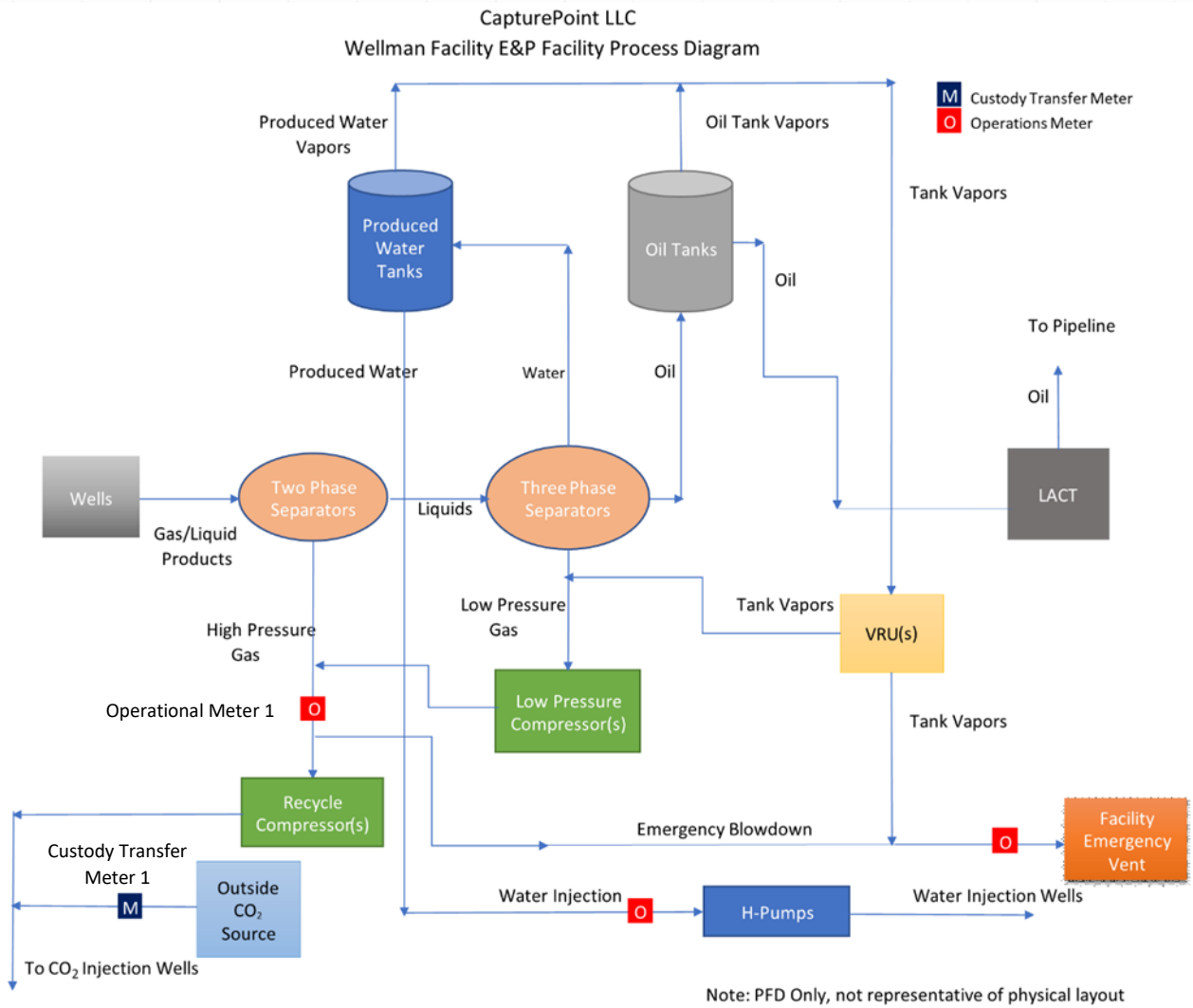


Figure 3-5 Wellman Process Flow Diagram

Once CO<sub>2</sub> enters the WLFRF there are three main processes involved in EOR operations:

- i. CO<sub>2</sub> Distribution and Injection: The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received at WF is metered and calculated through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the pipeline delivery point. The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received is combined with recycled CO<sub>2</sub> / hydrocarbon gas mix from the recycle compression facility (RCF) and distributed to the wellheads for injection into the injection wells according to the injection plan for the reservoir. This is an EOR project and reservoir pressure must be maintained above minimum miscibility pressure. Therefore, injection pressure must be sufficiently high to allow injectants to enter the reservoir, but below formation parting pressure (FPP).
- ii. Produced Fluids Handling: Produced fluids from the production wells are a mixture of oil, hydrocarbon gas, water, CO<sub>2</sub>, and trace amounts of other constituents in the field including nitrogen and hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) as discussed in Section 7. The fluids are transported via flowlines to the Central Tank Battery (CTB) for separation into a gas/CO<sub>2</sub> mix and produced liquids that are a mix of water and oil, with entrained gas and CO<sub>2</sub>. The produced gas, which is composed primarily of CO<sub>2</sub> and minor hydrocarbons, is sent to the RCF for dehydration and recompression before reinjection into the reservoir. An operations meter at the RCF is used to determine the total volume of produced gas that is reinjected. The separated oil is metered through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the central tank battery and sold into a pipeline.
- iii. Water Treatment and Injection: Water is recovered for reuse and forwarded to the water injection station for reinjection or disposal.

### 3.3.1 Wells in the Wellman Field

The TRRC has broad authority over oil and gas operations including primacy to implement UIC Class II wells. The rules are found in TAC Title 16, Part 1, Chapter 3 and are also explained in a TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual (See Appendix 12-2). TRRC rules govern well siting, construction, operation, maintenance, and closure for all wells in oilfields.

Briefly, TRRC rules include the following requirements:

- Fluids must be constrained in the strata in which they are encountered,
- activities cannot result in the pollution of subsurface or surface water,
- wells must adhere to specified casing, cementing, drilling well control, and completion requirements designed to prevent fluids from moving from the strata that are encountered into other strata with oil and gas, or into subsurface and surface waters,
- completion report for each well including basic electric log (e.g., a density, sonic, or resistivity (except dip meter) log run over the entire wellbore) must be prepared,
- operators must follow plugging procedures that require advance approval from the TRRC Director and allow consideration of the suitability of the cement based on the use of the well, the location and setting of plugs; and,
- injection well operators must identify an Area of Review (AoR), use compatible materials and equipment, test, and maintain well records.

Table 3-2 provides a well count by type and status. All these wells are in material compliance with TRRC rules.

*Table 3-2 WF Well Penetrations by Type and Status*

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>ACTIVE</b>	<b>INACTIVE</b>	<b>P &amp; A</b>	<b>Total</b>
PROD_OIL	27	6	0	<b>33</b>
INJ_SWD	6	0	0	<b>6</b>
INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	7	0	0	<b>7</b>
P&A	0	0	8	<b>8</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>54</b>

*PROD\_OIL = Production Wells*

*INJ\_SWD = Saltwater disposal wells*

*INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells*

*P&A = Plugged and Abandoned wells.*

*(P&A for sidetracks are not included in the P&A count)*

WF CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations are designed to avoid conditions which could damage the reservoir and cause a potential leakage pathway. Reservoir pressure in the WF is managed by monitoring reservoir pressures and ensuring these remain constant. This is achieved by maintaining an IWR of approximately 1.

Injection pressure is also maintained below the FPP, which is measured using step-rate tests.

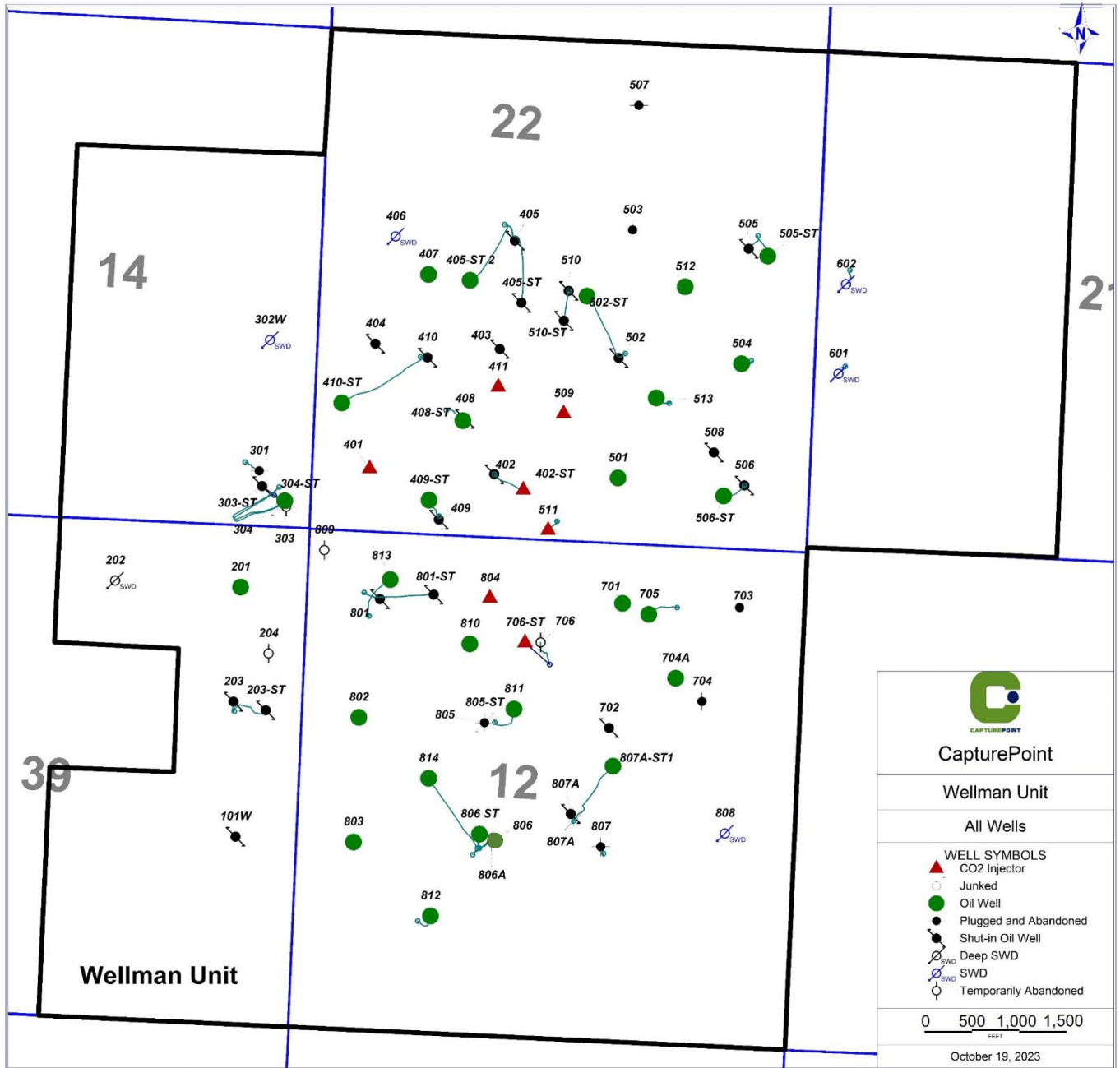


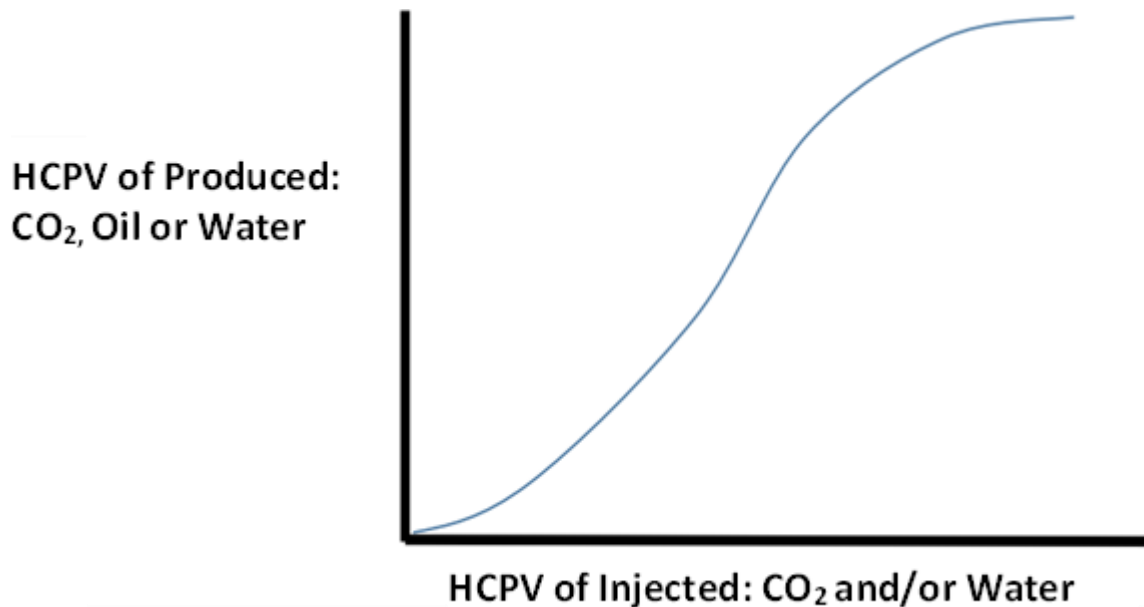
Figure 3-6 WF Wells and Injection Patterns

### 3.4 Reservoir Forecasting

DPCs derived from actual field performance were used to project CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR in the WF. Most DPCs are derived from geologic and reservoir models or actual field performance. In the WF case the DPC was derived from actual field performance in the WF. The WF has 40 years of actual CO<sub>2</sub> history which is more than enough data to develop a DPC to forecast reservoir performance. Initial oil recovery and CO<sub>2</sub> injection results were obtained from lab experiments performed with CO<sub>2</sub>. The DPC's project recoveries are close to what the lab experiments concluded.

A DPC is a plot where injection and production volumes for CO<sub>2</sub>, water, and hydrocarbon phases are normalized by dividing by Hydrocarbon Pore Volume (HCPV). See Figure 3-7. The

dimensioned projections for the oil, CO<sub>2</sub>, and water production are relative to the CO<sub>2</sub> and water injection and are calculated using the original oil in place of an area of interest.



*Figure 3-7 DPC plot*

The WF DPC was calculated from the cumulative production and injection using 40 years of WF history. This method allows you to use different field implementation speeds.

The DPCs are the basis for future reservoir performance prediction scenarios but are additionally a means of evaluating the reservoir process efficiencies. In a similar manner to history matching in reservoir simulation, deviations from the expected performance can indicate errors in the geologic model of the pore volume, growth of the CO<sub>2</sub> plume, or metering and production allocation errors.

## 4 Delineation of Monitoring Area and Timeframes

### 4.1 Active Monitoring Area

The Active Monitoring Area (AMA) is defined by a ½ mile buffer surrounding the WLFRRF storage area boundary (as indicated by the red dashed line on Figure 4-1) which serves to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally and allowing the plume to stabilize within the WLFRRF impermeable seal.

Figure 3-6 displays wells that have CO<sub>2</sub> retention on the 2,100 acres that have been under CO<sub>2</sub> injection since project initialization as well as SWD wells to support field operations. The CO<sub>2</sub> storage volumes were forecasted (Figure 3-1) using the DPC approach. This technique indicates that the flooded acreage still has significant additional storage potential. The maximum CO<sub>2</sub> storage (551 BCF) is limited to the amount of space available by the removal of the produced fluids. The projection indicates that there is pore space available to store approximately 0.66 decimal fraction of HCPV amount to 151.9 million RB (364 BCF).

The lateral extent of CO<sub>2</sub> in the injection zone or the CO<sub>2</sub> storage radius was estimated by calculating a storage radius based on the forecasted CO<sub>2</sub> volume of 364 BCF. Figure 4-1 shows the map of the storage area outline (dashed red line). This calculation showed approximately 1,043 acres would be needed to store 364 BCF. The CO<sub>2</sub> plume is anticipated to stay within the storage area depicted by the dashed red line. Therefore, the CO<sub>2</sub> plume would remain contained in the WF unit at the end of year 2066 (t+5).

### 4.2 Maximum Monitoring Area

The Maximum Monitoring Area (MMA) is defined as equal to or greater than the area expected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume until the CO<sub>2</sub> plume has stabilized plus an all-around buffer zone of at least one-half mile. The CO<sub>2</sub> plume will stabilize within the WLFRRF storage area boundary (as indicated by the red dashed line on Figure 4-1) which serves to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally beyond the reservoir's impermeable seal. In this instance the MMA is the same as the AMA. Since the MMA is depicted to be ½ mile beyond the stabilized plume boundary, the MMA meets the definition found in 40 CFR 98.449.

### 4.3 Monitoring Timeframes

The primary purpose for injecting CO<sub>2</sub> is to produce oil that would otherwise remain trapped in the reservoir and not, as in UIC Class VI, "specifically for the purpose of geologic storage."<sup>1</sup> During a Specified Period, there will be a subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term containment of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF. The Specified Period will be shorter than the period of production from the WF.

At the conclusion of the Specified Period, a request for discontinuation of reporting will be submitted. This request will be submitted with a demonstration that current monitoring and model(s) show that the cumulative mass of CO<sub>2</sub> reported as sequestered during the Specified Period is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage. It

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<sup>1</sup> EPA UIC Class VI rule, EPA 75 FR 77291, December 10, 2010, section 146.81(b).

is expected that it will be possible to make this demonstration after the Specified Period ends based upon monitoring data.

The reservoir pressure in the WF is collected for use in operations management. Reservoir pressure is not forecasted to change appreciably since the IWR will be maintained at approximately 1. Once injection ceases, reservoir pressure is predicted to stabilize within one year.

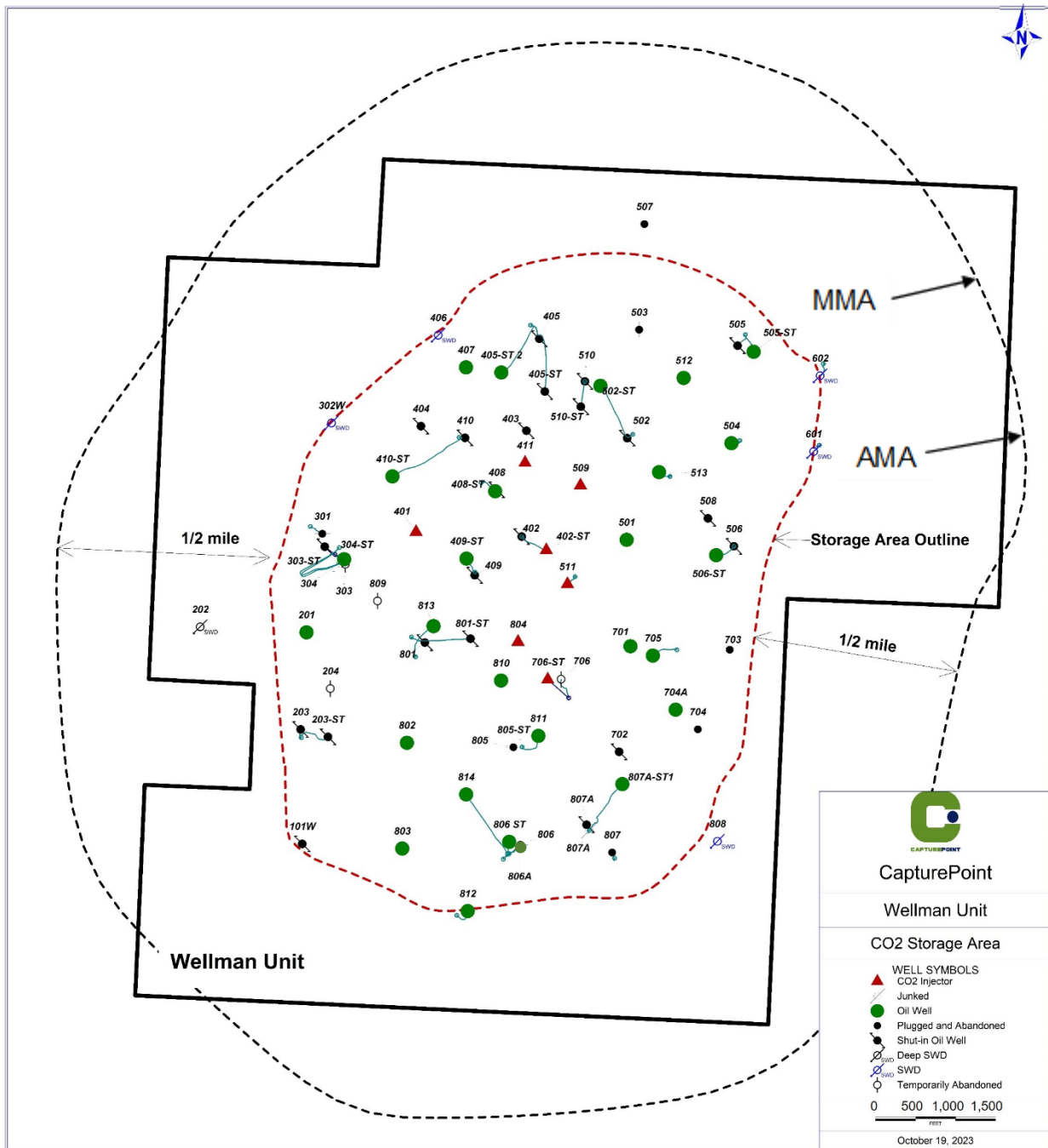


Figure 4-1 Projected CO<sub>2</sub> Storage area



## 5 Evaluation of Potential Pathways for Leakage to the Surface, Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

In the roughly 70 years since the Wellman oil field was discovered, the reservoir has been studied extensively. Based on the knowledge gained from that experience, this section assesses the potential pathways for leakage of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface including:

1. Existing Wells
2. Faults and Fractures
3. Natural and Induced Seismic Activity
4. Previous Operations
5. Pipeline/Surface Equipment
6. Lateral Migration Outside the WF
7. Drilling Through the CO<sub>2</sub> Area
8. Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal
9. Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

This analysis shows that leakage through wellbores and surface equipment pose the only meaningful potential leakage pathways. The monitoring program to detect and quantify leakage is based on this assessment as discussed below.

### 5.1 Existing Wells

As part of the TRRC requirement to initiate CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, an extensive review of all WF penetrations was completed to determine the need for corrective action. That analysis showed that all penetrations have either been adequately plugged and abandoned or, if in use, do not require corrective action. All wells in the WF were constructed and are operated in compliance with TRRC rules.

As part of routine risk management, the potential risk of leakage associated with the following were identified and evaluated:

- CO<sub>2</sub> flood electrical submersible pump (ESP) producing wells,
- CO<sub>2</sub> Flood flowing production wells, and
- CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells.

The risk assessment classified all risks associated with subsurface as low risk, i.e., less than 1% likelihood to occur and having a consequence that is insubstantial. The risks were classified as low risk because the WF geology is well suited to CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration with an extensive confining zone that is free of fractures and faults that could be potential conduits for CO<sub>2</sub> migration. Any risks are further mitigated because the WF is operated in a manner that maintains, monitors, and documents the integrity of the reservoir.

The risk of well leakage is mitigated through:

- Adhering to regulatory requirements for well drilling and testing,
- implementing best practices that CapturePoint has developed through its extensive operating experience,
- monitoring injection/production performance, wellbores, and the surface; and,
- maintaining surface equipment.

Continual and routine monitoring of the wellbores and site operations will be used to detect leaks or other potential well problems, as follows:

- Pressure in injection wells is monitored daily. The injection plans for each pattern are provided to field operations to govern the rate, pressure, and duration of either water or CO<sub>2</sub> injection. Leakage on the inside or outside of the injection wellbore would affect pressure and be detected through this approach. If such events occur, they would be investigated and addressed. CapturePoint's experience, from over 10 years of operating CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects, is that such leakage has not occurred.
- Production well performance is monitored using the production well test process conducted when produced fluids are gathered and sent to test vessels. There is a routine well testing cycle, with each well being tested approximately once every month. During this cycle, each production well is diverted to the well test equipment for a period sufficient to measure and sample produced fluids (generally 12-24 hours). These tests are the basis for allocating a portion of the produced fluids measured to each production well, assessing the composition of produced fluids by location, and assessing the performance of each well. Performance data are reviewed on a routine basis to ensure that CO<sub>2</sub> flooding efficiency is optimized. If production is different from the expected plan, it is investigated, and any identified issues addressed. Leakage to the outside of production wells is not considered a major risk because of the reduced pressure in the casing. All personnel are equipped with personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors. These personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are designed to detect leaked fluids around production wells during well and equipment inspections.
- Field inspections are conducted on a routine basis by field personnel. Leaking CO<sub>2</sub> is very cold and leads to the formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted. All field personnel are trained to identify leaking CO<sub>2</sub> and other potential problems at wellbores and in the field. Any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected will be documented, quantified, and reported.

Based on ongoing monitoring activities and review of the potential leakage risks posed by wellbores, it is concluded that the risk of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage through wellbores is being mitigated by detecting problems as they arise and quantifying any leakage that does occur. As mentioned before, leakage from wellbores is considered low but possible. It would most likely occur during the workover operations of installing the blowout preventer or wellhead. This release would be limited in nature to only a few MCF.

## 5.2 Faults and Fractures

After reviewing geologic, seismic, operating, and other evidence, it has been concluded that there are no known faults or fractures that transect the WLFRRF reservoir into overlying formations in the project area. There have not been any fracture treatments performed on WF wells and there are no future fracture treatments contemplated and thus induced fracture risk is eliminated. Seismic evaluation has eliminated the existence of faults. As a result, there is little to no risk (less than 1%) of leakage due to fractures or faults.

Measurements to determine FPP and reservoir pressure are routinely updated. This information is used to manage injection patterns so that the injection pressure will not exceed FPP. An IWR at or near 1 is also maintained based on consistent reservoir pressure measurements. Both activities mitigate the potential for inducing faults or fractures.

## 5.3 Natural and Induced Seismicity

After reviewing the literature<sup>2</sup> and actual operating experience, it is concluded that there is no direct evidence that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. There is no indication of seismic activity posing a risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface within the MMA. The TRRC approved injection pressures in the WF are maintained and monitored so that injection pressure is kept well below the TRRC approved injection pressures which are significantly below the fracture initiation pressure. This ensures that there will be no induced seismicity. Therefore, CapturePoint concludes that leakage of sequestered CO<sub>2</sub> through seismicity is unlikely.

To evaluate this potential risk at WF, CapturePoint has reviewed the nature and location of seismic events in West Texas. A review of the United States Geological Survey (USGS) database of recorded earthquakes of magnitude 1.0 or greater on the Richter Scale in the Permian Basin since 1956, indicates very little seismic activity with a magnitude 2.5 earthquake 38 miles to the south of the WF.

The concern about induced seismicity is that it could lead to fractures in the seal providing a pathway for CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. CapturePoint is not aware of any reported loss of injectant (brine water or CO<sub>2</sub>) to the surface associated with any seismic activity. There is no direct evidence to suggest that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. If induced seismicity resulted in a pathway for material amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> to migrate from the injection zone, other reservoir fluid monitoring provisions (e.g., reservoir pressure, well pressure, and pattern monitoring) would detect the migration and lead to further investigation. CapturePoint monitors the USGS earthquake monitoring Geological Information System site<sup>3</sup> for seismic signals that could indicate the creation of potential leakage pathways in the WF.

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<sup>2</sup> Frohlich, Cliff (2012) "Induced or Triggered Earthquakes in Texas: Assessment of Current Knowledge and Suggestions for Future Research", Final Technical Report, Institute for Geophysics, University of Texas at Austin, Office of Sponsored Research.

<sup>3</sup> <https://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/map/>

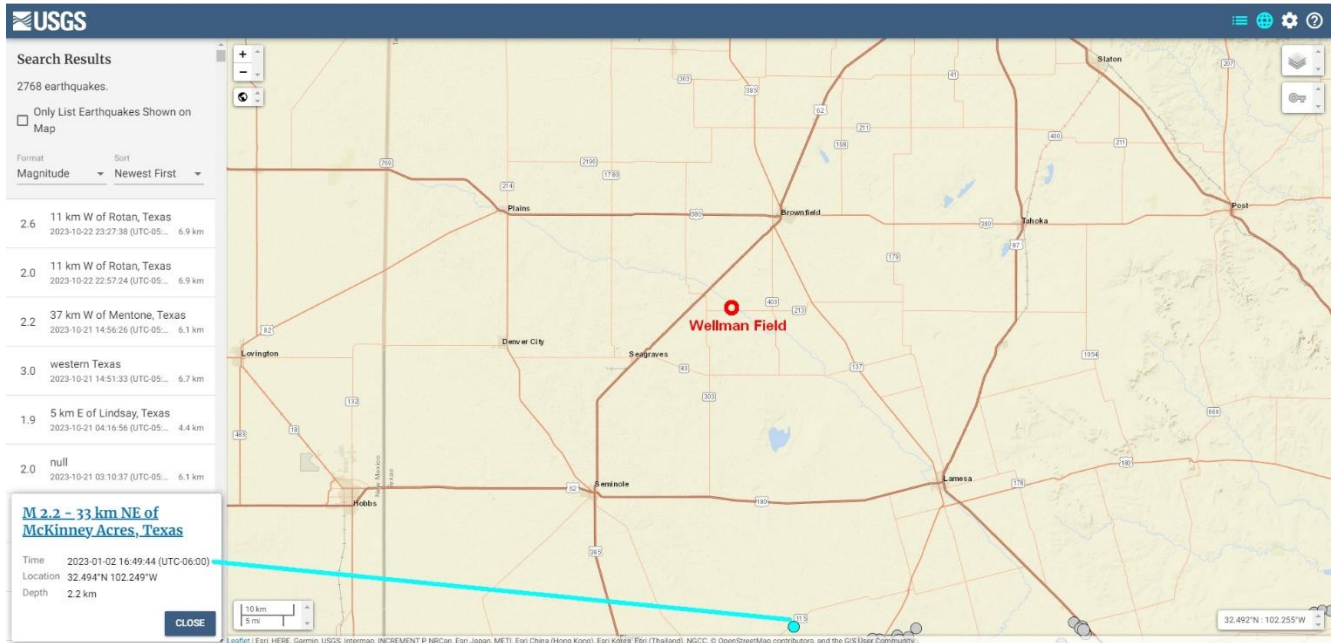


Figure 5-1 USGS earthquakes (+0.5 magnitude) for last 53 years)

## 5.4 Previous Operations

CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was initiated in WF in 1983. To obtain permits for CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, the AoR around all CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells was evaluated to determine if there were any unknown penetrations and to assess if corrective action was required at any wells. As indicated in Section 5.9, this evaluation reviewed the identified penetrations and determined that no additional corrective action was needed. Further, CapturePoint's standard practice for drilling new wells includes a rigorous review of nearby wells to ensure that drilling will not cause damage to or interfere with existing wells. Additionally, requirements to construct wells with materials that are designed for CO<sub>2</sub> injection are adhered to at WF. These practices ensure that there are no unknown wells within WF and that the risk of migration from older wells has been sufficiently mitigated. The wells were designed to prevent migration from the injection interval to the surface through the casing and cement placed in the well. Mechanical integrity tests (MIT), required under TAC Rule §3.46 [40 CFR §146.23 (b)(3)], will take place every five years to verify that the well and wellhead can contain the appropriate operating pressures. If an MIT were to indicate a leak, the well would be isolated, and the leak mitigated to prevent leakage of the injectate to the atmosphere. The successful experience with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding in WF demonstrates that the confining zone has not been impaired by previous operations. As evidenced by the 40 years of CO<sub>2</sub> injection without leakage previous operations do not present a risk of leakage to the atmosphere. Well construction requirements all but eliminate this leakage potential. If leakage were to occur, well intervention methods would address the failure in a matter of hours to days limiting the volume of leakage to a range of a few MCF to a few MMCF. Based on this history of no leakage events and well construction requirements, the likelihood is less than 1% and the magnitude would be low with a timely response and remediation.

## 5.5 Pipelines and Surface Equipment

Damage to or failure of pipelines and surface equipment can result in unplanned losses of CO<sub>2</sub>. CapturePoint anticipates that the use of prevailing design, construction practices, and compliance with applicable laws will reduce to the maximum extent possible, the risk of unplanned leakage from surface facilities. The facilities and pipelines currently utilize, and will continue to utilize, materials of construction and control processes that are standard for CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects in the oil and gas industry. Operating and maintenance practices currently follow, and will continue to follow, demonstrated industry standards. Field personnel are trained to look for and report potential leaks from pipeline and surface equipment as part of their routine activities. All equipment is designed with isolation valving to reduce the leakage from any failed equipment resulting in the potential leakage limited from the MCF to hundreds of MCF range. The Facility Emergency Vent is included in the surface equipment. It is a planned relief system that has the potential to release unplanned CO<sub>2</sub>. That volume is measured by an operations meter and recorded for reporting purposes. Should leakage be detected from pipeline or surface equipment, the volume of released CO<sub>2</sub> will be quantified following the requirements of Subpart W of Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program (GHGRP). The magnitude of these releases is usually small within only a few MCF as they are easily identified and isolated. Because of materials selection, the risk is once again low and CapturePoint concludes that leakage of CO<sub>2</sub> through the surface equipment is unlikely.

## 5.6 Lateral Migration Outside the Wellman Field

It is highly unlikely that injected CO<sub>2</sub> will migrate downdip and laterally outside the WF because of the nature of the geology and the approach used for injection. The reef is completely encased with impermeable sediments, which is what created such a defined reservoir that trapped oil over millions of years. With water flooding from the edges, combined with vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the top of the reef, the CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained to the upper portions of the reef (See Figure 5-2). Finally, the total volume of fluids contained in the WF will stay relatively constant. Based on site characterization along with the planned and projected operations, it is estimated that the total volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be considerably less than the calculated capacity. Based on the above statement, the storage capacity down to the spill-point is greater than the stored volume, so no CO<sub>2</sub> would be leaked laterally.

## 5.7 Drilling in the Wellman Field

The TRRC regulates well drilling activity in Texas. Pursuant to TRRC rules, wells casing shall be securely anchored in the hole in order to effectively control the well at all times, all usable-quality water zones shall be isolated and sealed off to effectively prevent contamination or harm, and all productive zones, potential flow zones, and zones with corrosive formation fluids shall be isolated and sealed off to prevent vertical migration of fluids, including gases, behind the casing. Where TRRC rules do not detail specific methods to achieve these objectives, operators shall make every effort to follow the intent of the section, using good engineering practices and the best currently available technology (TAC Title 16 Part1 Chapter 3 Rule §3.13). The TRRC requires applications and approvals before a well is drilled, recompleted, or reentered. Well drilling

activity at WF is conducted in accordance with TRRC rules. CapturePoint's visual inspection process, including routine site visits, will identify unapproved drilling activity in the WF. Leakage during drilling operations is unlikely but possible. It would occur when reservoir pressure is high. Drilling mud weight is designed to control that leakage therefore making the potential very low with volumes leaked kept at low levels.

In addition, CapturePoint intends to operate WF for several more years and will continue to be vigilant about protecting the integrity of its assets and maximizing the potential of its resources, including oil, gas, and CO<sub>2</sub>. Consequently, as CapturePoint owns the rights at all depths, the risks associated with third parties penetrating the WF are negligible.

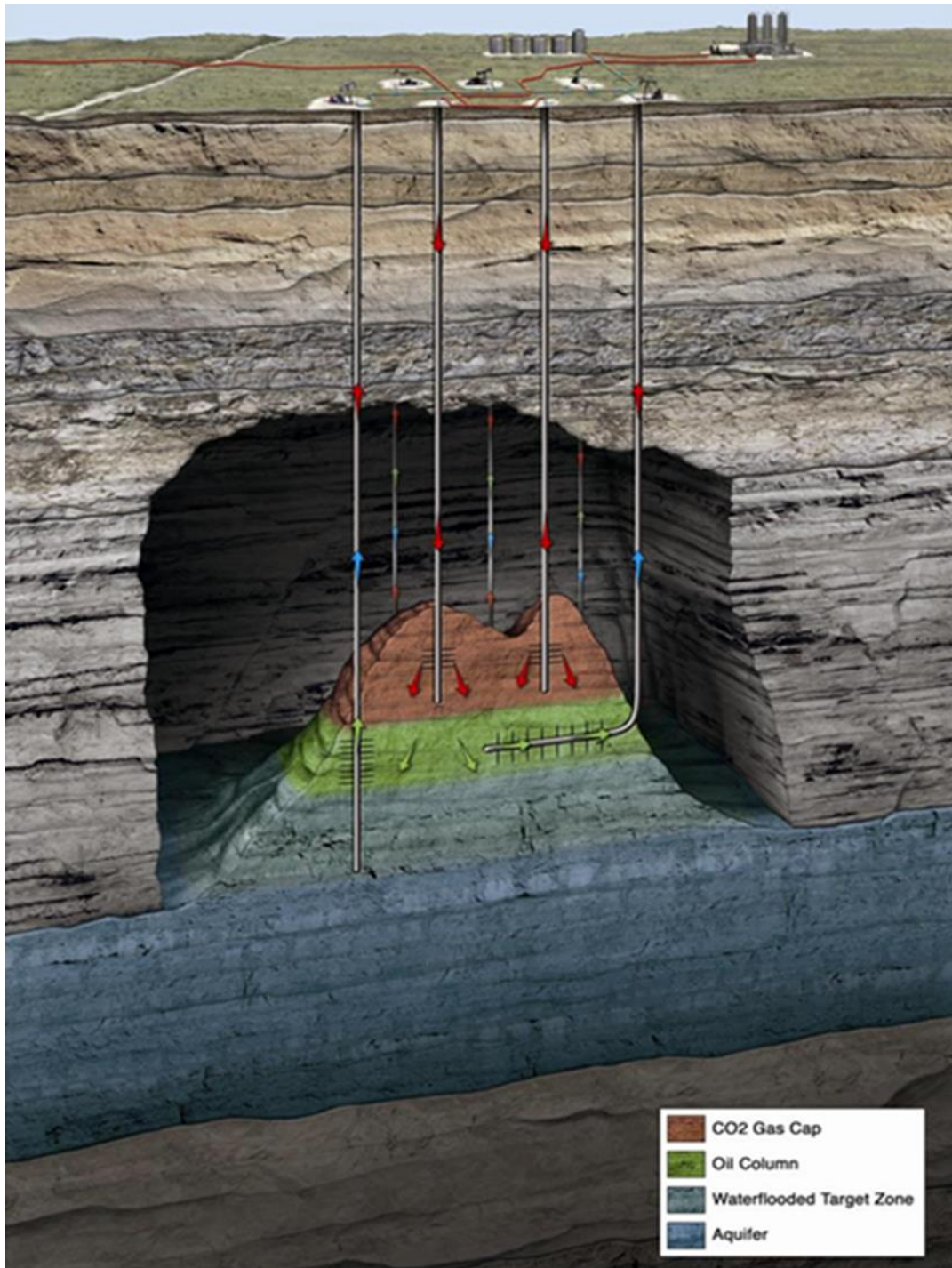


Figure 5-2 Schematic of WF vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flood

## 5.8 Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal

Diffuse leakage through the seal formed by the upper Wolfcamp is highly unlikely. There are several sections above the reservoir that are impermeable and serve as reliable barriers to prevent fluids from moving upwards towards the surface. These barriers are referred to as seals because they effectively seal fluids within the formations beneath them. As mentioned in Section

3.2, “Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formation, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval is informally called the “Spraberry Series.” The Spraberry Series forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastics above the reservoir.”

Our injection monitoring program assures that no breach of the seal will be created. The seal is highly impermeable. Wellbores that penetrate the seal make use of cement and steel construction that is closely regulated to ensure that no leakage takes place. Injection pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in injection pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause. The potential for leakage again is very low (less than 1%) the magnitude of which would be in the several MCF range into other formations but not to the surface.

## 5.9 Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

As discussed above, the potential sources of leakage include issues, such as problems with surface equipment (pumps, valves, etc.) or subsurface equipment (wellbores), and unique events such as induced fractures. An event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage is used. Table 5.1 summarizes some of these potential leakage scenarios, the monitoring activities designed to detect those leaks, the standard response, and other applicable regulatory programs requiring similar reporting.

Given the uncertainty concerning the nature and characteristics of any leaks that may be encountered, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> will be determined on a case-by-case basis. In the event leakage occurs, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume leaked will be determined and it will be reported as required as part of the annual Subpart RR submission. The potential quantification methods may include, but are not limited to:

- For leakage through wellbores, continuous SCADA monitoring data provide the basis to determine duration and the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> loss;
- For leakage from surface equipment and pipelines, continuous SCADA monitoring data and acceptable emission factors, such as those in 40 CFR Part §98 Subpart W, provide the basis to determine duration and the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> loss;
- For leakage related to the competency of the confining layer, reservoir modeling and engineering estimates provide the basis for determining the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> losses.

Any volume of CO<sub>2</sub> detected leaking to surface will be quantified using acceptable emission factors such as those found in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W or engineering estimates of leak amounts based on measurements in the subsurface, field experience, and other factors such as the frequency of inspection. Leaks will be documented, evaluated, and addressed in a timely manner.

In the unlikely event that CO<sub>2</sub> was released because of surface leakage, the mass emitted would be calculated for each surface pathway according to methods outlined in the plan and totaled using Equation RR-10 as follows:



$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^X CO_{2x} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

Where:

$CO_{2E}$  = Total annual  $CO_2$  mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year

$CO_{2,x}$  = Annual  $CO_2$  mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year

X = Leakage pathway

Calculation methods using equations from subpart W will be used to calculate  $CO_2$  emissions due to any surface leakage between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead. Records of leakage events will be retained in the electronic environmental documentation and reporting system. The Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot.

Table 5-1 Response Plan for  $CO_2$  Loss

Risk	Monitoring Plan	Response Plan
Tubing Leak	Monitor changes in tubing and annulus pressures;	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Casing Leak	Routine Field inspection; Monitor changes in annulus pressure, MIT for injectors; extra attention to high-risk wells	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Wellhead Leak	Routine Field inspection, SCADA system monitors wellhead pressure	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Loss of Bottom-hole pressure control	Blowout during well operations	Maintain well kill procedures. Magnitude would be millions of cubic feet.
Unplanned wells drilled through WLFRRF	Routine Field inspection to prevent unapproved drilling; compliance with TRRC permitting for planned wells.	Assure compliance with TRRC regulations is maintained.
Diffuse leakage through the seal	Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Conduct an injection radioactive tracer survey. If verified, the well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Loss of seal in abandoned wells	Routine field inspections of abandoned well locations	Re-enter and reseal abandoned wells. Magnitude could be millions of cubic feet.
Pumps, valves, etc.	Routine Field inspection, Monitor SCADA	Repair crews respond within hours to days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Overfill beyond spill points	Monitor reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure discovered in new wells	Fluid management along into the reservoir by reduction of injection. This reservoir is a well-defined tank. Volumetric evaluation will direct fluid volume injection.
Leakage through induced fractures	Monitor reservoir pressure in injector headers; Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause. High pressure discovered in new wells	Comply with TRRC approved injection pressures below parting pressure.

Leakage due to seismic event	Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Shut in injectors near seismic event. Inject water near seismic event to stop leakage.
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## 5.10 Summary

The structure and stratigraphy of the WLFRRF reservoir in the WF is ideally suited for the injection and storage of CO<sub>2</sub>. The carbonate reef within the CO<sub>2</sub> injection zones is porous, permeable, and thick, providing ample capacity for long-term CO<sub>2</sub> storage. The reservoir is overlain by several intervals of impermeable geologic zones that form effective seals or “caps” to fluids in the reservoir.

In summary, based on a careful assessment of the potential risk of release of CO<sub>2</sub> from the subsurface, it has been determined that there are no leakage pathways at the WF that are likely to result in significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the atmosphere. Further, given the detailed knowledge of the field and its operating protocols, it is concluded that any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface that could arise through either identified or unexpected leakage pathways would be detected and quantified as required by 40 CFR 98.448.

## 6 Monitoring and Considerations for Calculating Site Specific Variables

Monitoring will also be used to determine the quantities in the mass balance equation and to make the demonstration that the CO<sub>2</sub> plume will not migrate to the surface after the time of discontinuation.

### 6.1 For the Mass Balance Equation

#### 6.1.1 General Monitoring Procedures

Flow rate, pressure, and gas composition data are monitored and collected from the WF in centralized data management systems as part of ongoing operations. This data is monitored by qualified technicians who follow response and reporting protocols when the systems deliver notifications that data exceed statistically acceptable boundaries.

Metering protocols used at WF follow the prevailing industry standard(s) for custody transfer as currently promulgated by the API, the American Gas Association, and the Gas Processors Association, as appropriate. This approach is consistent with EPA GHGRP’s Subpart RR, section §98.444(e)(3). These meters will be maintained routinely, operated continually, and will feed data directly to the centralized data collection systems. The meters meet the industry standard for custody transfer meter accuracy and calibration frequency.

#### 6.1.2 CO<sub>2</sub> Received

As indicated in Figure 3-5, the volume of received CO<sub>2</sub> is measured using a commercial custody transfer meter at the point at which custody of the CO<sub>2</sub> from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system is transferred to the WF. This meter measures flow rate continually. The transfer is a commercial transaction that is documented. CO<sub>2</sub> composition is governed by contract and the gas is routinely sampled. Fluid composition will be determined, at a minimum, quarterly,

consistent with EPA GHGRP's Subpart RR, section §98.447(a). All meter and composition data are documented, and records will be retained for at least three years. No CO<sub>2</sub> is received in containers.

### 6.1.3 CO<sub>2</sub> Injected in the Subsurface

Injected CO<sub>2</sub> will be calculated using the flow meter volumes at the operations meter at the outlet of the central tank battery separators less vent and equipment losses plus, the custody transfer meter at the CO<sub>2</sub> off-take point from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system.

### 6.1.4 CO<sub>2</sub> Produced, Entrained in Products, and Recycled

The following measurements are used for the mass balance equations in Section 8:

- CO<sub>2</sub> produced in the gaseous stage is calculated using the volumetric flow meters at central production battery. These meters are located immediately downstream of the separation facilities.
- CO<sub>2</sub> that is entrained in produced oil, as indicated in Figure 3-5, is calculated using volumetric flow through the custody transfer meter and annual analysis of CO<sub>2</sub> content in the oil which has typically 0.3797 volume percent (1.2692 Mol%).
- Recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is calculated using the volumetric flow meter at the outlet of the central production battery separators feeding the inlet of the RCF, which is an operations meter. Only gaseous CO<sub>2</sub> flows through this meter.

### 6.1.5 CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Surface Leakage

CapturePoint uses 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W to estimate surface leaks from equipment at the WF. Subpart W uses a factor-driven approach to estimate equipment leakage. In addition, an event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is used.

In accordance with §98.444(d), CP uses Equation RR-10 in §98.443 to calculate and report the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage from WF. In accordance with §98.443(f)(2), CP will separately calculate and report CO<sub>2FI</sub> and CO<sub>2E</sub> emissions.

The multi-layered and risk-based monitoring program for event-driven incidents has been designed to meet two objectives: 1) to detect problems before CO<sub>2</sub> leaks to the surface; and 2) to detect and quantify any leaks that do occur. This section discusses how this monitoring will be conducted and used to quantify the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked to the surface.

#### **Monitoring for Potential Leakage from the Injection/Production Zone**

In addition to the measures discussed in Section 5.9, both injection into and production from the reservoir will be monitored as a means of early identification of potential anomalies that could indicate leakage from the subsurface.

Injection plans (fluid rate, pressure, volume) are given to operations on a weekly basis. If injection pressure or rate measurements are outside the specified set points determined as part of each pattern injection plan, reservoir engineering will notify field personnel and they will investigate

and resolve the problem. These excursions will be reviewed by well management personnel to determine if CO<sub>2</sub> leakage may be occurring. Excursions are not necessarily indicators of leaks; they simply indicate that injection rates and pressures are not conforming to the pattern injection plan. In many cases, problems are straightforward to fix (e.g., a meter needs to be recalibrated or some other minor action is required), and there is no threat of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. In the case of issues that are not readily resolved, a more detailed investigation and response would be initiated, and support staff would provide additional assistance and evaluation.

Likewise, a forecast of the rate and composition of produced fluids is developed. Each producer well is assigned to a specific test vessel and is isolated during each cycle for a well production test. This data is reviewed on a periodic basis to confirm that production is at the level forecasted. If there is a significant deviation from the plan, well management personnel investigate. If the issue cannot be resolved quickly, a more detailed investigation and response would be initiated. If leakage in the flood zone were detected, an appropriate method would be used to quantify the involved volume of CO<sub>2</sub>. This might include use of material balance equations based on known injected quantities and monitored pressures in the injection zone to estimate the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> involved.

A subsurface leak might not lead to a surface leak. In the event of a subsurface leak, CapturePoint would determine the appropriate approach for tracking subsurface leakage to determine and quantify leakage to the surface. To quantify leakage, the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be estimated to quantify the leak volume. Depending on specific circumstances, these determinations may rely on engineering estimates.

In the event leakage from the subsurface occurred diffusely through the seals, the leaked gas would include H<sub>2</sub>S, which would trigger the alarm on the personal monitors worn by field personnel. Such a diffuse leak from the subsurface has not occurred in the WF. In the event such a leak was detected, personnel would determine how to address the problem. The personnel might use modeling, engineering estimates, and direct measurements to assess, address, and quantify the leakage.

### **Monitoring of Wellbores**

WF wells are monitored through daily pressure monitoring of the injection zone, monitoring of the annular pressure in wellheads, and routine maintenance and inspection.

Leaks from wellbores would be detected through the follow-up investigation of pressure anomalies, visual inspection, or the use of personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors.

Anomalies in injection zone pressure may not indicate a leak, as discussed above. However, if an investigation leads to a need for further study, field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. If it is a simple matter, the repair would be made, and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repair were needed, the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined.

Anomalies in annular pressure or other issues detected during routine maintenance inspections would be treated in the same way. Field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. For simple matters the repair would be made at the time of inspection and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repairs were needed, the well would be shut in, a work order would be generated and the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined. The work order would serve as the basis for tracking the event for GHGRP.

Because leaking CO<sub>2</sub> at the surface is very cold and leads to formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted, a visual inspection process in the WF area is employed to detect unexpected releases from wellbores. Field personnel visit the surface facilities on a routine basis. Inspections may include tank levels, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, and valves. Field personnel also observe the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks.

Finally, the H<sub>2</sub>S monitors, which are always worn by all field personnel are used as a last method to detect leakage from wellbores. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitor detects concentrations greater than 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the first response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of the alarm. As noted previously, H<sub>2</sub>S is considered a proxy for potential gas leaks including CO<sub>2</sub> in the field. Currently the concentration of H<sub>2</sub>S in the recycled or produced gas is approximately 130 ppm while in the produced fluid the concentration is 77 ppm making leak detection viable. Thus, detected H<sub>2</sub>S leaks will be investigated to quantify the potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage source and quantities.

#### **Other Potential Leakage at the Surface**

The same visual inspection process and H<sub>2</sub>S monitoring system will be used to detect other potential leakage at the surface as it does for leakage from wellbores. Routine visual inspections are used to detect significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface. Field personnel routinely visit surface facilities to conduct a visual inspection. Inspections may include review of tank level, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, valves, and conducting a general observation of the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks. If problems are detected, field personnel would investigate, and complete any maintenance that is required. In addition to these visual inspections, the results of the personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors worn by field personnel will be used as a supplement for smaller leaks that may escape visual detection.

If CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is detected, it will be reported to surface operations personnel who will review the reports and conduct a site investigation. If maintenance is required, steps are taken to prevent further leaks.

#### **6.1.6 CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the injection flow meter and the injection wellhead**

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from injection equipment and the CO<sub>2</sub> content of any vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

### 6.1.7 CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the production flow meter and the production wellhead

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from production equipment and the CO<sub>2</sub> content of produced oil, and any vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

## 6.2 To Demonstrate that Injected CO<sub>2</sub> is not Expected to Migrate to the Surface

At the end of the Specified Period, injecting CO<sub>2</sub> for the subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term storage of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF will cease. Sometime after the end of the Specified Period, a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting will be submitted. The request will demonstrate that the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> reported under 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage.

At that time, the request will be supported with years of data collected during the Specified Period. This demonstration will provide the information necessary for the EPA Administrator to approve the request to discontinue monitoring and reporting and may include, but is not limited to:

- Data comparing actual performance to predicted performance (purchase, injection, production) over the monitoring period,
- An assessment of the CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected, including the discussion of the estimated amount of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked and the distribution of emissions by leakage pathway,
- A demonstration that future operations will not release the volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface,
- A demonstration that there has been no significant leakage of CO<sub>2</sub>; and,
- An evaluation of the reservoir pressure demonstrates that injected fluids are not expected to migrate in a manner to create a potential leakage pathway.

## 7 Determination of Baselines

Ongoing operational monitoring has provided data for establishing baselines and will be utilized to identify and investigate excursions from expected performance that could indicate CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Data systems are used primarily for operational control and monitoring, which are set to capture more information than is necessary for reporting in the Annual Subpart RR Report. The necessary system guidelines to capture the information that is relevant to identify possible CO<sub>2</sub> leakage will be developed. The following describes the approach to collecting this information.

### Visual Inspections

As field operators conduct routine inspections and repairs, the Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot. Examples include occurrences of well workover or repair, as well as visual identification of vapor clouds or ice formations. Each incident will be flagged for review by the person responsible for MRV documentation (the responsible party will be provided in the monitoring plan, as required under Subpart A, §98.3(g)).

The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information used to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Personal H<sub>2</sub>S Monitors**

H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are worn by all field personnel. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitors detect concentrations of H<sub>2</sub>S up to 500 ppm in 0.1 ppm increments and will sound an alarm if the detection limit exceeds 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the immediate response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of persistent alarms. CapturePoint considers H<sub>2</sub>S to be a proxy for potential CO<sub>2</sub> leaks in the field. The person responsible for MRV documentation will receive notice of all incidents where H<sub>2</sub>S is confirmed to be present. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from any such incidents. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Injection Rates, Pressures and Volumes**

Target injection rate and pressure for each injector are developed within the permitted limits based on the results of ongoing pattern balancing. The injection targets are submitted to field operations. Field operations flags whenever statistically significant deviations from the targeted ranges are identified. The set points are designed to be conservative, because it is preferable to have too many flags rather than too few. As a result, flags can occur frequently and are often found to be insignificant. For purposes of Subpart RR reporting, flags (or excursions) will be screened to determine if they could also lead to CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. The person responsible for the MRV documentation will receive notice of excursions. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Production Volumes and Compositions**

A general forecast of production volumes and composition is developed which is used to periodically evaluate performance, refine current and projected injection plans, and the forecast. This information is used to make operational decisions but is not recorded in an automated data system. The MRV plan implementation lead will review the data and identify those that could result in CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Should such events occur, leakage volumes would be calculated following the approaches described in Sections 5 and 6. Impact to Subpart RR reporting will be addressed, if deemed necessary.

## **8 Determination of Sequestration Volumes Using Mass Balance Equations**

This section describes how CP uses the equations in Subpart RR §98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received using equations RR-2 and RR-3, the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> injected using equations RR-5 and RR-6, the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> produced using equations RR-8 and RR-9, the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Surface Leakage using equation RR-10, and the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered using equation RR-11.

### **8.1 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received**

Equation RR-2 will be used as indicated in Subpart RR §98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> at the receiving custody transfer meter from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system. The volumetric

flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine mass.

The Mass of the CO<sub>2</sub> Received will be determined using Equation RR-2 as follows:

$$CO_{2T,r} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,r} - S_{r,p}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,r}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-2})$$

where:

CO<sub>2T,r</sub> = Net annual mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received through flow meter r (metric tons).

Q<sub>r,p</sub> = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

S<sub>r,p</sub> = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into your well in quarter p (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

C<sub>CO<sub>2,p,r</sub></sub> = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter r in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

r = Receiving flow meters.

Given WF's method of receiving CO<sub>2</sub> and requirements at Subpart RR §98.444(a):

- All delivery to the WF is used within the unit so no quarterly flow redelivered, and S<sub>r,p</sub> will be zero ("0").
- Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurements.

## 8.2 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface

The equation for calculating the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface at the WF is equal to the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received as calculated in RR-2 of §98.443 (section 8.1 above) and the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled calculated using measurements taken from the flow meter located directly downstream of the separation facilities (see Figure 3-5).



The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled will be determined using equations RR-5 as follows:

$$CO_{2,u} = \sum_{p=1}^4 Q_{p,u} * D * C_{CO_2,p,u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-5})$$

where:

CO<sub>2,u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

Q<sub>p,u</sub> = Quarterly volumetric flow rate measurement for flow meter u in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters per quarter).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub>,p,u</sub> = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter u in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

u = Flow meter.

The total Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received (RR-2) and Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled (RR-5).

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be determined using equations RR-6 as follows:

$$CO_{2i} = \sum_{u=1}^U CO_{2u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-6})$$

where:

CO<sub>2i</sub>. = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) through all injection wells.

CO<sub>2,u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

u = Flow meter.

### 8.3 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced

In accordance with §98.443, Equation RR-8 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced at the flow meter (Operational Meter 1) on Figure 3-5, as described in Section 6.1.4. Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurement database. The volumetric flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine net Annual Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received.

$$CO_{2,w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,w}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,w}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

Where:

$CO_{2,w}$  = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.

$Q_{p,w}$  = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for separator w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

$CCO_{2,p,w}$  = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for separator w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

w = Separator.

For Equation RR-9 in §98.443 the variable X will be measured as follows:

$$CO_{2P} = (1 + X) * \sum_{w=1}^W CO_{2,w} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-9})$$

Where:

$CO_{2P}$  = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through all separators in the reporting year.

$CO_{2,w}$  = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w in the reporting year.

X = Entrained CO<sub>2</sub> in produced oil or other fluid divided by the CO<sub>2</sub> separated through all separators in the reporting year (weight percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction)

w = Separator

## 8.4 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Surface Leakage

Surface Leakage will be calculated and reported using an approach that is tailored to specific leakage events including calculation methodologies in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W for emissions and leaks from equipment. CapturePoint is prepared to address the potential for leakage in a variety of settings. Estimates of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked to the surface will depend on several site-specific factors including measurements, engineering estimates, and emission factors, depending on the source and nature of the leakage.

The process for quantifying leakage will entail using the best engineering principles or emission factors. While it is not possible to predict in advance the types of leaks that will occur, some approaches for quantification are described in Sections 5.9 and 6. In the event leakage to the surface occurs, leakage amounts would be quantified and reported, and records that describe the methods used to estimate or measure the volume leaked as reported in the Annual Subpart RR Report would be retained.

Equation RR-10 in §98.443 will be used to calculate and report the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage:

$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^X CO_{2,x} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

Where:

- CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year
- CO<sub>2,x</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year
- X = Leakage pathway

## 8.5 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Facility Emergency Vent

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by the Emergency Vent at the WF will be calculated using the measurements from the flow meter at the vent. That volume will be added to CO<sub>2FI</sub> which is the total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

Equation RR-8 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted through the emergency vent as follows:

$$CO_{2,w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,w}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,w}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

Where:

- CO<sub>2,w</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.
- Q<sub>p,w</sub> = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for separator w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).
- D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.
- CCO<sub>2,p,w</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for separator w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- p = Quarter of the year.
- w = Separator

## 8.6 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered and Reported in Subsurface Geologic Formation

Equation RR-11 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered and Reported in Subsurface Geologic Formations in the Reporting Year as follows:

$$\text{CO}_2 = \text{CO}_{2\text{I}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{P}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{E}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{FI}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{FP}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-11})$$

where:

CO<sub>2</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass sequestered in subsurface geologic formations (metric tons) at the facility in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2I</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) in the well or group of wells covered by this source category in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2P</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) by surface leakage in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2FI</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

CO<sub>2FP</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

## 9 MRV Plan Implementation Schedule

This MRV plan will be implemented starting October 2023 or within 90 days of EPA approval, whichever occurs later. Other GHGRP reports are filed on March 31 of the year after the reporting year, and it is anticipated that the Annual Subpart RR Report will be filed at the same time. It is anticipated that the MRV plan will be in effect during the Specified Period, during which time the WF will be operated with the subsidiary purpose of establishing long-term containment of a measurable quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> in subsurface geological formations at the WF. It is anticipated to establish that a measurable amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected during the Specified Period will be stored in a manner not expected to migrate resulting in future surface leakage. At such time, a demonstration supporting the long-term containment determination will be prepared and a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting under this MRV plan will be submitted. See 40 C.F.R. §98.441(b)(2)(ii).

## 10 Quality Assurance (QA) Program

### 10.1 QA Procedures

The requirements of §98.444 (a) – (d) have been incorporated in the discussion of mass balance equations. These include the following provisions.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Received and Injected**

- The quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received by pipeline is measured at the receiving custody transfer meters.
- The quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> flow rate for recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is measured at the outlet of the central production battery separators feeding the inlet of the RCF.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Produced**

- The point of measurement for the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from oil or other fluid production wells is a flow meter directly downstream of each separator that sends a stream of gas into a recycle or end use system.
- The produced gas stream is sampled annually downstream of the flow meter used to measure flow rate of that gas stream and measure the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of the sample.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Equipment Leaks and Vented Emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>**

These volumes are measured in conformance with the monitoring and QA requirements specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98.

#### **Flow Meter Provisions**

The flow meters used to generate data for the mass balance equations are:

- Operated continuously except as necessary for maintenance and calibration.
- Operated using the calibration and accuracy requirements in 40 CFR §98.3(i).
- Operated in conformance with API standards.
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) traceable.

#### **Concentration of CO<sub>2</sub>**

CO<sub>2</sub> concentration is measured using an appropriate standard method. Further, all measured volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> have been converted to standard cubic meters at a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and at an absolute pressure of 1 atmosphere, including those used in Equations RR-2, RR-5, and RR-8 in Section 8.

## 10.2 Missing Data Procedures

In the event data needed for the mass balance calculations cannot be collected, procedures for estimating missing data in §98.445 will be used as follows:

- A quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative flow rate value from the previous measured period.
- A quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of a CO<sub>2</sub> stream received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative concentration value from the previous measured period.
- A quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected from the previous measured period at a similar injection pressure.
- For any values associated with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment at the facility that are reported in this subpart, missing data estimation procedures specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98 would be followed.
- The quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from subsurface geologic formations that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from the previous measured period.

## 10.3 MRV Plan Revisions

In the event there is a material change to the monitoring and/or operational parameters of the CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations in the WF that is not anticipated in this MRV plan, the MRV plan will be revised and submitted to the EPA Administrator within 180 days as required in §98.448(d).

## 11 Records Retention

The record retention requirements specified by §98.3(g) will be followed. In addition, the requirements in Subpart RR §98.447 will be met by maintaining the following records for at least three years:

- Quarterly records of CO<sub>2</sub> received at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of produced CO<sub>2</sub>, including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of injected CO<sub>2</sub> including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by surface leakage from leakage pathways.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity.

This data will be collected as generated and aggregated as required for reporting purposes.

## 12 Appendix

### 12.1 Well Identification Numbers

The following table presents the well name, API number, type, and status for active wells in the WF as of March 2023. The table is subject to change over time as new wells are drilled, existing wells change status, or existing wells are repurposed.

The following terms are used:

Well Type:

- PROD\_OIL refers to wells that produce oil.
- INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> refers to wells that inject CO<sub>2</sub>.
- INJ\_SWD refers to wells that inject water for disposal.
- P&A refers to plugged and abandoned wells.

Well Status:

- ACTIVE refers to active wells.
- INACTIVE refers to wells that have been completed but are not in use.
- SHUT\_IN refers to wells that have been temporarily idled or shut in.
- TEMP\_AB refers to wells that have been temporarily abandoned.

*Table 12-1 Well Status Table*

Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 101W	4244500076	INJ_SWD	SHUT_IN
WU 201	4244500072	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 202	4244500073	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 203	4244500074	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 203-ST	424450007401	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 204	4244530234	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 301	4244500575	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 302W	4244500576	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 303	4244530070	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 303-ST	4216533912	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 304	4244532434	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 304-ST	424453243401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 401	4244500083	INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	ACTIVE
WU 402	4244500084	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 402-ST	424450008401	INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	ACTIVE
WU 403	4244500085	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 404	4244500086	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 405	4244500087	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 405-ST	424450008701	P&A	INACTIVE



Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 405-ST2	424450008702	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 406	4244500088	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 407	4244530288	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 408	4244531435	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 408-ST	424453143501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 409	4244531456	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 409-ST	424453145601	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 410	4244531825	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 410-ST	424453182501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 411	4244531858	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 501	4244500578	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 502	4244500579	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 502-ST	424450057901	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 503	4244500580	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 504	4244500581	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 505	4244500582	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 505-ST	424450058202	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 506	4244500583	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 506-ST	424450058301	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 507	4244500584	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 508	4244530105	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 509	4244531117	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 510	4244531434	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVEACTIVE
WU 510-ST	424453143401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 511	4244531457	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 512	4244531769	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 513	4244531872	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 601	4244500569	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 602	4244500570	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 701	4244500163	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 702	4244500089	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 703	4244500090	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 704	4244500091	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 704A	4244530314	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 705	4244530125	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 706	4244530864	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 706-ST	424453086401	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 801	4244500418	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 801-ST	424450041801	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 802	4244500419	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 803	4244500420	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 804	4244500421	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 805	4244500422	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 805-ST	424450042201	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 806	4244500423	P&A	INACTIVE

Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 806A	4244532445	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 806-ST	424450042301	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 807	4244500424	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 807A	4244500425	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 807A-ST1	424450042501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 808	4244530741	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 809	4244531824	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 810	4244531870	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 811	4244532428	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 812	4244532435	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 813	4244532446	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 814	4244532467	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE

## 12.2 Regulatory References

Regulations cited in this plan:

- TAC Title 16 Part 1 Chapter 3 Oil & Gas Division

[https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y)

- TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual

<https://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-and-gas/publications-and-notices/manuals/injection-storage-manual/>

## 12.3 Abbreviations and Acronyms

AMA - Active Monitoring Area

API - American Petroleum Institute

AoR - Area of Review

Bcf – 1 Billion Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

CO<sub>2</sub> - Carbon Dioxide

CTB – Central Tank Battery

DPC - Dimensionless Performance Curve

EPA - Environmental Protection Agency

EOR - Enhanced Oil Recovery

ESP - Electrical Submersible Pump

FPP - Formation Parting Pressure (psi)

GHGRP - Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program

H<sub>2</sub>S – Hydrogen Sulfide

HCPV - Hydrocarbon Pore Volume

IWR - Injection to Withdrawal Ratio

MMA - Maximum Monitoring Area

MRV Plan - Monitoring, Reporting and Verification Plan

MCF – 1 Thousand Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

MIT – Mechanical Integrity Test

MMCF – 1 Million Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

NIST - National Institute of Standards and Technology

QA – Quality Assurance

RB - Reservoir Barrels

RCF - Recycle Compression Facility

TAC - Texas Administrative Code

TRRC - Texas Railroad Commission - Oil and Gas Division

USGS - United States Geological Survey

UIC – Underground Injection Control

WF – Wellman Field

WLFRRF – Wolfcamp Reef

## 12.4 Conversion Factors

CapturePoint reports CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions of temperature and pressure as defined in the State of Texas in the Texas Administrative Code for the Oil and Gas Division, Rule 3.79 as follows:

Cubic foot of gas or standard cubic foot of gas--The volume of gas contained in one cubic foot of space at a standard pressure base and at a standard temperature base. The standard pressure base shall be 14.65 pounds per square inch absolute, and the standard temperature base shall be 60 degrees Fahrenheit.

To calculate CO<sub>2</sub> mass from CO<sub>2</sub> volume, EPA recommends using the database of thermodynamic properties developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). This online database is available at:

<https://webbook.nist.gov/chemistry/fluid/>

It provides density of CO<sub>2</sub> using the Span and Wagner equation of state (EOS) at a wide range of temperature and pressures.

At State of Texas standard conditions, the Span and Wagner EOS gives a density of CO<sub>2</sub> of 0.002641684 lb-moles per cubic foot. Converting the CO<sub>2</sub> density in units of metric tonnes per cubic foot:

$$Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{MT}{ft^3} \right) = Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{lb - moles}{ft^3} \right) \times MW_{CO_2} \times \frac{1 MT}{2,204.62 lbs}$$

Where:

$Density_{CO_2} = \text{Density of CO}_2 \text{ in metric tonnes (MT) per cubic foot}$

$Density_{CO_2} = 0.002641684$

$MW_{CO_2} = 44.0095$

$Density_{CO_2} = 5.2734 \times 10^{-5} \frac{MT}{ft^3} \text{ or } 5.2734 \times 10^{-2} \frac{MT}{Mcf}$

The conversion factor  $5.2734 \times 10^{-2}$  MT/Mcf is used to convert CO<sub>2</sub> volumes in standard cubic feet to CO<sub>2</sub> mass in metric tonnes.

## **Appendix B: Submissions and Responses to Requests for Additional Information**

**CAPTUREPOINT LLC**  
**WELLMAN FIELD**  
**SUBPART RR MONITORING, REPORTING AND**  
**VERIFICATION (MRV) PLAN**

**May 2024**

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## 1 Introduction

CapturePoint LLC operates a carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) enhanced oil recovery (EOR) project in the Wellman Field (WF) located in Terry County, Texas, approximately 10 miles southwest of the town of Brownfield for the primary purpose of EOR using CO<sub>2</sub> with a subsidiary purpose of geologic sequestration of CO<sub>2</sub> in a subsurface geologic formation. The WF is comprised of the Wolfcamp Reef (WLFRRF), the main producing reservoir. Production from the WLFRRF is between 9,200-10,000 feet throughout the well-defined reef. The MRV plan was developed in accordance with 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) to provide for the monitoring, reporting, and verification of the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered at the WF during a specified period of injection.

## 2 Facility Information

### 2.1 Reporter Number

544182 – WF

### 2.2 UIC Permit Class

The Oil and Gas Division of the Texas Railroad Commission (TRRC) regulates oil and gas activity in Texas. All wells in the WF (including production, injection, and monitoring wells) are permitted by TRRC through Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Title 16 Chapter 3. TRRC has primacy to implement the Underground Injection Control Class II program in the state for injection wells. All EOR injection wells in the WF are currently classified as UIC Class II wells.

### 2.3 Existing Wells

Wells in the WF are identified by Wellman Unit (WU) and their number, American Petroleum Institute (API) number, type, and status. The list of wells as of March 2023 is included in Section 12.1. Any changes in wells will be indicated in the annual report.

## 3 Project Description

This project takes place in the WF, an oil field located in West Texas that was first produced more than 70 years ago. WF is comprised of the WLFRRF. The WLFRRF is the main oil and gas producing unit, which is now under the sole operatorship of CapturePoint LLC. Water flooding was initiated in 1979 with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding beginning in 1983, in the WLFRRF. The field is well characterized and is suitable for secure geologic storage. CapturePoint uses a continuous injection process to maintain a constant reservoir pressure. This is achieved with an injection to withdrawal ratio (IWR) at or near 1.

### 3.1 Project Characteristics

The WF was discovered in 1950 and started producing oil in the same year. The WLFRRF began to produce in May 1950 and a waterflood was initiated in July 1979 in the flanks of the reef to push the oil column up towards the top of the structure. CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was then initiated in 1983 and was injected into the top of the structure for vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding. The entire reef is an oil-bearing zone that has been produced for years, swept by a waterflood, and is now CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the

top down for residual oil. This geologically well-defined reef system is an attractive target for EOR with CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Sequestration.

A long-term CO<sub>2</sub> and hydrocarbon injection and production forecast for the WLFRF was developed using a dimensionless performance curve (DPC) approach. Using this approach, a total injection of approximately 100 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> is forecasted over the life of the project ending in year 2061. Total injection is the volumes of stored CO<sub>2</sub> plus the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> produced with oil. Figure 3-1 shows actual and projected CO<sub>2</sub> injection, production, and stored volumes in WF.

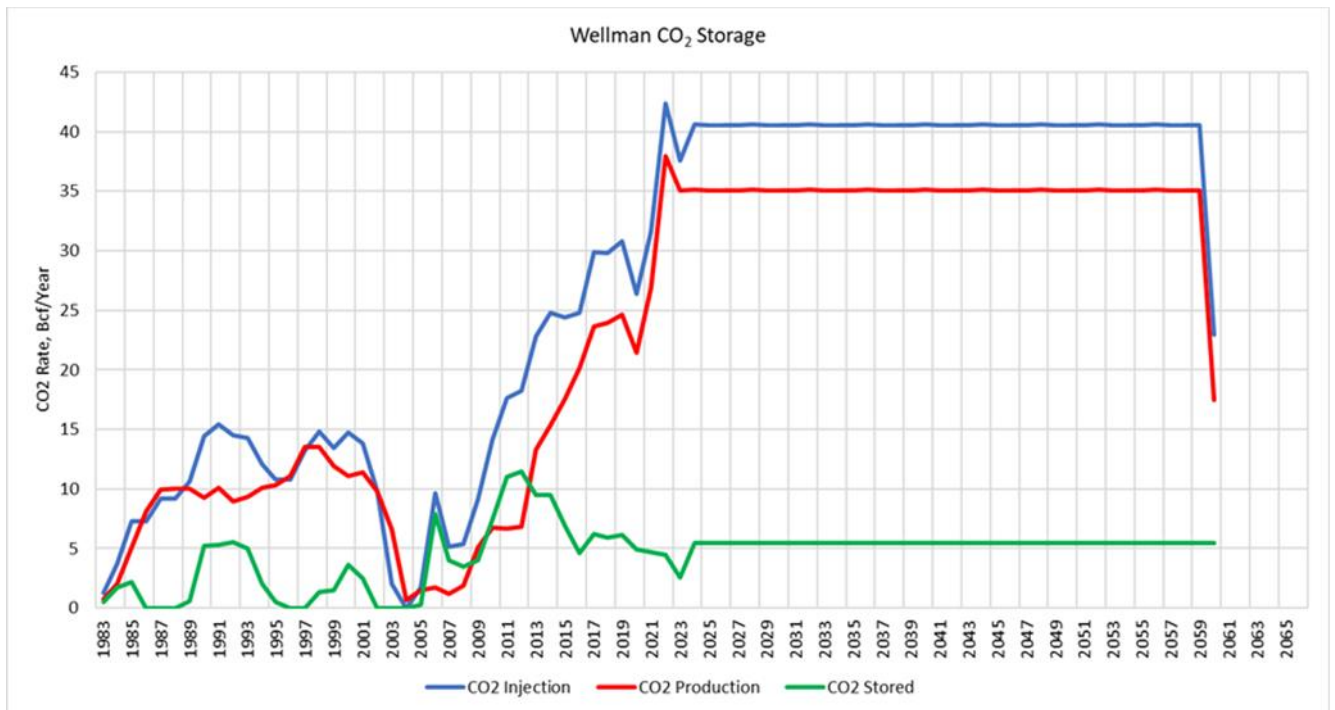
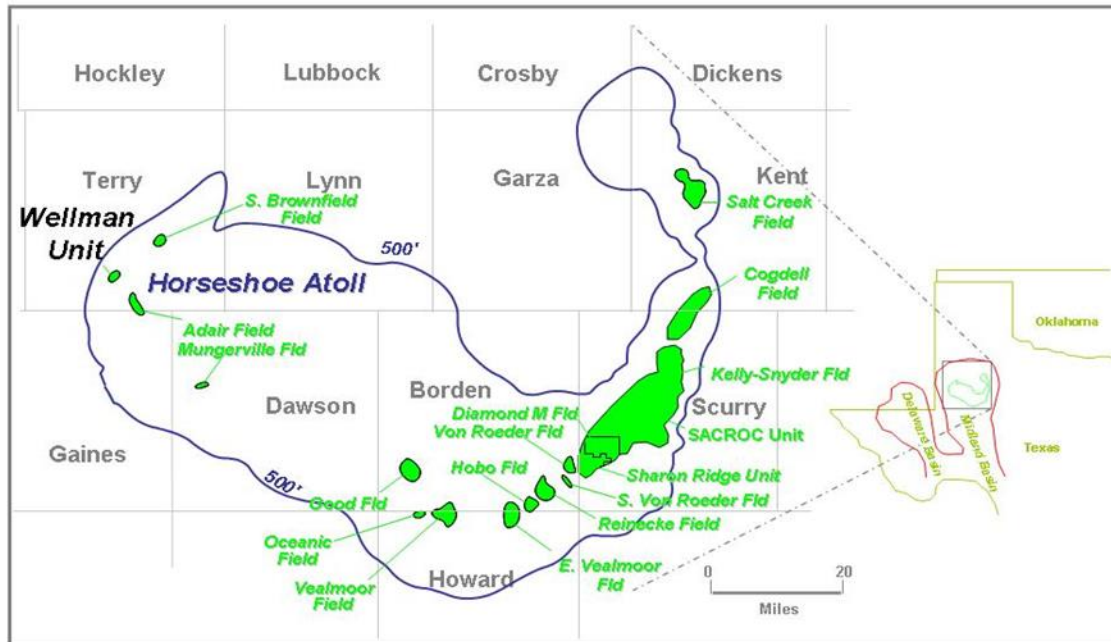


Figure 3-1 WF Historic and Forecast CO<sub>2</sub> Injection, Production, and Storage

### 3.2 Environmental Setting

The WF is in the NE portion of the Central Basin Platform in West Texas (See Figure 3-2). The productive portion of the WF is composed of the WLFRF.



**Modified from Vest, 1970**

*Figure 3-2 Location of WF in West Texas*

The WLFRRF was developed on the far north-western edge of a larger Pennsylvanian reef trend known as the Horseshoe Atoll. The environment of deposition was shallow muddy (turbid) water with encroaching shales at the flank and eventually buried by terrigenous sediments (shales, siltstones, sands). Those sediments finally drowned out the reef and now form the primary seal for the reservoir. The structure is pinnacle reef like with two smaller bioherm buildups creating an overall structure oriented in a north to south direction (See Figure 3-4).

By the time the reef was deposited, the sinking of the Horseshoe Atoll was well underway, leaving a great deal of vertical accommodation space. As a result, the reef is steep-sided and slumping of the outer edges of the reef is common, as is mixing of the reef-slump (limestone) debris with shale from the overlying seal (Anderson, 1953). The peak of the reservoir occurs at approximately -5,900'SS and plunges below the original oil / water contact at -6,680'SS inside the boundaries of the Wellman Unit. Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formations, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval here is informally called the "Spraberry Group." The Spraberry Group forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastic rock above the reservoir (See Figure 3-3).

# WELLMAN FIELD TYPE LOG & GENERALIZED STRATIGRAPHIC SECTION

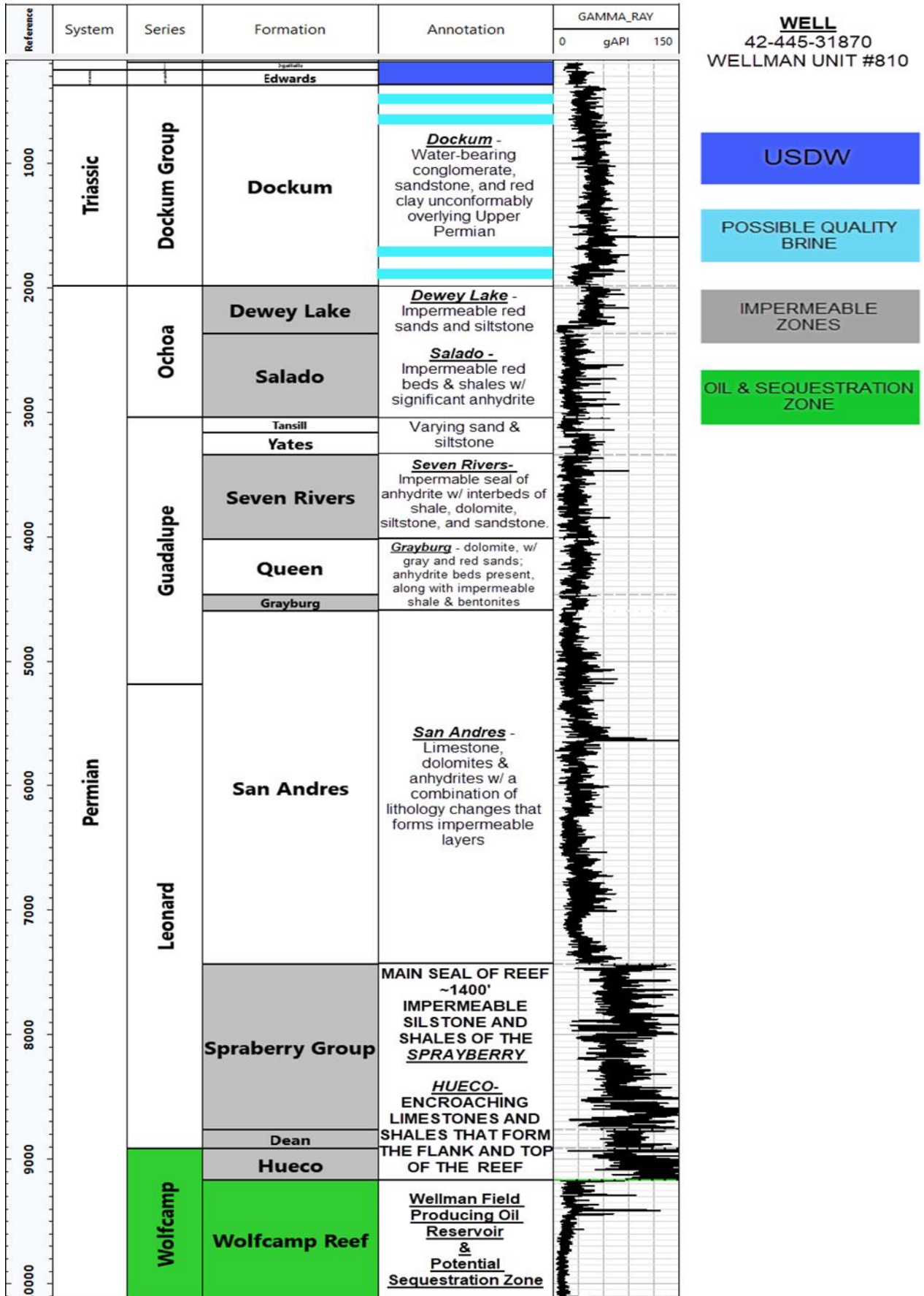


Figure 3-3 WF generalized stratigraphic section.

## Wellman Field Stratigraphy

The Wellman Field produces from a Wolfcampian aged 299-280 million years ago (299-280 mya) limestone biohermal type reef. It was deposited on an isolated platform on the Pennsylvanian (320-299 mya) structure called the Horseshoe Atoll. The Horseshoe atoll is composed of bedded bioclastic limestone and limestone detritus that accumulated in the interior part of a developing intracratonic basin during late Paleozoic (355-280 mya) time. The reef environment was established early in the basin history and endured because of the lack of a significant terrigenous clastic source to fill the basin interior. Mixed types of bioclastic debris accumulated cyclically and the upper level of the reef complex was maintained near sea level as the basin subsided. About 1,800 ft of limestone accumulated during the Pennsylvanian (355-299 mya), with a primary dip as great as 8 percent that developed along the margins of the atoll. During early Permian time (299-280 mya) the reef was restricted to the southwest side of the atoll where more than 1,100 ft of additional limestone accumulated before death of the reef. The Horseshoe Atoll encompasses all or portions of 14 counties (Terry, Lynn, Garza, Kent, Scurry, Mitchell, Howard, Borden, Dawson, Gaines, Martin, Lubbock, Crosby, and Dickens); an area of approximately 8,100 square miles. The Wellman field is a pinnacle reef on the southwestern arm of the Horseshoe Atoll.

The following is a description of each formation in ascending order (Figure 3-3). All the formations are Permian (299-245 mya) in age through the Dewey Lake formation. The Dockum Group is Triassic (245-202 mya) in age and the Edwards and Ogalala are Late Tertiary (6-3 mya).

### *Wolfcamp Reef*

The Wolfcampian (299-280 mya) Wolfcamp Reef is a fusulinid-algal packstone with vuggy and moldic porosity. With increasing depth, brachiopods, other bivalves, and crinoids are present. Bioturbation and some brecciated zones occur along with low amplitude stylolites.

### *Hueco Formation*

The Late Wolfcampian (285-280 myo) Hueco Formation consists of interbedded limestones, sandstones, and shales. They interfinger to form the flank and caprock of the reef. Early deposition was almost exclusively shales and limestones. Influxes of clastics started with subsidence of the basin.

### *Dean*

The Leonardian (280-279 mya) Dean Formation is a thin very fine-grained sandstone that grades upwards into laminated siltstones containing silty, bioturbated, mudstones.

### *Spraberry Group*

The Early Leonardian (~281-278 mya) Spraberry Group consists of predominately silty mudstones and clay-rich siltstones with interfingering of sands and limestones. The siltstones and mudstones were deposited on a high stand carbonate ramp. During low sea level, the eolian sandstones increased when the shelf was exposed. It is fine-grained, low permeability with some bioturbation and organic rich shales. The sandstones are turbidites and channel deposits. The carbonates display turbidite with slump and debris flow characteristics.

### *San Andres*

The Upper Leonardian - Lower Guadalupian (278-267 mya) San Andres Formation is predominantly dolomite with considerable amounts of anhydrite in the upper 300 feet. The depositional environment of the San Andres was shallow lagoon and sabkha complexes with an upward-shoaling, prograding-aggrading sequences.

### *Grayburg*

The Guadalupian (267 mya) Grayburg Formation is a mixed carbonate-siliciclastic composite sequence with evaporites and halites deposited in a sabkha and tidal flat environment. The San Andres and Grayburg are frequently grouped together as they have similar depositional environments.

### *Queen*

The Guadalupian (266-265 mya) Queen Formation is interbedded with siliclastic, carbonate mudstones, and evaporites. They were deposited in a fluvial depositional environment. Sandstones of the Queen formation are often reservoirs in the Permian basin.

### *Seven Rivers*

The Guadalupian (265-262 mya) Seven Rivers Formation is composed of cyclically interbedded mudstones, salt, anhydrite, and dolomite.

### *Yates*

The Guadalupian (262-261 mya) Yates Formation consists of sandstone, siltstone, and anhydrite. The sandstone is fine to very fine grained and contains scattered large rounded, frosted quartz grains.

### *Tansill*

The Guadalupian (261-260 mya) Tansill Formation consists of interbedded salts and anhydrite.

### *Salado*

The Ochoan (260-250 mya) Salado Formation is the dominant halite-bearing unit of the Midland Basin. The anhydrite contained in this formation represents the most-flooded, least-restricted conditions over the evaporite shelf where wind, storm, and seasonal circulation was adequate to maintain gypsum deposition. Overlying anhydrite beds contain halite, polyhalite, and mudstone beds.

### *Dewey Lake*

The Ochoan (250-245 mya) Dewey Lake Formation contains orange-red, fine to very fine-grained sandstones and siltstones with anhydrite and gypsum cements.

### *Dockum*

The Triassic (245-208 mya) Dockum Group consists mainly of terrigenous clastic red beds, mudstones and siltstones to conglomerates recording a change from the sabkha environments of Permian time to the humid continental environments of Triassic time.

There is an unconformity between the Dockum Group and the Edwards of approximately 98 million years. This was due to either non-deposition or uplift and erosion.

#### *Edwards*

The Cretaceous (142-68 mya) Edwards is a fine- to coarse-grained, thick-bedded to massive, light gray to grayish yellow limestone with abundant rudistids.

There is an unconformity between the Edwards and the Ogallala of approximately 45 million years.

#### *Ogallala*

The Miocene-Pliocene (23-2.5 mya) Ogallala Formation consists of gravel, sand, and finer grained clastic that were deposited in fluvial and upland eolian settings. Caliche and ash beds can also be found in the Ogallala.

The Ogallala and Edwards are USDWs in the Wellman Field.



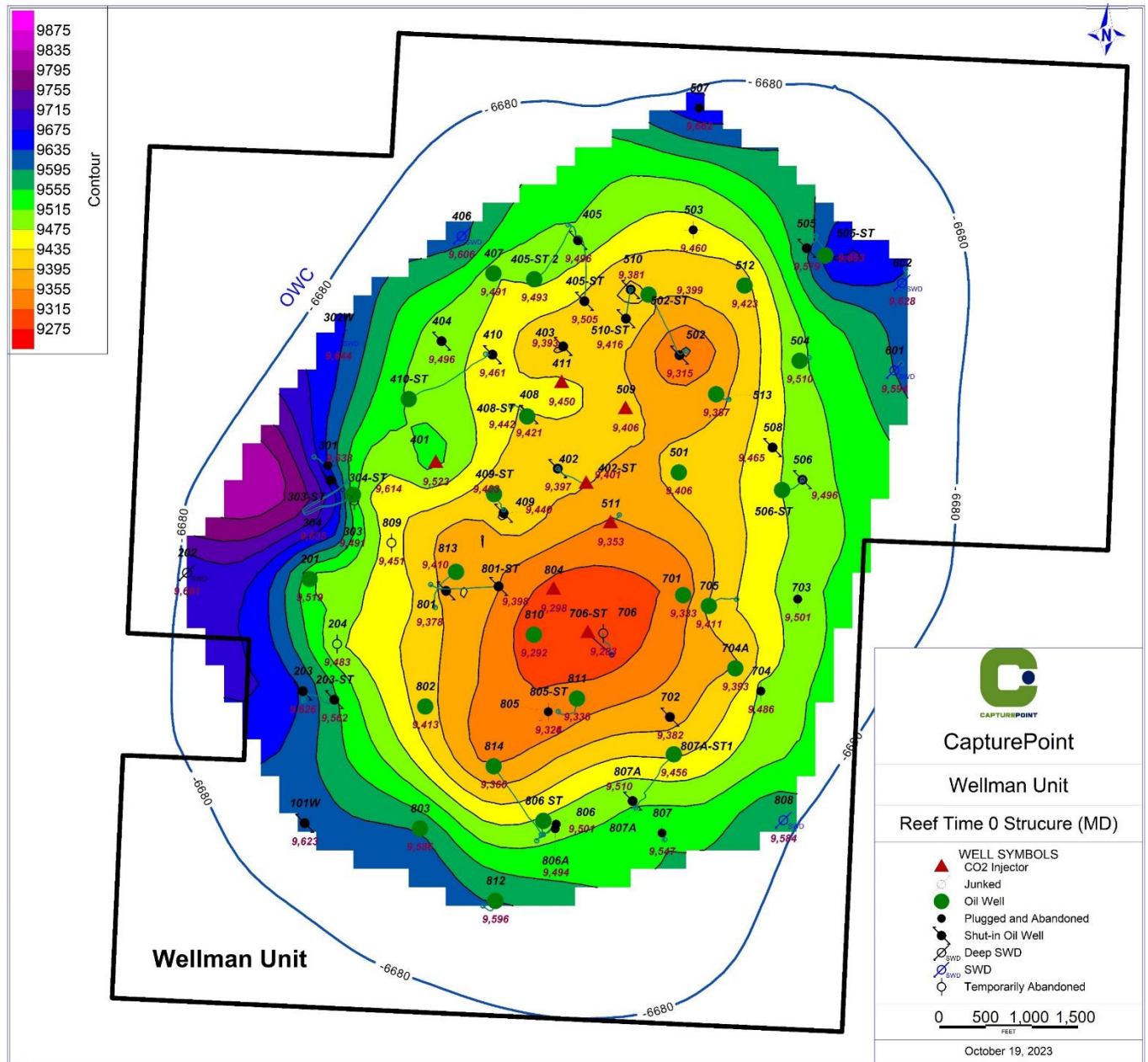


Figure 3-4 Local Area Structure on Top of the Wolfcamp Reef

Once the CO<sub>2</sub> flood is complete and injection ceases, the remaining mobile CO<sub>2</sub> will rise slowly upward, driven by buoyancy forces. There is more than enough pore space to sequester the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> planned for injection. The amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected will not exceed the reservoir's secure storage capacity and, consequently, the risk that CO<sub>2</sub> could migrate to other reservoirs in the basin is negligible.

The volume of CO<sub>2</sub> storage is based on the estimated total pore space within WLFRRF. The total pore space within WF, from the top of the reservoir down to the base of the WLFRRF, is calculated to be 304.5 million reservoir barrels (RB). This is the volume of rock multiplied by porosity. Table 3-1 below shows the conversion of this amount of pore space into an estimated maximum volume of approximately 551 Billion Cubic Feet (BCF) (29 million tonnes) of CO<sub>2</sub> storage in the reservoir at original reservoir pressure conditions of 4100 psi. Based on the current project



forecast, CO<sub>2</sub> will occupy only 66% (364 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity by the year 2060. CO<sub>2</sub> currently occupies 29% (159 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity.

Table 3-1 Calculation of Maximum Volume of CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Capacity at WF

<b>Top of Main Pay to Original Oil/Water Contact</b>	
Variables	WF Outline in Figure 3-4
Pore Volume (RB)	304,516,542
BCO <sub>2</sub> (RB/MCF)	0.42
S <sub>wirr</sub>	0.15
S <sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub>	0.09
Max CO <sub>2</sub> (MCF)	551,029,933
Max CO <sub>2</sub> (BCF)	551

$$\text{Max CO}_2 = \text{Pore Volume} * (1 - S_{wirr} - S_{or CO_2}) / BCO_2$$

Where:

Max CO<sub>2</sub> = the maximum amount of storage capacity

Pore Volume = Total pore space in reservoir barrels (RB)

BCO<sub>2</sub> = the formation volume factor for CO<sub>2</sub>

S<sub>wirr</sub> = the irreducible water saturation

S<sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub> = the irreducible oil saturation

Reservoir management is employed on a constant basis to obtain the maximum possible economic recovery from a reservoir based on facts, information, and knowledge. As WF is a vertical displacement flood, long-term storage utilizes the natural buoyancy of CO<sub>2</sub> to oil and water, along with the existing reservoir seal, to contain the CO<sub>2</sub>. In this scenario, there is no lateral migration and injected fluids (CO<sub>2</sub>) will stay in the reservoir within the WF unit boundary and not move laterally to adjacent areas.

Given that in WF the confining zone has proved competent over millions of years, has remained intact with the current CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, and that the WF has ample storage capacity, there is confidence that stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained securely within the reservoir.

### 3.3 Description of CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR Project Facilities and the Injection Process

Figure 3-5 shows a simplified process flow diagram of the project facilities and equipment in WF. CO<sub>2</sub> is delivered to the WLFRRF via the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline network. CO<sub>2</sub> is supplied by anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> sources. Available amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> are drawn from an outside source pipeline based on contractual arrangements among suppliers of CO<sub>2</sub>, purchasers of CO<sub>2</sub>, and the pipeline operator. These amounts will vary over time and be added to the recycled CO<sub>2</sub> for injection into the reservoir.

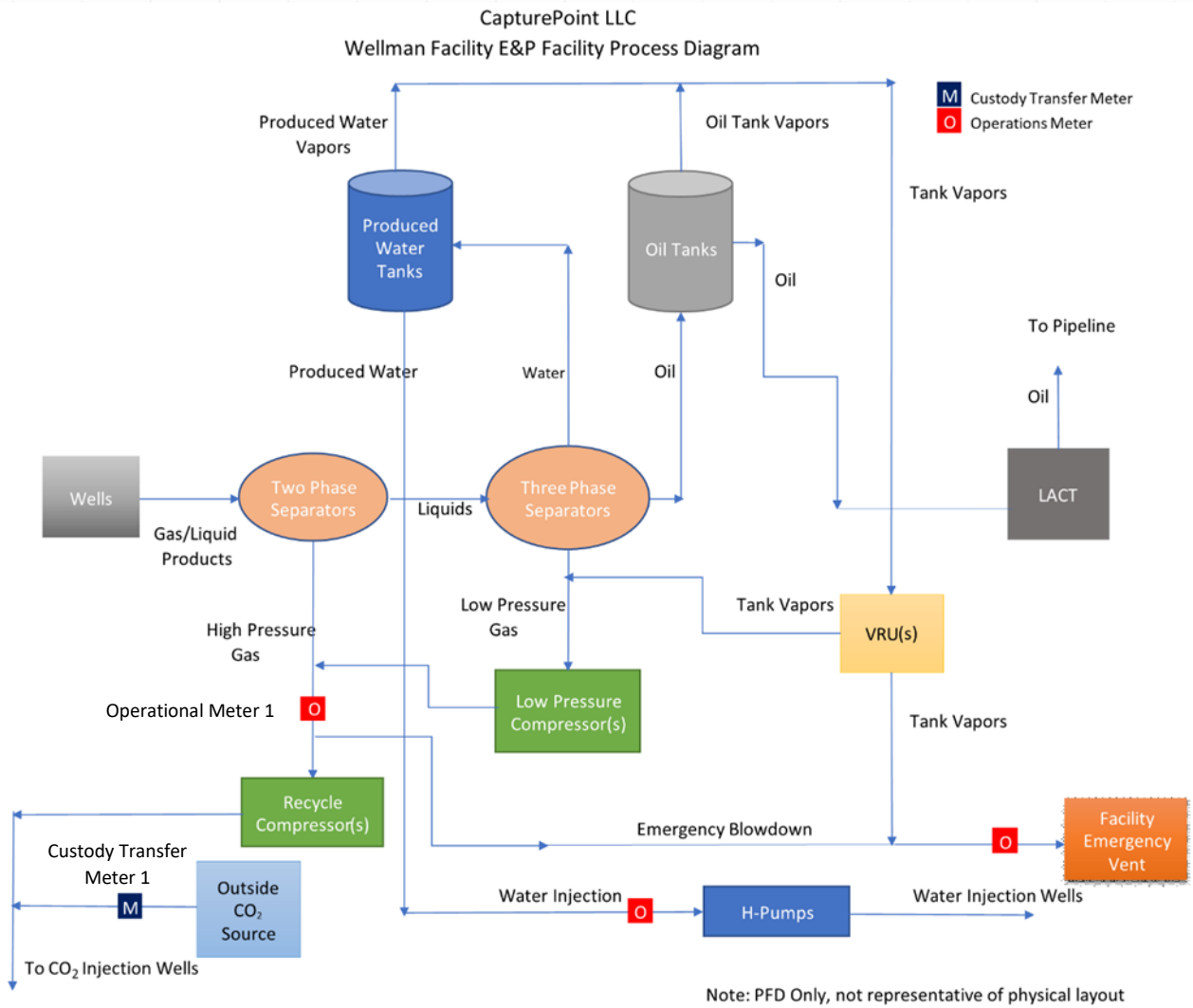


Figure 3-5 Wellman Process Flow Diagram

Once CO<sub>2</sub> enters the WLFRF there are three main processes involved in EOR operations:

- i. CO<sub>2</sub> Distribution and Injection: The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received at WF is metered and calculated through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the pipeline delivery point. The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received is combined with recycled CO<sub>2</sub> / hydrocarbon gas mix from the recycle compression facility (RCF) and distributed to the wellheads for injection into the injection wells according to the injection plan for the reservoir. This is an EOR project and reservoir pressure must be maintained above minimum miscibility pressure. Therefore, injection pressure must be sufficiently high to allow injectants to enter the reservoir, but below formation parting pressure (FPP).
- ii. Produced Fluids Handling: Produced fluids from the production wells are a mixture of oil, hydrocarbon gas, water, CO<sub>2</sub>, and trace amounts of other constituents in the field including nitrogen and hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) as discussed in Section 7. The fluids are transported via flowlines to the Central Tank Battery (CTB) for separation into a gas/CO<sub>2</sub> mix and produced liquids that are a mix of water and oil, with entrained gas and CO<sub>2</sub>. The produced gas, which is composed primarily of CO<sub>2</sub> and minor hydrocarbons, is sent to the RCF for dehydration and recompression before reinjection into the reservoir. An operations meter at the RCF is used to determine the total volume of produced gas that is reinjected. The separated oil is metered through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the central tank battery and sold into a pipeline.
- iii. Water Treatment and Injection: Water is recovered for reuse and forwarded to the water injection station for reinjection or disposal.

### 3.3.1 Wells in the Wellman Field

The TRRC has broad authority over oil and gas operations including primacy to implement UIC Class II wells. The rules are found in TAC Title 16, Part 1, Chapter 3 and are also explained in a TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual (See Appendix 12-2). TRRC rules govern well siting, construction, operation, maintenance, and closure for all wells in oilfields.

Briefly, TRRC rules include the following requirements:

- Fluids must be constrained in the strata in which they are encountered,
- activities cannot result in the pollution of subsurface or surface water,
- wells must adhere to specified casing, cementing, drilling well control, and completion requirements designed to prevent fluids from moving from the strata that are encountered into other strata with oil and gas, or into subsurface and surface waters,
- completion report for each well including basic electric log (e.g., a density, sonic, or resistivity (except dip meter) log run over the entire wellbore) must be prepared,
- operators must follow plugging procedures that require advance approval from the TRRC Director and allow consideration of the suitability of the cement based on the use of the well, the location and setting of plugs; and,
- injection well operators must identify an Area of Review (AoR), use compatible materials and equipment, test, and maintain well records.

Table 3-2 provides a well count by type and status. All these wells are in material compliance with TRRC rules.

*Table 3-2 WF Well Penetrations by Type and Status*

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>ACTIVE</b>	<b>INACTIVE</b>	<b>P &amp; A</b>	<b>Total</b>
PROD_OIL	27	6	0	<b>33</b>
INJ_SW	6	0	0	<b>6</b>
INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	7	0	0	<b>7</b>
P&A	0	0	8	<b>8</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>54</b>

*PROD\_OIL = Production Wells*

*INJ\_SW = Saltwater disposal wells*

*INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells*

*P&A = Plugged and Abandoned wells.*

*(P&A for sidetracks are not included in the P&A count)*

WF CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations are designed to avoid conditions which could damage the reservoir and cause a potential leakage pathway. Reservoir pressure in the WF is managed by monitoring reservoir pressures and ensuring these remain constant. This is achieved by maintaining an IWR of approximately 1.

Injection pressure is also maintained below the FPP, which is measured using step-rate tests.

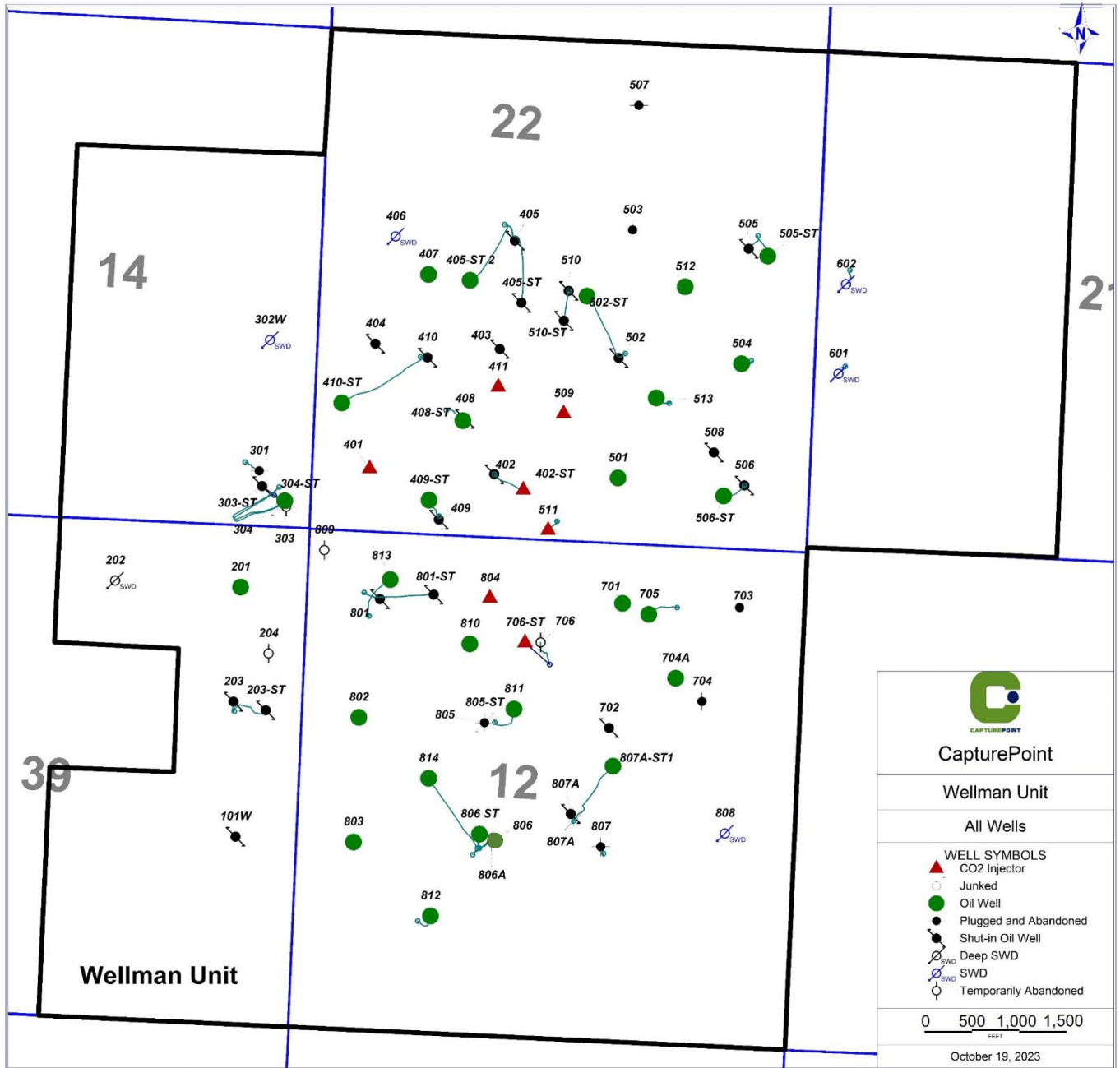


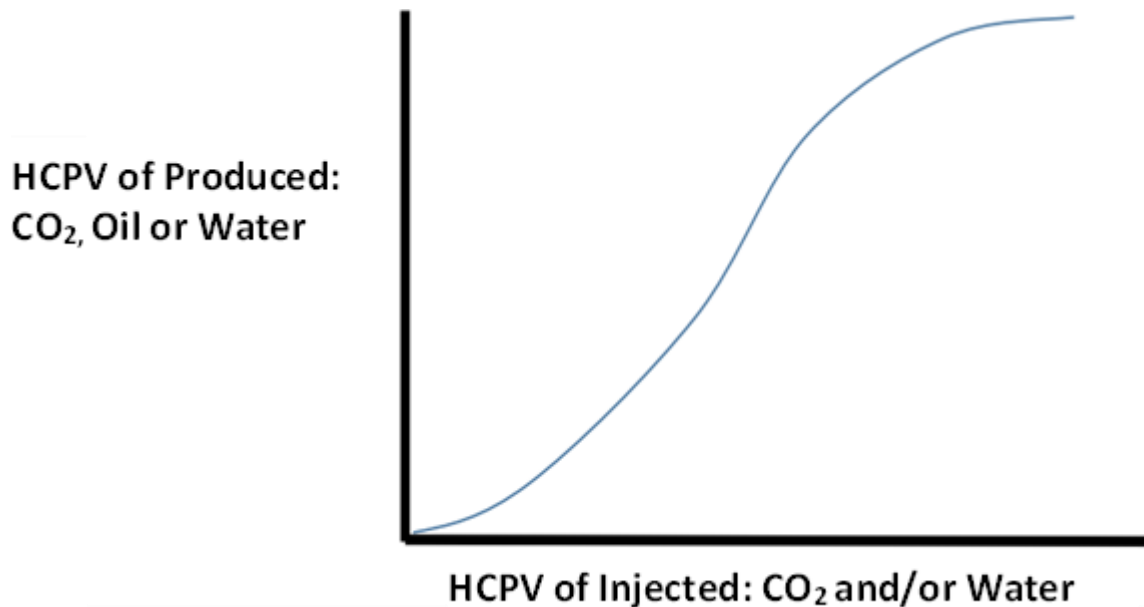
Figure 3-6 WF Wells and Injection Patterns

### 3.4 Reservoir Forecasting

DPCs derived from actual field performance were used to project CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR in the WF. Most DPCs are derived from geologic and reservoir models or actual field performance. In the WF case the DPC was derived from actual field performance in the WF. The WF has 40 years of actual CO<sub>2</sub> history which is more than enough data to develop a DPC to forecast reservoir performance. Initial oil recovery and CO<sub>2</sub> injection results were obtained from lab experiments performed with CO<sub>2</sub>. The DPC's project recoveries are close to what the lab experiments concluded.

A DPC is a plot where injection and production volumes for CO<sub>2</sub>, water, and hydrocarbon phases are normalized by dividing by Hydrocarbon Pore Volume (HCPV). See Figure 3-7. The

dimensioned projections for the oil, CO<sub>2</sub>, and water production are relative to the CO<sub>2</sub> and water injection and are calculated using the original oil in place of an area of interest.



*Figure 3-7 DPC plot*

The WF DPC was calculated from the cumulative production and injection using 40 years of WF history. This method allows you to use different field implementation speeds.

The DPCs are the basis for future reservoir performance prediction scenarios but are additionally a means of evaluating the reservoir process efficiencies. In a similar manner to history matching in reservoir simulation, deviations from the expected performance can indicate errors in the geologic model of the pore volume, growth of the CO<sub>2</sub> plume, or metering and production allocation errors.

## 4 Delineation of Monitoring Area and Timeframes

### 4.1 Active Monitoring Area

The Active Monitoring Area (AMA) is defined by a ½ mile buffer surrounding the WLFRRF storage area boundary (as indicated by the red dashed line on Figure 4-1) which serves to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally and allowing the plume to stabilize within the WLFRRF impermeable seal.

Figure 3-6 displays wells that have CO<sub>2</sub> retention on the 2,100 acres that have been under CO<sub>2</sub> injection since project initialization as well as SWD wells to support field operations. The CO<sub>2</sub> storage volumes were forecasted (Figure 3-1) using the DPC approach. This technique indicates that the flooded acreage still has significant additional storage potential. The maximum CO<sub>2</sub> storage (551 BCF) is limited to the amount of space available by the removal of the produced fluids. The projection indicates that there is pore space available to store approximately 0.66 decimal fraction of HCPV amount to 151.9 million RB (364 BCF).

The lateral extent of CO<sub>2</sub> in the injection zone or the CO<sub>2</sub> storage radius was estimated by calculating a storage radius based on the forecasted CO<sub>2</sub> volume of 364 BCF. Figure 4-1 shows the map of the storage area outline (dashed red line). This calculation showed approximately 1,043 acres would be needed to store 364 BCF. The CO<sub>2</sub> plume is anticipated to stay within the storage area depicted by the dashed red line. Therefore, the CO<sub>2</sub> plume would remain contained in the WF unit at the end of year 2066 (t+5).

### 4.2 Maximum Monitoring Area

The Maximum Monitoring Area (MMA) is defined as equal to or greater than the area expected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume until the CO<sub>2</sub> plume has stabilized plus an all-around buffer zone of at least one-half mile. The CO<sub>2</sub> plume will stabilize within the WLFRRF storage area boundary (as indicated by the red dashed line on Figure 4-1) which serves to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally beyond the reservoir's impermeable seal. In this instance the MMA is the same as the AMA. Since the MMA is depicted to be ½ mile beyond the stabilized plume boundary, the MMA meets the definition found in 40 CFR 98.449.

### 4.3 Monitoring Timeframes

The primary purpose for injecting CO<sub>2</sub> is to produce oil that would otherwise remain trapped in the reservoir and not, as in UIC Class VI, “specifically for the purpose of geologic storage.”<sup>1</sup> During a Specified Period, there will be a subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term containment of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF. The Specified Period will be shorter than the period of production from the WF.

At the conclusion of the Specified Period, a request for discontinuation of reporting will be submitted. This request will be submitted with a demonstration that current monitoring and model(s) show that the cumulative mass of CO<sub>2</sub> reported as sequestered during the Specified Period is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage. It

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<sup>1</sup> EPA UIC Class VI rule, EPA 75 FR 77291, December 10, 2010, section 146.81(b).

is expected that it will be possible to make this demonstration after the Specified Period ends based upon monitoring data.

The reservoir pressure in the WF is collected for use in operations management. Reservoir pressure is not forecasted to change appreciably since the IWR will be maintained at approximately 1. Once injection ceases, reservoir pressure is predicted to stabilize within one year.

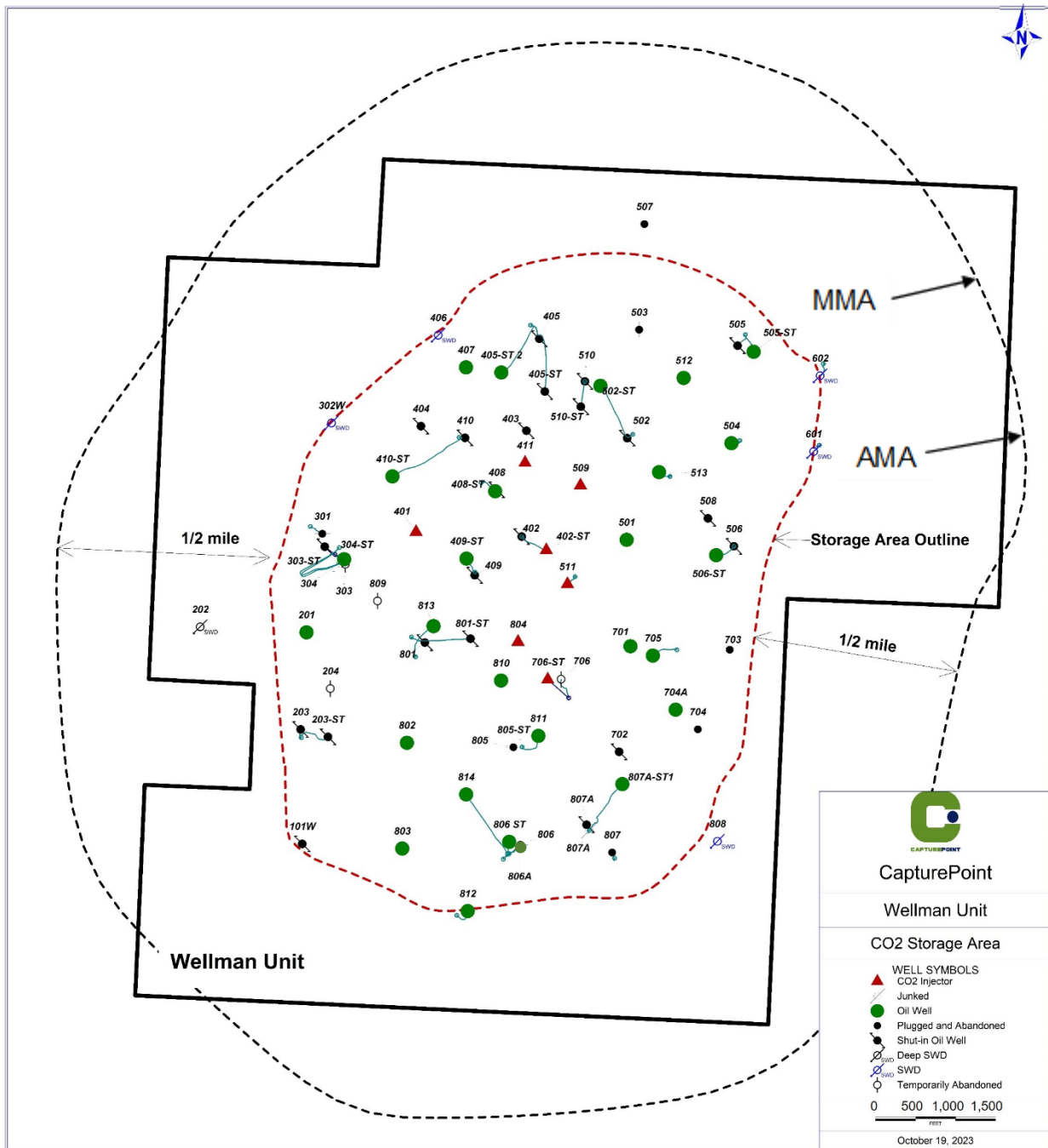


Figure 4-1 Projected CO<sub>2</sub> Storage area



## 5 Evaluation of Potential Pathways for Leakage to the Surface, Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

In the roughly 70 years since the Wellman oil field was discovered, the reservoir has been studied extensively. Based on the knowledge gained from that experience, this section assesses the potential pathways for leakage of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface including:

1. Existing Wells
2. Faults and Fractures
3. Natural and Induced Seismic Activity
4. Previous Operations
5. Pipeline/Surface Equipment
6. Lateral Migration Outside the WF
7. Drilling Through the CO<sub>2</sub> Area
8. Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal
9. Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

This analysis shows that leakage through wellbores and surface equipment pose the only meaningful potential leakage pathways. The monitoring program to detect and quantify leakage is based on this assessment as discussed below.

### 5.1 Existing Wells

As part of the TRRC requirement to initiate CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, an extensive review of all WF penetrations was completed to determine the need for corrective action. That analysis showed that all penetrations have either been adequately plugged and abandoned or, if in use, do not require corrective action. All wells in the WF were constructed and are operated in compliance with TRRC rules.

As part of routine risk management, the potential risk of leakage associated with the following were identified and evaluated:

- CO<sub>2</sub> flood electrical submersible pump (ESP) producing wells,
- CO<sub>2</sub> Flood flowing production wells, and
- CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells.

The risk assessment classified all risks associated with subsurface as low risk, i.e., less than 1% likelihood to occur and having a consequence that is insubstantial. The risks were classified as low risk because the WF geology is well suited to CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration with an extensive confining zone that is free of fractures and faults that could be potential conduits for CO<sub>2</sub> migration. Any risks are further mitigated because the WF is operated in a manner that maintains, monitors, and documents the integrity of the reservoir.

The risk of well leakage is mitigated through:

- Adhering to regulatory requirements for well drilling and testing,
- implementing best practices that CapturePoint has developed through its extensive operating experience,
- monitoring injection/production performance, wellbores, and the surface; and,
- maintaining surface equipment.

Continual and routine monitoring of the wellbores and site operations will be used to detect leaks or other potential well problems, as follows:

- Pressure in injection wells is monitored daily. The injection plans for each pattern are provided to field operations to govern the rate, pressure, and duration of either water or CO<sub>2</sub> injection. Leakage on the inside or outside of the injection wellbore would affect pressure and be detected through this approach. If such events occur, they would be investigated and addressed. CapturePoint's experience, from over 10 years of operating CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects, is that such leakage has not occurred.
- Production well performance is monitored using the production well test process conducted when produced fluids are gathered and sent to test vessels. There is a routine well testing cycle, with each well being tested approximately once every month. During this cycle, each production well is diverted to the well test equipment for a period sufficient to measure and sample produced fluids (generally 12-24 hours). These tests are the basis for allocating a portion of the produced fluids measured to each production well, assessing the composition of produced fluids by location, and assessing the performance of each well. Performance data are reviewed on a routine basis to ensure that CO<sub>2</sub> flooding efficiency is optimized. If production is different from the expected plan, it is investigated, and any identified issues addressed. Leakage to the outside of production wells is not considered a major risk because of the reduced pressure in the casing. All personnel are equipped with personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors. These personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are designed to detect leaked fluids around production wells during well and equipment inspections.
- Field inspections are conducted on a routine basis by field personnel. Leaking CO<sub>2</sub> is very cold and leads to the formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted. All field personnel are trained to identify leaking CO<sub>2</sub> and other potential problems at wellbores and in the field. Any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected will be documented, quantified, and reported.

Based on ongoing monitoring activities and review of the potential leakage risks posed by wellbores, it is concluded that the risk of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage through wellbores is being mitigated by detecting problems as they arise and quantifying any leakage that does occur. As mentioned before, leakage from wellbores is considered low but possible. It would most likely occur during the workover operations of installing the blowout preventer or wellhead. This release would be limited in nature to only a few MCF.

## 5.2 Faults and Fractures

After reviewing geologic, seismic, operating, and other evidence, it has been concluded that there are no known faults or fractures that transect the WLFRRF reservoir into overlying formations in the project area. There have not been any fracture treatments performed on WF wells and there are no future fracture treatments contemplated and thus induced fracture risk is eliminated. Seismic evaluation has eliminated the existence of faults. As a result, there is little to no risk (less than 1%) of leakage due to fractures or faults.

Measurements to determine FPP and reservoir pressure are routinely updated. This information is used to manage injection patterns so that the injection pressure will not exceed FPP. An IWR at or near 1 is also maintained based on consistent reservoir pressure measurements. Both activities mitigate the potential for inducing faults or fractures.

## 5.3 Natural and Induced Seismicity

After reviewing the literature<sup>2</sup> and actual operating experience, it is concluded that there is no direct evidence that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. There is no indication of seismic activity posing a risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface within the MMA. The TRRC approved injection pressures in the WF are maintained and monitored so that injection pressure is kept well below the TRRC approved injection pressures which are significantly below the fracture initiation pressure. This ensures that there will be no induced seismicity. Therefore, CapturePoint concludes that leakage of sequestered CO<sub>2</sub> through seismicity is unlikely.

To evaluate this potential risk at WF, CapturePoint has reviewed the nature and location of seismic events in West Texas. A review of the United States Geological Survey (USGS) database of recorded earthquakes of magnitude 1.0 or greater on the Richter Scale in the Permian Basin since 1956, indicates very little seismic activity with a magnitude 2.5 earthquake 38 miles to the south of the WF.

The concern about induced seismicity is that it could lead to fractures in the seal providing a pathway for CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. CapturePoint is not aware of any reported loss of injectant (brine water or CO<sub>2</sub>) to the surface associated with any seismic activity. There is no direct evidence to suggest that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. If induced seismicity resulted in a pathway for material amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> to migrate from the injection zone, other reservoir fluid monitoring provisions (e.g., reservoir pressure, well pressure, and pattern monitoring) would detect the migration and lead to further investigation. CapturePoint monitors the USGS earthquake monitoring Geological Information System site<sup>3</sup> for seismic signals that could indicate the creation of potential leakage pathways in the WF.

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<sup>2</sup> Frohlich, Cliff (2012) "Induced or Triggered Earthquakes in Texas: Assessment of Current Knowledge and Suggestions for Future Research", Final Technical Report, Institute for Geophysics, University of Texas at Austin, Office of Sponsored Research.

<sup>3</sup> <https://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/map/>

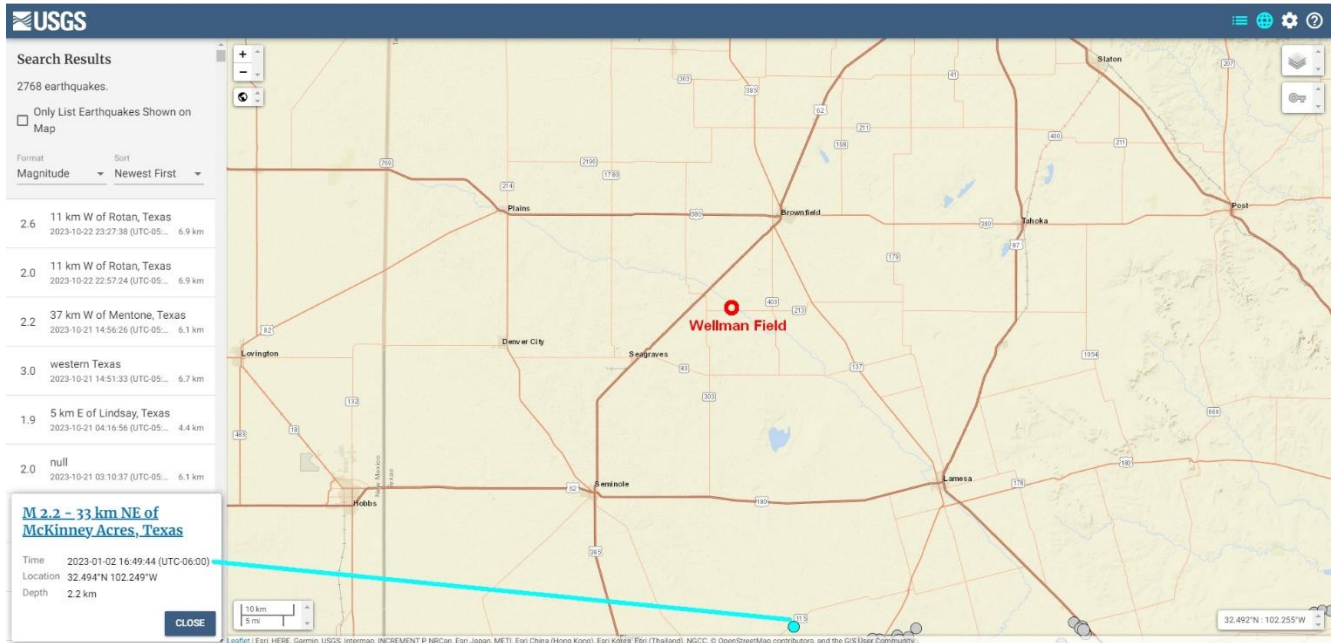


Figure 5-1 USGS earthquakes (+0.5 magnitude) for last 53 years)

## 5.4 Previous Operations

CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was initiated in WF in 1983. To obtain permits for CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, the AoR around all CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells was evaluated to determine if there were any unknown penetrations and to assess if corrective action was required at any wells. As indicated in Section 5.9, this evaluation reviewed the identified penetrations and determined that no additional corrective action was needed. Further, CapturePoint's standard practice for drilling new wells includes a rigorous review of nearby wells to ensure that drilling will not cause damage to or interfere with existing wells. Additionally, requirements to construct wells with materials that are designed for CO<sub>2</sub> injection are adhered to at WF. These practices ensure that there are no unknown wells within WF and that the risk of migration from older wells has been sufficiently mitigated. The wells were designed to prevent migration from the injection interval to the surface through the casing and cement placed in the well. Mechanical integrity tests (MIT), required under TAC Rule §3.46 [40 CFR §146.23 (b)(3)], will take place every five years to verify that the well and wellhead can contain the appropriate operating pressures. If an MIT were to indicate a leak, the well would be isolated, and the leak mitigated to prevent leakage of the injectate to the atmosphere. The successful experience with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding in WF demonstrates that the confining zone has not been impaired by previous operations. As evidenced by the 40 years of CO<sub>2</sub> injection without leakage previous operations do not present a risk of leakage to the atmosphere. Well construction requirements all but eliminate this leakage potential. If leakage were to occur, well intervention methods would address the failure in a matter of hours to days limiting the volume of leakage to a range of a few MCF to a few MMCF. Based on this history of no leakage events and well construction requirements, the likelihood is less than 1% and the magnitude would be low with a timely response and remediation.

## 5.5 Pipelines and Surface Equipment

Damage to or failure of pipelines and surface equipment can result in unplanned losses of CO<sub>2</sub>. CapturePoint anticipates that the use of prevailing design, construction practices, and compliance with applicable laws will reduce to the maximum extent possible, the risk of unplanned leakage from surface facilities. The facilities and pipelines currently utilize, and will continue to utilize, materials of construction and control processes that are standard for CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects in the oil and gas industry. Operating and maintenance practices currently follow, and will continue to follow, demonstrated industry standards. Field personnel are trained to look for and report potential leaks from pipeline and surface equipment as part of their routine activities. All equipment is designed with isolation valving to reduce the leakage from any failed equipment resulting in the potential leakage limited from the MCF to hundreds of MCF range. The Facility Emergency Vent is included in the surface equipment. It is a planned relief system that has the potential to release unplanned CO<sub>2</sub>. That volume is measured by an operations meter and recorded for reporting purposes. Should leakage be detected from pipeline or surface equipment, the volume of released CO<sub>2</sub> will be quantified following the requirements of Subpart W of Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program (GHGRP). The magnitude of these releases is usually small within only a few MCF as they are easily identified and isolated. Because of materials selection, the risk is once again low and CapturePoint concludes that leakage of CO<sub>2</sub> through the surface equipment is unlikely.

## 5.6 Lateral Migration Outside the Wellman Field

It is highly unlikely that injected CO<sub>2</sub> will migrate downdip and laterally outside the WF because of the nature of the geology and the approach used for injection. The reef is completely encased with impermeable sediments, which is what created such a defined reservoir that trapped oil over millions of years. With water flooding from the edges, combined with vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the top of the reef, the CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained to the upper portions of the reef (See Figure 5-2). Finally, the total volume of fluids contained in the WF will stay relatively constant. Based on site characterization along with the planned and projected operations, it is estimated that the total volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be considerably less than the calculated capacity. Based on the above statement, the storage capacity down to the spill-point is greater than the stored volume, so no CO<sub>2</sub> would be leaked laterally.

## 5.7 Drilling in the Wellman Field

The TRRC regulates well drilling activity in Texas. Pursuant to TRRC rules, wells casing shall be securely anchored in the hole in order to effectively control the well at all times, all usable-quality water zones shall be isolated and sealed off to effectively prevent contamination or harm, and all productive zones, potential flow zones, and zones with corrosive formation fluids shall be isolated and sealed off to prevent vertical migration of fluids, including gases, behind the casing. Where TRRC rules do not detail specific methods to achieve these objectives, operators shall make every effort to follow the intent of the section, using good engineering practices and the best currently available technology (TAC Title 16 Part1 Chapter 3 Rule §3.13). The TRRC requires applications and approvals before a well is drilled, recompleted, or reentered. Well drilling

activity at WF is conducted in accordance with TRRC rules. CapturePoint's visual inspection process, including routine site visits, will identify unapproved drilling activity in the WF. Leakage during drilling operations is unlikely but possible. It would occur when reservoir pressure is high. Drilling mud weight is designed to control that leakage therefore making the potential very low with volumes leaked kept at low levels.

In addition, CapturePoint intends to operate WF for several more years and will continue to be vigilant about protecting the integrity of its assets and maximizing the potential of its resources, including oil, gas, and CO<sub>2</sub>. Consequently, as CapturePoint owns the rights at all depths, the risks associated with third parties penetrating the WF are negligible.

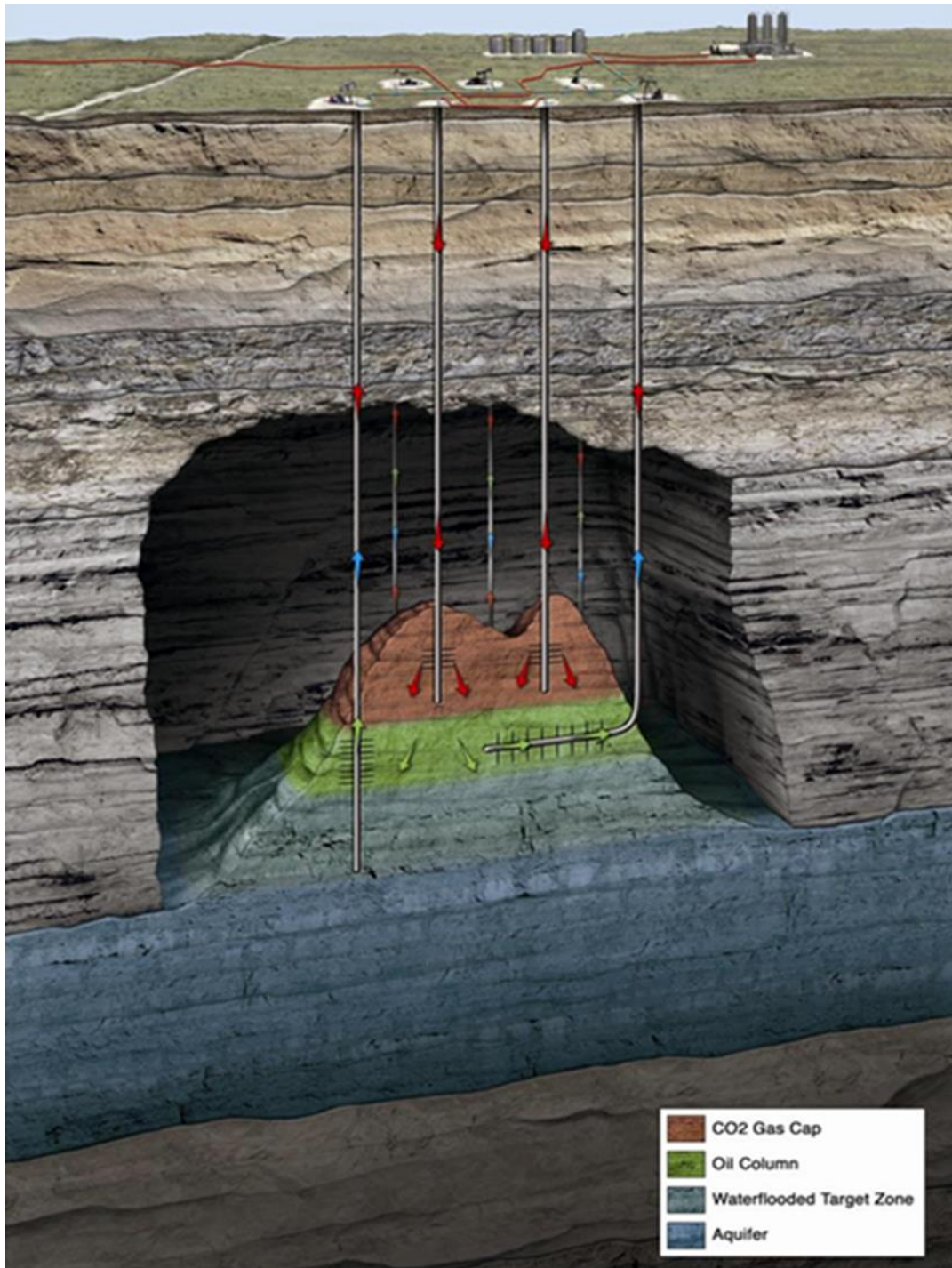


Figure 5-2 Schematic of WF vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flood

## 5.8 Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal

Diffuse leakage through the seal formed by the upper Wolfcamp is highly unlikely. There are several sections above the reservoir that are impermeable and serve as reliable barriers to prevent fluids from moving upwards towards the surface. These barriers are referred to as seals because they effectively seal fluids within the formations beneath them. As mentioned in Section

3.2, “Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formation, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval is informally called the “Spraberry Series.” The Spraberry Series forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastics above the reservoir.”

Our injection monitoring program assures that no breach of the seal will be created. The seal is highly impermeable. Wellbores that penetrate the seal make use of cement and steel construction that is closely regulated to ensure that no leakage takes place. Injection pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in injection pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause. The potential for leakage again is very low (less than 1%) the magnitude of which would be in the several MCF range into other formations but not to the surface.

## 5.9 Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

As discussed above, the potential sources of leakage include issues, such as problems with surface equipment (pumps, valves, etc.) or subsurface equipment (wellbores), and unique events such as induced fractures. An event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage is used. Table 5.1 summarizes some of these potential leakage scenarios, the monitoring activities designed to detect those leaks, the standard response, and other applicable regulatory programs requiring similar reporting.

Given the uncertainty concerning the nature and characteristics of any leaks that may be encountered, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> will be determined on a case-by-case basis. In the event leakage occurs, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume leaked will be determined and it will be reported as required as part of the annual Subpart RR submission. The potential quantification methods may include, but are not limited to:

- For leakage through wellbores, continuous SCADA monitoring data provide the basis to determine duration and the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> loss;
- For leakage from surface equipment and pipelines, continuous SCADA monitoring data and acceptable emission factors, such as those in 40 CFR Part §98 Subpart W, provide the basis to determine duration and the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> loss;
- For leakage related to the competency of the confining layer, reservoir modeling and engineering estimates provide the basis for determining the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> losses.

Any volume of CO<sub>2</sub> detected leaking to surface will be quantified using acceptable emission factors such as those found in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W or engineering estimates of leak amounts based on measurements in the subsurface, field experience, and other factors such as the frequency of inspection. Leaks will be documented, evaluated, and addressed in a timely manner.

In the unlikely event that CO<sub>2</sub> was released because of surface leakage, the mass emitted would be calculated for each surface pathway according to methods outlined in the plan and totaled using Equation RR-10 as follows:



$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^X CO_{2x} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

Where:

$CO_{2E}$  = Total annual  $CO_2$  mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year

$CO_{2,x}$  = Annual  $CO_2$  mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year

X = Leakage pathway

Calculation methods using equations from subpart W will be used to calculate  $CO_2$  emissions due to any surface leakage between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead. Records of leakage events will be retained in the electronic environmental documentation and reporting system. The Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot.

Table 5-1 Response Plan for  $CO_2$  Loss

Risk	Monitoring Plan	Response Plan
Tubing Leak	Monitor changes in tubing and annulus pressures;	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Casing Leak	Routine Field inspection; Monitor changes in annulus pressure, MIT for injectors; extra attention to high-risk wells	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Wellhead Leak	Routine Field inspection, SCADA system monitors wellhead pressure	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Loss of Bottom-hole pressure control	Blowout during well operations	Maintain well kill procedures. Magnitude would be millions of cubic feet.
Unplanned wells drilled through WLFRRF	Routine Field inspection to prevent unapproved drilling; compliance with TRRC permitting for planned wells.	Assure compliance with TRRC regulations is maintained.
Diffuse leakage through the seal	Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Conduct an injection radioactive tracer survey. If verified, the well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Loss of seal in abandoned wells	Routine field inspections of abandoned well locations	Re-enter and reseal abandoned wells. Magnitude could be millions of cubic feet.
Pumps, valves, etc.	Routine Field inspection, Monitor SCADA	Repair crews respond within hours to days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Overfill beyond spill points	Monitor reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure discovered in new wells	Fluid management along into the reservoir by reduction of injection. This reservoir is a well-defined tank. Volumetric evaluation will direct fluid volume injection.
Leakage through induced fractures	Monitor reservoir pressure in injector headers; Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause. High pressure discovered in new wells	Comply with TRRC approved injection pressures below parting pressure.

Leakage due to seismic event	Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Shut in injectors near seismic event. Inject water near seismic event to stop leakage.
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## 5.10 Summary

The structure and stratigraphy of the WLFRRF reservoir in the WF is ideally suited for the injection and storage of CO<sub>2</sub>. The carbonate reef within the CO<sub>2</sub> injection zones is porous, permeable, and thick, providing ample capacity for long-term CO<sub>2</sub> storage. The reservoir is overlain by several intervals of impermeable geologic zones that form effective seals or “caps” to fluids in the reservoir.

In summary, based on a careful assessment of the potential risk of release of CO<sub>2</sub> from the subsurface, it has been determined that there are no leakage pathways at the WF that are likely to result in significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the atmosphere. Further, given the detailed knowledge of the field and its operating protocols, it is concluded that any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface that could arise through either identified or unexpected leakage pathways would be detected and quantified as required by 40 CFR 98.448.

## 6 Monitoring and Considerations for Calculating Site Specific Variables

Monitoring will also be used to determine the quantities in the mass balance equation and to make the demonstration that the CO<sub>2</sub> plume will not migrate to the surface after the time of discontinuation.

### 6.1 For the Mass Balance Equation

#### 6.1.1 General Monitoring Procedures

Flow rate, pressure, and gas composition data are monitored and collected from the WF in centralized data management systems as part of ongoing operations. This data is monitored by qualified technicians who follow response and reporting protocols when the systems deliver notifications that data exceed statistically acceptable boundaries.

Metering protocols used at WF follow the prevailing industry standard(s) for custody transfer as currently promulgated by the API, the American Gas Association, and the Gas Processors Association, as appropriate. This approach is consistent with EPA GHGRP’s Subpart RR, section §98.444(e)(3). These meters will be maintained routinely, operated continually, and will feed data directly to the centralized data collection systems. The meters meet the industry standard for custody transfer meter accuracy and calibration frequency.

#### 6.1.2 CO<sub>2</sub> Received

As indicated in Figure 3-5, the volume of received CO<sub>2</sub> is measured using a commercial custody transfer meter at the point at which custody of the CO<sub>2</sub> from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system is transferred to the WF. This meter measures flow rate continually. The transfer is a commercial transaction that is documented. CO<sub>2</sub> composition is governed by contract and the gas is routinely sampled. Fluid composition will be determined, at a minimum, quarterly,

consistent with EPA GHGRP's Subpart RR, section §98.447(a). All meter and composition data are documented, and records will be retained for at least three years. No CO<sub>2</sub> is received in containers.

### 6.1.3 CO<sub>2</sub> Injected in the Subsurface

Injected CO<sub>2</sub> will be calculated using the flow meter volumes at the operations meter at the outlet of the central tank battery separators less vent and equipment losses plus, the custody transfer meter at the CO<sub>2</sub> off-take point from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system.

### 6.1.4 CO<sub>2</sub> Produced, Entrained in Products, and Recycled

The following measurements are used for the mass balance equations in Section 8:

- CO<sub>2</sub> produced in the gaseous stage is calculated using the volumetric flow meters at central production battery. These meters are located immediately downstream of the separation facilities.
- CO<sub>2</sub> that is entrained in produced oil, as indicated in Figure 3-5, is calculated using volumetric flow through the custody transfer meter and annual analysis of CO<sub>2</sub> content in the oil which has typically 0.3797 volume percent (1.2692 Mol%).
- Recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is calculated using the volumetric flow meter at the outlet of the central production battery separators feeding the inlet of the RCF, which is an operations meter. Only gaseous CO<sub>2</sub> flows through this meter.

### 6.1.5 CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Surface Leakage

CapturePoint uses 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W to estimate surface leaks from equipment at the WF. Subpart W uses a factor-driven approach to estimate equipment leakage. In addition, an event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is used.

In accordance with §98.444(d), CP uses Equation RR-10 in §98.443 to calculate and report the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage from WF. In accordance with §98.443(f)(2), CP will separately calculate and report CO<sub>2FI</sub> and CO<sub>2E</sub> emissions.

The multi-layered and risk-based monitoring program for event-driven incidents has been designed to meet two objectives: 1) to detect problems before CO<sub>2</sub> leaks to the surface; and 2) to detect and quantify any leaks that do occur. This section discusses how this monitoring will be conducted and used to quantify the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked to the surface.

#### **Monitoring for Potential Leakage from the Injection/Production Zone**

In addition to the measures discussed in Section 5.9, both injection into and production from the reservoir will be monitored as a means of early identification of potential anomalies that could indicate leakage from the subsurface.

Injection plans (fluid rate, pressure, volume) are given to operations on a weekly basis. If injection pressure or rate measurements are outside the specified set points determined as part of each pattern injection plan, reservoir engineering will notify field personnel and they will investigate

and resolve the problem. These excursions will be reviewed by well management personnel to determine if CO<sub>2</sub> leakage may be occurring. Excursions are not necessarily indicators of leaks; they simply indicate that injection rates and pressures are not conforming to the pattern injection plan. In many cases, problems are straightforward to fix (e.g., a meter needs to be recalibrated or some other minor action is required), and there is no threat of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. In the case of issues that are not readily resolved, a more detailed investigation and response would be initiated, and support staff would provide additional assistance and evaluation.

Likewise, a forecast of the rate and composition of produced fluids is developed. Each producer well is assigned to a specific test vessel and is isolated during each cycle for a well production test. This data is reviewed on a periodic basis to confirm that production is at the level forecasted. If there is a significant deviation from the plan, well management personnel investigate. If the issue cannot be resolved quickly, a more detailed investigation and response would be initiated. If leakage in the flood zone were detected, an appropriate method would be used to quantify the involved volume of CO<sub>2</sub>. This might include use of material balance equations based on known injected quantities and monitored pressures in the injection zone to estimate the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> involved.

A subsurface leak might not lead to a surface leak. In the event of a subsurface leak, CapturePoint would determine the appropriate approach for tracking subsurface leakage to determine and quantify leakage to the surface. To quantify leakage, the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be estimated to quantify the leak volume. Depending on specific circumstances, these determinations may rely on engineering estimates.

In the event leakage from the subsurface occurred diffusely through the seals, the leaked gas would include H<sub>2</sub>S, which would trigger the alarm on the personal monitors worn by field personnel. Such a diffuse leak from the subsurface has not occurred in the WF. In the event such a leak was detected, personnel would determine how to address the problem. The personnel might use modeling, engineering estimates, and direct measurements to assess, address, and quantify the leakage.

### **Monitoring of Wellbores**

WF wells are monitored through daily pressure monitoring of the injection zone, monitoring of the annular pressure in wellheads, and routine maintenance and inspection.

Leaks from wellbores would be detected through the follow-up investigation of pressure anomalies, visual inspection, or the use of personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors.

Anomalies in injection zone pressure may not indicate a leak, as discussed above. However, if an investigation leads to a need for further study, field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. If it is a simple matter, the repair would be made, and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repair were needed, the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined.

Anomalies in annular pressure or other issues detected during routine maintenance inspections would be treated in the same way. Field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. For simple matters the repair would be made at the time of inspection and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repairs were needed, the well would be shut in, a work order would be generated and the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined. The work order would serve as the basis for tracking the event for GHGRP.

Because leaking CO<sub>2</sub> at the surface is very cold and leads to formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted, a visual inspection process in the WF area is employed to detect unexpected releases from wellbores. Field personnel visit the surface facilities on a routine basis. Inspections may include tank levels, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, and valves. Field personnel also observe the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks.

Finally, the H<sub>2</sub>S monitors, which are always worn by all field personnel are used as a last method to detect leakage from wellbores. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitor detects concentrations greater than 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the first response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of the alarm. As noted previously, H<sub>2</sub>S is considered a proxy for potential gas leaks including CO<sub>2</sub> in the field. Currently the concentration of H<sub>2</sub>S in the recycled or produced gas is approximately 130 ppm while in the produced fluid the concentration is 77 ppm making leak detection viable. Thus, detected H<sub>2</sub>S leaks will be investigated to quantify the potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage source and quantities.

#### **Other Potential Leakage at the Surface**

The same visual inspection process and H<sub>2</sub>S monitoring system will be used to detect other potential leakage at the surface as it does for leakage from wellbores. Routine visual inspections are used to detect significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface. Field personnel routinely visit surface facilities to conduct a visual inspection. Inspections may include review of tank level, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, valves, and conducting a general observation of the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks. If problems are detected, field personnel would investigate, and complete any maintenance that is required. In addition to these visual inspections, the results of the personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors worn by field personnel will be used as a supplement for smaller leaks that may escape visual detection.

If CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is detected, it will be reported to surface operations personnel who will review the reports and conduct a site investigation. If maintenance is required, steps are taken to prevent further leaks.

#### **6.1.6 CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the injection flow meter and the injection wellhead**

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from injection equipment and the CO<sub>2</sub> content of any vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

### 6.1.7 CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the production flow meter and the production wellhead

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from production equipment and the CO<sub>2</sub> content of produced oil, and any vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

## 6.2 To Demonstrate that Injected CO<sub>2</sub> is not Expected to Migrate to the Surface

At the end of the Specified Period, injecting CO<sub>2</sub> for the subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term storage of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF will cease. Sometime after the end of the Specified Period, a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting will be submitted. The request will demonstrate that the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> reported under 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage.

At that time, the request will be supported with years of data collected during the Specified Period. This demonstration will provide the information necessary for the EPA Administrator to approve the request to discontinue monitoring and reporting and may include, but is not limited to:

- Data comparing actual performance to predicted performance (purchase, injection, production) over the monitoring period,
- An assessment of the CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected, including the discussion of the estimated amount of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked and the distribution of emissions by leakage pathway,
- A demonstration that future operations will not release the volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface,
- A demonstration that there has been no significant leakage of CO<sub>2</sub>; and,
- An evaluation of the reservoir pressure demonstrates that injected fluids are not expected to migrate in a manner to create a potential leakage pathway.

## 7 Determination of Baselines

Ongoing operational monitoring has provided data for establishing baselines and will be utilized to identify and investigate excursions from expected performance that could indicate CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Data systems are used primarily for operational control and monitoring, which are set to capture more information than is necessary for reporting in the Annual Subpart RR Report. The necessary system guidelines to capture the information that is relevant to identify possible CO<sub>2</sub> leakage will be developed. The following describes the approach to collecting this information.

### Visual Inspections

As field operators conduct routine inspections and repairs, the Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot. Examples include occurrences of well workover or repair, as well as visual identification of vapor clouds or ice formations. Each incident will be flagged for review by the person responsible for MRV documentation (the responsible party will be provided in the monitoring plan, as required under Subpart A, §98.3(g)).

The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information used to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Personal H<sub>2</sub>S Monitors**

H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are worn by all field personnel. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitors detect concentrations of H<sub>2</sub>S up to 500 ppm in 0.1 ppm increments and will sound an alarm if the detection limit exceeds 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the immediate response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of persistent alarms. CapturePoint considers H<sub>2</sub>S to be a proxy for potential CO<sub>2</sub> leaks in the field. The person responsible for MRV documentation will receive notice of all incidents where H<sub>2</sub>S is confirmed to be present. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from any such incidents. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Injection Rates, Pressures and Volumes**

Target injection rate and pressure for each injector are developed within the permitted limits based on the results of ongoing pattern balancing. The injection targets are submitted to field operations. Field operations flags whenever statistically significant deviations from the targeted ranges are identified. The set points are designed to be conservative, because it is preferable to have too many flags rather than too few. As a result, flags can occur frequently and are often found to be insignificant. For purposes of Subpart RR reporting, flags (or excursions) will be screened to determine if they could also lead to CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. The person responsible for the MRV documentation will receive notice of excursions. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Production Volumes and Compositions**

A general forecast of production volumes and composition is developed which is used to periodically evaluate performance, refine current and projected injection plans, and the forecast. This information is used to make operational decisions but is not recorded in an automated data system. The MRV plan implementation lead will review the data and identify those that could result in CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Should such events occur, leakage volumes would be calculated following the approaches described in Sections 5 and 6. Impact to Subpart RR reporting will be addressed, if deemed necessary.

## **8 Determination of Sequestration Volumes Using Mass Balance Equations**

This section describes how CP uses the equations in Subpart RR §98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received using equations RR-2 and RR-3, the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> injected using equations RR-5 and RR-6, the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> produced using equations RR-8 and RR-9, the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Surface Leakage using equation RR-10, and the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered using equation RR-11.

### **8.1 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received**

Equation RR-2 will be used as indicated in Subpart RR §98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> at the receiving custody transfer meter from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system. The volumetric

flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine mass.

The Mass of the CO<sub>2</sub> Received will be determined using Equation RR-2 as follows:

$$CO_{2T,r} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,r} - S_{r,p}) * D * C_{CO_2,p,r} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-2})$$

where:

$CO_{2T,r}$  = Net annual mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received through flow meter r (metric tons).

$Q_{r,p}$  = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

$S_{r,p}$  = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into your well in quarter p (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

$C_{CO_2,p,r}$  = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter r in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

r = Receiving flow meters.

Given WF's method of receiving CO<sub>2</sub> and requirements at Subpart RR §98.444(a):

- All delivery to the WF is used within the unit so no quarterly flow redelivered, and  $S_{r,p}$  will be zero ("0").
- Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurements.

## 8.2 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface

The equation for calculating the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface at the WF is equal to the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received as calculated in RR-2 of §98.443 (section 8.1 above) and the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled calculated using measurements taken from the flow meter located directly downstream of the separation facilities (see Figure 3-5).



The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled will be determined using equations RR-5 as follows:

$$CO_{2,u} = \sum_{p=1}^4 Q_{p,u} * D * C_{CO_2,p,u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-5})$$

where:

CO<sub>2,u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

Q<sub>p,u</sub> = Quarterly volumetric flow rate measurement for flow meter u in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters per quarter).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub>,p,u</sub> = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter u in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

u = Flow meter.

The total Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received (RR-2) and Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled (RR-5).

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be determined using equations RR-6 as follows:

$$CO_{2i} = \sum_{u=1}^U CO_{2u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-6})$$

where:

CO<sub>2i</sub>. = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) through all injection wells.

CO<sub>2,u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

u = Flow meter.

### 8.3 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced

In accordance with §98.443, Equation RR-8 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced at the flow meter (Operational Meter 1) on Figure 3-5, as described in Section 6.1.4. Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurement database. The volumetric flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine net Annual Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received.

$$CO_{2,w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,w}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,w}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

Where:

$CO_{2,w}$  = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.

$Q_{p,w}$  = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for separator w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

$CCO_{2,p,w}$  = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for separator w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

w = Separator.

For Equation RR-9 in §98.443 the variable X will be measured as follows:

$$CO_{2P} = (1 + X) * \sum_{w=1}^W CO_{2,w} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-9})$$

Where:

$CO_{2P}$  = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through all separators in the reporting year.

$CO_{2,w}$  = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w in the reporting year .

X = Entrained CO<sub>2</sub> in produced oil or other fluid divided by the CO<sub>2</sub> separated through all separators in the reporting year (weight percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction

w = Separator

## 8.4 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Surface Leakage

Surface Leakage will be calculated and reported using an approach that is tailored to specific leakage events including calculation methodologies in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W for emissions and leaks from equipment. CapturePoint is prepared to address the potential for leakage in a variety of settings. Estimates of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked to the surface will depend on several site- specific factors including measurements, engineering estimates, and emission factors, depending on the source and nature of the leakage.

The process for quantifying leakage will entail using the best engineering principles or emission factors. While it is not possible to predict in advance the types of leaks that will occur, some approaches for quantification are described in Sections 5.9 and 6. In the event leakage to the surface occurs, leakage amounts would be quantified and reported, and records that describe the methods used to estimate or measure the volume leaked as reported in the Annual Subpart RR Report would be retained.

Equation RR-10 in §98.443 will be used to calculate and report the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage:

$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^X CO_{2,x} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

Where:

- CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year
- CO<sub>2,x</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year
- X = Leakage pathway

## 8.5 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Facility Emergency Vent

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by the Emergency Vent at the WF will be calculated using the measurements from the flow meter at the vent. That volume will be added to CO<sub>2FI</sub> which is the total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

Equation RR-8 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted through the emergency vent as follows:

$$CO_{2,w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,w}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,w}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

Where:

- CO<sub>2,w</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.
- Q<sub>p,w</sub> = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for separator w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).
- D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.
- CCO<sub>2,p,w</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for separator w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- p = Quarter of the year.
- w = Separator

## 8.6 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered and Reported in Subsurface Geologic Formation

Equation RR-11 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered and Reported in Subsurface Geologic Formations in the Reporting Year as follows:

$$\text{CO}_2 = \text{CO}_{2\text{I}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{P}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{E}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{FI}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{FP}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-11})$$

where:

CO<sub>2</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass sequestered in subsurface geologic formations (metric tons) at the facility in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2I</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) in the well or group of wells covered by this source category in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2P</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) by surface leakage in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2FI</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

CO<sub>2FP</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

## 9 MRV Plan Implementation Schedule

This MRV plan will be implemented starting October 2023 or within 90 days of EPA approval, whichever occurs later. Other GHGRP reports are filed on March 31 of the year after the reporting year, and it is anticipated that the Annual Subpart RR Report will be filed at the same time. It is anticipated that the MRV plan will be in effect during the Specified Period, during which time the WF will be operated with the subsidiary purpose of establishing long-term containment of a measurable quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> in subsurface geological formations at the WF. It is anticipated to establish that a measurable amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected during the Specified Period will be stored in a manner not expected to migrate resulting in future surface leakage. At such time, a demonstration supporting the long-term containment determination will be prepared and a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting under this MRV plan will be submitted. See 40 C.F.R. §98.441(b)(2)(ii).

## 10 Quality Assurance (QA) Program

### 10.1 QA Procedures

The requirements of §98.444 (a) – (d) have been incorporated in the discussion of mass balance equations. These include the following provisions.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Received and Injected**

- The quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received by pipeline is measured at the receiving custody transfer meters.
- The quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> flow rate for recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is measured at the outlet of the central production battery separators feeding the inlet of the RCF.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Produced**

- The point of measurement for the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from oil or other fluid production wells is a flow meter directly downstream of each separator that sends a stream of gas into a recycle or end use system.
- The produced gas stream is sampled annually downstream of the flow meter used to measure flow rate of that gas stream and measure the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of the sample.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Equipment Leaks and Vented Emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>**

These volumes are measured in conformance with the monitoring and QA requirements specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98.

#### **Flow Meter Provisions**

The flow meters used to generate data for the mass balance equations are:

- Operated continuously except as necessary for maintenance and calibration.
- Operated using the calibration and accuracy requirements in 40 CFR §98.3(i).
- Operated in conformance with API standards.
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) traceable.

#### **Concentration of CO<sub>2</sub>**

CO<sub>2</sub> concentration is measured using an appropriate standard method. Further, all measured volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> have been converted to standard cubic meters at a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and at an absolute pressure of 1 atmosphere, including those used in Equations RR-2, RR-5, and RR-8 in Section 8.

## 10.2 Missing Data Procedures

In the event data needed for the mass balance calculations cannot be collected, procedures for estimating missing data in §98.445 will be used as follows:

- A quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative flow rate value from the previous measured period.
- A quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of a CO<sub>2</sub> stream received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative concentration value from the previous measured period.
- A quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected from the previous measured period at a similar injection pressure.
- For any values associated with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment at the facility that are reported in this subpart, missing data estimation procedures specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98 would be followed.
- The quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from subsurface geologic formations that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from the previous measured period.

## 10.3 MRV Plan Revisions

In the event there is a material change to the monitoring and/or operational parameters of the CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations in the WF that is not anticipated in this MRV plan, the MRV plan will be revised and submitted to the EPA Administrator within 180 days as required in §98.448(d).

## 11 Records Retention

The record retention requirements specified by §98.3(g) will be followed. In addition, the requirements in Subpart RR §98.447 will be met by maintaining the following records for at least three years:

- Quarterly records of CO<sub>2</sub> received at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of produced CO<sub>2</sub>, including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of injected CO<sub>2</sub> including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by surface leakage from leakage pathways.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity.

This data will be collected as generated and aggregated as required for reporting purposes.

## 12 Appendix

### 12.1 Well Identification Numbers

The following table presents the well name, API number, type, and status for active wells in the WF as of March 2023. The table is subject to change over time as new wells are drilled, existing wells change status, or existing wells are repurposed.

The following terms are used:

Well Type:

- PROD\_OIL refers to wells that produce oil.
- INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> refers to wells that inject CO<sub>2</sub>.
- INJ\_SWD refers to wells that inject water for disposal.
- P&A refers to plugged and abandoned wells.

Well Status:

- ACTIVE refers to active wells.
- INACTIVE refers to wells that have been completed but are not in use.
- SHUT\_IN refers to wells that have been temporarily idled or shut in.
- TEMP\_AB refers to wells that have been temporarily abandoned.

*Table 12-1 Well Status Table*

Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 101W	4244500076	INJ_SWD	SHUT_IN
WU 201	4244500072	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 202	4244500073	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 203	4244500074	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 203-ST	424450007401	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 204	4244530234	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 301	4244500575	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 302W	4244500576	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 303	4244530070	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 303-ST	4216533912	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 304	4244532434	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 304-ST	424453243401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 401	4244500083	INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	ACTIVE
WU 402	4244500084	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 402-ST	424450008401	INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	ACTIVE
WU 403	4244500085	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 404	4244500086	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 405	4244500087	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 405-ST	424450008701	P&A	INACTIVE



Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 405-ST2	424450008702	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 406	4244500088	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 407	4244530288	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 408	4244531435	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 408-ST	424453143501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 409	4244531456	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 409-ST	424453145601	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 410	4244531825	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 410-ST	424453182501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 411	4244531858	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 501	4244500578	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 502	4244500579	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 502-ST	424450057901	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 503	4244500580	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 504	4244500581	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 505	4244500582	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 505-ST	424450058202	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 506	4244500583	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 506-ST	424450058301	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 507	4244500584	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 508	4244530105	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 509	4244531117	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 510	4244531434	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVEACTIVE
WU 510-ST	424453143401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 511	4244531457	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 512	4244531769	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 513	4244531872	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 601	4244500569	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 602	4244500570	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 701	4244500163	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 702	4244500089	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 703	4244500090	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 704	4244500091	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 704A	4244530314	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 705	4244530125	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 706	4244530864	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 706-ST	424453086401	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 801	4244500418	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 801-ST	424450041801	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 802	4244500419	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 803	4244500420	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 804	4244500421	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 805	4244500422	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 805-ST	424450042201	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 806	4244500423	P&A	INACTIVE

Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 806A	4244532445	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 806-ST	424450042301	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 807	4244500424	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 807A	4244500425	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 807A-ST1	424450042501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 808	4244530741	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 809	4244531824	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 810	4244531870	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 811	4244532428	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 812	4244532435	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 813	4244532446	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 814	4244532467	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE

## 12.2 Regulatory References

Regulations cited in this plan:

- TAC Title 16 Part 1 Chapter 3 Oil & Gas Division

[https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y)

- TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual

<https://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-and-gas/publications-and-notice/manuals/injection-storage-manual/>

## 12.3 Abbreviations and Acronyms

AMA - Active Monitoring Area

API - American Petroleum Institute

AoR - Area of Review

Bcf – 1 Billion Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

CO<sub>2</sub> - Carbon Dioxide

CTB – Central Tank Battery

DPC - Dimensionless Performance Curve

EPA - Environmental Protection Agency

EOR - Enhanced Oil Recovery

ESP - Electrical Submersible Pump

FPP - Formation Parting Pressure (psi)

GHGRP - Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program

H<sub>2</sub>S – Hydrogen Sulfide

HCPV - Hydrocarbon Pore Volume

IWR - Injection to Withdrawal Ratio

MMA - Maximum Monitoring Area

MRV Plan - Monitoring, Reporting and Verification Plan

MCF – 1 Thousand Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

MIT – Mechanical Integrity Test

MMCF – 1 Million Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

NIST - National Institute of Standards and Technology

QA – Quality Assurance

RB - Reservoir Barrels

RCF - Recycle Compression Facility

TAC - Texas Administrative Code

TRRC - Texas Railroad Commission - Oil and Gas Division

USGS - United States Geological Survey

UIC – Underground Injection Control

WF – Wellman Field

WLFRRF – Wolfcamp Reef

## 12.4 Conversion Factors

CapturePoint reports CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions of temperature and pressure as defined in the State of Texas in the Texas Administrative Code for the Oil and Gas Division, Rule 3.79 as follows:

Cubic foot of gas or standard cubic foot of gas--The volume of gas contained in one cubic foot of space at a standard pressure base and at a standard temperature base. The standard pressure base shall be 14.65 pounds per square inch absolute, and the standard temperature base shall be 60 degrees Fahrenheit.

To calculate CO<sub>2</sub> mass from CO<sub>2</sub> volume, EPA recommends using the database of thermodynamic properties developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). This online database is available at:

<https://webbook.nist.gov/chemistry/fluid/>

It provides density of CO<sub>2</sub> using the Span and Wagner equation of state (EOS) at a wide range of temperature and pressures.

At State of Texas standard conditions, the Span and Wagner EOS gives a density of CO<sub>2</sub> of 0.002641684 lb-moles per cubic foot. Converting the CO<sub>2</sub> density in units of metric tonnes per cubic foot:

$$Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{MT}{ft^3} \right) = Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{lb - moles}{ft^3} \right) \times MW_{CO_2} \times \frac{1 MT}{2,204.62 lbs}$$

Where:

$Density_{CO_2} = \text{Density of CO}_2 \text{ in metric tonnes (MT) per cubic foot}$

$Density_{CO_2} = 0.002641684$

$MW_{CO_2} = 44.0095$

$Density_{CO_2} = 5.2734 \times 10^{-5} \frac{MT}{ft^3} \text{ or } 5.2734 \times 10^{-2} \frac{MT}{Mcf}$

The conversion factor  $5.2734 \times 10^{-2}$  MT/Mcf is used to convert CO<sub>2</sub> volumes in standard cubic feet to CO<sub>2</sub> mass in metric tonnes.

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**May 8, 2024**

Instructions: Please enter responses into this table and make corresponding revisions to the MRV Plan as necessary. Any long responses, references, or supplemental information may be attached to the end of the table as an appendix. This table may be uploaded to the Electronic Greenhouse Gas Reporting Tool (e-GGRT) in addition to any MRV Plan resubmissions.

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1.	8.2	36	<p>“CO<sub>2,u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass <b>recycled</b> (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.”</p> <p>Per 40 CFR 98.443(a)(2), this variable should be “CO<sub>2,u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass <b>injected</b> (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.”</p> <p>Equations and variables cannot be modified from the regulations. Please revise this section and ensure that all equations listed are consistent with the text in <a href="#">40 CFR 98.443</a>.</p>	Corrected on MRV Plan

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**WELLMAN FIELD**  
**SUBPART RR MONITORING, REPORTING AND**  
**VERIFICATION (MRV) PLAN**

**April 2024**

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## 1 Introduction

CapturePoint LLC operates a carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) enhanced oil recovery (EOR) project in the Wellman Field (WF) located in Terry County, Texas, approximately 10 miles southwest of the town of Brownfield for the primary purpose of EOR using CO<sub>2</sub> with a subsidiary purpose of geologic sequestration of CO<sub>2</sub> in a subsurface geologic formation. The WF is comprised of the Wolfcamp Reef (WLFRRF), the main producing reservoir. Production from the WLFRRF is between 9,200-10,000 feet throughout the well-defined reef. The MRV plan was developed in accordance with 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) to provide for the monitoring, reporting, and verification of the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered at the WF during a specified period of injection.

## 2 Facility Information

### 2.1 Reporter Number

544182 – WF

### 2.2 UIC Permit Class

The Oil and Gas Division of the Texas Railroad Commission (TRRC) regulates oil and gas activity in Texas. All wells in the WF (including production, injection, and monitoring wells) are permitted by TRRC through Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Title 16 Chapter 3. TRRC has primacy to implement the Underground Injection Control Class II program in the state for injection wells. All EOR injection wells in the WF are currently classified as UIC Class II wells.

### 2.3 Existing Wells

Wells in the WF are identified by Wellman Unit (WU) and their number, American Petroleum Institute (API) number, type, and status. The list of wells as of March 2023 is included in Section 12.1. Any changes in wells will be indicated in the annual report.

## 3 Project Description

This project takes place in the WF, an oil field located in West Texas that was first produced more than 70 years ago. WF is comprised of the WLFRRF. The WLFRRF is the main oil and gas producing unit, which is now under the sole operatorship of CapturePoint LLC. Water flooding was initiated in 1979 with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding beginning in 1983, in the WLFRRF. The field is well characterized and is suitable for secure geologic storage. CapturePoint uses a continuous injection process to maintain a constant reservoir pressure. This is achieved with an injection to withdrawal ratio (IWR) at or near 1.

### 3.1 Project Characteristics

The WF was discovered in 1950 and started producing oil in the same year. The WLFRRF began to produce in May 1950 and a waterflood was initiated in July 1979 in the flanks of the reef to push the oil column up towards the top of the structure. CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was then initiated in 1983 and was injected into the top of the structure for vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding. The entire reef is an oil-bearing zone that has been produced for years, swept by a waterflood, and is now CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the

top down for residual oil. This geologically well-defined reef system is an attractive target for EOR with CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Sequestration.

A long-term CO<sub>2</sub> and hydrocarbon injection and production forecast for the WLFRF was developed using a dimensionless performance curve (DPC) approach. Using this approach, a total injection of approximately 100 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> is forecasted over the life of the project ending in year 2061. Total injection is the volumes of stored CO<sub>2</sub> plus the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> produced with oil. Figure 3-1 shows actual and projected CO<sub>2</sub> injection, production, and stored volumes in WF.

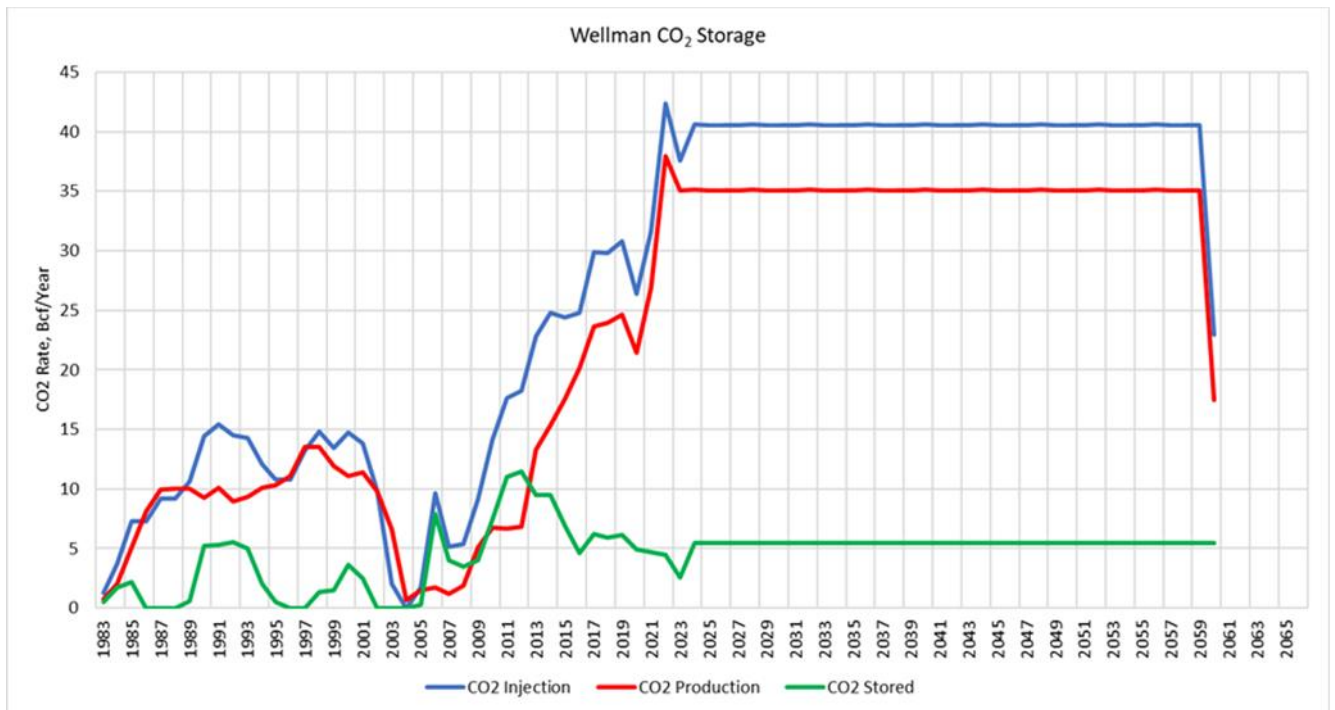
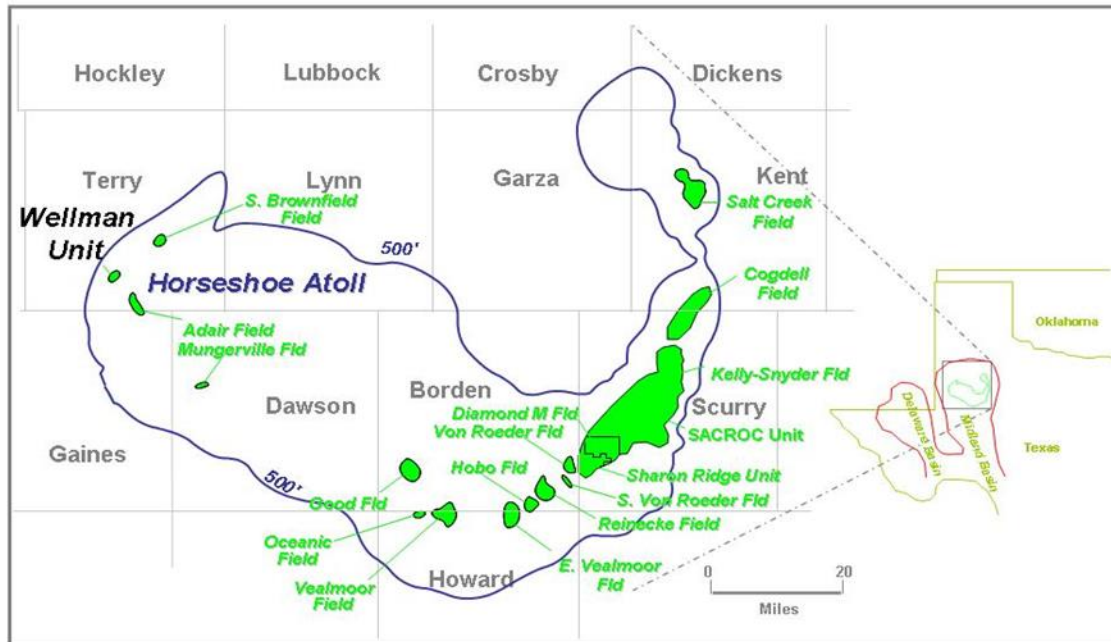


Figure 3-1 WF Historic and Forecast CO<sub>2</sub> Injection, Production, and Storage

### 3.2 Environmental Setting

The WF is in the NE portion of the Central Basin Platform in West Texas (See Figure 3-2). The productive portion of the WF is composed of the WLFRF.



**Modified from Vest, 1970**

*Figure 3-2 Location of WF in West Texas*

The WLFRRF was developed on the far north-western edge of a larger Pennsylvanian reef trend known as the Horseshoe Atoll. The environment of deposition was shallow muddy (turbid) water with encroaching shales at the flank and eventually buried by terrigenous sediments (shales, siltstones, sands). Those sediments finally drowned out the reef and now form the primary seal for the reservoir. The structure is pinnacle reef like with two smaller bioherm buildups creating an overall structure oriented in a north to south direction (See Figure 3-4).

By the time the reef was deposited, the sinking of the Horseshoe Atoll was well underway, leaving a great deal of vertical accommodation space. As a result, the reef is steep-sided and slumping of the outer edges of the reef is common, as is mixing of the reef-slump (limestone) debris with shale from the overlying seal (Anderson, 1953). The peak of the reservoir occurs at approximately -5,900'SS and plunges below the original oil / water contact at -6,680'SS inside the boundaries of the Wellman Unit. Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formations, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval here is informally called the "Spraberry Group." The Spraberry Group forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastic rock above the reservoir (See Figure 3-3).

# WELLMAN FIELD TYPE LOG & GENERALIZED STRATIGRAPHIC SECTION

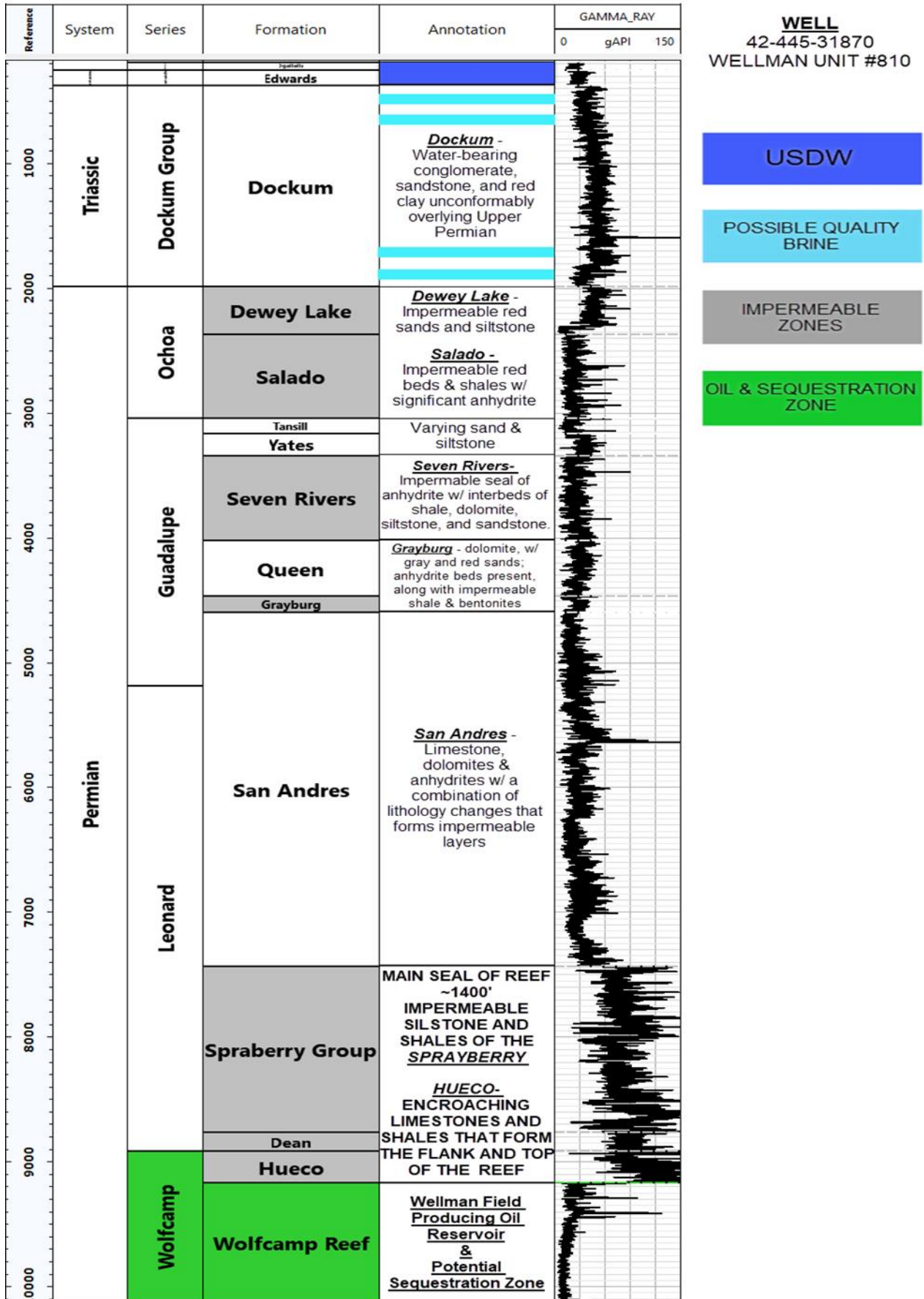


Figure 3-3 WF generalized stratigraphic section.

## Wellman Field Stratigraphy

The Wellman Field produces from a Wolfcampian aged 299-280 million years ago (299-280 mya) limestone biohermal type reef. It was deposited on an isolated platform on the Pennsylvanian (320-299 mya) structure called the Horseshoe Atoll. The Horseshoe atoll is composed of bedded bioclastic limestone and limestone detritus that accumulated in the interior part of a developing intracratonic basin during late Paleozoic (355-280 mya) time. The reef environment was established early in the basin history and endured because of the lack of a significant terrigenous clastic source to fill the basin interior. Mixed types of bioclastic debris accumulated cyclically and the upper level of the reef complex was maintained near sea level as the basin subsided. About 1,800 ft of limestone accumulated during the Pennsylvanian (355-299 mya), with a primary dip as great as 8 percent that developed along the margins of the atoll. During early Permian time (299-280 mya) the reef was restricted to the southwest side of the atoll where more than 1,100 ft of additional limestone accumulated before death of the reef. The Horseshoe Atoll encompasses all or portions of 14 counties (Terry, Lynn, Garza, Kent, Scurry, Mitchell, Howard, Borden, Dawson, Gaines, Martin, Lubbock, Crosby, and Dickens); an area of approximately 8,100 square miles. The Wellman field is a pinnacle reef on the southwestern arm of the Horseshoe Atoll.

The following is a description of each formation in ascending order (Figure 3-3). All the formations are Permian (299-245 mya) in age through the Dewey Lake formation. The Dockum Group is Triassic (245-202 mya) in age and the Edwards and Ogalala are Late Tertiary (6-3 mya).

### *Wolfcamp Reef*

The Wolfcampian (299-280 mya) Wolfcamp Reef is a fusulinid-algal packstone with vuggy and moldic porosity. With increasing depth, brachiopods, other bivalves, and crinoids are present. Bioturbation and some brecciated zones occur along with low amplitude stylolites.

### *Hueco Formation*

The Late Wolfcampian (285-280 myo) Hueco Formation consists of interbedded limestones, sandstones, and shales. They interfinger to form the flank and caprock of the reef. Early deposition was almost exclusively shales and limestones. Influxes of clastics started with subsidence of the basin.

### *Dean*

The Leonardian (280-279 mya) Dean Formation is a thin very fine-grained sandstone that grades upwards into laminated siltstones containing silty, bioturbated, mudstones.

### *Spraberry Group*

The Early Leonardian (~281-278 mya) Spraberry Group consists of predominately silty mudstones and clay-rich siltstones with interfingering of sands and limestones. The siltstones and mudstones were deposited on a high stand carbonate ramp. During low sea level, the eolian sandstones increased when the shelf was exposed. It is fine-grained, low permeability with some bioturbation and organic rich shales. The sandstones are turbidites and channel deposits. The carbonates display turbidite with slump and debris flow characteristics.

### *San Andres*

The Upper Leonardian - Lower Guadalupian (278-267 mya) San Andres Formation is predominantly dolomite with considerable amounts of anhydrite in the upper 300 feet. The depositional environment of the San Andres was shallow lagoon and sabkha complexes with an upward-shoaling, prograding-aggrading sequences.

### *Grayburg*

The Guadalupian (267 mya) Grayburg Formation is a mixed carbonate-siliciclastic composite sequence with evaporites and halites deposited in a sabkha and tidal flat environment. The San Andres and Grayburg are frequently grouped together as they have similar depositional environments.

### *Queen*

The Guadalupian (266-265 mya) Queen Formation is interbedded with siliclastic, carbonate mudstones, and evaporites. They were deposited in a fluvial depositional environment. Sandstones of the Queen formation are often reservoirs in the Permian basin.

### *Seven Rivers*

The Guadalupian (265-262 mya) Seven Rivers Formation is composed of cyclically interbedded mudstones, salt, anhydrite, and dolomite.

### *Yates*

The Guadalupian (262-261 mya) Yates Formation consists of sandstone, siltstone, and anhydrite. The sandstone is fine to very fine grained and contains scattered large rounded, frosted quartz grains.

### *Tansill*

The Guadalupian (261-260 mya) Tansill Formation consists of interbedded salts and anhydrite.

### *Salado*

The Ochoan (260-250 mya) Salado Formation is the dominant halite-bearing unit of the Midland Basin. The anhydrite contained in this formation represents the most-flooded, least-restricted conditions over the evaporite shelf where wind, storm, and seasonal circulation was adequate to maintain gypsum deposition. Overlying anhydrite beds contain halite, polyhalite, and mudstone beds.

### *Dewey Lake*

The Ochoan (250-245 mya) Dewey Lake Formation contains orange-red, fine to very fine-grained sandstones and siltstones with anhydrite and gypsum cements.

### *Dockum*

The Triassic (245-208 mya) Dockum Group consists mainly of terrigenous clastic red beds, mudstones and siltstones to conglomerates recording a change from the sabkha environments of Permian time to the humid continental environments of Triassic time.

There is an unconformity between the Dockum Group and the Edwards of approximately 98 million years. This was due to either non-deposition or uplift and erosion.

#### *Edwards*

The Cretaceous (142-68 mya) Edwards is a fine- to coarse-grained, thick-bedded to massive, light gray to grayish yellow limestone with abundant rudistids.

There is an unconformity between the Edwards and the Ogallala of approximately 45 million years.

#### *Ogallala*

The Miocene-Pliocene (23-2.5 mya) Ogallala Formation consists of gravel, sand, and finer grained clastic that were deposited in fluvial and upland eolian settings. Caliche and ash beds can also be found in the Ogallala.

The Ogallala and Edwards are USDWs in the Wellman Field.



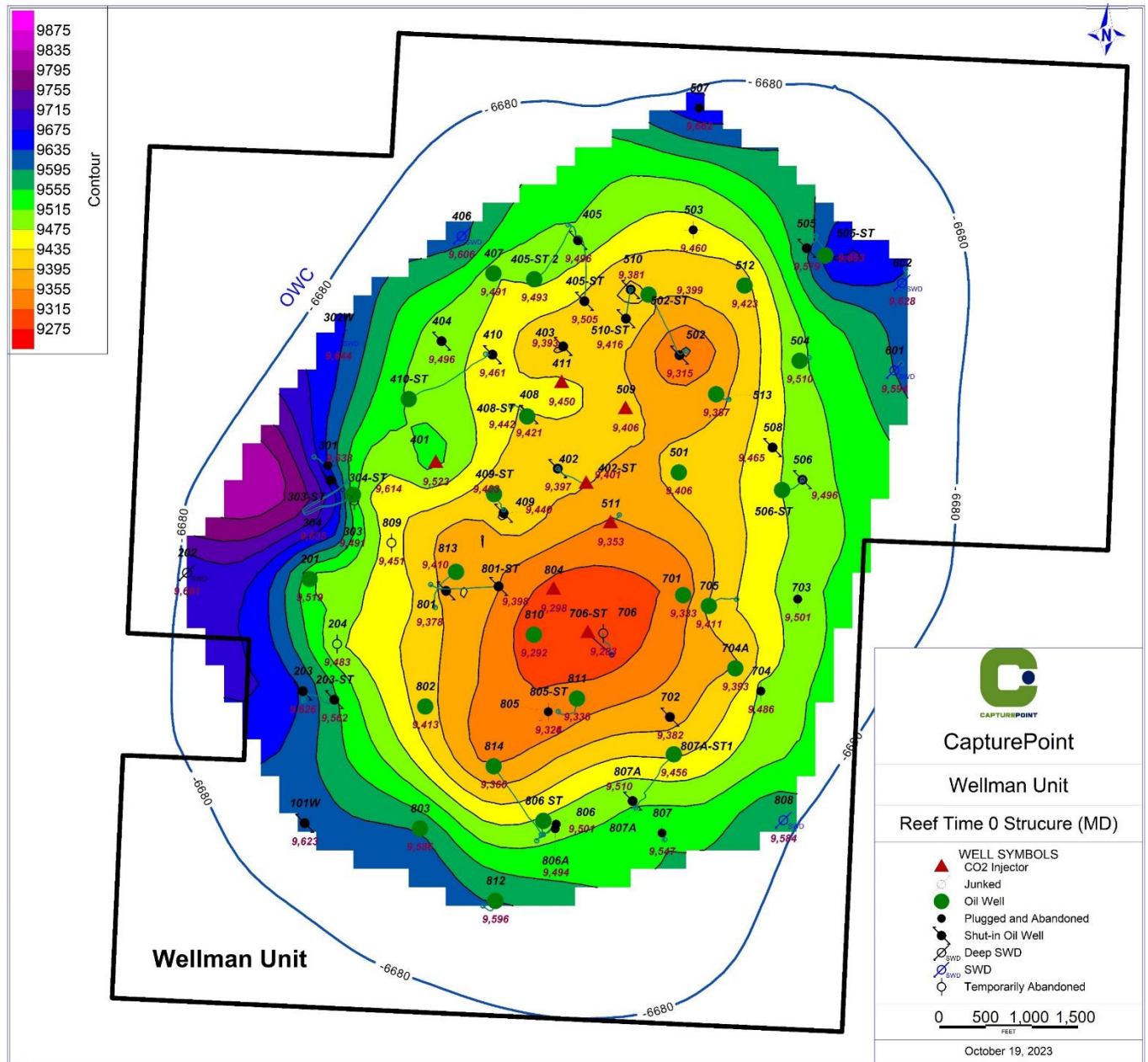


Figure 3-4 Local Area Structure on Top of the Wolfcamp Reef

Once the CO<sub>2</sub> flood is complete and injection ceases, the remaining mobile CO<sub>2</sub> will rise slowly upward, driven by buoyancy forces. There is more than enough pore space to sequester the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> planned for injection. The amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected will not exceed the reservoir's secure storage capacity and, consequently, the risk that CO<sub>2</sub> could migrate to other reservoirs in the basin is negligible.

The volume of CO<sub>2</sub> storage is based on the estimated total pore space within WLFRRF. The total pore space within WF, from the top of the reservoir down to the base of the WLFRRF, is calculated to be 304.5 million reservoir barrels (RB). This is the volume of rock multiplied by porosity. Table 3-1 below shows the conversion of this amount of pore space into an estimated maximum volume of approximately 551 Billion Cubic Feet (BCF) (29 million tonnes) of CO<sub>2</sub> storage in the reservoir at original reservoir pressure conditions of 4100 psi. Based on the current project



forecast, CO<sub>2</sub> will occupy only 66% (364 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity by the year 2060. CO<sub>2</sub> currently occupies 29% (159 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity.

Table 3-1 Calculation of Maximum Volume of CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Capacity at WF

<b>Top of Main Pay to Original Oil/Water Contact</b>	
Variables	WF Outline in Figure 3-4
Pore Volume (RB)	304,516,542
BCO <sub>2</sub> (RB/MCF)	0.42
S <sub>wirr</sub>	0.15
S <sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub>	0.09
Max CO <sub>2</sub> (MCF)	551,029,933
Max CO <sub>2</sub> (BCF)	551

$$\text{Max CO}_2 = \text{Pore Volume} * (1 - S_{wirr} - S_{or CO_2}) / BCO_2$$

Where:

Max CO<sub>2</sub> = the maximum amount of storage capacity

Pore Volume = Total pore space in reservoir barrels (RB)

BCO<sub>2</sub> = the formation volume factor for CO<sub>2</sub>

S<sub>wirr</sub> = the irreducible water saturation

S<sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub> = the irreducible oil saturation

Reservoir management is employed on a constant basis to obtain the maximum possible economic recovery from a reservoir based on facts, information, and knowledge. As WF is a vertical displacement flood, long-term storage utilizes the natural buoyancy of CO<sub>2</sub> to oil and water, along with the existing reservoir seal, to contain the CO<sub>2</sub>. In this scenario, there is no lateral migration and injected fluids (CO<sub>2</sub>) will stay in the reservoir within the WF unit boundary and not move laterally to adjacent areas.

Given that in WF the confining zone has proved competent over millions of years, has remained intact with the current CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, and that the WF has ample storage capacity, there is confidence that stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained securely within the reservoir.

### 3.3 Description of CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR Project Facilities and the Injection Process

Figure 3-5 shows a simplified process flow diagram of the project facilities and equipment in WF. CO<sub>2</sub> is delivered to the WLFRRF via the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline network. CO<sub>2</sub> is supplied by anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> sources. Available amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> are drawn from an outside source pipeline based on contractual arrangements among suppliers of CO<sub>2</sub>, purchasers of CO<sub>2</sub>, and the pipeline operator. These amounts will vary over time and be added to the recycled CO<sub>2</sub> for injection into the reservoir.

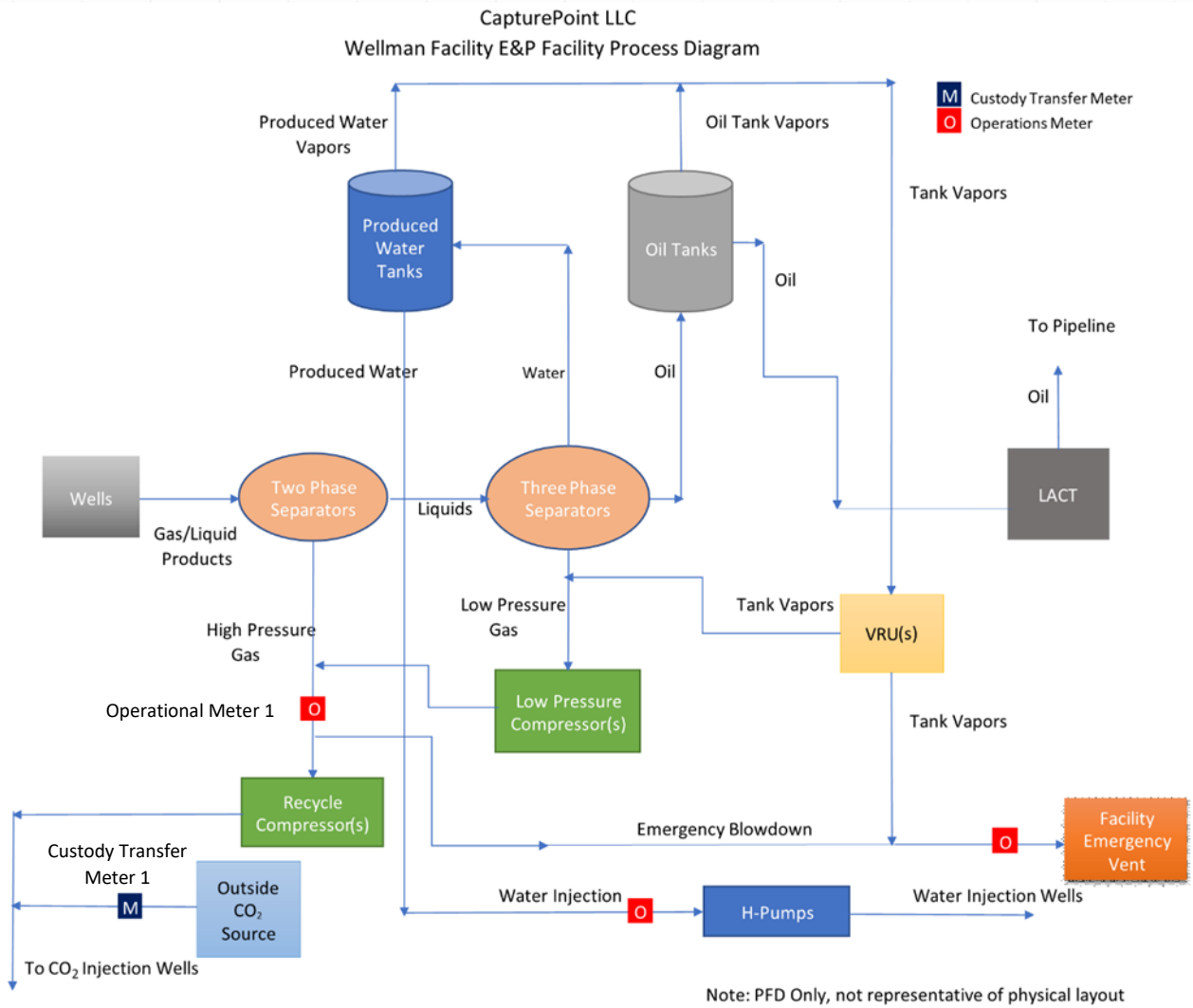


Figure 3-5 Wellman Process Flow Diagram

Once CO<sub>2</sub> enters the WLFRRF there are three main processes involved in EOR operations:

- i. CO<sub>2</sub> Distribution and Injection: The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received at WF is metered and calculated through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the pipeline delivery point. The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received is combined with recycled CO<sub>2</sub> / hydrocarbon gas mix from the recycle compression facility (RCF) and distributed to the wellheads for injection into the injection wells according to the injection plan for the reservoir. This is an EOR project and reservoir pressure must be maintained above minimum miscibility pressure. Therefore, injection pressure must be sufficiently high to allow injectants to enter the reservoir, but below formation parting pressure (FPP).
- ii. Produced Fluids Handling: Produced fluids from the production wells are a mixture of oil, hydrocarbon gas, water, CO<sub>2</sub>, and trace amounts of other constituents in the field including nitrogen and hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) as discussed in Section 7. The fluids are transported via flowlines to the Central Tank Battery (CTB) for separation into a gas/CO<sub>2</sub> mix and produced liquids that are a mix of water and oil, with entrained gas and CO<sub>2</sub>. The produced gas, which is composed primarily of CO<sub>2</sub> and minor hydrocarbons, is sent to the RCF for dehydration and recompression before reinjection into the reservoir. An operations meter at the RCF is used to determine the total volume of produced gas that is reinjected. The separated oil is metered through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the central tank battery and sold into a pipeline.
- iii. Water Treatment and Injection: Water is recovered for reuse and forwarded to the water injection station for reinjection or disposal.

### 3.3.1 Wells in the Wellman Field

The TRRC has broad authority over oil and gas operations including primacy to implement UIC Class II wells. The rules are found in TAC Title 16, Part 1, Chapter 3 and are also explained in a TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual (See Appendix 12-2). TRRC rules govern well siting, construction, operation, maintenance, and closure for all wells in oilfields.

Briefly, TRRC rules include the following requirements:

- Fluids must be constrained in the strata in which they are encountered,
- activities cannot result in the pollution of subsurface or surface water,
- wells must adhere to specified casing, cementing, drilling well control, and completion requirements designed to prevent fluids from moving from the strata that are encountered into other strata with oil and gas, or into subsurface and surface waters,
- completion report for each well including basic electric log (e.g., a density, sonic, or resistivity (except dip meter) log run over the entire wellbore) must be prepared,
- operators must follow plugging procedures that require advance approval from the TRRC Director and allow consideration of the suitability of the cement based on the use of the well, the location and setting of plugs; and,
- injection well operators must identify an Area of Review (AoR), use compatible materials and equipment, test, and maintain well records.

Table 3-2 provides a well count by type and status. All these wells are in material compliance with TRRC rules.

*Table 3-2 WF Well Penetrations by Type and Status*

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>ACTIVE</b>	<b>INACTIVE</b>	<b>P &amp; A</b>	<b>Total</b>
PROD_OIL	27	6	0	<b>33</b>
INJ_SW	6	0	0	<b>6</b>
INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	7	0	0	<b>7</b>
P&A	0	0	8	<b>8</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>54</b>

*PROD\_OIL = Production Wells*

*INJ\_SW = Saltwater disposal wells*

*INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells*

*P&A = Plugged and Abandoned wells.*

*(P&A for sidetracks are not included in the P&A count)*

WF CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations are designed to avoid conditions which could damage the reservoir and cause a potential leakage pathway. Reservoir pressure in the WF is managed by monitoring reservoir pressures and ensuring these remain constant. This is achieved by maintaining an IWR of approximately 1.

Injection pressure is also maintained below the FPP, which is measured using step-rate tests.

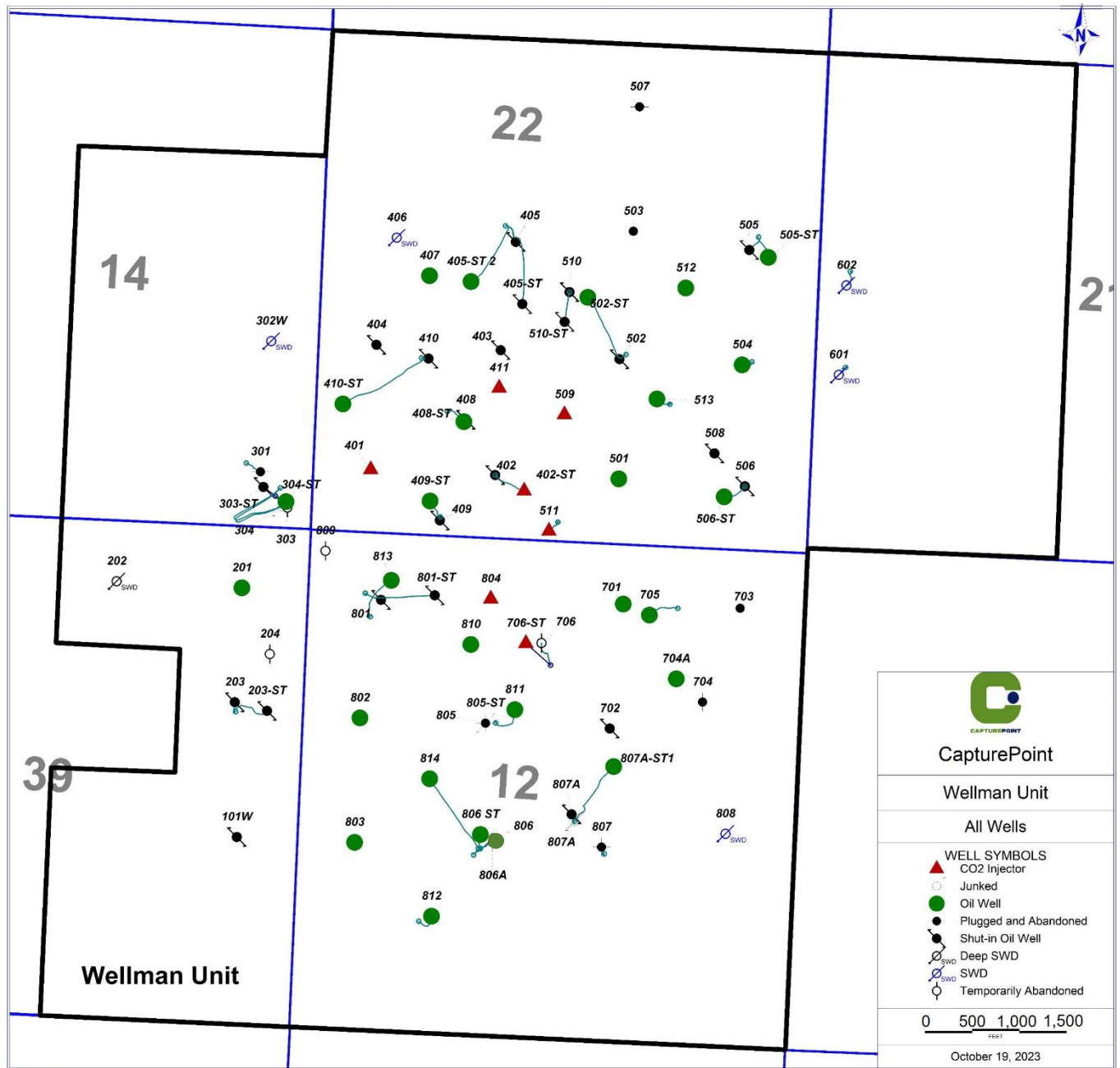


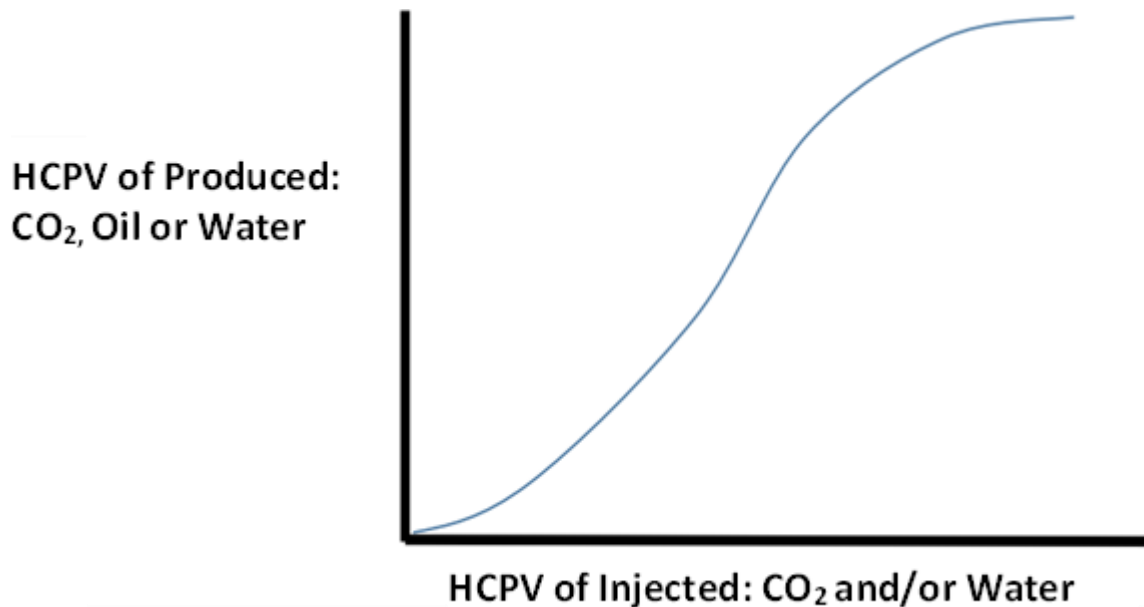
Figure 3-6 WF Wells and Injection Patterns

### 3.4 Reservoir Forecasting

DPCs derived from actual field performance were used to project CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR in the WF. Most DPCs are derived from geologic and reservoir models or actual field performance. In the WF case the DPC was derived from actual field performance in the WF. The WF has 40 years of actual CO<sub>2</sub> history which is more than enough data to develop a DPC to forecast reservoir performance. Initial oil recovery and CO<sub>2</sub> injection results were obtained from lab experiments performed with CO<sub>2</sub>. The DPC's project recoveries are close to what the lab experiments concluded.

A DPC is a plot where injection and production volumes for CO<sub>2</sub>, water, and hydrocarbon phases are normalized by dividing by Hydrocarbon Pore Volume (HCPV). See Figure 3-7. The

dimensioned projections for the oil, CO<sub>2</sub>, and water production are relative to the CO<sub>2</sub> and water injection and are calculated using the original oil in place of an area of interest.



*Figure 3-7 DPC plot*

The WF DPC was calculated from the cumulative production and injection using 40 years of WF history. This method allows you to use different field implementation speeds.

The DPCs are the basis for future reservoir performance prediction scenarios but are additionally a means of evaluating the reservoir process efficiencies. In a similar manner to history matching in reservoir simulation, deviations from the expected performance can indicate errors in the geologic model of the pore volume, growth of the CO<sub>2</sub> plume, or metering and production allocation errors.

## 4 Delineation of Monitoring Area and Timeframes

### 4.1 Active Monitoring Area

The Active Monitoring Area (AMA) is defined by a ½ mile buffer surrounding the WLFRRF storage area boundary (as indicated by the red dashed line on Figure 4-1) which serves to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally and allowing the plume to stabilize within the WLFRRF impermeable seal.

Figure 3-6 displays wells that have CO<sub>2</sub> retention on the 2,100 acres that have been under CO<sub>2</sub> injection since project initialization as well as SWD wells to support field operations. The CO<sub>2</sub> storage volumes were forecasted (Figure 3-1) using the DPC approach. This technique indicates that the flooded acreage still has significant additional storage potential. The maximum CO<sub>2</sub> storage (551 BCF) is limited to the amount of space available by the removal of the produced fluids. The projection indicates that there is pore space available to store approximately 0.66 decimal fraction of HCPV amount to 151.9 million RB (364 BCF).

The lateral extent of CO<sub>2</sub> in the injection zone or the CO<sub>2</sub> storage radius was estimated by calculating a storage radius based on the forecasted CO<sub>2</sub> volume of 364 BCF. Figure 4-1 shows the map of the storage area outline (dashed red line). This calculation showed approximately 1,043 acres would be needed to store 364 BCF. The CO<sub>2</sub> plume is anticipated to stay within the storage area depicted by the dashed red line. Therefore, the CO<sub>2</sub> plume would remain contained in the WF unit at the end of year 2066 (t+5).

### 4.2 Maximum Monitoring Area

The Maximum Monitoring Area (MMA) is defined as equal to or greater than the area expected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume until the CO<sub>2</sub> plume has stabilized plus an all-around buffer zone of at least one-half mile. The CO<sub>2</sub> plume will stabilize within the WLFRRF storage area boundary (as indicated by the red dashed line on Figure 4-1) which serves to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally beyond the reservoir's impermeable seal. In this instance the MMA is the same as the AMA. Since the MMA is depicted to be ½ mile beyond the stabilized plume boundary, the MMA meets the definition found in 40 CFR 98.449.

### 4.3 Monitoring Timeframes

The primary purpose for injecting CO<sub>2</sub> is to produce oil that would otherwise remain trapped in the reservoir and not, as in UIC Class VI, “specifically for the purpose of geologic storage.”<sup>1</sup> During a Specified Period, there will be a subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term containment of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF. The Specified Period will be shorter than the period of production from the WF.

At the conclusion of the Specified Period, a request for discontinuation of reporting will be submitted. This request will be submitted with a demonstration that current monitoring and model(s) show that the cumulative mass of CO<sub>2</sub> reported as sequestered during the Specified Period is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage. It

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<sup>1</sup> EPA UIC Class VI rule, EPA 75 FR 77291, December 10, 2010, section 146.81(b).

is expected that it will be possible to make this demonstration after the Specified Period ends based upon monitoring data.

The reservoir pressure in the WF is collected for use in operations management. Reservoir pressure is not forecasted to change appreciably since the IWR will be maintained at approximately 1. Once injection ceases, reservoir pressure is predicted to stabilize within one year.

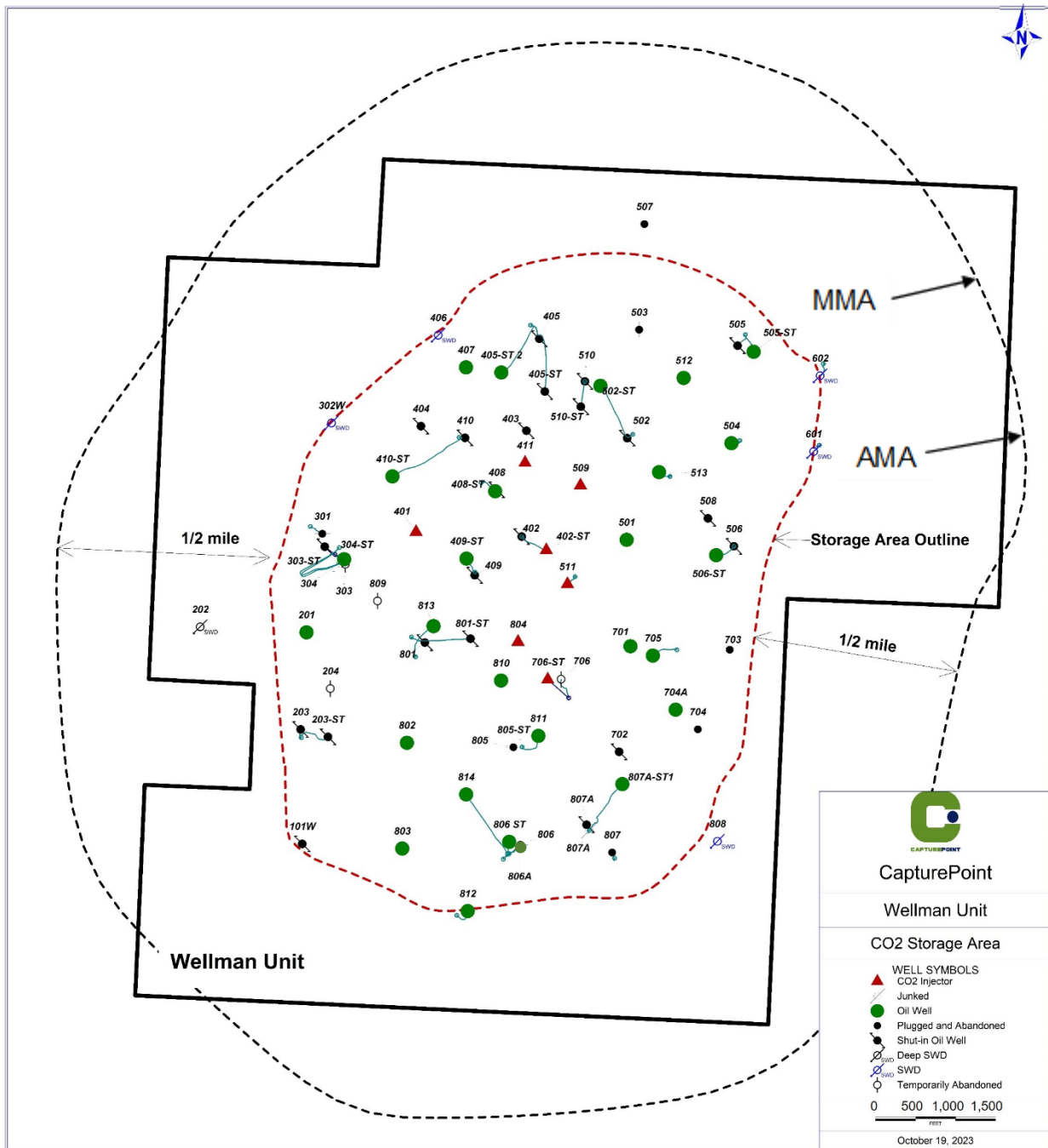


Figure 4-1 Projected CO<sub>2</sub> Storage area



## 5 Evaluation of Potential Pathways for Leakage to the Surface, Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

In the roughly 70 years since the Wellman oil field was discovered, the reservoir has been studied extensively. Based on the knowledge gained from that experience, this section assesses the potential pathways for leakage of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface including:

1. Existing Wells
2. Faults and Fractures
3. Natural and Induced Seismic Activity
4. Previous Operations
5. Pipeline/Surface Equipment
6. Lateral Migration Outside the WF
7. Drilling Through the CO<sub>2</sub> Area
8. Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal
9. Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

This analysis shows that leakage through wellbores and surface equipment pose the only meaningful potential leakage pathways. The monitoring program to detect and quantify leakage is based on this assessment as discussed below.

### 5.1 Existing Wells

As part of the TRRC requirement to initiate CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, an extensive review of all WF penetrations was completed to determine the need for corrective action. That analysis showed that all penetrations have either been adequately plugged and abandoned or, if in use, do not require corrective action. All wells in the WF were constructed and are operated in compliance with TRRC rules.

As part of routine risk management, the potential risk of leakage associated with the following were identified and evaluated:

- CO<sub>2</sub> flood electrical submersible pump (ESP) producing wells,
- CO<sub>2</sub> Flood flowing production wells, and
- CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells.

The risk assessment classified all risks associated with subsurface as low risk, i.e., less than 1% likelihood to occur and having a consequence that is insubstantial. The risks were classified as low risk because the WF geology is well suited to CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration with an extensive confining zone that is free of fractures and faults that could be potential conduits for CO<sub>2</sub> migration. Any risks are further mitigated because the WF is operated in a manner that maintains, monitors, and documents the integrity of the reservoir.

The risk of well leakage is mitigated through:

- Adhering to regulatory requirements for well drilling and testing,
- implementing best practices that CapturePoint has developed through its extensive operating experience,
- monitoring injection/production performance, wellbores, and the surface; and,
- maintaining surface equipment.

Continual and routine monitoring of the wellbores and site operations will be used to detect leaks or other potential well problems, as follows:

- Pressure in injection wells is monitored daily. The injection plans for each pattern are provided to field operations to govern the rate, pressure, and duration of either water or CO<sub>2</sub> injection. Leakage on the inside or outside of the injection wellbore would affect pressure and be detected through this approach. If such events occur, they would be investigated and addressed. CapturePoint's experience, from over 10 years of operating CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects, is that such leakage has not occurred.
- Production well performance is monitored using the production well test process conducted when produced fluids are gathered and sent to test vessels. There is a routine well testing cycle, with each well being tested approximately once every month. During this cycle, each production well is diverted to the well test equipment for a period sufficient to measure and sample produced fluids (generally 12-24 hours). These tests are the basis for allocating a portion of the produced fluids measured to each production well, assessing the composition of produced fluids by location, and assessing the performance of each well. Performance data are reviewed on a routine basis to ensure that CO<sub>2</sub> flooding efficiency is optimized. If production is different from the expected plan, it is investigated, and any identified issues addressed. Leakage to the outside of production wells is not considered a major risk because of the reduced pressure in the casing. All personnel are equipped with personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors. These personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are designed to detect leaked fluids around production wells during well and equipment inspections.
- Field inspections are conducted on a routine basis by field personnel. Leaking CO<sub>2</sub> is very cold and leads to the formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted. All field personnel are trained to identify leaking CO<sub>2</sub> and other potential problems at wellbores and in the field. Any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected will be documented, quantified, and reported.

Based on ongoing monitoring activities and review of the potential leakage risks posed by wellbores, it is concluded that the risk of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage through wellbores is being mitigated by detecting problems as they arise and quantifying any leakage that does occur. As mentioned before, leakage from wellbores is considered low but possible. It would most likely occur during the workover operations of installing the blowout preventer or wellhead. This release would be limited in nature to only a few MCF.

## 5.2 Faults and Fractures

After reviewing geologic, seismic, operating, and other evidence, it has been concluded that there are no known faults or fractures that transect the WLFRRF reservoir into overlying formations in the project area. There have not been any fracture treatments performed on WF wells and there are no future fracture treatments contemplated and thus induced fracture risk is eliminated. Seismic evaluation has eliminated the existence of faults. As a result, there is little to no risk (less than 1%) of leakage due to fractures or faults.

Measurements to determine FPP and reservoir pressure are routinely updated. This information is used to manage injection patterns so that the injection pressure will not exceed FPP. An IWR at or near 1 is also maintained based on consistent reservoir pressure measurements. Both activities mitigate the potential for inducing faults or fractures.

## 5.3 Natural and Induced Seismicity

After reviewing the literature<sup>2</sup> and actual operating experience, it is concluded that there is no direct evidence that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. There is no indication of seismic activity posing a risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface within the MMA. The TRRC approved injection pressures in the WF are maintained and monitored so that injection pressure is kept well below the TRRC approved injection pressures which are significantly below the fracture initiation pressure. This ensures that there will be no induced seismicity. Therefore, CapturePoint concludes that leakage of sequestered CO<sub>2</sub> through seismicity is unlikely.

To evaluate this potential risk at WF, CapturePoint has reviewed the nature and location of seismic events in West Texas. A review of the United States Geological Survey (USGS) database of recorded earthquakes of magnitude 1.0 or greater on the Richter Scale in the Permian Basin since 1956, indicates very little seismic activity with a magnitude 2.5 earthquake 38 miles to the south of the WF.

The concern about induced seismicity is that it could lead to fractures in the seal providing a pathway for CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. CapturePoint is not aware of any reported loss of injectant (brine water or CO<sub>2</sub>) to the surface associated with any seismic activity. There is no direct evidence to suggest that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. If induced seismicity resulted in a pathway for material amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> to migrate from the injection zone, other reservoir fluid monitoring provisions (e.g., reservoir pressure, well pressure, and pattern monitoring) would detect the migration and lead to further investigation. CapturePoint monitors the USGS earthquake monitoring Geological Information System site<sup>3</sup> for seismic signals that could indicate the creation of potential leakage pathways in the WF.

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<sup>2</sup> Frohlich, Cliff (2012) "Induced or Triggered Earthquakes in Texas: Assessment of Current Knowledge and Suggestions for Future Research", Final Technical Report, Institute for Geophysics, University of Texas at Austin, Office of Sponsored Research.

<sup>3</sup> <https://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/map/>

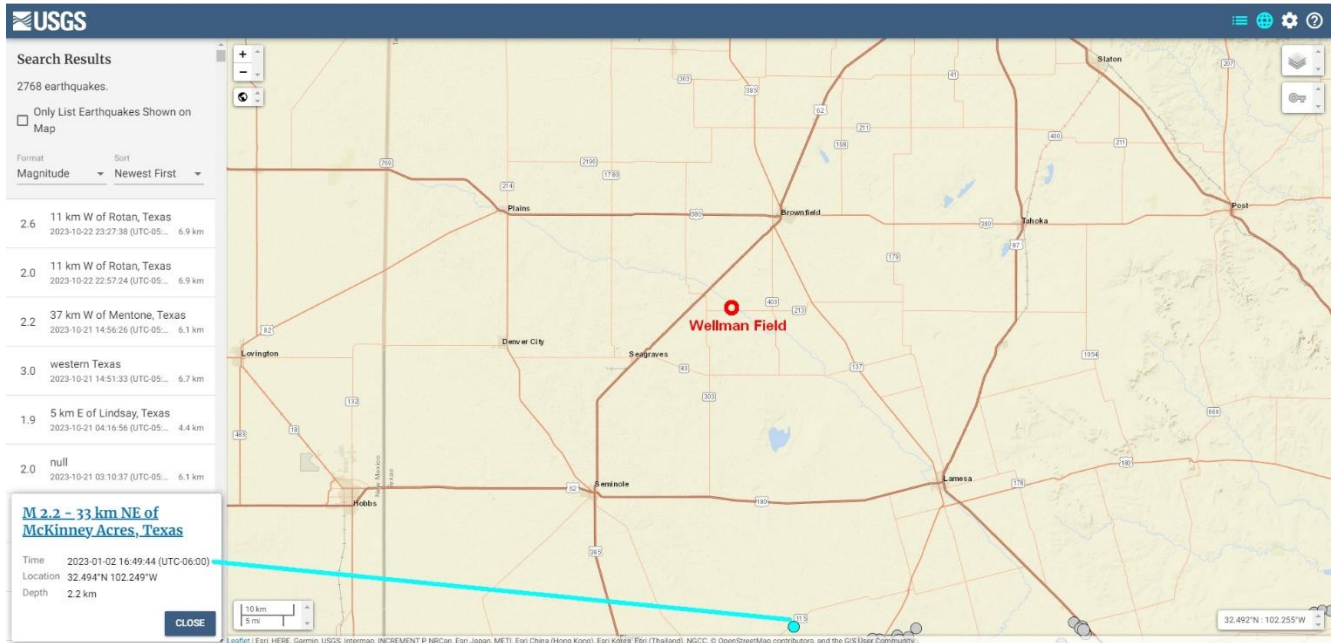


Figure 5-1 USGS earthquakes (+0.5 magnitude) for last 53 years)

## 5.4 Previous Operations

CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was initiated in WF in 1983. To obtain permits for CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, the AoR around all CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells was evaluated to determine if there were any unknown penetrations and to assess if corrective action was required at any wells. As indicated in Section 5.9, this evaluation reviewed the identified penetrations and determined that no additional corrective action was needed. Further, CapturePoint's standard practice for drilling new wells includes a rigorous review of nearby wells to ensure that drilling will not cause damage to or interfere with existing wells. Additionally, requirements to construct wells with materials that are designed for CO<sub>2</sub> injection are adhered to at WF. These practices ensure that there are no unknown wells within WF and that the risk of migration from older wells has been sufficiently mitigated. The wells were designed to prevent migration from the injection interval to the surface through the casing and cement placed in the well. Mechanical integrity tests (MIT), required under TAC Rule §3.46 [40 CFR §146.23 (b)(3)], will take place every five years to verify that the well and wellhead can contain the appropriate operating pressures. If an MIT were to indicate a leak, the well would be isolated, and the leak mitigated to prevent leakage of the injectate to the atmosphere. The successful experience with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding in WF demonstrates that the confining zone has not been impaired by previous operations. As evidenced by the 40 years of CO<sub>2</sub> injection without leakage previous operations do not present a risk of leakage to the atmosphere. Well construction requirements all but eliminate this leakage potential. If leakage were to occur, well intervention methods would address the failure in a matter of hours to days limiting the volume of leakage to a range of a few MCF to a few MMCF. Based on this history of no leakage events and well construction requirements, the likelihood is less than 1% and the magnitude would be low with a timely response and remediation.

## 5.5 Pipelines and Surface Equipment

Damage to or failure of pipelines and surface equipment can result in unplanned losses of CO<sub>2</sub>. CapturePoint anticipates that the use of prevailing design, construction practices, and compliance with applicable laws will reduce to the maximum extent possible, the risk of unplanned leakage from surface facilities. The facilities and pipelines currently utilize, and will continue to utilize, materials of construction and control processes that are standard for CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects in the oil and gas industry. Operating and maintenance practices currently follow, and will continue to follow, demonstrated industry standards. Field personnel are trained to look for and report potential leaks from pipeline and surface equipment as part of their routine activities. All equipment is designed with isolation valving to reduce the leakage from any failed equipment resulting in the potential leakage limited from the MCF to hundreds of MCF range. The Facility Emergency Vent is included in the surface equipment. It is a planned relief system that has the potential to release unplanned CO<sub>2</sub>. That volume is measured by an operations meter and recorded for reporting purposes. Should leakage be detected from pipeline or surface equipment, the volume of released CO<sub>2</sub> will be quantified following the requirements of Subpart W of Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program (GHGRP). The magnitude of these releases is usually small within only a few MCF as they are easily identified and isolated. Because of materials selection, the risk is once again low and CapturePoint concludes that leakage of CO<sub>2</sub> through the surface equipment is unlikely.

## 5.6 Lateral Migration Outside the Wellman Field

It is highly unlikely that injected CO<sub>2</sub> will migrate downdip and laterally outside the WF because of the nature of the geology and the approach used for injection. The reef is completely encased with impermeable sediments, which is what created such a defined reservoir that trapped oil over millions of years. With water flooding from the edges, combined with vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the top of the reef, the CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained to the upper portions of the reef (See Figure 5-2). Finally, the total volume of fluids contained in the WF will stay relatively constant. Based on site characterization along with the planned and projected operations, it is estimated that the total volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be considerably less than the calculated capacity. Based on the above statement, the storage capacity down to the spill-point is greater than the stored volume, so no CO<sub>2</sub> would be leaked laterally.

## 5.7 Drilling in the Wellman Field

The TRRC regulates well drilling activity in Texas. Pursuant to TRRC rules, wells casing shall be securely anchored in the hole in order to effectively control the well at all times, all usable-quality water zones shall be isolated and sealed off to effectively prevent contamination or harm, and all productive zones, potential flow zones, and zones with corrosive formation fluids shall be isolated and sealed off to prevent vertical migration of fluids, including gases, behind the casing. Where TRRC rules do not detail specific methods to achieve these objectives, operators shall make every effort to follow the intent of the section, using good engineering practices and the best currently available technology (TAC Title 16 Part1 Chapter 3 Rule §3.13). The TRRC requires applications and approvals before a well is drilled, recompleted, or reentered. Well drilling

activity at WF is conducted in accordance with TRRC rules. CapturePoint's visual inspection process, including routine site visits, will identify unapproved drilling activity in the WF. Leakage during drilling operations is unlikely but possible. It would occur when reservoir pressure is high. Drilling mud weight is designed to control that leakage therefore making the potential very low with volumes leaked kept at low levels.

In addition, CapturePoint intends to operate WF for several more years and will continue to be vigilant about protecting the integrity of its assets and maximizing the potential of its resources, including oil, gas, and CO<sub>2</sub>. Consequently, as CapturePoint owns the rights at all depths, the risks associated with third parties penetrating the WF are negligible.

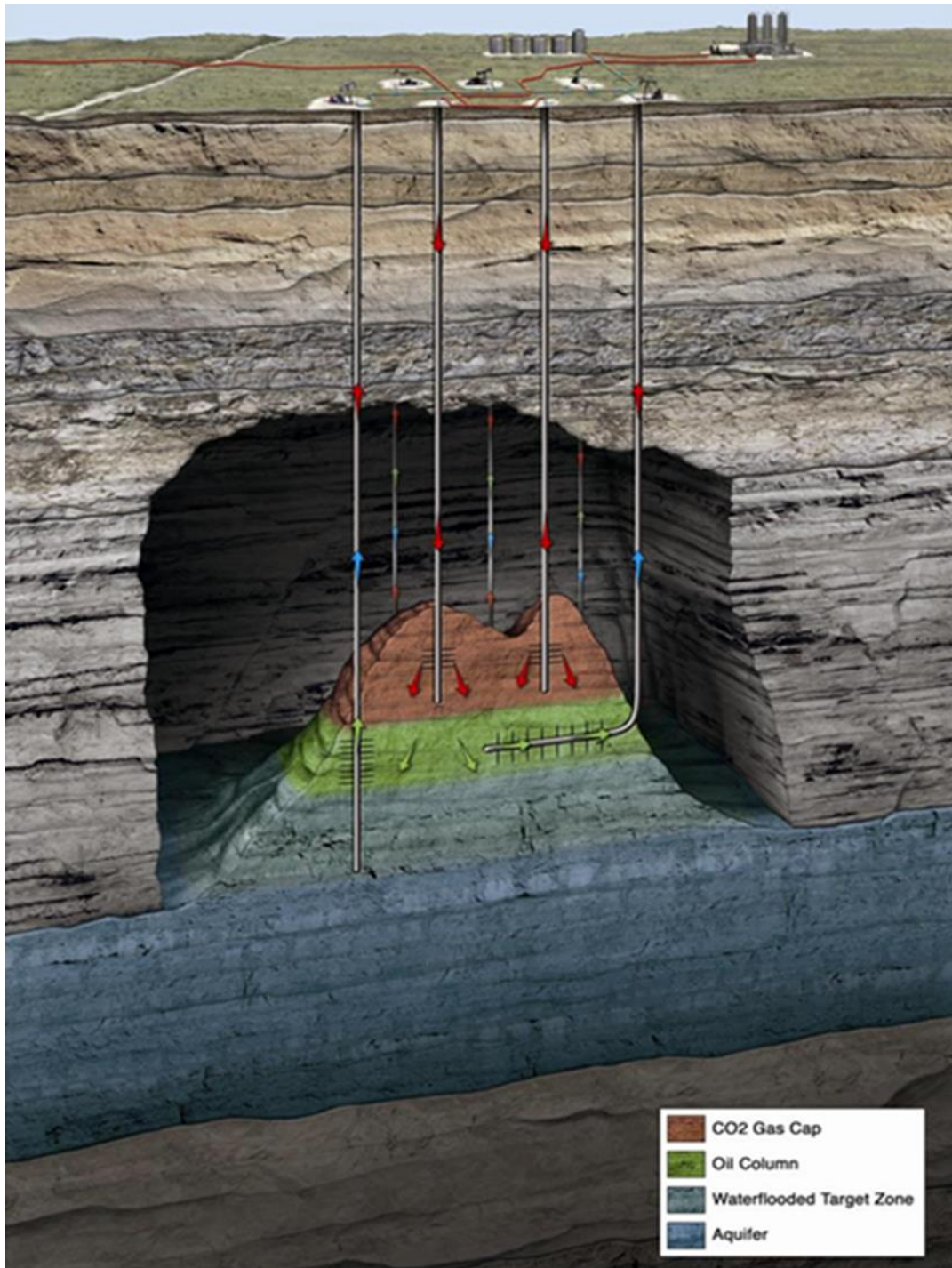


Figure 5-2 Schematic of WF vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flood

## 5.8 Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal

Diffuse leakage through the seal formed by the upper Wolfcamp is highly unlikely. There are several sections above the reservoir that are impermeable and serve as reliable barriers to prevent fluids from moving upwards towards the surface. These barriers are referred to as seals because they effectively seal fluids within the formations beneath them. As mentioned in Section

3.2, “Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formation, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval is informally called the “Spraberry Series.” The Spraberry Series forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastics above the reservoir.”

Our injection monitoring program assures that no breach of the seal will be created. The seal is highly impermeable. Wellbores that penetrate the seal make use of cement and steel construction that is closely regulated to ensure that no leakage takes place. Injection pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in injection pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause. The potential for leakage again is very low (less than 1%) the magnitude of which would be in the several MCF range into other formations but not to the surface.

## 5.9 Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

As discussed above, the potential sources of leakage include issues, such as problems with surface equipment (pumps, valves, etc.) or subsurface equipment (wellbores), and unique events such as induced fractures. An event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage is used. Table 5.1 summarizes some of these potential leakage scenarios, the monitoring activities designed to detect those leaks, the standard response, and other applicable regulatory programs requiring similar reporting.

Given the uncertainty concerning the nature and characteristics of any leaks that may be encountered, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> will be determined on a case-by-case basis. In the event leakage occurs, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume leaked will be determined and it will be reported as required as part of the annual Subpart RR submission. The potential quantification methods may include, but are not limited to:

- For leakage through wellbores, continuous SCADA monitoring data provide the basis to determine duration and the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> loss;
- For leakage from surface equipment and pipelines, continuous SCADA monitoring data and acceptable emission factors, such as those in 40 CFR Part §98 Subpart W, provide the basis to determine duration and the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> loss;
- For leakage related to the competency of the confining layer, reservoir modeling and engineering estimates provide the basis for determining the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> losses.

Any volume of CO<sub>2</sub> detected leaking to surface will be quantified using acceptable emission factors such as those found in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W or engineering estimates of leak amounts based on measurements in the subsurface, field experience, and other factors such as the frequency of inspection. Leaks will be documented, evaluated, and addressed in a timely manner.

In the unlikely event that CO<sub>2</sub> was released because of surface leakage, the mass emitted would be calculated for each surface pathway according to methods outlined in the plan and totaled using Equation RR-10 as follows:



$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^X CO_{2x} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

Where:

CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year

CO<sub>2,x</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year

X = Leakage pathway

Calculation methods using equations from subpart W will be used to calculate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to any surface leakage between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead. Records of leakage events will be retained in the electronic environmental documentation and reporting system. The Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot.

Table 5-1 Response Plan for CO<sub>2</sub> Loss

Risk	Monitoring Plan	Response Plan
Tubing Leak	Monitor changes in tubing and annulus pressures;	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Casing Leak	Routine Field inspection; Monitor changes in annulus pressure, MIT for injectors; extra attention to high-risk wells	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Wellhead Leak	Routine Field inspection, SCADA system monitors wellhead pressure	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Loss of Bottom-hole pressure control	Blowout during well operations	Maintain well kill procedures. Magnitude would be millions of cubic feet.
Unplanned wells drilled through WLFRR	Routine Field inspection to prevent unapproved drilling; compliance with TRRC permitting for planned wells.	Assure compliance with TRRC regulations is maintained.
Diffuse leakage through the seal	Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Conduct an injection radioactive tracer survey. If verified, the well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Loss of seal in abandoned wells	Routine field inspections of abandoned well locations	Re-enter and reseal abandoned wells. Magnitude could be millions of cubic feet.
Pumps, valves, etc.	Routine Field inspection, Monitor SCADA	Repair crews respond within hours to days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Overfill beyond spill points	Monitor reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure discovered in new wells	Fluid management along into the reservoir by reduction of injection. This reservoir is a well-defined tank. Volumetric evaluation will direct fluid volume injection.
Leakage through induced fractures	Monitor reservoir pressure in injector headers; Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause. High pressure discovered in new wells	Comply with TRRC approved injection pressures below parting pressure.

Leakage due to seismic event	Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Shut in injectors near seismic event. Inject water near seismic event to stop leakage.
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## 5.10 Summary

The structure and stratigraphy of the WLFRRF reservoir in the WF is ideally suited for the injection and storage of CO<sub>2</sub>. The carbonate reef within the CO<sub>2</sub> injection zones is porous, permeable, and thick, providing ample capacity for long-term CO<sub>2</sub> storage. The reservoir is overlain by several intervals of impermeable geologic zones that form effective seals or “caps” to fluids in the reservoir.

In summary, based on a careful assessment of the potential risk of release of CO<sub>2</sub> from the subsurface, it has been determined that there are no leakage pathways at the WF that are likely to result in significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the atmosphere. Further, given the detailed knowledge of the field and its operating protocols, it is concluded that any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface that could arise through either identified or unexpected leakage pathways would be detected and quantified as required by 40 CFR 98.448.

## 6 Monitoring and Considerations for Calculating Site Specific Variables

Monitoring will also be used to determine the quantities in the mass balance equation and to make the demonstration that the CO<sub>2</sub> plume will not migrate to the surface after the time of discontinuation.

### 6.1 For the Mass Balance Equation

#### 6.1.1 General Monitoring Procedures

Flow rate, pressure, and gas composition data are monitored and collected from the WF in centralized data management systems as part of ongoing operations. This data is monitored by qualified technicians who follow response and reporting protocols when the systems deliver notifications that data exceed statistically acceptable boundaries.

Metering protocols used at WF follow the prevailing industry standard(s) for custody transfer as currently promulgated by the API, the American Gas Association, and the Gas Processors Association, as appropriate. This approach is consistent with EPA GHGRP’s Subpart RR, section §98.444(e)(3). These meters will be maintained routinely, operated continually, and will feed data directly to the centralized data collection systems. The meters meet the industry standard for custody transfer meter accuracy and calibration frequency.

#### 6.1.2 CO<sub>2</sub> Received

As indicated in Figure 3-5, the volume of received CO<sub>2</sub> is measured using a commercial custody transfer meter at the point at which custody of the CO<sub>2</sub> from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system is transferred to the WF. This meter measures flow rate continually. The transfer is a commercial transaction that is documented. CO<sub>2</sub> composition is governed by contract and the gas is routinely sampled. Fluid composition will be determined, at a minimum, quarterly,

consistent with EPA GHGRP's Subpart RR, section §98.447(a). All meter and composition data are documented, and records will be retained for at least three years. No CO<sub>2</sub> is received in containers.

### 6.1.3 CO<sub>2</sub> Injected in the Subsurface

Injected CO<sub>2</sub> will be calculated using the flow meter volumes at the operations meter at the outlet of the central tank battery separators less vent and equipment losses plus, the custody transfer meter at the CO<sub>2</sub> off-take point from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system.

### 6.1.4 CO<sub>2</sub> Produced, Entrained in Products, and Recycled

The following measurements are used for the mass balance equations in Section 8:

- CO<sub>2</sub> produced in the gaseous stage is calculated using the volumetric flow meters at central production battery. These meters are located immediately downstream of the separation facilities.
- CO<sub>2</sub> that is entrained in produced oil, as indicated in Figure 3-5, is calculated using volumetric flow through the custody transfer meter and annual analysis of CO<sub>2</sub> content in the oil which has typically 0.3797 volume percent (1.2692 Mol%).
- Recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is calculated using the volumetric flow meter at the outlet of the central production battery separators feeding the inlet of the RCF, which is an operations meter. Only gaseous CO<sub>2</sub> flows through this meter.

### 6.1.5 CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Surface Leakage

CapturePoint uses 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W to estimate surface leaks from equipment at the WF. Subpart W uses a factor-driven approach to estimate equipment leakage. In addition, an event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is used.

In accordance with §98.444(d), CP uses Equation RR-10 in §98.443 to calculate and report the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage from WF. In accordance with §98.443(f)(2), CP will separately calculate and report CO<sub>2FI</sub> and CO<sub>2E</sub> emissions.

The multi-layered and risk-based monitoring program for event-driven incidents has been designed to meet two objectives: 1) to detect problems before CO<sub>2</sub> leaks to the surface; and 2) to detect and quantify any leaks that do occur. This section discusses how this monitoring will be conducted and used to quantify the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked to the surface.

#### **Monitoring for Potential Leakage from the Injection/Production Zone**

In addition to the measures discussed in Section 5.9, both injection into and production from the reservoir will be monitored as a means of early identification of potential anomalies that could indicate leakage from the subsurface.

Injection plans (fluid rate, pressure, volume) are given to operations on a weekly basis. If injection pressure or rate measurements are outside the specified set points determined as part of each pattern injection plan, reservoir engineering will notify field personnel and they will investigate

and resolve the problem. These excursions will be reviewed by well management personnel to determine if CO<sub>2</sub> leakage may be occurring. Excursions are not necessarily indicators of leaks; they simply indicate that injection rates and pressures are not conforming to the pattern injection plan. In many cases, problems are straightforward to fix (e.g., a meter needs to be recalibrated or some other minor action is required), and there is no threat of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. In the case of issues that are not readily resolved, a more detailed investigation and response would be initiated, and support staff would provide additional assistance and evaluation.

Likewise, a forecast of the rate and composition of produced fluids is developed. Each producer well is assigned to a specific test vessel and is isolated during each cycle for a well production test. This data is reviewed on a periodic basis to confirm that production is at the level forecasted. If there is a significant deviation from the plan, well management personnel investigate. If the issue cannot be resolved quickly, a more detailed investigation and response would be initiated. If leakage in the flood zone were detected, an appropriate method would be used to quantify the involved volume of CO<sub>2</sub>. This might include use of material balance equations based on known injected quantities and monitored pressures in the injection zone to estimate the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> involved.

A subsurface leak might not lead to a surface leak. In the event of a subsurface leak, CapturePoint would determine the appropriate approach for tracking subsurface leakage to determine and quantify leakage to the surface. To quantify leakage, the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be estimated to quantify the leak volume. Depending on specific circumstances, these determinations may rely on engineering estimates.

In the event leakage from the subsurface occurred diffusely through the seals, the leaked gas would include H<sub>2</sub>S, which would trigger the alarm on the personal monitors worn by field personnel. Such a diffuse leak from the subsurface has not occurred in the WF. In the event such a leak was detected, personnel would determine how to address the problem. The personnel might use modeling, engineering estimates, and direct measurements to assess, address, and quantify the leakage.

### **Monitoring of Wellbores**

WF wells are monitored through daily pressure monitoring of the injection zone, monitoring of the annular pressure in wellheads, and routine maintenance and inspection.

Leaks from wellbores would be detected through the follow-up investigation of pressure anomalies, visual inspection, or the use of personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors.

Anomalies in injection zone pressure may not indicate a leak, as discussed above. However, if an investigation leads to a need for further study, field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. If it is a simple matter, the repair would be made, and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repair were needed, the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined.

Anomalies in annular pressure or other issues detected during routine maintenance inspections would be treated in the same way. Field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. For simple matters the repair would be made at the time of inspection and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repairs were needed, the well would be shut in, a work order would be generated and the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined. The work order would serve as the basis for tracking the event for GHGRP.

Because leaking CO<sub>2</sub> at the surface is very cold and leads to formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted, a visual inspection process in the WF area is employed to detect unexpected releases from wellbores. Field personnel visit the surface facilities on a routine basis. Inspections may include tank levels, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, and valves. Field personnel also observe the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks.

Finally, the H<sub>2</sub>S monitors, which are always worn by all field personnel are used as a last method to detect leakage from wellbores. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitor detects concentrations greater than 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the first response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of the alarm. As noted previously, H<sub>2</sub>S is considered a proxy for potential gas leaks including CO<sub>2</sub> in the field. Currently the concentration of H<sub>2</sub>S in the recycled or produced gas is approximately 130 ppm while in the produced fluid the concentration is 77 ppm making leak detection viable. Thus, detected H<sub>2</sub>S leaks will be investigated to quantify the potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage source and quantities.

#### **Other Potential Leakage at the Surface**

The same visual inspection process and H<sub>2</sub>S monitoring system will be used to detect other potential leakage at the surface as it does for leakage from wellbores. Routine visual inspections are used to detect significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface. Field personnel routinely visit surface facilities to conduct a visual inspection. Inspections may include review of tank level, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, valves, and conducting a general observation of the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks. If problems are detected, field personnel would investigate, and complete any maintenance that is required. In addition to these visual inspections, the results of the personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors worn by field personnel will be used as a supplement for smaller leaks that may escape visual detection.

If CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is detected, it will be reported to surface operations personnel who will review the reports and conduct a site investigation. If maintenance is required, steps are taken to prevent further leaks.

#### **6.1.6 CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the injection flow meter and the injection wellhead**

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from injection equipment and the CO<sub>2</sub> content of any vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

### 6.1.7 CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the production flow meter and the production wellhead

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from production equipment and the CO<sub>2</sub> content of produced oil, and any vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

## 6.2 To Demonstrate that Injected CO<sub>2</sub> is not Expected to Migrate to the Surface

At the end of the Specified Period, injecting CO<sub>2</sub> for the subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term storage of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF will cease. Sometime after the end of the Specified Period, a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting will be submitted. The request will demonstrate that the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> reported under 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage.

At that time, the request will be supported with years of data collected during the Specified Period. This demonstration will provide the information necessary for the EPA Administrator to approve the request to discontinue monitoring and reporting and may include, but is not limited to:

- Data comparing actual performance to predicted performance (purchase, injection, production) over the monitoring period,
- An assessment of the CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected, including the discussion of the estimated amount of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked and the distribution of emissions by leakage pathway,
- A demonstration that future operations will not release the volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface,
- A demonstration that there has been no significant leakage of CO<sub>2</sub>; and,
- An evaluation of the reservoir pressure demonstrates that injected fluids are not expected to migrate in a manner to create a potential leakage pathway.

## 7 Determination of Baselines

Ongoing operational monitoring has provided data for establishing baselines and will be utilized to identify and investigate excursions from expected performance that could indicate CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Data systems are used primarily for operational control and monitoring, which are set to capture more information than is necessary for reporting in the Annual Subpart RR Report. The necessary system guidelines to capture the information that is relevant to identify possible CO<sub>2</sub> leakage will be developed. The following describes the approach to collecting this information.

### Visual Inspections

As field operators conduct routine inspections and repairs, the Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot. Examples include occurrences of well workover or repair, as well as visual identification of vapor clouds or ice formations. Each incident will be flagged for review by the person responsible for MRV documentation (the responsible party will be provided in the monitoring plan, as required under Subpart A, §98.3(g)).

The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information used to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Personal H<sub>2</sub>S Monitors**

H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are worn by all field personnel. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitors detect concentrations of H<sub>2</sub>S up to 500 ppm in 0.1 ppm increments and will sound an alarm if the detection limit exceeds 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the immediate response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of persistent alarms. CapturePoint considers H<sub>2</sub>S to be a proxy for potential CO<sub>2</sub> leaks in the field. The person responsible for MRV documentation will receive notice of all incidents where H<sub>2</sub>S is confirmed to be present. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from any such incidents. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Injection Rates, Pressures and Volumes**

Target injection rate and pressure for each injector are developed within the permitted limits based on the results of ongoing pattern balancing. The injection targets are submitted to field operations. Field operations flags whenever statistically significant deviations from the targeted ranges are identified. The set points are designed to be conservative, because it is preferable to have too many flags rather than too few. As a result, flags can occur frequently and are often found to be insignificant. For purposes of Subpart RR reporting, flags (or excursions) will be screened to determine if they could also lead to CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. The person responsible for the MRV documentation will receive notice of excursions. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Production Volumes and Compositions**

A general forecast of production volumes and composition is developed which is used to periodically evaluate performance, refine current and projected injection plans, and the forecast. This information is used to make operational decisions but is not recorded in an automated data system. The MRV plan implementation lead will review the data and identify those that could result in CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Should such events occur, leakage volumes would be calculated following the approaches described in Sections 5 and 6. Impact to Subpart RR reporting will be addressed, if deemed necessary.

## **8 Determination of Sequestration Volumes Using Mass Balance Equations**

This section describes how CP uses the equations in Subpart RR §98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received using equations RR-2 and RR-3, the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> injected using equations RR-5 and RR-6, the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> produced using equations RR-8 and RR-9, the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Surface Leakage using equation RR-10, and the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered using equation RR-11.

### **8.1 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received**

Equation RR-2 will be used as indicated in Subpart RR §98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> at the receiving custody transfer meter from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system. The volumetric

flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine mass.

The Mass of the CO<sub>2</sub> Received will be determined using Equation RR-2 as follows:

$$CO_{2T,r} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,r} - S_{r,p}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,r}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-2})$$

where:

$CO_{2T,r}$  = Net annual mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received through flow meter r (metric tons).

$Q_{r,p}$  = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

$S_{r,p}$  = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into your well in quarter p (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

$C_{CO_{2,p,r}}$  = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter r in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

r = Receiving flow meters.

Given WF's method of receiving CO<sub>2</sub> and requirements at Subpart RR §98.444(a):

- All delivery to the WF is used within the unit so no quarterly flow redelivered, and  $S_{r,p}$  will be zero ("0").
- Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurements.

## 8.2 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface

The equation for calculating the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface at the WF is equal to the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received as calculated in RR-2 of §98.443 (section 8.1 above) and the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled calculated using measurements taken from the flow meter located directly downstream of the separation facilities (see Figure 3-5).



The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled will be determined using equations RR-5 as follows:

$$CO_{2,u} = \sum_{p=1}^4 Q_{p,u} * D * C_{CO_2,p,u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-5})$$

where:

CO<sub>2,u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass recycled (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

Q<sub>p,u</sub> = Quarterly volumetric flow rate measurement for flow meter u in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters per quarter).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub>,p,u</sub> = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter u in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

u = Flow meter.

The total Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received (RR-2) and Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled (RR-5).

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be determined using equations RR-6 as follows:

$$CO_{2i} = \sum_{u=1}^U CO_{2u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-6})$$

where:

CO<sub>2i</sub>. = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) through all injection wells.

CO<sub>2u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

u = Flow meter.

### 8.3 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced

In accordance with §98.443, Equation RR-8 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced at the flow meter (Operational Meter 1) on Figure 3-5, as described in Section 6.1.4. Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurement database. The volumetric flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine net Annual Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received.

$$CO_{2w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,w}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,w}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

Where:

$CO_{2w}$  = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.

$Q_{p,w}$  = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for separator w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

$CCO_{2,p,w}$  = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for separator w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

w = Separator.

For Equation RR-9 in §98.443 the variable X will be measured as follows:

$$CO_{2P} = (1 + X) * \sum_{w=1}^W CO_{2,w} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-9})$$

Where:

$CO_{2P}$  = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through all separators in the reporting year.

$CO_{2,w}$  = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w in the reporting year .

X = Entrained CO<sub>2</sub> in produced oil or other fluid divided by the CO<sub>2</sub> separated through all separators in the reporting year (weight percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction

w = Separator

## 8.4 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Surface Leakage

Surface Leakage will be calculated and reported using an approach that is tailored to specific leakage events including calculation methodologies in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W for emissions and leaks from equipment. CapturePoint is prepared to address the potential for leakage in a variety of settings. Estimates of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked to the surface will depend on several site- specific factors including measurements, engineering estimates, and emission factors, depending on the source and nature of the leakage.

The process for quantifying leakage will entail using the best engineering principles or emission factors. While it is not possible to predict in advance the types of leaks that will occur, some approaches for quantification are described in Sections 5.9 and 6. In the event leakage to the surface occurs, leakage amounts would be quantified and reported, and records that describe the methods used to estimate or measure the volume leaked as reported in the Annual Subpart RR Report would be retained.

Equation RR-10 in §98.443 will be used to calculate and report the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage:

$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^X CO_{2,x} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

Where:

- CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year
- CO<sub>2,x</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year
- X = Leakage pathway

## 8.5 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Facility Emergency Vent

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by the Emergency Vent at the WF will be calculated using the measurements from the flow meter at the vent. That volume will be added to CO<sub>2FI</sub> which is the total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

Equation RR-8 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted through the emergency vent as follows:

$$CO_{2w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,w}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,w}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

Where:

- CO<sub>2w</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.
- Q<sub>p,w</sub> = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for separator w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).
- D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.
- CCO<sub>2,p,w</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for separator w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- p = Quarter of the year.
- w = Separator

## 8.6 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered and Reported in Subsurface Geologic Formation

Equation RR-11 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered and Reported in Subsurface Geologic Formations in the Reporting Year as follows:

$$\text{CO}_2 = \text{CO}_{2\text{I}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{P}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{E}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{FI}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{FP}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-11})$$

where:

CO<sub>2</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass sequestered in subsurface geologic formations (metric tons) at the facility in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2I</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) in the well or group of wells covered by this source category in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2P</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) by surface leakage in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2FI</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

CO<sub>2FP</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

## 9 MRV Plan Implementation Schedule

This MRV plan will be implemented starting October 2023 or within 90 days of EPA approval, whichever occurs later. Other GHGRP reports are filed on March 31 of the year after the reporting year, and it is anticipated that the Annual Subpart RR Report will be filed at the same time. It is anticipated that the MRV plan will be in effect during the Specified Period, during which time the WF will be operated with the subsidiary purpose of establishing long-term containment of a measurable quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> in subsurface geological formations at the WF. It is anticipated to establish that a measurable amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected during the Specified Period will be stored in a manner not expected to migrate resulting in future surface leakage. At such time, a demonstration supporting the long-term containment determination will be prepared and a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting under this MRV plan will be submitted. See 40 C.F.R. §98.441(b)(2)(ii).

## 10 Quality Assurance (QA) Program

### 10.1 QA Procedures

The requirements of §98.444 (a) – (d) have been incorporated in the discussion of mass balance equations. These include the following provisions.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Received and Injected**

- The quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received by pipeline is measured at the receiving custody transfer meters.
- The quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> flow rate for recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is measured at the outlet of the central production battery separators feeding the inlet of the RCF.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Produced**

- The point of measurement for the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from oil or other fluid production wells is a flow meter directly downstream of each separator that sends a stream of gas into a recycle or end use system.
- The produced gas stream is sampled annually downstream of the flow meter used to measure flow rate of that gas stream and measure the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of the sample.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Equipment Leaks and Vented Emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>**

These volumes are measured in conformance with the monitoring and QA requirements specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98.

#### **Flow Meter Provisions**

The flow meters used to generate data for the mass balance equations are:

- Operated continuously except as necessary for maintenance and calibration.
- Operated using the calibration and accuracy requirements in 40 CFR §98.3(i).
- Operated in conformance with API standards.
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) traceable.

#### **Concentration of CO<sub>2</sub>**

CO<sub>2</sub> concentration is measured using an appropriate standard method. Further, all measured volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> have been converted to standard cubic meters at a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and at an absolute pressure of 1 atmosphere, including those used in Equations RR-2, RR-5, and RR-8 in Section 8.

## 10.2 Missing Data Procedures

In the event data needed for the mass balance calculations cannot be collected, procedures for estimating missing data in §98.445 will be used as follows:

- A quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative flow rate value from the previous measured period.
- A quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of a CO<sub>2</sub> stream received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative concentration value from the previous measured period.
- A quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected from the previous measured period at a similar injection pressure.
- For any values associated with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment at the facility that are reported in this subpart, missing data estimation procedures specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98 would be followed.
- The quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from subsurface geologic formations that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from the previous measured period.

## 10.3 MRV Plan Revisions

In the event there is a material change to the monitoring and/or operational parameters of the CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations in the WF that is not anticipated in this MRV plan, the MRV plan will be revised and submitted to the EPA Administrator within 180 days as required in §98.448(d).

## 11 Records Retention

The record retention requirements specified by §98.3(g) will be followed. In addition, the requirements in Subpart RR §98.447 will be met by maintaining the following records for at least three years:

- Quarterly records of CO<sub>2</sub> received at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of produced CO<sub>2</sub>, including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of injected CO<sub>2</sub> including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by surface leakage from leakage pathways.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity.

This data will be collected as generated and aggregated as required for reporting purposes.

## 12 Appendix

### 12.1 Well Identification Numbers

The following table presents the well name, API number, type, and status for active wells in the WF as of March 2023. The table is subject to change over time as new wells are drilled, existing wells change status, or existing wells are repurposed.

The following terms are used:

Well Type:

- PROD\_OIL refers to wells that produce oil.
- INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> refers to wells that inject CO<sub>2</sub>.
- INJ\_SWD refers to wells that inject water for disposal.
- P&A refers to plugged and abandoned wells.

Well Status:

- ACTIVE refers to active wells.
- INACTIVE refers to wells that have been completed but are not in use.
- SHUT\_IN refers to wells that have been temporarily idled or shut in.
- TEMP\_AB refers to wells that have been temporarily abandoned.

*Table 12-1 Well Status Table*

Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 101W	4244500076	INJ_SWD	SHUT_IN
WU 201	4244500072	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 202	4244500073	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 203	4244500074	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 203-ST	424450007401	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 204	4244530234	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 301	4244500575	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 302W	4244500576	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 303	4244530070	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 303-ST	4216533912	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 304	4244532434	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 304-ST	424453243401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 401	4244500083	INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	ACTIVE
WU 402	4244500084	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 402-ST	424450008401	INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	ACTIVE
WU 403	4244500085	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 404	4244500086	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 405	4244500087	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 405-ST	424450008701	P&A	INACTIVE



Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 405-ST2	424450008702	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 406	4244500088	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 407	4244530288	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 408	4244531435	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 408-ST	424453143501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 409	4244531456	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 409-ST	424453145601	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 410	4244531825	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 410-ST	424453182501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 411	4244531858	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 501	4244500578	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 502	4244500579	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 502-ST	424450057901	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 503	4244500580	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 504	4244500581	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 505	4244500582	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 505-ST	424450058202	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 506	4244500583	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 506-ST	424450058301	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 507	4244500584	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 508	4244530105	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 509	4244531117	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 510	4244531434	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVEACTIVE
WU 510-ST	424453143401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 511	4244531457	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 512	4244531769	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 513	4244531872	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 601	4244500569	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 602	4244500570	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 701	4244500163	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 702	4244500089	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 703	4244500090	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 704	4244500091	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 704A	4244530314	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 705	4244530125	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 706	4244530864	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 706-ST	424453086401	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 801	4244500418	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 801-ST	424450041801	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 802	4244500419	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 803	4244500420	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 804	4244500421	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 805	4244500422	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 805-ST	424450042201	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 806	4244500423	P&A	INACTIVE

Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 806A	4244532445	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 806-ST	424450042301	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 807	4244500424	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 807A	4244500425	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 807A-ST1	424450042501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 808	4244530741	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 809	4244531824	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 810	4244531870	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 811	4244532428	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 812	4244532435	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 813	4244532446	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 814	4244532467	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE

## 12.2 Regulatory References

Regulations cited in this plan:

- TAC Title 16 Part 1 Chapter 3 Oil & Gas Division

[https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y)

- TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual

<https://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-and-gas/publications-and-notice/manuals/injection-storage-manual/>

## 12.3 Abbreviations and Acronyms

AMA - Active Monitoring Area

API - American Petroleum Institute

AoR - Area of Review

Bcf – 1 Billion Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

CO<sub>2</sub> - Carbon Dioxide

CTB – Central Tank Battery

DPC - Dimensionless Performance Curve

EPA - Environmental Protection Agency

EOR - Enhanced Oil Recovery

ESP - Electrical Submersible Pump

FPP - Formation Parting Pressure (psi)

GHGRP - Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program

H<sub>2</sub>S – Hydrogen Sulfide

HCPV - Hydrocarbon Pore Volume

IWR - Injection to Withdrawal Ratio

MMA - Maximum Monitoring Area

MRV Plan - Monitoring, Reporting and Verification Plan

MCF – 1 Thousand Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

MIT – Mechanical Integrity Test

MMCF – 1 Million Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

NIST - National Institute of Standards and Technology

QA – Quality Assurance

RB - Reservoir Barrels

RCF - Recycle Compression Facility

TAC - Texas Administrative Code

TRRC - Texas Railroad Commission - Oil and Gas Division

USGS - United States Geological Survey

UIC – Underground Injection Control

WF – Wellman Field

WLFRRF – Wolfcamp Reef

## 12.4 Conversion Factors

CapturePoint reports CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions of temperature and pressure as defined in the State of Texas in the Texas Administrative Code for the Oil and Gas Division, Rule 3.79 as follows:

Cubic foot of gas or standard cubic foot of gas--The volume of gas contained in one cubic foot of space at a standard pressure base and at a standard temperature base. The standard pressure base shall be 14.65 pounds per square inch absolute, and the standard temperature base shall be 60 degrees Fahrenheit.

To calculate CO<sub>2</sub> mass from CO<sub>2</sub> volume, EPA recommends using the database of thermodynamic properties developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). This online database is available at:

<https://webbook.nist.gov/chemistry/fluid/>

It provides density of CO<sub>2</sub> using the Span and Wagner equation of state (EOS) at a wide range of temperature and pressures.

At State of Texas standard conditions, the Span and Wagner EOS gives a density of CO<sub>2</sub> of 0.002641684 lb-moles per cubic foot. Converting the CO<sub>2</sub> density in units of metric tonnes per cubic foot:

$$Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{MT}{ft^3} \right) = Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{lb - moles}{ft^3} \right) \times MW_{CO_2} \times \frac{1 MT}{2,204.62 lbs}$$

Where:

$Density_{CO_2} = \text{Density of CO}_2 \text{ in metric tonnes (MT) per cubic foot}$

$Density_{CO_2} = 0.002641684$

$MW_{CO_2} = 44.0095$

$Density_{CO_2} = 5.2734 \times 10^{-5} \frac{MT}{ft^3} \text{ or } 5.2734 \times 10^{-2} \frac{MT}{Mcf}$

The conversion factor  $5.2734 \times 10^{-2}$  MT/Mcf is used to convert CO<sub>2</sub> volumes in standard cubic feet to CO<sub>2</sub> mass in metric tonnes.

**Request for Additional Information: Wellman**  
**April 4, 2024**

Instructions: Please enter responses into this table and make corresponding revisions to the MRV Plan as necessary. Any long responses, references, or supplemental information may be attached to the end of the table as an appendix. This table may be uploaded to the Electronic Greenhouse Gas Reporting Tool (e-GGRT) in addition to any MRV Plan resubmissions.

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1.	8.1	35	<p>“<math>S_{R,p}</math> = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter <math>r</math> that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into <u>a site well</u> in quarter <math>p</math> (standard cubic meters).”</p> <p>Per 40 CFR 98.443(a)(2), this variable should be “<math>S_{r,p}</math> = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter <math>r</math> that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into <b>your well</b> in quarter <math>p</math> (standard cubic meters).” This equation was not changed in your most recent submission. Equations and variables cannot be modified from the regulations. Please revise this section and ensure that all equations listed are consistent with the text in <a href="#">40 CFR 98.443</a>.</p>	Corrected in MRV Plan.

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2.	8.5	38	<p>“<math>Q_{p,w}</math> = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for <u>meter w</u> in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).”</p> <p>“<math>CO_{2,p,w}</math> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for <u>meter w</u> in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).”</p> <p>Per 40 CFR 98.443(d)(2), these variables should be, “<math>Q_{p,w}</math> = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for <u>separator w</u> in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).” and “<math>CO_{2,p,w}</math> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for <u>separator w</u> in quarter p (vol. Percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction)”, respectively. This equation was not changed in your most recent submission. Equations and variables cannot be modified from the regulations. Please revise this section of the MRV plan and ensure that all equations listed are consistent with the text in <a href="#">40 CFR 98.443</a>.</p>	Corrected in MRV Plan.
3.	8.6	39	<p>“<math>CO_{2p}</math> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) <u>in oil</u> in the reporting year.”</p> <p>Per 40 CFR 98.443(f)(1), this variable should be “<math>CO_{2p}</math> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) in the reporting year.” This equation was not changed in your most recent submission. Equations and variables cannot be modified from the regulations. Please revise this section and ensure that all equations listed are consistent with the text in <a href="#">40 CFR 98.443</a>.</p>	Corrected in MRV Plan.

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**February 2024**

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## 1 Introduction

CapturePoint LLC operates a carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) enhanced oil recovery (EOR) project in the Wellman Field (WF) located in Terry County, Texas, approximately 10 miles southwest of the town of Brownfield for the primary purpose of EOR using CO<sub>2</sub> with a subsidiary purpose of geologic sequestration of CO<sub>2</sub> in a subsurface geologic formation. The WF is comprised of the Wolfcamp Reef (WLFRRF), the main producing reservoir. Production from the WLFRRF is between 9,200-10,000 feet throughout the well-defined reef. The MRV plan was developed in accordance with 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) to provide for the monitoring, reporting, and verification of the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered at the WF during a specified period of injection.

## 2 Facility Information

### 2.1 Reporter Number

544182 – WF

### 2.2 UIC Permit Class

The Oil and Gas Division of the Texas Railroad Commission (TRRC) regulates oil and gas activity in Texas. All wells in the WF (including production, injection, and monitoring wells) are permitted by TRRC through Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Title 16 Chapter 3. TRRC has primacy to implement the Underground Injection Control Class II program in the state for injection wells. All EOR injection wells in the WF are currently classified as UIC Class II wells.

### 2.3 Existing Wells

Wells in the WF are identified by Wellman Unit (WU) and their number, American Petroleum Institute (API) number, type, and status. The list of wells as of March 2023 is included in Section 12.1. Any changes in wells will be indicated in the annual report.

## 3 Project Description

This project takes place in the WF, an oil field located in West Texas that was first produced more than 70 years ago. WF is comprised of the WLFRRF. The WLFRRF is the main oil and gas producing unit, which is now under the sole operatorship of CapturePoint LLC. Water flooding was initiated in 1979 with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding beginning in 1983, in the WLFRRF. The field is well characterized and is suitable for secure geologic storage. CapturePoint uses a continuous injection process to maintain a constant reservoir pressure. This is achieved with an injection to withdrawal ratio (IWR) at or near 1.

### 3.1 Project Characteristics

The WF was discovered in 1950 and started producing oil in the same year. The WLFRRF began to produce in May 1950 and a waterflood was initiated in July 1979 in the flanks of the reef to push the oil column up towards the top of the structure. CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was then initiated in 1983 and was injected into the top of the structure for vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding. The entire reef is an oil-bearing zone that has been produced for years, swept by a waterflood, and is now CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the

top down for residual oil. This geologically well-defined reef system is an attractive target for EOR with CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Sequestration.

A long-term CO<sub>2</sub> and hydrocarbon injection and production forecast for the WLFRF was developed using a dimensionless performance curve (DPC) approach. Using this approach, a total injection of approximately 100 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> is forecasted over the life of the project ending in year 2061. Total injection is the volumes of stored CO<sub>2</sub> plus the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> produced with oil. Figure 3-1 shows actual and projected CO<sub>2</sub> injection, production, and stored volumes in WF.

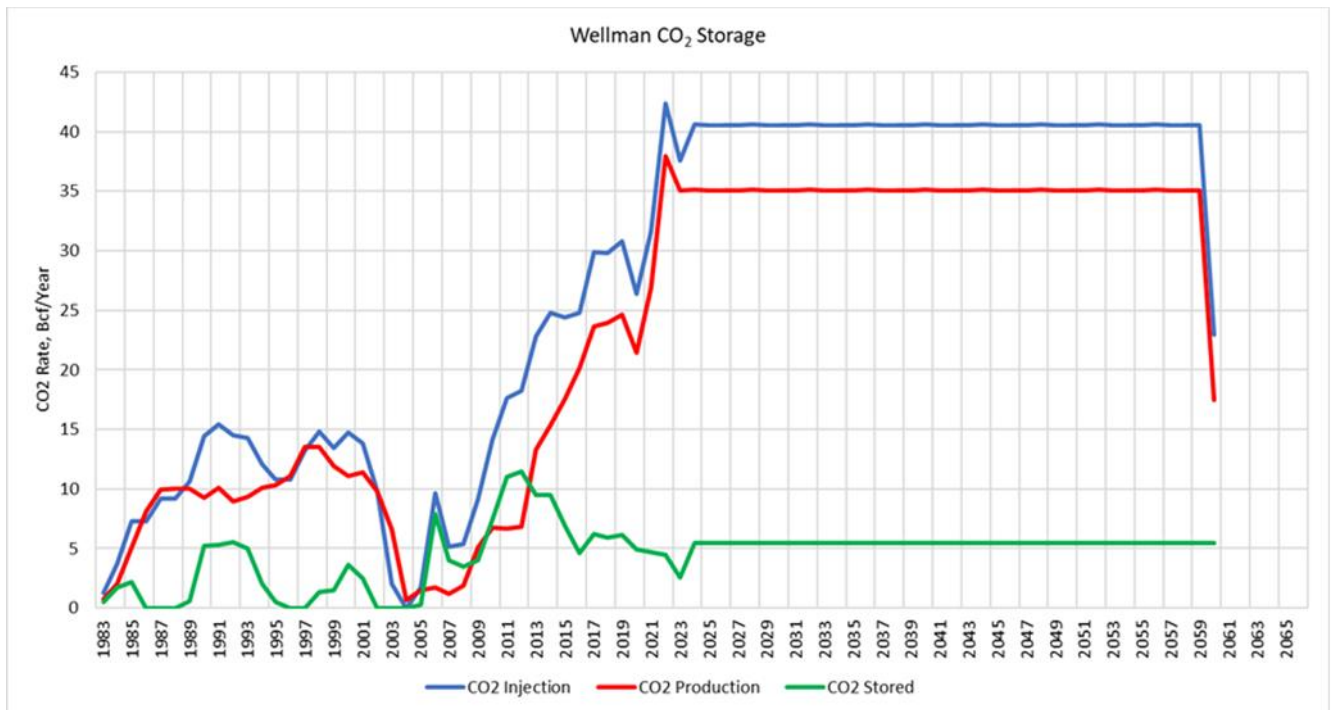
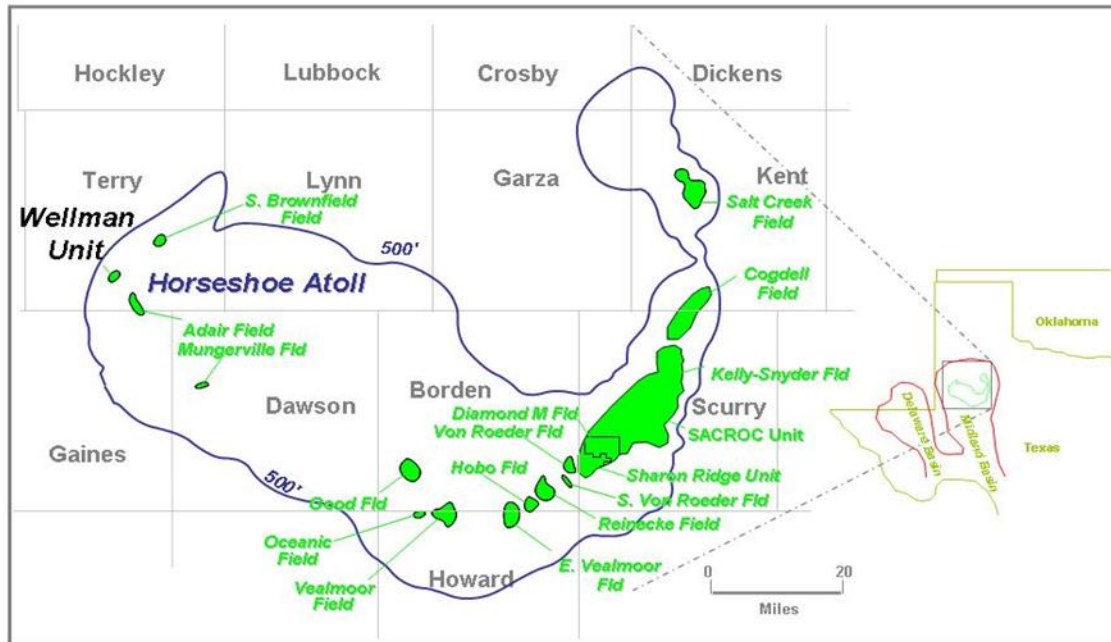


Figure 3-1 WF Historic and Forecast CO<sub>2</sub> Injection, Production, and Storage

### 3.2 Environmental Setting

The WF is in the NE portion of the Central Basin Platform in West Texas (See Figure 3-2). The productive portion of the WF is composed of the WLFRF.



**Modified from Vest, 1970**

*Figure 3-2 Location of WF in West Texas*

The WLFRRF was developed on the far north-western edge of a larger Pennsylvanian reef trend known as the Horseshoe Atoll. The environment of deposition was shallow muddy (turbid) water with encroaching shales at the flank and eventually buried by terrigenous sediments (shales, siltstones, sands). Those sediments finally drowned out the reef and now form the primary seal for the reservoir. The structure is pinnacle reef like with two smaller bioherm buildups creating an overall structure oriented in a north to south direction (See Figure 3-4).

By the time the reef was deposited, the sinking of the Horseshoe Atoll was well underway, leaving a great deal of vertical accommodation space. As a result, the reef is steep-sided and slumping of the outer edges of the reef is common, as is mixing of the reef-slump (limestone) debris with shale from the overlying seal (Anderson, 1953). The peak of the reservoir occurs at approximately -5,900'SS and plunges below the original oil / water contact at -6,680'SS inside the boundaries of the Wellman Unit. Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formations, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval here is informally called the "Spraberry Group." The Spraberry Group forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastic rock above the reservoir (See Figure 3-3).

# WELLMAN FIELD TYPE LOG & GENERALIZED STRATIGRAPHIC SECTION

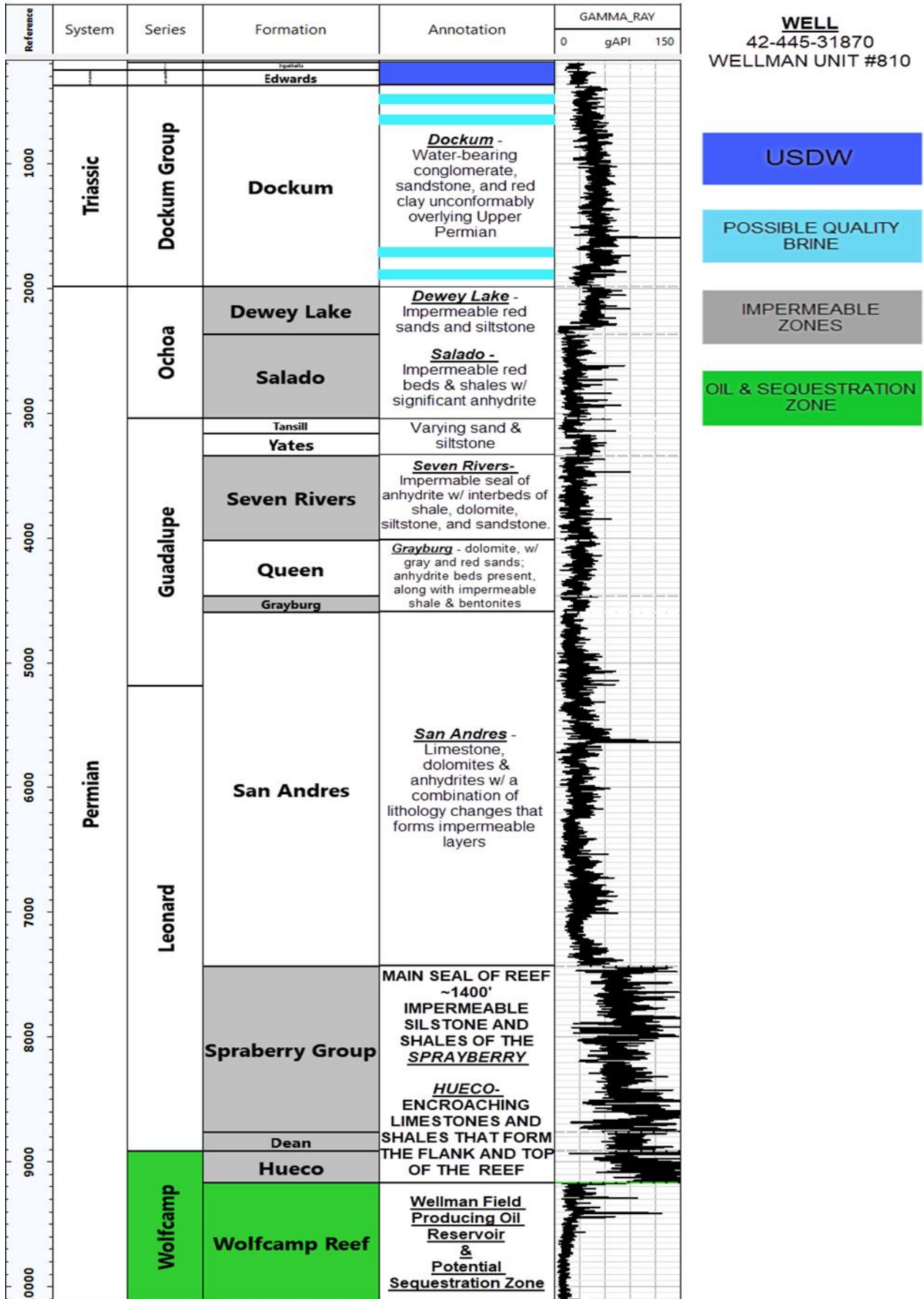


Figure 3-3 WF generalized stratigraphic section.

## Wellman Field Stratigraphy

The Wellman Field produces from a Wolfcampian aged 299-280 million years ago (299-280 mya) limestone biohermal type reef. It was deposited on an isolated platform on the Pennsylvanian (320-299 mya) structure called the Horseshoe Atoll. The Horseshoe atoll is composed of bedded bioclastic limestone and limestone detritus that accumulated in the interior part of a developing intracratonic basin during late Paleozoic (355-280 mya) time. The reef environment was established early in the basin history and endured because of the lack of a significant terrigenous clastic source to fill the basin interior. Mixed types of bioclastic debris accumulated cyclically and the upper level of the reef complex was maintained near sea level as the basin subsided. About 1,800 ft of limestone accumulated during the Pennsylvanian (355-299 mya), with a primary dip as great as 8 percent that developed along the margins of the atoll. During early Permian time (299-280 mya) the reef was restricted to the southwest side of the atoll where more than 1,100 ft of additional limestone accumulated before death of the reef. The Horseshoe Atoll encompasses all or portions of 14 counties (Terry, Lynn, Garza, Kent, Scurry, Mitchell, Howard, Borden, Dawson, Gaines, Martin, Lubbock, Crosby, and Dickens); an area of approximately 8,100 square miles. The Wellman field is a pinnacle reef on the southwestern arm of the Horseshoe Atoll.

The following is a description of each formation in ascending order (Figure 3-3). All the formations are Permian (299-245 mya) in age through the Dewey Lake formation. The Dockum Group is Triassic (245-202 mya) in age and the Edwards and Ogalala are Late Tertiary (6-3 mya).

### *Wolfcamp Reef*

The Wolfcampian (299-280 mya) Wolfcamp Reef is a fusulinid-algal packstone with vuggy and moldic porosity. With increasing depth, brachiopods, other bivalves, and crinoids are present. Bioturbation and some brecciated zones occur along with low amplitude stylolites.

### *Hueco Formation*

The Late Wolfcampian (285-280 myo) Hueco Formation consists of interbedded limestones, sandstones, and shales. They interfinger to form the flank and caprock of the reef. Early deposition was almost exclusively shales and limestones. Influxes of clastics started with subsidence of the basin.

### *Dean*

The Leonardian (280-279 mya) Dean Formation is a thin very fine-grained sandstone that grades upwards into laminated siltstones containing silty, bioturbated, mudstones.

### *Spraberry Group*

The Early Leonardian (~281-278 mya) Spraberry Group consists of predominately silty mudstones and clay-rich siltstones with interfingering of sands and limestones. The siltstones and mudstones were deposited on a high stand carbonate ramp. During low sea level, the eolian sandstones increased when the shelf was exposed. It is fine-grained, low permeability with some bioturbation and organic rich shales. The sandstones are turbidites and channel deposits. The carbonates display turbidite with slump and debris flow characteristics.

### *San Andres*

The Upper Leonardian - Lower Guadalupian (278-267 mya) San Andres Formation is predominantly dolomite with considerable amounts of anhydrite in the upper 300 feet. The depositional environment of the San Andres was shallow lagoon and sabkha complexes with an upward-shoaling, prograding-aggrading sequences.

### *Grayburg*

The Guadalupian (267 mya) Grayburg Formation is a mixed carbonate-siliciclastic composite sequence with evaporites and halites deposited in a sabkha and tidal flat environment. The San Andres and Grayburg are frequently grouped together as they have similar depositional environments.

### *Queen*

The Guadalupian (266-265 mya) Queen Formation is interbedded with siliclastic, carbonate mudstones, and evaporites. They were deposited in a fluvial depositional environment. Sandstones of the Queen formation are often reservoirs in the Permian basin.

### *Seven Rivers*

The Guadalupian (265-262 mya) Seven Rivers Formation is composed of cyclically interbedded mudstones, salt, anhydrite, and dolomite.

### *Yates*

The Guadalupian (262-261 mya) Yates Formation consists of sandstone, siltstone, and anhydrite. The sandstone is fine to very fine grained and contains scattered large rounded, frosted quartz grains.

### *Tansill*

The Guadalupian (261-260 mya) Tansill Formation consists of interbedded salts and anhydrite.

### *Salado*

The Ochoan (260-250 mya) Salado Formation is the dominant halite-bearing unit of the Midland Basin. The anhydrite contained in this formation represents the most-flooded, least-restricted conditions over the evaporite shelf where wind, storm, and seasonal circulation was adequate to maintain gypsum deposition. Overlying anhydrite beds contain halite, polyhalite, and mudstone beds.

### *Dewey Lake*

The Ochoan (250-245 mya) Dewey Lake Formation contains orange-red, fine to very fine-grained sandstones and siltstones with anhydrite and gypsum cements.

### *Dockum*

The Triassic (245-208 mya) Dockum Group consists mainly of terrigenous clastic red beds, mudstones and siltstones to conglomerates recording a change from the sabkha environments of Permian time to the humid continental environments of Triassic time.

There is an unconformity between the Dockum Group and the Edwards of approximately 98 million years. This was due to either non-deposition or uplift and erosion.

#### *Edwards*

The Cretaceous (142-68 mya) Edwards is a fine- to coarse-grained, thick-bedded to massive, light gray to grayish yellow limestone with abundant rudistids.

There is an unconformity between the Edwards and the Ogallala of approximately 45 million years.

#### *Ogallala*

The Miocene-Pliocene (23-2.5 mya) Ogallala Formation consists of gravel, sand, and finer grained clastic that were deposited in fluvial and upland eolian settings. Caliche and ash beds can also be found in the Ogallala.

The Ogallala and Edwards are USDWs in the Wellman Field.



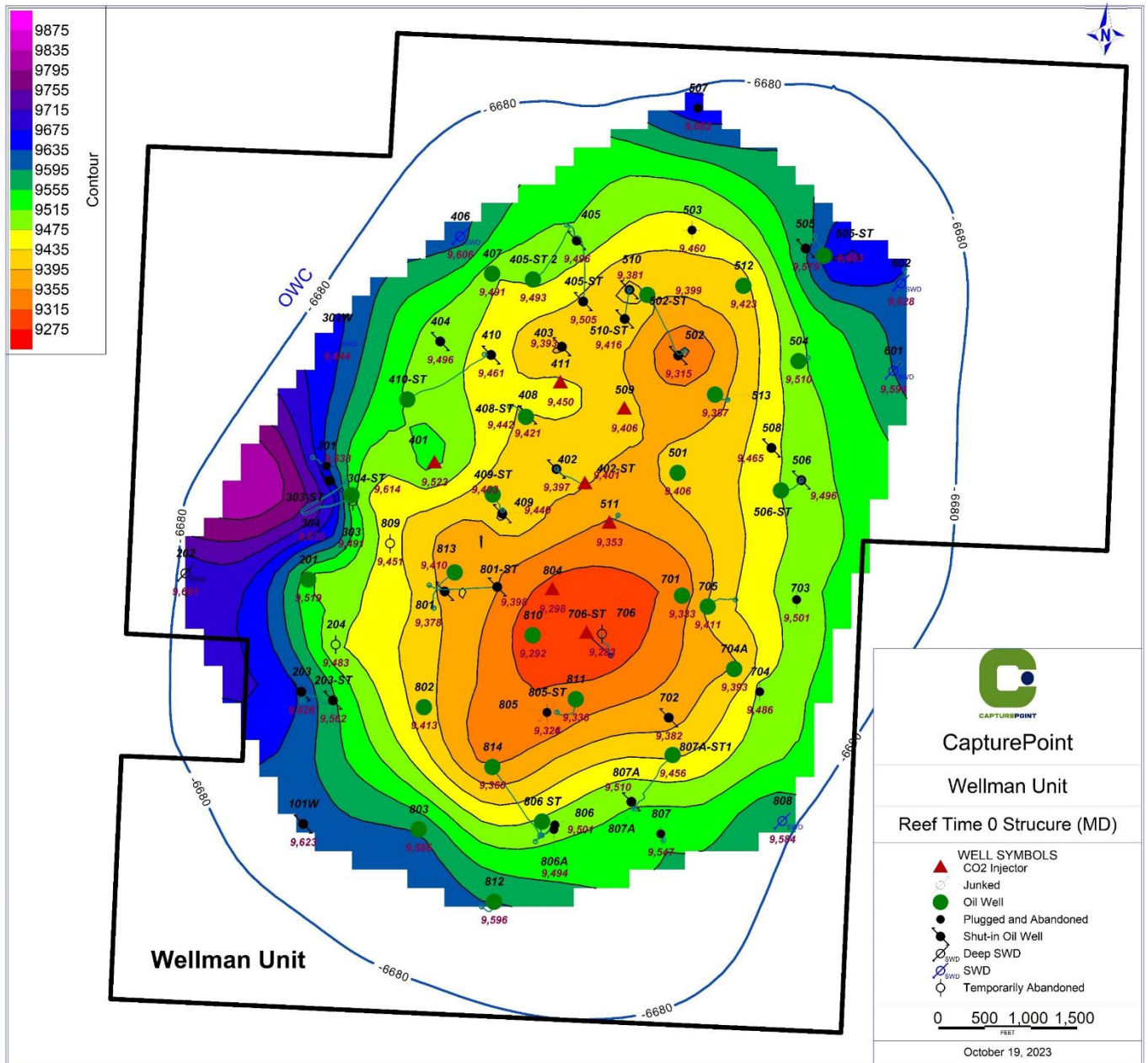


Figure 3-4 Local Area Structure on Top of the Wolfcamp Reef

Once the CO<sub>2</sub> flood is complete and injection ceases, the remaining mobile CO<sub>2</sub> will rise slowly upward, driven by buoyancy forces. There is more than enough pore space to sequester the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> planned for injection. The amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected will not exceed the reservoir's secure storage capacity and, consequently, the risk that CO<sub>2</sub> could migrate to other reservoirs in the basin is negligible.

The volume of CO<sub>2</sub> storage is based on the estimated total pore space within WLFRRF. The total pore space within WF, from the top of the reservoir down to the base of the WLFRRF, is calculated to be 304.5 million reservoir barrels (RB). This is the volume of rock multiplied by porosity. Table 3-1 below shows the conversion of this amount of pore space into an estimated maximum volume of approximately 551 Billion Cubic Feet (BCF) (29 million tonnes) of CO<sub>2</sub> storage in the reservoir at original reservoir pressure conditions of 4100 psi. Based on the current project

forecast, CO<sub>2</sub> will occupy only 66% (364 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity by the year 2060. CO<sub>2</sub> currently occupies 29% (159 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity.

Table 3-1 Calculation of Maximum Volume of CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Capacity at WF

<b>Top of Main Pay to Original Oil/Water Contact</b>	
Variables	WF Outline in Figure 3-4
Pore Volume (RB)	304,516,542
BCO <sub>2</sub> (RB/MCF)	0.42
S <sub>wirr</sub>	0.15
S <sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub>	0.09
Max CO <sub>2</sub> (MCF)	551,029,933
Max CO <sub>2</sub> (BCF)	551

$$\text{Max CO}_2 = \text{Pore Volume} * (1 - S_{wirr} - S_{or CO_2}) / BCO_2$$

Where:

Max CO<sub>2</sub> = the maximum amount of storage capacity

Pore Volume = Total pore space in reservoir barrels (RB)

BCO<sub>2</sub> = the formation volume factor for CO<sub>2</sub>

S<sub>wirr</sub> = the irreducible water saturation

S<sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub> = the irreducible oil saturation

Reservoir management is employed on a constant basis to obtain the maximum possible economic recovery from a reservoir based on facts, information, and knowledge. As WF is a vertical displacement flood, long-term storage utilizes the natural buoyancy of CO<sub>2</sub> to oil and water, along with the existing reservoir seal, to contain the CO<sub>2</sub>. In this scenario, there is no lateral migration and injected fluids (CO<sub>2</sub>) will stay in the reservoir within the WF unit boundary and not move laterally to adjacent areas.

Given that in WF the confining zone has proved competent over millions of years, has remained intact with the current CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, and that the WF has ample storage capacity, there is confidence that stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained securely within the reservoir.

### 3.3 Description of CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR Project Facilities and the Injection Process

Figure 3-5 shows a simplified process flow diagram of the project facilities and equipment in WF. CO<sub>2</sub> is delivered to the WLFRRF via the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline network. CO<sub>2</sub> is supplied by anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> sources. Available amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> are drawn from an outside source pipeline based on contractual arrangements among suppliers of CO<sub>2</sub>, purchasers of CO<sub>2</sub>, and the pipeline operator. These amounts will vary over time and be added to the recycled CO<sub>2</sub> for injection into the reservoir.

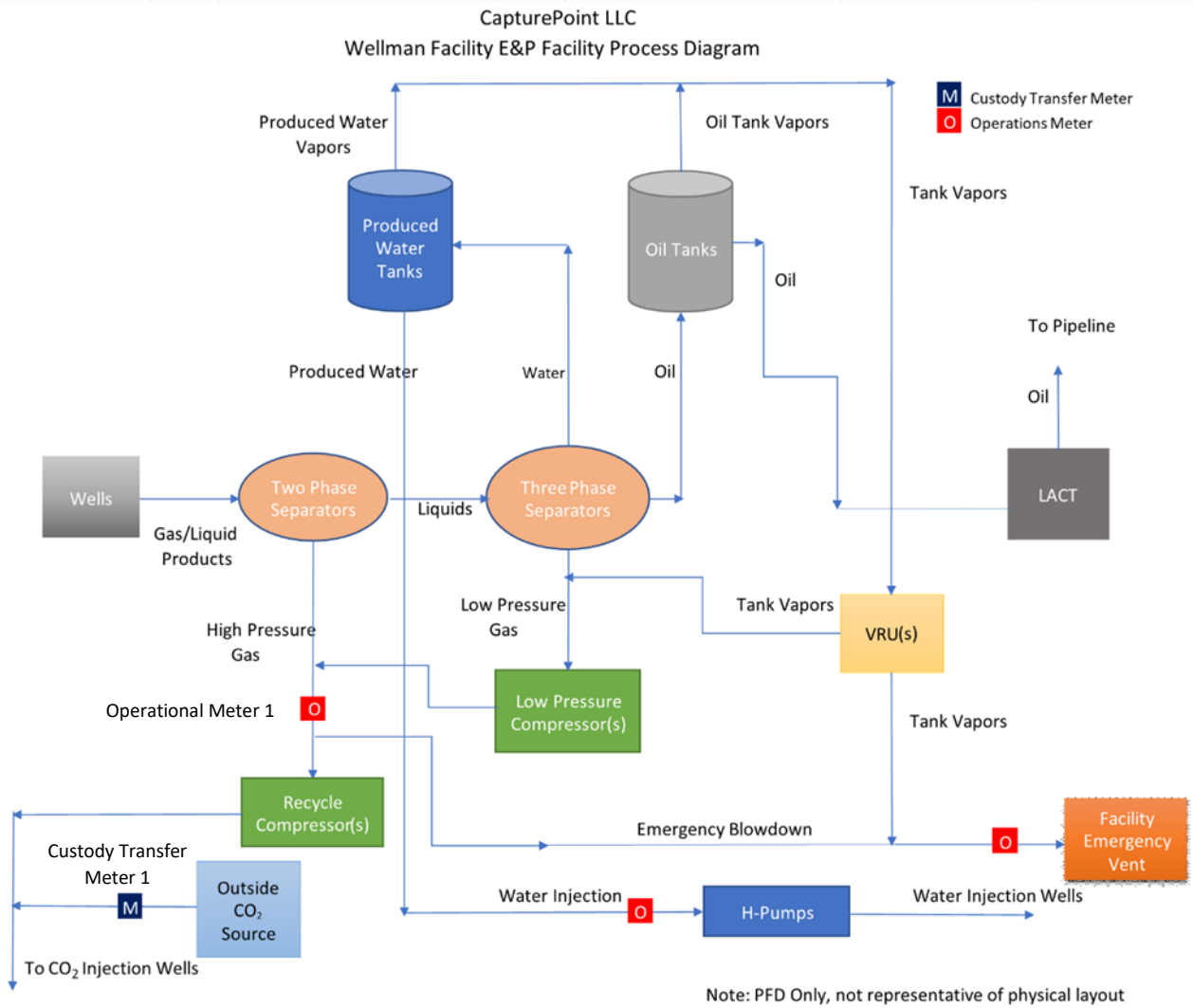


Figure 3-5 Wellman Process Flow Diagram

Once CO<sub>2</sub> enters the WLFRRF there are three main processes involved in EOR operations:

- i. CO<sub>2</sub> Distribution and Injection: The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received at WF is metered and calculated through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the pipeline delivery point. The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received is combined with recycled CO<sub>2</sub> / hydrocarbon gas mix from the recycle compression facility (RCF) and distributed to the wellheads for injection into the injection wells according to the injection plan for the reservoir. This is an EOR project and reservoir pressure must be maintained above minimum miscibility pressure. Therefore, injection pressure must be sufficiently high to allow injectants to enter the reservoir, but below formation parting pressure (FPP).
- ii. Produced Fluids Handling: Produced fluids from the production wells are a mixture of oil, hydrocarbon gas, water, CO<sub>2</sub>, and trace amounts of other constituents in the field including nitrogen and hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) as discussed in Section 7. The fluids are transported via flowlines to the Central Tank Battery (CTB) for separation into a gas/CO<sub>2</sub> mix and produced liquids that are a mix of water and oil, with entrained gas and CO<sub>2</sub>. The produced gas, which is composed primarily of CO<sub>2</sub> and minor hydrocarbons, is sent to the RCF for dehydration and recompression before reinjection into the reservoir. An operations meter at the RCF is used to determine the total volume of produced gas that is reinjected. The separated oil is metered through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the central tank battery and sold into a pipeline.
- iii. Water Treatment and Injection: Water is recovered for reuse and forwarded to the water injection station for reinjection or disposal.

### 3.3.1 Wells in the Wellman Field

The TRRC has broad authority over oil and gas operations including primacy to implement UIC Class II wells. The rules are found in TAC Title 16, Part 1, Chapter 3 and are also explained in a TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual (See Appendix 12-2). TRRC rules govern well siting, construction, operation, maintenance, and closure for all wells in oilfields.

Briefly, TRRC rules include the following requirements:

- Fluids must be constrained in the strata in which they are encountered,
- activities cannot result in the pollution of subsurface or surface water,
- wells must adhere to specified casing, cementing, drilling well control, and completion requirements designed to prevent fluids from moving from the strata that are encountered into other strata with oil and gas, or into subsurface and surface waters,
- completion report for each well including basic electric log (e.g., a density, sonic, or resistivity (except dip meter) log run over the entire wellbore) must be prepared,
- operators must follow plugging procedures that require advance approval from the TRRC Director and allow consideration of the suitability of the cement based on the use of the well, the location and setting of plugs; and,
- injection well operators must identify an Area of Review (AoR), use compatible materials and equipment, test, and maintain well records.

Table 3-2 provides a well count by type and status. All these wells are in material compliance with TRRC rules.

*Table 3-2 WF Well Penetrations by Type and Status*

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>ACTIVE</b>	<b>INACTIVE</b>	<b>P &amp; A</b>	<b>Total</b>
PROD_OIL	27	6	0	<b>33</b>
INJ_SW	6	0	0	<b>6</b>
INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	7	0	0	<b>7</b>
P&A	0	0	8	<b>8</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>54</b>

*PROD\_OIL = Production Wells*

*INJ\_SW = Saltwater disposal wells*

*INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells*

*P&A = Plugged and Abandoned wells.*

*(P&A for sidetracks are not included in the P&A count)*

WF CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations are designed to avoid conditions which could damage the reservoir and cause a potential leakage pathway. Reservoir pressure in the WF is managed by monitoring reservoir pressures and ensuring these remain constant. This is achieved by maintaining an IWR of approximately 1.

Injection pressure is also maintained below the FPP, which is measured using step-rate tests.

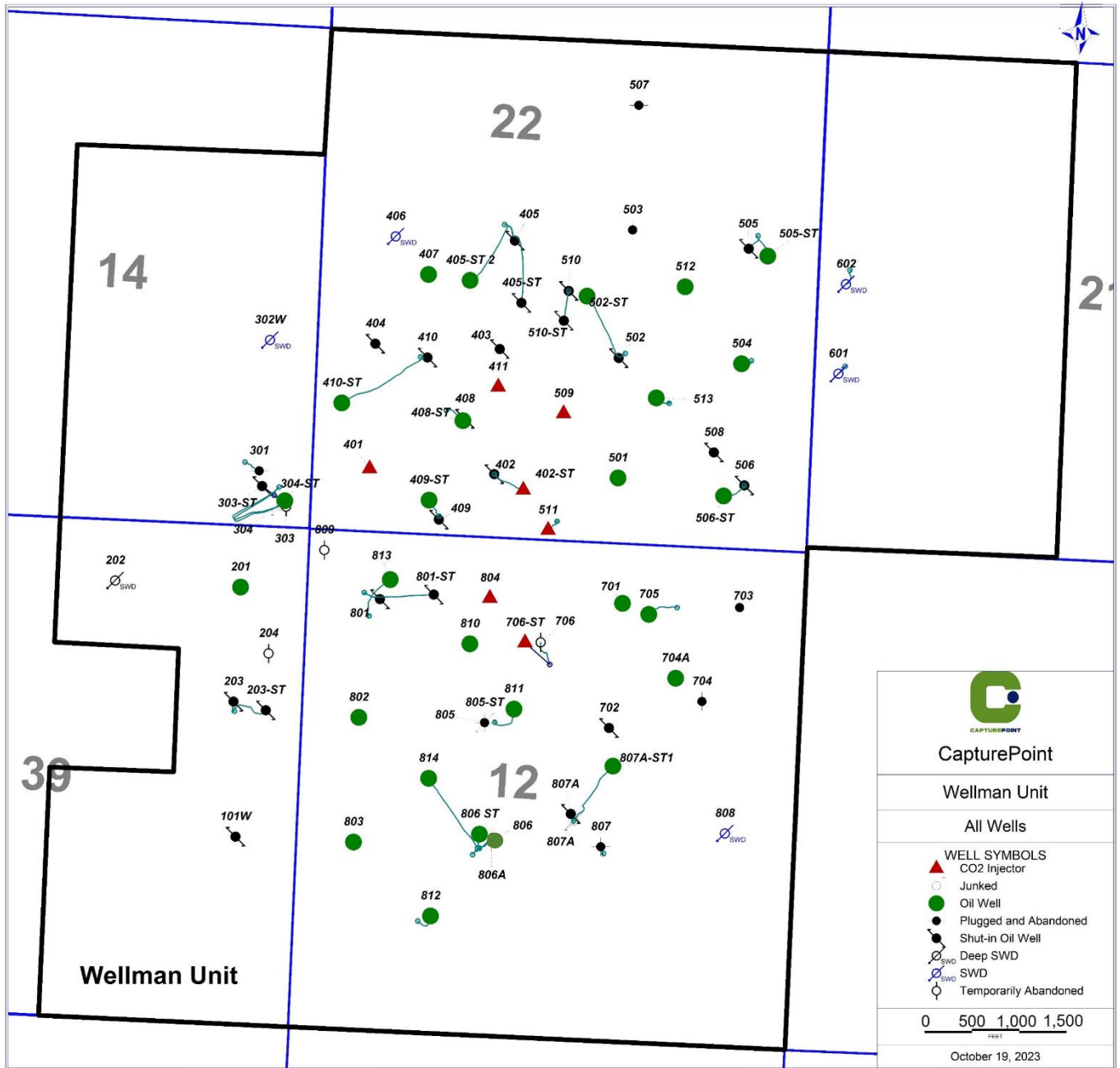


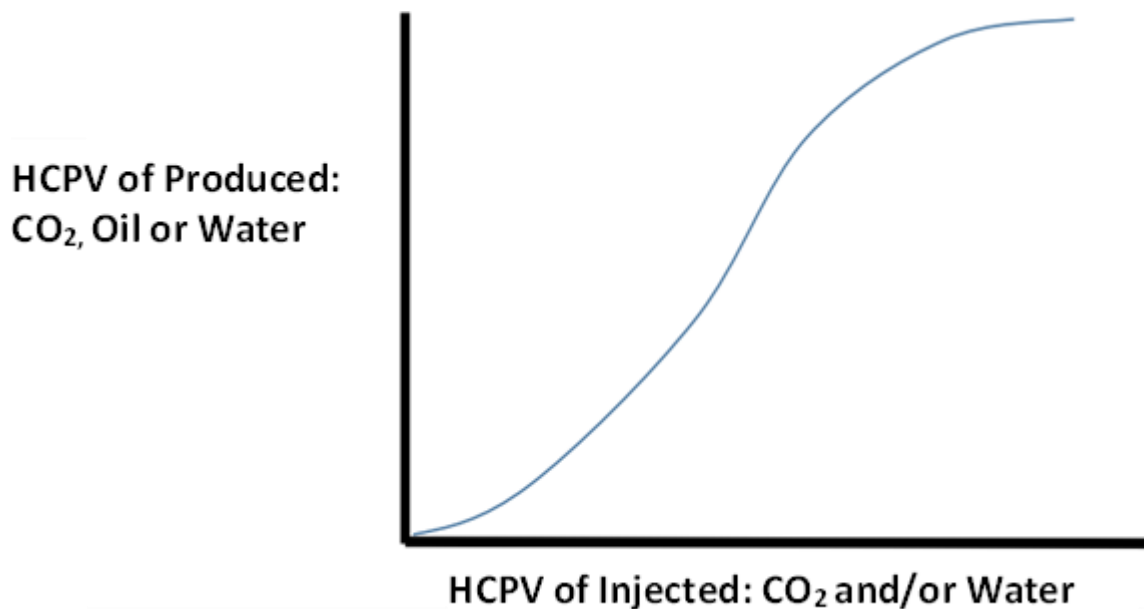
Figure 3-6 WF Wells and Injection Patterns

### 3.4 Reservoir Forecasting

DPCs derived from actual field performance were used to project CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR in the WF. Most DPCs are derived from geologic and reservoir models or actual field performance. In the WF case the DPC was derived from actual field performance in the WF. The WF has 40 years of actual CO<sub>2</sub> history which is more than enough data to develop a DPC to forecast reservoir performance. Initial oil recovery and CO<sub>2</sub> injection results were obtained from lab experiments performed with CO<sub>2</sub>. The DPC's project recoveries are close to what the lab experiments concluded.

A DPC is a plot where injection and production volumes for CO<sub>2</sub>, water, and hydrocarbon phases are normalized by dividing by Hydrocarbon Pore Volume (HCPV). See Figure 3-7. The

dimensioned projections for the oil, CO<sub>2</sub>, and water production are relative to the CO<sub>2</sub> and water injection and are calculated using the original oil in place of an area of interest.



*Figure 3-7 DPC plot*

The WF DPC was calculated from the cumulative production and injection using 40 years of WF history. This method allows you to use different field implementation speeds.

The DPCs are the basis for future reservoir performance prediction scenarios but are additionally a means of evaluating the reservoir process efficiencies. In a similar manner to history matching in reservoir simulation, deviations from the expected performance can indicate errors in the geologic model of the pore volume, growth of the CO<sub>2</sub> plume, or metering and production allocation errors.

## 4 Delineation of Monitoring Area and Timeframes

### 4.1 Active Monitoring Area

The Active Monitoring Area (AMA) is defined by a ½ mile buffer surrounding the WLFRR storage area boundary (as indicated by the red dashed line on Figure 4-1) which serves to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally and allowing the plume to stabilize within the WLFRR impermeable seal.

Figure 3-6 displays wells that have CO<sub>2</sub> retention on the 2,100 acres that have been under CO<sub>2</sub> injection since project initialization as well as SWD wells to support field operations. The CO<sub>2</sub> storage volumes were forecasted (Figure 3-1) using the DPC approach. This technique indicates that the flooded acreage still has significant additional storage potential. The maximum CO<sub>2</sub> storage (551 BCF) is limited to the amount of space available by the removal of the produced fluids. The projection indicates that there is pore space available to store approximately 0.66 decimal fraction of HCPV amount to 151.9 million RB (364 BCF).

The lateral extent of CO<sub>2</sub> in the injection zone or the CO<sub>2</sub> storage radius was estimated by calculating a storage radius based on the forecasted CO<sub>2</sub> volume of 364 BCF. Figure 4-1 shows the map of the storage area outline (dashed red line). This calculation showed approximately 1,043 acres would be needed to store 364 BCF. The CO<sub>2</sub> plume is anticipated to stay within the storage area depicted by the dashed red line. Therefore, the CO<sub>2</sub> plume would remain contained in the WF unit at the end of year 2066 (t+5).

### 4.2 Maximum Monitoring Area

The Maximum Monitoring Area (MMA) is defined as equal to or greater than the area expected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume until the CO<sub>2</sub> plume has stabilized plus an all-around buffer zone of at least one-half mile. The CO<sub>2</sub> plume will stabilize within the WLFRR storage area boundary (as indicated by the red dashed line on Figure 4-1) which serves to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally beyond the reservoir's impermeable seal. In this instance the MMA is the same as the AMA. Since the MMA is depicted to be ½ mile beyond the stabilized plume boundary, the MMA meets the definition found in 40 CFR 98.449.

### 4.3 Monitoring Timeframes

The primary purpose for injecting CO<sub>2</sub> is to produce oil that would otherwise remain trapped in the reservoir and not, as in UIC Class VI, "specifically for the purpose of geologic storage."<sup>1</sup> During a Specified Period, there will be a subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term containment of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF. The Specified Period will be shorter than the period of production from the WF.

At the conclusion of the Specified Period, a request for discontinuation of reporting will be submitted. This request will be submitted with a demonstration that current monitoring and model(s) show that the cumulative mass of CO<sub>2</sub> reported as sequestered during the Specified Period is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage. It

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<sup>1</sup> EPA UIC Class VI rule, EPA 75 FR 77291, December 10, 2010, section 146.81(b).



is expected that it will be possible to make this demonstration after the Specified Period ends based upon monitoring data.

The reservoir pressure in the WF is collected for use in operations management. Reservoir pressure is not forecasted to change appreciably since the IWR will be maintained at approximately 1. Once injection ceases, reservoir pressure is predicted to stabilize within one year.

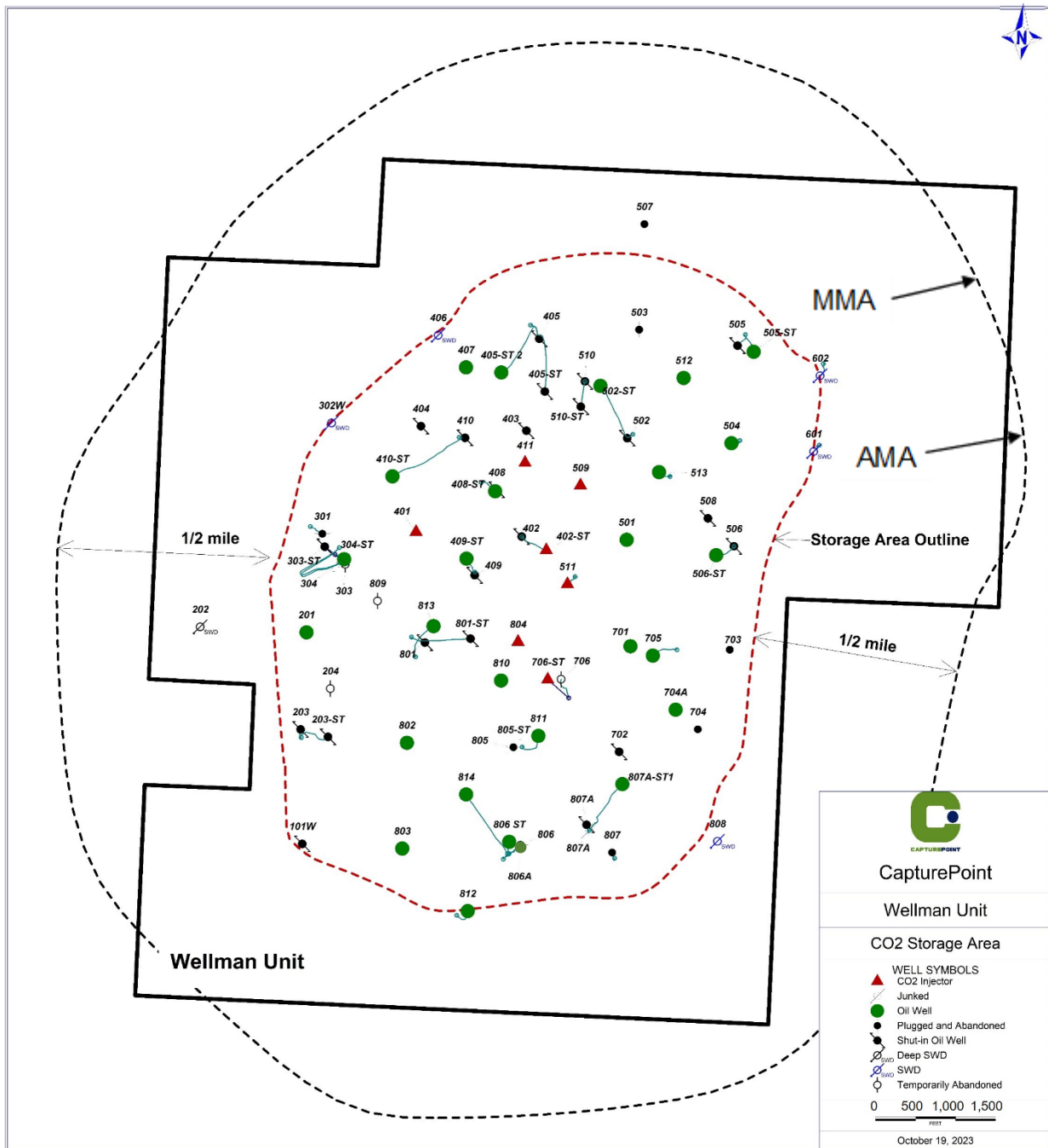


Figure 4-1 Projected CO<sub>2</sub> Storage area

## 5 Evaluation of Potential Pathways for Leakage to the Surface, Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

In the roughly 70 years since the Wellman oil field was discovered, the reservoir has been studied extensively. Based on the knowledge gained from that experience, this section assesses the potential pathways for leakage of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface including:

1. Existing Wells
2. Faults and Fractures
3. Natural and Induced Seismic Activity
4. Previous Operations
5. Pipeline/Surface Equipment
6. Lateral Migration Outside the WF
7. Drilling Through the CO<sub>2</sub> Area
8. Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal
9. Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

This analysis shows that leakage through wellbores and surface equipment pose the only meaningful potential leakage pathways. The monitoring program to detect and quantify leakage is based on this assessment as discussed below.

### 5.1 Existing Wells

As part of the TRRC requirement to initiate CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, an extensive review of all WF penetrations was completed to determine the need for corrective action. That analysis showed that all penetrations have either been adequately plugged and abandoned or, if in use, do not require corrective action. All wells in the WF were constructed and are operated in compliance with TRRC rules.

As part of routine risk management, the potential risk of leakage associated with the following were identified and evaluated:

- CO<sub>2</sub> flood electrical submersible pump (ESP) producing wells,
- CO<sub>2</sub> Flood flowing production wells, and
- CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells.

The risk assessment classified all risks associated with subsurface as low risk, i.e., less than 1% likelihood to occur and having a consequence that is insubstantial. The risks were classified as low risk because the WF geology is well suited to CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration with an extensive confining zone that is free of fractures and faults that could be potential conduits for CO<sub>2</sub> migration. Any risks are further mitigated because the WF is operated in a manner that maintains, monitors, and documents the integrity of the reservoir.

The risk of well leakage is mitigated through:

- Adhering to regulatory requirements for well drilling and testing,
- implementing best practices that CapturePoint has developed through its extensive operating experience,
- monitoring injection/production performance, wellbores, and the surface; and,
- maintaining surface equipment.

Continual and routine monitoring of the wellbores and site operations will be used to detect leaks or other potential well problems, as follows:

- Pressure in injection wells is monitored daily. The injection plans for each pattern are provided to field operations to govern the rate, pressure, and duration of either water or CO<sub>2</sub> injection. Leakage on the inside or outside of the injection wellbore would affect pressure and be detected through this approach. If such events occur, they would be investigated and addressed. CapturePoint's experience, from over 10 years of operating CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects, is that such leakage has not occurred.
- Production well performance is monitored using the production well test process conducted when produced fluids are gathered and sent to test vessels. There is a routine well testing cycle, with each well being tested approximately once every month. During this cycle, each production well is diverted to the well test equipment for a period sufficient to measure and sample produced fluids (generally 12-24 hours). These tests are the basis for allocating a portion of the produced fluids measured to each production well, assessing the composition of produced fluids by location, and assessing the performance of each well. Performance data are reviewed on a routine basis to ensure that CO<sub>2</sub> flooding efficiency is optimized. If production is different from the expected plan, it is investigated, and any identified issues addressed. Leakage to the outside of production wells is not considered a major risk because of the reduced pressure in the casing. All personnel are equipped with personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors. These personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are designed to detect leaked fluids around production wells during well and equipment inspections.
- Field inspections are conducted on a routine basis by field personnel. Leaking CO<sub>2</sub> is very cold and leads to the formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted. All field personnel are trained to identify leaking CO<sub>2</sub> and other potential problems at wellbores and in the field. Any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected will be documented, quantified, and reported.

Based on ongoing monitoring activities and review of the potential leakage risks posed by wellbores, it is concluded that the risk of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage through wellbores is being mitigated by detecting problems as they arise and quantifying any leakage that does occur. As mentioned before, leakage from wellbores is considered low but possible. It would most likely occur during the workover operations of installing the blowout preventer or wellhead. This release would be limited in nature to only a few MCF.

## 5.2 Faults and Fractures

After reviewing geologic, seismic, operating, and other evidence, it has been concluded that there are no known faults or fractures that transect the WLFRRF reservoir into overlying formations in the project area. There have not been any fracture treatments performed on WF wells and there are no future fracture treatments contemplated and thus induced fracture risk is eliminated. Seismic evaluation has eliminated the existence of faults. As a result, there is little to no risk (less than 1%) of leakage due to fractures or faults.

Measurements to determine FPP and reservoir pressure are routinely updated. This information is used to manage injection patterns so that the injection pressure will not exceed FPP. An IWR at or near 1 is also maintained based on consistent reservoir pressure measurements. Both activities mitigate the potential for inducing faults or fractures.

## 5.3 Natural and Induced Seismicity

After reviewing the literature<sup>2</sup> and actual operating experience, it is concluded that there is no direct evidence that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. There is no indication of seismic activity posing a risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface within the MMA. The TRRC approved injection pressures in the WF are maintained and monitored so that injection pressure is kept well below the TRRC approved injection pressures which are significantly below the fracture initiation pressure. This ensures that there will be no induced seismicity. Therefore, CapturePoint concludes that leakage of sequestered CO<sub>2</sub> through seismicity is unlikely.

To evaluate this potential risk at WF, CapturePoint has reviewed the nature and location of seismic events in West Texas. A review of the United States Geological Survey (USGS) database of recorded earthquakes of magnitude 1.0 or greater on the Richter Scale in the Permian Basin since 1956, indicates very little seismic activity with a magnitude 2.5 earthquake 38 miles to the south of the WF.

The concern about induced seismicity is that it could lead to fractures in the seal providing a pathway for CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. CapturePoint is not aware of any reported loss of injectant (brine water or CO<sub>2</sub>) to the surface associated with any seismic activity. There is no direct evidence to suggest that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. If induced seismicity resulted in a pathway for material amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> to migrate from the injection zone, other reservoir fluid monitoring provisions (e.g., reservoir pressure, well pressure, and pattern monitoring) would detect the migration and lead to further investigation. CapturePoint monitors the USGS earthquake monitoring Geological Information System site<sup>3</sup> for seismic signals that could indicate the creation of potential leakage pathways in the WF.

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<sup>2</sup> Frohlich, Cliff (2012) "Induced or Triggered Earthquakes in Texas: Assessment of Current Knowledge and Suggestions for Future Research", Final Technical Report, Institute for Geophysics, University of Texas at Austin, Office of Sponsored Research.

<sup>3</sup> <https://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/map/>

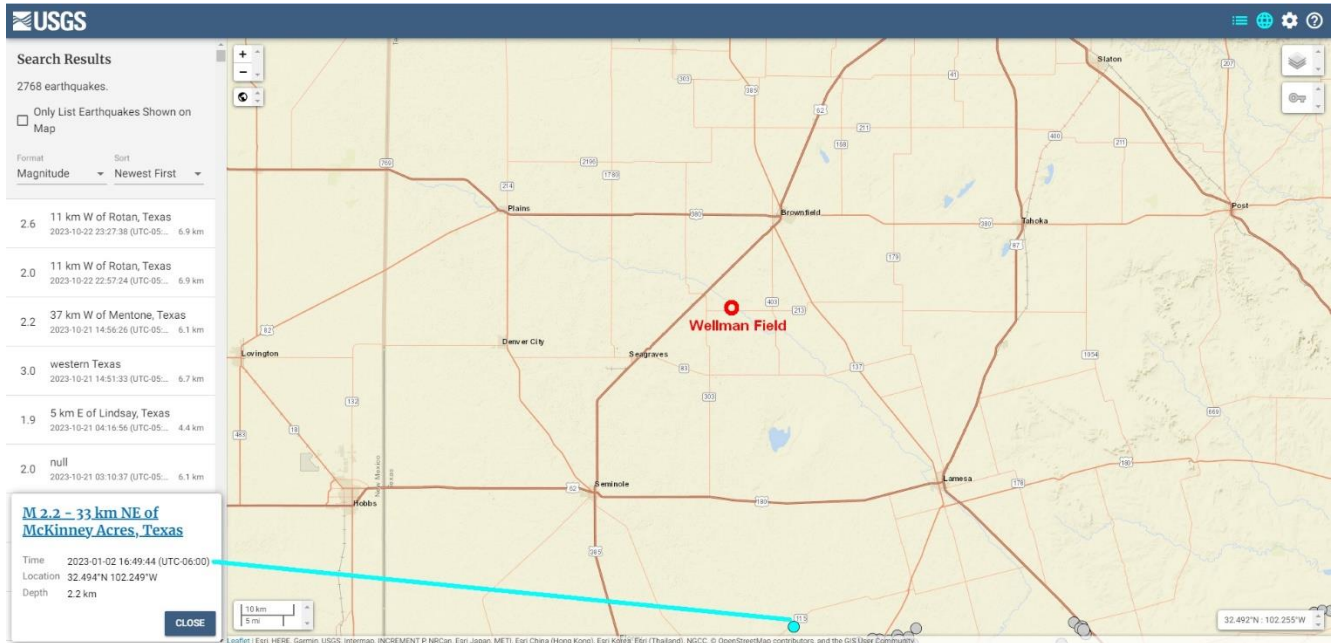


Figure 5-1 USGS earthquakes (+0.5 magnitude) for last 53 years)

## 5.4 Previous Operations

CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was initiated in WF in 1983. To obtain permits for CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, the AoR around all CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells was evaluated to determine if there were any unknown penetrations and to assess if corrective action was required at any wells. As indicated in Section 5.9, this evaluation reviewed the identified penetrations and determined that no additional corrective action was needed. Further, CapturePoint's standard practice for drilling new wells includes a rigorous review of nearby wells to ensure that drilling will not cause damage to or interfere with existing wells. Additionally, requirements to construct wells with materials that are designed for CO<sub>2</sub> injection are adhered to at WF. These practices ensure that there are no unknown wells within WF and that the risk of migration from older wells has been sufficiently mitigated. The wells were designed to prevent migration from the injection interval to the surface through the casing and cement placed in the well. Mechanical integrity tests (MIT), required under TAC Rule §3.46 [40 CFR §146.23 (b)(3)], will take place every five years to verify that the well and wellhead can contain the appropriate operating pressures. If an MIT were to indicate a leak, the well would be isolated, and the leak mitigated to prevent leakage of the injectate to the atmosphere. The successful experience with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding in WF demonstrates that the confining zone has not been impaired by previous operations. As evidenced by the 40 years of CO<sub>2</sub> injection without leakage previous operations do not present a risk of leakage to the atmosphere. Well construction requirements all but eliminate this leakage potential. If leakage were to occur, well intervention methods would address the failure in a matter of hours to days limiting the volume of leakage to a range of a few MCF to a few MMCF. Based on this history of no leakage events and well construction requirements, the likelihood is less than 1% and the magnitude would be low with a timely response and remediation.

## 5.5 Pipelines and Surface Equipment

Damage to or failure of pipelines and surface equipment can result in unplanned losses of CO<sub>2</sub>. CapturePoint anticipates that the use of prevailing design, construction practices, and compliance with applicable laws will reduce to the maximum extent possible, the risk of unplanned leakage from surface facilities. The facilities and pipelines currently utilize, and will continue to utilize, materials of construction and control processes that are standard for CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects in the oil and gas industry. Operating and maintenance practices currently follow, and will continue to follow, demonstrated industry standards. Field personnel are trained to look for and report potential leaks from pipeline and surface equipment as part of their routine activities. All equipment is designed with isolation valving to reduce the leakage from any failed equipment resulting in the potential leakage limited from the MCF to hundreds of MCF range. The Facility Emergency Vent is included in the surface equipment. It is a planned relief system that has the potential to release unplanned CO<sub>2</sub>. That volume is measured by an operations meter and recorded for reporting purposes. Should leakage be detected from pipeline or surface equipment, the volume of released CO<sub>2</sub> will be quantified following the requirements of Subpart W of Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program (GHGRP). The magnitude of these releases is usually small within only a few MCF as they are easily identified and isolated. Because of materials selection, the risk is once again low and CapturePoint concludes that leakage of CO<sub>2</sub> through the surface equipment is unlikely.

## 5.6 Lateral Migration Outside the Wellman Field

It is highly unlikely that injected CO<sub>2</sub> will migrate downdip and laterally outside the WF because of the nature of the geology and the approach used for injection. The reef is completely encased with impermeable sediments, which is what created such a defined reservoir that trapped oil over millions of years. With water flooding from the edges, combined with vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the top of the reef, the CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained to the upper portions of the reef (See Figure 5-2). Finally, the total volume of fluids contained in the WF will stay relatively constant. Based on site characterization along with the planned and projected operations, it is estimated that the total volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be considerably less than the calculated capacity. Based on the above statement, the storage capacity down to the spill-point is greater than the stored volume, so no CO<sub>2</sub> would be leaked laterally.

## 5.7 Drilling in the Wellman Field

The TRRC regulates well drilling activity in Texas. Pursuant to TRRC rules, wells casing shall be securely anchored in the hole in order to effectively control the well at all times, all usable-quality water zones shall be isolated and sealed off to effectively prevent contamination or harm, and all productive zones, potential flow zones, and zones with corrosive formation fluids shall be isolated and sealed off to prevent vertical migration of fluids, including gases, behind the casing. Where TRRC rules do not detail specific methods to achieve these objectives, operators shall make every effort to follow the intent of the section, using good engineering practices and the best currently available technology (TAC Title 16 Part1 Chapter 3 Rule §3.13). The TRRC requires applications and approvals before a well is drilled, recompleted, or reentered. Well drilling

activity at WF is conducted in accordance with TRRC rules. CapturePoint's visual inspection process, including routine site visits, will identify unapproved drilling activity in the WF. Leakage during drilling operations is unlikely but possible. It would occur when reservoir pressure is high. Drilling mud weight is designed to control that leakage therefore making the potential very low with volumes leaked kept at low levels.

In addition, CapturePoint intends to operate WF for several more years and will continue to be vigilant about protecting the integrity of its assets and maximizing the potential of its resources, including oil, gas, and CO<sub>2</sub>. Consequently, as CapturePoint owns the rights at all depths, the risks associated with third parties penetrating the WF are negligible.



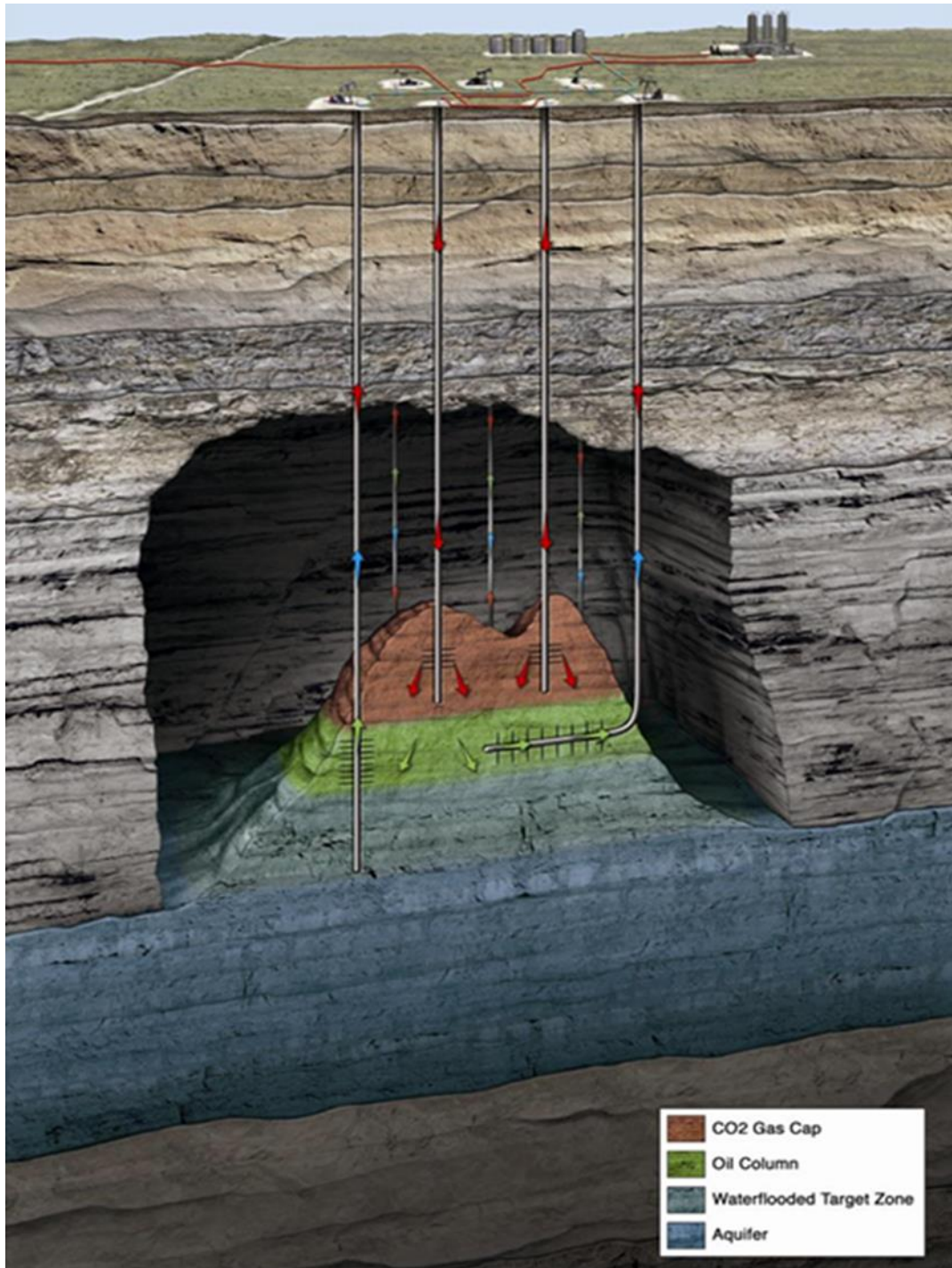


Figure 5-2 Schematic of WF vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flood

## 5.8 Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal

Diffuse leakage through the seal formed by the upper Wolfcamp is highly unlikely. There are several sections above the reservoir that are impermeable and serve as reliable barriers to prevent fluids from moving upwards towards the surface. These barriers are referred to as seals because they effectively seal fluids within the formations beneath them. As mentioned in Section



3.2, “Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formation, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval is informally called the “Spraberry Series.” The Spraberry Series forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastics above the reservoir.”

Our injection monitoring program assures that no breach of the seal will be created. The seal is highly impermeable. Wellbores that penetrate the seal make use of cement and steel construction that is closely regulated to ensure that no leakage takes place. Injection pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in injection pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause. The potential for leakage again is very low (less than 1%) the magnitude of which would be in the several MCF range into other formations but not to the surface.

## 5.9 Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

As discussed above, the potential sources of leakage include issues, such as problems with surface equipment (pumps, valves, etc.) or subsurface equipment (wellbores), and unique events such as induced fractures. An event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage is used. Table 5.1 summarizes some of these potential leakage scenarios, the monitoring activities designed to detect those leaks, the standard response, and other applicable regulatory programs requiring similar reporting.

Given the uncertainty concerning the nature and characteristics of any leaks that may be encountered, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> will be determined on a case-by-case basis. In the event leakage occurs, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume leaked will be determined and it will be reported as required as part of the annual Subpart RR submission. The potential quantification methods may include, but are not limited to:

- For leakage through wellbores, continuous SCADA monitoring data provide the basis to determine duration and the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> loss;
- For leakage from surface equipment and pipelines, continuous SCADA monitoring data and acceptable emission factors, such as those in 40 CFR Part §98 Subpart W, provide the basis to determine duration and the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> loss;
- For leakage related to the competency of the confining layer, reservoir modeling and engineering estimates provide the basis for determining the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> losses.

Any volume of CO<sub>2</sub> detected leaking to surface will be quantified using acceptable emission factors such as those found in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W or engineering estimates of leak amounts based on measurements in the subsurface, field experience, and other factors such as the frequency of inspection. Leaks will be documented, evaluated, and addressed in a timely manner.

In the unlikely event that CO<sub>2</sub> was released because of surface leakage, the mass emitted would be calculated for each surface pathway according to methods outlined in the plan and totaled using Equation RR-10 as follows:

$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^X CO_{2x} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

Where:

$CO_{2E}$  = Total annual  $CO_2$  mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year

$CO_{2,x}$  = Annual  $CO_2$  mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year

X = Leakage pathway

Calculation methods using equations from subpart W will be used to calculate  $CO_2$  emissions due to any surface leakage between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead. Records of leakage events will be retained in the electronic environmental documentation and reporting system. The Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot.

Table 5-1 Response Plan for  $CO_2$  Loss

Risk	Monitoring Plan	Response Plan
Tubing Leak	Monitor changes in tubing and annulus pressures;	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Casing Leak	Routine Field inspection; Monitor changes in annulus pressure, MIT for injectors; extra attention to high-risk wells	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Wellhead Leak	Routine Field inspection, SCADA system monitors wellhead pressure	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Loss of Bottom-hole pressure control	Blowout during well operations	Maintain well kill procedures. Magnitude would be millions of cubic feet.
Unplanned wells drilled through WLFRRF	Routine Field inspection to prevent unapproved drilling; compliance with TRRC permitting for planned wells.	Assure compliance with TRRC regulations is maintained.
Diffuse leakage through the seal	Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Conduct an injection radioactive tracer survey. If verified, the well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Loss of seal in abandoned wells	Routine field inspections of abandoned well locations	Re-enter and reseal abandoned wells. Magnitude could be millions of cubic feet.
Pumps, valves, etc.	Routine Field inspection, Monitor SCADA	Repair crews respond within hours to days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Overfill beyond spill points	Monitor reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure discovered in new wells	Fluid management along into the reservoir by reduction of injection. This reservoir is a well-defined tank. Volumetric evaluation will direct fluid volume injection.
Leakage through induced fractures	Monitor reservoir pressure in injector headers; Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause. High pressure discovered in new wells	Comply with TRRC approved injection pressures below parting pressure.

Leakage due to seismic event	Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Shut in injectors near seismic event. Inject water near seismic event to stop leakage.
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## 5.10 Summary

The structure and stratigraphy of the WLFRR reservoir in the WF is ideally suited for the injection and storage of CO<sub>2</sub>. The carbonate reef within the CO<sub>2</sub> injection zones is porous, permeable, and thick, providing ample capacity for long-term CO<sub>2</sub> storage. The reservoir is overlain by several intervals of impermeable geologic zones that form effective seals or “caps” to fluids in the reservoir.

In summary, based on a careful assessment of the potential risk of release of CO<sub>2</sub> from the subsurface, it has been determined that there are no leakage pathways at the WF that are likely to result in significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the atmosphere. Further, given the detailed knowledge of the field and its operating protocols, it is concluded that any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface that could arise through either identified or unexpected leakage pathways would be detected and quantified as required by 40 CFR 98.448.

## 6 Monitoring and Considerations for Calculating Site Specific Variables

Monitoring will also be used to determine the quantities in the mass balance equation and to make the demonstration that the CO<sub>2</sub> plume will not migrate to the surface after the time of discontinuation.

### 6.1 For the Mass Balance Equation

#### 6.1.1 General Monitoring Procedures

Flow rate, pressure, and gas composition data are monitored and collected from the WF in centralized data management systems as part of ongoing operations. This data is monitored by qualified technicians who follow response and reporting protocols when the systems deliver notifications that data exceed statistically acceptable boundaries.

Metering protocols used at WF follow the prevailing industry standard(s) for custody transfer as currently promulgated by the API, the American Gas Association, and the Gas Processors Association, as appropriate. This approach is consistent with EPA GHGRP’s Subpart RR, section §98.444(e)(3). These meters will be maintained routinely, operated continually, and will feed data directly to the centralized data collection systems. The meters meet the industry standard for custody transfer meter accuracy and calibration frequency.

#### 6.1.2 CO<sub>2</sub> Received

As indicated in Figure 3-5, the volume of received CO<sub>2</sub> is measured using a commercial custody transfer meter at the point at which custody of the CO<sub>2</sub> from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system is transferred to the WF. This meter measures flow rate continually. The transfer is a commercial transaction that is documented. CO<sub>2</sub> composition is governed by contract and the gas is routinely sampled. Fluid composition will be determined, at a minimum, quarterly,

consistent with EPA GHGRP's Subpart RR, section §98.447(a). All meter and composition data are documented, and records will be retained for at least three years. No CO<sub>2</sub> is received in containers.

### 6.1.3 CO<sub>2</sub> Injected in the Subsurface

Injected CO<sub>2</sub> will be calculated using the flow meter volumes at the operations meter at the outlet of the central tank battery separators less vent and equipment losses plus, the custody transfer meter at the CO<sub>2</sub> off-take point from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system.

### 6.1.4 CO<sub>2</sub> Produced, Entrained in Products, and Recycled

The following measurements are used for the mass balance equations in Section 8:

- CO<sub>2</sub> produced in the gaseous stage is calculated using the volumetric flow meters at central production battery. These meters are located immediately downstream of the separation facilities.
- CO<sub>2</sub> that is entrained in produced oil, as indicated in Figure 3-5, is calculated using volumetric flow through the custody transfer meter and annual analysis of CO<sub>2</sub> content in the oil which has typically 0.3797 volume percent (1.2692 Mol%).
- Recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is calculated using the volumetric flow meter at the outlet of the central production battery separators feeding the inlet of the RCF, which is an operations meter. Only gaseous CO<sub>2</sub> flows through this meter.

### 6.1.5 CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Surface Leakage

CapturePoint uses 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W to estimate surface leaks from equipment at the WF. Subpart W uses a factor-driven approach to estimate equipment leakage. In addition, an event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is used.

In accordance with §98.444(d), CP uses Equation RR-10 in §98.443 to calculate and report the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage from WF. In accordance with §98.443(f)(2), CP will separately calculate and report CO<sub>2FI</sub> and CO<sub>2E</sub> emissions.

The multi-layered and risk-based monitoring program for event-driven incidents has been designed to meet two objectives: 1) to detect problems before CO<sub>2</sub> leaks to the surface; and 2) to detect and quantify any leaks that do occur. This section discusses how this monitoring will be conducted and used to quantify the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked to the surface.

#### **Monitoring for Potential Leakage from the Injection/Production Zone**

In addition to the measures discussed in Section 5.9, both injection into and production from the reservoir will be monitored as a means of early identification of potential anomalies that could indicate leakage from the subsurface.

Injection plans (fluid rate, pressure, volume) are given to operations on a weekly basis. If injection pressure or rate measurements are outside the specified set points determined as part of each pattern injection plan, reservoir engineering will notify field personnel and they will investigate

and resolve the problem. These excursions will be reviewed by well management personnel to determine if CO<sub>2</sub> leakage may be occurring. Excursions are not necessarily indicators of leaks; they simply indicate that injection rates and pressures are not conforming to the pattern injection plan. In many cases, problems are straightforward to fix (e.g., a meter needs to be recalibrated or some other minor action is required), and there is no threat of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. In the case of issues that are not readily resolved, a more detailed investigation and response would be initiated, and support staff would provide additional assistance and evaluation.

Likewise, a forecast of the rate and composition of produced fluids is developed. Each producer well is assigned to a specific test vessel and is isolated during each cycle for a well production test. This data is reviewed on a periodic basis to confirm that production is at the level forecasted. If there is a significant deviation from the plan, well management personnel investigate. If the issue cannot be resolved quickly, a more detailed investigation and response would be initiated. If leakage in the flood zone were detected, an appropriate method would be used to quantify the involved volume of CO<sub>2</sub>. This might include use of material balance equations based on known injected quantities and monitored pressures in the injection zone to estimate the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> involved.

A subsurface leak might not lead to a surface leak. In the event of a subsurface leak, CapturePoint would determine the appropriate approach for tracking subsurface leakage to determine and quantify leakage to the surface. To quantify leakage, the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be estimated to quantify the leak volume. Depending on specific circumstances, these determinations may rely on engineering estimates.

In the event leakage from the subsurface occurred diffusely through the seals, the leaked gas would include H<sub>2</sub>S, which would trigger the alarm on the personal monitors worn by field personnel. Such a diffuse leak from the subsurface has not occurred in the WF. In the event such a leak was detected, personnel would determine how to address the problem. The personnel might use modeling, engineering estimates, and direct measurements to assess, address, and quantify the leakage.

### **Monitoring of Wellbores**

WF wells are monitored through daily pressure monitoring of the injection zone, monitoring of the annular pressure in wellheads, and routine maintenance and inspection.

Leaks from wellbores would be detected through the follow-up investigation of pressure anomalies, visual inspection, or the use of personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors.

Anomalies in injection zone pressure may not indicate a leak, as discussed above. However, if an investigation leads to a need for further study, field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. If it is a simple matter, the repair would be made, and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repair were needed, the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined.

Anomalies in annular pressure or other issues detected during routine maintenance inspections would be treated in the same way. Field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. For simple matters the repair would be made at the time of inspection and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repairs were needed, the well would be shut in, a work order would be generated and the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined. The work order would serve as the basis for tracking the event for GHGRP.

Because leaking CO<sub>2</sub> at the surface is very cold and leads to formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted, a visual inspection process in the WF area is employed to detect unexpected releases from wellbores. Field personnel visit the surface facilities on a routine basis. Inspections may include tank levels, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, and valves. Field personnel also observe the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks.

Finally, the H<sub>2</sub>S monitors, which are always worn by all field personnel are used as a last method to detect leakage from wellbores. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitor detects concentrations greater than 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the first response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of the alarm. As noted previously, H<sub>2</sub>S is considered a proxy for potential gas leaks including CO<sub>2</sub> in the field. Currently the concentration of H<sub>2</sub>S in the recycled or produced gas is approximately 130 ppm while in the produced fluid the concentration is 77 ppm making leak detection viable. Thus, detected H<sub>2</sub>S leaks will be investigated to quantify the potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage source and quantities.

#### **Other Potential Leakage at the Surface**

The same visual inspection process and H<sub>2</sub>S monitoring system will be used to detect other potential leakage at the surface as it does for leakage from wellbores. Routine visual inspections are used to detect significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface. Field personnel routinely visit surface facilities to conduct a visual inspection. Inspections may include review of tank level, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, valves, and conducting a general observation of the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks. If problems are detected, field personnel would investigate, and complete any maintenance that is required. In addition to these visual inspections, the results of the personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors worn by field personnel will be used as a supplement for smaller leaks that may escape visual detection.

If CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is detected, it will be reported to surface operations personnel who will review the reports and conduct a site investigation. If maintenance is required, steps are taken to prevent further leaks.

#### **6.1.6 CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the injection flow meter and the injection wellhead**

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from injection equipment and the CO<sub>2</sub> content of any vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

### 6.1.7 CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the production flow meter and the production wellhead

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from production equipment and the CO<sub>2</sub> content of produced oil, and any vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

## 6.2 To Demonstrate that Injected CO<sub>2</sub> is not Expected to Migrate to the Surface

At the end of the Specified Period, injecting CO<sub>2</sub> for the subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term storage of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF will cease. Sometime after the end of the Specified Period, a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting will be submitted. The request will demonstrate that the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> reported under 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage.

At that time, the request will be supported with years of data collected during the Specified Period. This demonstration will provide the information necessary for the EPA Administrator to approve the request to discontinue monitoring and reporting and may include, but is not limited to:

- Data comparing actual performance to predicted performance (purchase, injection, production) over the monitoring period,
- An assessment of the CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected, including the discussion of the estimated amount of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked and the distribution of emissions by leakage pathway,
- A demonstration that future operations will not release the volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface,
- A demonstration that there has been no significant leakage of CO<sub>2</sub>; and,
- An evaluation of the reservoir pressure demonstrates that injected fluids are not expected to migrate in a manner to create a potential leakage pathway.

## 7 Determination of Baselines

Ongoing operational monitoring has provided data for establishing baselines and will be utilized to identify and investigate excursions from expected performance that could indicate CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Data systems are used primarily for operational control and monitoring, which are set to capture more information than is necessary for reporting in the Annual Subpart RR Report. The necessary system guidelines to capture the information that is relevant to identify possible CO<sub>2</sub> leakage will be developed. The following describes the approach to collecting this information.

### Visual Inspections

As field operators conduct routine inspections and repairs, the Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot. Examples include occurrences of well workover or repair, as well as visual identification of vapor clouds or ice formations. Each incident will be flagged for review by the person responsible for MRV documentation (the responsible party will be provided in the monitoring plan, as required under Subpart A, §98.3(g)).

The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information used to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Personal H<sub>2</sub>S Monitors**

H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are worn by all field personnel. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitors detect concentrations of H<sub>2</sub>S up to 500 ppm in 0.1 ppm increments and will sound an alarm if the detection limit exceeds 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the immediate response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of persistent alarms. CapturePoint considers H<sub>2</sub>S to be a proxy for potential CO<sub>2</sub> leaks in the field. The person responsible for MRV documentation will receive notice of all incidents where H<sub>2</sub>S is confirmed to be present. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from any such incidents. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Injection Rates, Pressures and Volumes**

Target injection rate and pressure for each injector are developed within the permitted limits based on the results of ongoing pattern balancing. The injection targets are submitted to field operations. Field operations flags whenever statistically significant deviations from the targeted ranges are identified. The set points are designed to be conservative, because it is preferable to have too many flags rather than too few. As a result, flags can occur frequently and are often found to be insignificant. For purposes of Subpart RR reporting, flags (or excursions) will be screened to determine if they could also lead to CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. The person responsible for the MRV documentation will receive notice of excursions. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Production Volumes and Compositions**

A general forecast of production volumes and composition is developed which is used to periodically evaluate performance, refine current and projected injection plans, and the forecast. This information is used to make operational decisions but is not recorded in an automated data system. The MRV plan implementation lead will review the data and identify those that could result in CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Should such events occur, leakage volumes would be calculated following the approaches described in Sections 5 and 6. Impact to Subpart RR reporting will be addressed, if deemed necessary.

## **8 Determination of Sequestration Volumes Using Mass Balance Equations**

This section describes how CP uses the equations in Subpart RR §98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received using equations RR-2 and RR-3, the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> injected using equations RR-5 and RR-6, the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> produced using equations RR-8 and RR-9, the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Surface Leakage using equation RR-10, and the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered using equation RR-11.

### **8.1 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received**

Equation RR-2 will be used as indicated in Subpart RR §98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> at the receiving custody transfer meter from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system. The volumetric



flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine mass.

The Mass of the CO<sub>2</sub> Received will be determined using Equation RR-2 as follows:

$$CO_{2T,r} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,r} - S_{r,p}) * D * C_{CO_2,p,r} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-2})$$

where:

CO<sub>2T,r</sub> = Net annual mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received through flow meter r (metric tons).

Q<sub>r,p</sub> = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

S<sub>r,p</sub> = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into a site well in quarter p (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub>,p,r</sub> = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter r in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

r = Receiving flow meters.

Given WF's method of receiving CO<sub>2</sub> and requirements at Subpart RR §98.444(a):

- All delivery to the WF is used within the unit so no quarterly flow redelivered, and S<sub>r,p</sub> will be zero ("0").
- Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurements.

## 8.2 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface

The equation for calculating the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface at the WF is equal to the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received as calculated in RR-2 of §98.443 (section 8.1 above) and the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled calculated using measurements taken from the flow meter located directly downstream of the separation facilities (see Figure 3-5).

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled will be determined using equations RR-5 as follows:

$$CO_{2,u} = \sum_{p=1}^4 Q_{p,u} * D * C_{CO_2,p,u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-5})$$

where:

CO<sub>2,u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass recycled (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

Q<sub>p,u</sub> = Quarterly volumetric flow rate measurement for flow meter u in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters per quarter).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub>,p,u</sub> = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter u in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

u = Flow meter.

The total Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received (RR-2) and Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled (RR-5).

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be determined using equations RR-6 as follows:

$$CO_{2i} = \sum_{u=1}^U CO_{2u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-6})$$

where:

CO<sub>2i</sub>. = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) through all injection wells.

CO<sub>2u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

u = Flow meter.

### 8.3 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced

In accordance with §98.443, Equation RR-8 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced at the flow meter (Operational Meter 1) on Figure 3-5, as described in Section 6.1.4. Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurement database. The volumetric flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine net Annual Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received.

$$CO_{2w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,w}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,w}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

Where:

$CO_{2w}$  = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.

$Q_{p,w}$  = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for separator w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

$CCO_{2,p,w}$  = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for separator w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

w = Separator.

For Equation RR-9 in §98.443 the variable X will be measured as follows:

$$CO_{2P} = (1 + X) * \sum_{w=1}^W CO_{2,w} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-9})$$

Where:

$CO_{2P}$  = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through all separators in the reporting year.

$CO_{2,w}$  = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w in the reporting year .

X = Entrained CO<sub>2</sub> in produced oil or other fluid divided by the CO<sub>2</sub> separated through all separators in the reporting year (weight percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction

w = Separator

## 8.4 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Surface Leakage

Surface Leakage will be calculated and reported using an approach that is tailored to specific leakage events including calculation methodologies in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W for emissions and leaks from equipment. CapturePoint is prepared to address the potential for leakage in a variety of settings. Estimates of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked to the surface will depend on several site- specific factors including measurements, engineering estimates, and emission factors, depending on the source and nature of the leakage.

The process for quantifying leakage will entail using the best engineering principles or emission factors. While it is not possible to predict in advance the types of leaks that will occur, some approaches for quantification are described in Sections 5.9 and 6. In the event leakage to the surface occurs, leakage amounts would be quantified and reported, and records that describe the methods used to estimate or measure the volume leaked as reported in the Annual Subpart RR Report would be retained.

Equation RR-10 in §98.443 will be used to calculate and report the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage:

$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^X CO_{2,x} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

Where:

- CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year
- CO<sub>2,x</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year
- X = Leakage pathway

## 8.5 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Facility Emergency Vent

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by the Emergency Vent at the WF will be calculated using the measurements from the flow meter at the vent. That volume will be added to CO<sub>2FI</sub> which is the total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

Equation RR-8 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted through the emergency vent as follows:

$$CO_{2w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,w}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,w}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

Where:

- CO<sub>2w</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.
- Q<sub>p,w</sub> = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for meter w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).
- D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.
- CCO<sub>2,p,w</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for meter w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- p = Quarter of the year.
- w = Separator

## 8.6 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered and Reported in Subsurface Geologic Formation

Equation RR-11 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered and Reported in Subsurface Geologic Formations in the Reporting Year as follows:

$$\text{CO}_2 = \text{CO}_{2\text{I}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{P}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{E}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{FI}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{FP}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-11})$$

where:

CO<sub>2</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass sequestered in subsurface geologic formations (metric tons) at the facility in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2I</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) in the well or group of wells covered by this source category in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2P</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) in oil in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) by surface leakage in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2FI</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

CO<sub>2FP</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

## 9 MRV Plan Implementation Schedule

This MRV plan will be implemented starting October 2023 or within 90 days of EPA approval, whichever occurs later. Other GHGRP reports are filed on March 31 of the year after the reporting year, and it is anticipated that the Annual Subpart RR Report will be filed at the same time. It is anticipated that the MRV plan will be in effect during the Specified Period, during which time the WF will be operated with the subsidiary purpose of establishing long-term containment of a measurable quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> in subsurface geological formations at the WF. It is anticipated to establish that a measurable amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected during the Specified Period will be stored in a manner not expected to migrate resulting in future surface leakage. At such time, a demonstration supporting the long-term containment determination will be prepared and a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting under this MRV plan will be submitted. See 40 C.F.R. §98.441(b)(2)(ii).

## 10 Quality Assurance (QA) Program

### 10.1 QA Procedures

The requirements of §98.444 (a) – (d) have been incorporated in the discussion of mass balance equations. These include the following provisions.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Received and Injected**

- The quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received by pipeline is measured at the receiving custody transfer meters.
- The quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> flow rate for recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is measured at the outlet of the central production battery separators feeding the inlet of the RCF.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Produced**

- The point of measurement for the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from oil or other fluid production wells is a flow meter directly downstream of each separator that sends a stream of gas into a recycle or end use system.
- The produced gas stream is sampled annually downstream of the flow meter used to measure flow rate of that gas stream and measure the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of the sample.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Equipment Leaks and Vented Emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>**

These volumes are measured in conformance with the monitoring and QA requirements specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98.

#### **Flow Meter Provisions**

The flow meters used to generate data for the mass balance equations are:

- Operated continuously except as necessary for maintenance and calibration.
- Operated using the calibration and accuracy requirements in 40 CFR §98.3(i).
- Operated in conformance with API standards.
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) traceable.

#### **Concentration of CO<sub>2</sub>**

CO<sub>2</sub> concentration is measured using an appropriate standard method. Further, all measured volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> have been converted to standard cubic meters at a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and at an absolute pressure of 1 atmosphere, including those used in Equations RR-2, RR-5, and RR-8 in Section 8.

## 10.2 Missing Data Procedures

In the event data needed for the mass balance calculations cannot be collected, procedures for estimating missing data in §98.445 will be used as follows:

- A quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative flow rate value from the previous measured period.
- A quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of a CO<sub>2</sub> stream received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative concentration value from the previous measured period.
- A quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected from the previous measured period at a similar injection pressure.
- For any values associated with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment at the facility that are reported in this subpart, missing data estimation procedures specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98 would be followed.
- The quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from subsurface geologic formations that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from the previous measured period.

## 10.3 MRV Plan Revisions

In the event there is a material change to the monitoring and/or operational parameters of the CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations in the WF that is not anticipated in this MRV plan, the MRV plan will be revised and submitted to the EPA Administrator within 180 days as required in §98.448(d).

## 11 Records Retention

The record retention requirements specified by §98.3(g) will be followed. In addition, the requirements in Subpart RR §98.447 will be met by maintaining the following records for at least three years:

- Quarterly records of CO<sub>2</sub> received at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of produced CO<sub>2</sub>, including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of injected CO<sub>2</sub> including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by surface leakage from leakage pathways.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity.

This data will be collected as generated and aggregated as required for reporting purposes.



## 12 Appendix

### 12.1 Well Identification Numbers

The following table presents the well name, API number, type, and status for active wells in the WF as of March 2023. The table is subject to change over time as new wells are drilled, existing wells change status, or existing wells are repurposed.

The following terms are used:

Well Type:

- PROD\_OIL refers to wells that produce oil.
- INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> refers to wells that inject CO<sub>2</sub>.
- INJ\_SWD refers to wells that inject water for disposal.
- P&A refers to plugged and abandoned wells.

Well Status:

- ACTIVE refers to active wells.
- INACTIVE refers to wells that have been completed but are not in use.
- SHUT\_IN refers to wells that have been temporarily idled or shut in.
- TEMP\_AB refers to wells that have been temporarily abandoned.

*Table 12-1 Well Status Table*

Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 101W	4244500076	INJ_SWD	SHUT_IN
WU 201	4244500072	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 202	4244500073	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 203	4244500074	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 203-ST	424450007401	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 204	4244530234	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 301	4244500575	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 302W	4244500576	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 303	4244530070	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 303-ST	4216533912	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 304	4244532434	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 304-ST	424453243401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 401	4244500083	INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	ACTIVE
WU 402	4244500084	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 402-ST	424450008401	INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	ACTIVE
WU 403	4244500085	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 404	4244500086	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 405	4244500087	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 405-ST	424450008701	P&A	INACTIVE

Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 405-ST2	424450008702	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 406	4244500088	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 407	4244530288	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 408	4244531435	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 408-ST	424453143501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 409	4244531456	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 409-ST	424453145601	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 410	4244531825	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 410-ST	424453182501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 411	4244531858	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 501	4244500578	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 502	4244500579	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 502-ST	424450057901	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 503	4244500580	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 504	4244500581	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 505	4244500582	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 505-ST	424450058202	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 506	4244500583	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 506-ST	424450058301	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 507	4244500584	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 508	4244530105	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 509	4244531117	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 510	4244531434	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVEACTIVE
WU 510-ST	424453143401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 511	4244531457	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 512	4244531769	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 513	4244531872	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 601	4244500569	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 602	4244500570	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 701	4244500163	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 702	4244500089	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 703	4244500090	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 704	4244500091	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 704A	4244530314	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 705	4244530125	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 706	4244530864	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 706-ST	424453086401	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 801	4244500418	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 801-ST	424450041801	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 802	4244500419	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 803	4244500420	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 804	4244500421	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 805	4244500422	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 805-ST	424450042201	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 806	4244500423	P&A	INACTIVE

Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 806A	4244532445	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 806-ST	424450042301	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 807	4244500424	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 807A	4244500425	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 807A-ST1	424450042501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 808	4244530741	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 809	4244531824	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 810	4244531870	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 811	4244532428	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 812	4244532435	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 813	4244532446	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 814	4244532467	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE

## 12.2 Regulatory References

Regulations cited in this plan:

- TAC Title 16 Part 1 Chapter 3 Oil & Gas Division

[https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y)

- TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual

<https://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-and-gas/publications-and-notice/manuals/injection-storage-manual/>

## 12.3 Abbreviations and Acronyms

AMA - Active Monitoring Area

API - American Petroleum Institute

AoR - Area of Review

Bcf – 1 Billion Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

CO<sub>2</sub> - Carbon Dioxide

CTB – Central Tank Battery

DPC - Dimensionless Performance Curve

EPA - Environmental Protection Agency

EOR - Enhanced Oil Recovery

ESP - Electrical Submersible Pump

FPP - Formation Parting Pressure (psi)

GHGRP - Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program

H<sub>2</sub>S – Hydrogen Sulfide

HCPV - Hydrocarbon Pore Volume

IWR - Injection to Withdrawal Ratio

MMA - Maximum Monitoring Area

MRV Plan - Monitoring, Reporting and Verification Plan

MCF – 1 Thousand Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

MIT – Mechanical Integrity Test

MMCF – 1 Million Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

NIST - National Institute of Standards and Technology

QA – Quality Assurance

RB - Reservoir Barrels

RCF - Recycle Compression Facility

TAC - Texas Administrative Code

TRRC - Texas Railroad Commission - Oil and Gas Division

USGS - United States Geological Survey

UIC – Underground Injection Control

WF – Wellman Field

WLFRRF – Wolfcamp Reef

## 12.4 Conversion Factors

CapturePoint reports CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions of temperature and pressure as defined in the State of Texas in the Texas Administrative Code for the Oil and Gas Division, Rule 3.79 as follows:

Cubic foot of gas or standard cubic foot of gas--The volume of gas contained in one cubic foot of space at a standard pressure base and at a standard temperature base. The standard pressure base shall be 14.65 pounds per square inch absolute, and the standard temperature base shall be 60 degrees Fahrenheit.

To calculate CO<sub>2</sub> mass from CO<sub>2</sub> volume, EPA recommends using the database of thermodynamic properties developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). This online database is available at:

<https://webbook.nist.gov/chemistry/fluid/>

It provides density of CO<sub>2</sub> using the Span and Wagner equation of state (EOS) at a wide range of temperature and pressures.

At State of Texas standard conditions, the Span and Wagner EOS gives a density of CO<sub>2</sub> of 0.002641684 lb-moles per cubic foot. Converting the CO<sub>2</sub> density in units of metric tonnes per cubic foot:

$$Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{MT}{ft^3} \right) = Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{lb - moles}{ft^3} \right) \times MW_{CO_2} \times \frac{1 MT}{2,204.62 lbs}$$

Where:

$$Density_{CO_2} = \text{Density of CO}_2 \text{ in metric tonnes (MT) per cubic foot}$$

$$Density_{CO_2} = 0.002641684$$

$$MW_{CO_2} = 44.0095$$

$$Density_{CO_2} = 5.2734 \times 10^{-5} \frac{MT}{ft^3} \text{ or } 5.2734 \times 10^{-2} \frac{MT}{Mcf}$$

The conversion factor  $5.2734 \times 10^{-2}$  MT/Mcf is used to convert CO<sub>2</sub> volumes in standard cubic feet to CO<sub>2</sub> mass in metric tonnes.

**Request for Additional Information: Wellman  
February 5, 2024**

Instructions: Please enter responses into this table and make corresponding revisions to the MRV Plan as necessary. Any long responses, references, or supplemental information may be attached to the end of the table as an appendix. This table may be uploaded to the Electronic Greenhouse Gas Reporting Tool (e-GGRT) in addition to any MRV Plan resubmissions.

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1.	4.1	18	<p>“Figure 4-1 shows the map of the storage area outline (dashed red line). This calculation showed approximately 1,043 acres would be needed to store 364 BCF. This is significantly less than the 2,100 acres in the WF outline. Therefore, <b>the CO2 plume would remain contained in the WF unit</b> at the end of year 2066 (t+5).”</p> <p>Based on this text, it is not clear whether the CO2 plume is anticipated to stay within the red storage area outline, or to stay within the larger Wellman Unit boundaries. Please edit this text to clarify the expected extent of the CO2 plume and adjust the AMA and/or MMA as necessary.</p>	<p>Insert the following statement for clarification:</p> <p>The CO<sub>2</sub> plume is anticipated to stay within the storage area depicted by the dashed red line.</p>
2.	6.1.4	30	<p>The MRV plan states, “Recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is calculated using the volumetric flow meter at the outlet of the central production battery separators feeding the inlet of the RCF.”</p> <p>However, page 40 of the MRV plan also states, “The quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> flow rate for recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is measured at the flow meter located at the RCF outlet.”</p> <p>Please review the MRV plan to ensure that all references to meter locations are consistent.</p>	<p>Correct the statement on page 40 as follows:</p> <p>The quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> flow rate for recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is measured at the outlet of the central production battery separators feeding the inlet of the RCF.</p>

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3.	6.1.5, 8.4	30, 37	<p>In the previous RFAI, the following was asked:</p> <p><b>“Please review the MRV plan to ensure that it is clear that the variables CO<sub>2E</sub> (surface leakage) and CO<sub>2FI</sub> (equipment leakage and vented emissions) are calculated separately and differently (see <a 482="" 497="" 898="" 918"="" data-label="Page-Footer" href="https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-40/part-98/subpart-RR#p-98.443(f)(1)”. ”&lt;/a&gt;”&lt;/b&gt;&lt;/p&gt; &lt;p&gt;However, the following phrases still appear in the text. We recommend removing or clarifying them, as emissions from surface leakage reported under subpart RR are not rolled up into a facility’s total emissions. It is possible that the same emissions would be accounted under both subpart RR and subpart W.&lt;/p&gt; &lt;p&gt;&lt;i&gt;“The Subpart W report and results from any event-driven quantification will be reconciled to assure that surface leaks are not double counted.”&lt;/i&gt;&lt;/p&gt; &lt;p&gt;&lt;i&gt;“Further, the Subpart W report and results from any event-driven quantification will be reconciled to assure that surface leaks are not double counted.”&lt;/i&gt;&lt;/p&gt; &lt;/td&gt; &lt;td&gt;Statements deleted from MRV.&lt;/td&gt; &lt;/tr&gt; &lt;tr&gt; &lt;td&gt;4.&lt;/td&gt; &lt;td&gt;8.1&lt;/td&gt; &lt;td&gt;35&lt;/td&gt; &lt;td&gt; &lt;p&gt;&lt;i&gt;“S&lt;sub&gt;R,P&lt;/sub&gt; = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into a site well in quarter p (standard cubic meters).”&lt;/i&gt;&lt;/p&gt; &lt;p&gt;Per 40 CFR 98.443(a)(2), this variable should be &lt;i&gt;“S&lt;sub&gt;r,p&lt;/sub&gt; = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into your well in quarter p (standard cubic meters).”&lt;/i&gt; Equations and variables cannot be modified from the regulations. Please revise this section and ensure that all equations listed are consistent with the text in 40 CFR 98.443.&lt;/p&gt; &lt;/td&gt; &lt;td&gt;Change R to r.&lt;/td&gt; &lt;/tr&gt; &lt;/tbody&gt; &lt;/table&gt; &lt;/div&gt; &lt;div data-bbox="> <p>2</p> </a></b></p>	

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6.	8.5	38	<p>“Q<sub>p,w</sub> = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for meter w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).”</p> <p>“CCO<sub>2,p,w</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for meter w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).”</p> <p>Per 40 CFR 98.443(d)(2), this variable should be, “Q<sub>p,w</sub> = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for separator w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).” and “CCO<sub>2,p,w</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for separator w in quarter p (vol. Percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction)”. Equations and variables cannot be modified from the regulations. Please revise this section of the MRV plan and ensure that all equations listed are consistent with the text in 40 CFR 98.443.”</p>	Corrected separator to meter.
7.	8.6	39	<p>“CO<sub>2p</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) in oil in the reporting year.”</p> <p>Per 40 CFR 98.443(f)(1), this variable should be “CO<sub>2p</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) in the reporting year.” Equations and variables cannot be modified from the regulations. Please revise this section and ensure that all equations listed are consistent with the text in 40 CFR 98.443.</p>	Inserted “in oil”.



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## 1 Introduction

CapturePoint LLC operates a carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) enhanced oil recovery (EOR) project in the Wellman Field (WF) located in Terry County, Texas, approximately 10 miles southwest of the town of Brownfield for the primary purpose of EOR using CO<sub>2</sub> with a subsidiary purpose of geologic sequestration of CO<sub>2</sub> in a subsurface geologic formation. The WF is comprised of the Wolfcamp Reef (WLFRRF), the main producing reservoir. Production from the WLFRRF is between 9,200-10,000 feet throughout the well-defined reef. The MRV plan was developed in accordance with 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) to provide for the monitoring, reporting, and verification of the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered at the WF during a specified period of injection.

## 2 Facility Information

### 2.1 Reporter Number

544182 – WF

### 2.2 UIC Permit Class

The Oil and Gas Division of the Texas Railroad Commission (TRRC) regulates oil and gas activity in Texas. All wells in the WF (including production, injection, and monitoring wells) are permitted by TRRC through Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Title 16 Chapter 3. TRRC has primacy to implement the Underground Injection Control Class II program in the state for injection wells. All EOR injection wells in the WF are currently classified as UIC Class II wells.

### 2.3 Existing Wells

Wells in the WF are identified by Wellman Unit (WU) and their number, American Petroleum Institute (API) number, type, and status. The list of wells as of March 2023 is included in Section 12.1. Any changes in wells will be indicated in the annual report.

## 3 Project Description

This project takes place in the WF, an oil field located in West Texas that was first produced more than 70 years ago. WF is comprised of the WLFRRF. The WLFRRF is the main oil and gas producing unit, which is now under the sole operatorship of CapturePoint LLC. Water flooding was initiated in 1979 with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding beginning in 1983, in the WLFRRF. The field is well characterized and is suitable for secure geologic storage. CapturePoint uses a continuous injection process to maintain a constant reservoir pressure. This is achieved with an injection to withdrawal ratio (IWR) at or near 1.

### 3.1 Project Characteristics

The WF was discovered in 1950 and started producing oil in the same year. The WLFRRF began to produce in May 1950 and a waterflood was initiated in July 1979 in the flanks of the reef to push the oil column up towards the top of the structure. CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was then initiated in 1983 and was injected into the top of the structure for vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding. The entire reef is an oil-bearing zone that has been produced for years, swept by a waterflood, and is now CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the

top down for residual oil. This geologically well-defined reef system is an attractive target for EOR with CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Sequestration.

A long-term CO<sub>2</sub> and hydrocarbon injection and production forecast for the WLFRF was developed using a dimensionless performance curve (DPC) approach. Using this approach, a total injection of approximately 100 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> is forecasted over the life of the project ending in year 2061. Total injection is the volumes of stored CO<sub>2</sub> plus the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> produced with oil. Figure 3-1 shows actual and projected CO<sub>2</sub> injection, production, and stored volumes in WF.

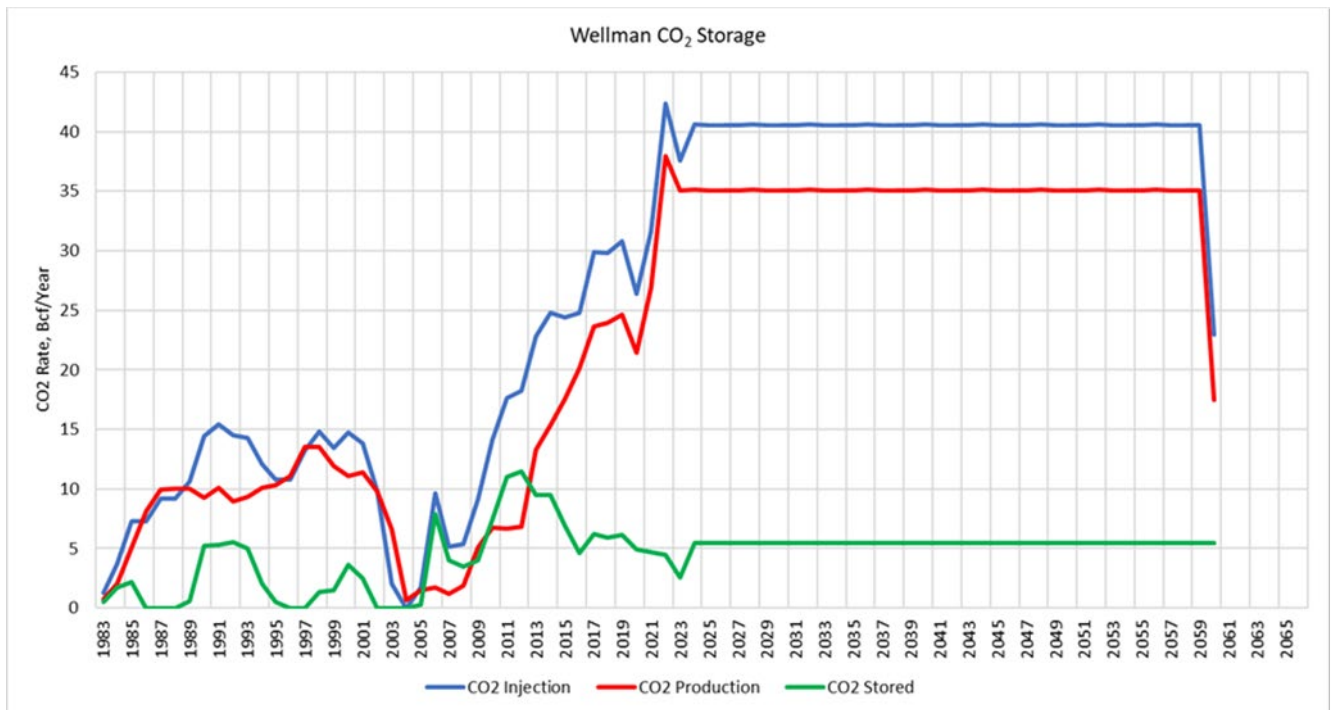
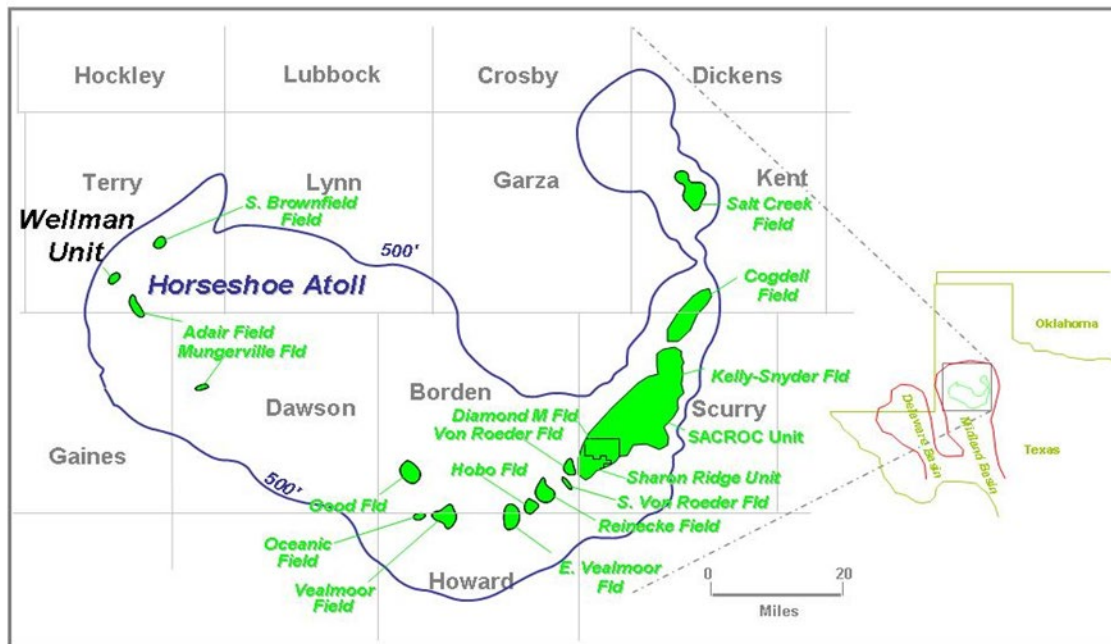


Figure 3-1 WF Historic and Forecast CO<sub>2</sub> Injection, Production, and Storage

### 3.2 Environmental Setting

The WF is in the NE portion of the Central Basin Platform in West Texas (See Figure 3-2). The productive portion of the WF is composed of the WLFRF.



**Modified from Vest, 1970**

*Figure 3-2 Location of WF in West Texas*

The WLFRRF was developed on the far north-western edge of a larger Pennsylvanian reef trend known as the Horseshoe Atoll. The environment of deposition was shallow muddy (turbid) water with encroaching shales at the flank and eventually buried by terrigenous sediments (shales, siltstones, sands). Those sediments finally drowned out the reef and now form the primary seal for the reservoir. The structure is pinnacle reef like with two smaller bioherm buildups creating an overall structure oriented in a north to south direction (See Figure 3-4).

By the time the reef was deposited, the sinking of the Horseshoe Atoll was well underway, leaving a great deal of vertical accommodation space. As a result, the reef is steep-sided and slumping of the outer edges of the reef is common, as is mixing of the reef-slump (limestone) debris with shale from the overlying seal (Anderson, 1953). The peak of the reservoir occurs at approximately -5,900'SS and plunges below the original oil / water contact at -6,680'SS inside the boundaries of the Wellman Unit. Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formations, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval here is informally called the "Spraberry Group." The Spraberry Group forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastic rock above the reservoir (See Figure 3-3).

# WELLMAN FIELD TYPE LOG & GENERALIZED STRATIGRAPHIC SECTION

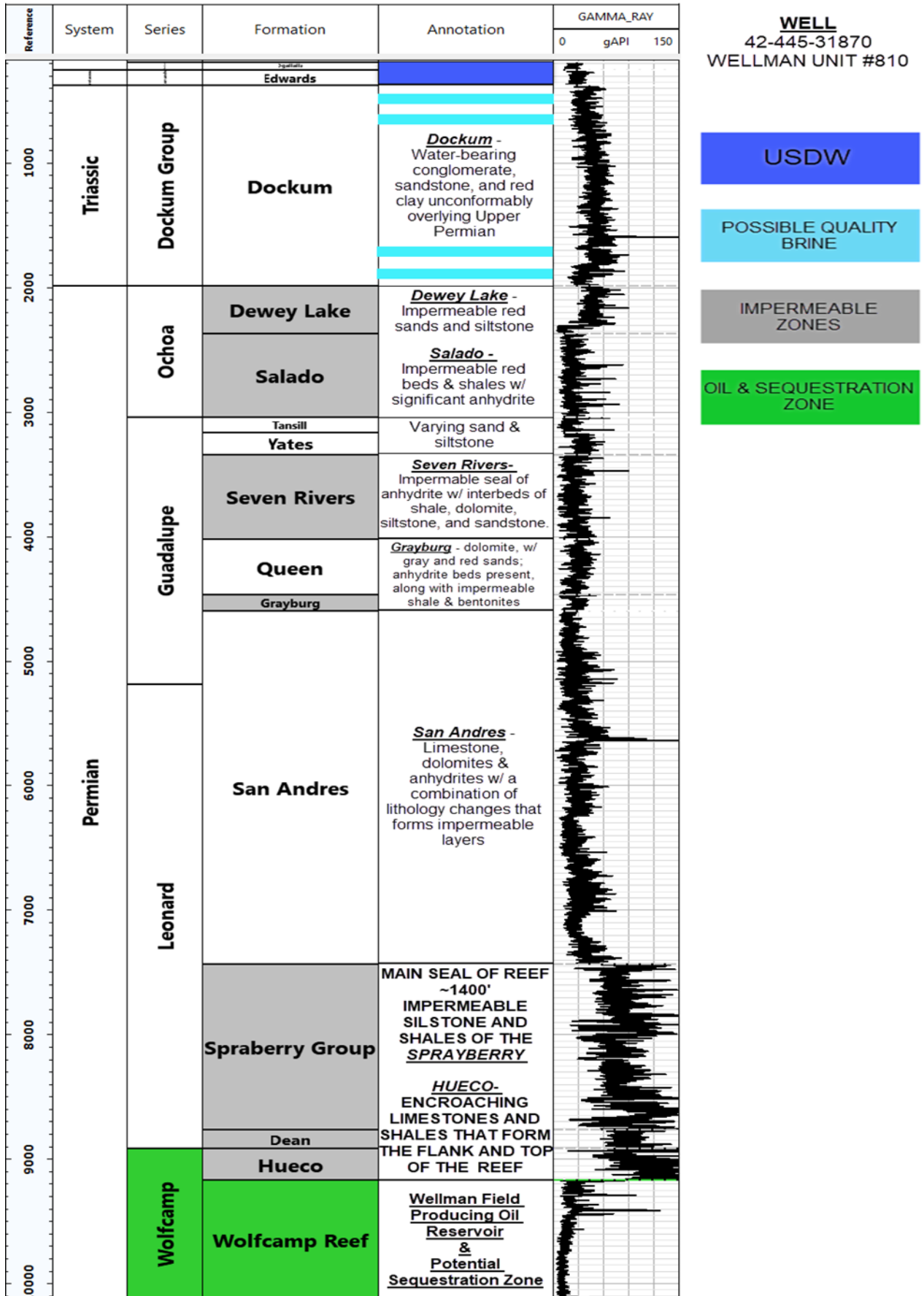


Figure 3-3 WF generalized stratigraphic section.

## Wellman Field Stratigraphy

The Wellman Field produces from a Wolfcampian aged 299-280 million years ago (299-280 mya) limestone biohermal type reef. It was deposited on an isolated platform on the Pennsylvanian (320-299 mya) structure called the Horseshoe Atoll. The Horseshoe atoll is composed of bedded bioclastic limestone and limestone detritus that accumulated in the interior part of a developing intracratonic basin during late Paleozoic (355-280 mya) time. The reef environment was established early in the basin history and endured because of the lack of a significant terrigenous clastic source to fill the basin interior. Mixed types of bioclastic debris accumulated cyclically and the upper level of the reef complex was maintained near sea level as the basin subsided. About 1,800 ft of limestone accumulated during the Pennsylvanian (355-299 mya), with a primary dip as great as 8 percent that developed along the margins of the atoll. During early Permian time (299-280 mya) the reef was restricted to the southwest side of the atoll where more than 1,100 ft of additional limestone accumulated before death of the reef. The Horseshoe Atoll encompasses all or portions of 14 counties (Terry, Lynn, Garza, Kent, Scurry, Mitchell, Howard, Borden, Dawson, Gaines, Martin, Lubbock, Crosby, and Dickens); an area of approximately 8,100 square miles. The Wellman field is a pinnacle reef on the southwestern arm of the Horseshoe Atoll.

The following is a description of each formation in ascending order (Figure 3-3). All the formations are Permian (299-245 mya) in age through the Dewey Lake formation. The Dockum Group is Triassic (245-202 mya) in age and the Edwards and Ogalala are Late Tertiary (6-3 mya).

### *Wolfcamp Reef*

The Wolfcampian (299-280 mya) Wolfcamp Reef is a fusulinid-algal packstone with vuggy and moldic porosity. With increasing depth, brachiopods, other bivalves, and crinoids are present. Bioturbation and some brecciated zones occur along with low amplitude stylolites.

### *Hueco Formation*

The Late Wolfcampian (285-280 myo) Hueco Formation consists of interbedded limestones, sandstones, and shales. They interfinger to form the flank and caprock of the reef. Early deposition was almost exclusively shales and limestones. Influxes of clastics started with subsidence of the basin.

### *Dean*

The Leonardian (280-279 mya) Dean Formation is a thin very fine-grained sandstone that grades upwards into laminated siltstones containing silty, bioturbated, mudstones.

### *Spraberry Group*

The Early Leonardian (~281-278 mya) Spraberry Group consists of predominately silty mudstones and clay-rich siltstones with interfingering of sands and limestones. The siltstones and mudstones were deposited on a high stand carbonate ramp. During low sea level, the eolian sandstones increased when the shelf was exposed. It is fine-grained, low permeability with some bioturbation and organic rich shales. The sandstones are turbidites and channel deposits. The carbonates display turbidite with slump and debris flow characteristics.



### *San Andres*

The Upper Leonardian - Lower Guadalupian (278-267 mya) San Andres Formation is predominantly dolomite with considerable amounts of anhydrite in the upper 300 feet. The depositional environment of the San Andres was shallow lagoon and sabkha complexes with an upward-shoaling, prograding-aggrading sequences.

### *Grayburg*

The Guadalupian (267 mya) Grayburg Formation is a mixed carbonate-siliciclastic composite sequence with evaporites and halites deposited in a sabkha and tidal flat environment. The San Andres and Grayburg are frequently grouped together as they have similar depositional environments.

### *Queen*

The Guadalupian (266-265 mya) Queen Formation is interbedded with siliclastic, carbonate mudstones, and evaporites. They were deposited in a fluvial depositional environment. Sandstones of the Queen formation are often reservoirs in the Permian basin.

### *Seven Rivers*

The Guadalupian (265-262 mya) Seven Rivers Formation is composed of cyclically interbedded mudstones, salt, anhydrite, and dolomite.

### *Yates*

The Guadalupian (262-261 mya) Yates Formation consists of sandstone, siltstone, and anhydrite. The sandstone is fine to very fine grained and contains scattered large rounded, frosted quartz grains.

### *Tansill*

The Guadalupian (261-260 mya) Tansill Formation consists of interbedded salts and anhydrite.

### *Salado*

The Ochoan (260-250 mya) Salado Formation is the dominant halite-bearing unit of the Midland Basin. The anhydrite contained in this formation represents the most-flooded, least-restricted conditions over the evaporite shelf where wind, storm, and seasonal circulation was adequate to maintain gypsum deposition. Overlying anhydrite beds contain halite, polyhalite, and mudstone beds.

### *Dewey Lake*

The Ochoan (250-245 mya) Dewey Lake Formation contains orange-red, fine to very fine-grained sandstones and siltstones with anhydrite and gypsum cements.

### *Dockum*

The Triassic (245-208 mya) Dockum Group consists mainly of terrigenous clastic red beds, mudstones and siltstones to conglomerates recording a change from the sabkha environments of Permian time to the humid continental environments of Triassic time.

There is an unconformity between the Dockum Group and the Edwards of approximately 98 million years. This was due to either non-deposition or uplift and erosion.

#### *Edwards*

The Cretaceous (142-68 mya) Edwards is a fine- to coarse-grained, thick-bedded to massive, light gray to grayish yellow limestone with abundant rudistids.

There is an unconformity between the Edwards and the Ogallala of approximately 45 million years.

#### *Ogallala*

The Miocene-Pliocene (23-2.5 mya) Ogallala Formation consists of gravel, sand, and finer grained clastic that were deposited in fluvial and upland eolian settings. Caliche and ash beds can also be found in the Ogallala.

The Ogallala and Edwards are USDWs in the Wellman Field.

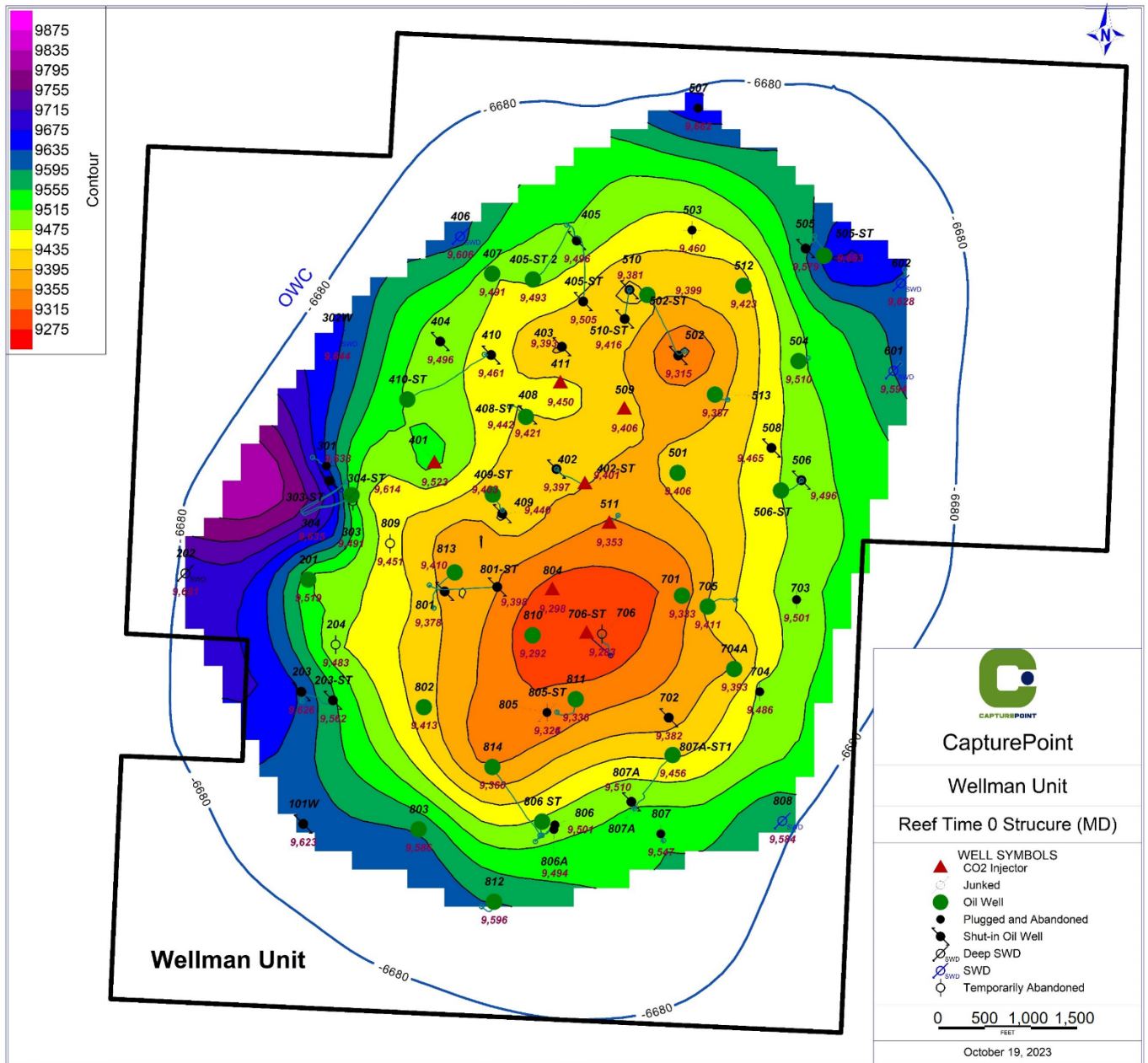


Figure 3-4 Local Area Structure on Top of the Wolfcamp Reef

Once the CO<sub>2</sub> flood is complete and injection ceases, the remaining mobile CO<sub>2</sub> will rise slowly upward, driven by buoyancy forces. There is more than enough pore space to sequester the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> planned for injection. The amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected will not exceed the reservoir's secure storage capacity and, consequently, the risk that CO<sub>2</sub> could migrate to other reservoirs in the basin is negligible.

The volume of CO<sub>2</sub> storage is based on the estimated total pore space within WLFRRF. The total pore space within WF, from the top of the reservoir down to the base of the WLFRRF, is calculated to be 304.5 million reservoir barrels (RB). This is the volume of rock multiplied by porosity. Table 3-1 below shows the conversion of this amount of pore space into an estimated maximum volume of approximately 551 Billion Cubic Feet (BCF) (29 million tonnes) of CO<sub>2</sub> storage in the reservoir at original reservoir pressure conditions of 4100 psi. Based on the current project

forecast, CO<sub>2</sub> will occupy only 66% (364 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity by the year 2060. CO<sub>2</sub> currently occupies 29% (159 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity.

Table 3-1 Calculation of Maximum Volume of CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Capacity at WF

<b>Top of Main Pay to Original Oil/Water Contact</b>	
Variables	WF Outline in Figure 3-4
Pore Volume (RB)	304,516,542
BCO <sub>2</sub> (RB/MCF)	0.42
S <sub>wirr</sub>	0.15
S <sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub>	0.09
Max CO <sub>2</sub> (MCF)	551,029,933
Max CO <sub>2</sub> (BCF)	551

$$\text{Max CO}_2 = \text{Pore Volume} * (1 - S_{wirr} - S_{or CO_2}) / BCO_2$$

Where:

Max CO<sub>2</sub> = the maximum amount of storage capacity

Pore Volume = Total pore space in reservoir barrels (RB)

BCO<sub>2</sub> = the formation volume factor for CO<sub>2</sub>

S<sub>wirr</sub> = the irreducible water saturation

S<sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub> = the irreducible oil saturation

Reservoir management is employed on a constant basis to obtain the maximum possible economic recovery from a reservoir based on facts, information, and knowledge. As WF is a vertical displacement flood, long-term storage utilizes the natural buoyancy of CO<sub>2</sub> to oil and water, along with the existing reservoir seal, to contain the CO<sub>2</sub>. In this scenario, there is no lateral migration and injected fluids (CO<sub>2</sub>) will stay in the reservoir within the WF unit boundary and not move laterally to adjacent areas.

Given that in WF the confining zone has proved competent over millions of years, has remained intact with the current CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, and that the WF has ample storage capacity, there is confidence that stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained securely within the reservoir.

### 3.3 Description of CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR Project Facilities and the Injection Process

Figure 3-5 shows a simplified process flow diagram of the project facilities and equipment in WF. CO<sub>2</sub> is delivered to the WLFRRF via the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline network. CO<sub>2</sub> is supplied by anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> sources. Available amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> are drawn from an outside source pipeline based on contractual arrangements among suppliers of CO<sub>2</sub>, purchasers of CO<sub>2</sub>, and the pipeline operator. These amounts will vary over time and be added to the recycled CO<sub>2</sub> for injection into the reservoir.

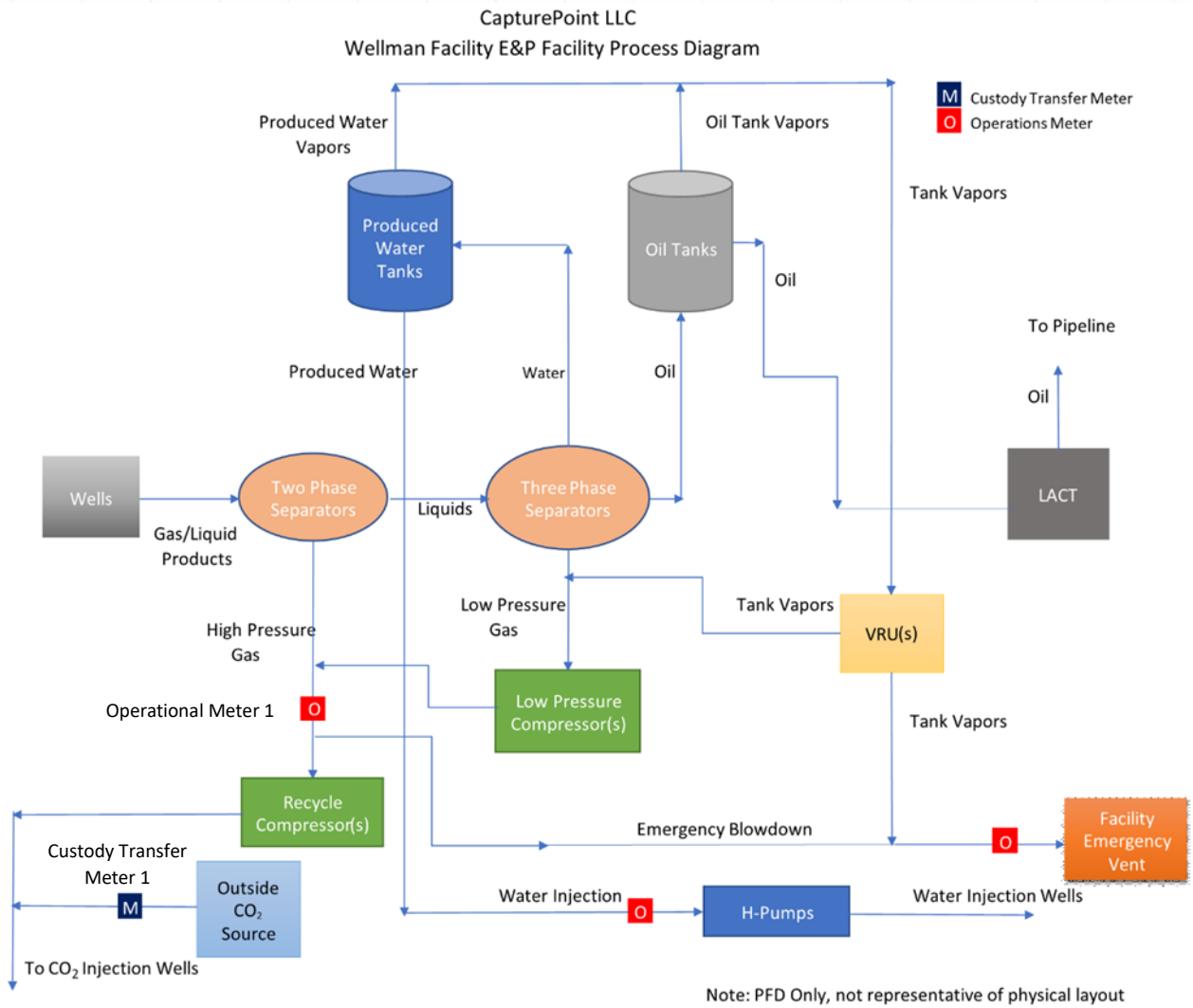


Figure 3-5 Wellman Process Flow Diagram

Once CO<sub>2</sub> enters the WLFRRF there are three main processes involved in EOR operations:

- i. CO<sub>2</sub> Distribution and Injection: The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received at WF is metered and calculated through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the pipeline delivery point. The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received is combined with recycled CO<sub>2</sub> / hydrocarbon gas mix from the recycle compression facility (RCF) and distributed to the wellheads for injection into the injection wells according to the injection plan for the reservoir. This is an EOR project and reservoir pressure must be maintained above minimum miscibility pressure. Therefore, injection pressure must be sufficiently high to allow injectants to enter the reservoir, but below formation parting pressure (FPP).
- ii. Produced Fluids Handling: Produced fluids from the production wells are a mixture of oil, hydrocarbon gas, water, CO<sub>2</sub>, and trace amounts of other constituents in the field including nitrogen and hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) as discussed in Section 7. The fluids are transported via flowlines to the Central Tank Battery (CTB) for separation into a gas/CO<sub>2</sub> mix and produced liquids that are a mix of water and oil, with entrained gas and CO<sub>2</sub>. The produced gas, which is composed primarily of CO<sub>2</sub> and minor hydrocarbons, is sent to the RCF for dehydration and recompression before reinjection into the reservoir. An operations meter at the RCF is used to determine the total volume of produced gas that is reinjected. The separated oil is metered through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the central tank battery and sold into a pipeline.
- iii. Water Treatment and Injection: Water is recovered for reuse and forwarded to the water injection station for reinjection or disposal.

### 3.3.1 Wells in the Wellman Field

The TRRC has broad authority over oil and gas operations including primacy to implement UIC Class II wells. The rules are found in TAC Title 16, Part 1, Chapter 3 and are also explained in a TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual (See Appendix 12-2). TRRC rules govern well siting, construction, operation, maintenance, and closure for all wells in oilfields.

Briefly, TRRC rules include the following requirements:

- Fluids must be constrained in the strata in which they are encountered,
- activities cannot result in the pollution of subsurface or surface water,
- wells must adhere to specified casing, cementing, drilling well control, and completion requirements designed to prevent fluids from moving from the strata that are encountered into other strata with oil and gas, or into subsurface and surface waters,
- completion report for each well including basic electric log (e.g., a density, sonic, or resistivity (except dip meter) log run over the entire wellbore) must be prepared,
- operators must follow plugging procedures that require advance approval from the TRRC Director and allow consideration of the suitability of the cement based on the use of the well, the location and setting of plugs; and,
- injection well operators must identify an Area of Review (AoR), use compatible materials and equipment, test, and maintain well records.

Table 3-2 provides a well count by type and status. All these wells are in material compliance with TRRC rules.

*Table 3-2 WF Well Penetrations by Type and Status*

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>ACTIVE</b>	<b>INACTIVE</b>	<b>P &amp; A</b>	<b>Total</b>
PROD_OIL	27	6	0	<b>33</b>
INJ_SW	6	0	0	<b>6</b>
INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	7	0	0	<b>7</b>
P&A	0	0	8	<b>8</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>54</b>

*PROD\_OIL = Production Wells*

*INJ\_SW = Saltwater disposal wells*

*INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells*

*P&A = Plugged and Abandoned wells.*

*(P&A for sidetracks are not included in the P&A count)*

WF CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations are designed to avoid conditions which could damage the reservoir and cause a potential leakage pathway. Reservoir pressure in the WF is managed by monitoring reservoir pressures and ensuring these remain constant. This is achieved by maintaining an IWR of approximately 1.

Injection pressure is also maintained below the FPP, which is measured using step-rate tests.

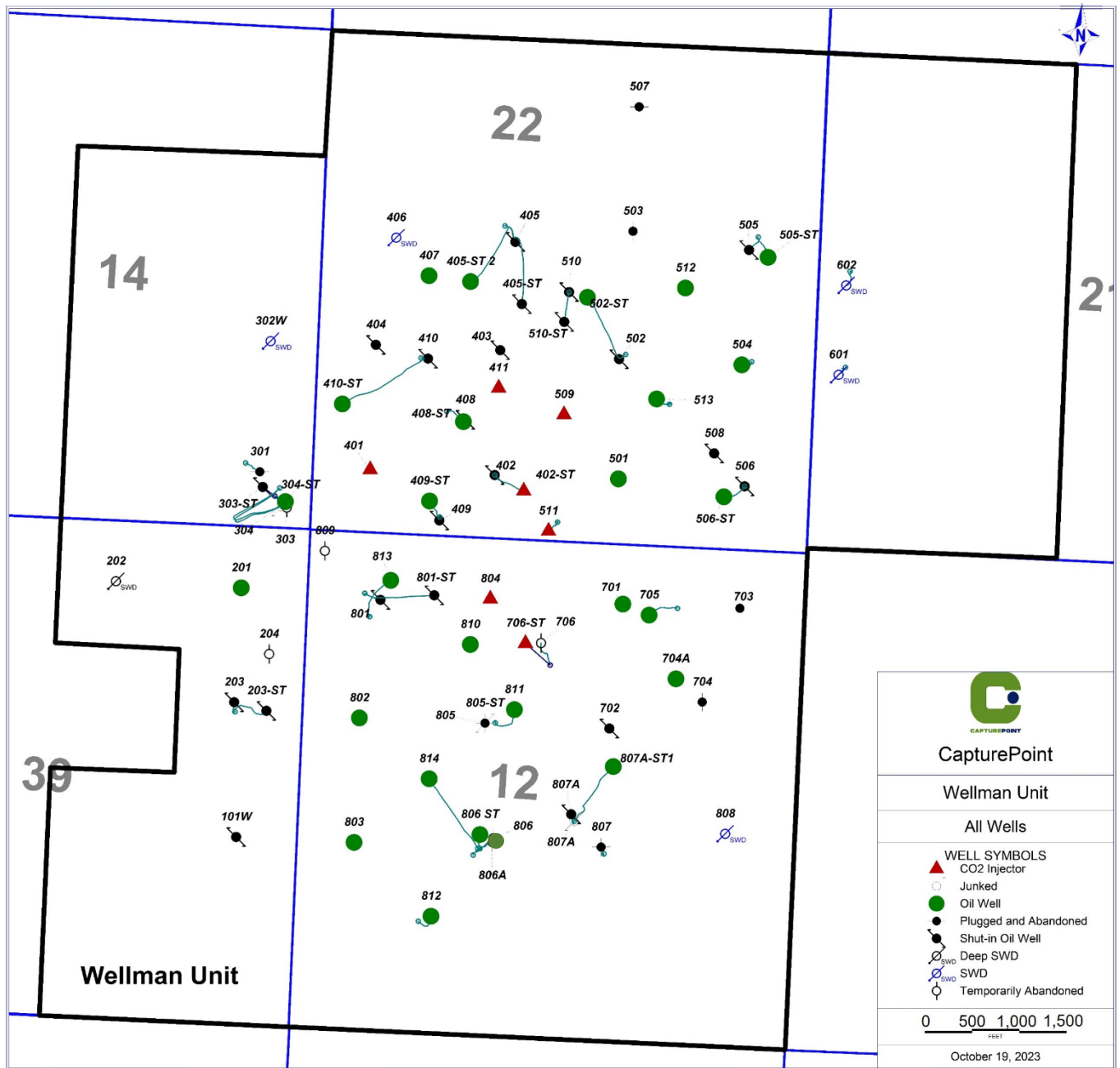


Figure 3-6 WF Wells and Injection Patterns

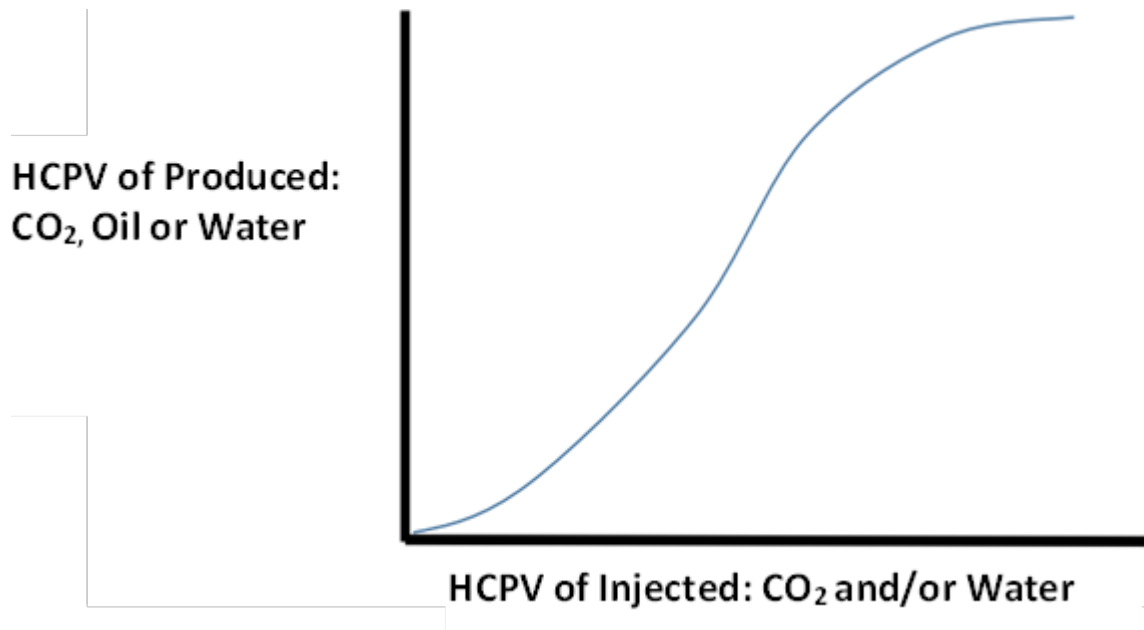
### 3.4 Reservoir Forecasting

DPCs derived from actual field performance were used to project CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR in the WF. Most DPCs are derived from geologic and reservoir models or actual field performance. In the WF case the DPC was derived from actual field performance in the WF. The WF has 40 years of actual CO<sub>2</sub> history which is more than enough data to develop a DPC to forecast reservoir performance. Initial oil recovery and CO<sub>2</sub> injection results were obtained from lab experiments performed with CO<sub>2</sub>. The DPC's project recoveries are close to what the lab experiments concluded.

A DPC is a plot where injection and production volumes for CO<sub>2</sub>, water, and hydrocarbon phases are normalized by dividing by Hydrocarbon Pore Volume (HCPV). See Figure 3-7. The



dimensioned projections for the oil, CO<sub>2</sub>, and water production are relative to the CO<sub>2</sub> and water injection and are calculated using the original oil in place of an area of interest.



*Figure 3-7 DPC plot*

The WF DPC was calculated from the cumulative production and injection using 40 years of WF history. This method allows you to use different field implementation speeds.

The DPCs are the basis for future reservoir performance prediction scenarios but are additionally a means of evaluating the reservoir process efficiencies. In a similar manner to history matching in reservoir simulation, deviations from the expected performance can indicate errors in the geologic model of the pore volume, growth of the CO<sub>2</sub> plume, or metering and production allocation errors.

## 4 Delineation of Monitoring Area and Timeframes

### 4.1 Active Monitoring Area

The Active Monitoring Area (AMA) is defined by a ½ mile buffer surrounding the WLFRRF storage area boundary (as indicated by the red dashed line on Figure 4-1) which serves to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally and allowing the plume to stabilize within the WLFRRF impermeable seal.

Figure 3-6 displays wells that have CO<sub>2</sub> retention on the 2,100 acres that have been under CO<sub>2</sub> injection since project initialization as well as SWD wells to support field operations. The CO<sub>2</sub> storage volumes were forecasted (Figure 3-1) using the DPC approach. This technique indicates that the flooded acreage still has significant additional storage potential. The maximum CO<sub>2</sub> storage (551 BCF) is limited to the amount of space available by the removal of the produced fluids. The projection indicates that there is pore space available to store approximately 0.66 decimal fraction of HCPV amount to 151.9 million RB (364 BCF).

The lateral extent of CO<sub>2</sub> in the injection zone or the CO<sub>2</sub> storage radius was estimated by calculating a storage radius based on the forecasted CO<sub>2</sub> volume of 364 BCF. Figure 4-1 shows the map of the storage area outline (dashed red line). This calculation showed approximately 1,043 acres would be needed to store 364 BCF. This is significantly less than the 2,100 acres in the WF outline. Therefore, the CO<sub>2</sub> plume would remain contained in the WF unit at the end of year 2066 (t+5).

### 4.2 Maximum Monitoring Area

The Maximum Monitoring Area (MMA) is defined as equal to or greater than the area expected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume until the CO<sub>2</sub> plume has stabilized plus an all-around buffer zone of at least one-half mile. The CO<sub>2</sub> plume will stabilize within the WLFRRF storage area boundary (as indicated by the red dashed line on Figure 4-1) which serves to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally beyond the reservoir's impermeable seal. In this instance the MMA is the same as the AMA. Since the MMA is depicted to be ½ mile beyond the stabilized plume boundary, the MMA meets the definition found in 40 CFR 98.449.

### 4.3 Monitoring Timeframes

The primary purpose for injecting CO<sub>2</sub> is to produce oil that would otherwise remain trapped in the reservoir and not, as in UIC Class VI, "specifically for the purpose of geologic storage."<sup>1</sup> During a Specified Period, there will be a subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term containment of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF. The Specified Period will be shorter than the period of production from the WF.

At the conclusion of the Specified Period, a request for discontinuation of reporting will be submitted. This request will be submitted with a demonstration that current monitoring and model(s) show that the cumulative mass of CO<sub>2</sub> reported as sequestered during the Specified Period is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage. It

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<sup>1</sup> EPA UIC Class VI rule, EPA 75 FR 77291, December 10, 2010, section 146.81(b).

is expected that it will be possible to make this demonstration after the Specified Period ends based upon monitoring data.

The reservoir pressure in the WF is collected for use in operations management. Reservoir pressure is not forecasted to change appreciably since the IWR will be maintained at approximately 1. Once injection ceases, reservoir pressure is predicted to stabilize within one year.

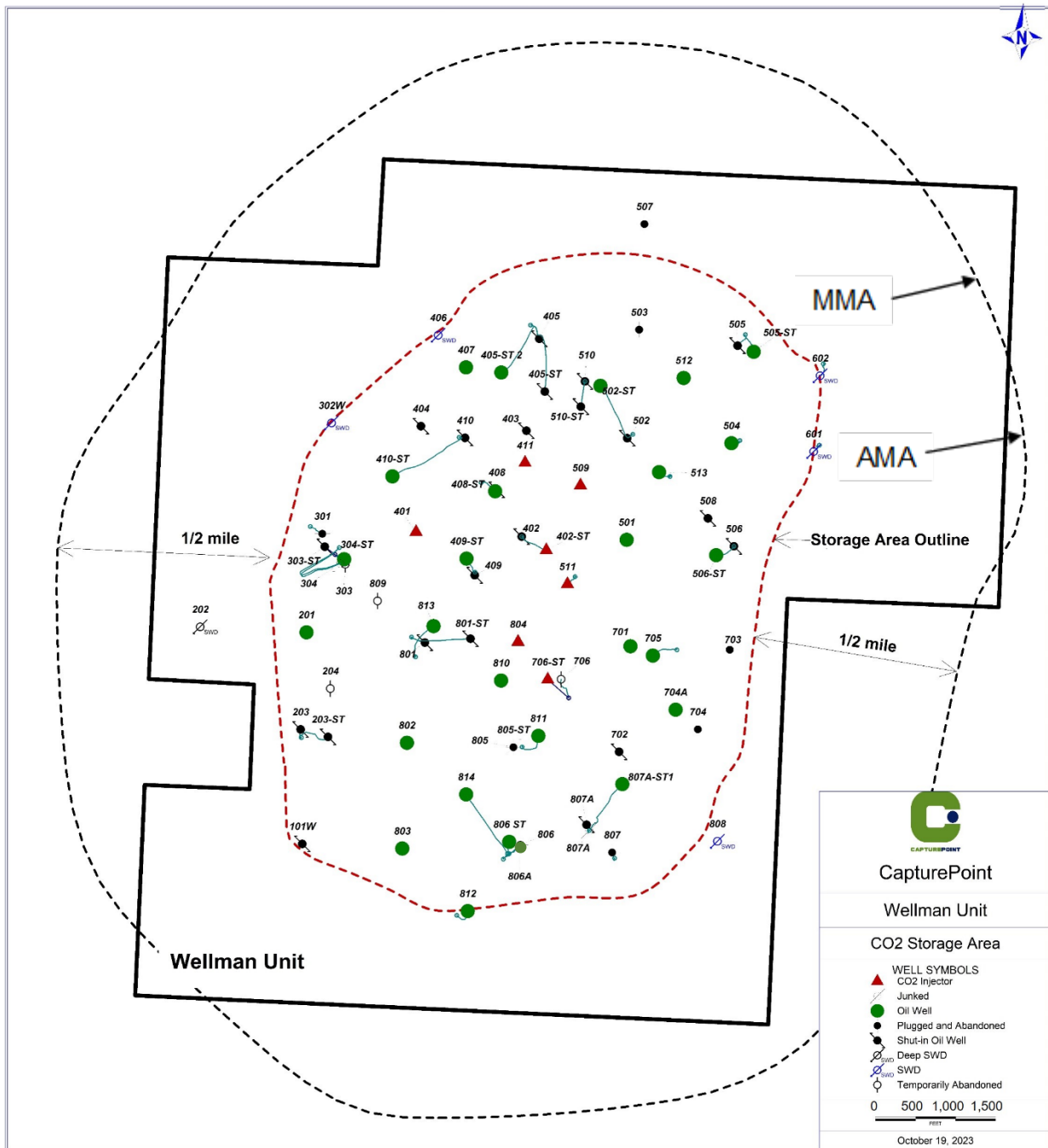


Figure 4-1 Projected CO<sub>2</sub> Storage area

## 5 Evaluation of Potential Pathways for Leakage to the Surface, Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

In the roughly 70 years since the Wellman oil field was discovered, the reservoir has been studied extensively. Based on the knowledge gained from that experience, this section assesses the potential pathways for leakage of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface including:

1. Existing Wells
2. Faults and Fractures
3. Natural and Induced Seismic Activity
4. Previous Operations
5. Pipeline/Surface Equipment
6. Lateral Migration Outside the WF
7. Drilling Through the CO<sub>2</sub> Area
8. Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal
9. Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

This analysis shows that leakage through wellbores and surface equipment pose the only meaningful potential leakage pathways. The monitoring program to detect and quantify leakage is based on this assessment as discussed below.

### 5.1 Existing Wells

As part of the TRRC requirement to initiate CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, an extensive review of all WF penetrations was completed to determine the need for corrective action. That analysis showed that all penetrations have either been adequately plugged and abandoned or, if in use, do not require corrective action. All wells in the WF were constructed and are operated in compliance with TRRC rules.

As part of routine risk management, the potential risk of leakage associated with the following were identified and evaluated:

- CO<sub>2</sub> flood electrical submersible pump (ESP) producing wells,
- CO<sub>2</sub> Flood flowing production wells, and
- CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells.

The risk assessment classified all risks associated with subsurface as low risk, i.e., less than 1% likelihood to occur and having a consequence that is insubstantial. The risks were classified as low risk because the WF geology is well suited to CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration with an extensive confining zone that is free of fractures and faults that could be potential conduits for CO<sub>2</sub> migration. Any risks are further mitigated because the WF is operated in a manner that maintains, monitors, and documents the integrity of the reservoir.

The risk of well leakage is mitigated through:

- Adhering to regulatory requirements for well drilling and testing,
- implementing best practices that CapturePoint has developed through its extensive operating experience,
- monitoring injection/production performance, wellbores, and the surface; and,
- maintaining surface equipment.

Continual and routine monitoring of the wellbores and site operations will be used to detect leaks or other potential well problems, as follows:

- Pressure in injection wells is monitored daily. The injection plans for each pattern are provided to field operations to govern the rate, pressure, and duration of either water or CO<sub>2</sub> injection. Leakage on the inside or outside of the injection wellbore would affect pressure and be detected through this approach. If such events occur, they would be investigated and addressed. CapturePoint's experience, from over 10 years of operating CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects, is that such leakage has not occurred.
- Production well performance is monitored using the production well test process conducted when produced fluids are gathered and sent to test vessels. There is a routine well testing cycle, with each well being tested approximately once every month. During this cycle, each production well is diverted to the well test equipment for a period sufficient to measure and sample produced fluids (generally 12-24 hours). These tests are the basis for allocating a portion of the produced fluids measured to each production well, assessing the composition of produced fluids by location, and assessing the performance of each well. Performance data are reviewed on a routine basis to ensure that CO<sub>2</sub> flooding efficiency is optimized. If production is different from the expected plan, it is investigated, and any identified issues addressed. Leakage to the outside of production wells is not considered a major risk because of the reduced pressure in the casing. All personnel are equipped with personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors. These personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are designed to detect leaked fluids around production wells during well and equipment inspections.
- Field inspections are conducted on a routine basis by field personnel. Leaking CO<sub>2</sub> is very cold and leads to the formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted. All field personnel are trained to identify leaking CO<sub>2</sub> and other potential problems at wellbores and in the field. Any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected will be documented, quantified, and reported.

Based on ongoing monitoring activities and review of the potential leakage risks posed by wellbores, it is concluded that the risk of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage through wellbores is being mitigated by detecting problems as they arise and quantifying any leakage that does occur. As mentioned before, leakage from wellbores is considered low but possible. It would most likely occur during the workover operations of installing the blowout preventer or wellhead. This release would be limited in nature to only a few MCF.

## 5.2 Faults and Fractures

After reviewing geologic, seismic, operating, and other evidence, it has been concluded that there are no known faults or fractures that transect the WLFRRF reservoir into overlying formations in the project area. There have not been any fracture treatments performed on WF wells and there are no future fracture treatments contemplated and thus induced fracture risk is eliminated. Seismic evaluation has eliminated the existence of faults. As a result, there is little to no risk (less than 1%) of leakage due to fractures or faults.

Measurements to determine FPP and reservoir pressure are routinely updated. This information is used to manage injection patterns so that the injection pressure will not exceed FPP. An IWR at or near 1 is also maintained based on consistent reservoir pressure measurements. Both activities mitigate the potential for inducing faults or fractures.

## 5.3 Natural and Induced Seismicity

After reviewing the literature<sup>2</sup> and actual operating experience, it is concluded that there is no direct evidence that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. There is no indication of seismic activity posing a risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface within the MMA. The TRRC approved injection pressures in the WF are maintained and monitored so that injection pressure is kept well below the TRRC approved injection pressures which are significantly below the fracture initiation pressure. This ensures that there will be no induced seismicity. Therefore, CapturePoint concludes that leakage of sequestered CO<sub>2</sub> through seismicity is unlikely.

To evaluate this potential risk at WF, CapturePoint has reviewed the nature and location of seismic events in West Texas. A review of the United States Geological Survey (USGS) database of recorded earthquakes of magnitude 1.0 or greater on the Richter Scale in the Permian Basin since 1956, indicates very little seismic activity with a magnitude 2.5 earthquake 38 miles to the south of the WF.

The concern about induced seismicity is that it could lead to fractures in the seal providing a pathway for CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. CapturePoint is not aware of any reported loss of injectant (brine water or CO<sub>2</sub>) to the surface associated with any seismic activity. There is no direct evidence to suggest that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. If induced seismicity resulted in a pathway for material amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> to migrate from the injection zone, other reservoir fluid monitoring provisions (e.g., reservoir pressure, well pressure, and pattern monitoring) would detect the migration and lead to further investigation. CapturePoint monitors the USGS earthquake monitoring Geological Information System site<sup>3</sup> for seismic signals that could indicate the creation of potential leakage pathways in the WF.

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<sup>2</sup> Frohlich, Cliff (2012) "Induced or Triggered Earthquakes in Texas: Assessment of Current Knowledge and Suggestions for Future Research", Final Technical Report, Institute for Geophysics, University of Texas at Austin, Office of Sponsored Research.

<sup>3</sup> <https://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/map/>

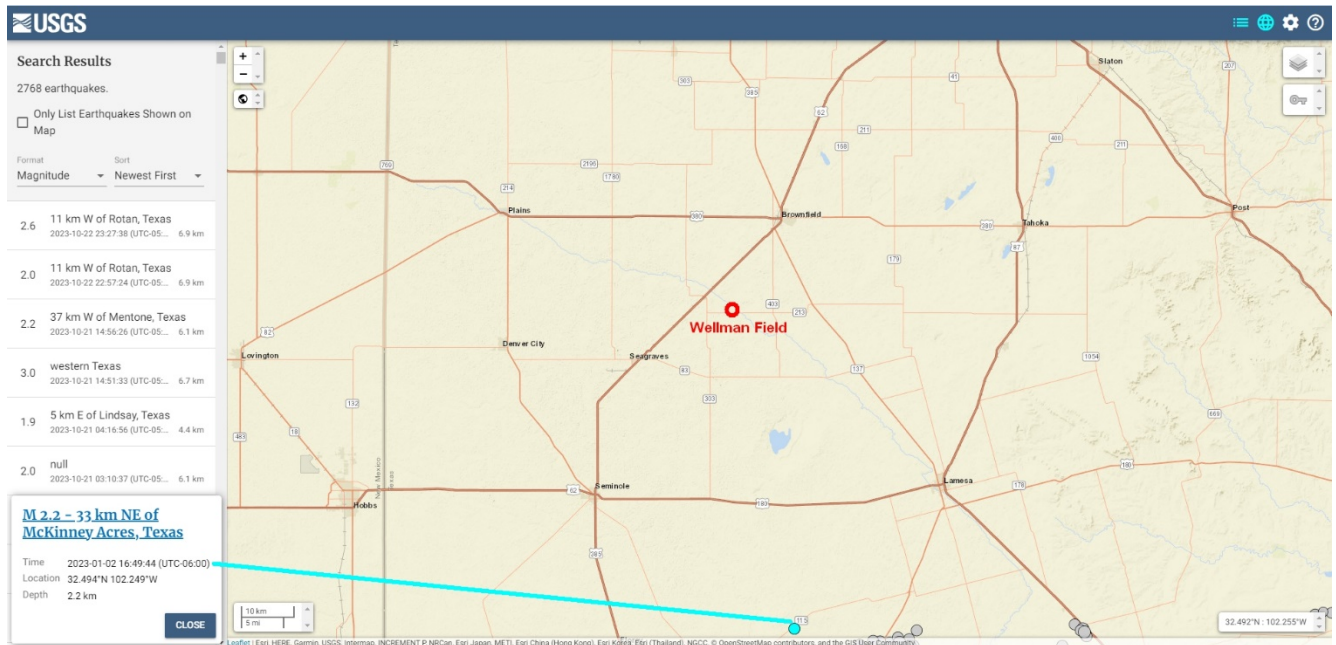


Figure 5-1 USGS earthquakes (+0.5 magnitude) for last 53 years)

## 5.4 Previous Operations

CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was initiated in WF in 1983. To obtain permits for CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, the AoR around all CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells was evaluated to determine if there were any unknown penetrations and to assess if corrective action was required at any wells. As indicated in Section 5.9, this evaluation reviewed the identified penetrations and determined that no additional corrective action was needed. Further, CapturePoint's standard practice for drilling new wells includes a rigorous review of nearby wells to ensure that drilling will not cause damage to or interfere with existing wells. Additionally, requirements to construct wells with materials that are designed for CO<sub>2</sub> injection are adhered to at WF. These practices ensure that there are no unknown wells within WF and that the risk of migration from older wells has been sufficiently mitigated. The wells were designed to prevent migration from the injection interval to the surface through the casing and cement placed in the well. Mechanical integrity tests (MIT), required under TAC Rule §3.46 [40 CFR §146.23 (b)(3)], will take place every five years to verify that the well and wellhead can contain the appropriate operating pressures. If an MIT were to indicate a leak, the well would be isolated, and the leak mitigated to prevent leakage of the injectate to the atmosphere. The successful experience with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding in WF demonstrates that the confining zone has not been impaired by previous operations. As evidenced by the 40 years of CO<sub>2</sub> injection without leakage previous operations do not present a risk of leakage to the atmosphere. Well construction requirements all but eliminate this leakage potential. If leakage were to occur, well intervention methods would address the failure in a matter of hours to days limiting the volume of leakage to a range of a few MCF to a few MMCF. Based on this history of no leakage events and well construction requirements, the likelihood is less than 1% and the magnitude would be low with a timely response and remediation.

## 5.5 Pipelines and Surface Equipment

Damage to or failure of pipelines and surface equipment can result in unplanned losses of CO<sub>2</sub>. CapturePoint anticipates that the use of prevailing design, construction practices, and compliance with applicable laws will reduce to the maximum extent possible, the risk of unplanned leakage from surface facilities. The facilities and pipelines currently utilize, and will continue to utilize, materials of construction and control processes that are standard for CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects in the oil and gas industry. Operating and maintenance practices currently follow, and will continue to follow, demonstrated industry standards. Field personnel are trained to look for and report potential leaks from pipeline and surface equipment as part of their routine activities. All equipment is designed with isolation valving to reduce the leakage from any failed equipment resulting in the potential leakage limited from the MCF to hundreds of MCF range. The Facility Emergency Vent is included in the surface equipment. It is a planned relief system that has the potential to release unplanned CO<sub>2</sub>. That volume is measured by an operations meter and recorded for reporting purposes. Should leakage be detected from pipeline or surface equipment, the volume of released CO<sub>2</sub> will be quantified following the requirements of Subpart W of Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program (GHGRP). The magnitude of these releases is usually small within only a few MCF as they are easily identified and isolated. Because of materials selection, the risk is once again low and CapturePoint concludes that leakage of CO<sub>2</sub> through the surface equipment is unlikely.

## 5.6 Lateral Migration Outside the Wellman Field

It is highly unlikely that injected CO<sub>2</sub> will migrate downdip and laterally outside the WF because of the nature of the geology and the approach used for injection. The reef is completely encased with impermeable sediments, which is what created such a defined reservoir that trapped oil over millions of years. With water flooding from the edges, combined with vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the top of the reef, the CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained to the upper portions of the reef (See Figure 5-2). Finally, the total volume of fluids contained in the WF will stay relatively constant. Based on site characterization along with the planned and projected operations, it is estimated that the total volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be considerably less than the calculated capacity. Based on the above statement, the storage capacity down to the spill-point is greater than the stored volume, so no CO<sub>2</sub> would be leaked laterally.

## 5.7 Drilling in the Wellman Field

The TRRC regulates well drilling activity in Texas. Pursuant to TRRC rules, wells casing shall be securely anchored in the hole in order to effectively control the well at all times, all usable-quality water zones shall be isolated and sealed off to effectively prevent contamination or harm, and all productive zones, potential flow zones, and zones with corrosive formation fluids shall be isolated and sealed off to prevent vertical migration of fluids, including gases, behind the casing. Where TRRC rules do not detail specific methods to achieve these objectives, operators shall make every effort to follow the intent of the section, using good engineering practices and the best currently available technology (TAC Title 16 Part1 Chapter 3 Rule §3.13). The TRRC requires applications and approvals before a well is drilled, recompleted, or reentered. Well drilling



activity at WF is conducted in accordance with TRRC rules. CapturePoint's visual inspection process, including routine site visits, will identify unapproved drilling activity in the WF. Leakage during drilling operations is unlikely but possible. It would occur when reservoir pressure is high. Drilling mud weight is designed to control that leakage therefore making the potential very low with volumes leaked kept at low levels.

In addition, CapturePoint intends to operate WF for several more years and will continue to be vigilant about protecting the integrity of its assets and maximizing the potential of its resources, including oil, gas, and CO<sub>2</sub>. Consequently, as CapturePoint owns the rights at all depths, the risks associated with third parties penetrating the WF are negligible.

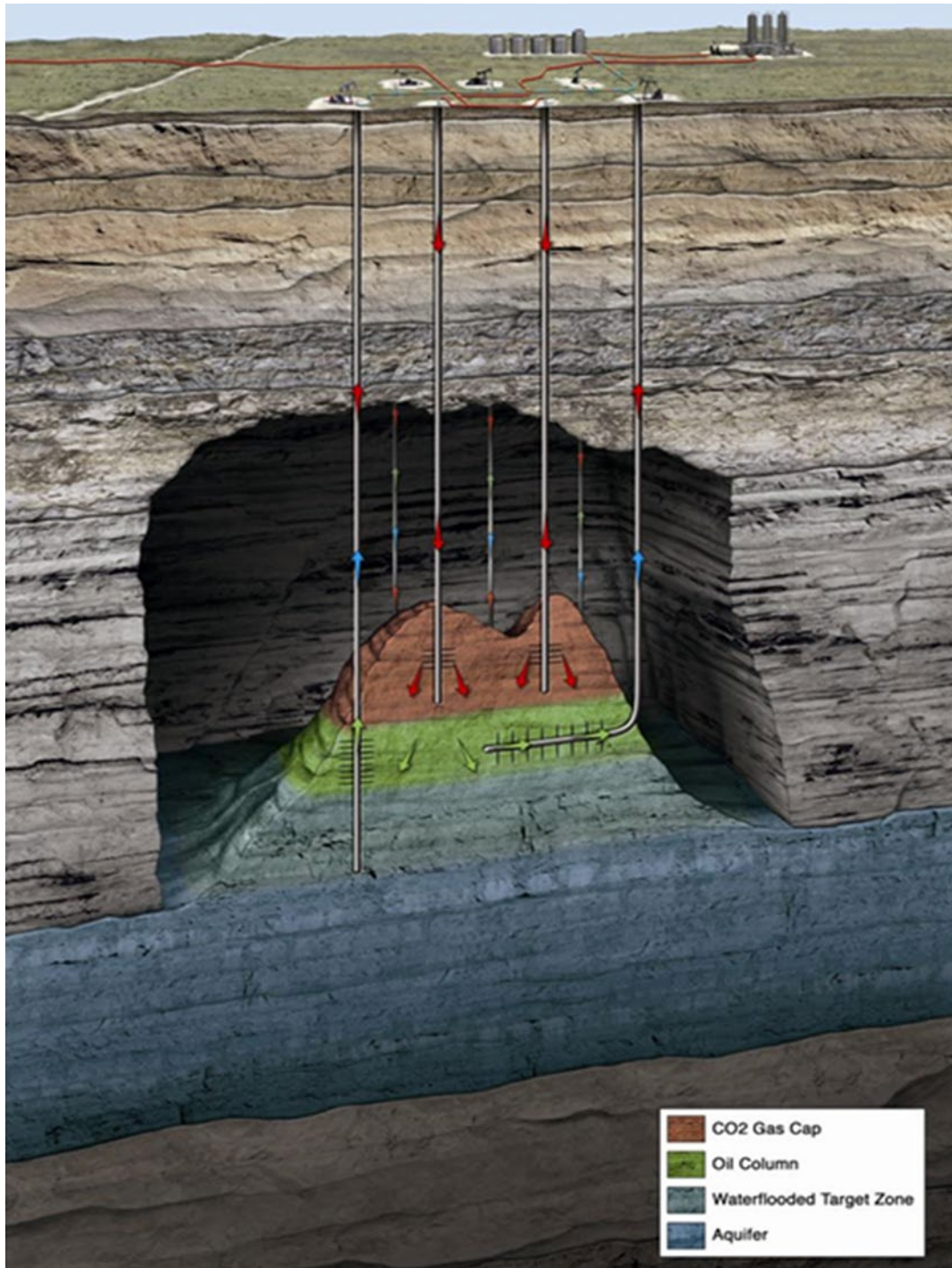


Figure 5-2 Schematic of WF vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flood

## 5.8 Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal

Diffuse leakage through the seal formed by the upper Wolfcamp is highly unlikely. There are several sections above the reservoir that are impermeable and serve as reliable barriers to prevent fluids from moving upwards towards the surface. These barriers are referred to as seals because they effectively seal fluids within the formations beneath them. As mentioned in Section

3.2, “Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formation, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval is informally called the “Spraberry Series.” The Spraberry Series forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastics above the reservoir.”

Our injection monitoring program assures that no breach of the seal will be created. The seal is highly impermeable. Wellbores that penetrate the seal make use of cement and steel construction that is closely regulated to ensure that no leakage takes place. Injection pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in injection pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause. The potential for leakage again is very low (less than 1%) the magnitude of which would be in the several MCF range into other formations but not to the surface.

## 5.9 Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

As discussed above, the potential sources of leakage include issues, such as problems with surface equipment (pumps, valves, etc.) or subsurface equipment (wellbores), and unique events such as induced fractures. An event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage is used. Table 5.1 summarizes some of these potential leakage scenarios, the monitoring activities designed to detect those leaks, the standard response, and other applicable regulatory programs requiring similar reporting.

Given the uncertainty concerning the nature and characteristics of any leaks that may be encountered, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> will be determined on a case-by-case basis. In the event leakage occurs, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume leaked will be determined and it will be reported as required as part of the annual Subpart RR submission. The potential quantification methods may include, but are not limited to:

- For leakage through wellbores, continuous SCADA monitoring data provide the basis to determine duration and the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> loss;
- For leakage from surface equipment and pipelines, continuous SCADA monitoring data and acceptable emission factors, such as those in 40 CFR Part §98 Subpart W, provide the basis to determine duration and the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> loss;
- For leakage related to the competency of the confining layer, reservoir modeling and engineering estimates provide the basis for determining the amount of any CO<sub>2</sub> losses.

Any volume of CO<sub>2</sub> detected leaking to surface will be quantified using acceptable emission factors such as those found in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W or engineering estimates of leak amounts based on measurements in the subsurface, field experience, and other factors such as the frequency of inspection. Leaks will be documented, evaluated, and addressed in a timely manner.

In the unlikely event that CO<sub>2</sub> was released because of surface leakage, the mass emitted would be calculated for each surface pathway according to methods outlined in the plan and totaled using Equation RR-10 as follows:

$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^X CO_{2x} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

Where:

$CO_{2E}$  = Total annual  $CO_2$  mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year

$CO_{2,x}$  = Annual  $CO_2$  mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year

X = Leakage pathway

Calculation methods using equations from subpart W will be used to calculate  $CO_2$  emissions due to any surface leakage between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead. Records of leakage events will be retained in the electronic environmental documentation and reporting system. The Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot.

*Table 5-1 Response Plan for  $CO_2$  Loss*

<b>Risk</b>	<b>Monitoring Plan</b>	<b>Response Plan</b>
Tubing Leak	Monitor changes in tubing and annulus pressures;	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Casing Leak	Routine Field inspection; Monitor changes in annulus pressure, MIT for injectors; extra attention to high-risk wells	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Wellhead Leak	Routine Field inspection, SCADA system monitors wellhead pressure	The well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Loss of Bottom-hole pressure control	Blowout during well operations	Maintain well kill procedures. Magnitude would be millions of cubic feet.
Unplanned wells drilled through WLFRRF	Routine Field inspection to prevent unapproved drilling; compliance with TRRC permitting for planned wells.	Assure compliance with TRRC regulations is maintained.
Diffuse leakage through the seal	Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Conduct an injection radioactive tracer survey. If verified, the well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Loss of seal in abandoned wells	Routine field inspections of abandoned well locations	Re-enter and reseal abandoned wells. Magnitude could be millions of cubic feet.
Pumps, valves, etc.	Routine Field inspection, Monitor SCADA	Repair crews respond within hours to days. Magnitude could be thousands of cubic feet.
Overfill beyond spill points	Monitor reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure discovered in new wells	Fluid management along into the reservoir by reduction of injection. This reservoir is a well-defined tank. Volumetric evaluation will direct fluid volume injection.
Leakage through induced fractures	Monitor reservoir pressure in injector headers; Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause. High pressure discovered in new wells	Comply with TRRC approved injection pressures below parting pressure.

Leakage due to seismic event	Reservoir pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in reservoir pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Shut in injectors near seismic event. Inject water near seismic event to stop leakage.
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## 5.10 Summary

The structure and stratigraphy of the WLFRR reservoir in the WF is ideally suited for the injection and storage of CO<sub>2</sub>. The carbonate reef within the CO<sub>2</sub> injection zones is porous, permeable, and thick, providing ample capacity for long-term CO<sub>2</sub> storage. The reservoir is overlain by several intervals of impermeable geologic zones that form effective seals or “caps” to fluids in the reservoir.

In summary, based on a careful assessment of the potential risk of release of CO<sub>2</sub> from the subsurface, it has been determined that there are no leakage pathways at the WF that are likely to result in significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the atmosphere. Further, given the detailed knowledge of the field and its operating protocols, it is concluded that any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface that could arise through either identified or unexpected leakage pathways would be detected and quantified as required by 40 CFR 98.448.

## 6 Monitoring and Considerations for Calculating Site Specific Variables

Monitoring will also be used to determine the quantities in the mass balance equation and to make the demonstration that the CO<sub>2</sub> plume will not migrate to the surface after the time of discontinuation.

### 6.1 For the Mass Balance Equation

#### 6.1.1 General Monitoring Procedures

Flow rate, pressure, and gas composition data are monitored and collected from the WF in centralized data management systems as part of ongoing operations. This data is monitored by qualified technicians who follow response and reporting protocols when the systems deliver notifications that data exceed statistically acceptable boundaries.

Metering protocols used at WF follow the prevailing industry standard(s) for custody transfer as currently promulgated by the API, the American Gas Association, and the Gas Processors Association, as appropriate. This approach is consistent with EPA GHGRP’s Subpart RR, section §98.444(e)(3). These meters will be maintained routinely, operated continually, and will feed data directly to the centralized data collection systems. The meters meet the industry standard for custody transfer meter accuracy and calibration frequency.

#### 6.1.2 CO<sub>2</sub> Received

As indicated in Figure 3-5, the volume of received CO<sub>2</sub> is measured using a commercial custody transfer meter at the point at which custody of the CO<sub>2</sub> from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system is transferred to the WF. This meter measures flow rate continually. The transfer is a commercial transaction that is documented. CO<sub>2</sub> composition is governed by contract and the gas is routinely sampled. Fluid composition will be determined, at a minimum, quarterly,

consistent with EPA GHGRP's Subpart RR, section §98.447(a). All meter and composition data are documented, and records will be retained for at least three years. No CO<sub>2</sub> is received in containers.

### 6.1.3 CO<sub>2</sub> Injected in the Subsurface

Injected CO<sub>2</sub> will be calculated using the flow meter volumes at the operations meter at the outlet of the central tank battery separators less vent and equipment losses plus, the custody transfer meter at the CO<sub>2</sub> off-take point from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system.

### 6.1.4 CO<sub>2</sub> Produced, Entrained in Products, and Recycled

The following measurements are used for the mass balance equations in Section 8:

- CO<sub>2</sub> produced in the gaseous stage is calculated using the volumetric flow meters at central production battery. These meters are located immediately downstream of the separation facilities.
- CO<sub>2</sub> that is entrained in produced oil, as indicated in Figure 3-5, is calculated using volumetric flow through the custody transfer meter and annual analysis of CO<sub>2</sub> content in the oil which has typically 0.3797 volume percent (1.2692 Mol%).
- Recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is calculated using the volumetric flow meter at the outlet of the central production battery separators feeding the inlet of the RCF, which is an operations meter. Only gaseous CO<sub>2</sub> flows through this meter.

### 6.1.5 CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Surface Leakage

CapturePoint uses 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W to estimate surface leaks from equipment at the WF. Subpart W uses a factor-driven approach to estimate equipment leakage. In addition, an event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is used. The Subpart W report and results from any event-driven quantification will be reconciled to assure that surface leaks are not double counted.

In accordance with §98.444(d), CP uses Equation RR-10 in §98.443 to calculate and report the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage from WF. In accordance with §98.443(f)(2), CP will separately calculate and report CO<sub>2FI</sub> and CO<sub>2E</sub> emissions.

The multi-layered and risk-based monitoring program for event-driven incidents has been designed to meet two objectives: 1) to detect problems before CO<sub>2</sub> leaks to the surface; and 2) to detect and quantify any leaks that do occur. This section discusses how this monitoring will be conducted and used to quantify the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked to the surface.

#### **Monitoring for Potential Leakage from the Injection/Production Zone**

In addition to the measures discussed in Section 5.9, both injection into and production from the reservoir will be monitored as a means of early identification of potential anomalies that could indicate leakage from the subsurface.

Injection plans (fluid rate, pressure, volume) are given to operations on a weekly basis. If injection pressure or rate measurements are outside the specified set points determined as part of each

pattern injection plan, reservoir engineering will notify field personnel and they will investigate and resolve the problem. These excursions will be reviewed by well management personnel to determine if CO<sub>2</sub> leakage may be occurring. Excursions are not necessarily indicators of leaks; they simply indicate that injection rates and pressures are not conforming to the pattern injection plan. In many cases, problems are straightforward to fix (e.g., a meter needs to be recalibrated or some other minor action is required), and there is no threat of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. In the case of issues that are not readily resolved, a more detailed investigation and response would be initiated, and support staff would provide additional assistance and evaluation.

Likewise, a forecast of the rate and composition of produced fluids is developed. Each producer well is assigned to a specific test vessel and is isolated during each cycle for a well production test. This data is reviewed on a periodic basis to confirm that production is at the level forecasted. If there is a significant deviation from the plan, well management personnel investigate. If the issue cannot be resolved quickly, a more detailed investigation and response would be initiated. If leakage in the flood zone were detected, an appropriate method would be used to quantify the involved volume of CO<sub>2</sub>. This might include use of material balance equations based on known injected quantities and monitored pressures in the injection zone to estimate the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> involved.

A subsurface leak might not lead to a surface leak. In the event of a subsurface leak, CapturePoint would determine the appropriate approach for tracking subsurface leakage to determine and quantify leakage to the surface. To quantify leakage, the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be estimated to quantify the leak volume. Depending on specific circumstances, these determinations may rely on engineering estimates.

In the event leakage from the subsurface occurred diffusely through the seals, the leaked gas would include H<sub>2</sub>S, which would trigger the alarm on the personal monitors worn by field personnel. Such a diffuse leak from the subsurface has not occurred in the WF. In the event such a leak was detected, personnel would determine how to address the problem. The personnel might use modeling, engineering estimates, and direct measurements to assess, address, and quantify the leakage.

### **Monitoring of Wellbores**

WF wells are monitored through daily pressure monitoring of the injection zone, monitoring of the annular pressure in wellheads, and routine maintenance and inspection.

Leaks from wellbores would be detected through the follow-up investigation of pressure anomalies, visual inspection, or the use of personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors.

Anomalies in injection zone pressure may not indicate a leak, as discussed above. However, if an investigation leads to a need for further study, field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. If it is a simple matter, the repair would be made, and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repair were needed, the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined.

Anomalies in annular pressure or other issues detected during routine maintenance inspections would be treated in the same way. Field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. For simple matters the repair would be made at the time of inspection and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repairs were needed, the well would be shut in, a work order would be generated and the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined. The work order would serve as the basis for tracking the event for GHGRP.

Because leaking CO<sub>2</sub> at the surface is very cold and leads to formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted, a visual inspection process in the WF area is employed to detect unexpected releases from wellbores. Field personnel visit the surface facilities on a routine basis. Inspections may include tank levels, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, and valves. Field personnel also observe the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks.

Finally, the H<sub>2</sub>S monitors, which are always worn by all field personnel are used as a last method to detect leakage from wellbores. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitor detects concentrations greater than 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the first response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of the alarm. As noted previously, H<sub>2</sub>S is considered a proxy for potential gas leaks including CO<sub>2</sub> in the field. Currently the concentration of H<sub>2</sub>S in the recycled or produced gas is approximately 130 ppm while in the produced fluid the concentration is 77 ppm making leak detection viable. Thus, detected H<sub>2</sub>S leaks will be investigated to quantify the potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage source and quantities.

#### **Other Potential Leakage at the Surface**

The same visual inspection process and H<sub>2</sub>S monitoring system will be used to detect other potential leakage at the surface as it does for leakage from wellbores. Routine visual inspections are used to detect significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface. Field personnel routinely visit surface facilities to conduct a visual inspection. Inspections may include review of tank level, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, valves, and conducting a general observation of the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks. If problems are detected, field personnel would investigate, and complete any maintenance that is required. In addition to these visual inspections, the results of the personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors worn by field personnel will be used as a supplement for smaller leaks that may escape visual detection.

If CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is detected, it will be reported to surface operations personnel who will review the reports and conduct a site investigation. If maintenance is required, steps are taken to prevent further leaks.

#### **6.1.6 CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the injection flow meter and the injection wellhead**

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from injection equipment and the CO<sub>2</sub> content of any vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.



### 6.1.7 CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the production flow meter and the production wellhead

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from production equipment and the CO<sub>2</sub> content of produced oil, and any vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

## 6.2 To Demonstrate that Injected CO<sub>2</sub> is not Expected to Migrate to the Surface

At the end of the Specified Period, injecting CO<sub>2</sub> for the subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term storage of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF will cease. Sometime after the end of the Specified Period, a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting will be submitted. The request will demonstrate that the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> reported under 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage.

At that time, the request will be supported with years of data collected during the Specified Period. This demonstration will provide the information necessary for the EPA Administrator to approve the request to discontinue monitoring and reporting and may include, but is not limited to:

- Data comparing actual performance to predicted performance (purchase, injection, production) over the monitoring period,
- An assessment of the CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected, including the discussion of the estimated amount of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked and the distribution of emissions by leakage pathway,
- A demonstration that future operations will not release the volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface,
- A demonstration that there has been no significant leakage of CO<sub>2</sub>; and,
- An evaluation of the reservoir pressure demonstrates that injected fluids are not expected to migrate in a manner to create a potential leakage pathway.

## 7 Determination of Baselines

Ongoing operational monitoring has provided data for establishing baselines and will be utilized to identify and investigate excursions from expected performance that could indicate CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Data systems are used primarily for operational control and monitoring, which are set to capture more information than is necessary for reporting in the Annual Subpart RR Report. The necessary system guidelines to capture the information that is relevant to identify possible CO<sub>2</sub> leakage will be developed. The following describes the approach to collecting this information.

### Visual Inspections

As field operators conduct routine inspections and repairs, the Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot. Examples include occurrences of well workover or repair, as well as visual identification of vapor clouds or ice formations. Each incident will be flagged for review by the person responsible for MRV documentation (the responsible party will be provided in the monitoring plan, as required under Subpart A, §98.3(g)).

The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information used to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Personal H<sub>2</sub>S Monitors**

H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are worn by all field personnel. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitors detect concentrations of H<sub>2</sub>S up to 500 ppm in 0.1 ppm increments and will sound an alarm if the detection limit exceeds 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the immediate response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of persistent alarms. CapturePoint considers H<sub>2</sub>S to be a proxy for potential CO<sub>2</sub> leaks in the field. The person responsible for MRV documentation will receive notice of all incidents where H<sub>2</sub>S is confirmed to be present. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from any such incidents. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Injection Rates, Pressures and Volumes**

Target injection rate and pressure for each injector are developed within the permitted limits based on the results of ongoing pattern balancing. The injection targets are submitted to field operations. Field operations flags whenever statistically significant deviations from the targeted ranges are identified. The set points are designed to be conservative, because it is preferable to have too many flags rather than too few. As a result, flags can occur frequently and are often found to be insignificant. For purposes of Subpart RR reporting, flags (or excursions) will be screened to determine if they could also lead to CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. The person responsible for the MRV documentation will receive notice of excursions. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Production Volumes and Compositions**

A general forecast of production volumes and composition is developed which is used to periodically evaluate performance, refine current and projected injection plans, and the forecast. This information is used to make operational decisions but is not recorded in an automated data system. The MRV plan implementation lead will review the data and identify those that could result in CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Should such events occur, leakage volumes would be calculated following the approaches described in Sections 5 and 6. Impact to Subpart RR reporting will be addressed, if deemed necessary.

## **8 Determination of Sequestration Volumes Using Mass Balance Equations**

This section describes how CP uses the equations in Subpart RR §98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received using equations RR-2 and RR-3, the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> injected using equations RR-5 and RR-6, the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> produced using equations RR-8 and RR-9, the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Surface Leakage using equation RR-10, and the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered using equation RR-11.

### **8.1 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received**

Equation RR-2 will be used as indicated in Subpart RR §98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> at the receiving custody transfer meter from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system. The volumetric

flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine mass.

The Mass of the CO<sub>2</sub> Received will be determined using Equation RR-2 as follows:

$$CO_{2T,r} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,r} - S_{r,p}) * D * C_{CO_2,p,r} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-2})$$

where:

CO<sub>2T,r</sub> = Net annual mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received through flow meter r (metric tons).

Q<sub>r,p</sub> = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

S<sub>r,p</sub> = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into a site well in quarter p (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub>,p,r</sub> = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter r in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

r = Receiving flow meters.

Given WF's method of receiving CO<sub>2</sub> and requirements at Subpart RR §98.444(a):

- All delivery to the WF is used within the unit so no quarterly flow redelivered, and S<sub>r,p</sub> will be zero ("0").
- Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurements.

## 8.2 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface

The equation for calculating the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface at the WF is equal to the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received as calculated in RR-2 of §98.443 (section 8.1 above) and the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled calculated using measurements taken from the flow meter located directly downstream of the separation facilities (see Figure 3-5).

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled will be determined using equations RR-5 as follows:

$$CO_{2,u} = \sum_{p=1}^4 Q_{p,u} * D * C_{CO_2,p,u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-5})$$

where:

CO<sub>2,u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass recycled (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

Q<sub>p,u</sub> = Quarterly volumetric flow rate measurement for flow meter u in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters per quarter).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub>,p,u</sub> = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter u in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

u = Flow meter.

The total Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received (RR-2) and Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled (RR-5).

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be determined using equations RR-6 as follows:

$$CO_{2i} = \sum_{u=1}^U CO_{2u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-6})$$

where:

CO<sub>2i</sub>. = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) through all injection wells.

CO<sub>2u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

u = Flow meter.

### 8.3 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced

In accordance with §98.443, Equation RR-8 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced at the flow meter (Operational Meter 1) on Figure 3-5, as described in Section 6.1.4. Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurement database. The volumetric flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine net Annual Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received.

$$CO_{2w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,w}) * D * C_{CO_2,p,w} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

Where:

$CO_{2w}$  = Annual  $CO_2$  mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.

$Q_{p,w}$  = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for separator w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of  $CO_2$  at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

$CCO_{2,p,w}$  =  $CO_2$  concentration measurement in flow for separator w in quarter p (vol. percent  $CO_2$ , expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

w = Separator.

For Equation RR-9 in §98.443 the variable X will be measured as follows:

$$CO_{2P} = (1 + X) * \sum_{w=1}^W CO_{2,w} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-9})$$

Where:

$CO_{2P}$  = Total annual  $CO_2$  mass produced (metric tons) through all separators in the reporting year.

$CO_{2,w}$  = Annual  $CO_2$  produced (metric tons) through all separators in the reporting year.

X = Entrained  $CO_2$  in produced oil or other fluid divided by the  $CO_2$  separated through all separators in the reporting year (weight percent  $CO_2$ , expressed as a decimal fraction)

w = Separator

## 8.4 Mass of $CO_2$ Emitted by Surface Leakage

Surface Leakage will be calculated and reported using an approach that is tailored to specific leakage events including calculation methodologies in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W for emissions and leaks from equipment. CapturePoint is prepared to address the potential for leakage in a variety of settings. Estimates of the amount of  $CO_2$  leaked to the surface will depend on several site-specific factors including measurements, engineering estimates, and emission factors, depending on the source and nature of the leakage.

The process for quantifying leakage will entail using the best engineering principles or emission factors. While it is not possible to predict in advance the types of leaks that will occur, some approaches for quantification are described in Sections 5.9 and 6. In the event leakage to the surface occurs, leakage amounts would be quantified and reported, and records that describe the methods used to estimate or measure the volume leaked as reported in the Annual Subpart RR Report would be retained. Further, the Subpart W report and results from any event-driven quantification will be reconciled to assure that surface leaks are not double counted.

Equation RR-10 in §98.443 will be used to calculate and report the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage:

$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^X CO_{2,x} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

Where:

- CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year
- CO<sub>2,x</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year
- X = Leakage pathway

## 8.5 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Facility Emergency Vent

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by the Emergency Vent at the WF will be calculated using the measurements from the flow meter at the vent. That volume will be added to CO<sub>2FI</sub> which is the total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

Equation RR-8 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted through the emergency vent as follows:

$$CO_{2w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,w}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,w}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

Where:

- CO<sub>2w</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.
- Q<sub>p,w</sub> = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for meter w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).
- D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.
- CCO<sub>2,p,w</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for meter w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- p = Quarter of the year.
- w = Separator

## 8.6 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered and Reported in Subsurface Geologic Formation

Equation RR-11 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered and Reported in Subsurface Geologic Formations in the Reporting Year as follows:

$$\text{CO}_2 = \text{CO}_{2\text{I}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{P}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{E}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{FI}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{FP}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-11})$$

where:

CO<sub>2</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass sequestered in subsurface geologic formations (metric tons) at the facility in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2I</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) in the well or group of wells covered by this source category in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2P</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) in oil in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) by surface leakage in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2FI</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

CO<sub>2FP</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

## 9 MRV Plan Implementation Schedule

This MRV plan will be implemented starting October 2023 or within 90 days of EPA approval, whichever occurs later. Other GHGRP reports are filed on March 31 of the year after the reporting year, and it is anticipated that the Annual Subpart RR Report will be filed at the same time. It is anticipated that the MRV plan will be in effect during the Specified Period, during which time the WF will be operated with the subsidiary purpose of establishing long-term containment of a measurable quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> in subsurface geological formations at the WF. It is anticipated to establish that a measurable amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected during the Specified Period will be stored in a manner not expected to migrate resulting in future surface leakage. At such time, a demonstration supporting the long-term containment determination will be prepared and a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting under this MRV plan will be submitted. See 40 C.F.R. §98.441(b)(2)(ii).

## 10 Quality Assurance (QA) Program

### 10.1 QA Procedures

The requirements of §98.444 (a) – (d) have been incorporated in the discussion of mass balance equations. These include the following provisions.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Received and Injected**

- The quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received by pipeline is measured at the receiving custody transfer meters.
- The quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> flow rate for recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is measured at the flow meter located at the RCF outlet.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Produced**

- The point of measurement for the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from oil or other fluid production wells is a flow meter directly downstream of each separator that sends a stream of gas into a recycle or end use system.
- The produced gas stream is sampled annually downstream of the flow meter used to measure flow rate of that gas stream and measure the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of the sample.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Equipment Leaks and Vented Emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>**

These volumes are measured in conformance with the monitoring and QA requirements specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98.

#### **Flow Meter Provisions**

The flow meters used to generate data for the mass balance equations are:

- Operated continuously except as necessary for maintenance and calibration.
- Operated using the calibration and accuracy requirements in 40 CFR §98.3(i).
- Operated in conformance with API standards.
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) traceable.

#### **Concentration of CO<sub>2</sub>**

CO<sub>2</sub> concentration is measured using an appropriate standard method. Further, all measured volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> have been converted to standard cubic meters at a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and at an absolute pressure of 1 atmosphere, including those used in Equations RR-2, RR-5, and RR-8 in Section 8.



## 10.2 Missing Data Procedures

In the event data needed for the mass balance calculations cannot be collected, procedures for estimating missing data in §98.445 will be used as follows:

- A quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative flow rate value from the previous measured period.
- A quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of a CO<sub>2</sub> stream received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative concentration value from the previous measured period.
- A quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected from the previous measured period at a similar injection pressure.
- For any values associated with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment at the facility that are reported in this subpart, missing data estimation procedures specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98 would be followed.
- The quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from subsurface geologic formations that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from the previous measured period.

## 10.3 MRV Plan Revisions

In the event there is a material change to the monitoring and/or operational parameters of the CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations in the WF that is not anticipated in this MRV plan, the MRV plan will be revised and submitted to the EPA Administrator within 180 days as required in §98.448(d).

## 11 Records Retention

The record retention requirements specified by §98.3(g) will be followed. In addition, the requirements in Subpart RR §98.447 will be met by maintaining the following records for at least three years:

- Quarterly records of CO<sub>2</sub> received at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of produced CO<sub>2</sub>, including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of injected CO<sub>2</sub> including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by surface leakage from leakage pathways.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity.

This data will be collected as generated and aggregated as required for reporting purposes.

## 12 Appendix

### 12.1 Well Identification Numbers

The following table presents the well name, API number, type, and status for active wells in the WF as of March 2023. The table is subject to change over time as new wells are drilled, existing wells change status, or existing wells are repurposed.

The following terms are used:

Well Type:

- PROD\_OIL refers to wells that produce oil.
- INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> refers to wells that inject CO<sub>2</sub>.
- INJ\_SWD refers to wells that inject water for disposal.
- P&A refers to plugged and abandoned wells.

Well Status:

- ACTIVE refers to active wells.
- INACTIVE refers to wells that have been completed but are not in use.
- SHUT\_IN refers to wells that have been temporarily idled or shut in.
- TEMP\_AB refers to wells that have been temporarily abandoned.

Table 12-1 Well Status Table

Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 101W	4244500076	INJ_SWD	SHUT_IN
WU 201	4244500072	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 202	4244500073	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 203	4244500074	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 203-ST	424450007401	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 204	4244530234	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 301	4244500575	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 302W	4244500576	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 303	4244530070	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 303-ST	4216533912	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 304	4244532434	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 304-ST	424453243401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 401	4244500083	INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	ACTIVE
WU 402	4244500084	P&A	INACTIVE
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WU 411	4244531858	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
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WU 601	4244500569	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
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WU 812	4244532435	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 813	4244532446	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
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Regulations cited in this plan:

- TAC Title 16 Part 1 Chapter 3 Oil & Gas Division

[https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y)

- TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual

<https://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-and-gas/publications-and-notices/manuals/injection-storage-manual/>

## 12.3 Abbreviations and Acronyms

AMA - Active Monitoring Area

API - American Petroleum Institute

AoR - Area of Review

Bcf – 1 Billion Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

CO<sub>2</sub> - Carbon Dioxide

CTB – Central Tank Battery

DPC - Dimensionless Performance Curve

EPA - Environmental Protection Agency

EOR - Enhanced Oil Recovery

ESP - Electrical Submersible Pump

FPP - Formation Parting Pressure (psi)

GHGRP - Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program

H<sub>2</sub>S – Hydrogen Sulfide

HCPV - Hydrocarbon Pore Volume

IWR - Injection to Withdrawal Ratio

MMA - Maximum Monitoring Area

MRV Plan - Monitoring, Reporting and Verification Plan

MCF – 1 Thousand Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

MIT – Mechanical Integrity Test

MMCF – 1 Million Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

NIST - National Institute of Standards and Technology

QA – Quality Assurance

RB - Reservoir Barrels

RCF - Recycle Compression Facility

TAC - Texas Administrative Code

TRRC - Texas Railroad Commission - Oil and Gas Division

USGS - United States Geological Survey

UIC – Underground Injection Control

WF – Wellman Field

WLFRRF – Wolfcamp Reef

## 12.4 Conversion Factors

CapturePoint reports CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions of temperature and pressure as defined in the State of Texas in the Texas Administrative Code for the Oil and Gas Division, Rule 3.79 as follows:

Cubic foot of gas or standard cubic foot of gas--The volume of gas contained in one cubic foot of space at a standard pressure base and at a standard temperature base. The standard pressure base shall be 14.65 pounds per square inch absolute, and the standard temperature base shall be 60 degrees Fahrenheit.

To calculate CO<sub>2</sub> mass from CO<sub>2</sub> volume, EPA recommends using the database of thermodynamic properties developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). This online database is available at:

<https://webbook.nist.gov/chemistry/fluid/>

It provides density of CO<sub>2</sub> using the Span and Wagner equation of state (EOS) at a wide range of temperature and pressures.

At State of Texas standard conditions, the Span and Wagner EOS gives a density of CO<sub>2</sub> of 0.002641684 lb-moles per cubic foot. Converting the CO<sub>2</sub> density in units of metric tonnes per cubic foot:

$$Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{MT}{ft^3} \right) = Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{lb - moles}{ft^3} \right) \times MW_{CO_2} \times \frac{1 MT}{2,204.62 lbs}$$

Where:

$Density_{CO_2} = \text{Density of CO}_2 \text{ in metric tonnes (MT) per cubic foot}$

$Density_{CO_2} = 0.002641684$

$MW_{CO_2} = 44.0095$

$Density_{CO_2} = 5.2734 \times 10^{-5} \frac{MT}{ft^3} \text{ or } 5.2734 \times 10^{-2} \frac{MT}{Mcf}$

The conversion factor  $5.2734 \times 10^{-2}$  MT/Mcf is used to convert CO<sub>2</sub> volumes in standard cubic feet to CO<sub>2</sub> mass in metric tonnes.

**Request for Additional Information: Wellman  
December 12, 2023**

Instructions: Please enter responses into this table and make corresponding revisions to the MRV Plan as necessary. Any long responses, references, or supplemental information may be attached to the end of the table as an appendix. This table may be uploaded to the Electronic Greenhouse Gas Reporting Tool (e-GGRT) in addition to any MRV Plan resubmissions.

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1.	3.3.1	15	Table 3-2 appears to have incorrect summations for total active and inactive wells. Please update the table to show the correct values.	Corrected totals.
2.	4.1	18	<p>Per 40 CFR 98.449, active monitoring area is defined as the area that will be monitored over a specific time interval from the first year of the period (n) to the last year in the period (t). The boundary of the active monitoring area is established by superimposing two areas:</p> <p>(1) The area projected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume at the end of year t, <b>plus an all-around buffer zone of one-half mile</b> or greater if known leakage pathways extend laterally more than one-half mile.</p> <p>(2) The area projected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume at the end of year t + 5.</p> <p>While the MRV plan identifies the AMA and Figure 4-1 shows the required ½ mile buffer, section 4.1 states, “<a href="#">The Active Monitoring Area (AMA) is defined by the WLFRF boundaries which serve to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally.</a>” Please update the section 4.1 text to reflect the ½ mile buffer and ensure it is consistent with the figure.</p>	<p>Updated text as stated below.</p> <p>The Active Monitoring Area (AMA) is defined by a ½ mile buffer surrounding the WLFRF storage area boundary (as indicated by the red dashed line on Figure 4-1) which serves to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally and allowing the plume to stabilize within the WLFRF impermeable seal.</p>



No.	MRV Plan		EPA Questions	Responses
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3.	4.2	18	<p>Per 40 CFR 98.449, maximum monitoring area is defined as equal to or greater than the area expected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume until the CO<sub>2</sub> plume has stabilized plus an all-around buffer zone of at least one-half mile.</p> <p>Section 4.2 states, “The Maximum Monitoring Area (MMA) is defined by the WLFRF boundaries plus the required ½ mile buffer as required by 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR). The MMA would be the same as the AMA since the plume location is less than the Unit area. Since the area of the AMA and MMA are the same, the MMA meets the definition found in 40 CFR 98.449.”</p> <p>The discussion regarding the MMA does not appear to have been updated in this submission. Please update to explain how the MMA is consistent with the definition found in 40 CFR 98.449. Specifically, please explain whether the MMA accounts for the predicted stabilized plume boundaries and ensure the text is consistent with Figure 4.1.</p>	<p>Updated text as stated below.</p> <p>The Maximum Monitoring Area (MMA) is defined as equal to or greater than the area expected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume until the CO<sub>2</sub> plume has stabilized plus an all-around buffer zone of at least one-half mile. The CO<sub>2</sub> plume will stabilize within the storage area boundary (as indicated by the red dashed line on Figure 4-1) which serves to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally beyond the reservoir’s impermeable seal. In this instance the MMA is the same as the AMA. Since the MMA is depicted to be ½ mile beyond the stabilized plume boundary, the MMA meets the definition found in 40 CFR 98.449.</p>
4.	5.2	22	<p>“CapturePoint does not fracture stimulate any wells in WF and thus eliminating induced fracture risk.”</p> <p>We recommend rewording this sentence for clarity.</p>	<p>Updated text as stated below.</p> <p>CapturePoint does not fracture stimulate any wells in WF and thus eliminates induced fracture risk that would breach barriers into overlying formations and allow for leakage of CO<sub>2</sub>.</p>

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5.	5.3	22	<p>“After reviewing the literature and actual operating experience, it is concluded that there is no direct evidence that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. There is no indication of seismic activity posing a risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface within the MMA. Therefore, CapturePoint concludes that leakage of the sequestered CO<sub>2</sub> through seismicity as unlikely.”</p> <p>Please clarify whether there will be any operational protocols to ensure seismicity is not induced. For example, will injection pressures be kept below a specific limit?</p>	<p>Updated text as stated below.</p> <p>After reviewing the literature<sup>1</sup> and actual operating experience, it is concluded that there is no direct evidence that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. There is no indication of seismic activity posing a risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface within the MMA. The WF injection pressure is maintained and monitored so that injection pressure is kept below the fracture initiation pressure. This ensures that there will be no induced seismicity. Therefore, CapturePoint concludes that leakage of sequestered CO<sub>2</sub> through seismicity is unlikely.</p>

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<sup>1</sup> Frohlich, Cliff (2012) “Induced or Triggered Earthquakes in Texas: Assessment of Current Knowledge and Suggestions for Future Research”, Final Technical Report, Institute for Geophysics, University of Texas at Austin, Office of Sponsored Research.

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6.	5.9	27	<p>“Given the uncertainty concerning the nature and characteristics of any leaks that may be encountered, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> will be determined on a case-by-case basis. In the event leakage occurs, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume leaked will be determined and it will be reported as required as part of the annual Subpart RR submission. An example methodology would be to place a flux box or ring tent over the surface leak to measure the flow rate and gather gas samples for analysis.”</p> <p>While the MRV plan mentions that the facility intends to quantify potential surface leakage and one example is provided above, please provide example quantification strategies that may be applied for other pathways identified in the plan.</p>	<p>Updated text as stated below.</p> <p>Given the uncertainty concerning the nature and characteristics of any leaks that may be encountered, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> will be determined on a case-by-case basis. In the event leakage occurs, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume leaked will be determined and it will be reported as required as part of the annual Subpart RR submission. The potential quantification methods may include, but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For leakage through wellbores, continuous SCADA monitoring data provide the basis to determine duration and the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> loss;</li> <li>• For leakage from surface equipment and pipelines, continuous SCADA monitoring data and acceptable emission factors, such as those in 40 CFR Part §98 Subpart W, provide the basis to determine duration and the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> loss;</li> <li>• For leakage related to the competency of the confining layer, reservoir modeling and engineering estimates provide the basis for determining the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> losses.</li> </ul>
7.	5.9	28	We recommend reviewing Table 5-1 for punctuation, grammar, and clarity.	Updated for clarification.

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8.	6.1.5	30	<p>“Per 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart RR 98.446(f)(3) The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted (in metric tons) annually from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead will be reported as a separate data element from the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted (in metric tons) annually from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity.”</p> <p>Please review the MRV plan to ensure that it is clear that the variables CO<sub>2</sub>E (surface leakage) and CO<sub>2</sub>FI (equipment leakage and vented emissions) are calculated separately and differently (see <a href="https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-40/part-98/subpart-RR#p-98.443(f)(2)">https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-40/part-98/subpart-RR#p-98.443(f)(2)</a>). We also recommend reviewing this paragraph for punctuation, grammar, and clarity.</p>	<p>Updated text as stated below.</p> <p>In accordance with §98.444(d), CP uses Equation RR-10 in §98.443 to calculate and report the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage from WF. In accordance with §98.443(f)(2), CP will separately calculate and report CO<sub>2</sub>FI and CO<sub>2</sub>E emissions.</p>

**CAPTUREPOINT LLC WELLMAN FIELD  
SUBPART RR MONITORING, REPORTING AND  
VERIFICATION (MRV) PLAN**

**October 2023**

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## 1 Introduction

CapturePoint LLC operates a carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)-enhanced oil recovery (EOR) project in the Wellman Field (WF) located in Terry County, Texas, approximately 10 miles southwest of the town of Brownfield for the primary purpose of EOR using CO<sub>2</sub> with a subsidiary purpose of geologic sequestration of CO<sub>2</sub> in a subsurface geologic formation. The WF is comprised of the Wolfcamp Reef (WLFRRF), the main producing reservoir. Production from the WLFRRF is between 9200-10,000 feet throughout the well-defined reef. The MRV plan was developed in accordance with 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) to provide for the monitoring, reporting, and verification of the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered at the WF during a specified period of injection.

## 2 Facility Information

### 2.1 Reporter Number

544182 – WF

### 2.2 UIC Permit Class

The Oil and Gas Division of the Texas Railroad Commission (TRRC) regulates oil and gas activity in Texas. All wells in the WF (including production, injection, and monitoring wells) are permitted by TRRC through Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Title 16 Chapter 3. TRRC has primacy to implement the Underground Injection Control Class II program in the state for injection wells. All EOR injection wells in the WF are currently classified as UIC Class II wells.

### 2.3 Existing Wells

Wells in the WF are identified by Wellman Unit (WU) and their number, American Petroleum Institute (API) number, type, and status. The list of wells as of March 2023 is included in Section 12.1. Any changes in wells will be indicated in the annual report.

## 3 Project Description

This project takes place in the WF, an oil field located in West Texas that was first produced more than 70 years ago. WF is comprised of the WLFRRF. The WLFRRF is the main oil and gas producing unit, which is now under the sole operatorship of CapturePoint LLC. Water flooding was initiated in 1979 with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding beginning in 1983, in the WLFRRF. The field is well characterized and is suitable for secure geologic storage. CapturePoint uses a continuous injection process to maintain a constant reservoir pressure. This is achieved with an injection to withdrawal ratio (IWR) at or near 1.

### 3.1 Project Characteristics

The WF was discovered in 1950 and started producing oil in the same year. The WLFRRF began to produce in May 1950 and a waterflood was initiated in July 1979 in the flanks of the reef to push the oil column up towards the top of the structure. CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was then initiated in 1983 and was injected into the top of the structure for vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding. The entire reef is an oil-bearing zone that has been produced for years, swept by a waterflood, and is now CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the



top down for residual oil. This geologically well-defined reef system is an attractive target for EOR with CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Sequestration.

A long-term CO<sub>2</sub> and hydrocarbon injection and production forecast for the WLFRF was developed using a dimensionless performance curve (DPC) approach. Using this approach, a total injection of approximately 100 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> is forecasted over the life of the project ending in year 2061. Total injection is the volumes of stored CO<sub>2</sub> plus the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> produced with oil. Figure 3-1 shows actual and projected CO<sub>2</sub> injection, production, and stored volumes in WF.

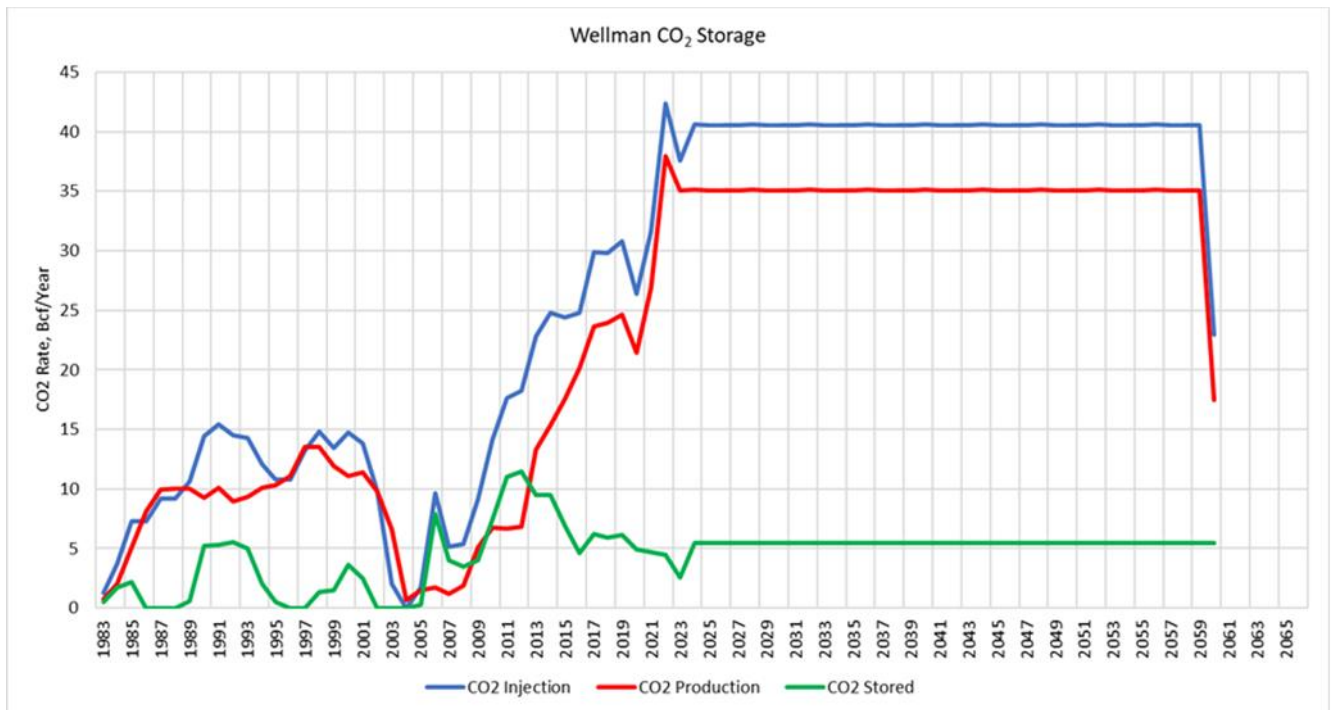
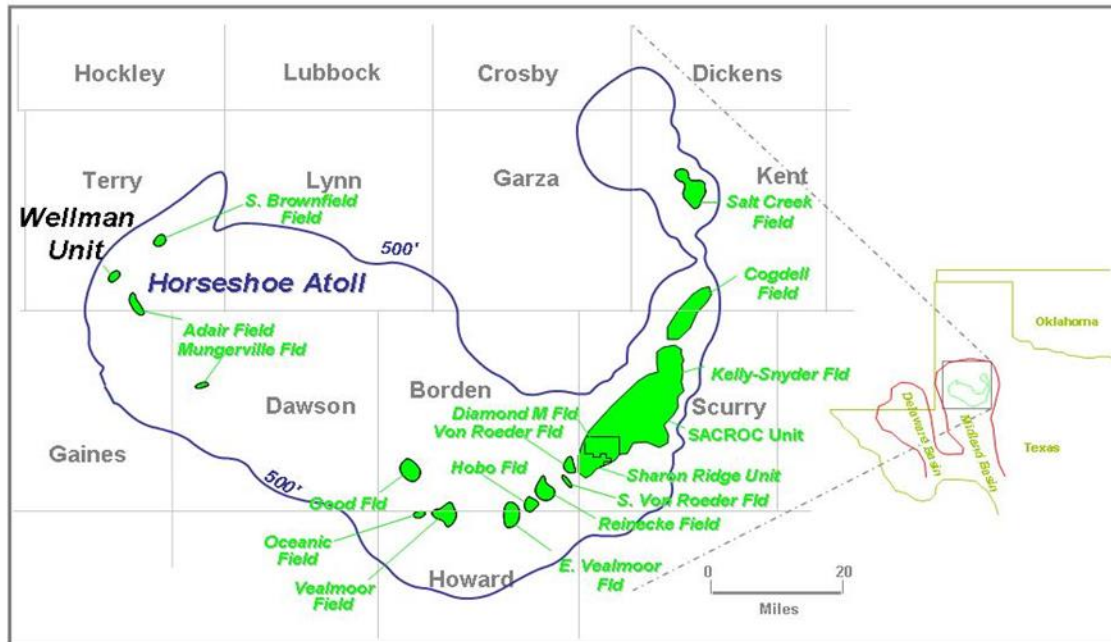


Figure 3-1 WF Historic and Forecast CO<sub>2</sub> Injection, Production, and Storage

### 3.2 Environmental Setting

The WF is in the NE portion of the Central Basin Platform in West Texas (See Figure 3-2). The productive portion of the WF is composed of the WLFRF.



**Modified from Vest, 1970**

*Figure 3-2 Location of WF in West Texas*

The WLFRRF was developed on the far north-western edge of a larger Pennsylvanian reef trend known as the Horseshoe Atoll. The environment of deposition was shallow muddy (turbid) water with encroaching shales at the flank and eventually buried by terrigenous sediments (shales, siltstones, sands). Those sediments finally drowned out the reef and now form the primary seal for the reservoir. The structure is pinnacle reef like with two smaller bioherm buildups creating an overall structure oriented in a north to south direction (See Figure 3-4).

By the time the reef was deposited, the sinking of the Horseshoe Atoll was well underway, leaving a great deal of vertical accommodation space. As a result, the reef is steep-sided and slumping of the outer edges of the reef is common, as is mixing of the reef-slump (limestone) debris with shale from the overlying seal (Anderson, 1953). The peak of the reservoir occurs at approximately -5,900'SS and plunges below the original oil / water contact at -6,680'SS inside the boundaries of the Wellman Unit. Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formations, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval here is informally called the "Spraberry Group." The Spraberry Group forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastic rock above the reservoir (See Figure 3-3).

# WELLMAN FIELD TYPE LOG & GENERALIZED STRATIGRAPHIC SECTION

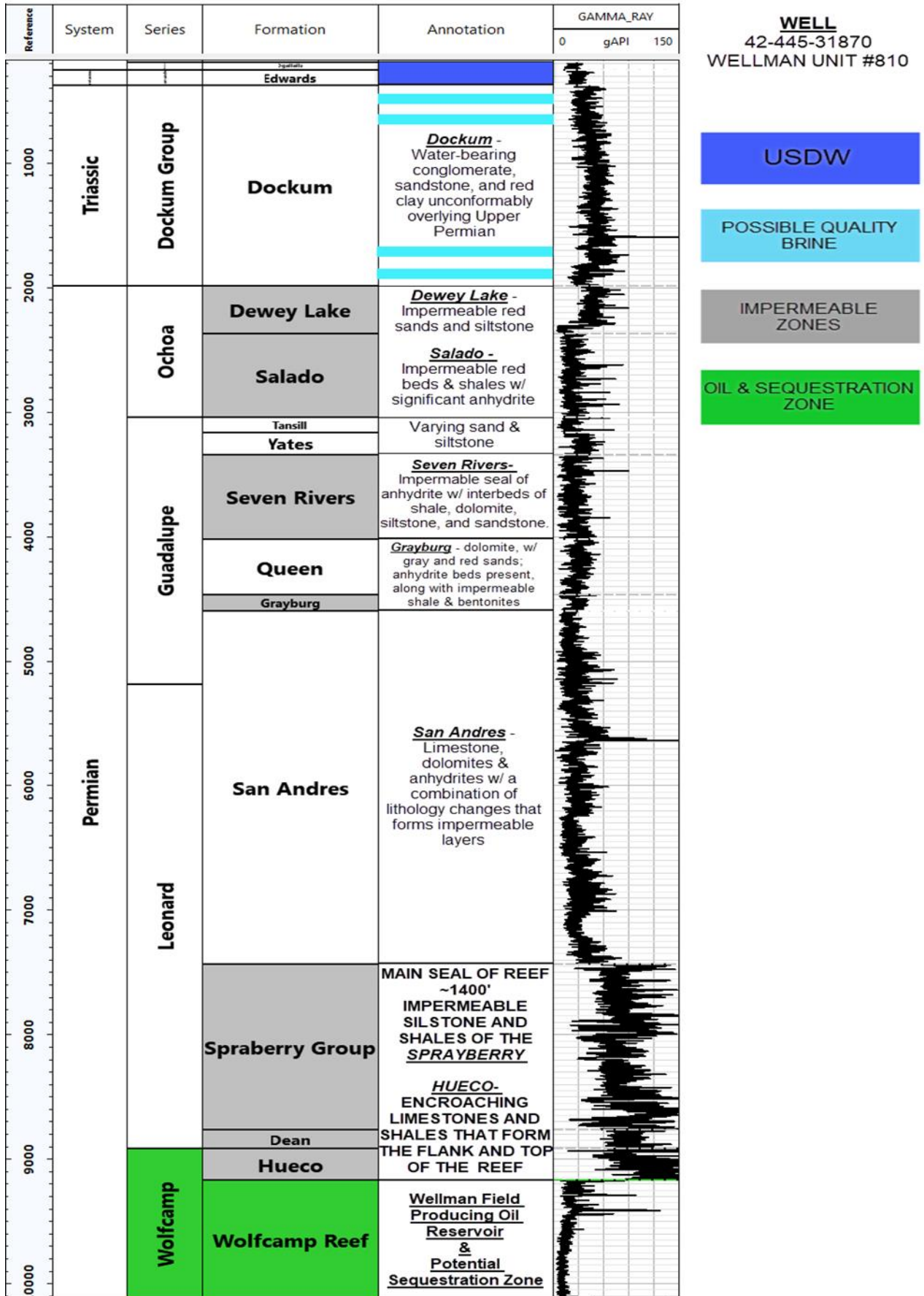


Figure 3-3 WF generalized stratigraphic section.

## Wellman Field Stratigraphy

The Wellman Field produces from a Wolfcampian aged 299-280 million years ago (299-280 mya) limestone biohermal type reef. It was deposited on an isolated platform on the Pennsylvanian (320-299 mya) structure called the Horseshoe Atoll. The Horseshoe atoll is composed of bedded bioclastic limestone and limestone detritus that accumulated in the interior part of a developing intracratonic basin during late Paleozoic (355-280 mya) time. The reef environment was established early in the basin history and endured because of the lack of a significant terrigenous clastic source to fill the basin interior. Mixed types of bioclastic debris accumulated cyclically and the upper level of the reef complex was maintained near sea level as the basin subsided. About 1,800 ft of limestone accumulated during the Pennsylvanian (355-299 mya), with a primary dip as great as 8 percent that developed along the margins of the atoll. During early Permian time (299-280 mya) the reef was restricted to the southwest side of the atoll where more than 1,100 ft of additional limestone accumulated before death of the reef. The Horseshoe Atoll encompasses all or portions of 14 counties (Terry, Lynn, Garza, Kent, Scurry, Mitchell, Howard, Borden, Dawson, Gaines, Martin, Lubbock, Crosby, and Dickens); an area of approximately 8,100 square miles. The Wellman field is a pinnacle reef on the southwestern arm of the Horseshoe Atoll.

The following is a description of each formation in ascending order (Figure 3-3). All the formations are Permian (299-245 mya) in age through the Dewey Lake formation. The Dockum Group is Triassic (245-202 mya) in age and the Edwards and Ogalala are Late Tertiary (6-3 mya).

### *Wolfcamp Reef*

The Wolfcampian (299-280 mya) Wolfcamp Reef is a fusulinid-algal packstone with vuggy and moldic porosity. With increasing depth, brachiopods, other bivalves, and crinoids are present. Bioturbation and some brecciated zones occur along with low amplitude stylolites.

### *Hueco Formation*

The Late Wolfcampian (285-280 myo) Hueco Formation consists of interbedded limestones, sandstones, and shales. They interfinger to form the flank and caprock of the reef. Early deposition was almost exclusively shales and limestones. Influxes of clastics started with subsidence of the basin.

### *Dean*

The Leonardian (280-279 mya) Dean Formation is a thin very fine-grained sandstone that grades upwards into laminated siltstones containing silty, bioturbated, mudstones.

### *Spraberry Group*

The Early Leonardian (~281-278 mya) Spraberry Group consists of predominately silty mudstones and clay-rich siltstones with interfingering of sands and limestones. The siltstones and mudstones were deposited on a high stand carbonate ramp. During low sea level, the eolian sandstones increased when the shelf was exposed. It is fine-grained, low permeability with some bioturbation and organic rich shales. The sandstones are turbidites and channel deposits. The carbonates display turbidite with slump and debris flow characteristics.

### *San Andres*

The Upper Leonardian - Lower Guadalupian (278-267 mya) San Andres Formation is predominantly dolomite with considerable amounts of anhydrite in the upper 300 feet. The depositional environment of the San Andres was shallow lagoon and sabkha complexes with an upward-shoaling, prograding-aggrading sequences.

### *Grayburg*

The Guadalupian (267 mya) Grayburg Formation is a mixed carbonate-siliciclastic composite sequence with evaporites and halites deposited in a sabkha and tidal flat environment. The San Andres and Grayburg are frequently grouped together as they have similar depositional environments.

### *Queen*

The Guadalupian (266-265 mya) Queen Formation is interbedded with siliclastic, carbonate mudstones, and evaporites. They were deposited in a fluvial depositional environment. Sandstones of the Queen formation are often reservoirs in the Permian basin.

### *Seven Rivers*

The Guadalupian (265-262 mya) Seven Rivers Formation is composed of cyclically interbedded mudstones, salt, anhydrite, and dolomite.

### *Yates*

The Guadalupian (262-261 mya) Yates Formation consists of sandstone, siltstone, and anhydrite. The sandstone is fine to very fine grained and contains scattered large rounded, frosted quartz grains.

### *Tansill*

The Guadalupian (261-260 mya) Tansill Formation consists of interbedded salts and anhydrite.

### *Salado*

The Ochoan (260-250 mya) Salado Formation is the dominant halite-bearing unit of the Midland Basin. The anhydrite contained in this formation represents the most-flooded, least-restricted conditions over the evaporite shelf where wind, storm, and seasonal circulation was adequate to maintain gypsum deposition. Overlying anhydrite beds contain halite, polyhalite, and mudstone beds.

### *Dewey Lake*

The Ochoan (250-245 mya) Dewey Lake Formation contains orange-red, fine to very fine-grained sandstones and siltstones with anhydrite and gypsum cements.

### *Dockum*

The Triassic (245-208 mya) Dockum Group consists mainly of terrigenous clastic red beds, mudstones and siltstones to conglomerates recording a change from the sabkha environments of Permian time to the humid continental environments of Triassic time.

There is an unconformity between the Dockum Group and the Edwards of approximately 98 million years. This was due to either non-deposition or uplift and erosion.

#### *Edwards*

The Cretaceous (142-68 mya) Edwards is a fine- to coarse-grained, thick-bedded to massive, light gray to grayish yellow limestone with abundant rudistids.

There is an unconformity between the Edwards and the Ogallala of approximately 45 million years.

#### *Ogallala*

The Miocene-Pliocene (23-2.5 mya) Ogallala Formation consists of gravel, sand, and finer grained clastic that were deposited in fluvial and upland eolian settings. Caliche and ash beds can also be found in the Ogallala.

The Ogallala and Edwards are USDWs in the Wellman Field.



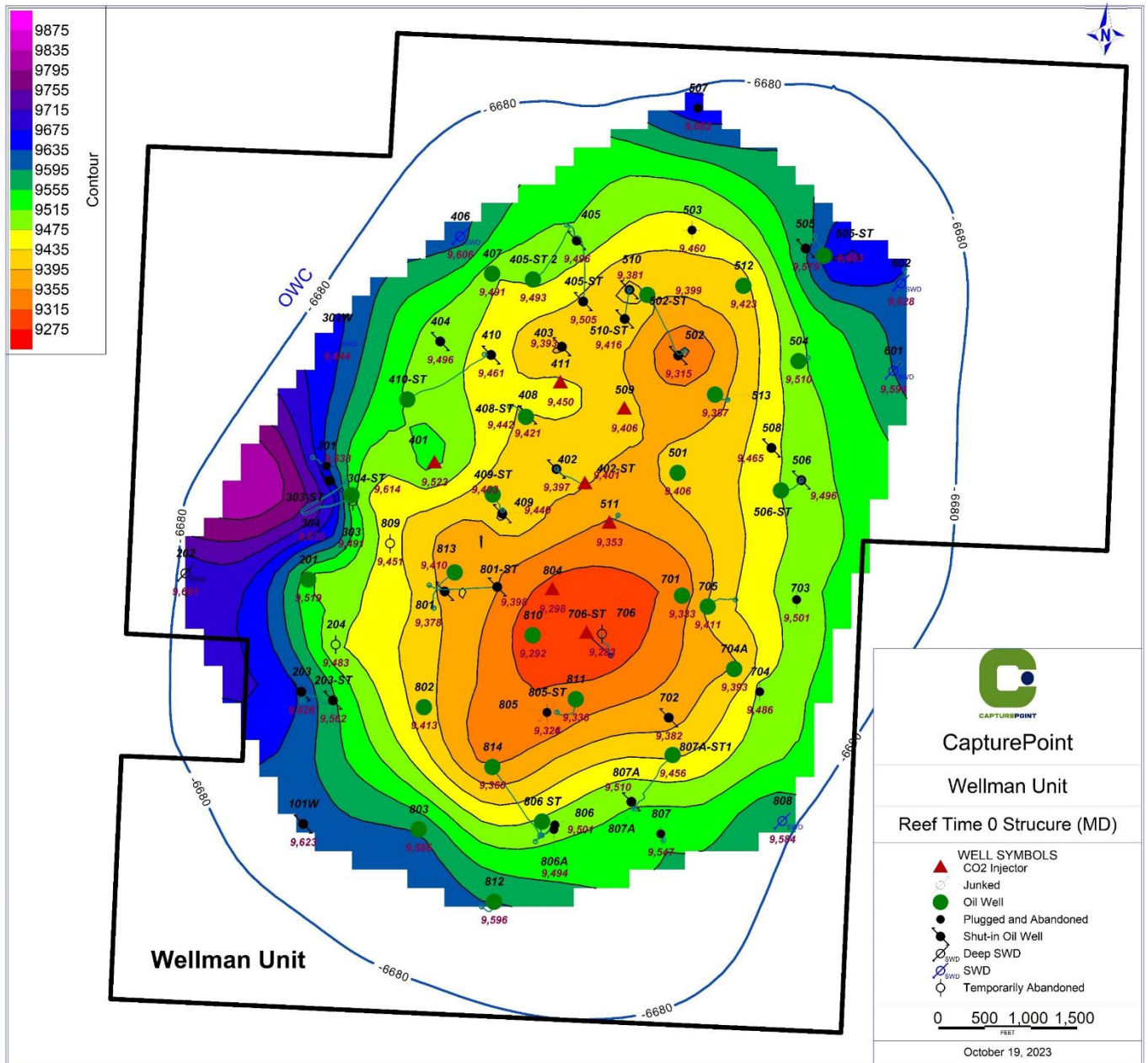


Figure 3-4 Local Area Structure on Top of the Wolfcamp Reef

Once the CO<sub>2</sub> flood is complete and injection ceases, the remaining mobile CO<sub>2</sub> will rise slowly upward, driven by buoyancy forces. There is more than enough pore space to sequester the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> planned for injection. The amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected will not exceed the reservoir's secure storage capacity and, consequently, the risk that CO<sub>2</sub> could migrate to other reservoirs in the basin is negligible.

The volume of CO<sub>2</sub> storage is based on the estimated total pore space within WLFRRF. The total pore space within WF, from the top of the reservoir down to the base of the WLFRRF, is calculated to be 304.5 million reservoir barrels (RB). This is the volume of rock multiplied by porosity. Table 3-1 below shows the conversion of this amount of pore space into an estimated maximum volume of approximately 551 Billion Cubic Feet (BCF) (29 million tonnes) of CO<sub>2</sub> storage in the reservoir at original reservoir pressure conditions of 4100 psi. Based on the current project

forecast, CO<sub>2</sub> will occupy only 66% (364 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity by the year 2060. CO<sub>2</sub> currently occupies 29% (159 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity.

Table 3-1 Calculation of Maximum Volume of CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Capacity at WF

<b>Top of Main Pay to Original Oil/Water Contact</b>	
Variables	WF Outline in Figure 3-4
Pore Volume (RB)	304,516,542
BCO <sub>2</sub> (RB/MCF)	0.42
S <sub>wirr</sub>	0.15
S <sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub>	0.09
Max CO <sub>2</sub> (MCF)	551,029,933
Max CO <sub>2</sub> (BCF)	551

$$\text{Max CO}_2 = \text{Pore Volume} * (1 - S_{wirr} - S_{or CO_2}) / BCO_2$$

Where:

Max CO<sub>2</sub> = the maximum amount of storage capacity

Pore Volume = Total pore space in reservoir barrels (RB)

BCO<sub>2</sub> = the formation volume factor for CO<sub>2</sub>

S<sub>wirr</sub> = the irreducible water saturation

S<sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub> = the irreducible oil saturation

Reservoir management is employed on a constant basis to obtain the maximum possible economic recovery from a reservoir based on facts, information, and knowledge. As WF is a vertical displacement flood, long-term storage utilizes the natural buoyancy of CO<sub>2</sub> to oil and water, along with the existing reservoir seal, to contain the CO<sub>2</sub>. In this scenario, there is no lateral migration and injected fluids (CO<sub>2</sub>) will stay in the reservoir within the WF unit boundary and not move laterally to adjacent areas.

Given that in WF the confining zone has proved competent over millions of years, has remained intact with the current CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, and that the WF has ample storage capacity, there is confidence that stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained securely within the reservoir.

### 3.3 Description of CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR Project Facilities and the Injection Process

Figure 3-5 shows a simplified process flow diagram of the project facilities and equipment in WF. CO<sub>2</sub> is delivered to the WLFRRF via the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline network. CO<sub>2</sub> is supplied by anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> sources. Available amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> are drawn from an outside source pipeline based on contractual arrangements among suppliers of CO<sub>2</sub>, purchasers of CO<sub>2</sub>, and the pipeline operator. These amounts will vary over time and be added to the recycled CO<sub>2</sub> for injection into the reservoir.



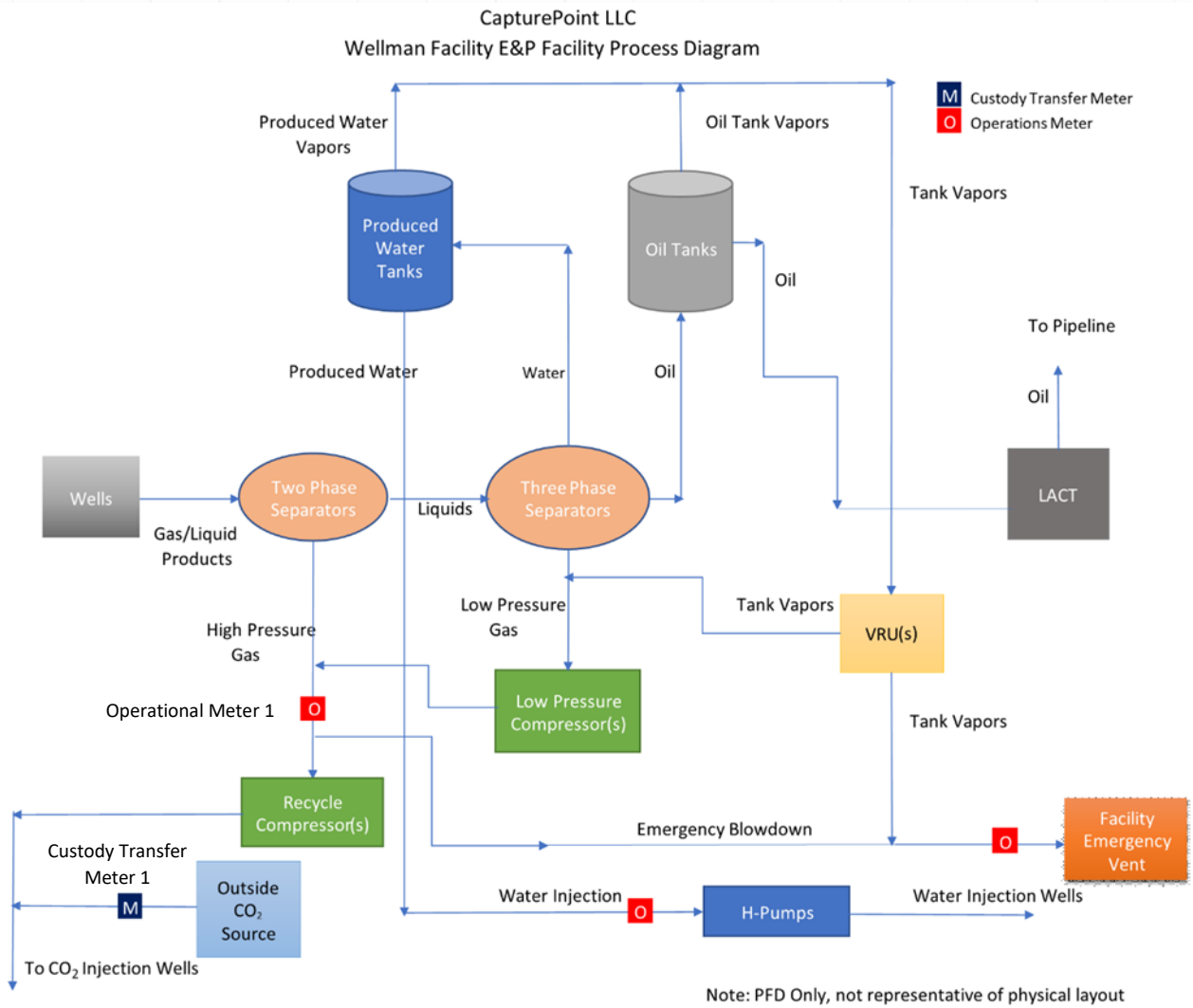


Figure 3-5 Wellman Process Flow Diagram

Once CO<sub>2</sub> enters the WLFRRF there are three main processes involved in EOR operations:

- i. CO<sub>2</sub> Distribution and Injection: The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received at WF is metered and calculated through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the pipeline delivery point. The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received is combined with recycled CO<sub>2</sub> / hydrocarbon gas mix from the recycle compression facility (RCF) and distributed to the wellheads for injection into the injection wells according to the injection plan for the reservoir. This is an EOR project and reservoir pressure must be maintained above minimum miscibility pressure. Therefore, injection pressure must be sufficiently high to allow injectants to enter the reservoir, but below formation parting pressure (FPP).
- ii. Produced Fluids Handling: Produced fluids from the production wells are a mixture of oil, hydrocarbon gas, water, CO<sub>2</sub>, and trace amounts of other constituents in the field including nitrogen and hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) as discussed in Section 7. The fluids are transported via flowlines to the Central Tank Battery (CTB) for separation into a gas/CO<sub>2</sub> mix and produced liquids that are a mix of water and oil, with entrained gas and CO<sub>2</sub>. The produced gas, which is composed primarily of CO<sub>2</sub> and minor hydrocarbons, is sent to the RCF for dehydration and recompression before reinjection into the reservoir. An operations meter at the RCF is used to determine the total volume of produced gas that is reinjected. The separated oil is metered through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the central tank battery and sold into a pipeline.
- iii. Water Treatment and Injection: Water is recovered for reuse and forwarded to the water injection station for reinjection or disposal.

### 3.3.1 Wells in the Wellman Field

The TRRC has broad authority over oil and gas operations including primacy to implement UIC Class II wells. The rules are found in TAC Title 16, Part 1, Chapter 3 and are also explained in a TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual (See Appendix 12-2). TRRC rules govern well siting, construction, operation, maintenance, and closure for all wells in oilfields.

Briefly, TRRC rules include the following requirements:

- Fluids must be constrained in the strata in which they are encountered,
- activities cannot result in the pollution of subsurface or surface water,
- wells must adhere to specified casing, cementing, drilling well control, and completion requirements designed to prevent fluids from moving from the strata that are encountered into other strata with oil and gas, or into subsurface and surface waters,
- completion report for each well including basic electric log (e.g., a density, sonic, or resistivity (except dip meter) log run over the entire wellbore) must be prepared,
- operators must follow plugging procedures that require advance approval from the TRRC Director and allow consideration of the suitability of the cement based on the use of the well, the location and setting of plugs; and,
- injection well operators must identify an Area of Review (AoR), use compatible materials and equipment, test, and maintain well records.

Table 3-2 provides a well count by type and status. All these wells are in material compliance with TRRC rules.

*Table 3-2 WF Well Penetrations by Type and Status*

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>ACTIVE</b>	<b>INACTIVE</b>	<b>P &amp; A</b>	<b>Total</b>
PROD_OIL	27	6	0	<b>33</b>
INJ_SWD	6	0	0	<b>6</b>
INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	7	0	0	<b>7</b>
P&A	0	0	8	<b>8</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>54</b>

*PROD\_OIL = Production Wells*

*INJ\_SWD = Saltwater disposal wells*

*INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells*

*P&A = Plugged and Abandoned wells.*

*(P&A for sidetracks are not included in the P&A count)*

WF CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations are designed to avoid conditions which could damage the reservoir and cause a potential leakage pathway. Reservoir pressure in the WF is managed by monitoring reservoir pressures and ensuring these remain constant. This is achieved by maintaining an IWR of approximately 1.

Injection pressure is also maintained below the FPP, which is measured using step-rate tests.

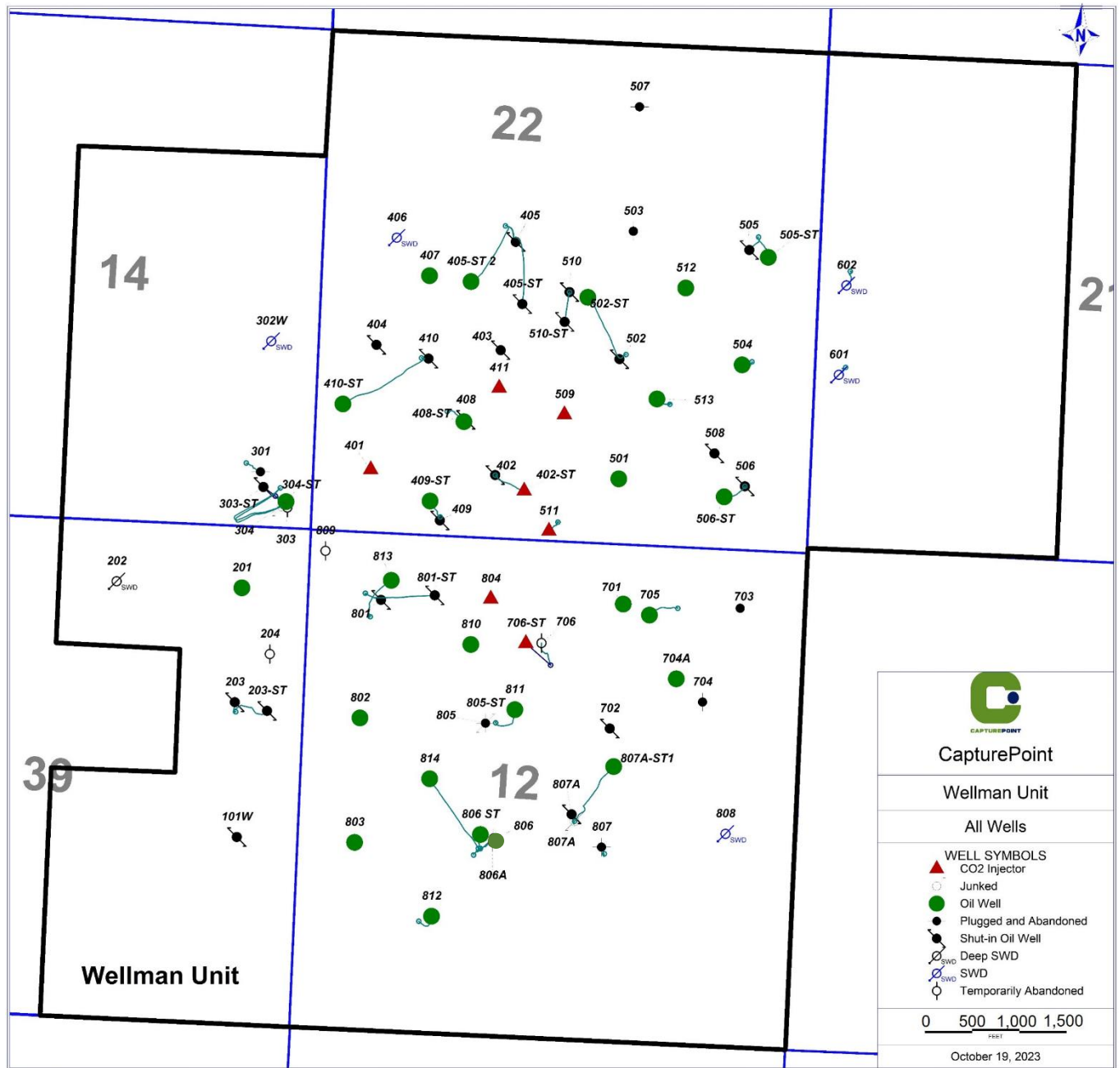


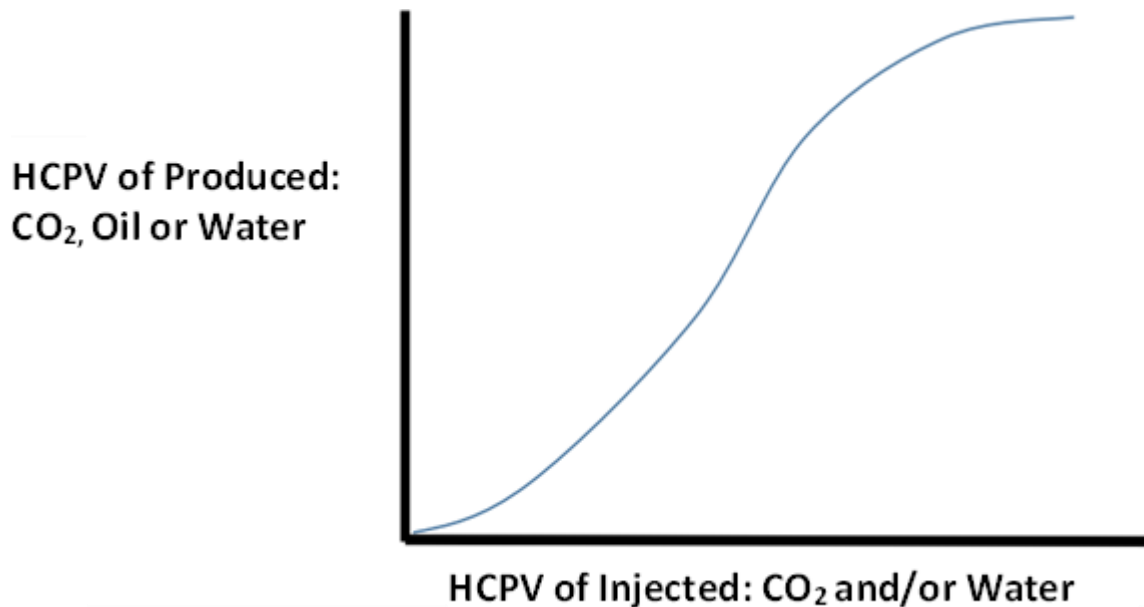
Figure 3-6 WF Wells and Injection Patterns

### 3.4 Reservoir Forecasting

DPCs derived from actual field performance were used to project CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR in the WF. Most DPCs are derived from geologic and reservoir models or actual field performance. In the WF case the DPC was derived from actual field performance in the WF. The WF has 40 years of actual CO<sub>2</sub> history which is more than enough data to develop DPC's to forecast reservoir performance. Initial oil recovery and CO<sub>2</sub> injection results were obtained from lab experiments performed with CO<sub>2</sub>. The DPC's project recoveries are close to what the lab experiments concluded.

A DPC is a plot where injection and production volumes for CO<sub>2</sub>, water, and hydrocarbon phases are normalized by dividing by Hydrocarbon Pore Volume (HCPV). See Figure 3-7. The

dimensioned projections for the oil, CO<sub>2</sub>, and water production are relative to the CO<sub>2</sub> and water injection and are calculated using the original oil in place of an area of interest.



*Figure 3-7 DPC plot*

The WF DPC was calculated from the cumulative production and injection using 40 years of WF history. This method allows you to use different field implementation speeds.

The DPCs are the basis for future reservoir performance prediction scenarios but are additionally a means of evaluating the reservoir process efficiencies. In a similar manner to history matching in reservoir simulation, deviations from the expected performance can indicate errors in the geologic model of the pore volume, growth of the CO<sub>2</sub> plume, or metering and production allocation errors.

## 4 Delineation of Monitoring Area and Timeframes

### 4.1 Active Monitoring Area

The Active Monitoring Area (AMA) is defined by the WLFRR boundaries which serve to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally.

Figure 3-6 displays wells that have CO<sub>2</sub> retention on the 2,100 acres that have been under CO<sub>2</sub> injection since project initialization as well as SWD wells to support field operations. The CO<sub>2</sub> storage volumes were forecasted (Figure 3-1) using the DPC approach. This technique indicates that the flooded acreage still has significant additional storage potential. The maximum CO<sub>2</sub> storage (551 BCF) is limited to the amount of space available by the removal of the produced fluids. The projection indicates that there is pore space available to store approximately 0.66 decimal fraction of HCPV amount to 151.9 million RB (364 BCF).

The lateral extent of CO<sub>2</sub> in the injection zone or the CO<sub>2</sub> storage radius was estimated by calculating a storage radius based on the forecasted CO<sub>2</sub> volume of 364 BCF. Figure 4-1 shows the map of the storage area outline (dashed red line). This calculation showed approximately 1,043 acres would be needed to store 364 BCF. This is significantly less than the 2,100 acres in the WF outline. Therefore, the CO<sub>2</sub> plume would remain contained in the WF unit at the end of year 2066 (t+5).

### 4.2 Maximum Monitoring Area

The Maximum Monitoring Area (MMA) is defined by the WLFRR boundaries plus the required ½ mile buffer as required by 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR). The MMA would be the same as the AMA since the plume location is less than the Unit area. Since the area of the AMA and MMA are the same, the MMA meets the definition found in 40 CFR 98.449.

### 4.3 Monitoring Timeframes

The primary purpose for injecting CO<sub>2</sub> is to produce oil that would otherwise remain trapped in the reservoir and not, as in UIC Class VI, “specifically for the purpose of geologic storage.”<sup>1</sup> During a Specified Period, there will be a subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term containment of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF. The Specified Period will be shorter than the period of production from the WF.

At the conclusion of the Specified Period, a request for discontinuation of reporting will be submitted. This request will be submitted with a demonstration that current monitoring and model(s) show that the cumulative mass of CO<sub>2</sub> reported as sequestered during the Specified Period is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage. It is expected that it will be possible to make this demonstration after the Specified Period ends based upon monitoring data.

The reservoir pressure in the WF is collected for use in operations management. Reservoir pressure is not forecasted to change appreciably since the IWR will be maintained at

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<sup>1</sup> EPA UIC Class VI rule, EPA 75 FR 77291, December 10, 2010, section 146.81(b).

approximately 1. Once injection ceases, reservoir pressure is predicted to stabilize within one year.

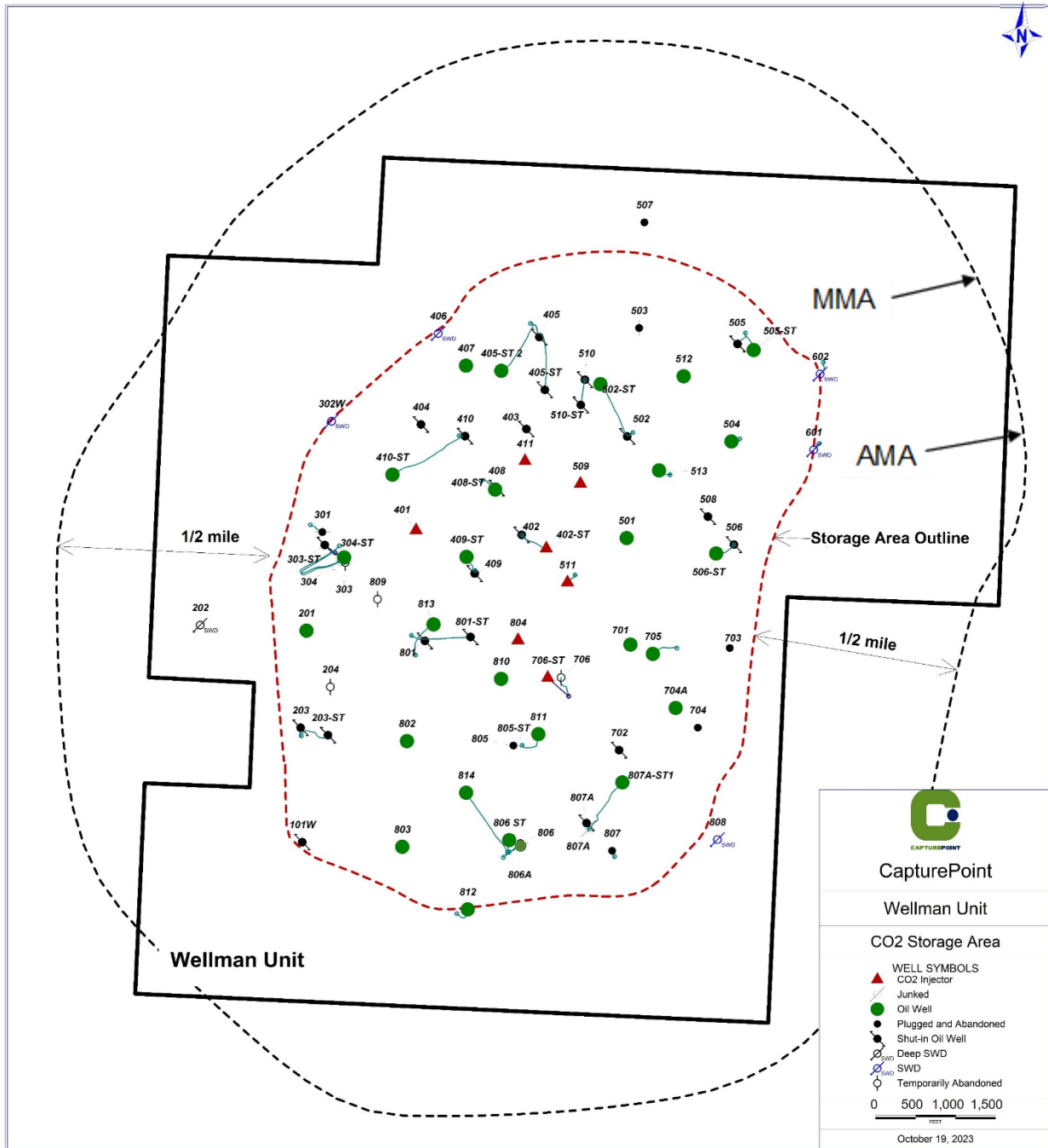


Figure 4-1 Projected CO<sub>2</sub> Storage area

## 5 Evaluation of Potential Pathways for Leakage to the Surface, Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

In the roughly 70 years since the Wellman oil field was discovered, the reservoir has been studied extensively. Based on the knowledge gained from that experience, this section assesses the potential pathways for leakage of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface including:

1. Existing Wellbores
2. Faults and Fractures
3. Natural and Induced Seismic Activity
4. Previous Operations
5. Pipeline/Surface Equipment
6. Lateral Migration Outside the WF
7. Drilling Through the CO<sub>2</sub> Area
8. Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal
9. Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

This analysis shows that leakage through wellbores and surface equipment pose the only meaningful potential leakage pathways. The monitoring program to detect and quantify leakage is based on this assessment as discussed below.

### 5.1 Existing Wells

As part of the TRRC requirement to initiate CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, an extensive review of all WF penetrations was completed to determine the need for corrective action. That analysis showed that all penetrations have either been adequately plugged and abandoned or, if in use, do not require corrective action. All wells in the WF were constructed and are operated in compliance with TRRC rules.

As part of routine risk management, the potential risk of leakage associated with the following were identified and evaluated:

- CO<sub>2</sub> flood electrical submersible pump (ESP) producing wells,
- CO<sub>2</sub> Flood flowing production wells, and
- CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells.

The risk assessment classified all risks associated with subsurface as low risk, i.e., less than 1% likelihood to occur and having a consequence that is insubstantial. The risks were classified as low risk because the WF geology is well suited to CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration with an extensive confining zone that is free of fractures and faults that could be potential conduits for CO<sub>2</sub> migration. Any risks are further mitigated because the WF is operated in a manner that maintains, monitors, and documents the integrity of the reservoir.



The risk of well leakage is mitigated through:

- Adhering to regulatory requirements for well drilling and testing,
- implementing best practices that CapturePoint has developed through its extensive operating experience,
- monitoring injection/production performance, wellbores, and the surface; and,
- maintaining surface equipment.

Continual and routine monitoring of the wellbores and site operations will be used to detect leaks or other potential well problems, as follows:

- Pressure in injection wells is monitored daily. The injection plans for each pattern are provided to field operations to govern the rate, pressure, and duration of either water or CO<sub>2</sub> injection. Leakage on the inside or outside of the injection wellbore would affect pressure and be detected through this approach. If such events occur, they would be investigated and addressed. CapturePoint's experience, from over 10 years of operating CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects, is that such leakage has not occurred.
- Production well performance is monitored using the production well test process conducted when produced fluids are gathered and sent to test vessels. There is a routine well testing cycle, with each well being tested approximately once every month. During this cycle, each production well is diverted to the well test equipment for a period sufficient to measure and sample produced fluids (generally 12-24 hours). These tests are the basis for allocating a portion of the produced fluids measured to each production well, assessing the composition of produced fluids by location, and assessing the performance of each well. Performance data are reviewed on a routine basis to ensure that CO<sub>2</sub> flooding efficiency is optimized. If production is different from the expected plan, it is investigated, and any identified issues addressed. Leakage to the outside of production wells is not considered a major risk because of the reduced pressure in the casing. All personnel are equipped with personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors. These personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are designed to detect leaked fluids around production wells during well and equipment inspections.
- Field inspections are conducted on a routine basis by field personnel. Leaking CO<sub>2</sub> is very cold and leads to the formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted. All field personnel are trained to identify leaking CO<sub>2</sub> and other potential problems at wellbores and in the field. Any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected will be documented, quantified, and reported.

Based on ongoing monitoring activities and review of the potential leakage risks posed by wellbores, it is concluded that the risk of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage through wellbores is being mitigated by detecting problems as they arise and quantifying any leakage that does occur. As mentioned before, leakage from wellbores is considered low but possible. It would most likely occur during the workover operations of installing the blowout preventer or wellhead. This release would be limited in nature to only a few MCF.

## 5.2 Faults and Fractures

After reviewing geologic, seismic, operating, and other evidence, it has been concluded that there are no known faults or fractures that transect the WLFRF reservoir into overlying formations in the project area. CapturePoint does not fracture stimulate any wells in WF and thus eliminating induced fracture risk. Seismic evaluation has eliminated the existence of faults. As a result, there is little to no risk (less than 1%) of leakage due to fractures or faults.

Measurements to determine FPP and reservoir pressure are routinely updated. This information is used to manage injection patterns so that the injection pressure will not exceed FPP. An IWR at or near 1 is also maintained based on consistent reservoir pressure measurements. Both activities mitigate the potential for inducing faults or fractures.

## 5.3 Natural and Induced Seismicity

After reviewing the literature<sup>2</sup> and actual operating experience, it is concluded that there is no direct evidence that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. There is no indication of seismic activity posing a risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface within the MMA. Therefore, CapturePoint concludes that leakage of the sequestered CO<sub>2</sub> through seismicity is unlikely.

To evaluate this potential risk at WF, CapturePoint has reviewed the nature and location of seismic events in West Texas. A review of the United States Geological Survey (USGS) database of recorded earthquakes of magnitude 1.0 or greater on the Richter Scale in the Permian Basin since 1956, indicates very little seismic activity with a magnitude 2.5 earthquake 38 miles to the south of the WF.

The concern about induced seismicity is that it could lead to fractures in the seal providing a pathway for CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. CapturePoint is not aware of any reported loss of injectant (brine water or CO<sub>2</sub>) to the surface associated with any seismic activity. There is no direct evidence to suggest that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. If induced seismicity resulted in a pathway for material amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> to migrate from the injection zone, other reservoir fluid monitoring provisions (e.g., reservoir pressure, well pressure, and pattern monitoring) would detect the migration and lead to further investigation. CapturePoint monitors the USGS earthquake monitoring Geological Information System site<sup>3</sup> for seismic signals that could indicate the creation of potential leakage pathways in the WF.

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<sup>2</sup> Frohlich, Cliff (2012) "Induced or Triggered Earthquakes in Texas: Assessment of Current Knowledge and Suggestions for Future Research", Final Technical Report, Institute for Geophysics, University of Texas at Austin, Office of Sponsored Research.

<sup>3</sup> <https://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/map/>

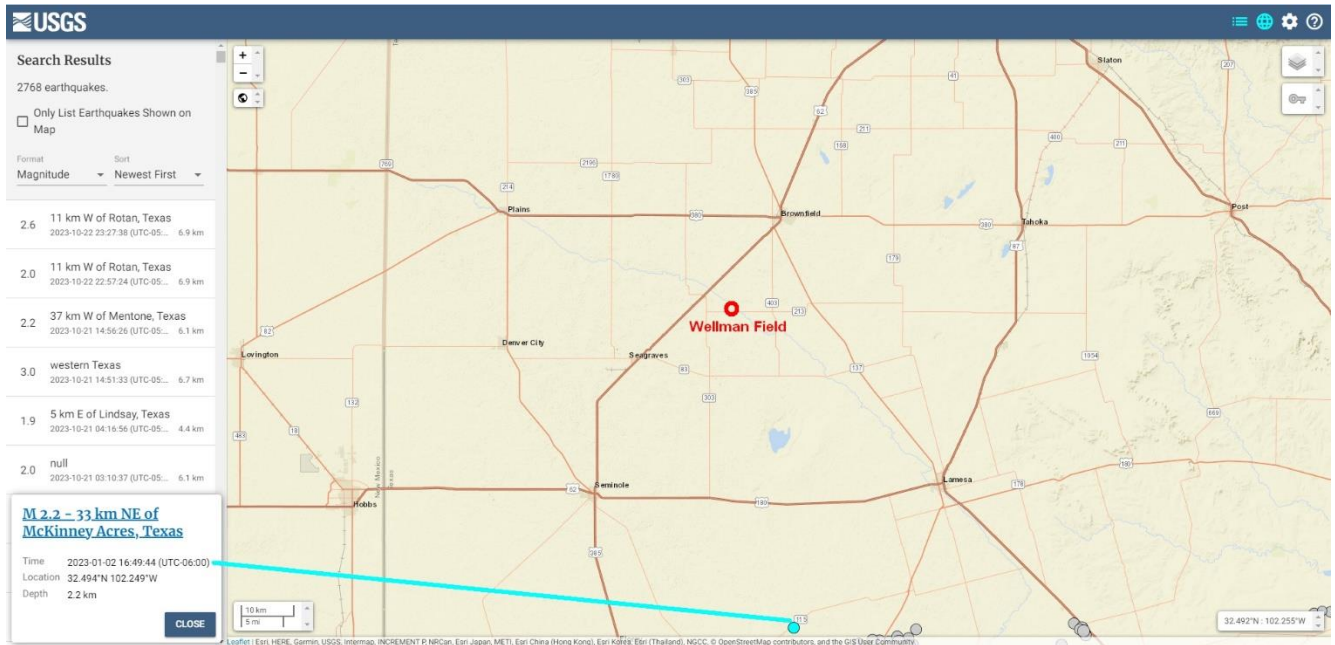


Figure 5-1 USGS earthquakes (+0.5 magnitude) for last 53 years)

## 5.4 Previous Operations

CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was initiated in WF in 1983. To obtain permits for CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, the AoR around all CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells was evaluated to determine if there were any unknown penetrations and to assess if corrective action was required at any wells. As indicated in Section 5.9, this evaluation reviewed the identified penetrations and determined that no additional corrective action was needed. Further, CapturePoint's standard practice for drilling new wells includes a rigorous review of nearby wells to ensure that drilling will not cause damage to or interfere with existing wells. Additionally, requirements to construct wells with materials that are designed for CO<sub>2</sub> injection are adhered to at WF. These practices ensure that that there are no unknown wells within WF and that the risk of migration from older wells has been sufficiently mitigated. The wells were designed to prevent migration from the injection interval to the surface through the casing and cement placed in the well. Mechanical integrity tests (MIT), required under TAC Rule §3.46 [40 CFR §146.23 (b)(3)], will take place every five years to verify that the well and wellhead can contain the appropriate operating pressures. If an MIT were to indicate a leak, the well would be isolated, and the leak mitigated to prevent leakage of the injectate to the atmosphere. The successful experience with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding in WF demonstrates that the confining zone has not been impaired by previous operations. As evidenced by the 40 years of CO<sub>2</sub> injection without leakage previous operations do not present a risk of leakage to the atmosphere. Well construction requirements all but eliminate this leakage potential. If leakage were to occur, well intervention methods would address the failure in a matter of hours to days limiting the volume of leakage to a range of a few MCF to a few MMCF. Based on this history of no leakage events and well construction requirements, the likelihood is less the 1% and the magnitude would be low with a timely response and remediation.

## 5.5 Pipelines and Surface Equipment

Damage to or failure of pipelines and surface equipment can result in unplanned losses of CO<sub>2</sub>. CapturePoint anticipates that the use of prevailing design, construction practices, and compliance with applicable laws will reduce to the maximum extent possible, the risk of unplanned leakage from surface facilities. The facilities and pipelines currently utilize, and will continue to utilize, materials of construction and control processes that are standard for CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects in the oil and gas industry. Operating and maintenance practices currently follow, and will continue to follow, demonstrated industry standards. Field personnel are trained to look for and report potential leaks from pipeline and surface equipment as part of their routine activities. All equipment is designed with isolation valving to reduce the leakage from any failed equipment resulting in the potential leakage limited from the MCF to hundreds of MCF range. The Facility Emergency Vent is included in the surface equipment. It is a planned relief system that has the potential to release unplanned CO<sub>2</sub>. That volume is measured by an operations meter and recorded for reporting purposes. Should leakage be detected from pipeline or surface equipment, the volume of released CO<sub>2</sub> will be quantified following the requirements of Subpart W of Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program (GHGRP). The magnitude of these releases is usually small within only a few MCF as they are easily identified and isolated. Because of materials selection, the risk is once again low and CapturePoint concludes that leakage of CO<sub>2</sub> through the surface equipment is unlikely.

## 5.6 Lateral Migration Outside the Wellman Field

It is highly unlikely that injected CO<sub>2</sub> will migrate downdip and laterally outside the WF because of the nature of the geology and the approach used for injection. The reef is completely encased with impermeable sediments, which is what created such a defined reservoir that trapped oil over millions of years. With water flooding from the edges, combined with vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the top of the reef, the CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained to the upper portions of the reef (See Figure 5-2). Finally, the total volume of fluids contained in the WF will stay relatively constant. Based on site characterization along with the planned and projected operations, it is estimated that the total volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be considerably less than the calculated capacity. Based on the above statement, the storage capacity down to the spill-point is greater than the stored volume, so no CO<sub>2</sub> would be leaked laterally.

## 5.7 Drilling in the Wellman Field

The TRRC regulates well drilling activity in Texas. Pursuant to TRRC rules, wells casing shall be securely anchored in the hole in order to effectively control the well at all times, all usable-quality water zones shall be isolated and sealed off to effectively prevent contamination or harm, and all productive zones, potential flow zones, and zones with corrosive formation fluids shall be isolated and sealed off to prevent vertical migration of fluids, including gases, behind the casing. Where TRRC rules do not detail specific methods to achieve these objectives, operators shall make every effort to follow the intent of the section, using good engineering practices and the best currently available technology (TAC Title 16 Part1 Chapter 3 Rule §3.13). The TRRC requires applications and approvals before a well is drilled, recompleted, or reentered. Well drilling

activity at WF is conducted in accordance with TRRC rules. CapturePoint's visual inspection process, including routine site visits, will identify unapproved drilling activity in the WF. Leakage during drilling operations is unlikely but possible. It would occur when reservoir pressure is high. Drilling mud weight is designed to control that leakage therefore making the potential very low with volumes leaked kept at low levels.

In addition, CapturePoint intends to operate WF for several more years and will continue to be vigilant about protecting the integrity of its assets and maximizing the potential of its resources, including oil, gas, and CO<sub>2</sub>. Consequently, as CapturePoint owns the rights at all depths, the risks associated with third parties penetrating the WF are negligible.

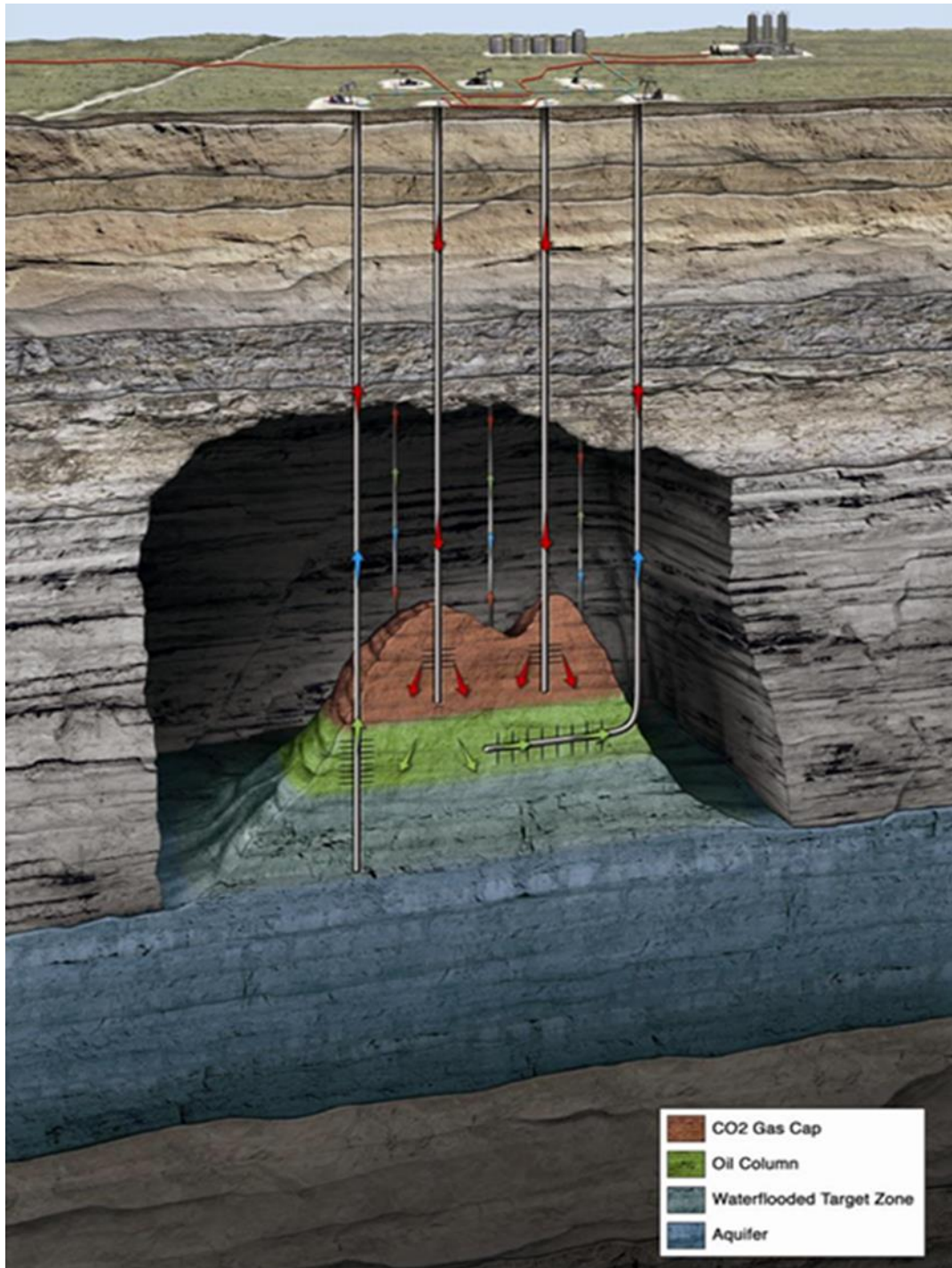


Figure 5-2 Schematic of WF vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flood

## 5.8 Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal

Diffuse leakage through the seal formed by the upper Wolfcamp is highly unlikely. There are several sections above the reservoir that are impermeable and serve as reliable barriers to prevent fluids from moving upwards towards the surface. These barriers are referred to as seals because they effectively seal fluids within the formations beneath them. As mentioned in Section 3.2, “Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formation, provide top and side

seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval is informally called the “Spraberry Series.” The Spraberry Series forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastics above the reservoir.”

Our injection monitoring program assures that no breach of the seal will be created. The seal is highly impermeable. Wellbores that penetrate the seal make use of cement and steel construction that is closely regulated to ensure that no leakage takes place. Injection pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in injection pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause. The potential for leakage again is very low (less than 1%) the magnitude of which would be in the several MCF range into other formations but not to the surface.

## 5.9 Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

As discussed above, the potential sources of leakage include issues, such as problems with surface equipment (pumps, valves, etc.) or subsurface equipment (wellbores), and unique events such as induced fractures. An event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage is used. Table 5.1 summarizes some of these potential leakage scenarios, the monitoring activities designed to detect those leaks, the standard response, and other applicable regulatory programs requiring similar reporting.

Given the uncertainty concerning the nature and characteristics of any leaks that may be encountered, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> will be determined on a case-by-case basis. In the event leakage occurs, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume leaked will be determined and it will be reported as required as part of the annual Subpart RR submission. An example methodology would be to place a flux box or ring tent over the surface leak to measure the flow rate and gather gas samples for analysis.

Any volume of CO<sub>2</sub> detected leaking to surface will be quantified using acceptable emission factors such as those found in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W or engineering estimates of leak amounts based on measurements in the subsurface, field experience, and other factors such as the frequency of inspection. Leaks will be documented, evaluated, and addressed in a timely manner.

In the unlikely event that CO<sub>2</sub> was released because of surface leakage, the mass emitted would be calculated for each surface pathway according to methods outlined in the plan and totaled using Equation RR-10 as follows:

$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^X CO_{2x} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

Where:

CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year

CO<sub>2,x</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year

X = Leakage pathway

Calculation methods using equations from subpart W will be used to calculate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to any surface leakage between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the



injection wellhead. Records of leakage events will be retained in the electronic environmental documentation and reporting system. The Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot.

*Table 5-1 Response Plan for CO<sub>2</sub> Loss*

<b>Risk</b>	<b>Monitoring Plan</b>	<b>Response Plan</b>
Tubing Leak	Monitor changes in tubing and annulus pressure; MIT for injectors	Well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude thousands of cubic feet.
Casing Leak	Routine Field inspection; Monitor changes in annulus pressure, MIT for injectors; extra attention to high risk wells	Well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude thousands of cubic feet.
Wellhead Leak	Routine Field inspection, SCADA system monitors wellhead pressure	Well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude thousands of cubic feet.
Loss of Bottom-hole pressure control	Blowout during well operations	Maintain well kill procedures. Magnitude thousands of cubic feet.
Unplanned wells drilled through WLFRRF	Routine Field inspection to prevent unapproved drilling; compliance with TRRC permitting for planned wells.	Assure compliance with TRRC regulations
Diffuse leakage through the seal	Injection pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in injection pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Conduct an injection radioactive tracer survey. If verified, well is shut in and workover crews respond within days. Magnitude thousands of cubic feet.
Loss of seal in abandoned wells	Reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure found in new wells	Re-enter and reseal abandoned wells. Magnitude thousands of cubic feet.
Pumps, valves, etc.	Routine Field inspection, SCADA	Repair crews respond within hours to days. Magnitude cubic feet.
Overfill beyond spill points	Reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure found in new wells	Fluid management along lease lines
Leakage through induced fractures	Reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure found in new wells	Comply with rules for keeping pressures below parting pressure
Leakage due to seismic event	Reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure found in new wells	Shut in injectors near seismic event

## 5.10 Summary

The structure and stratigraphy of the WLFRRF reservoir in the WF is ideally suited for the injection and storage of CO<sub>2</sub>. The carbonate reef within the CO<sub>2</sub> injection zones is porous, permeable, and thick, providing ample capacity for long-term CO<sub>2</sub> storage. The reservoir is overlain by several intervals of impermeable geologic zones that form effective seals or “caps” to fluids in the reservoir.

In summary, based on a careful assessment of the potential risk of release of CO<sub>2</sub> from the subsurface, it has been determined that there are no leakage pathways at the WF that are likely to result in significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the atmosphere. Further, given the detailed knowledge of



the field and its operating protocols, it is concluded that any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface that could arise through either identified or unexpected leakage pathways would be detected and quantified as required by 40 CFR 98.448.

## 6 Monitoring and Considerations for Calculating Site Specific Variables

Monitoring will also be used to determine the quantities in the mass balance equation and to make the demonstration that the CO<sub>2</sub> plume will not migrate to the surface after the time of discontinuation.

### 6.1 For the Mass Balance Equation

#### 6.1.1 General Monitoring Procedures

Flow rate, pressure, and gas composition data are monitored and collected from the WF in centralized data management systems as part of ongoing operations. This data is monitored by qualified technicians who follow response and reporting protocols when the systems deliver notifications that data exceed statistically acceptable boundaries.

Metering protocols used at WF follow the prevailing industry standard(s) for custody transfer as currently promulgated by the API, the American Gas Association, and the Gas Processors Association, as appropriate. This approach is consistent with EPA GHGRP's Subpart RR, section §98.444(e)(3). These meters will be maintained routinely, operated continually, and will feed data directly to the centralized data collection systems. The meters meet the industry standard for custody transfer meter accuracy and calibration frequency.

#### 6.1.2 CO<sub>2</sub> Received

As indicated in Figure 3-5, the volume of received CO<sub>2</sub> is measured using a commercial custody transfer meter at the point at which custody of the CO<sub>2</sub> from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system is transferred to the WF. This meter measures flow rate continually. The transfer is a commercial transaction that is documented. CO<sub>2</sub> composition is governed by contract and the gas is routinely sampled. Fluid composition will be determined, at a minimum, quarterly, consistent with EPA GHGRP's Subpart RR, section §98.447(a). All meter and composition data are documented, and records will be retained for at least three years. No CO<sub>2</sub> is received in containers.

#### 6.1.3 CO<sub>2</sub> Injected in the Subsurface

Injected CO<sub>2</sub> will be calculated using the flow meter volumes at the operations meter at the outlet of the central tank battery separators less vent and equipment losses plus, the custody transfer meter at the CO<sub>2</sub> off-take point from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system.

#### 6.1.4 CO<sub>2</sub> Produced, Entrained in Products, and Recycled

The following measurements are used for the mass balance equations in Section 8:

- CO<sub>2</sub> produced in the gaseous stage is calculated using the volumetric flow meters at central production battery. These meters are located immediately downstream of the separation facilities.
- CO<sub>2</sub> that is entrained in produced oil, as indicated in Figure 3-5, is calculated using volumetric flow through the custody transfer meter and annual analysis of CO<sub>2</sub> content in the oil which has typically 0.3797 volume percent (1.2692 Mol%).
- Recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is calculated using the volumetric flow meter at the outlet of the central production battery separators feeding the inlet of the RCF, which is an operations meter. Only gaseous CO<sub>2</sub> flows through this meter.

#### 6.1.5 CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Surface Leakage

CapturePoint uses 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W to estimate surface leaks from equipment at the WF. Subpart W uses a factor-driven approach to estimate equipment leakage. In addition, an event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is used. The Subpart W report and results from any event-driven quantification will be reconciled to assure that surface leaks are not double counted.

Per 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart RR 98.446(f)(3) The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted (in metric tons) annually from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead will be reported as a separate data element from the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted (in metric tons) annually from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity.

The multi-layered, risk-based monitoring program for event-driven incidents has been designed to meet two objectives: 1) to detect problems before CO<sub>2</sub> leaks to the surface; and 2) to detect and quantify any leaks that do occur. This section discusses how this monitoring will be conducted and used to quantify the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked to the surface.

##### **Monitoring for Potential Leakage from the Injection/Production Zone**

In addition to the measures discussed in Section 5.9, both injection into and production from the reservoir will be monitored as a means of early identification of potential anomalies that could indicate leakage from the subsurface.

Injection plans (fluid rate, pressure, volume) are given to operations on a weekly basis. If injection pressure or rate measurements are outside the specified set points determined as part of each pattern injection plan, reservoir engineering will notify field personnel and they will investigate and resolve the problem. These excursions will be reviewed by well management personnel to determine if CO<sub>2</sub> leakage may be occurring. Excursions are not necessarily indicators of leaks; they simply indicate that injection rates and pressures are not conforming to the pattern injection plan. In many cases, problems are straightforward to fix (e.g., a meter needs to be recalibrated

or some other minor action is required), and there is no threat of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. In the case of issues that are not readily resolved, a more detailed investigation and response would be initiated, and support staff would provide additional assistance and evaluation.

Likewise, a forecast of the rate and composition of produced fluids is developed. Each producer well is assigned to a specific test vessel and is isolated during each cycle for a well production test. This data is reviewed on a periodic basis to confirm that production is at the level forecasted. If there is a significant deviation from the plan, well management personnel investigate. If the issue cannot be resolved quickly, a more detailed investigation and response would be initiated. If leakage in the flood zone were detected, an appropriate method would be used to quantify the involved volume of CO<sub>2</sub>. This might include use of material balance equations based on known injected quantities and monitored pressures in the injection zone to estimate the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> involved.

A subsurface leak might not lead to a surface leak. In the event of a subsurface leak, CapturePoint would determine the appropriate approach for tracking subsurface leakage to determine and quantify leakage to the surface. To quantify leakage, the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be estimated to quantify the leak volume. Depending on specific circumstances, these determinations may rely on engineering estimates.

In the event leakage from the subsurface occurred diffusely through the seals, the leaked gas would include H<sub>2</sub>S, which would trigger the alarm on the personal monitors worn by field personnel. Such a diffuse leak from the subsurface has not occurred in the WF. In the event such a leak was detected, personnel would determine how to address the problem. The personnel might use modeling, engineering estimates, and direct measurements to assess, address, and quantify the leakage.

### **Monitoring of Wellbores**

WF wells are monitored through daily pressure monitoring of the injection zone, monitoring of the annular pressure in wellheads, and routine maintenance and inspection.

Leaks from wellbores would be detected through the follow-up investigation of pressure anomalies, visual inspection, or the use of personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors.

Anomalies in injection zone pressure may not indicate a leak, as discussed above. However, if an investigation leads to a need for further study, field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. If it is a simple matter, the repair would be made, and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repair were needed, the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined.

Anomalies in annular pressure or other issues detected during routine maintenance inspections would be treated in the same way. Field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. For simple matters the repair would be made at the time of inspection and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W

report for the WF. If more extensive repairs were needed, the well would be shut in, a work order would be generated and the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined. The work order would serve as the basis for tracking the event for GHGRP.

Because leaking CO<sub>2</sub> at the surface is very cold and leads to formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted, a visual inspection process in the WF area is employed to detect unexpected releases from wellbores. Field personnel visit the surface facilities on a routine basis. Inspections may include tank levels, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, and valves. Field personnel also observe the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks.

Finally, the H<sub>2</sub>S monitors, which are always worn by all field personnel are used as a last method to detect leakage from wellbores. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitor detects concentrations greater than 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the first response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of the alarm. As noted previously, H<sub>2</sub>S is considered a proxy for potential gas leaks including CO<sub>2</sub> in the field. Currently the concentration of H<sub>2</sub>S in the recycled or produced gas is approximately 130 ppm while in the produced fluid the concentration is 77 ppm making leak detection viable. Thus, detected H<sub>2</sub>S leaks will be investigated to quantify the potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage source and quantities.

#### **Other Potential Leakage at the Surface**

The same visual inspection process and H<sub>2</sub>S monitoring system will be used to detect other potential leakage at the surface as it does for leakage from wellbores. Routine visual inspections are used to detect significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface. Field personnel routinely visit surface facilities to conduct a visual inspection. Inspections may include review of tank level, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, valves, and conducting a general observation of the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks. If problems are detected, field personnel would investigate, and complete any maintenance that is required. In addition to these visual inspections, the results of the personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors worn by field personnel will be used as a supplement for smaller leaks that may escape visual detection.

If CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is detected, it will be reported to surface operations personnel who will review the reports and conduct a site investigation. If maintenance is required, steps are taken to prevent further leaks.

##### **6.1.6 CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the injection flow meter and the injection wellhead**

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from injection equipment and the CO<sub>2</sub> content of any vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

##### **6.1.7 CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the production flow meter and the production wellhead**

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from production equipment and the CO<sub>2</sub> content of produced oil, and any vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

## 6.2 To Demonstrate that Injected CO<sub>2</sub> is not Expected to Migrate to the Surface

At the end of the Specified Period, injecting CO<sub>2</sub> for the subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term storage of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF will cease. Sometime after the end of the Specified Period, a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting will be submitted. The request will demonstrate that the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> reported under 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage.

At that time, the request will be supported with years of data collected during the Specified Period. This demonstration will provide the information necessary for the EPA Administrator to approve the request to discontinue monitoring and reporting and may include, but is not limited to:

- Data comparing actual performance to predicted performance (purchase, injection, production) over the monitoring period,
- An assessment of the CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected, including the discussion of the estimated amount of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked and the distribution of emissions by leakage pathway,
- A demonstration that future operations will not release the volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface,
- A demonstration that there has been no significant leakage of CO<sub>2</sub>; and,
- An evaluation of the reservoir pressure demonstrates that injected fluids are not expected to migrate in a manner to create a potential leakage pathway.

## 7 Determination of Baselines

Ongoing operational monitoring has provided data for establishing baselines and will be utilized to identify and investigate excursions from expected performance that could indicate CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Data systems are used primarily for operational control and monitoring, which are set to capture more information than is necessary for reporting in the Annual Subpart RR Report. The necessary system guidelines to capture the information that is relevant to identify possible CO<sub>2</sub> leakage will be developed. The following describes the approach to collecting this information.

### Visual Inspections

As field operators conduct routine inspections and repairs, the Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot. Examples include occurrences of well workover or repair, as well as visual identification of vapor clouds or ice formations. Each incident will be flagged for review by the person responsible for MRV documentation (the responsible party will be provided in the monitoring plan, as required under Subpart A, §98.3(g)). The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information used to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

## **Personal H<sub>2</sub>S Monitors**

H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are worn by all field personnel. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitors detect concentrations of H<sub>2</sub>S up to 500 ppm in 0.1 ppm increments and will sound an alarm if the detection limit exceeds 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the immediate response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of persistent alarms. CapturePoint considers H<sub>2</sub>S to be a proxy for potential CO<sub>2</sub> leaks in the field. The person responsible for MRV documentation will receive notice of all incidents where H<sub>2</sub>S is confirmed to be present. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from any such incidents. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

## **Injection Rates, Pressures and Volumes**

Target injection rate and pressure for each injector are developed within the permitted limits based on the results of ongoing pattern balancing. The injection targets are submitted to field operations. Field operations flags whenever statistically significant deviations from the targeted ranges are identified. The set points are designed to be conservative, because it is preferable to have too many flags rather than too few. As a result, flags can occur frequently and are often found to be insignificant. For purposes of Subpart RR reporting, flags (or excursions) will be screened to determine if they could also lead to CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. The person responsible for the MRV documentation will receive notice of excursions. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

## **Production Volumes and Compositions**

A general forecast of production volumes and composition is developed which is used to periodically evaluate performance, refine current and projected injection plans, and the forecast. This information is used to make operational decisions but is not recorded in an automated data system. The MRV plan implementation lead will review the data and identify those that could result in CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Should such events occur, leakage volumes would be calculated following the approaches described in Sections 5 and 6. Impact to Subpart RR reporting will be addressed, if deemed necessary.

## **8 Determination of Sequestration Volumes Using Mass Balance Equations**

This section describes how CP uses the equations in Subpart RR §98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received using equations RR-2 and RR-3, the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> injected using equations RR-5 and RR-6, the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> produced using equations RR-8 and RR-9, the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Surface Leakage using equation RR-10, and the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered using equation RR-11.

### **8.1 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received**

Equation RR-2 will be used as indicated in Subpart RR §98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> at the receiving custody transfer meter from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system. The volumetric flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine mass.

The Mass of the CO<sub>2</sub> Received will be determined using Equation RR-2 as follows:

$$CO_{2T,r} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,r} - S_{r,p}) * D * C_{CO_2,p,r} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-2})$$

where:

$CO_{2T,r}$  = Net annual mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received through flow meter r (metric tons).

$Q_{r,p}$  = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

$S_{r,p}$  = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into a site well in quarter p (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

$C_{CO_2,p,r}$  = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter r in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

r = Receiving flow meters.

Given WF's method of receiving CO<sub>2</sub> and requirements at Subpart RR §98.444(a):

- All delivery to the WF is used within the unit so no quarterly flow redelivered, and  $S_{r,p}$  will be zero ("0").
- Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurements.

## 8.2 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface

The equation for calculating the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface at the WF is equal to the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received as calculated in RR-2 of §98.443 (section 8.1 above) and the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled calculated using measurements taken from the flow meter located directly downstream of the separation facilities (see Figure 3-5).

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled will be determined using equations RR-5 as follows:

$$CO_{2,u} = \sum_{p=1}^4 Q_{p,u} * D * C_{CO_2,p,u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-5})$$

where:

$CO_{2,u}$  = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass recycled (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

$Q_{p,u}$  = Quarterly volumetric flow rate measurement for flow meter u in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters per quarter).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

$C_{CO_2,p,u}$  = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter u in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

u = Flow meter.

The total Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received (RR-2) and Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled (RR-5).

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be determined using equations RR-6 as follows:

$$CO_{2i} = \sum_{u=1}^U CO_{2u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-6})$$

where:

$CO_{2i}$  = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) through all injection wells.

$CO_{2u}$  = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.

u = Flow meter.

### 8.3 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced

In accordance with §98.443, Equation RR-8 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced at the flow meter (Operational Meter 1) on Figure 3-5, as described in Section 6.1.4. Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurement database. The volumetric flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine net Annual Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received.



$$CO_{2w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,w}) * D * C_{CO_2,p,w} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

Where:

$CO_{2w}$  = Annual  $CO_2$  mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.

$Q_{p,w}$  = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for separator w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of  $CO_2$  at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

$CCO_{2,p,w}$  =  $CO_2$  concentration measurement in flow for separator w in quarter p (vol. percent  $CO_2$ , expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

w = Separator.

For Equation RR-9 in §98.443 the variable X will be measured as follows:

$$CO_{2P} = (1 + X) * \sum_{w=1}^W CO_{2,w} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-9})$$

Where:

$CO_{2P}$  = Total annual  $CO_2$  mass produced (metric tons) through all separators in the reporting year.

$CO_{2,w}$  = Annual  $CO_2$  produced (metric tons) through all separators in the reporting year.

X = Entrained  $CO_2$  in produced oil or other fluid divided by the  $CO_2$  separated through all separators in the reporting year (weight percent  $CO_2$ , expressed as a decimal fraction)

w = Separator

## 8.4 Mass of $CO_2$ Emitted by Surface Leakage

Surface Leakage will be calculated and reported using an approach that is tailored to specific leakage events including calculation methodologies in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W for emissions and leaks from equipment. CapturePoint is prepared to address the potential for leakage in a variety of settings. Estimates of the amount of  $CO_2$  leaked to the surface will depend on several site-specific factors including measurements, engineering estimates, and emission factors, depending on the source and nature of the leakage.

The process for quantifying leakage will entail using the best engineering principles or emission factors. While it is not possible to predict in advance the types of leaks that will occur, some approaches for quantification are described in Sections 5.9 and 6. In the event leakage to the surface occurs, leakage amounts would be quantified and reported, and records that describe the methods used to estimate or measure the volume leaked as reported in the Annual Subpart RR Report would be retained. Further, the Subpart W report and results from any event-driven quantification will be reconciled to assure that surface leaks are not double counted.

Equation RR-10 in §98.443 will be used to calculate and report the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage:

$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^X CO_{2,x} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

Where:

CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year

CO<sub>2,x</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year

X = Leakage pathway

## 8.5 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Facility Emergency Vent

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by the Emergency Vent at the WF will be calculated using the measurements from the flow meter at the vent. That volume will be added to CO<sub>2FI</sub> which is the total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

Equation RR-8 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted through the emergency vent as follows:

$$CO_{2w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,w}) * D * C_{CO_{2,p,w}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

Where:

CO<sub>2w</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.

Q<sub>p,w</sub> = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for meter w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

CCO<sub>2,p,w</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for meter w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

w = Separator

## 8.6 Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered and Reported in Subsurface Geologic Formation

Equation RR-11 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered and Reported in Subsurface Geologic Formations in the Reporting Year as follows:

$$\text{CO}_2 = \text{CO}_{2\text{I}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{P}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{E}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{FI}} - \text{CO}_{2\text{FP}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-11})$$

where:

CO<sub>2</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass sequestered in subsurface geologic formations (metric tons) at the facility in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2I</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) in the well or group of wells covered by this source category in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2P</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) in oil in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) by surface leakage in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2FI</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

CO<sub>2FP</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of part 98 of Mandatory Greenhouse Reporting.

## 9 MRV Plan Implementation Schedule

This MRV plan will be implemented starting October 2023 or within 90 days of EPA approval, whichever occurs later. Other GHGRP reports are filed on March 31 of the year after the reporting year, and it is anticipated that the Annual Subpart RR Report will be filed at the same time. It is anticipated that the MRV plan will be in effect during the Specified Period, during which time the WF will be operated with the subsidiary purpose of establishing long-term containment of a measurable quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> in subsurface geological formations at the WF. It is anticipated to establish that a measurable amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected during the Specified Period will be stored in a manner not expected to migrate resulting in future surface leakage. At such time, a demonstration supporting the long-term containment determination will be prepared and a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting under this MRV plan will be submitted. See 40 C.F.R. §98.441(b)(2)(ii).

## 10 Quality Assurance (QA) Program

### 10.1 QA Procedures

The requirements of §98.444 (a) – (d) have been incorporated in the discussion of mass balance equations. These include the following provisions.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Received and Injected**

- The quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received by pipeline is measured at the receiving custody transfer meters.
- The quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> flow rate for recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is measured at the flow meter located at the RCF outlet.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Produced**

- The point of measurement for the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from oil or other fluid production wells is a flow meter directly downstream of each separator that sends a stream of gas into a recycle or end use system.
- The produced gas stream is sampled annually downstream of the flow meter used to measure flow rate of that gas stream and measure the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of the sample.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Equipment Leaks and Vented Emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>**

These volumes are measured in conformance with the monitoring and QA requirements specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98.

#### **Flow Meter Provisions**

The flow meters used to generate data for the mass balance equations are:

- Operated continuously except as necessary for maintenance and calibration.
- Operated using the calibration and accuracy requirements in 40 CFR §98.3(i).
- Operated in conformance with API standards.
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) traceable.

#### **Concentration of CO<sub>2</sub>**

CO<sub>2</sub> concentration is measured using an appropriate standard method. Further, all measured volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> have been converted to standard cubic meters at a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and at an absolute pressure of 1 atmosphere, including those used in Equations RR-2, RR-5, and RR-8 in Section 8.

## 10.2 Missing Data Procedures

In the event data needed for the mass balance calculations cannot be collected, procedures for estimating missing data in §98.445 will be used as follows:

- A quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative flow rate value from the previous measured period.
- A quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of a CO<sub>2</sub> stream received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative concentration value from the previous measured period.
- A quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected from the previous measured period at a similar injection pressure.
- For any values associated with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment at the facility that are reported in this subpart, missing data estimation procedures specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98 would be followed.
- The quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from subsurface geologic formations that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from the previous measured period.

## 10.3 MRV Plan Revisions

In the event there is a material change to the monitoring and/or operational parameters of the CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations in the WF that is not anticipated in this MRV plan, the MRV plan will be revised and submitted to the EPA Administrator within 180 days as required in §98.448(d).

## 11 Records Retention

The record retention requirements specified by §98.3(g) will be followed. In addition, the requirements in Subpart RR §98.447 will be met by maintaining the following records for at least three years:

- Quarterly records of CO<sub>2</sub> received at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of produced CO<sub>2</sub>, including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of injected CO<sub>2</sub> including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by surface leakage from leakage pathways.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity.

This data will be collected as generated and aggregated as required for reporting purposes.

## 12 Appendix

### 12.1 Well Identification Numbers

The following table presents the well name, API number, type, and status for active wells in the WF as of March 2023. The table is subject to change over time as new wells are drilled, existing wells change status, or existing wells are repurposed.

The following terms are used:

Well Type:

- PROD\_OIL refers to wells that produce oil.
- INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> refers to wells that inject CO<sub>2</sub>.
- INJ\_SWD refers to wells that inject water for disposal.
- P&A refers to plugged and abandoned wells.

Well Status:

- ACTIVE refers to active wells.
- INACTIVE refers to wells that have been completed but are not in use.
- SHUT\_IN refers to wells that have been temporarily idled or shut in.
- TEMP\_AB refers to wells that have been temporarily abandoned.

*Table 12-1 Well Status Table*

Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 101W	4244500076	INJ_SWD	SHUT_IN
WU 201	4244500072	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 202	4244500073	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 203	4244500074	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 203-ST	424450007401	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 204	4244530234	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 301	4244500575	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 302W	4244500576	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 303	4244530070	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 303-ST	4216533912	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 304	4244532434	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 304-ST	424453243401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 401	4244500083	INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	ACTIVE
WU 402	4244500084	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 402-ST	424450008401	INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	ACTIVE
WU 403	4244500085	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 404	4244500086	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 405	4244500087	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 405-ST	424450008701	P&A	INACTIVE

Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 405-ST2	424450008702	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 406	4244500088	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 407	4244530288	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 408	4244531435	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 408-ST	424453143501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 409	4244531456	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 409-ST	424453145601	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 410	4244531825	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 410-ST	424453182501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 411	4244531858	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 501	4244500578	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 502	4244500579	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 502-ST	424450057901	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 503	4244500580	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 504	4244500581	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 505	4244500582	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 505-ST	424450058202	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 506	4244500583	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVESHUT_IN
WU 506-ST	424450058301	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 507	4244500584	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 508	4244530105	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 509	4244531117	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 510	4244531434	P&APROD_OIL	INACTIVEACTIVE
WU 510-ST	424453143401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 511	4244531457	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 512	4244531769	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 513	4244531872	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 601	4244500569	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 602	4244500570	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 701	4244500163	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 702	4244500089	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 703	4244500090	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 704	4244500091	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 704A	4244530314	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 705	4244530125	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 706	4244530864	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 706-ST	424453086401	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 801	4244500418	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 801-ST	424450041801	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 802	4244500419	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 803	4244500420	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 804	4244500421	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 805	4244500422	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 805-ST	424450042201	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 806	4244500423	P&A	INACTIVE



Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 806A	4244532445	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 806-ST	424450042301	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 807	4244500424	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 807A	4244500425	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 807A-ST1	424450042501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 808	4244530741	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 809	4244531824	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 810	4244531870	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 811	4244532428	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 812	4244532435	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 813	4244532446	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 814	4244532467	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE

## 12.2 Regulatory References

Regulations cited in this plan:

- TAC Title 16 Part 1 Chapter 3 Oil & Gas Division

[https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y)

- TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual

<https://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-and-gas/publications-and-notices/manuals/injection-storage-manual/>

## 12.3 Abbreviations and Acronyms

AMA - Active Monitoring Area

API - American Petroleum Institute

AoR - Area of Review

Bcf – 1 Billion Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

CO<sub>2</sub> - Carbon Dioxide

CTB – Central Tank Battery

DPC - Dimensionless Performance Curve

EPA - Environmental Protection Agency

EOR - Enhanced Oil Recovery

ESP - Electrical Submersible Pump

FPP - Formation Parting Pressure (psi)

GHGRP - Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program

H<sub>2</sub>S – Hydrogen Sulfide

HCPV - Hydrocarbon Pore Volume

IWR - Injection to Withdrawal Ratio

MMA - Maximum Monitoring Area

MRV Plan - Monitoring, Reporting and Verification Plan

MCF – 1 Thousand Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

MIT – Mechanical Integrity Test

MMCF – 1 Million Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

NIST - National Institute of Standards and Technology

QA – Quality Assurance

RB - Reservoir Barrels

RCF - Recycle Compression Facility

TAC - Texas Administrative Code

TRRC - Texas Railroad Commission - Oil and Gas Division

USGS - United States Geological Survey

UIC – Underground Injection Control

WF – Wellman Field

WLFRRF – Wolfcamp Reef

## 12.4 Conversion Factors

CapturePoint reports CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions of temperature and pressure as defined in the State of Texas in the Texas Administrative Code for the Oil and Gas Division, Rule 3.79 as follows:

Cubic foot of gas or standard cubic foot of gas--The volume of gas contained in one cubic foot of space at a standard pressure base and at a standard temperature base. The standard pressure base shall be 14.65 pounds per square inch absolute, and the standard temperature base shall be 60 degrees Fahrenheit.

To calculate CO<sub>2</sub> mass from CO<sub>2</sub> volume, EPA recommends using the database of thermodynamic properties developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). This online database is available at:

<https://webbook.nist.gov/chemistry/fluid/>

It provides density of CO<sub>2</sub> using the Span and Wagner equation of state (EOS) at a wide range of temperature and pressures.

At State of Texas standard conditions, the Span and Wagner EOS gives a density of CO<sub>2</sub> of 0.002641684 lb-moles per cubic foot. Converting the CO<sub>2</sub> density in units of metric tonnes per cubic foot:

$$Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{MT}{ft^3} \right) = Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{lb - moles}{ft^3} \right) \times MW_{CO_2} \times \frac{1 MT}{2,204.62 lbs}$$

Where:

$Density_{CO_2} = \text{Density of CO}_2 \text{ in metric tonnes (MT) per cubic foot}$

$Density_{CO_2} = 0.002641684$

$MW_{CO_2} = 44.0095$

$Density_{CO_2} = 5.2734 \times 10^{-5} \frac{MT}{ft^3} \text{ or } 5.2734 \times 10^{-2} \frac{MT}{Mcf}$

The conversion factor  $5.2734 \times 10^{-2}$  MT/Mcf is used to convert CO<sub>2</sub> volumes in standard cubic feet to CO<sub>2</sub> mass in metric tonnes.

**Request for Additional Information: Wellman  
September 21, 2023**

Instructions: Please enter responses into this table and make corresponding revisions to the MRV Plan as necessary. Any long responses, references, or supplemental information may be attached to the end of the table as an appendix. This table may be uploaded to the Electronic Greenhouse Gas Reporting Tool (e-GGRT) in addition to any MRV Plan resubmissions.

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1.	N/A	N/A	<p>Please review the figures included in the MRV plan to ensure that all text is legible, scale bars and legends are scaled appropriately, north arrows are present, etc. For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The legends in Figures 3-4 and 3-8 are small and difficult to read.</li> </ul> <p>Note that these are only two examples, and there may be other figures that require attention. Please review all figures.</p>	Figures are updated with larger legends.
2.	3.1	5	The graph in Figure 3-1 implies that injection will cease just before 2061 while the text states that the project ends in 2059. We recommend updating the X-axis of the graph or the text for consistency.	Updated text to match Plot in Figure 3-1.
3.	3.2	6	We recommend including detailed descriptions of the formations shown in the stratigraphic column in the text (such as age).	Added a new Wellman Field Stratigraphy section.

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4.	4.1	14	<p>Section 4.1 states:</p> <p><a href="#">“The Active Monitoring Area (AMA) is defined by the WLFRR boundaries which serve to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally.”</a></p> <p>However, Figure 3-8 shows that the AMA is the same as the storage area outline. Please ensure that the description of the AMA is consistent throughout the MRV plan.</p> <p>Additionally, per 40 CFR 98.449, active monitoring area is defined as the area that will be monitored over a specific time interval from the first year of the period (n) to the last year in the period (t). The boundary of the active monitoring area is established by superimposing two areas:</p> <p>(1) The area projected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume at the end of year t, <b>plus an all around buffer zone of one-half mile</b> or greater if known leakage pathways extend laterally more than one-half mile.</p> <p>(2) The area projected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume at the end of year t + 5.</p> <p>While the MRV plan identifies the AMA, the AMA does not account for the ½ mile buffer as described in 40 CFR 98.449. Please update the MRV plan as necessary to ensure the AMA meets the definitions in 40 CFR 98.449.</p> <p>Additionally, please specify whether CO<sub>2</sub> will remain within the unit boundaries at year t with a ½ mile buffer superimposed over the extent of the plume at year t+5 as required in the above definitions. Please also clarify how/if the half mile buffer was used when identifying the AMA.</p>	<p>The AMA did not account for the ½ mile buffer as described in 40 CFR 98.449. Updated the MRV plan to identify the AMA as defined in 40 CFR 98.449.</p>

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5.	4.2	14	<p>Section 4.2 states:</p> <p>“The Maximum Monitoring Area (MMA) is defined by the WLFRR boundaries plus the required ½ mile buffer as required by 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR). The MMA would be the same as the AMA since the plume location is less than the Unit area. Since the area of the AMA and MMA are the same, the MMA meets the definition found in 40 CFR 98.449.”</p> <p>However, Figure 3-8 shows that the MMA is the same as the storage area outline. Please ensure that the description of the MMA is consistent throughout the MRV plan.</p> <p>Additionally, per 40 CFR 98.449, maximum monitoring area is defined as equal to or greater than the area expected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume until the CO<sub>2</sub> plume has stabilized plus an all-around buffer zone of at least one-half mile.</p> <p>While the MRV plan identifies the MMA, please provide further explanation of whether the MMA meets the definitions in 40 CFR 98.449. Please specify whether CO<sub>2</sub> will remain in the unit boundaries when the CO<sub>2</sub> plume has stabilized as required in the above definitions. E.g., is there a specific timeframe in which the plume is expected to stabilize? What will happen to the CO<sub>2</sub> plume when the facility is no longer producing/injecting fluids?</p>	<p>The MMA (Maximum Monitoring Area) did not match the definition as found in 40 CFR 98.449. Updated the MRV plan to identify the MMA as defined in 40 CFR 98.449.</p>
6.	5	15-23	<p>In addition to listing the possible leakage pathways and their monitoring strategies, please provide a clear characterization of the likelihood, magnitude, and timing of leakage for each potential leakage pathway, specifically for pipelines and surface equipment. For example, Section 5.5 does state that the risk of leakage has been reduced, but there is no mention of what the level of risk is.</p>	<p>Added information to characterize the likelihood, magnitude, and timing of leakage for each potential leakage pathway</p>

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7.	5.3	18	<p>“Some of the recorded earthquakes in West Texas are far removed from any injection operation.”</p> <p>Please clarify what is meant by “some” as it appears in the MRV plan. Have there been earthquakes near the injection operations?</p>	<p>Reworded the statement as indicated below.</p> <p>After reviewing the literature and actual operating experience, it is concluded that there is no direct evidence that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. There is no indication of seismic activity posing a risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface within the MMA. Therefore, CapturePoint concludes that leakage of the sequestered CO<sub>2</sub> through seismicity as unlikely.</p>
8.	5.4	19	<p>“The successful experience with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding in WF demonstrates that the confining zone has not been impaired by previous operations. Leakage from previous operations is low as evidenced by the 40 years of CO<sub>2</sub> injection without leakage. Well construction requirements all but eliminate this leakage potential. If leakage were to occur, well intervention methods would address the failure in a matter of hours to days limiting the volume of leakage from a few MCF to a few MMCF.”</p> <p>The above text is inconsistent. For example, the second sentence that there has been a non-zero amount of leakage from previous operations. . Please provide additional clarity on historic leakage and describe more specifically how well construction and intervention methods will address any leakage.</p>	<p>Added the following statement on well construction and State regulatory rules. - The wells were designed to prevent migration from the injection interval to the surface through the casing and cement placed in the well. Mechanical integrity tests (MIT), required under Statewide Rule (SWR) §3.46 [40 CFR §146.23 (b)(3)], will take place every five years to verify that the well and wellhead can contain the appropriate operating pressures. If the MIT were to indicate a leak, the well would be isolated and the leak mitigated to prevent leakage of the injectate to the atmosphere.</p> <p>Removed inconsistent wording to read as follows. - As evidenced by the 40 years of CO<sub>2</sub> injection without leakage previous operations do not present a risk of leakage to the atmosphere.</p>

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9.	5.9	23	<p>“Given the uncertainty concerning the nature and characteristics of any leaks that may be encountered, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> will be determined on a case-by-case basis. In the event leakage occurs, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume leaked will be determined and it will be reported as required as part of the annual Subpart RR submission. An example methodology would be to place a flux box or ring tent over the surface leak to measure the flow rate and gather gas samples for analysis.”</p> <p>In the previous RFAI, it was requested that example quantification strategies be provided within the MRV plan. While one example quantification strategy was added to the MRV plan, please provide example quantification strategies that may be applied for each of the most likely leakage pathways identified in the plan.</p>	<p>Magnitude estimates added to Table 5.1. Equation to quantify CO<sub>2</sub> Mass emitted to the document.</p>
10.	6.1.4	24	<p>“CO<sub>2</sub> produced in the gaseous stage is calculated using the volumetric flow meters at central production battery.”</p> <p>We recommend rewording the sentence to show whether CO<sub>2</sub> produced is measured by flow meters at the outlet of the separation facilities as required by 40 CFR 98.444(c)</p>	<p>Added the following statement to section 6.1.4. “Those meters are located immediately downstream of the separation facilities.”</p>
11.	6.1.5	25	<p>“CapturePoint uses 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W to estimate surface leaks from equipment at the WF. Subpart W uses a factor-driven approach to estimate equipment leakage. In addition, an event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is used. The Subpart W report and results from any event-driven quantification will be reconciled to assure that surface leaks are not double counted.”</p> <p>Subpart RR requires equipment leaks and vented emissions for injection and production to be reported separately (see <a href="https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-40/chapter-I/subchapterC/part-98/subpart-RR#p-98.446(f)(3)">https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-40/chapter-I/subchapterC/part-98/subpart-RR#p-98.446(f)(3)</a>). Please update the MRV plan as necessary to reflect that these are separate data elements.</p>	<p>Added the following statement.</p> <p>Per 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart RR 98.446(f)(3) The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted (in metric tons) annually from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead will be reported as a separate data element from the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted (in metric tons) annually from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity.</p>



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12.	8	29	<p>“To account for the potential propagation of error that would result if volume data from flow meters at each injection and production well were utilized, it is proposed to use the data from custody and operations meters on the main system pipelines to determine injection and production volumes used in the mass balance. This issue arises because while each meter has a small but acceptable margin of error, this error would become significant if data were taken from all of the wellhead meters within the WF.”</p> <p>Subpart RR requires that “The point of measurement for the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from oil or other fluid production wells is a flow meter directly downstream of each separator that sends a stream of gas into a recycle or end use system.” Please explain in the MRV plan whether the proposed flowmeters follow 40 CFR 98.444, and/or revise this section of the MRV plan as necessary. See <a href="https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-40/part-98/section-98.444#p-98.444(c)">https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-40/part-98/section-98.444#p-98.444(c)</a> for reference.</p>	<p>Added the following statement.</p> <p>These meters are located immediately downstream of the separation facilities.</p>
13.	8.3	31	<p>“CO<sub>2w</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons).”  “w = Inlet meters to RCF”</p> <p>Per 40 CFR 98.443(d)(2), these variables should be “Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w” and “w= Separator,” respectively. Equations and variables cannot be modified from the regulations. Please revise this section and ensure that all equations listed are consistent with the text in 40 CFR 98.443.</p>	<p>Formula has been corrected to match 40 CFR 98.443(d)(2).</p>

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14.	8.3	31	<p>“Xoil = Entrained CO<sub>2</sub> in produced oil or other fluid divided by the CO<sub>2</sub> separated through all separators in the reporting year (weight percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).”</p> <p>Per 40 CFR 98.443(d)(3), this variable should be “X”, not “Xoil”. Equations and variables cannot be modified from the regulations. Please revise this section and ensure that all equations listed are consistent with the text in 40 CFR 98.443.</p>	Corrected the formula to match 40 CFR 98.443(d)(3).
15.	8.4	31	<p>“The total annual Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage will be calculated and reported using an approach that is tailored to specific leakage events and relies on 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W reports of equipment leakage.”</p> <p>It may be more appropriate to state that surface leakage will be calculated and reported using an approach that is tailored to specific leakage events including calculation methodologies in 40 CFR Part 98 subpart W for emissions and leaks from equipment.</p>	<p>Reworded the statement as follows.</p> <p>Surface Leakage will be calculated and reported using an approach that is tailored to specific leakage events including calculation methodologies in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W for emissions and leaks from equipment</p>
16.	8.5	32	<p>“CO<sub>2w</sub>= Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons).”</p> <p>Per 40 CFR 98.443(d)(2), this variable should be “Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through separator w.” Equations and variables cannot be modified from the regulations. Please revise this section and ensure that all equations listed are consistent with the text in 40 CFR 98.443.</p>	Corrected the formula to match 40 CFR 98.443(d)(2).
17.	8.6	33	<p>“CO<sub>2p</sub>= Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) net of CO<sub>2</sub> entrained in oil in the reporting year.”</p> <p>Per 40 CFR 98.443(f)(1), this variable should be “Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) in the reporting year.” Equations and variables cannot be modified from the regulations. Please revise this section and ensure that all equations listed are consistent with the text in 40 CFR 98.443.</p>	<p>Corrected the variable as follows.</p> <p>“Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) in the reporting year.”</p>

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Subpart RR Monitoring, Reporting and  
Verification (MRV) Plan**

August 7, 2023

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## **1. Introduction**

CapturePoint LLC operates a carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)-enhanced oil recovery (EOR) project in the Wellman Field (WF) located in Terry County, Texas, approximately 10 miles southwest of the town of Brownfield for the primary purpose of EOR using CO<sub>2</sub> with a subsidiary purpose of geologic sequestration of CO<sub>2</sub> in a subsurface geologic formation. The WF is comprised of the Wolfcamp Reef (WLFRRF), the main producing reservoir. Production from the WLFRRF is between 9200-10,000 feet throughout the well-defined reef. The MRV plan was developed in accordance with 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) to provide for the monitoring, reporting and verification of the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered at the WF during a specified period of injection.

## **2. Facility Information**

### **2.1. Reporter Number**

544182 – WF

### **2.2. UIC Permit Class**

The Oil and Gas Division of the Texas Railroad Commission (TRRC) regulates oil and gas activity in Texas. All wells in the WF (including production, injection, and monitoring wells) are permitted by TRRC through Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Title 16 Chapter 3. TRRC has primacy to implement the Underground Injection Control Class II program in the state for injection wells. All EOR injection wells in the WF are currently classified as UIC Class II wells.

### **2.3. Existing Wells**

Wells in the WF are identified by Wellman Unit (WU) and number, American Petroleum Institute (API) number, type, and status. The list of wells as of March, 2023 is included in Section 12.1. Any changes in wells will be indicated in the annual report.

## **3. Project Description**

This project takes place in the WF, an oil field located in West Texas that was first produced more than 70 years ago. WF is comprised of the WLFRRF. The WLFRRF is the main oil and gas producing unit and is under the sole operatorship of CapturePoint LLC. Water flooding was initiated in 1979 with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding beginning in 1983, in the WLFRRF. The field is well characterized and is suitable for secure geologic storage. CapturePoint uses a continuous injection process in order to maintain a constant reservoir pressure. This is achieved with an injection to withdrawal ratio (IWR) at or near 1.

### **3.1. Project Characteristics**

The WF was discovered in 1950 and started producing oil in the same year. The WLFRRF began to produce in May 1950 and a waterflood was initiated in July 1979 in the flanks of the reef to push the oil column up towards the top of the structure. CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was then initiated in 1983 and was

injected into the top of the structure for vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding. The entire reef is an oil-bearing zone that has been produced for years, swept by a waterflood, and is now CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the top down for residual oil. This geologically well-defined reef system is an attractive target for EOR with CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Sequestration.

A long-term CO<sub>2</sub> and hydrocarbon injection and production forecast for the WLFRRF was developed using a dimensionless performance curve (DPC) approach. Using this approach, a total injection of approximately 100 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> is forecasted over the life of the project ending in year 2059. Total injection is the volumes of stored CO<sub>2</sub> plus the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> produced with oil. Figure 3-1 shows actual and projected CO<sub>2</sub> injection, production, and stored volumes in WF.

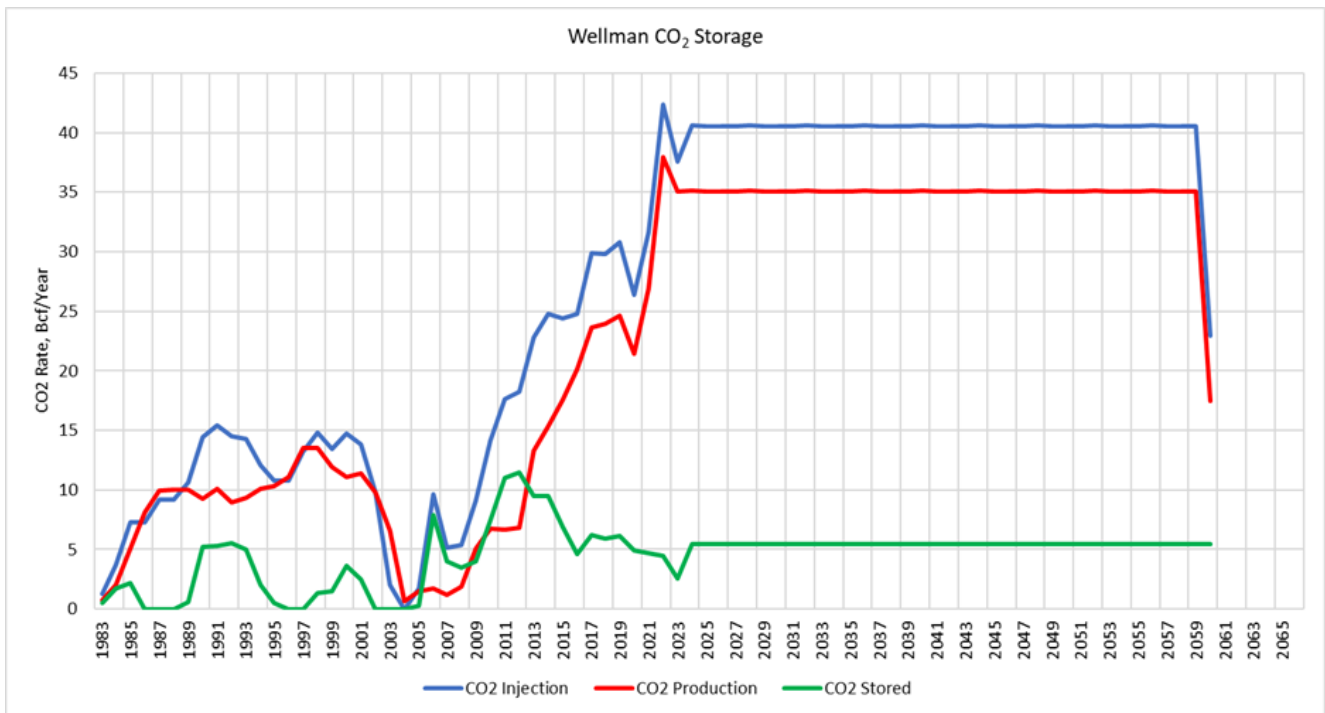
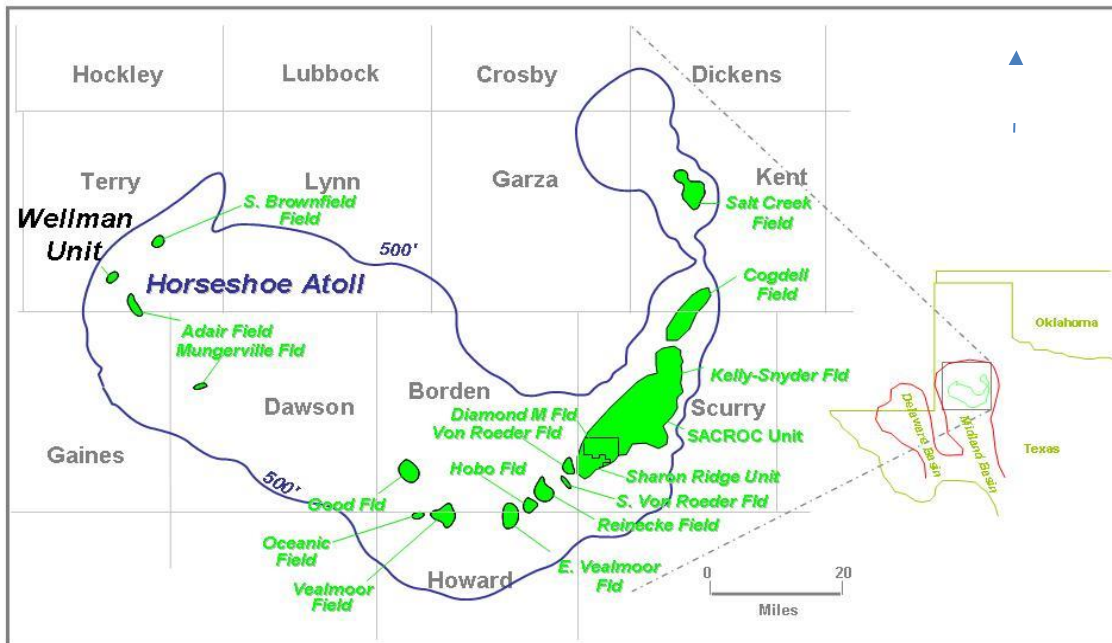


Figure 3-1 WF Historic and Forecast CO<sub>2</sub> Injection, Production, and Storage

### 3.2. Environmental Setting

The WF is in the NE portion of the Central Basin Platform in West Texas (See Figure 3-2). The productive portion of the WF is composed of the WLFRRF.



*Modified from Vest, 1970*

*Figure 3-2 Location of WF in West Texas*

The WLFRRF was developed on the far north-western edge of a larger Pennsylvanian reef trend known as the Horseshoe Atoll. Environment of deposition was shallow muddy (turbid) water with encroaching shales at the flank and eventually buried by terrigenous sediments (shales, siltstones, sands). Those sediments finally drowned out the reef and now form the primary seal for the reservoir. The structure is pinnacle reef like with two smaller bioherm buildups creating an overall structure oriented in a north to south direction (See Figure 3-4).

By the time the reef was deposited, the sinking of the Horseshoe Atoll was well underway, leaving a great deal of vertical accommodation space. As a result, the reef is steep-sided and slumping of the outer edges of the reef is common, as is mixing of the reef-slump (limestone) debris with shale from the overlying seal (Anderson, 1953). The peak of the reservoir occurs at approximately -5,900'SS and plunges below the original oil / water contact at -6,680'SS inside the boundaries of the Wellman Unit. Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formations, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval here is informally called the "Spraberry Group." The Spraberry Group forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastics above the reservoir (See Figure 3-3)



# WELLMAN FIELD TYPE LOG & GENERALIZED STRATIGRAPHIC SECTION

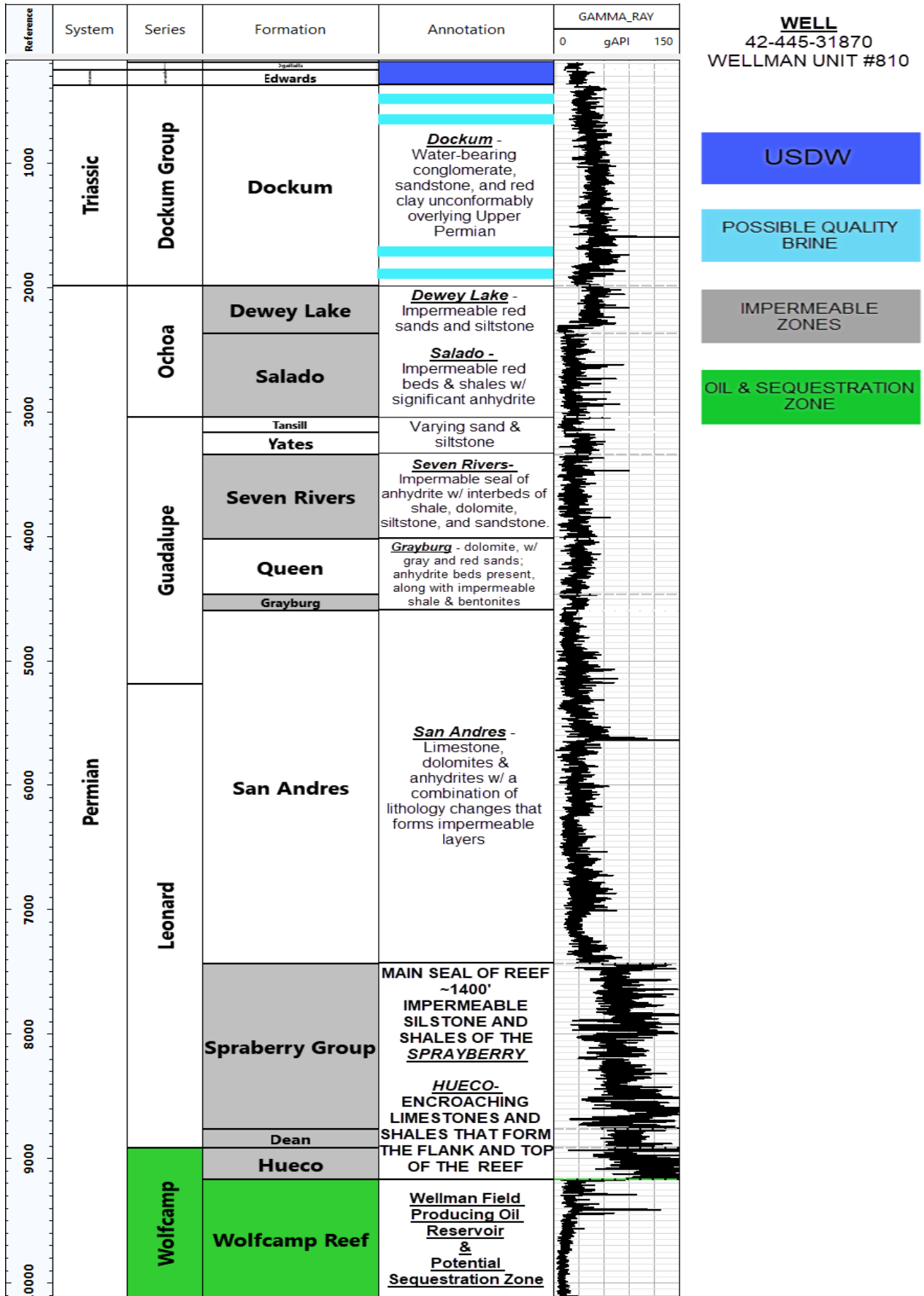


Figure 3-3 Wellman Field (WF) generalized stratigraphic section.

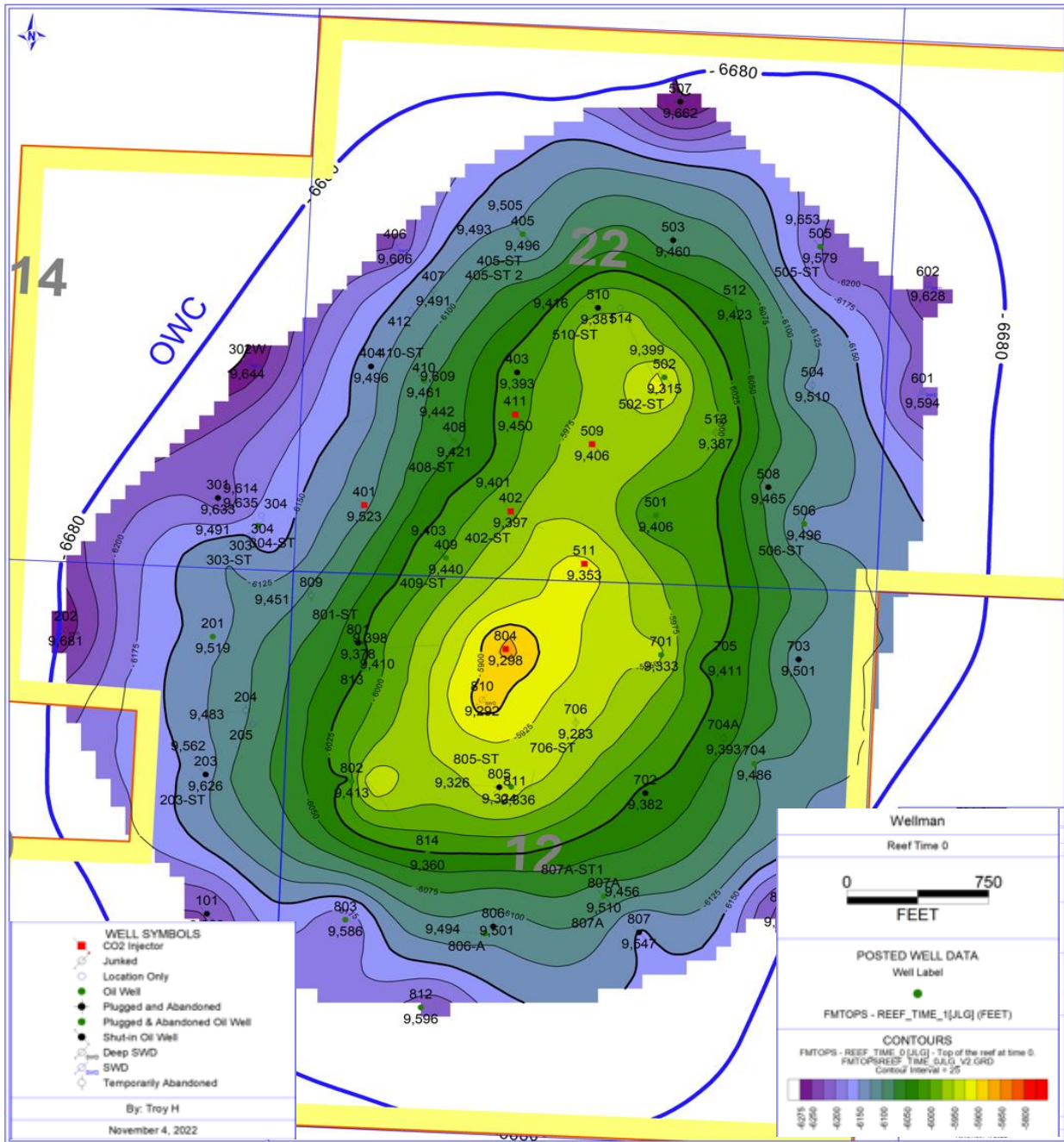


Figure 3-4 Local Area Structure on Top of the Wolfcamp Reef

Once the CO<sub>2</sub> flood is complete and injection ceases, the remaining mobile CO<sub>2</sub> will rise slowly upward, driven by buoyancy forces. There is more than enough pore space to sequester the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> planned for injection. The amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected will not exceed the reservoir's secure storage capacity and, consequently, the risk that CO<sub>2</sub> could migrate to other reservoirs in the basin is negligible.

The volume of CO<sub>2</sub> storage is based on the estimated total pore space within WLFRF. The total pore space within WF, from the top of the reservoir down to the base of the WLFRF, is calculated to be 304.5 million reservoir barrels (RB). This is the volume of rock multiplied by porosity. Table 3-1 below shows the conversion of this amount of pore space into an estimated maximum volume of

approximately 551 Billion Cubic Feet (BCF) (29 million tonnes) of CO<sub>2</sub> storage in the reservoir at original reservoir pressure conditions of 4100 psi. Based on the current project forecast, CO<sub>2</sub> will occupy only 66% (364 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity by the year 2060. CO<sub>2</sub> currently occupies 29% (159 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity.

Table 3-1 Calculation of Maximum Volume of CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Capacity at Wellman Field (WF)

<b>Top of Main Pay to Original Oil/Water Contact</b>	
Variables	WF Outline
Pore Volume ( <b>RB</b> )	304,516,542
<b>B</b> <sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub> (RB/MCF)	0.42
<b>S</b> <sub>wirr</sub>	0.15
<b>S</b> <sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub>	0.09
<b>Max CO<sub>2</sub></b> (MCF)	551,029,933
<b>Max CO<sub>2</sub></b> (BCF)	551

$$\text{Max CO}_2 = \text{Pore Volume} * (1 - \text{S}_{wirr} - \text{S}_{or \text{CO}_2}) / \text{B}_{\text{CO}_2}$$

Where:

Max CO<sub>2</sub> = the maximum amount of storage capacity

Pore Volume = Total pore space in reservoir barrels (RB)

B<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub> = the formation volume factor for CO<sub>2</sub>

S<sub>wirr</sub> = the irreducible water saturation

S<sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub> = the irreducible oil saturation

Reservoir management is employed on a constant basis to obtain the maximum possible economic recovery from a reservoir based on facts, information, and knowledge. As WF is a vertical displacement flood, long-term storage utilizes the natural buoyancy of CO<sub>2</sub> to oil and water, along with the existing reservoir seal, in order to contain the CO<sub>2</sub>. In this scenario, there is no lateral migration and injected fluids (CO<sub>2</sub>) stay in the reservoir within the WF unit boundary and do not move laterally to adjacent areas.

Given that in WF the confining zone has proved competent over both millions of years and in the current CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, and that the WF has ample storage capacity, there is confidence that stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained securely within the reservoir.

### 3.3. Description of CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR Project Facilities and the Injection Process

Figure 3-5 shows a simplified process flow diagram of the project facilities and equipment in WF. CO<sub>2</sub> is delivered to the WLFRRF via the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline network. The CO<sub>2</sub> is supplied by anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> sources. Available amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> are drawn from an outside source pipeline based on contractual arrangements among suppliers of CO<sub>2</sub>, purchasers of CO<sub>2</sub>, and the pipeline operator. These amounts will vary over time and be added to the recycled CO<sub>2</sub> for injection into the reservoir.

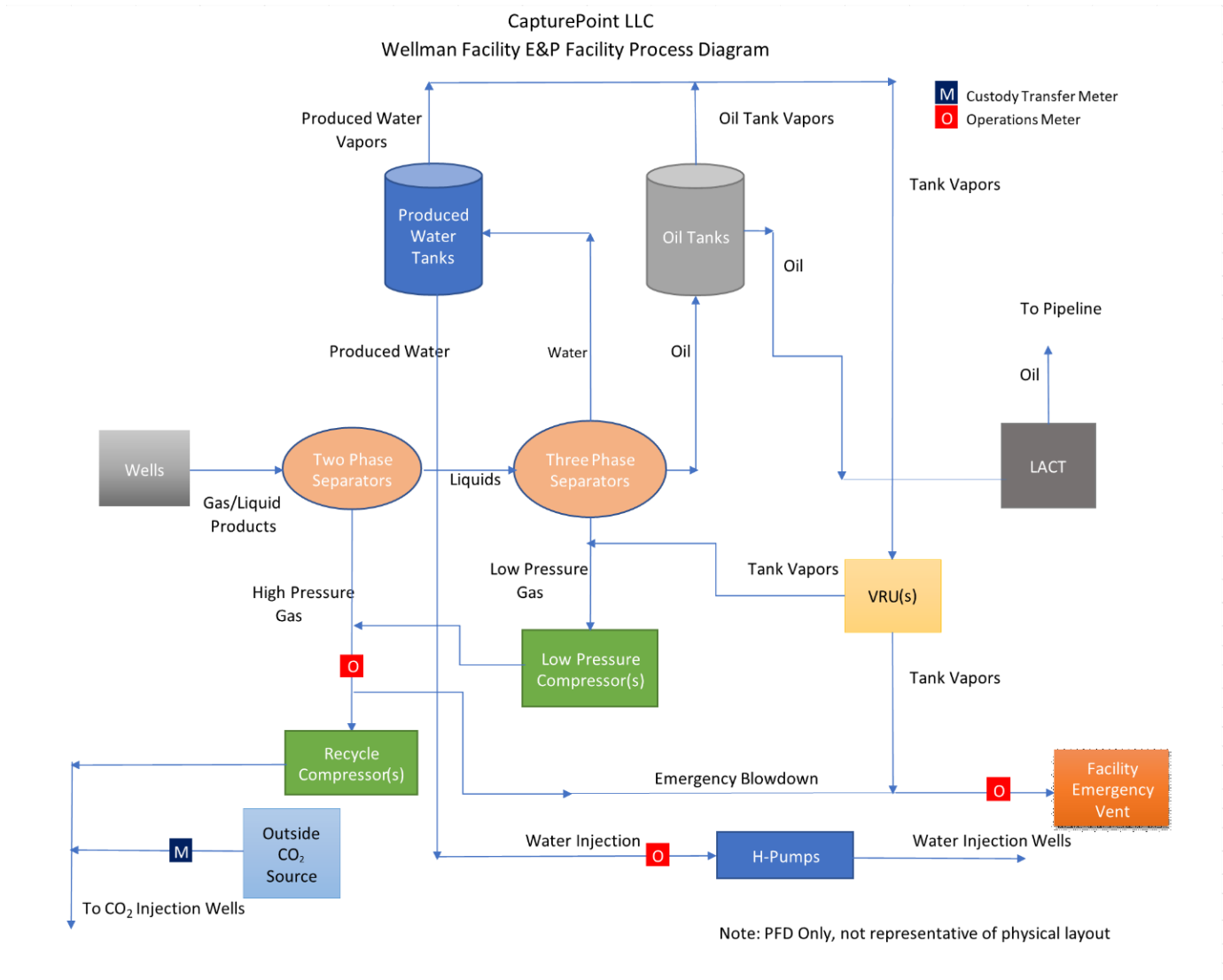


Figure 3-5 Wellman Process Flow Diagram

Once CO<sub>2</sub> enters the WLFRRF there are three main processes involved in EOR operations:

- i. CO<sub>2</sub> Distribution and Injection: The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received at WF is metered and calculated through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the pipeline delivery point. The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received is combined with recycled CO<sub>2</sub> / hydrocarbon gas mix from the recycle compression facility (RCF) and distributed to the wellheads for injection into the injection wells according to the injection plan for reservoir. This is an EOR project and reservoir pressure must be maintained above minimum miscibility pressure. Therefore, injection pressure must be sufficiently high to allow injectants to enter the reservoir, but below formation parting pressure (FPP).
- ii. Produced Fluids Handling: Produced fluids from the production wells are a mixture of oil, hydrocarbon gas, water, CO<sub>2</sub>, and trace amounts of other constituents in the field including nitrogen and hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) as discussed in Section 7. The fluids are transported via flowlines to the Central Tank Battery (CTB) for separation into a gas/CO<sub>2</sub> mix and a produced fluids mix of water, oil, gas, and CO<sub>2</sub>. The produced gas, which is composed primarily of CO<sub>2</sub> and minor hydrocarbons,

is sent to the RCF for dehydration and recompression before reinjection into the reservoir. An operations meter at the RCF is used to determine the total volume of produced gas that is reinjected. The separated oil is metered through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the central tank battery and sold into a pipeline.

iii. Water Treatment and Injection: Water is recovered for reuse and forwarded to the water injection station for reinjection or disposal.

### 3.3.1. Wells in the Wellman Field

The TRRC has broad authority over oil and gas operations including primacy to implement UIC Class II wells. The rules are found in TAC Title 16, Part 1, Chapter 3 and are also explained in a TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual (See Appendix 12-2). TRRC rules govern well siting, construction, operation, maintenance, and closure for all wells in oilfields. Briefly, TRRC rules include the following requirements:

- Fluids must be constrained in the strata in which they are encountered,
- Activities cannot result in the pollution of subsurface or surface water,
- Wells must adhere to specified casing, cementing, drilling well control, and completion requirements designed to prevent fluids from moving from the strata they are encountered into other strata with oil and gas, or into subsurface and surface waters,
- Completion report for each well including basic electric log (e.g., a density, sonic, or resistivity (except dip meter) log run over the entire wellbore) must be prepared,
- Operators must follow plugging procedures that require advance approval from the TRRC Director and allow consideration of the suitability of the cement based on the use of the well, the location and setting of plugs; and,
- Injection well operators must identify an Area of Review (AoR), use compatible materials and equipment, test, and maintain well records.

Table 3.1 provides a well count by type and status. All these wells are in material compliance with TRRC rules.

Table 3.1 WF Well Penetrations by Type and Status

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>ACTIVE</b>	<b>INACTIVE</b>	<b>P &amp; A</b>	<b>Total</b>
PROD_OIL	28	5	0	<b>33</b>
INJ_SW	6	0	0	<b>6</b>
INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	7	0	0	<b>7</b>
P&A***	0	0	8	<b>8</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>54</b>

\*INJ\_SW = Saltwater disposal wells

\*INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells

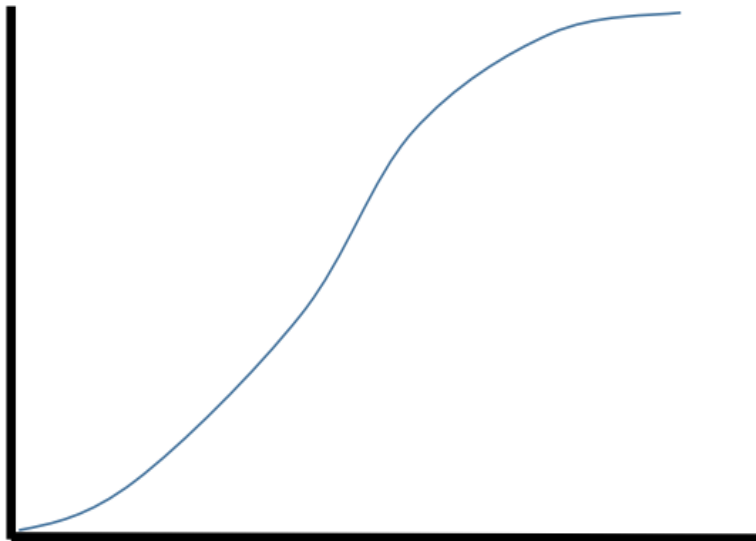
\*\*\*P&A = Plugged and Abandoned wells. (P&A for sidetracks are not included in the P&A count)



### 3.4. Reservoir Forecasting

DPCs derived from actual field performance were used to project CO<sub>2</sub> EOR in the WF. Most DPCs are derived from geologic and reservoir models or actual field performance. In the WF case the DPC was derived from actual field performance in the WF. The WF has 40 years of actual CO<sub>2</sub> history which is more than enough data to develop DPC's to forecast reservoir performance. Initial oil recovery and CO<sub>2</sub> injection results were obtained from lab experiments performed with CO<sub>2</sub>. The DPC's project recoveries that are close to what the lab experiments concluded.

A DPC is a plot where injection and production volumes for CO<sub>2</sub>, water and hydrocarbon phases are normalized by dividing by Hydrocarbon Pore Volume (HCPV). See Figure 3-7. The dimensioned projections of oil, CO<sub>2</sub> and water production, and CO<sub>2</sub> and water injection are made from DPCs using the original oil in place of an area of interest.



*Figure 3-7 Dimensionless performance curve plot (DPC)*

The WF DPC was calculated from the cumulative production and injection using 40 years of WF history. This method allows you to use different field implementation speeds.

The DPCs are the basis for future reservoir performance prediction scenarios but are additionally a means of evaluating the reservoir process efficiencies. In a similar manner to history matching in reservoir simulation, deviations from the expected performance can indicate errors in the geologic model of the pore volume, growth of the CO<sub>2</sub> plume laterally or vertically or metering and production allocation errors.



## **4. Delineation of Monitoring Area and Timeframes**

### **4.1. Active Monitoring Area**

The Active Monitoring Area (AMA) is defined by the WLFRF boundaries which serve to trap the CO<sub>2</sub> and keep it from migrating laterally.

Figure 3-6 displays wells that have CO<sub>2</sub> retention on the 2,100 acres that have been under CO<sub>2</sub> injection since project initialization. The CO<sub>2</sub> storage volumes were forecasted (Figure 3.1) using the DPC approach. This technique indicates that the flooded acreage still has significant additional storage potential. The maximum CO<sub>2</sub> storage (551 BCF) is limited to the amount of space available by the removal of the produced fluids. The projection indicates that there is pore space available to store approximately 0.66 decimal fraction of HCPV amount to 151.9 million RB (364 BCF).

The lateral extent of CO<sub>2</sub> in the injection zone or the CO<sub>2</sub> storage radius was estimated by calculating a storage radius based on the forecasted CO<sub>2</sub> volume of 364 BCF. Figure 3-8 shows the map of the storage area outline (dashed red line). This calculation showed approximately 1,043 acres would be needed to store 364 BCF. This is significantly less than the 2,100 acres in the WF outline. Therefore, the CO<sub>2</sub> plume would remain contained in the WF unit at the end of year 2064 (t+5).

### **4.2. Maximum Monitoring Area**

The Maximum Monitoring Area (MMA) is defined by the WLFRF boundaries plus the required ½ mile buffer as required by 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR). The MMA would be the same as the AMA since the plume location is less than the Unit area. Since the area of the AMA and MMA are the same, the MMA meets the definition found in 40 CFR 98.449.

### **4.3. Monitoring Timeframes**

The primary purpose for injecting CO<sub>2</sub> is to produce oil that would otherwise remain trapped in the reservoir and not, as in UIC Class VI, “specifically for the purpose of geologic storage.”<sup>1</sup> During a Specified Period, there will be a subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term containment of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF. The Specified Period will be shorter than the period of production from the WF.

At the conclusion of the Specified Period, a request for discontinuation of reporting will be submitted. This request will be submitted with a demonstration that current monitoring and model(s) show that the cumulative mass of CO<sub>2</sub> reported as sequestered during the Specified Period is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage. It is expected that it will be possible to make this demonstration after the Specified Period ends based upon monitoring data.

The reservoir pressure in the WF is collected for use in operations management. Reservoir pressure is not forecasted to change appreciably since the IWR will be maintained at approximately 1. Once injection ceases, reservoir pressure is predicted to stabilize within one year.

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<sup>1</sup> EPA UIC Class VI rule, EPA 75 FR 77291, December 10, 2010, section 146.81(b). A



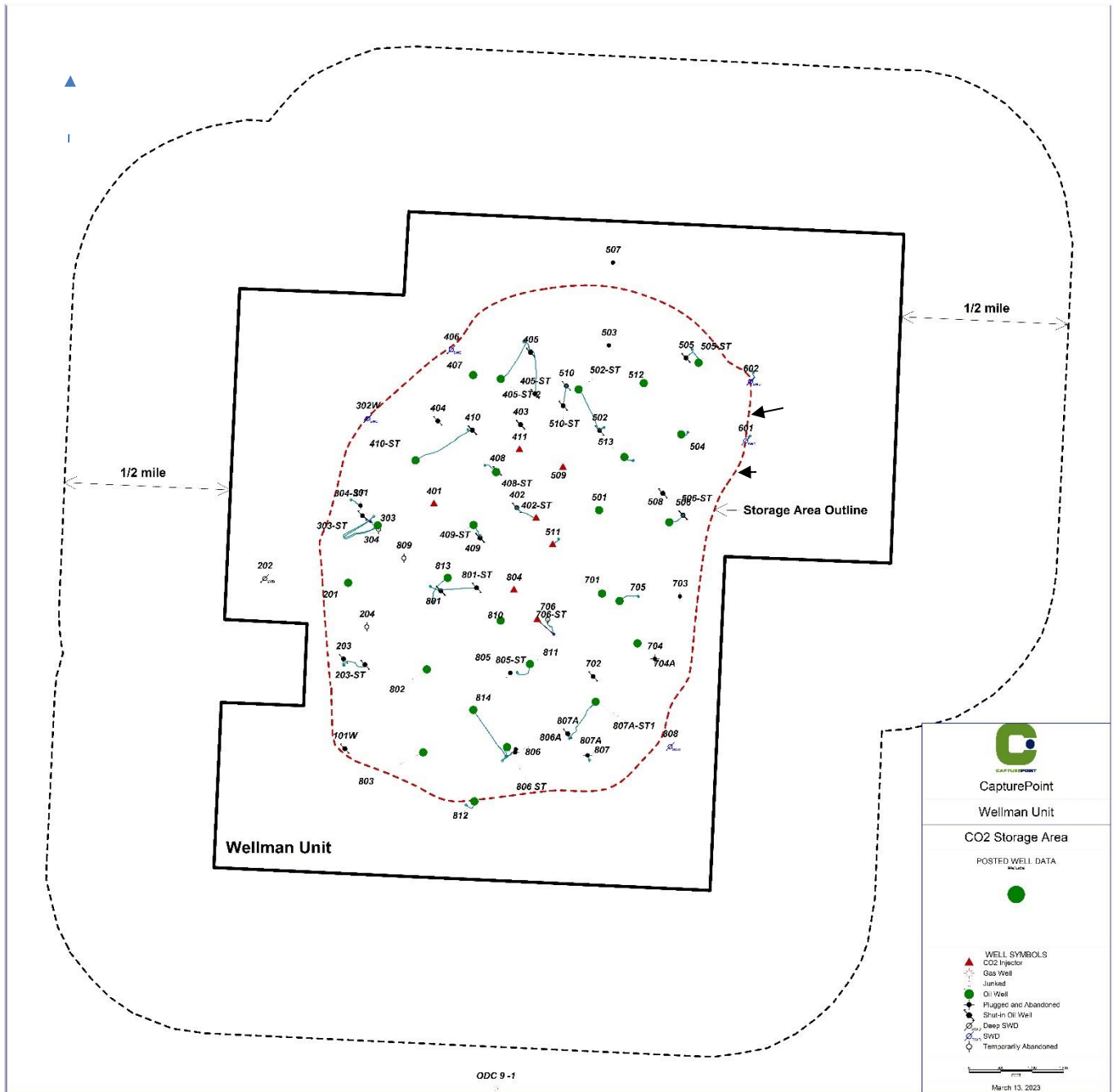


Figure 3-8 Projected CO<sub>2</sub> Storage area

## 5. Evaluation of Potential Pathways for Leakage to the Surface, Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

In the roughly 70 years since the Wellman oil field was discovered, the reservoir has been studied extensively. Based on the knowledge gained from that experience, this section assesses the potential pathways for leakage of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface including:

1. Existing Wellbores
2. Faults and Fractures
3. Natural and Induced Seismic Activity
4. Previous Operations
5. Pipeline/Surface Equipment
6. Lateral Migration Outside the WF
7. Drilling Through the CO<sub>2</sub> Area
8. Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal
9. Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

This analysis shows that leakage through wellbores and surface equipment pose the only meaningful potential leakage pathways. The monitoring program to detect and quantify leakage is based on this assessment as discussed below.

## **5.1. Existing Wellbores**

As part of the TRRC requirement to initiate CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, an extensive review of all WF penetrations was completed to determine the need for corrective action. That analysis showed that all penetrations have either been adequately plugged and abandoned or, if in use, do not require corrective action. All wells in the WF were constructed and are operated in compliance with TRRC rules.

As part of routine risk management, the potential risk of leakage associated with the following were identified and evaluated:

- CO<sub>2</sub> flood electrical submersible pump (ESP) producing wells,
- CO<sub>2</sub> Flood flowing production wells, and
- CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells.

The risk assessment classified all risks associated with subsurface as low risk, i.e., less than 1% likelihood to occur and having a consequence that is insubstantial. The risks were classified as low risk because the WF geology is well suited to CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration with an extensive confining zone that is free of fractures and faults that could be potential conduits for CO<sub>2</sub> migration. Any risks are further mitigated because the WF is operated in a manner that maintains, monitors, and documents the integrity of the reservoir.

The risk of well leakage is mitigated through:

- Adhering to regulatory requirements for well drilling and testing,
- implementing best practices that CapturePoint has developed through its extensive operating experience,
- monitoring injection/production performance, wellbores, and the surface; and,

- maintaining surface equipment.

Continual and routine monitoring of the wellbores and site operations will be used to detect leaks or other potential well problems, as follows:

- Pressure in injection wells is monitored daily. The injection plans for each pattern are provided to field operations to govern the rate, pressure, and duration of either water or CO<sub>2</sub> injection. Leakage on the inside or outside of the injection wellbore would affect pressure and be detected through this approach. If such events occur, they would be investigated and addressed. CapturePoint's experience, from over 10 years of operating CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects, is that such leakage has not occurred.
- Production well performance is monitored using the production well test process conducted when produced fluids are gathered and sent to test vessels. There is a routine well testing cycle, with each well being tested approximately once every month. During this cycle, each production well is diverted to the well test equipment for a period sufficient to measure and sample produced fluids (generally 12-24 hours). These tests are the basis for allocating a portion of the produced fluids measured to each production well, assessing the composition of produced fluids by location, and assessing the performance of each well. Performance data are reviewed on a routine basis to ensure that CO<sub>2</sub> flooding efficiency is optimized. If production is off the plan, it is investigated, and any identified issues addressed. Leakage to the outside of production wells is not considered a major risk because of the reduced pressure in the casing. All personnel are equipped with personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors. These personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are designed to detect leaked fluids around production wells during well and equipment inspections.
- Field inspections are conducted on a routine basis by field personnel. Leaking CO<sub>2</sub> is very cold and leads to formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted. All field personnel are trained to identify leaking CO<sub>2</sub> and other potential problems at wellbores and in the field. Any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected will be documented and reported and quantified.

Based on ongoing monitoring activities and review of the potential leakage risks posed by wellbores, it is concluded that the risk of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage through wellbores is being mitigated by detecting problems as they arise and quantifying any leakage that does occur. As mentioned before, leakage from wellbores is considered low but possible. It would most likely occur during workover operations installing the blowout preventer or wellhead. This release would be limited in nature to only a few MCF.

## **5.2. Faults and Fractures**

After reviewing geologic, seismic, operating, and other evidence, it has been concluded that there are no known faults or fractures that transect the WLFRF reservoir into overlying formations in the project area. As a result, there is little to no risk of leakage due to fractures or faults.

Measurements to determine FPP and reservoir pressure are routinely updated. This information is used to manage injection patterns so that the injection pressure will not exceed FPP. An IWR at or near 1 is also maintained based on consistent reservoir pressure measurements. Both measures mitigate the potential for inducing faults or fractures.

### 5.3. Natural or Induced Seismicity

After reviewing the literature and actual operating experience, it is concluded that there is no direct evidence that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF.

To evaluate this potential risk at WF, CapturePoint has reviewed the nature and location of seismic events in West Texas. Some of the recorded earthquakes in West Texas are far removed from any injection operation. These are judged to be from natural causes. Others are near oil fields or water disposal wells and are placed in the category of “quakes in close association with human enterprise.”<sup>2</sup> A review of the United States Geological Survey (USGS) database of recorded earthquakes at M0.5 or greater in the Permian Basin since 1970 indicates that no earthquakes have occurred within a 30 mile radius of the WF.

The concern about induced seismicity is that it could lead to fractures in the seal providing a pathway for CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. CapturePoint is not aware of any reported loss of injectant (brine water or CO<sub>2</sub>) to the surface associated with any seismic activity. There is no direct evidence to suggest that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. If induced seismicity resulted in a pathway for material amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> to migrate from the injection zone, other reservoir fluid monitoring provisions (e.g., reservoir pressure, well pressure, and pattern monitoring) would detect the migration and lead to further investigation. CapturePoint monitors the USGS earthquake monitoring Geological Information System site<sup>3</sup> for seismic signals that could indicate the creation of potential leakage pathways in the WF.

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<sup>2</sup> Frohlich, Cliff (2012) “Induced or Triggered Earthquakes in Texas: Assessment of Current Knowledge and Suggestions for Future Research”, Final Technical Report, Institute for Geophysics, University of Texas at Austin, Office of Sponsored Research.

<sup>3</sup> <https://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/map/>

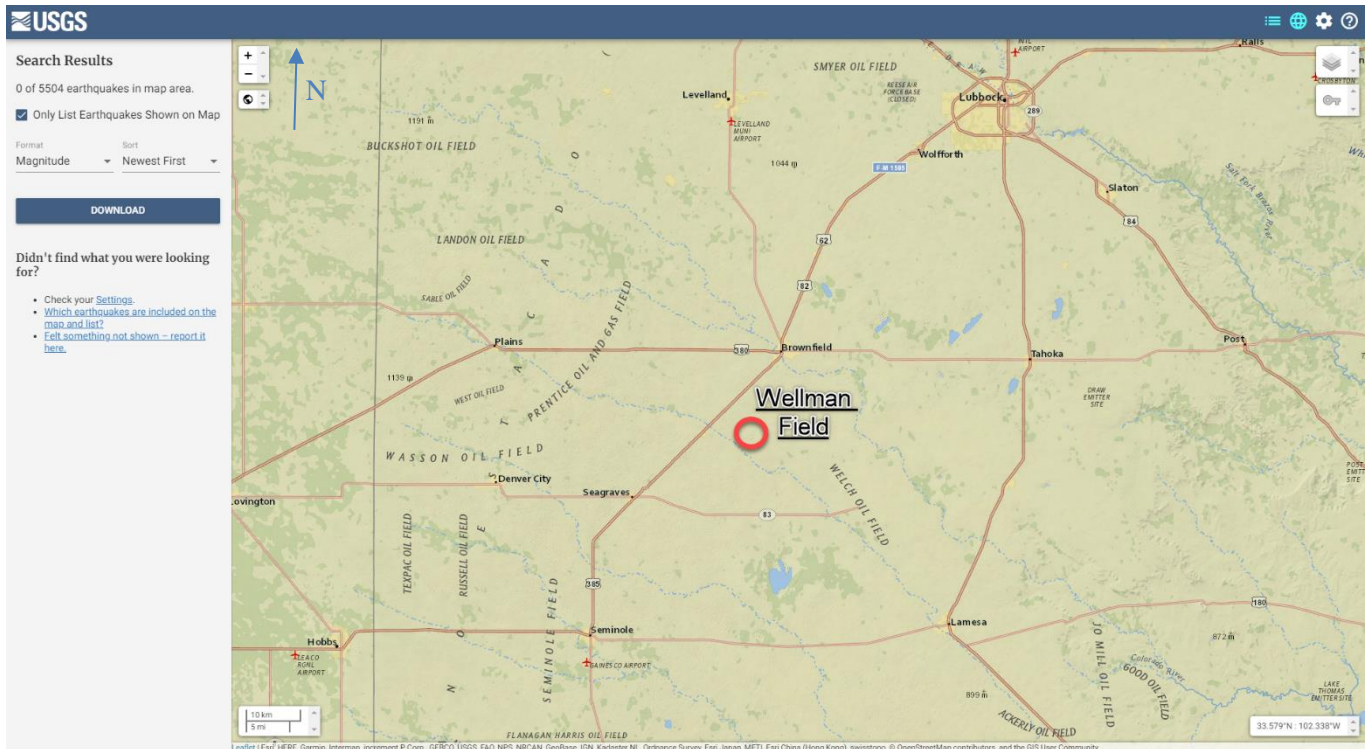


Figure 5-1 USGS earthquakes (+.5 magnitude) for last 53 years)

## 5.4. Previous Operations

CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was initiated in WF in 1983. To obtain permits for CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, the AoR around all CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells was evaluated to determine if there were any unknown penetrations and to assess if corrective action was required at any wells. As indicated in Section 5.1, this evaluation reviewed the identified penetrations and determined that no additional corrective action was needed. Further, CapturePoint’s standard practice for drilling new wells includes a rigorous review of nearby wells to ensure that drilling will not cause damage to or interfere with existing wells. Additionally, requirements to construct wells with materials that are designed for CO<sub>2</sub> injection are adhered to at WF. These practices ensure that there are no unknown wells within WF and that the risk of migration from older wells has been sufficiently mitigated. The successful experience with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding in WF demonstrates that the confining zone has not been impaired by previous operations. Leakage from previous operations is low as evidenced by the 40 years of CO<sub>2</sub> injection without leakage. Well construction requirements all but eliminate this leakage potential. If leakage were to occur, well intervention methods would address the failure in a matter of hours to days limiting the volume of leakage from a few MCF to a few MMCF.

## 5.5. Pipelines and Surface Equipment

Damage to or failure of pipelines and surface equipment can result in unplanned losses of CO<sub>2</sub>. CapturePoint anticipates that the use of prevailing design and construction practices and compliance with applicable laws will reduce to the maximum extent possible, the risk of unplanned leakage from surface facilities. The facilities and pipelines currently utilize and will continue to utilize materials of construction and control processes that are standard for CO<sub>2</sub> EOR projects in the oil and gas industry. Operating and maintenance practices currently follow and will continue to follow

demonstrated industry standards. Field personnel are trained to look for and report potential leaks from pipeline and surface equipment as part of their routine activities. All of this equipment is designed with isolation valving to reduce the leakage from any failed equipment resulting in the potential leakage limited from the MCF to hundreds of MCF range. The Facility Emergency Vent is included in the surface equipment. It is a planned relief system that has the potential to release unplanned CO<sub>2</sub>. That volume is measured by an operations meter and recorded for reporting purposes. Should leakage be detected from pipeline or surface equipment, the volume of released CO<sub>2</sub> will be quantified following the requirements of Subpart W of Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program (GHGRP).

## **5.6. Lateral Migration Outside the Wellman Field**

It is highly unlikely that injected CO<sub>2</sub> will migrate downdip and laterally outside the WF because of the nature of the geology and the approach used for injection. The reef is completely encased with impermeable sediments, which is what created such a defined reservoir that trapped oil over millions of years. With water flooding from the edges, combined with vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the top of the reef, the CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained to the upper portions of the reef. (See Figure 5-2) Finally, the total volume of fluids contained in the WF will stay relatively constant. Based on site characterization, the planned and projected operations, it is estimated that the total volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be considerably less than calculated capacity. Based on the above statement' leakage is highly unlikely. No volume of CO<sub>2</sub> would be leaked.

## **5.7. Drilling in the Wellman Field**

The TRRC regulates well drilling activity in Texas. Pursuant to TRRC rules, wells casing shall be securely anchored in the hole in order to effectively control the well at all times, all usable- quality water zones shall be isolated and sealed off to effectively prevent contamination or harm, and all productive zones, potential flow zones, and zones with corrosive formation fluids shall be isolated and sealed off to prevent vertical migration of fluids, including gases, behind the casing. Where TRRC rules do not detail specific methods to achieve these objectives, operators shall make every effort to follow the intent of the section, using good engineering practices and the best currently available technology (TAC Title 16 Part1 Chapter 3 Rule §3.13). The TRRC requires applications and approvals before a well is drilled, recompleted, or reentered. Well drilling activity at WF is conducted in accordance with TRRC rules. CapturePoint's visual inspection process, including routine site visits, will identify unapproved drilling activity in the WF. Leakage during drilling operations is unlikely but possible. It would occur when reservoir pressure is high. Drilling mud weight is designed to control that leakage therefore making the potential very low with volumes leaked kept at low levels.

In addition, CapturePoint intends to operate WF for several more years and will continue to be vigilant about protecting the integrity of its assets and maximizing the potential of its resources, including oil, gas and CO<sub>2</sub>. Consequently, as CapturePoint owns the rights at all depths, the risks associated with third parties penetrating the WF are negligible.



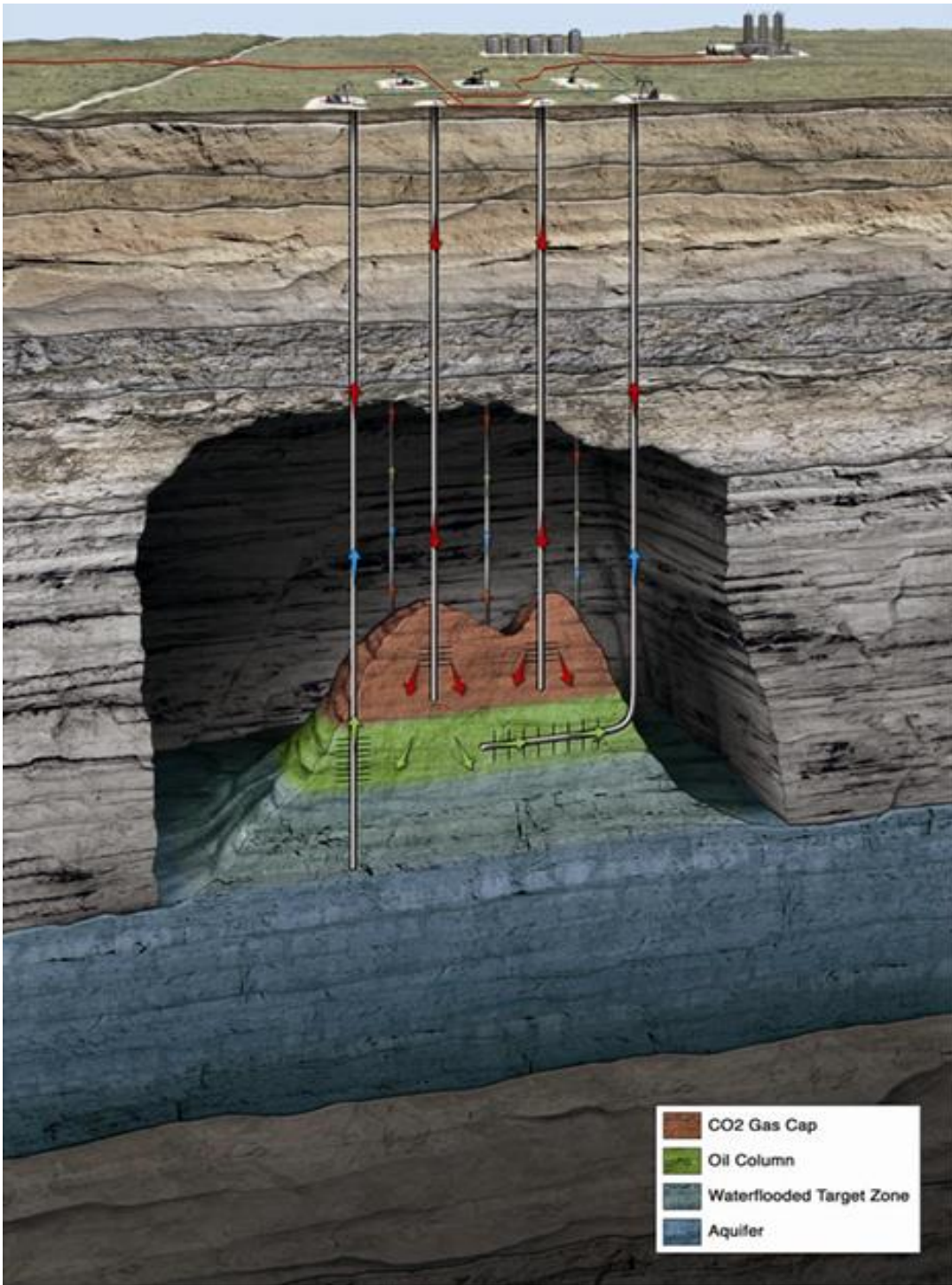


Figure 5-2 Schematic of Wellman Field (WF) vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flood

## **5.8. Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal**

Diffuse leakage through the seal formed by the upper Wolfcamp is highly unlikely. There are several sections above the reservoir that are impermeable and serve as reliable barriers to prevent fluids from moving upwards towards the surface. These barriers are referred to as seals because they effectively seal fluids within the formations beneath them. As mentioned in Section 3.2 “Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formation, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval is informally called the “Spraberry Series.” The Spraberry Series forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastics above the reservoir.”

Our injection monitoring program assures that no breach of the seal will be created. The seal is highly impermeable. Wellbores that penetrate the seal make use of cement and steel construction that is closely regulated to ensure that no leakage takes place. Injection pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in injection pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause. The potential for leakage again is very low.

## **5.9. Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification**

As discussed above, the potential sources of leakage include issues, such as problems with surface equipment (pumps, valves, etc.) or subsurface equipment (wellbores), and unique events such as induced fractures. An event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage is used. Table 5.1 summarizes some of these potential leakage scenarios, the monitoring activities designed to detect those leaks, the standard response, and other applicable regulatory programs requiring similar reporting.

Given the uncertainty concerning the nature and characteristics of any leaks that may be encountered, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> will be determined on a case-by-case basis. In the event leakage occurs, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume leaked will be determined and it will be reported as required as part of the annual Subpart RR submission. An example methodology would be to place a flux box or ring tent over the surface leak to measure the flow rate and gather gas samples for analysis.

Any volume of CO<sub>2</sub> detected leaking to surface will be quantified using acceptable emission factors such as those found in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W or engineering estimates of leak amounts based on measurements in the subsurface, field experience, and other factors such as the frequency of inspection. Leaks will be documented, evaluated, and addressed in a timely manner.

Records of leakage events will be retained in the electronic environmental documentation and reporting system. The Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot.



Table 5.1 Response Plan for CO<sub>2</sub> Loss

<b>Risk</b>	<b>Monitoring Plan</b>	<b>Response Plan</b>
Tubing Leak	Monitor changes in tubing and annulus pressure; MIT for injectors	Well is shut in and workover crews respond within days
Casing Leak	Routine Field inspection; Monitor changes in annulus pressure, MIT for injectors; extra attention to high risk wells	Well is shut in and workover crews respond within days
Wellhead Leak	Routine Field inspection, SCADA system monitors wellhead pressure	Well is shut in and workover crews respond within days
Loss of Bottom-hole pressure control	Blowout during well operations	Maintain well kill procedures
Unplanned wells drilled through WLFRF	Routine Field inspection to prevent unapproved drilling; compliance with TRRC permitting for planned wells.	Assure compliance with TRRC regulations
Diffuse leakage through the seal	Injection pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in injection pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Conduct an injection radioactive tracer survey. If verified, well is shut in and workover crews respond within days.
Loss of seal in abandoned wells	Reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure found in new wells	Re-enter and reseal abandoned wells
Pumps, valves, etc.	Routine Field inspection, SCADA	Workover crews respond within days
Overfill beyond spill points	Reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure found in new wells	Fluid management along lease lines
Leakage through induced fractures	Reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure found in new wells	Comply with rules for keeping pressures below parting pressure
Leakage due to seismic event	Reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure found in new wells	Shut in injectors near seismic event

## 5.10. Summary

The structure and stratigraphy of the WLFRF reservoir in the WF is ideally suited for the injection and storage of CO<sub>2</sub>. The carbonate reef within the CO<sub>2</sub> injection zones is porous, permeable, and thick, providing ample capacity for long-term CO<sub>2</sub> storage. The reservoir is overlain by several intervals of impermeable geologic zones that form effective seals or “caps” to fluids in the reservoir.

In summary, based on a careful assessment of the potential risk of release of CO<sub>2</sub> from the subsurface, it has been determined that there are no leakage pathways at the WF that are likely to result in significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the atmosphere. Further, given the detailed knowledge of the field and its operating protocols, it is concluded that any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface that could arise through either identified or unexpected leakage pathways would be detected and quantified.

## 6. Monitoring and Considerations for Calculating Site Specific Variables

Monitoring will also be used to determine the quantities in the mass balance equation and to make

the demonstration that the CO<sub>2</sub> plume will not migrate to the surface after the time of discontinuation.

## **6.1. For the Mass Balance Equation**

### **6.1.1. General Monitoring Procedures**

Flow rate, pressure, and gas composition data are monitored and collected from the WF in centralized data management systems as part of ongoing operations. This data is monitored by qualified technicians who follow response and reporting protocols when the systems deliver notifications that data exceed statistically acceptable boundaries.

Metering protocols used at WF follow the prevailing industry standard(s) for custody transfer as currently promulgated by the API, the American Gas Association, and the Gas Processors Association, as appropriate. This approach is consistent with EPA GHGRP's Subpart RR, section §98.444(e)(3). These meters will be maintained routinely, operated continually, and will feed data directly to the centralized data collection systems. The meters meet the industry standard for custody transfer meter accuracy and calibration frequency.

### **6.1.2. CO<sub>2</sub> Received**

As indicated in Figure 3-5, the volume of received CO<sub>2</sub> is measured using a commercial custody transfer meter at the point at which custody of the CO<sub>2</sub> from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system is transferred to the WF. This meter measures flow rate continually. The transfer is a commercial transaction that is documented. CO<sub>2</sub> composition is governed by contract and the gas is routinely sampled. Fluid composition will be determined, at a minimum, quarterly, consistent with EPA GHGRP's Subpart RR, section §98.447(a). All meter and composition data are documented, and records will be retained for at least three years. No CO<sub>2</sub> is received in containers.

### **6.1.3. CO<sub>2</sub> Injected in the Subsurface**

Injected CO<sub>2</sub> will be calculated using the flow meter volumes at the operations meter at the outlet of the central tank battery separators less vent and equipment losses plus, the custody transfer meter at the CO<sub>2</sub> off-take point from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system.

### **6.1.4. CO<sub>2</sub> Produced, Entrained in Products, and Recycled**

The following measurements are used for the mass balance equations in Section 8:

- CO<sub>2</sub> produced in the gaseous stage is calculated using the volumetric flow meters at central production battery.
- CO<sub>2</sub> that is entrained in produced oil, as indicated in Figure 3-5, is calculated using volumetric flow through the custody transfer meter and annual analysis of CO<sub>2</sub> content in the oil which has typically 0.3797 volume percent (1.2692 Mol%).
- Recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is calculated using the volumetric flow meter at the outlet of the central production battery separators feeding the inlet of the RCF, which is an operations meter. Only gaseous CO<sub>2</sub> flows through this meter.

### **6.1.5. CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Surface Leakage**

CapturePoint uses 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W to estimate surface leaks from equipment at the WF. Subpart W uses a factor-driven approach to estimate equipment leakage. In addition, an event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is used. The Subpart W report and results from any event-driven quantification will be reconciled to assure that surface leaks are not double counted.

The multi-layered, risk-based monitoring program for event-driven incidents has been designed to meet two objectives: 1) to detect problems before CO<sub>2</sub> leaks to the surface; and 2) to detect and quantify any leaks that do occur. This section discusses how this monitoring will be conducted and used to quantify the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked to the surface.

#### **Monitoring for Potential Leakage from the Injection/Production Zone**

In addition to the measures discussed in Section 5.9, both injection into and production from the reservoir will be monitored as a means of early identification of potential anomalies that could indicate leakage from the subsurface.

Injection plans (fluid rate, pressure, volume) are given to operations on a weekly basis. If injection pressure or rate measurements are outside the specified set points determined as part of each pattern injection plan, reservoir engineering will notify field personnel and they will investigate and resolve the problem. These excursions will be reviewed by well management personnel to determine if CO<sub>2</sub> leakage may be occurring. Excursions are not necessarily indicators of leaks; they simply indicate that injection rates and pressures are not conforming to the pattern injection plan. In many cases, problems are straightforward to fix (e.g., a meter needs to be recalibrated or some other minor action is required), and there is no threat of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. In the case of issues that are not readily resolved, more detailed investigation and response would be initiated, and support staff would provide additional assistance and evaluation.

Likewise, a forecast of the rate and composition of produced fluids is developed. Each producer well is assigned to a specific test vessel and is isolated during each cycle for a well production test. This data is reviewed on a periodic basis to confirm that production is at the level forecasted. If there is a significant deviation from the plan, well management personnel investigate. If the issue cannot be resolved quickly, more detailed investigation and response would be initiated. If leakage in the flood zone were detected, an appropriate method would be used to quantify the involved volume of CO<sub>2</sub>. This might include use of material balance equations based on known injected quantities and monitored pressures in the injection zone to estimate the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> involved.

A subsurface leak might not lead to a surface leak. In the event of a subsurface leak, CapturePoint would determine the appropriate approach for tracking subsurface leakage to determine and quantify leakage to the surface. To quantify leakage, the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be estimated to quantify the leak volume. Depending on specific circumstances, these determinations may rely on engineering estimates.

In the event leakage from the subsurface occurred diffusely through the seals, the leaked gas would include H<sub>2</sub>S, which would trigger the alarm on the personal monitors worn by field personnel. Such a

diffuse leak from the subsurface has not occurred in the WF. In the event such a leak was detected, personnel would determine how to address the problem. The personnel might use modeling, engineering estimates, and direct measurements to assess, address, and quantify the leakage.

### **Monitoring of Wellbores**

WF wells are monitored through daily pressure monitoring of the injection zone, monitoring of the annular pressure in wellheads, and routine maintenance and inspection.

Leaks from wellbores would be detected through the follow-up investigation of pressure anomalies, visual inspection, or the use of personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors.

Anomalies in injection zone pressure may not indicate a leak, as discussed above. However, if an investigation leads to a need for further study, field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. If it is a simple matter, the repair would be made, and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repair were needed, the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined.

Anomalies in annular pressure or other issues detected during routine maintenance inspections would be treated in the same way. Field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. For simple matters the repair would be made at the time of inspection and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repairs were needed, the well would be shut in, a work order would be generated and the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined. The work order would serve as the basis for tracking the event for GHGRP.

Because leaking CO<sub>2</sub> at the surface is very cold and leads to formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted, a visual inspection process in the area of the WF is employed to detect unexpected releases from wellbores. Field personnel visit the surface facilities on a routine basis. Inspections may include tank levels, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, and valves. Field personnel also observe the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks.

Finally, the H<sub>2</sub>S monitors, which are always worn by all field personnel are used as a last method to detect leakage from wellbores. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitor detects concentrations greater than 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the first response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of the alarm. As noted previously, H<sub>2</sub>S is considered a proxy for potential gas leaks including CO<sub>2</sub> in the field. Currently the concentration of H<sub>2</sub>S in the recycled or produced gas is approximately 130 ppm while in the produced fluid the concentration is 77 ppm making leak detection viable. Thus, detected H<sub>2</sub>S leaks will be investigated in order to quantify the potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage source and quantities.

## **Other Potential Leakage at the Surface**

The same visual inspection process and H<sub>2</sub>S monitoring system will be used to detect other potential leakage at the surface as it does for leakage from wellbores. Routine visual inspections are used to detect significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface. Field personnel routinely visit surface facilities to conduct a visual inspection. Inspections may include review of tank level, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, valves, and conducting a general observation of the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks. If problems are detected, field personnel would investigate, and complete any maintenance that is required. In addition to these visual inspections, the results of the personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors worn by field personnel will be used as a supplement for smaller leaks that may escape visual detection.

If CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is detected, it will be reported to surface operations personnel who will review the reports and conduct a site investigation. If maintenance is required, steps are taken to prevent further leaks.

### **6.1.6. CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the injection flow meter and the injection wellhead**

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from equipment, the CO<sub>2</sub> content of produced oil, and vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

### **6.1.7. CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the production flow meter and the production wellhead**

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from equipment, the CO<sub>2</sub> content of produced oil, and vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

## **6.2. To Demonstrate that Injected CO<sub>2</sub> is not Expected to Migrate to the Surface**

At the end of the Specified Period, injecting CO<sub>2</sub> for the subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term storage of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF will cease. Sometime after the end of the Specified Period, a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting will be submitted. The request will demonstrate that the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> reported under 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage. At that time, the request will be supported with years of data collected during the Specified Period. This demonstration will provide the information necessary for the EPA Administrator to approve the request to discontinue monitoring and reporting and may include, but is not limited to:

- Data comparing actual performance to predicted performance (purchase, injection, production) over the monitoring period,
- An assessment of the CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected, including the discussion of the estimated amount of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked and the distribution of emissions by leakage pathway,

- A demonstration that future operations will not release the volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface,
- A demonstration that there has been no significant leakage of CO<sub>2</sub>; and,
- An evaluation of reservoir pressure that demonstrates that injected fluids are not expected to migrate in a manner to create a potential leakage pathway.

## **7. Determination of Baselines**

Ongoing operational monitoring has provided data for establishing baselines and will be utilized to identify and investigate excursions from expected performance that could indicate CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Data systems are used primarily for operational control and monitoring and as such are set to capture more information than is necessary for reporting in the Annual Subpart RR Report. The necessary system guidelines to capture the information that is relevant to identify possible CO<sub>2</sub> leakage will be developed. The following describes the approach to collecting this information.

### **Visual Inspections**

As field operators conduct routine inspections and repairs, the Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot. Examples include occurrences of well workover or repair, as well as visual identification of vapor clouds or ice formations. Each incident will be flagged for review by the person responsible for MRV documentation (the responsible party will be provided in the monitoring plan, as required under Subpart A, §98.3(g)). The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information used to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Personal H<sub>2</sub>S Monitors**

H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are worn by all field personnel. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitors detect concentrations of H<sub>2</sub>S up to 500 ppm in 0.1 ppm increments and will sound an alarm if the detection limit exceeds 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the immediate response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of persistent alarms. CapturePoint considers H<sub>2</sub>S to be a proxy for potential CO<sub>2</sub> leaks in the field. The person responsible for MRV documentation will receive notice of all incidents where H<sub>2</sub>S is confirmed to be present. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from any such incidents. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Injection Rates, Pressures and Volumes**

Target injection rate and pressure for each injector are developed within the permitted limits based on the results of ongoing pattern balancing. The injection targets are submitted to field operations. Field operations flags whenever statistically significant deviations from the targeted ranges are identified. The set points are designed to be conservative, because it is preferable to have too many flags rather than too few. As a result, flags can occur frequently and are often found to be insignificant. For purposes of Subpart RR reporting, flags (or excursions) will be screened to determine if they could also lead to CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. The person responsible for the MRV documentation will receive notice of excursions. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an

estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

## Production Volumes and Compositions

A general forecast of production volumes and composition is developed which is used to periodically evaluate performance and refine current and projected injection plans and the forecast. This information is used to make operational decisions but is not recorded in an automated data system. The MRV plan implementation lead will review the data and identify those that could result in CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Should such events occur, leakage volumes would be calculated following the approaches described in Sections 5 and 6. Impact to Subpart RR reporting will be addressed, if deemed necessary.

## 8. Determination of Sequestration Volumes Using Mass Balance Equations

To account for the potential propagation of error that would result if volume data from flow meters at each injection and production well were utilized, it is proposed to use the data from custody and operations meters on the main system pipelines to determine injection and production volumes used in the mass balance. This issue arises because while each meter has a small but acceptable margin of error, this error would become significant if data were taken from all of the wellhead meters within the WF.

The following sections describe how each element of the mass-balance equation (Equation RR- 11) will be calculated.

### 8.1. Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received

Equation RR-2 will be used as indicated in Subpart RR §98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> at the receiving custody transfer meter from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system. The volumetric flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine mass.

$$CO_{2T,r} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,r} - S_{r,p}) * D * C_{CO_2,p,r} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-2})$$

where:

$CO_{2T,r}$  = Net annual mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received through flow meter r (metric tons).

$Q_{r,p}$  = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

$S_{r,p}$  = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into a site well in quarter p (standard cubic meters).

$D$  = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

$C_{CO_2,p,r}$  = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter r in quarter p

- (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- p = Quarter of the year.
- r = Receiving flow meters.

Given WF's method of receiving CO<sub>2</sub> and requirements at Subpart RR §98.444(a):

- All delivery to the WF is used within the unit so no quarterly flow redelivered, and S<sub>r,p</sub> will be zero ("0").
- Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurements.

## 8.2. Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface

The equation for calculating the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface at the WF is equal to the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received as calculated in RR-2 of §98.443 (section 8.1 above) and the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled calculated using measurements taken from the flow meter located at the inlet of the RCF (see Figure 3-5). As previously explained, using data at each injection well would give an inaccurate estimate of total injection volume due to the large number of wells and the potential for propagation of error due to allowable calibration ranges for each meter.

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled will be determined using equations RR-5 as follows:

$$CO_{2u} = \sum_{p=1}^4 Q_{p,u} * D * C_{CO_2,p,u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-5})$$

where:

- CO<sub>2u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass recycled (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.
- Q<sub>p,u</sub> = Quarterly volumetric flow rate measurement for flow meter u in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters per quarter).
- D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.
- C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub>,p,u</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter u in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- p = Quarter of the year.
- u = Flow meter.

The total Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received (RR-2) and Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled (RR-5).

$$CO_{2I} = \sum_{u=1}^U CO_{2,u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-6})$$

where:

- CO<sub>2I</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) through all injection wells.
- CO<sub>2,u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.
- u = Flow meter.



### 8.3. Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced at the WF will be calculated using the measurements from the flow meters at the inlet to RCF and the custody transfer meter for oil sales rather than the metered data from each production well. Again, using the data at each production well would give an inaccurate estimate of total injection due to the large number of wells and the potential for propagation of error due to allowable calibration ranges for each meter.

Equation RR-8 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced from all production wells as follows:

$$CO_{2w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 Q_{p,w} * D * C_{CO_2,p,w} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

where:

CO<sub>2w</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons).

Q<sub>p,w</sub> = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for meter w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub>,pw</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for meter w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

w = Inlet meters to RCF

For Equation RR-9 in §98.443 the variable X<sub>oil</sub> will be measured as follows:

$$CO_{2P} = (1 + X_{oil}) * \sum_{w=1}^W CO_{2w} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-9})$$

where:

CO<sub>2P</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through all separators in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2w</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through all separators in the reporting year.

X<sub>oil</sub> = Entrained CO<sub>2</sub> in produced oil or other fluid divided by the CO<sub>2</sub> separated through all separators in the reporting year (weight percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

### 8.4. Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Surface Leakage

The total annual Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage will be calculated and reported using an approach that is tailored to specific leakage events and relies on 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W reports of equipment leakage. CapturePoint is prepared to address the potential for leakage in a variety of settings. Estimates of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked to the surface will depend on several site- specific factors including measurements, engineering estimates, and emission factors, depending on the

source and nature of the leakage.

The process for quantifying leakage will entail using best engineering principles or emission factors. While it is not possible to predict in advance the types of leaks that will occur, some approaches for quantification are described in Sections 5.9 and 6. In the event leakage to the surface occurs, leakage amounts would be quantified and reported, and records that describe the methods used to estimate or measure the volume leaked as reported in the Annual Subpart RR Report would be retained. Further, the Subpart W report and results from any event-driven quantification will be reconciled to assure that surface leaks are not double counted.

Equation RR-10 in §98.433 will be used to calculate and report the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage:

$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^x CO_{2X} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

where:

CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2X</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year.

x = Leakage pathway.

## 8.5. Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Facility Emergency Vent

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by the Emergency Vent at the WF will be calculated using the measurements from the flow meter at the vent. That volume will be added to CO<sub>2FI</sub> which is the total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of this part.

Equation RR-8 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted through the emergency vent as follows:

$$CO_{2,w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 Q_{p,w} * D * C_{CO_2,p,w} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

where:

CO<sub>2,w</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons).

Q<sub>p,w</sub> = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for meter w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub>,p,w</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for meter w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

- p = Quarter of the year.
- w = Discharge meter to the emergency vent

## 8.6. Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered in Subsurface Geologic Formation

Equation RR-11 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered in Subsurface Geologic Formations in the Reporting Year as follows:

$$CO_2 = CO_{2I} - CO_{2P} - CO_{2E} - CO_{2FI} - CO_{2FP} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-11})$$

where:

CO<sub>2</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass sequestered in subsurface geologic formations (metric tons) at the facility in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2I</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) in the well or group of wells covered by this source category in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2P</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) net of CO<sub>2</sub> entrained in oil in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2E</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) by surface leakage in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2FI</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of this part.

CO<sub>2FP</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of this part.

## 8.7. Cumulative Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Reported as Sequestered in Subsurface Geologic Formation

The total annual volumes obtained using equation RR-11 in §98.443 will be summed to arrive at the Cumulative Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered in Subsurface Geologic Formations.

## 9. MRV Plan Implementation Schedule

This MRV plan will be implemented starting October, 2023 or within 90 days of EPA approval, whichever occurs later. Other GHGRP reports are filed on March 31 of the year after the reporting year, and it is anticipated that the Annual Subpart RR Report will be filed at the same time. It is anticipated that the MRV plan will be in effect during the Specified Period, during which time the WF will be operated with the subsidiary purpose of establishing long-term containment of a measurable quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> in subsurface geological formations at the WF. It is anticipated to establish that a measurable amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected during the Specified Period will be stored in a

manner not expected to migrate resulting in future surface leakage. At such time, a demonstration supporting the long-term containment determination will be prepared and a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting under this MRV plan will be submitted. *See* 40 C.F.R. §98.441(b)(2)(ii).

## **10. Quality Assurance Program**

### **10.1. Monitoring QA/QC**

The requirements of §98.444 (a) – (d) have been incorporated in the discussion of mass balance equations. These include the following provisions.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Received and Injected**

- The quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received by pipeline is measured at the receiving custody transfer meters.
- The quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> flow rate for recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is measured at the flow meter located at the RCF outlet.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Produced**

- The point of measurement for the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from oil or other fluid production wells is a flow meter directly downstream of each separator that sends a stream of gas into a recycle or end use system.
- The produced gas stream is sampled annually downstream of the flow meter used to measure flow rate of that gas stream and measure the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of the sample.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Equipment Leaks and Vented Emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>**

These volumes are measured in conformance with the monitoring and QA/QC requirements specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98.

#### **Flow Meter Provisions**

The flow meters used to generate data for the mass balance equations are:

- Operated continuously except as necessary for maintenance and calibration.
- Operated using the calibration and accuracy requirements in 40 CFR §98.3(i).
- Operated in conformance with API standards.
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) traceable.

#### **Concentration of CO<sub>2</sub>**

CO<sub>2</sub> concentration is measured using an appropriate standard method. Further, all measured volumes

of CO<sub>2</sub> have been converted to standard cubic meters at a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and at an absolute pressure of 1 atmosphere, including those used in Equations RR-2, RR-5, and RR-8 in Section 8.

## **10.2. Missing Data Procedures**

In the event data needed for the mass balance calculations cannot be collected, procedures for estimating missing data in §98.445 will be used as follows:

- A quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative flow rate value from the nearest previous time period.
- A quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of a CO<sub>2</sub> stream received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative concentration value from the nearest previous time period.
- A quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected from the nearest previous period of time at a similar injection pressure.
- For any values associated with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment at the facility that are reported in this subpart, missing data estimation procedures specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98 would be followed.
- The quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from subsurface geologic formations that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from the nearest previous period of time.

## **10.3. MRV Plan Revisions**

In the event there is a material change to the monitoring and/or operational parameters of the CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations in the WF that is not anticipated in this MRV plan, the MRV plan will be revised and submitted to the EPA Administrator within 180 days as required in §98.448(d).

## **11. Records Retention**

The record retention requirements specified by §98.3(g) will be followed. In addition, the requirements in Subpart RR §98.447 will be met by maintaining the following records for at least three years:

- Quarterly records of CO<sub>2</sub> received at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of produced CO<sub>2</sub>, including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of injected CO<sub>2</sub> including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.

- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by surface leakage from leakage pathways.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity.

This data will be collected as generated and aggregated as required for reporting purposes.

## 12. Appendix

### 12.1 Well Identification Numbers

The following table presents the well name and number, API number, type, and status for active wells in the WF as of March, 2023. The table is subject to change over time as new wells are drilled, existing wells change status, or existing wells are repurposed. The following terms are used:

- Well Type
  - PROD\_OIL refers to wells that produce oil
  - INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> refers to wells that inject CO<sub>2</sub>
  - INJ\_SWD refers to wells that inject water for disposal
  - P&A refers to plugged and abandoned wells
  
- Well Status
  - ACTIVE refers to active wells
  - INACTIVE refers to wells that have been completed but are not in use
  - SHUT\_IN refers to wells that have been temporarily idled or shut-in
  - TEMP\_AB refers to wells that have been temporarily abandoned

Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 101W	4244500076	INJ_SWD	SHUT_IN
WU 201	4244500072	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 202	4244500073	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 203	4244500074	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 203-ST	424450007401	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 204	4244530234	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 301	4244500575	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 302W	4244500576	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 303	4244530070	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 303-ST	4216533912	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 304	4244532434	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 304-ST	424453243401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 401	4244500083	INJ CO <sub>2</sub>	ACTIVE
WU 402	4244500084	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 402-ST	424450008401	INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	ACTIVE
WU 403	4244500085	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 404	4244500086	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 405	4244500087	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 405-ST	424450008701	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 405-ST2	424450008702	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE

WU 406	4244500088	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 407	4244530288	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 408	4244531435	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 408-ST	424453143501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 409	4244531456	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 409-ST	424453145601	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 410	4244531825	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 410-ST	424453182501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 411	4244531858	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 501	4244500578	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 502	4244500579	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 502-ST	424450057901	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 503	4244500580	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 504	4244500581	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 505	4244500582	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 505-ST	424450058202	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 506	4244500583	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 506-ST	424450058301	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 507	4244500584	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 508	4244530105	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 509	4244531117	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 510	4244531434	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 510-ST	424453143401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 511	4244531457	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 512	4244531769	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 513	4244531872	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 601	4244500569	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 602	4244500570	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 701	4244500163	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 702	4244500089	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 703	4244500090	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 704	4244500091	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 704A	4244530314	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 705	4244530125	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 706	4244530864	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 706-ST	424453086401	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 801	4244500418	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 801-ST	424450041801	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 802	4244500419	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 803	4244500420	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 804	4244500421	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 805	4244500422	P&A	INACTIVE





## 12.2 Regulatory References

Regulations cited in this plan:

- TAC Title 16 Part 1 Chapter 3 Oil & Gas Division -  
[https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y)
- TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual –  
<https://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-and-gas/publications-and-notice/manuals/injection-storage-manual/>

## 12.3 Abbreviations and Acronyms

AMA - Active Monitoring Area

API - American Petroleum Institute

AoR - Area of Review

Bcf – 1 Billion Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

CO<sub>2</sub> - Carbon Dioxide

DPC - Dimensionless Performance Curve

EPA - Environmental Protection Agency

EOR - Enhanced Oil Recovery    ESP - Electrical Submersible Pump

FPP - Formation Parting Pressure (psi)

GHGRP - Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program

H<sub>2</sub>S – Hydrogen Sulfide

HCPV - Hydrocarbon Pore Volume

IWR - Injection to Withdrawal Ratio

MMA - Maximum Monitoring Area

MRV Plan - Monitoring, Reporting and Verification Plan

MCF – 1,000 Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

MMCF – 1 Million Standard Cubic Feet of Gas

NIST - National Institute of Standards and Technology

RB - Reservoir Barrels

RCF - Recycle Compression Facility

TAC - Texas Administrative Code

TRRC - Texas Railroad Commission - Oil and Gas Division

USGS - United States Geological Survey

WF – Wellman Field

WLFRRF – Wolfcamp Reef

## 12.4. -Conversion Factors

CapturePoint reports CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions of temperature and pressure as defined in the State of Texas in the Texas Administrative Code for the Oil and Gas Division, Rule 3.79 as follows:

Cubic foot of gas or standard cubic foot of gas--The volume of gas contained in one cubic foot of space at a standard pressure base and at a standard temperature base. The standard pressure base shall be 14.65 pounds per square inch absolute, and the standard temperature base shall be 60 degrees Fahrenheit.

To calculate CO<sub>2</sub> mass from CO<sub>2</sub> volume, EPA recommends using the database of thermodynamic properties developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). This online database is available at:

<https://webbook.nist.gov/chemistry/fluid/>

It provides density of CO<sub>2</sub> using the Span and Wagner equation of state (EOS) at a wide range of temperature and pressures.

At State of Texas standard conditions, the Span and Wagner EOS gives a density of CO<sub>2</sub> of 0.002641684 lb-moles per cubic foot. Converting the CO<sub>2</sub> density in units of metric tonnes per cubic foot:

$$Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{MT}{ft^3} \right) = Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{lb - moles}{ft^3} \right) \times MW_{CO_2} \times \frac{1 MT}{2,204.62 lbs}$$

Where:

$$Density_{CO_2} = \text{Density of CO}_2 \text{ in metric tonnes (MT) per cubic foot}$$

$$Density_{CO_2} = 0.002641684$$

$$MW_{CO_2} = 44.0095$$

$$Density_{CO_2} = 5.2734 \times 10^{-5} \frac{MT}{ft^3} \text{ or } 5.2734 \times 10^{-2} \frac{MT}{Mcf}$$

The conversion factor  $5.2734 \times 10^{-2}$  MT/Mcf is used to convert CO<sub>2</sub> volumes in standard cubic feet to CO<sub>2</sub> mass in metric tonnes.

**Request for Additional Information: Wellman**  
**July 3, 2023**

Instructions: Please enter responses into this table and make corresponding revisions to the MRV Plan as necessary. Any long responses, references, or supplemental information may be attached to the end of the table as an appendix. This table may be uploaded to the Electronic Greenhouse Gas Reporting Tool (e-GGRT) in addition to any MRV Plan resubmissions.

No.	MRV Plan		EPA Questions	Responses
	Section	Page		
1.	N/A	N/A	Please ensure that the section numbers in the table of contents matches the section numbers featured in the MRV plan.	Corrected Section 8.4 from page 32 to page 33.
2.	N/A	N/A	<p>There is a lack of consistency with hyphens, bolding, quotation marks, spelling, font, and capitalization throughout the MRV plan. Examples include but are not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CO<sub>2</sub> vs. CO2</li> <li>• Well Bores vs Wellbores</li> <li>• Thousands place separator usage</li> </ul> <p>We recommend reviewing the formatting in the MRV plan for consistency. Furthermore, we recommend doing an additional review for spelling, grammar, spacing, etc.</p>	<p>Corrected the instances of CO2 to CO<sub>2</sub>.</p> <p>Corrected the instances of “well bore” to “wellbore”.</p> <p>Thousands place separator corrected.</p> <p>Much of the spelling, grammar, etc. are due to technical phraseology.</p>
3.	N/A	N/A	<p>Please review the Figures included in the MRV plan to ensure that all text is legible, scale bars and legends are scaled appropriately, north arrows are present, etc. For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The legend in Figure 3-4 is small and difficult to read.</li> <li>• The North arrow is illegible in Figure 3-8.</li> </ul>	<p>Figure 3-4 Legend enlarged.</p> <p>North arrow inserted in all map figures.</p>

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4.	3.1	5	<p>“Using this approach, a total injection of approximately 100 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> is forecasted over the life of the project.”</p> <p>Please clearly state what the life of the project is. The plan also references a “Specified Period” several times. Is there a specific anticipated timeframe associated with the Specified Period? Please revise the MRV plan for clarity.</p>	Set the timeframe to end in the year 2059 based on injection graph Figure 3-1.
5.	3.2	6	<p>Please more clearly identify the formations mentioned in this section in the stratigraphic column shown in Figure 3-3. Please also provide more detailed descriptions of the formations in the text itself (such as age and which formation is specifically the injection target).</p>	Formations identified as requested.
6.	3.3	10	<p>“Specified amounts are drawn from an outside source pipeline based on contractual arrangements among suppliers of CO<sub>2</sub>, purchasers of CO<sub>2</sub>, and the pipeline operator.”</p> <p>Please clarify and/or define “Specified amounts” in the MRV plan.</p>	Specified amounts will be determined by the amount of anthropogenic CO <sub>2</sub> available for injection throughout the life of the project.

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7.	4	15-16	<p>Per 40 CFR 98.449, active monitoring area is defined as the area that will be monitored over a specific time interval from the first year of the period (n) to the last year in the period (t). The boundary of the active monitoring area is established by superimposing two areas:</p> <p>(1) The area projected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume at the end of year t, plus an all around buffer zone of one-half mile or greater if known leakage pathways extend laterally more than one-half mile.</p> <p>(2) The area projected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume at the end of year t + 5.</p> <p>While the MRV plan identifies the AMA, please provide further explanation of whether the AMA meets the definitions in 40 CFR 98.449. For example, please specify whether CO<sub>2</sub> will remain within the unit boundaries at year t with a ½ mile buffer superimposed over the extent of the plume at year t+5 as required in the above definitions. Is there a specific timeframe associated with the AMA?</p>	<p>Added to statement for clarification that the CO<sub>2</sub> plume would remain within the unit boundary at year t+5 and therefore meet the definition found in 40 CFR 98.449.</p>
8.	4	15-16	<p>Per 40 CFR 98.449, maximum monitoring area is defined as equal to or greater than the area expected to contain the free phase CO<sub>2</sub> plume until the CO<sub>2</sub> plume has stabilized plus an all-around buffer zone of at least one-half mile.</p> <p>While the MRV plan identifies the MMA, please provide further explanation of whether the MMA meets the definitions in 40 CFR 98.449. Please specify whether CO<sub>2</sub> will remain in the unit boundaries when the CO<sub>2</sub> plume has stabilized as required in the above definitions. E.g., is there a specific timeframe in which the plume is expected to stabilize? What will happen to the CO<sub>2</sub> plume when the facility is no longer producing/injecting fluids?</p>	<p>Added to statement for clarification that the volume of the MMA was the same as the AMA at WF and therefore meets the definition found in 40 CFR 98.449.</p>
9.	4	15-16	<p>Please clearly label the AMA/MMA in Figure 3-8.</p>	<p>Boundaries labeled.</p>

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10.	5	17-24	<p>In addition to listing the possible leakage pathways and their monitoring strategies, please provide a clear characterization of the likelihood, magnitude, and timing of leakage for each potential leakage pathway.</p> <p>For example, the format of such a characterization might look like:  “leakage from XYZ pathway is unlikely but possible. If it did occur, it would be most likely when pressures are highest during XYZ timeframe, and the leakage could result in XYZ kgs/metric tons before being addressed...”</p>	Added statements addressing leakage likelihood and potential volume ranges throughout Section 5.
11.	5.1	18	<p>“CapturePoint’s experience, from over 10 years of operating CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects, is that such leakage is very rare.”</p> <p>In the MRV plan, please clarify whether such leakage has happened previously, and what is meant by “rare”.</p>	Update statement to indicate that such leakage has never occurred at WF.
12.	5.9	23	<p>“Given the uncertainty concerning the nature and characteristics of any leaks that may be encountered, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> will be determined on a case-by-case basis.”</p> <p>While the MRV plan mentions that the facility intends to quantify potential surface leakage, please provide example quantification strategies that may be applied for the pathways identified in the plan.</p>	Added “An example methodology would be to place a flux box or ring tent over the surface leak to measure the flow rate and gather gas samples for analysis.”



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14.	6.1.4	25	<p>“CO<sub>2</sub> produced in the gaseous stage is calculated using the volumetric flow meters at the inlet to the RCF.”</p> <p>Flow meters used to measure CO<sub>2</sub> produced must be located at the outlet of the separation facilities, not the inlet. Please clarify. For reference, see <a href="https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-40/chapter-I/subchapter-C/part-98/subpart-RR#p-98.444(c)">https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-40/chapter-I/subchapter-C/part-98/subpart-RR#p-98.444(c)</a></p>	The gas is measured at the outlet of the separation facilities at the central tank battery. Only gaseous CO <sub>2</sub> is sent to the RCF from the separators. Clarified the wording in plan to better describe the process.
15.	6.1.5	27	<p>“The H<sub>2</sub>S monitors detection limit is 10 ppm...”</p> <p>The plan mentions H<sub>2</sub>S detection as a proxy for CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detection. We recommend adding information about the H<sub>2</sub>S concentration in the fluids.</p>	Improved wording to clarify the personal monitor lower concentration alarm. Added H <sub>2</sub> S concentration information. “Currently the concentration of H <sub>2</sub> S in the recycled or produced gas is approximately 130 ppm while in the produced fluid the concentration is 77 ppm making leak detection viable.”
16.	8	31	<p>“To account for the potential propagation of error that would result if volume data from flow meters at each injection and production well were utilized, it is proposed to use the data from custody and operations meters on the main system pipelines to determine injection and production volumes used in the mass balance.”</p> <p>Please review 40 CFR 98.444 to ensure that all flow meter locations are consistent with the subpart RR requirements and revise the MRV plan as necessary.</p>	The flow meter locations are consistent with 40 CFR 98.444.

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17.	8.1	30-31	<p><i>"C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub>,r,r</sub> = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter r quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction)"</i></p> <p>In Equation RR-2, this variable is <i>"C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub>,p,r</sub> = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter r quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction)"</i>. Equations and variables cannot be modified from the regulations. Please revise this section and ensure that all equations listed are consistent with the text in 40 CFR 98.443.</p>	Corrected the Equation RR-2 to be consistent with the text in 40 CFR 98.443.
18.	8.2	31	<p><i>"The total Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received (RR-3) and Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled (modified RR-5)."</i></p> <p>According to 40 CFR 98.443(c)(3), "to aggregate injection data for all wells covered under this subpart, you must sum the mass of all CO<sub>2</sub> injected through all injection wells in accordance with the procedure specified in Equation RR-6 of this section." Equations and variables cannot be modified from the regulations. Please revise this section and ensure that all equations listed are consistent with the text in 40 CFR 98.443.</p>	Added Equation RR-6 to be consistent with the text in 40 CFR 98.443.
19.	8.5	33	<p><i>"Equation RR-8 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted through the emergency Vent..."</i></p> <p>In the MRV plan, please provide more information about the Emergency Vent and how any emissions through this vent would be accounted for in equation RR-11. Is this a potential leakage pathway that should be discussed in section 5?</p>	Added "The Facility Emergency Vent is included in the surface equipment. It is a planned relief system that has the potential to release unplanned CO <sub>2</sub> . That volume is measured by an operations meter and recorded for reporting purposes."

**CapturePoint LLC Wellman Field  
Subpart RR Monitoring, Reporting and  
Verification (MRV) Plan**

**May 17, 2023**

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## **1. Introduction**

CapturePoint LLC operates a carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)-enhanced oil recovery (EOR) project in the Wellman Field (WF) located in Terry County, Texas, approximately 10 miles southwest of the town of Brownfield for the primary purpose of enhanced oil recovery using CO<sub>2</sub> with a subsidiary purpose of geologic sequestration of CO<sub>2</sub> in a subsurface geologic formation. The WF is comprised of the Wolfcamp Reef (WLFRRF), the main producing reservoir. Production from the WLFRRF is between 9200-10000 feet throughout the well-defined reef. The MRV plan was developed in accordance with 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) to provide for the monitoring, reporting and verification of the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> sequestered at the Wellman Field during a specified period of injection.

## **2. Facility Information**

### **2.1. Reporter Number**

544182 – Wellman Field

### **2.2. UIC Permit Class**

The Oil and Gas Division of the Texas Railroad Commission (TRRC) regulates oil and gas activity in Texas. All wells in the WF (including production, injection, and monitoring wells) are permitted by TRRC through Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Title 16 Chapter 3. TRRC has primacy to implement the Underground Injection Control (UIC) Class II program in the state for injection wells. All EOR injection wells in the WF are currently classified as UIC Class II wells.

### **2.3. Existing Wells**

Wells in the WF are identified by Wellman Unit (WU) and number, American Petroleum Institute (API) number, type, and status. The list of wells as of March 2023 is included in Section 12.1. Any changes in wells will be indicated in the annual report.

## **3. Project Description**

This project takes place in the WF, an oil field located in West Texas that was first produced more than 70 years ago. WF is comprised of the Wolfcamp Reef (WLFRRF). The WLFRRF is the main oil and gas producing unit and is under the sole operatorship of CapturePoint LLC. Water flooding was initiated in 1979 with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding beginning in 1983, in the WLFRRF. The field is well characterized and is suitable for secure geologic storage. CapturePoint uses a continuous injection process in order to maintain a constant reservoir pressure. This is achieved with an injection to withdrawal ratio (IWR) at or near 1.

### 3.1. Project Characteristics

The WF was discovered in 1950 and started producing oil in the same year. The WLFRRF began to produce in May 1950 and a waterflood was initiated in July 1979 in the flanks of the reef to push the oil column up towards the top of the structure. CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was then initiated in 1983 and was injected into the top of the structure for vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding. The entire reef is an oil-bearing zone that has been produced for years, swept by a waterflood, and is now CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the top down for residual oil. This geologically well-defined reef system is an attractive target for EOR with CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Sequestration.

A long-term CO<sub>2</sub> and hydrocarbon injection and production forecast for the WLFRRF was developed using a performance dimensionless curve (DPC) approach. Using this approach, a total injection of approximately 100 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> is forecasted over the life of the project. Total injection is the volumes of stored CO<sub>2</sub> plus the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> produced with oil. Figure 3-1 shows actual and projected CO<sub>2</sub> injection, production, and stored volumes in WF.

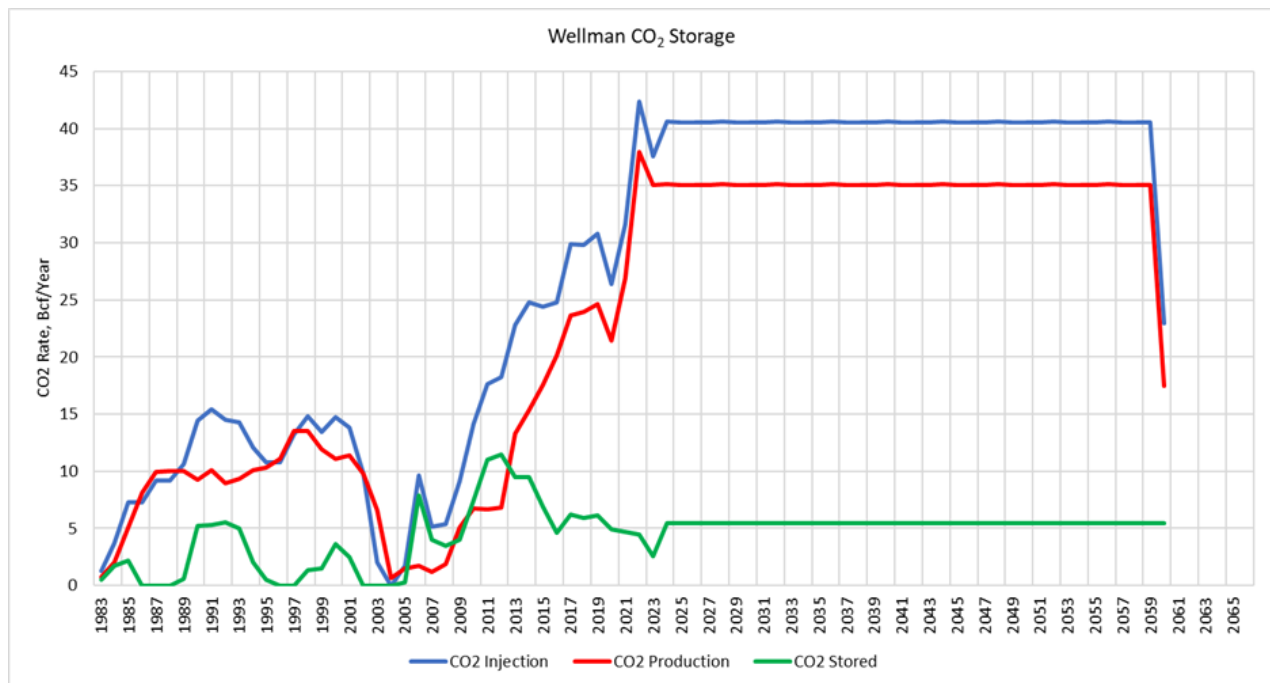
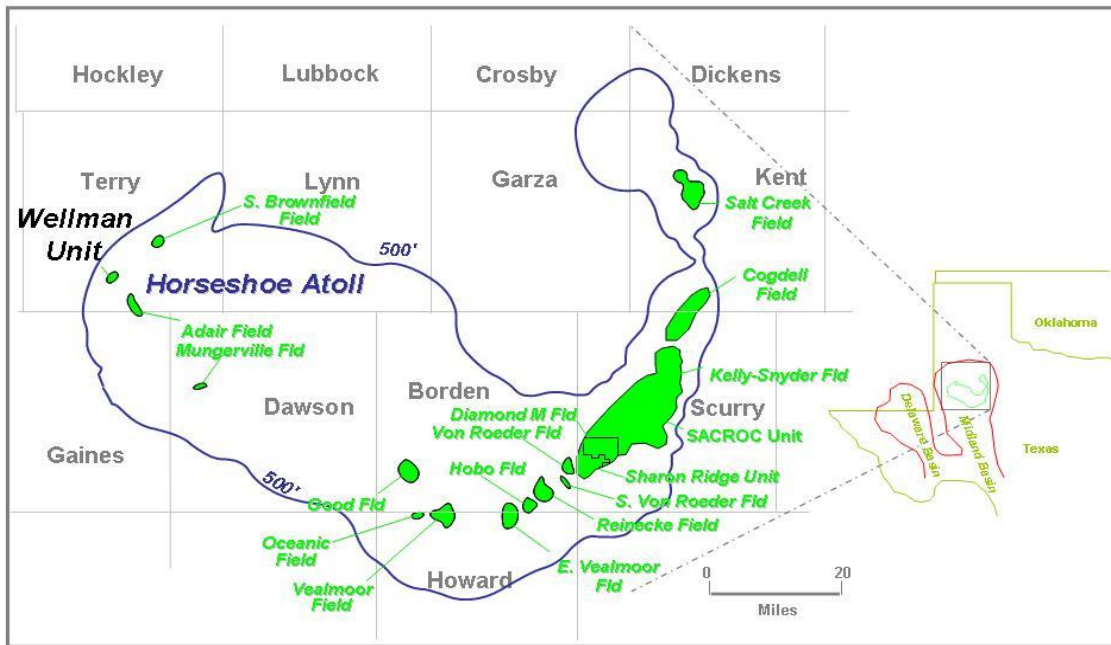


Figure 3-1 WF Historic and Forecast CO<sub>2</sub> Injection, Production, and Storage

### 3.2. Environmental Setting

The WF is in the NE portion of the Central Basin Platform in West Texas (See Figure 3-2). The productive portion of the Wellman Field is composed of the Wolfcamp Reef.



*Modified from Vest, 1970*

Figure 3-2 Location of WF in West Texas

The WLFRRF was developed on the far north-western edge of a larger Pennsylvanian reef trend known as the Horseshoe Atoll. Environment of deposition was shallow muddy (turbid) water with encroaching shales at the flank and eventually buried by terrigenous sediments (shales, siltstones, sands). Those sediments finally drowned out the reef and now form the primary seal for the reservoir. The structure is pinnacle reef like with two smaller bioherm buildups creating an overall structure oriented in a north to south direction (See Figure 3-4).

By the time the reef was deposited, the sinking of the Horseshoe Atoll was well underway, leaving a great deal of vertical accommodation space. As a result, the reef is steep-sided and slumping of the outer edges of the reef is common, as is mixing of the reef-slump (limestone) debris with shale from the overlying seal (Anderson, 1953). The peak of the reservoir occurs at approximately -5900'SS and plunges below the original oil / water contact at -6680'SS inside the boundaries of the Wellman Unit. Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formations, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval here is informally called the "Spraberry Group." The Spraberry Group forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastics above the reservoir (See Figure 3-3)



# WELLMAN FIELD TYPE LOG & GENERALIZED STRATIGRAPHIC SECTION

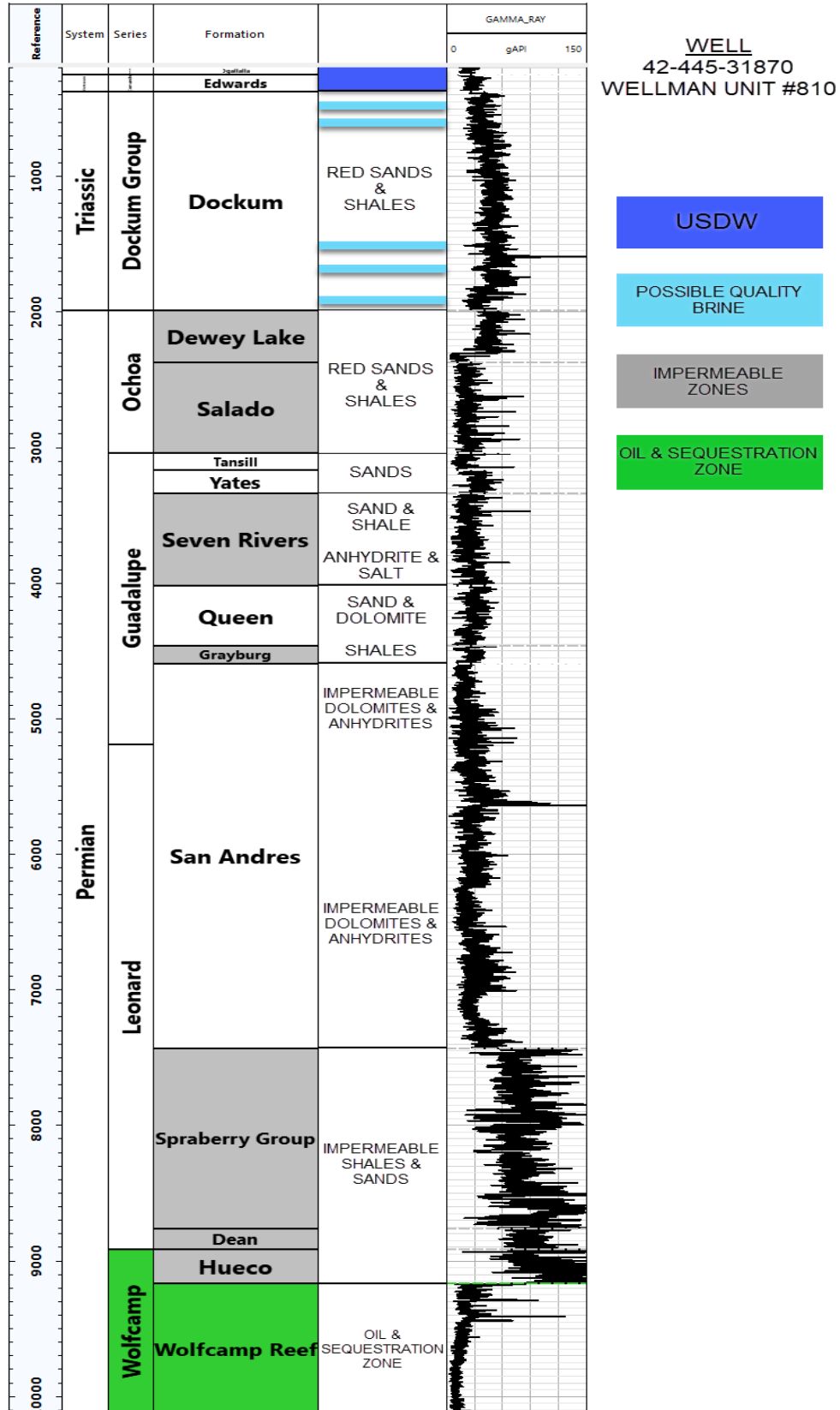


Figure 3-3 Wellman Field generalized stratigraphic section.

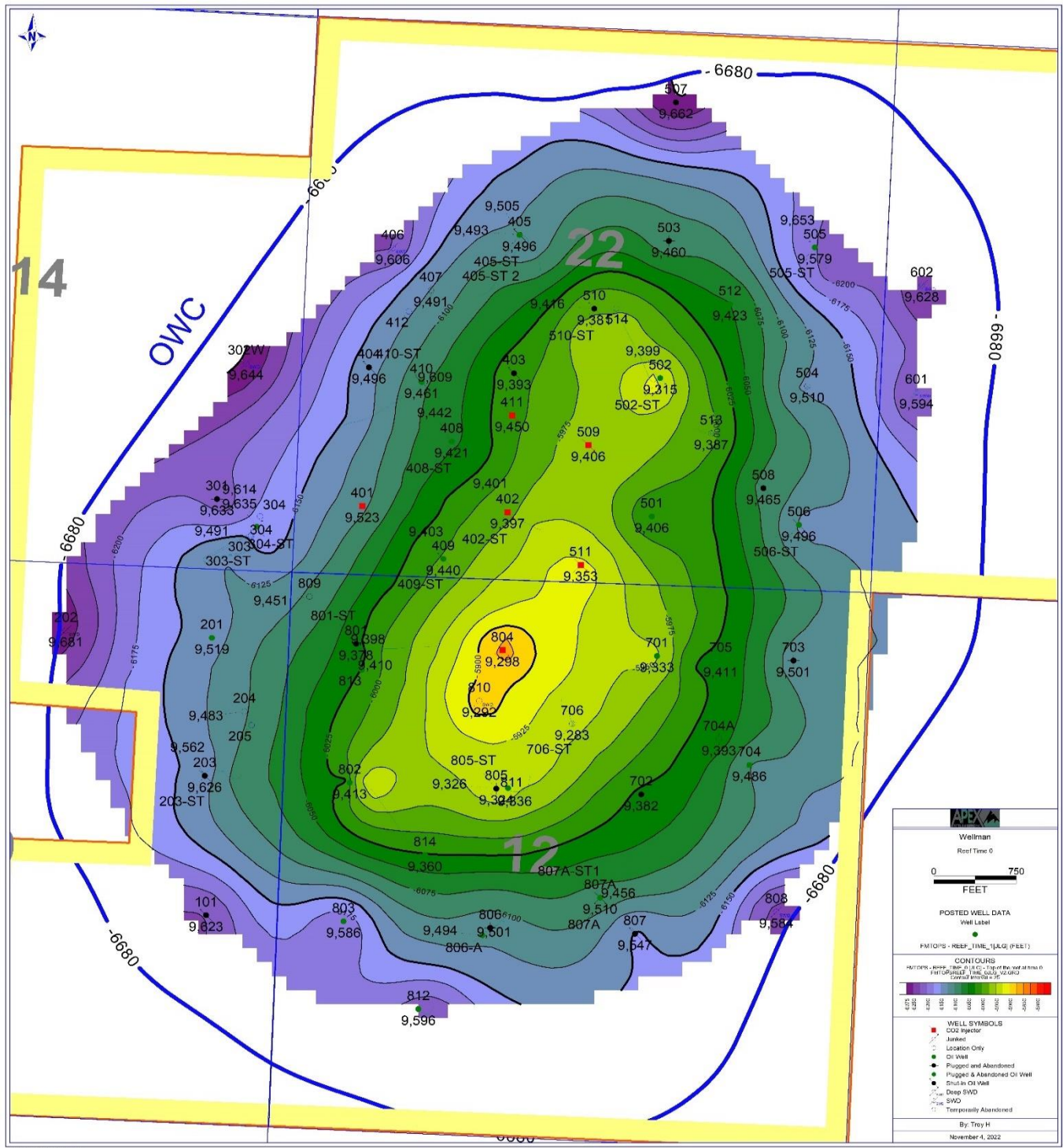


Figure 3-4 Local Area Structure on Top of the Wolfcamp Reef

Once the CO<sub>2</sub> flood is complete and injection ceases, the remaining mobile CO<sub>2</sub> will rise slowly upward, driven by buoyancy forces. There is more than enough pore space to sequester the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> planned for injection. The amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected will not exceed the reservoir's secure storage capacity and, consequently, the risk that CO<sub>2</sub> could migrate to other reservoirs in the basin is negligible.

The volume of CO<sub>2</sub> storage is based on the estimated total pore space within WLFRF. The total pore space within WF, from the top of the reservoir down to the base of the WLFRF, is calculated to be 304.5 million reservoir barrels (RB). This is the volume of rock multiplied by porosity. Table 3-1 below shows the conversion of this amount of pore space into an estimated maximum volume of approximately 551 Billion Cubic Feet (BCF) (29 million tonnes) of CO<sub>2</sub> storage in the reservoir at original reservoir pressure conditions of 4100 psi. Based on the current project forecast, CO<sub>2</sub> will occupy only 66% (364 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity by the year 2060. CO<sub>2</sub> currently occupies 29% (159 BCF) of the total calculated storage capacity.

Table 3-1 Calculation of Maximum Volume of CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Capacity at Wellman Field (WF)

<b>Top of Main Pay to Original Oil/Water Contact</b>	
Variables	WF Outline
Pore Volume ( <b>RB</b> )	304,516,542
<b>B</b> <sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub> (RB/MCF)	0.42
<b>S</b> <sub>wirr</sub>	0.15
<b>S</b> <sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub>	0.09
<b>Max</b> CO <sub>2</sub> (MCF)	551,029,933
<b>Max</b> CO <sub>2</sub> (BCF)	551

$$\text{Max CO}_2 = \text{Pore Volume} * (1 - S_{wirr} - S_{or CO_2}) / B_{CO_2}$$

Where:

- Max CO<sub>2</sub> = the maximum amount of storage capacity
- Pore Volume = Total pore space in reservoir barrels (RB)
- B<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub> = the formation volume factor for CO<sub>2</sub>
- S<sub>wirr</sub> = the irreducible water saturation
- S<sub>or CO<sub>2</sub></sub> = the irreducible oil saturation

Reservoir management is employed on a constant basis to obtain the maximum possible economic recovery from a reservoir based on facts, information, and knowledge. As WF is a vertical displacement flood, long-term storage utilizes the natural buoyancy of CO<sub>2</sub> to oil and water, along with the existing reservoir seal, in order to contain the CO<sub>2</sub>. In this scenario, there is no lateral migration and injected fluids (CO<sub>2</sub>) stay in the reservoir within the WF unit boundary and do not move laterally to adjacent areas.

Given that in WF the confining zone has proved competent over both millions of years and in the current CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, and that the WF has ample storage capacity, there is confidence that stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained securely within the reservoir.

### 3.3 Description of CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR Project Facilities and the Injection Process

Figure 3-5 shows a simplified process flow diagram of the project facilities and equipment in WF. CO<sub>2</sub> is delivered to the WLFRRF via the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline network. The CO<sub>2</sub> is supplied by anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> sources. Specified amounts are drawn from an outside source pipeline based on contractual arrangements among suppliers of CO<sub>2</sub>, purchasers of CO<sub>2</sub>, and the pipeline operator.

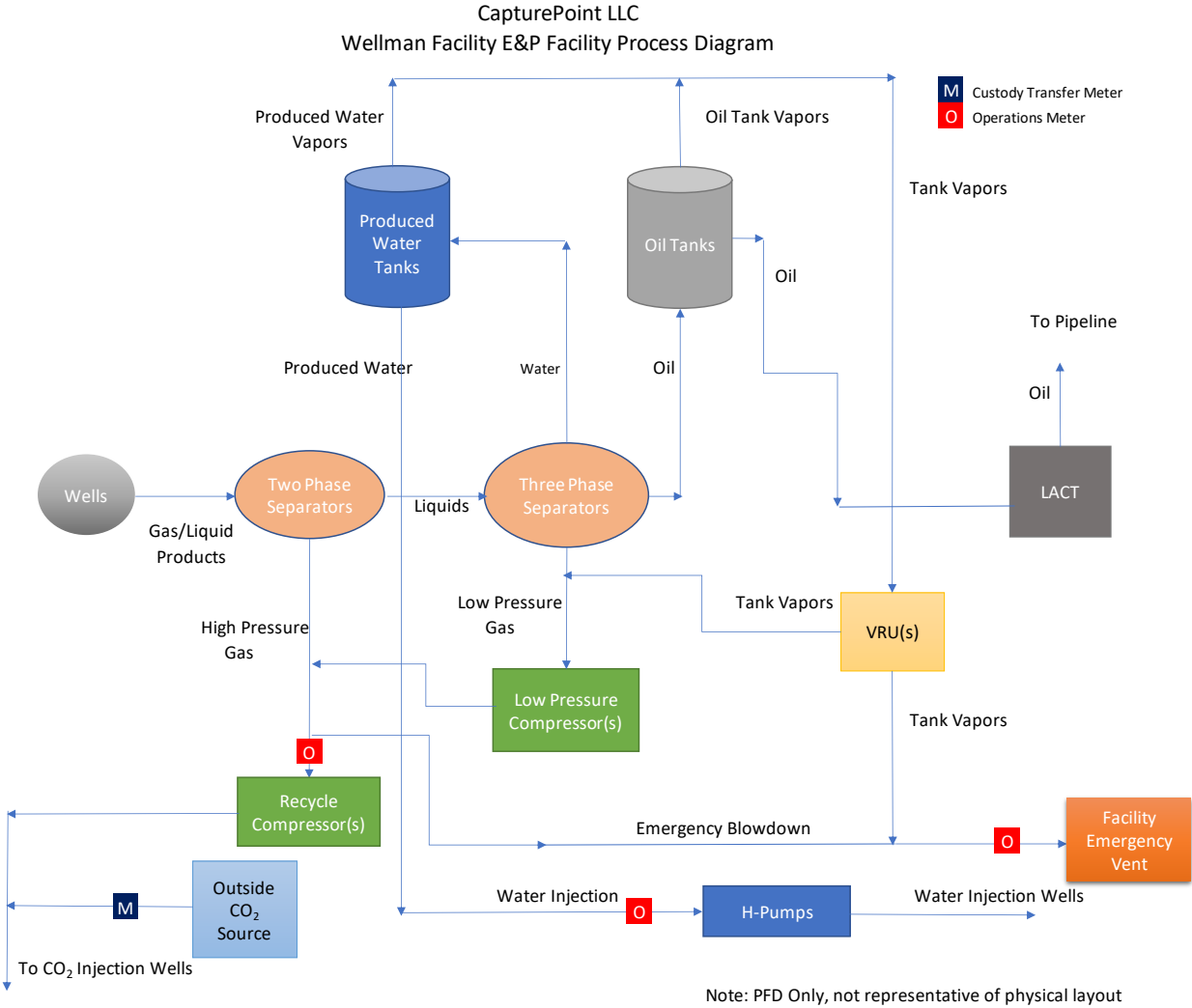


Figure 3-5 Wellman Process Flow Diagram

Once CO<sub>2</sub> enters the WLFRRF there are three main processes involved in EOR operations:

- i. **CO<sub>2</sub> Distribution and Injection:** The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received at WF is metered and calculated through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the pipeline delivery point. The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received is combined with recycled CO<sub>2</sub> / hydrocarbon gas mix from the recycle compression facility (RCF) and distributed to the wellheads for injection into the injection wells according to the injection plan for reservoir. This is an EOR project and reservoir pressure must be maintained above minimum miscibility pressure. Therefore, injection pressure must be sufficiently high to allow injectants to

enter the reservoir, but below formation parting pressure (FPP).

ii. **Produced Fluids Handling:** Produced fluids from the production wells are a mixture of oil, hydrocarbon gas, water, CO<sub>2</sub>, and trace amounts of other constituents in the field including nitrogen and hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S) as discussed in Section 7. The fluids are transported via flowlines to the Central Tank Battery (CTB) for separation into a gas/CO<sub>2</sub> mix and a produced fluids mix of water, oil, gas, and CO<sub>2</sub>. The produced gas, which is composed primarily of CO<sub>2</sub> and minor hydrocarbons, is sent to the recycle compression facility for dehydration and recompression before reinjection into the reservoir. An operations meter at the RCF is used to determine the total volume of produced gas that is reinjected. The separated oil is metered through the Custody Transfer Meter located at the central tank battery and sold into a pipeline.

iii. **Water Treatment and Injection:** Water is recovered for reuse and forwarded to the water injection station for reinjection or disposal.

### **3.3.1. Wells in the Wellman Field**

The TRRC has broad authority over oil and gas operations including primacy to implement UIC Class II wells. The rules are found in Texas Administrative Code Title 16, Part 1, Chapter 3 and are also explained in a TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual (See Appendix 12-2). TRRC rules govern well siting, construction, operation, maintenance, and closure for all wells in oilfields. Briefly, TRRC rules include the following requirements:

- Fluids must be constrained in the strata in which they are encountered,
- Activities cannot result in the pollution of subsurface or surface water,
- Wells must adhere to specified casing, cementing, drilling well control, and completion requirements designed to prevent fluids from moving from the strata they are encountered into other strata with oil and gas, or into subsurface and surface waters,
- Completion report for each well including basic electric log (e.g., a density, sonic, or resistivity (except dip meter) log run over the entire wellbore) must be prepared,
- Operators must follow plugging procedures that require advance approval from the TRRC Director and allow consideration of the suitability of the cement based on the use of the well, the location and setting of plugs; and,
- Injection well operators must identify an Area of Review (AoR), use compatible materials and equipment, test, and maintain well records.

Table 3.1 provides a well count by type and status. All these wells are in material compliance with TRRC rules.

*Table 3.1 WF Well Penetrations by Type and Status*

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>ACTIVE</b>	<b>INACTIVE</b>	<b>P &amp; A</b>	<b>Total</b>
PROD_OIL	28	5	0	<b>33</b>
INJ_SWD	6	0	0	<b>6</b>
INJ_CO <sub>2</sub>	7	0	0	<b>7</b>
P&A***	0	0	8	<b>8</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>54</b>

\*INJ\_SWD = Saltwater disposal wells

\*INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells

\*\*\*P&A = Plugged and Abandoned wells. (P&A for sidetracks are not included in the P&A count)

WF CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations are designed to avoid conditions which could damage the reservoir and cause a potential leakage pathway. Reservoir pressure in the WF is managed by monitoring reservoir pressures and ensuring these remain constant. This is achieved by maintaining an IWR of approximately 1.

Injection pressure is also maintained below the FPP, which is measured using step-rate tests.

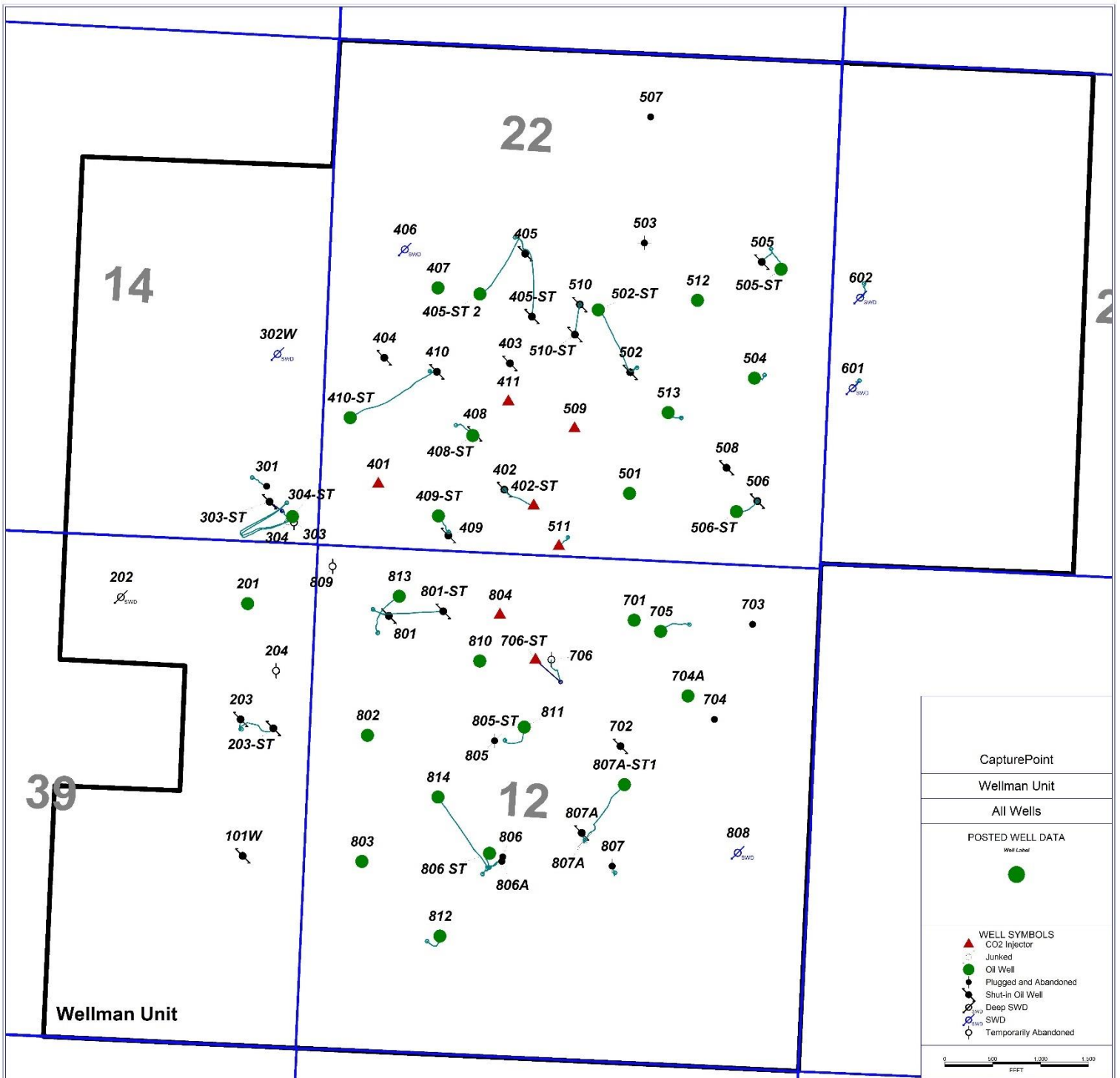
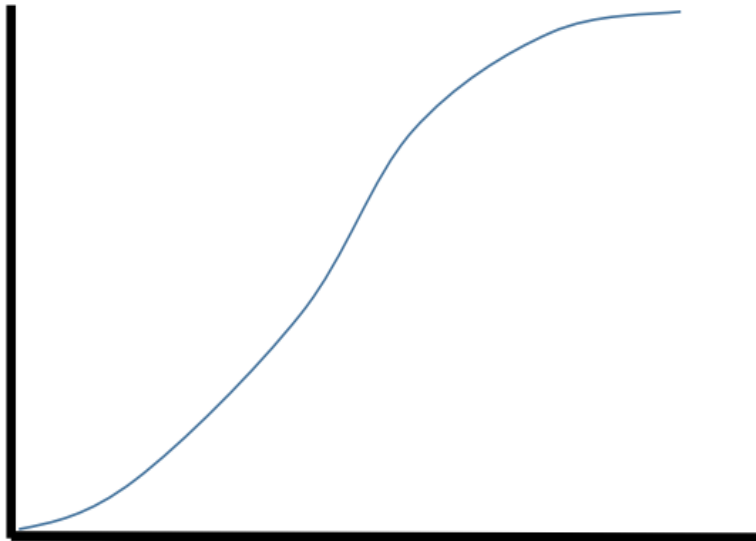


Figure 3-6 WF Wells and Injection Patterns

### 3.4 Reservoir Forecasting

DPCs derived from actual field performance were used to project carbon dioxide enhanced oil recovery in the Wellman Field. Most DPCs are derived from geologic and reservoir models or actual field performance. In the WF case the DPC was derived from actual field performance in the Wellman Field. The Wellman Field has 40 years of actual CO<sub>2</sub> history which is more than enough data to develop DPC's to forecast reservoir performance. Initial oil recovery and CO<sub>2</sub> injection results were obtained from lab experiments performed with CO<sub>2</sub>. The DPC's project recoveries that are close to what the lab experiments concluded.

A DPC is a plot where injection and production volumes for CO<sub>2</sub>, water and hydrocarbon phases are normalized by dividing by Hydrocarbon Pore Volume (HCPV). See Figure 3-7. The dimensioned projections of oil, CO<sub>2</sub> and water production, and CO<sub>2</sub> and water injection are made from DPCs using the original oil in place of an area of interest.



*Figure 3-7 Dimensionless performance curve plot*

The WF DPC was calculated from the cumulative production and injection using 40 years of WF history. This method allows you to use different field implementation speeds.

The DPCs are the basis for future reservoir performance prediction scenarios but are additionally a means of evaluating the reservoir process efficiencies. In a similar manner to history matching in reservoir simulation, deviations from the expected performance can indicate errors in the geologic model of the pore volume, growth of the CO<sub>2</sub> plume laterally or vertically or metering and production allocation errors.



## **4. Delineation of Monitoring Area and Timeframes**

### **4.1. Active Monitoring Area**

The Active Monitoring Area (AMA) is defined by the Wolfcamp Reef boundaries.

Figure 3-6 displays wells that have CO<sub>2</sub> retention on the 2100 acres that have been under CO<sub>2</sub> injection since project initialization. The CO<sub>2</sub> storage volumes were forecasted (Figure 3.1) using the DPC approach. This technique indicates that the flooded acreage still has significant additional storage potential. The maximum CO<sub>2</sub> storage (551 BCF) is limited to the amount of space available by the removal of the produced fluids. The projection indicates that there is pore space available to store approximately 0.66 decimal fraction of HCPV amount to 151.9 MMRB (364 BCF).

The lateral extent of CO<sub>2</sub> in the injection zone or the CO<sub>2</sub> storage radius was estimated by a calculating a storage radius based on the forecasted CO<sub>2</sub> volume of 364 BCF. Figure 3-8 shows the map of the storage area outline (dashed red line). This calculation showed approximately 1,043 acres would be needed to store 364 BCF. This is significantly less than the 2,100 acres in the WF outline.

### **4.2. Maximum Monitoring Area**

The Maximum Monitoring Area (MMA) is defined by the Wolfcamp Reef boundaries plus the required ½ mile buffer as required by 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR). The MMA would be the same as the AMA since the plume location is less than the Unit area.

### **4.3. Monitoring Timeframes**

The primary purpose for injecting CO<sub>2</sub> is to produce oil that would otherwise remain trapped in the reservoir and not, as in UIC Class VI, “specifically for the purpose of geologic storage.”<sup>1</sup> During a Specified Period, there will be a subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term containment of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF. The Specified Period will be shorter than the period of production from the WF.

At the conclusion of the Specified Period, a request for discontinuation of reporting will be submitted. This request will be submitted with a demonstration that current monitoring and model(s) show that the cumulative mass of CO<sub>2</sub> reported as sequestered during the Specified Period is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage. It is expected that it will be possible to make this demonstration after the Specified Period ends based upon monitoring data.

The reservoir pressure in the WF is collected for use in operations management. Reservoir pressure is not forecasted to change appreciably since the IWR will be maintained at approximately 1. Once injection ceases, reservoir pressure is predicted to stabilize within one year.

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<sup>1</sup> EPA UIC Class VI rule, EPA 75 FR 77291, December 10, 2010, section 146.81(b).

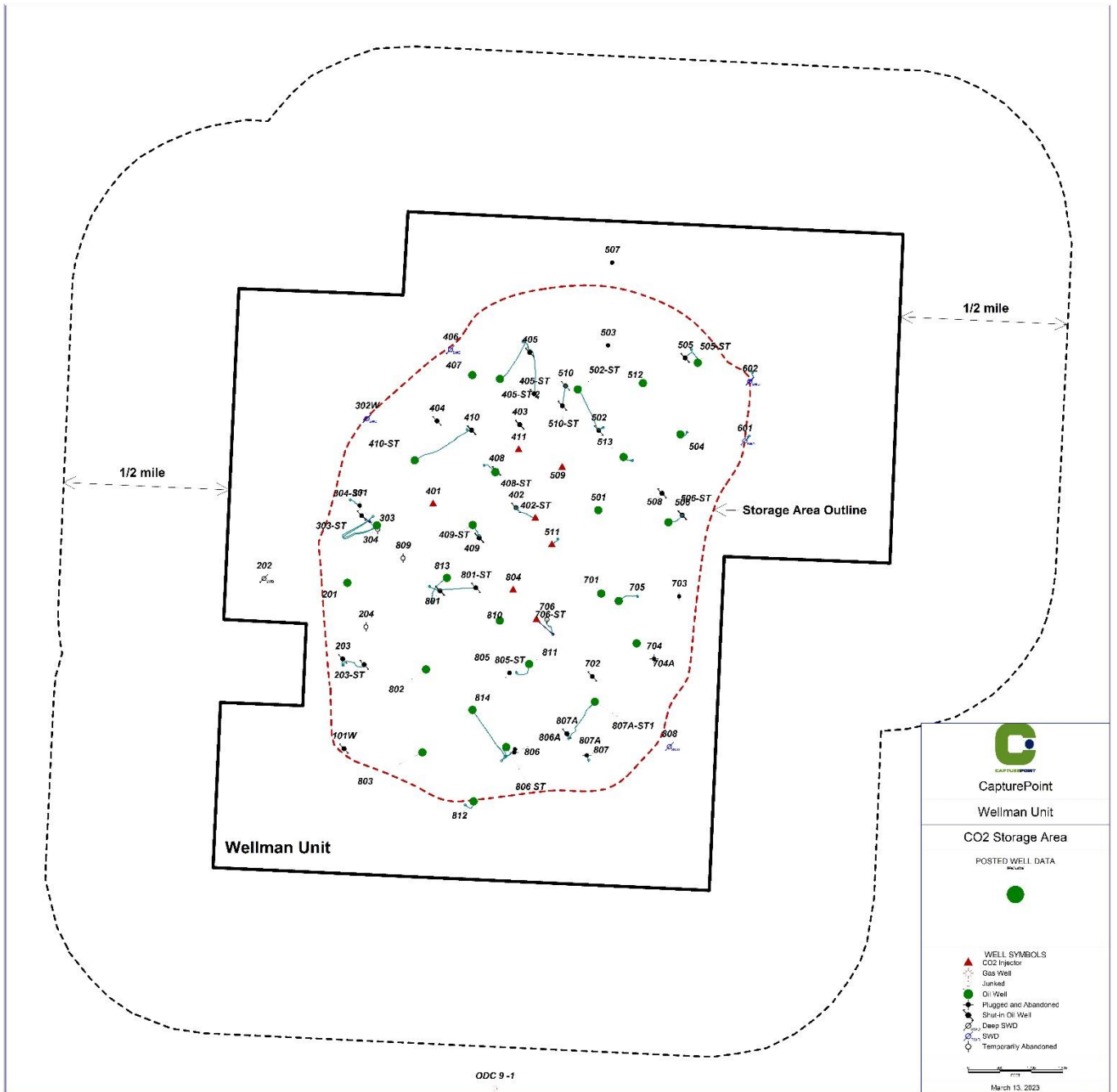


Figure 3-8 Projected CO<sub>2</sub> Storage area

## **5. Evaluation of Potential Pathways for Leakage to the Surface, Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification**

In the roughly 70 years since the Wellman oil field was discovered, the reservoir has been studied extensively. Based on the knowledge gained from that experience, this section assesses the potential pathways for leakage of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface including:

1. Existing Well Bores
2. Faults and Fractures
3. Natural and Induced Seismic Activity
4. Previous Operations
5. Pipeline/Surface Equipment
6. Lateral Migration Outside the WF
7. Drilling Through the CO<sub>2</sub> Area
8. Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal
9. Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification

This analysis shows that leakage through wellbores and surface equipment pose the only meaningful potential leakage pathways. The monitoring program to detect and quantify leakage is based on this assessment as discussed below.

### **5.1. Existing Wellbores**

As part of the TRRC requirement to initiate CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, an extensive review of all WF penetrations was completed to determine the need for corrective action. That analysis showed that all penetrations have either been adequately plugged and abandoned or, if in use, do not require corrective action. All wells in the WF were constructed and are operated in compliance with TRRC rules.

As part of routine risk management, the potential risk of leakage associated with the following were identified and evaluated:

- CO<sub>2</sub> flood electrical submersible pump (ESP) producing wells,
- CO<sub>2</sub> Flood flowing production wells, and
- CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells.

The risk assessment classified all risks associated with subsurface as low risk, i.e., less than 1% likelihood to occur and having a consequence that is insubstantial. The risks were classified as low risk because, the WF geology is well suited to CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration with an extensive confining zone that is free of fractures and faults that could be potential conduits for CO<sub>2</sub> migration. Any risks are further mitigated because the WF is operated in a manner that maintains, monitors, and documents the integrity of the reservoir.

The risk of well leakage is mitigated through:

- Adhering to regulatory requirements for well drilling and testing,
- implementing best practices that CapturePoint has developed through its extensive operating experience,
- monitoring injection/production performance, wellbores, and the surface; and,
- maintaining surface equipment.

Continual and routine monitoring of the wellbores and site operations will be used to detect leaks or other potential well problems, as follows:

- Pressure in injection wells is monitored daily. The injection plans for each pattern are provided to field operations to govern the rate, pressure, and duration of either water or CO<sub>2</sub> injection. Leakage on the inside or outside of the injection wellbore would affect pressure and be detected through this approach. If such events occur, they are investigated and addressed. CapturePoint's experience, from over 10 years of operating CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR projects, is that such leakage is very rare.
- Production well performance is monitored using the production well test process conducted when produced fluids are gathered and sent to test vessels. There is a routine well testing cycle, with each well being tested approximately once every month. During this cycle, each production well is diverted to the well test equipment for a period sufficient to measure and sample produced fluids (generally 12-24 hours). These tests are the basis for allocating a portion of the produced fluids measured to each production well, assessing the composition of produced fluids by location, and assessing the performance of each well. Performance data are reviewed on a routine basis to ensure that CO<sub>2</sub> flooding efficiency is optimized. If production is off the plan, it is investigated, and any identified issues addressed. Leakage to the outside of production wells is not considered a major risk because of the reduced pressure in the casing. All personnel are equipped with personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors. These personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are designed to detect leaked fluids around production wells during well and equipment inspections.
- Field inspections are conducted on a routine basis by field personnel. Leaking CO<sub>2</sub> is very cold and leads to formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted. All field personnel are trained to identify leaking CO<sub>2</sub> and other potential problems at wellbores and in the field. Any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected will be documented and reported and quantified.

Based on ongoing monitoring activities and review of the potential leakage risks posed by well bores, it is concluded that the risk of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage through well bores is being mitigated by detecting problems as they arise and quantifying any leakage that does occur.

## 5.2. Faults and Fractures

After reviewing geologic, seismic, operating, and other evidence, it has been concluded that there are no known faults or fractures that transect the Wolfcamp Reef reservoir into overlying formations in the project area. As a result, there is little to no risk of leakage due to fractures or faults.

Measurements to determine FPP and reservoir pressure are routinely updated. This information is used to manage injection patterns so that the injection pressure will not exceed FPP. An IWR at or near 1 is also maintained based on consistent reservoir pressure measurements. Both measures mitigate the potential for inducing faults or fractures.

## 5.3. Natural or Induced Seismicity

After reviewing the literature and actual operating experience, it is concluded that there is no direct evidence that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF.

To evaluate this potential risk at WF, CapturePoint has reviewed the nature and location of seismic events in West Texas. Some of the recorded earthquakes in West Texas are far removed from any injection operation. These are judged to be from natural causes. Others are near oil fields or water disposal wells and are placed in the category of “quakes in close association with human enterprise.”<sup>2</sup> A review of the United States Geological Survey (USGS) database of recorded earthquakes at M0.5 or greater in the Permian Basin since 1970 indicates that no earthquakes have occurred within a 30 mile radius of the Wellman Field.

The concern about induced seismicity is that it could lead to fractures in the seal providing a pathway for CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. CapturePoint is not aware of any reported loss of injectant (brine water or CO<sub>2</sub>) to the surface associated with any seismic activity. There is no direct evidence to suggest that natural seismic activity poses a significant risk for loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface in the Permian Basin, and specifically in the WF. If induced seismicity resulted in a pathway for material amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> to migrate from the injection zone, other reservoir fluid monitoring provisions (e.g., reservoir pressure, well pressure, and pattern monitoring) would detect the migration and lead to further investigation. CapturePoint monitors the USGS earthquake monitoring Geological Information System (GIS) site<sup>3</sup> for seismic signals that could indicate the creation of potential leakage pathways in the WF.

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<sup>2</sup> Frohlich, Cliff (2012) “Induced or Triggered Earthquakes in Texas: Assessment of Current Knowledge and Suggestions for Future Research”, Final Technical Report, Institute for Geophysics, University of Texas at Austin, Office of Sponsored Research.

<sup>3</sup> <https://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/map/>

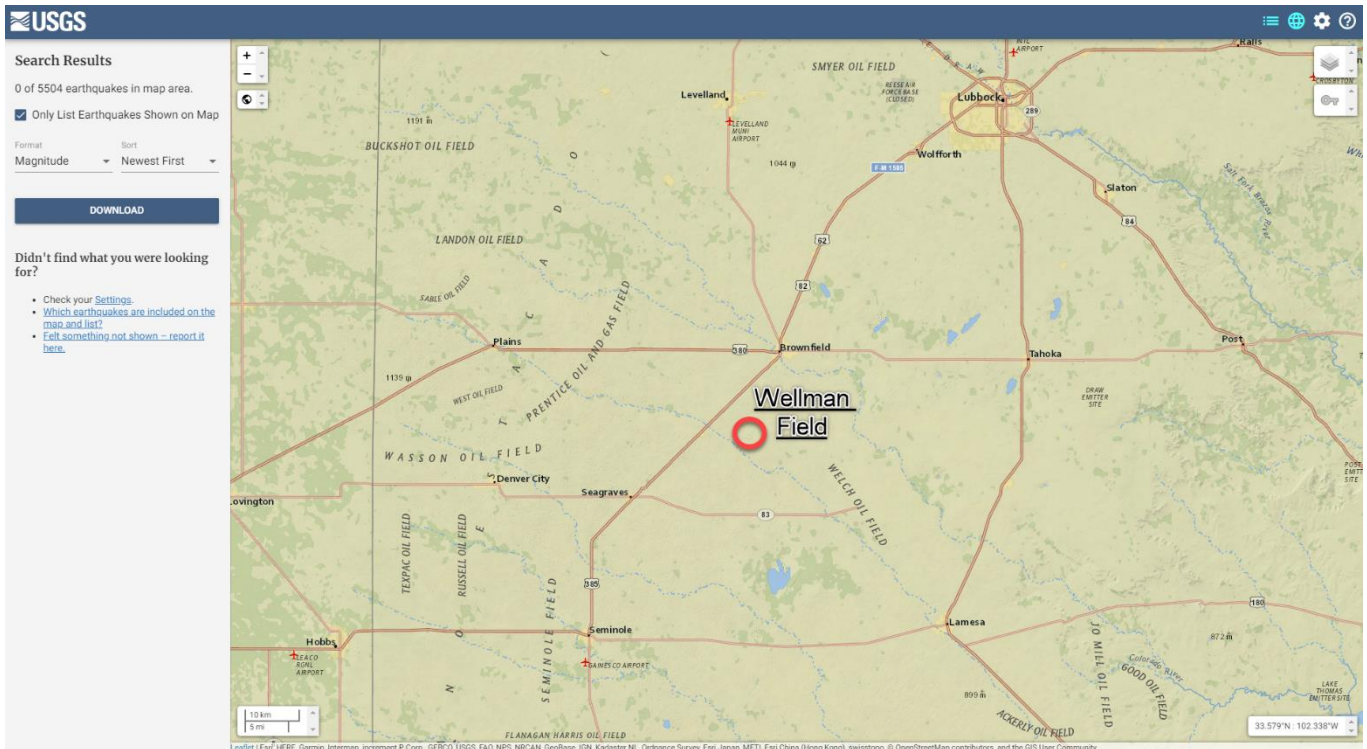


Figure 5-1 USGS earthquakes (+.5 magnitude) for last 53 years)

## 5.4. Previous Operations

CO<sub>2</sub> flooding was initiated in WF in 1983. To obtain permits for CO<sub>2</sub> flooding, the AoR around all CO<sub>2</sub> injector wells was evaluated to determine if there were any unknown penetrations and to assess if corrective action was required at any wells. As indicated in Section 5.1, this evaluation reviewed the identified penetrations and determined that no additional corrective action was needed. Further, CapturePoint’s standard practice for drilling new wells includes a rigorous review of nearby wells to ensure that drilling will not cause damage to or interfere with existing wells. Additionally, requirements to construct wells with materials that are designed for CO<sub>2</sub> injection are adhered to at WF. These practices ensure that that there are no unknown wells within WF and that the risk of migration from older wells has been sufficiently mitigated. The successful experience with CO<sub>2</sub> flooding in WF demonstrates that the confining zone has not been impaired by previous operations.

## 5.5. Pipelines and Surface Equipment

Damage to or failure of pipelines and surface equipment can result in unplanned losses of CO<sub>2</sub>. CapturePoint anticipates that the use of prevailing design and construction practices and compliance with applicable laws will reduce to the maximum extent possible, the risk of unplanned leakage from surface facilities. The facilities and pipelines currently utilize and will continue to utilize materials of construction and control processes that are standard for CO<sub>2</sub> EOR projects in the oil and

gas industry. Operating and maintenance practices currently follow and will continue to follow demonstrated industry standards. Field personnel are trained to look for and report potential leaks from pipeline and surface equipment as part of their routine activities. Should leakage be detected from pipeline or surface equipment, the volume of released CO<sub>2</sub> will be quantified following the requirements of Subpart W of Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program (GHGRP).

## **5.6. Lateral Migration Outside the Wellman Field**

It is highly unlikely that injected CO<sub>2</sub> will migrate downdip and laterally outside the WF because of the nature of the geology and the approach used for injection. The reef is completely encased with impermeable sediments, which is what created such a defined reservoir that trapped oil over millions of years. With water flooding from the edges, combined with vertical CO<sub>2</sub> flooding from the top of the reef, the CO<sub>2</sub> will be contained to the upper portions of the reef. (See Figure 5-2) Finally, the total volume of fluids contained in the WF will stay relatively constant. Based on site characterization, the planned and projected operations, it is estimated that the total volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> will be considerably less than calculated capacity.

## **5.7 Drilling in the Wellman Field**

The TRRC regulates well drilling activity in Texas. Pursuant to TRRC rules, wells casing shall be securely anchored in the hole in order to effectively control the well at all times, all usable- quality water zones shall be isolated and sealed off to effectively prevent contamination or harm, and all productive zones, potential flow zones, and zones with corrosive formation fluids shall be isolated and sealed off to prevent vertical migration of fluids, including gases, behind the casing. Where TRRC rules do not detail specific methods to achieve these objectives, operators shall make every effort to follow the intent of the section, using good engineering practices and the best currently available technology (TAC Title 16 Part1 Chapter 3 Rule §3.13). The TRRC requires applications and approvals before a well is drilled, recompleted, or reentered. Well drilling activity at WF is conducted in accordance with TRRC rules. CapturePoint's visual inspection process, including routine site visits, will identify unapproved drilling activity in the WF.

In addition, CapturePoint intends to operate WF for several more years and will continue to be vigilant about protecting the integrity of its assets and maximizing the potential of its resources, including oil, gas and CO<sub>2</sub>. Consequently, as CapturePoint owns the rights at all depths, the risks associated with third parties penetrating the WF are negligible.



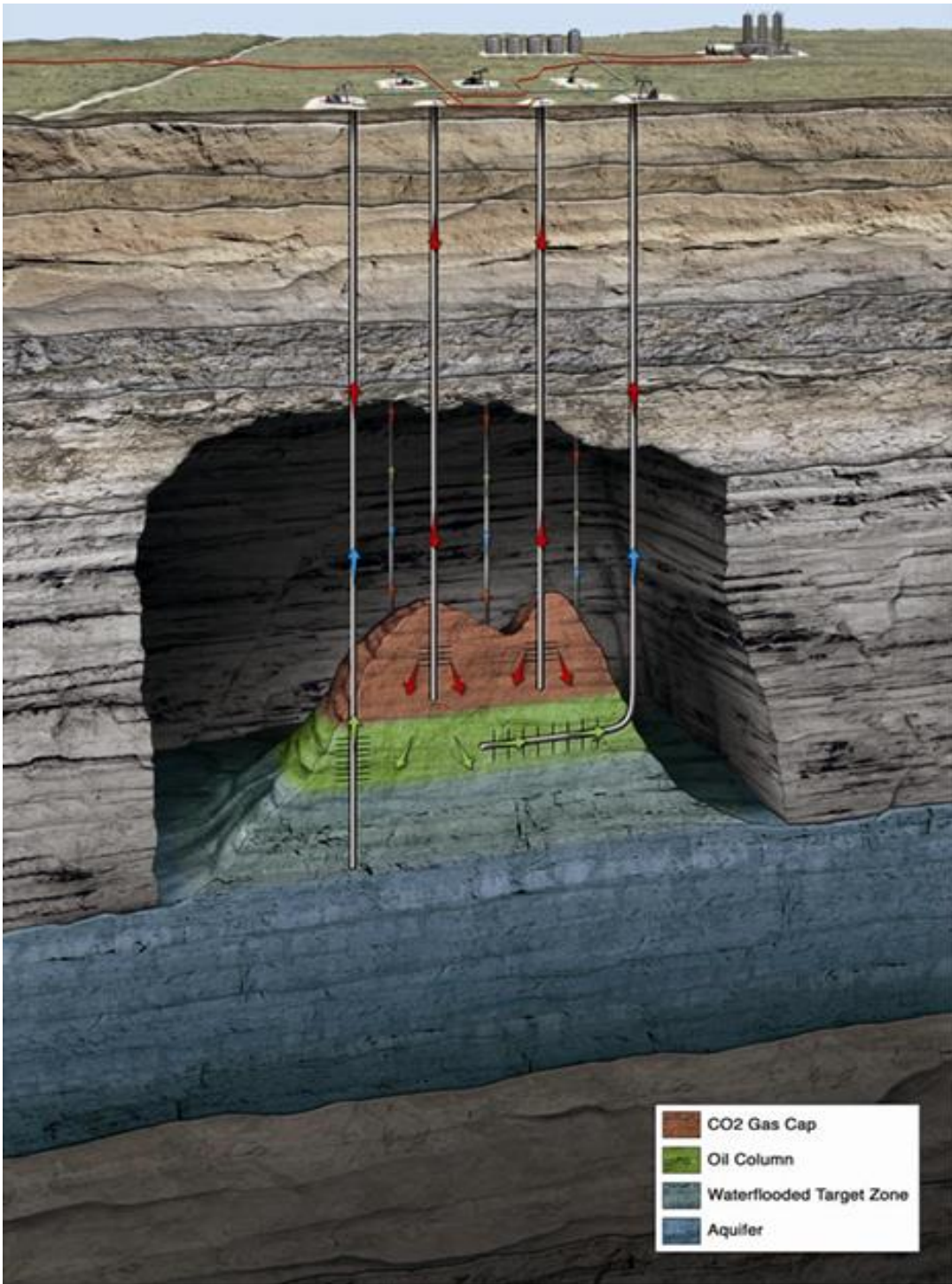


Figure 5-2 Schematic of Wellman Field vertical CO2 flood



## **5.8 Diffuse Leakage Through the Seal**

Diffuse leakage through the seal formed by the upper Wolfcamp is highly unlikely. There are several sections above the reservoir that are impermeable and serve as reliable barriers to prevent fluids from moving upwards towards the surface. These barriers are referred to as seals because they effectively seal fluids within the formations beneath them. As mentioned in Section 3.2 “Wolfcampian shales and siltstones, including the Hueco Formation, provide top and side seals for the Wellman oil trap. The Wolfcamp shales progress into the Spraberry series of siltstones, sands, and shales, with a few thin carbonate layers. This entire interval is informally called the “Spraberry Series.” The Spraberry Series forms a cap of more than 1,400 feet of clastics above the reservoir.”

Our injection monitoring program assures that no breach of the seal will be created. The seal is highly impermeable. Wellbores that penetrate the seal make use of cement and steel construction that is closely regulated to ensure that no leakage takes place. Injection pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in injection pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.

## **5.9 Leakage Detection, Verification, and Quantification**

As discussed above, the potential sources of leakage include issues, such as problems with surface equipment (pumps, valves, etc.) or subsurface equipment (well bores), and unique events such as induced fractures. An event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage is used. Table 5.1 summarizes some of these potential leakage scenarios, the monitoring activities designed to detect those leaks, the standard response, and other applicable regulatory programs requiring similar reporting.

Given the uncertainty concerning the nature and characteristics of any leaks that may be encountered, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> will be determined on a case-by-case basis. In the event leakage occurs, the most appropriate methods for quantifying the volume leaked will be determined and it will be reported as required as part of the annual Subpart RR submission.

Any volume of CO<sub>2</sub> detected leaking to surface will be quantified using acceptable emission factors such as those found in 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W or engineering estimates of leak amounts based on measurements in the subsurface, field experience, and other factors such as the frequency of inspection. Leaks will be documented, evaluated, and addressed in a timely manner.

Records of leakage events will be retained in the electronic environmental documentation and reporting system. The Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot.

Table 5.1 Response Plan for CO<sub>2</sub> Loss

<b>Risk</b>	<b>Monitoring Plan</b>	<b>Response Plan</b>
Tubing Leak	Monitor changes in tubing and annulus pressure; MIT for injectors	Well is shut in and workover crews respond within days
Casing Leak	Routine Field inspection; Monitor changes in annulus pressure, MIT for injectors; extra attention to high risk wells	Well is shut in and workover crews respond within days
Wellhead Leak	Routine Field inspection, SCADA system monitors wellhead pressure	Well is shut in and workover crews respond within days
Loss of Bottom-hole pressure control	Blowout during well operations	Maintain well kill procedures
Unplanned wells drilled through Wolfcamp Reef	Routine Field inspection to prevent unapproved drilling; compliance with TRRC permitting for planned wells.	Assure compliance with TRRC regulations
Diffuse leakage through the seal	Injection pressure is continuously monitored and unexplained changes in injection pressure that might indicate leakage would trigger investigation as to the cause.	Conduct an injection radioactive tracer survey. If verified, well is shut in and workover crews respond within days.
Loss of seal in abandoned wells	Reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure found in new wells	Re-enter and reseal abandoned wells
Pumps, valves, etc.	Routine Field inspection, SCADA	Workover crews respond within days
Overfill beyond spill points	Reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure found in new wells	Fluid management along lease lines
Leakage through induced fractures	Reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure found in new wells	Comply with rules for keeping pressures below parting pressure
Leakage due to seismic event	Reservoir pressure in injector headers; high pressure found in new wells	Shut in injectors near seismic event

## 5.10 Summary

The structure and stratigraphy of the Wolfcamp Reef reservoir in the WF is ideally suited for the injection and storage of CO<sub>2</sub>. The carbonate reef within the CO<sub>2</sub> injection zones is porous, permeable, and thick, providing ample capacity for long-term CO<sub>2</sub> storage. The reservoir is overlain by several intervals of impermeable geologic zones that form effective seals or “caps” to fluids in the reservoir.

In summary, based on a careful assessment of the potential risk of release of CO<sub>2</sub> from the subsurface, it has been determined that there are no leakage pathways at the WF that are likely to result in significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the atmosphere. Further, given the detailed knowledge of the field and its operating protocols, it is concluded that any CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface that could arise through either identified or unexpected leakage pathways would be detected and quantified.

## 6. Monitoring and Considerations for Calculating Site Specific Variables

Monitoring will also be used to determine the quantities in the mass balance equation and to make the demonstration that the CO<sub>2</sub> plume will not migrate to the surface after the time of discontinuation.

## **6.1. For the Mass Balance Equation**

### **6.1.1. General Monitoring Procedures**

Flow rate, pressure, and gas composition data are monitored and collected from the WF in centralized data management systems as part of ongoing operations. This data is monitored by qualified technicians who follow response and reporting protocols when the systems deliver notifications that data exceed statistically acceptable boundaries.

Metering protocols used at WF follow the prevailing industry standard(s) for custody transfer as currently promulgated by the API, the American Gas Association (AGA), and the Gas Processors Association (GPA), as appropriate. This approach is consistent with EPA GHGRP's Subpart RR, section §98.444(e)(3). These meters will be maintained routinely, operated continually, and will feed data directly to the centralized data collection systems. The meters meet the industry standard for custody transfer meter accuracy and calibration frequency.

### **6.1.2. CO<sub>2</sub> Received**

As indicated in Figure 3-5, the volume of received CO<sub>2</sub> is measured using a commercial custody transfer meter at the point at which custody of the CO<sub>2</sub> from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system is transferred to the WF. This meter measures flow rate continually. The transfer is a commercial transaction that is documented. CO<sub>2</sub> composition is governed by contract and the gas is routinely sampled. Fluid composition will be determined, at a minimum, quarterly, consistent with EPA GHGRP's Subpart RR, section §98.447(a). All meter and composition data are documented, and records will be retained for at least three years. No CO<sub>2</sub> is received in containers.

### **6.1.3. CO<sub>2</sub> Injected in the Subsurface**

Injected CO<sub>2</sub> will be calculated using the flow meter volumes at the operations meter at the outlet of the RCF and the custody transfer meter at the CO<sub>2</sub> off-take point from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system.

### **6.1.4. CO<sub>2</sub> Produced, Entrained in Products, and Recycled**

The following measurements are used for the mass balance equations in Section 8:

- CO<sub>2</sub> produced in the gaseous stage is calculated using the volumetric flow meters at the inlet to the RCF.
- CO<sub>2</sub> that is entrained in produced oil, as indicated in Figure 3-5, is calculated using volumetric flow through the custody transfer meter and annual analysis of CO<sub>2</sub> content in the oil which has typically 0.3797 volume percent (1.2692 Mol%).
- Recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is calculated using the volumetric flow meter at the outlet of the RCF, which is an operations meter.

### **6.1.5 CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Surface Leakage**

CapturePoint uses 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W to estimate surface leaks from equipment at the WF. Subpart W uses a factor-driven approach to estimate equipment leakage. In addition, an event-driven process to assess, address, track, and if applicable quantify potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is used. The Subpart W report and results from any event-driven quantification will be reconciled to assure that surface leaks are not double counted.

The multi-layered, risk-based monitoring program for event-driven incidents has been designed to meet two objectives: 1) to detect problems before CO<sub>2</sub> leaks to the surface; and 2) to detect and quantify any leaks that do occur. This section discusses how this monitoring will be conducted and used to quantify the volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked to the surface.

#### **Monitoring for Potential Leakage from the Injection/Production Zone**

In addition to the measures discussed in Section 5.9, both injection into and production from the reservoir will be monitored as a means of early identification of potential anomalies that could indicate leakage from the subsurface.

Injection plans (fluid rate, pressure, volume) are given to operations on a weekly basis. If injection pressure or rate measurements are outside the specified set points determined as part of each pattern injection plan, reservoir engineering will notify field personnel and they will investigate and resolve the problem. These excursions will be reviewed by well management personnel to determine if CO<sub>2</sub> leakage may be occurring. Excursions are not necessarily indicators of leaks; they simply indicate that injection rates and pressures are not conforming to the pattern injection plan. In many cases, problems are straightforward to fix (e.g., a meter needs to be recalibrated or some other minor action is required), and there is no threat of CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. In the case of issues that are not readily resolved, more detailed investigation and response would be initiated, and support staff would provide additional assistance and evaluation.

Likewise, a forecast of the rate and composition of produced fluids is developed. Each producer well is assigned to a specific test vessel and is isolated during each cycle for a well production test. This data is reviewed on a periodic basis to confirm that production is at the level forecasted. If there is a significant deviation from the plan, well management personnel investigate. If the issue cannot be resolved quickly, more detailed investigation and response would be initiated. If leakage in the flood zone were detected, an appropriate method would be used to quantify the involved volume of CO<sub>2</sub>. This might include use of material balance equations based on known injected quantities and monitored pressures in the injection zone to estimate the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> involved.

A subsurface leak might not lead to a surface leak. In the event of a subsurface leak, CapturePoint would determine the appropriate approach for tracking subsurface leakage to determine and quantify leakage to the surface. To quantify leakage, the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be estimated to quantify the leak volume. Depending on specific circumstances, these determinations may rely on engineering estimates.

In the event leakage from the subsurface occurred diffusely through the seals, the leaked gas would include H<sub>2</sub>S, which would trigger the alarm on the personal monitors worn by field personnel. Such a diffuse leak from the subsurface has not occurred in the WF. In the event such a leak was detected, personnel would determine how to address the problem. The personnel might use modeling, engineering estimates, and direct measurements to assess, address, and quantify the leakage.

### **Monitoring of Wellbores**

WF wells are monitored through daily pressure monitoring of the injection zone, monitoring of the annular pressure in wellheads, and routine maintenance and inspection.

Leaks from wellbores would be detected through the follow-up investigation of pressure anomalies, visual inspection, or the use of personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors.

Anomalies in injection zone pressure may not indicate a leak, as discussed above. However, if an investigation leads to a need for further study, field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. If it is a simple matter, the repair would be made, and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repair were needed, the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined.

Anomalies in annular pressure or other issues detected during routine maintenance inspections would be treated in the same way. Field personnel would inspect the equipment in question and determine the nature of the problem. For simple matters the repair would be made at the time of inspection and the volume of leaked CO<sub>2</sub> would be included in the 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W report for the WF. If more extensive repairs were needed, the well would be shut in, a work order would be generated and the appropriate approach for quantifying leaked CO<sub>2</sub> using the relevant parameters (e.g., the rate, concentration, and duration of leakage) would be determined. The work order would serve as the basis for tracking the event for Greenhouse Gas (GHG) reporting.

Because leaking CO<sub>2</sub> at the surface is very cold and leads to formation of bright white clouds and ice that are easily spotted, a visual inspection process in the area of the WF is employed to detect unexpected releases from wellbores. Field personnel visit the surface facilities on a routine basis. Inspections may include tank levels, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, and valves. Field personnel also observe the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks.

Finally, the H<sub>2</sub>S monitors, which are always worn by all field personnel are used as a last method to detect leakage from wellbores. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitor detection limit is 10 ppm; if an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the first response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of the alarm. As noted previously, H<sub>2</sub>S is considered a proxy for potential gas leaks including CO<sub>2</sub> in the field. Currently the concentration of H<sub>2</sub>S in the recycled or produced gas is in excess of 13,000 ppm making leak detection viable. Thus, detected H<sub>2</sub>S leaks will be investigated in order to quantify the potential CO<sub>2</sub> leakage source and quantities.

## **Other Potential Leakage at the Surface**

The same visual inspection process and H<sub>2</sub>S monitoring system will be used to detect other potential leakage at the surface as it does for leakage from wellbores. Routine visual inspections are used to detect significant loss of CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface. Field personnel routinely visit surface facilities to conduct a visual inspection. Inspections may include review of tank level, equipment status, lube oil levels, pressures and flow rates in the facility, valves, and conducting a general observation of the facility for visible CO<sub>2</sub> or fluid line leaks. If problems are detected, field personnel would investigate, and complete any maintenance that is required. In addition to these visual inspections, the results of the personal H<sub>2</sub>S monitors worn by field personnel will be used as a supplement for smaller leaks that may escape visual detection.

If CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface is detected, it will be reported to surface operations personnel who will review the reports and conduct a site investigation. If maintenance is required, steps are taken to prevent further leaks.

### **6.1.6. CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the injection flow meter and the injection wellhead**

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from equipment, the CO<sub>2</sub> content of produced oil, and vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

### **6.1.7. CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment located between the production flow meter and the production wellhead**

CapturePoint evaluates and estimates leaks from equipment, the CO<sub>2</sub> content of produced oil, and vented CO<sub>2</sub>, as required under 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W.

## **6.2. To Demonstrate that Injected CO<sub>2</sub> is not Expected to Migrate to the Surface**

At the end of the Specified Period, injecting CO<sub>2</sub> for the subsidiary purpose of establishing the long-term storage of CO<sub>2</sub> in the WF will cease. Sometime after the end of the Specified Period, a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting will be submitted. The request will demonstrate that the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> reported under 40 CFR §98.440-449 (Subpart RR) is not expected to migrate in the future in a manner likely to result in surface leakage. At that time, the request will be supported with years of data collected during the Specified Period. This demonstration will provide the information necessary for the EPA Administrator to approve the request to discontinue monitoring and reporting and may include, but is not limited to:

- Data comparing actual performance to predicted performance (purchase, injection, production) over the monitoring period,
- An assessment of the CO<sub>2</sub> leakage detected, including the discussion of the estimated

amount of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked and the distribution of emissions by leakage pathway,

- A demonstration that future operations will not release the volume of stored CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface,
- A demonstration that there has been no significant leakage of CO<sub>2</sub>; and,
- An evaluation of reservoir pressure that demonstrates that injected fluids are not expected to migrate in a manner to create a potential leakage pathway.

## **7. Determination of Baselines**

Ongoing operational monitoring has provided data for establishing baselines and will be utilized to identify and investigate excursions from expected performance that could indicate CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Data systems are used primarily for operational control and monitoring and as such are set to capture more information than is necessary for reporting in the Annual Subpart RR Report. The necessary system guidelines to capture the information that is relevant to identify possible CO<sub>2</sub> leakage will be developed. The following describes the approach to collecting this information.

### **Visual Inspections**

As field operators conduct routine inspections and repairs, the Field Foreman is notified for maintenance activities that cannot be addressed on the spot. Examples include occurrences of well workover or repair, as well as visual identification of vapor clouds or ice formations. Each incident will be flagged for review by the person responsible for MRV documentation (the responsible party will be provided in the monitoring plan, as required under Subpart A, §98.3(g)). The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information used to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Personal H<sub>2</sub>S Monitors**

H<sub>2</sub>S monitors are worn by all field personnel. The H<sub>2</sub>S monitors detect concentrations of H<sub>2</sub>S up to 500 ppm in 0.1 ppm increments and will sound an alarm if the detection limit exceeds 10 ppm. If an H<sub>2</sub>S alarm is triggered, the immediate response is to protect the safety of the personnel, and the next step is to safely investigate the source of persistent alarms. CapturePoint considers H<sub>2</sub>S to be a proxy for potential CO<sub>2</sub> leaks in the field. The person responsible for MRV documentation will receive notice of all incidents where H<sub>2</sub>S is confirmed to be present. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from any such incidents. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

### **Injection Rates, Pressures and Volumes**

Target injection rate and pressure for each injector are developed within the permitted limits based on the results of ongoing pattern balancing. The injection targets are submitted to field operations. Field operations flags whenever statistically significant deviations from the targeted ranges are identified. The set points are designed to be conservative, because it is preferable to have too many flags rather than too few. As a result, flags can occur frequently and are often found to be insignificant. For purposes of Subpart RR reporting, flags (or excursions) will be screened to

determine if they could also lead to CO<sub>2</sub> leakage to the surface. The person responsible for the MRV documentation will receive notice of excursions. The Annual Subpart RR Report will provide an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Records of information to calculate emissions will be maintained on file for a minimum of three years.

## Production Volumes and Compositions

A general forecast of production volumes and composition is developed which is used to periodically evaluate performance and refine current and projected injection plans and the forecast. This information is used to make operational decisions but is not recorded in an automated data system. The MRV plan implementation lead will review the data and identify those that could result in CO<sub>2</sub> leakage. Should such events occur, leakage volumes would be calculated following the approaches described in Sections 5 and 6. Impact to Subpart RR reporting will be addressed, if deemed necessary.

## 8. Determination of Sequestration Volumes Using Mass Balance Equations

To account for the potential propagation of error that would result if volume data from flow meters at each injection and production well were utilized, it is proposed to use the data from custody and operations meters on the main system pipelines to determine injection and production volumes used in the mass balance. This issue arises because while each meter has a small but acceptable margin of error, this error would become significant if data were taken from all of the well head meters within the WF.

The following sections describe how each element of the mass-balance equation (Equation RR- 11) will be calculated.

### 8.1. Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received

Equation RR-2 will be used as indicated in Subpart RR §98.443 to calculate the mass of CO<sub>2</sub> at the receiving custody transfer meter from the Trinity CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline delivery system. The volumetric flow at standard conditions will be multiplied by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and the density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions to determine mass.

$$CO_{2T,r} = \sum_{p=1}^4 (Q_{p,r} - S_{r,p}) * D * C_{CO_{2,r,p}} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-2})$$

where:

$CO_{2T,r}$  = Net annual mass of CO<sub>2</sub> received through flow meter r (metric tons).

$Q_{r,p}$  = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

$S_{r,p}$  = Quarterly volumetric flow through a receiving flow meter r that is redelivered to another facility without being injected into a site well in quarter p (standard cubic meters).



- D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter):  
0.0018682.
- C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub>,r,p</sub> = Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter r in quarter p  
(vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- p = Quarter of the year.
- r = Receiving flow meters.

Given WF's method of receiving CO<sub>2</sub> and requirements at Subpart RR §98.444(a):

- All delivery to the WF is used within the unit so no quarterly flow redelivered, and S<sub>r,p</sub> will be zero ("0").
- Quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration will be taken from the gas measurements.

## 8.2. Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface

The equation for calculating the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected into the Subsurface at the WF is equal to the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received as calculated in RR-2 of §98.443 (section 8.1 above) and the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled calculated using measurements taken from the flow meter located at the output of the RCF (see Figure 3-5). As previously explained, using data at each injection well would give an inaccurate estimate of total injection volume due to the large number of wells and the potential for propagation of error due to allowable calibration ranges for each meter.

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled will be determined using equations RR-5 as follows:

$$CO_{2u} = \sum_{p=1}^4 Q_{p,u} * D * C_{CO_2,p,u} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-5})$$

where:

- CO<sub>2u</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass recycled (metric tons) as measured by flow meter u.
- Q<sub>p,u</sub> = Quarterly volumetric flow rate measurement for flow meter u in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters per quarter).
- D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter):  
0.0018682.
- C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub>,p,u</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for flow meter u in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- p = Quarter of the year.
- u = Flow meter.

The total Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Injected will be the sum of the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Received (RR-3) and Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Recycled (modified RR-5).

$$CO_{2I} = CO_2 + CO_{2u}$$

### 8.3. Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced at the WF will be calculated using the measurements from the flow meters at the inlet to RCF and the custody transfer meter for oil sales rather than the metered data from each production well. Again, using the data at each production well would give an inaccurate estimate of total injection due to the large number of wells and the potential for propagation of error due to allowable calibration ranges for each meter.

Equation RR-8 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Produced from all production wells as follows:

$$CO_{2w} = \sum_{p=1}^4 Q_{p,w} * D * C_{CO_2,p,w} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

where:

CO<sub>2w</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons).

Q<sub>p,w</sub> = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for meter w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).

D = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.

C<sub>CO<sub>2,p,w</sub></sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for meter w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

p = Quarter of the year.

w = Inlet meters to RCF

For Equation RR-9 in §98.443 the variable X<sub>oil</sub> will be measured as follows:

$$CO_{2P} = (1 + X_{oil}) * \sum_{w=1}^W CO_{2w} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-9})$$

where:

CO<sub>2P</sub> = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through all separators in the reporting year.

CO<sub>2w</sub> = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) through all separators in the reporting year.

X<sub>oil</sub> = Entrained CO<sub>2</sub> in produced oil or other fluid divided by the CO<sub>2</sub> separated through all separators in the reporting year (weight percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).

## 8.4. Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Surface Leakage

The total annual Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage will be calculated and reported using an approach that is tailored to specific leakage events and relies on 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart W reports of equipment leakage. CapturePoint is prepared to address the potential for leakage in a variety of settings. Estimates of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> leaked to the surface will depend on several site-specific factors including measurements, engineering estimates, and emission factors, depending on the source and nature of the leakage.

The process for quantifying leakage will entail using best engineering principles or emission factors. While it is not possible to predict in advance the types of leaks that will occur, some approaches for quantification are described in Sections 5.9 and 6. In the event leakage to the surface occurs, leakage amounts would be quantified and reported, and records that describe the methods used to estimate or measure the volume leaked as reported in the Annual Subpart RR Report would be retained. Further, the Subpart W report and results from any event-driven quantification will be reconciled to assure that surface leaks are not double counted.

Equation RR-10 in §98.433 will be used to calculate and report the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by Surface Leakage:

$$CO_{2E} = \sum_{x=1}^x CO_{2X} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-10})$$

where:

$CO_{2E}$  = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted by surface leakage (metric tons) in the reporting year.

$CO_{2X}$  = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) at leakage pathway x in the reporting year.

x = Leakage pathway.

## 8.5. Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Emitted by Facility Emergency Vent

The Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by the Emergency Vent at the WF will be calculated using the measurements from the flow meter at the vent.

Equation RR-8 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted through the emergency vent as follows:

$$CO_{2W} = \sum_{p=1}^4 Q_{p,W} * D * C_{CO_2,p,W} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-8})$$

where:

$CO_{2W}$  = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons).

- $Q_{P,W}$  = Volumetric gas flow rate measurement for meter w in quarter p at standard conditions (standard cubic meters).
- $D$  = Density of CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions (metric tons per standard cubic meter): 0.0018682.
- $C_{CO_2,pw}$  = CO<sub>2</sub> concentration measurement in flow for meter w in quarter p (vol. percent CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as a decimal fraction).
- $p$  = Quarter of the year.
- $w$  = Discharge meter to the emergency vent

## 8.6. Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered in Subsurface Geologic Formation

Equation RR-11 in §98.443 will be used to calculate the Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered in Subsurface Geologic Formations in the Reporting Year as follows:

$$CO_2 = CO_{2I} - CO_{2P} - CO_{2E} - CO_{2FI} - CO_{2FP} \quad (\text{Eq. RR-11})$$

where:

- $CO_2$  = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass sequestered in subsurface geologic formations (metric tons) at the facility in the reporting year.
- $CO_{2I}$  = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass injected (metric tons) in the well or group of wells covered by this source category in the reporting year.
- $CO_{2P}$  = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass produced (metric tons) net of CO<sub>2</sub> entrained in oil in the reporting year.
- $CO_{2E}$  = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) by surface leakage in the reporting year.
- $CO_{2FI}$  = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of this part.
- $CO_{2FP}$  = Total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emitted (metric tons) from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity, for which a calculation procedure is provided in subpart W of this part.

## 8.7. Cumulative Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Reported as Sequestered in Subsurface Geologic Formation

The total annual volumes obtained using equation RR-11 in §98.443 will be summed to arrive at the Cumulative Mass of CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestered in Subsurface Geologic Formations.

## 9. MRV Plan Implementation Schedule

This MRV plan will be implemented starting October 2023 or within 90 days of EPA approval,

whichever occurs later. Other GHG reports are filed on March 31 of the year after the reporting year, and it is anticipated that the Annual Subpart RR Report will be filed at the same time. It is anticipated that the MRV program will be in effect during the Specified Period, during which time the WF will be operated with the subsidiary purpose of establishing long-term containment of a measurable quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> in subsurface geological formations at the WF. It is anticipated to establish that a measurable amount of CO<sub>2</sub> injected during the Specified Period will be stored in a manner not expected to migrate resulting in future surface leakage. At such time, a demonstration supporting the long-term containment determination will be prepared and a request to discontinue monitoring and reporting under this MRV plan will be submitted. *See* 40 C.F.R. §98.441(b)(2)(ii).

## **10. Quality Assurance Program**

### **10.1. Monitoring QA/QC**

The requirements of §98.444 (a) – (d) have been incorporated in the discussion of mass balance equations. These include the following provisions.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Received and Injected**

- The quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received by pipeline is measured at the receiving custody transfer meters.
- The quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> flow rate for recycled CO<sub>2</sub> is measured at the flow meter located at the RCF outlet.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Produced**

- The point of measurement for the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from oil or other fluid production wells is a flow meter directly downstream of each separator that sends a stream of gas into a recycle or end use system.
- The produced gas stream is sampled annually downstream of the flow meter used to measure flow rate of that gas stream and measure the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of the sample.

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Equipment Leaks and Vented Emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>**

These volumes are measured in conformance with the monitoring and QA/QC requirements specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98.

#### **Flow Meter Provisions**

The flow meters used to generate data for the mass balance equations are:

- Operated continuously except as necessary for maintenance and calibration.
- Operated using the calibration and accuracy requirements in 40 CFR §98.3(i).
- Operated in conformance with API standards.

- National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) traceable.

## **Concentration of CO<sub>2</sub>**

CO<sub>2</sub> concentration is measured using an appropriate standard method. Further, all measured volumes of CO<sub>2</sub> have been converted to standard cubic meters at a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and at an absolute pressure of 1 atmosphere, including those used in Equations RR-2, RR-5, and RR-8 in Section 8.

## **10.2. Missing Data Procedures**

In the event data needed for the mass balance calculations cannot be collected, procedures for estimating missing data in §98.445 will be used as follows:

- A quarterly flow rate of CO<sub>2</sub> received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative flow rate value from the nearest previous time period.
- A quarterly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration of a CO<sub>2</sub> stream received that is missing would be estimated using invoices or using a representative concentration value from the nearest previous time period.
- A quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> injected from the nearest previous period of time at a similar injection pressure.
- For any values associated with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from surface equipment at the facility that are reported in this subpart, missing data estimation procedures specified in subpart W of 40 CFR Part 98 would be followed.
- The quarterly quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from subsurface geologic formations that is missing would be estimated using a representative quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> produced from the nearest previous period of time.

## **10.3. MRV Plan Revisions**

In the event there is a material change to the monitoring and/or operational parameters of the CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR operations in the WF that is not anticipated in this MRV plan, the MRV plan will be revised and submitted to the EPA Administrator within 180 days as required in §98.448(d).

## **11. Records Retention**

The record retention requirements specified by §98.3(g) will be followed. In addition, the requirements in Subpart RR §98.447 will be met by maintaining the following records for at least three years:

- Quarterly records of CO<sub>2</sub> received at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.

- Quarterly records of produced CO<sub>2</sub>, including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Quarterly records of injected CO<sub>2</sub> including volumetric flow at standard conditions and operating conditions, operating temperature and pressure, and concentration of these streams.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by surface leakage from leakage pathways.
  
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the flow meter used to measure injection quantity and the injection wellhead.
- Annual records of information used to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from equipment leaks and vented emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from equipment located on the surface between the production wellhead and the flow meter used to measure production quantity.

This data will be collected as generated and aggregated as required for reporting purposes.

## 12. Appendix

### 12.1 Well Identification Numbers

The following table presents the well name and number, API number, type, and status for active wells in the WF as of March 2023. The table is subject to change over time as new wells are drilled, existing wells change status, or existing wells are repurposed. The following terms are used:

- Well Type
  - PROD\_OIL refers to wells that produce oil
  - INJ\_CO<sub>2</sub> refers to wells that inject CO<sub>2</sub>
  - INJ\_SWD refers to wells that inject water for disposal
  - P&A refers to plugged and abandoned wells
  
- Well Status
  - ACTIVE refers to active wells
  - INACTIVE refers to wells that have been completed but are not in use
  - SHUT\_IN refers to wells that have been temporarily idled or shut-in
  - TEMP\_AB refers to wells that have been temporarily abandoned



Well Name	API Number	Well Type	Status
WU 101W	4244500076	INJ_SWD	SHUT_IN
WU 201	4244500072	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 202	4244500073	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 203	4244500074	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 203-ST	424450007401	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 204	4244530234	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 301	4244500575	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 302W	4244500576	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 303	4244530070	PROD_OIL	TEMP_AB
WU 303-ST	4216533912	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 304	4244532434	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 304-ST	424453243401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 401	4244500083	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 402	4244500084	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 402-ST	424450008401	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 403	4244500085	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 404	4244500086	PROD_OIL	SHUT_IN
WU 405	4244500087	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 405-ST	424450008701	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 405-ST2	424450008702	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 406	4244500088	INJ_SWD	ACTIVE
WU 407	4244530288	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 408	4244531435	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 408-ST	424453143501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 409	4244531456	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 409-ST	424453145601	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 410	4244531825	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 410-ST	424453182501	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 411	4244531858	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 501	4244500578	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 502	4244500579	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 502-ST	424450057901	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 503	4244500580	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 504	4244500581	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 505	4244500582	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 505-ST	424450058202	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 506	4244500583	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 506-ST	424450058301	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 507	4244500584	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 508	4244530105	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE
WU 509	4244531117	INJ_CO2	ACTIVE
WU 510	4244531434	P&A	INACTIVE
WU 510-ST	424453143401	PROD_OIL	ACTIVE



## 12.2 Regulatory References

Regulations cited in this plan:

- Texas Administrative Code Title 16 Part 1 Chapter 3 Oil & Gas Division - [https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac\\_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y](https://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=3&rl=Y)
- TRRC Injection/Disposal Well Permitting, Testing and Monitoring Manual – <https://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-and-gas/publications-and-notice/manuals/injection-storage-manual/>

## 12.3 Abbreviations and Acronyms

AGA - American Gas Association

AMA - Active Monitoring Area

API - American Petroleum Institute

AoR - Area of Review

Bcf – 1 Billion Cubic Feet of Gas

CO<sub>2</sub> - Carbon Dioxide

DPC - Dimensionless Performance Curve

EPA - Environmental Protection Agency

EOR - Enhanced Oil Recovery

ESP - Electrical Submersible Pump

FPP - Formation Parting Pressure (psi)

GHG - Greenhouse Gas

GHGRP - Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program

GIS - Geographical Information System

GPA - Gas Processors Association

H<sub>2</sub>S – Hydrogen Sulfide

HCPV - Hydrocarbon Pore Volume

IWR - Injection to Withdrawal Ratio

MMA - Maximum Monitoring Area

MRV Plan - Monitoring, Reporting and Verification Plan

MCF – 1,000 Cubic Feet of Gas

NIST - National Institute of Standards and Technology

RB - Reservoir Barrels

RCF - Recycle Compression Facility

SAT - Satellite Test Stations

TAC - Texas Administrative Code

TRRC - Texas Railroad Commission - Oil and Gas Division

UIC - Underground Injection Control

USGS - United States Geological Survey

WAG - Water Alternating with Gas

WCI - Water Curtain Injection

WF – Wellman Field

WLFRRF – Wolfcamp Reef

## Appendix 12.4 – Conversion Factors

CapturePoint reports CO<sub>2</sub> at standard conditions of temperature and pressure as defined in the State of Texas in the Texas Administrative Code for the Oil and Gas Division, Rule 3.79 as follows:

Cubic foot of gas or standard cubic foot of gas--The volume of gas contained in one cubic foot of space at a standard pressure base and at a standard temperature base. The standard pressure base shall be 14.65 pounds per square inch absolute, and the standard temperature base shall be 60 degrees Fahrenheit.

To calculate CO<sub>2</sub> mass from CO<sub>2</sub> volume, EPA recommends using the database of thermodynamic properties developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). This online database is available at:

<https://webbook.nist.gov/chemistry/fluid/>

It provides density of CO<sub>2</sub> using the Span and Wagner equation of state (EOS) at a wide range of temperature and pressures.

At State of Texas standard conditions, the Span and Wagner EOS gives a density of CO<sub>2</sub> of 0.002641684 lb-moles per cubic foot. Converting the CO<sub>2</sub> density in units of metric tonnes per cubic foot:

$$Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{MT}{ft^3} \right) = Density_{CO_2} \left( \frac{lb - moles}{ft^3} \right) \times MW_{CO_2} \times \frac{1 MT}{2,204.62 lbs}$$

Where:

$$Density_{CO_2} = \text{Density of CO}_2 \text{ in metric tonnes (MT) per cubic foot}$$

$$Density_{CO_2} = 0.002641684$$

$$MW_{CO_2} = 44.0095$$

$$Density_{CO_2} = 5.2734 \times 10^{-5} \frac{MT}{ft^3} \text{ or } 5.2734 \times 10^{-2} \frac{MT}{Mcf}$$

The conversion factor 5.2734 x 10<sup>-2</sup> MT/Mcf is used to convert CO<sub>2</sub> volumes in standard cubic feet to CO<sub>2</sub> mass in metric tonnes.