

CLEARING THE AIR ON  
**CARBON  
CAPTURE**  
**2026**

Opportunity. Jobs.  
**ENERGY LEADERSHIP.**

# WHY LOUISIANA? WHY NOW?

## LOUISIANA: A NATIONAL ENERGY LEADER

**1 in 6**

U.S. refineries are located in Louisiana.

**50,000 miles of pipelines transport:**

- 90% of U.S. offshore energy production
- 30% of the nation's combined oil and gas supply

**16%**





of total U.S. domestic energy is produced in Louisiana.

**LOUISIANA ALREADY POWERS AMERICA. CARBON CAPTURE ALLOWS US TO POWER THE FUTURE.**






### FUELING GROWTH & SUSTAINING ENERGY

**LOUISIANA'S INDUSTRIAL & MANUFACTURING SECTORS:**

-  Support **260,000+** jobs
-  Generate **\$200+ Billion** in annual shipments
-  Produce energy exported to allies around the world
-  Deliver tens of millions in annual tax revenue

Global energy markets are evolving. Customers and trading partners increasingly expect lower-emission energy products. To remain competitive, Louisiana must adapt while building on its strengths.

**CARBON CAPTURE & STORAGE (CCS) IS CRITICAL TO:**

-  Maintaining global energy leadership
-  Protecting high-wage industrial jobs
-  Ensuring reliable, affordable energy




### ECONOMIC IMPACT FOR LOUISIANA

#### STATE BENEFITS OF CCS

**Economic Benefits of a Typical CO<sub>2</sub> Project**

-  **\$600 Million** Private Investment
-  **\$30+ Million** State Tax Revenue
-  **\$40 Million** Local Tax Revenue

**Long-Term Growth Potential**

-  **17,000** Potential new jobs statewide
-  **\$76 Billion** Potential capital investment
-  **Sustains 260,000 Existing Jobs**  
Across energy-intensive manufacturing

*Source: Louisiana Economic Development*

# ECONOMIC IMPACT FOR LOUISIANA (CONTINUED)

## LOCAL BENEFITS OF CCS

Carbon capture projects deliver direct, measurable benefits to local communities.

### A Typical Project Could Deliver:

 **\$6-\$12 Million**  
in New Local Property Tax Revenue

 **\$80 Million** Labor income

 **\$30+ Million**  
Local Property Taxes Over 20 Years

 **\$103 Million** Added to Parish GDP

*Source: 2025 McNeese State University Study for Allen Parish Police Jury*

### Additional Community Benefits

## BEYOND TAX REVENUE, CCS PROJECTS CREATE RIPPLE EFFECTS ACROSS THE COMMUNITY:

**High-paying construction and skilled trade jobs**



**+**

**Increased funding for:**

- Schools & teacher salaries
- First responders
- Roads & infrastructure

**+**

**Direct payments to landowners:**

- Thousands for smaller tracts
- Millions for larger tracts
- Typical agreement terms: 12–25 years

**+**

## PROPERTY RIGHTS & PIPELINES

### RESPECT FOR LANDOWNERS

Eminent domain authority exists under federal and state law but is rarely used. Voluntary agreements with landowners are the outcome of successful pipeline negotiations over 99 percent of the time.

Typically, a company will negotiate rights-of-way with landowners, providing the developer access to build and operate a pipeline on a specific strip of land. In negotiated agreements, landowners receive long-term compensation while continuing to live, farm and use their property with minimal surface disruption and standard safety restrictions.

## SAFETY

### BUILT ON EXPERIENCE. REGULATED FOR SAFETY.

Pipelines are the safest mode of transporting anything, including rail, road and river. 99.9% of crude oil and petroleum products transported by pipeline reach their destination safely. With nearly 50,000 miles of pipelines, Louisiana has one of the most experienced energy workforces in the world.

### CO<sub>2</sub> Pipelines: Among the Safest in Energy

Over the past five years, CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines have had a lower incident rate than crude oil and refined product pipelines.



Federally regulated by Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration



Built with multiple safety layers



Continuous monitoring technology



Coordinated emergency response planning



Strict construction and inspection standards

# MOVING FORWARD

## ENERGY INVESTMENT FOR LOUISIANA'S FUTURE

The development of carbon capture and sequestration (CCS) is a critical part of Louisiana's energy and economic strategy. LFEI advocates for an all-of-the-above energy approach that leverages Louisiana's unique geological advantages, experienced workforce and extensive industrial infrastructure to attract investment, create jobs and strengthen local economies.

CCS projects generate significant resident income and local tax revenues while extending the viability of Louisiana's energy, industrial and manufacturing sectors. Rejecting or creating uncertainty around CCS risks forfeiting substantial economic opportunities, undermining the state's competitive advantage and shifting jobs and investment to neighboring states.



Protect existing energy jobs



Strengthen local communities



Create thousands of new opportunities



Maintain global energy leadership



Support a responsible energy transition

**LOUISIANA HAS THE GEOLOGY.  
LOUISIANA HAS THE WORKFORCE.  
LOUISIANA HAS THE INFRASTRUCTURE.**

# LET'S LEAD AMERICA'S CARBON STORAGE FUTURE

## ABOUT LFEI

The Louisiana Free Enterprise Institute (LFEI) is a 501(c)(4) organization founded by the Louisiana Association of Business and Industry dedicated to advocating on behalf of the principles of free enterprise and promoting public policy that fosters an environment for economic growth, leading to efficient, effective government and protecting the rights of Louisiana taxpayers.

To that end, LFEI employs a number of tools including sound policy research, issue advocacy, activist training and mobilization as well as issue education seminars to ensure economic growth for the state of Louisiana.



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