

Pineywoods CCS Hub Selected to Negotiate CarbonSAFE Award

We are excited to share a significant milestone for the Pineywoods CCS Hub. Our carbon capture and storage (CCS) project planned for the Southeast Texas counties of Liberty, Jefferson and Hardin has been selected as a potential recipient of federal funding.

The U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management announced Monday that the Pineywoods CCS Hub was selected to negotiate funding of roughly \$6.6 million (\$4.5 million in funding and \$2 million in cost share). If finalized, the DOE CarbonSAFE Phase III.5 funding will support project permitting and pipeline studies. The award would bring together developer Tenaska, Carbon Solutions LLC and Houston Advanced Research Center as grant recipients. Tetra Tech, Audubon and Sargent & Lundy would participate as vendors.

As envisioned, the Pineywoods CCS Hub would enable businesses across a variety of sectors in Southeast Texas to meet emissions reduction targets and growing environmental regulations. The Pineywoods CCS Hub will provide a reliable, sustainable option for carbon management that will help Southeast Texas businesses keep workforces employed, provide an income stream to landowners in the project footprint, and deliver benefits to local communities.

We are committed to being a responsible business neighbor in the region and deeply appreciate the widespread support for the Pineywoods project. The project team extends its sincere thanks to the federal, state, and local officials, business leaders, and community members who provided letters of support as part of our application. Your backing is invaluable as we move forward.

We are encouraged by this DOE selection announcement, and we commit to keeping you updated on our progress as the Pineywoods CCS Hub advances. You can find updates on our website, <https://pineywoodscs.com/>.

