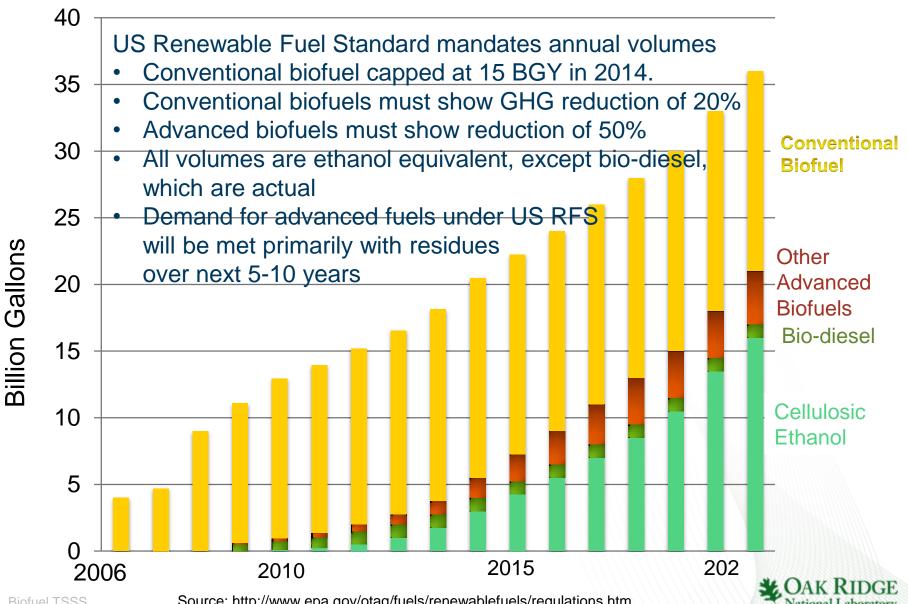
#### Where will biomass come from in the future? - Depends on laws and regulations



Source: http://www.epa.gov/otag/fuels/renewablefuels/regulations.htm

## **Biomass for bioenergy: Outline**

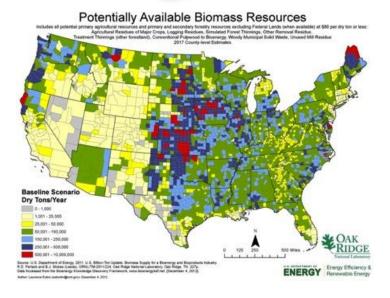
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## Future resources: US assessment

- Billion-Ton Study of 2005 helped support US renewable fuel volumes
- Billion Ton Update of 2011 included county-level cost & supply projections
- Conclusion: US has ample feedstock to replace up to 1/3 of petroleum with advanced biofuels
- Feedstock is roughly 1/3 cost of fuel: cost reductions and efficiency in feedstock supply are imperative
- Multi-institutional effort (DOE & USDA)
  - 20-year projections of economic availability of biomass at county level at any year
  - price, location, scenario
- Primary Resources
  - Forest resources (residues)
  - Ag resources (corn stover)
  - Energy crops (switchgrass)





## U.S. Bioenergy supply model Billion Ton Update (USDOE 2011)

- Forecasts of potential biomass
  - POLYSYS partial equilibrium model of US agricultural and forestry sectors.
  - 20-year projections of economic availability of biomass (price, location, scenario)
- Forest resources
  - Logging residues
  - Forest thinnings (fuel treatments)
  - Conventional wood
  - Fuelwood
  - Primary mill residues
  - Secondary mill residues
  - Pulping liquors
  - Urban wood residues
  - [Algae is separate study]

#### Agricultural resources

- Crop residues
- Grains to biofuels
- Perennial grasses
- Perennial woody crops
- Animal manures
- Food/feed processing residues
- MSW and landfill gases
- Annual energy crop (added for 2011)

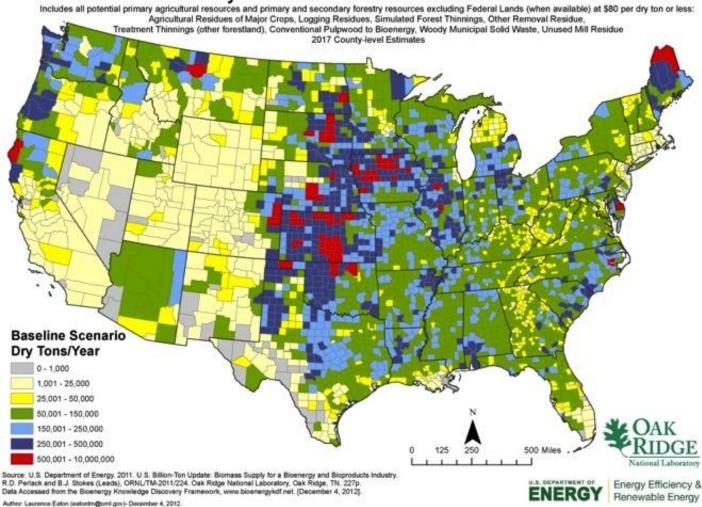




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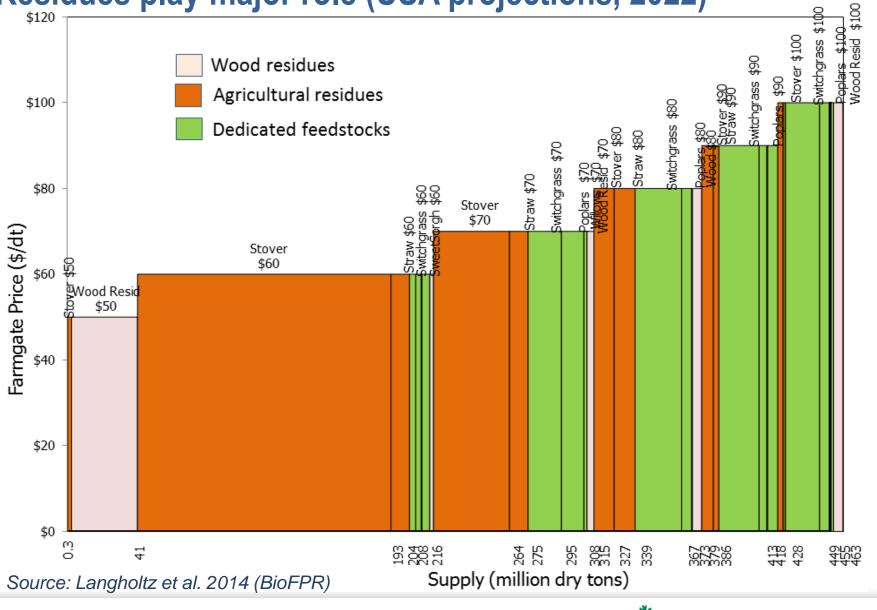
#### **Example: US county-level Supply Projections** All feedstocks -- Baseline scenario -- \$60 dry ton<sup>-1</sup>

#### Potentially Available Biomass Resources



155 million DT/yr by 2017 is required to meet EISA targets (85 gal/ton conversion efficiency)

## Future sources depend on supply costs and yields – Residues play major role (USA projections, 2022)



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### Herbaceous Energy Crops- yield modeling

30-year Average Yield (dry tons/acre)

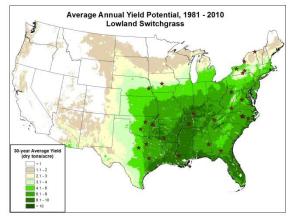
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#### Lowland Switchgrass

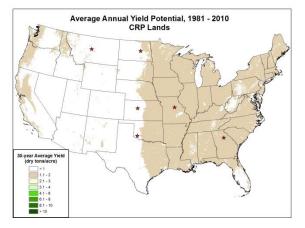


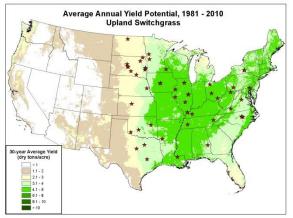
#### Sorghum

Average Annual Yield Potential, 1981 - 2010

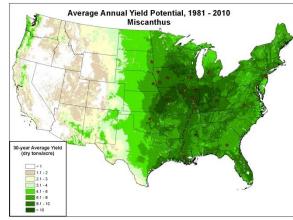
Sorghum for Biomass

#### **CRP** Grasses

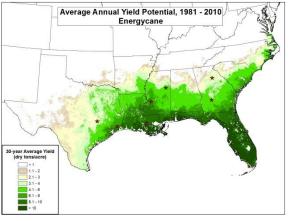




Upland Switchgrass



Miscanthus x giganteus



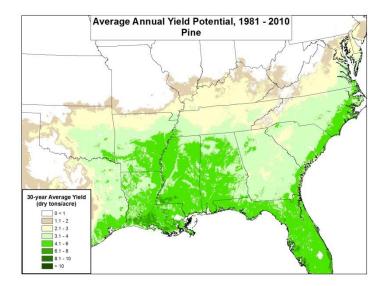
Energycane

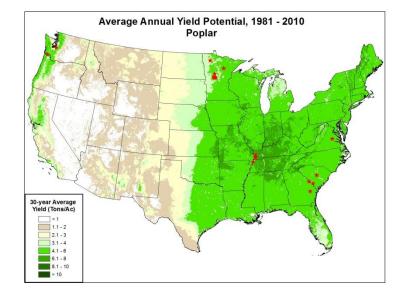


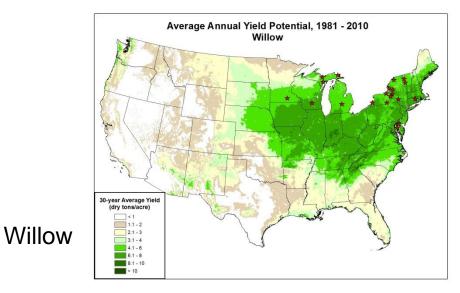
## Woody Energy Crops- yield modeling

Poplar

#### Pine







Plus eucalypts and others...

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## **Current and future sources: woody and vegetative wastes**

#### **INEOS, Vero Beach, FL**

- Expected to produce 8 million gallons per year of cellulosic ethanol and 6 MW of power from wood and vegetative waste
- initiated commercial production of cellulosic ethanol in July 2013
- First commercial production of cellulosic ethanol in the U.S.

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# Current and future sources: crop residues (sorghum grits)

#### Myriant Succinic Acid Biorefinery, Lake Providence, LA

Biochemical conversion of sorghum grits to succinic acid. Expected to process 50 dry tons/day to produce 30 Million Lbs/year of succinic acid and gypsum

Credit: Jim Spaeth, Bioenergy Technologies Office

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# **Current and future sources: corn stover (maize residue) for ethanol**



Credit: Jim Spaeth, Bioenergy Technologies Office

## **Current and future sources: corn stover (maize residue) for ethanol and electricity**

#### Abengoa Bioenergy, Hugoton, KS

- Expected to produce 25 million gallons per year of ethanol and 18 megawatts of green electricity at full capacity
- Commissioning in 2014

\$51.555

Credit: Jim Spaeth, Bioenergy Technologies Office

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And it helps to understand where you are right now.

"Prediction is very difficult, especially about the future" -Niels Bohr, Danish physicist.

Resources for more information

