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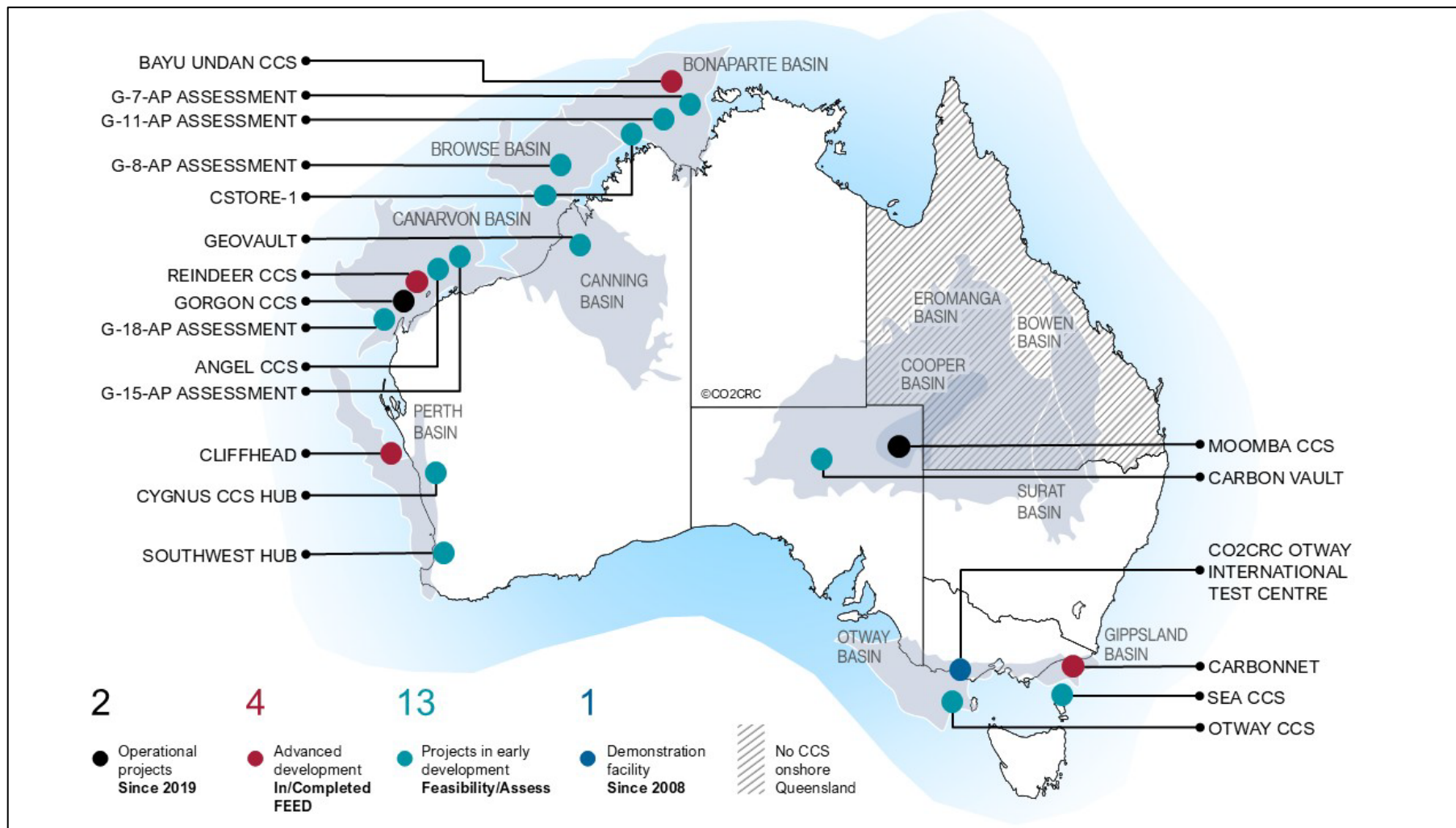
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CCS Regulation in South Australia – From Concept to Operation

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CCUS Projects in Australia



Leading Practice Regulatory Framework

- Australian Regulatory Guiding principles for CCS developed in 2005.
 - Nationally consistent assessment processes
 - Risk based, case specific regulation
 - Non-prescriptive, adopting industry standards
 - Resource access and property rights
 - Secure CCS storage rights
 - Monitoring and verification
 - Demonstrate containment
 - Long term liability post closure
 - Once secure storage is demonstrated – liability reverts to state
- Implemented via jurisdictional legislation.



ISO/TC 265 standards portfolio

| Carbon capture | Transportation | Underground storage |
|---|--|---|
| <p>ISO/TR 27912 CO₂ capture systems, technologies and processes</p> <p>ISO 27919-1 Performance evaluation methods for post-combustion CO₂ capture integrated with a power plant</p> <p>ISO 27919-2 Evaluation procedure to assure and maintain stable performance of post-combustion CO₂ capture plant integrated with a power plant</p> <p>ISO/TR 27922 Overview of CO₂ capture technologies in the cement industry</p> <p>ISO XXXX Performance evaluation of CO₂ capture connected with a CO₂ intensive plant</p> <p>ISO XXXX Performance index and standard test method of absorption solvent performance for CO₂ capture</p> | <p>ISO 27913 Pipeline transportation systems [proposed for revision]</p> <p>ISO/TR XXXX CO₂ shipping and trans-shipping</p> | <p>ISO 27914 Geological storage [proposed for revision to include quantification and verification]</p> <p>ISO 27916 CO₂ storage using enhanced oil recovery (CO₂-EOR)</p> <p>ISO/TR 27923 Geologic storage of CO₂ injection operations and infrastructure</p> <p>ISO/TR 27926 CO₂-EOR - Transitioning from EOR to storage</p> |
| <p style="font-size: small;">SOURCE: www.researchgate.net uploaded by Piyush Choudhary</p> | | |
| <p>Key Black: Published document Green: Document under preparation Grey: New proposed project Red: Project cancelled</p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: x-small;">Status: June 2021</p> | | |
| <p>Overarching aspects</p> <p>ISO 27917 Vocabulary — Cross cutting terms</p> <p>ISO/TR 27918 Lifecycle risk management for integrated CCS projects</p> <p>ISO/TR 27915 Quantification and verification</p> <p>ISO 27920 Quantification and verification</p> <p>ISO/TR 27921 CO₂ stream composition</p> <p>ISO/TR 27925 Flow assurance</p> <p>ISO/TS 27924 Risk management for integrated CCS projects</p> | | |



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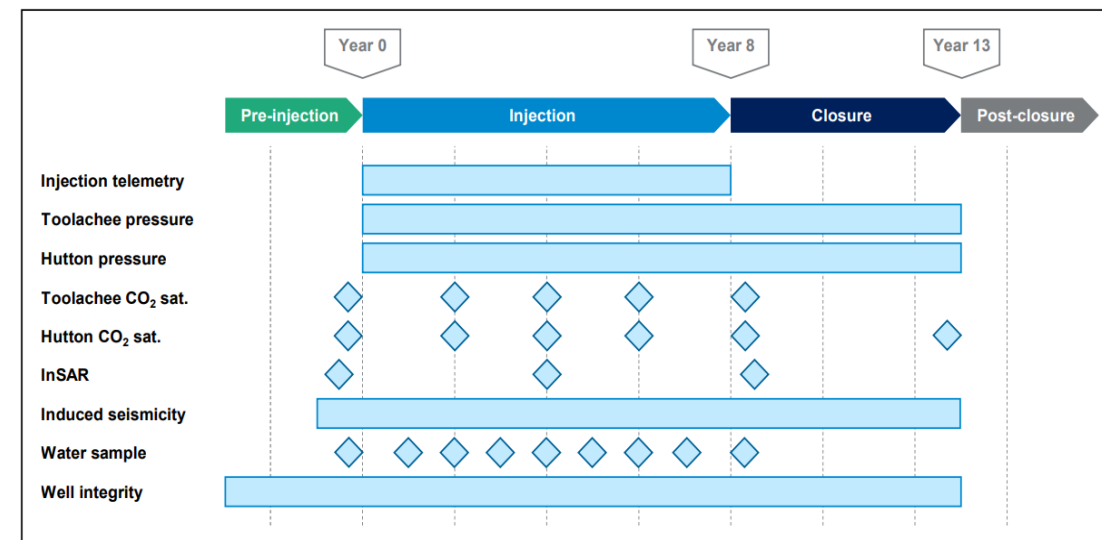
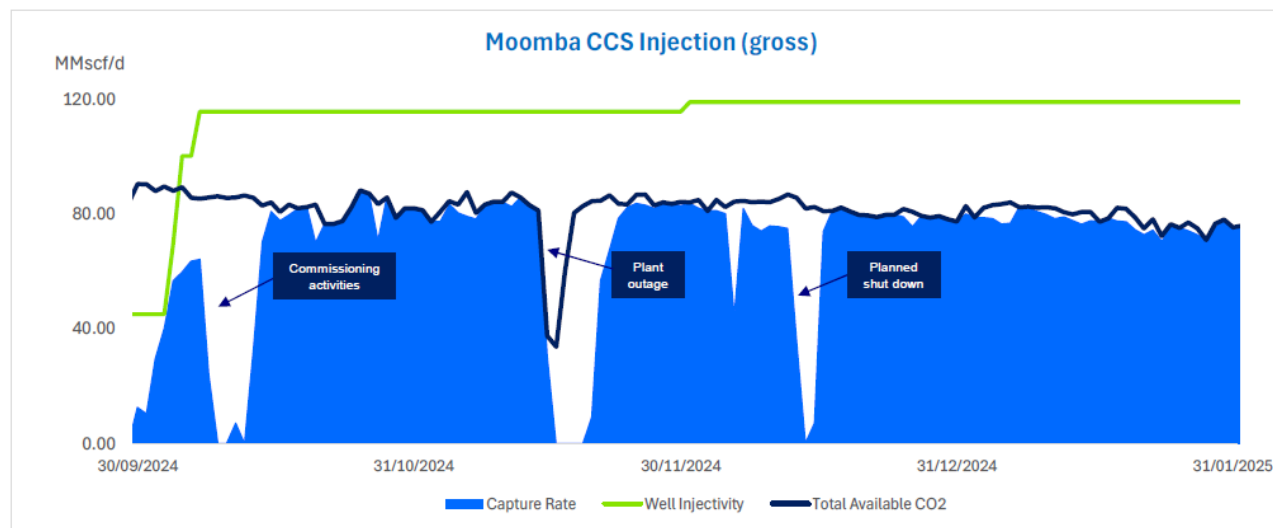
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South Australian Legislation

- South Australian [Energy Resources Act 2000](#) (ER Act):
 - Originally proclaimed back in September 2000 as the *Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Act 2000*;
 - Objective/risk based regulatory framework;
 - Incorporates co-regulatory agencies – e.g. Department for Environment and Water, EPA
 - Covers licensing and regulation of exploration and exploitation of:
 - Petroleum, natural hydrogen, geothermal, gas storage;
 - Transmission pipelines and processing facilities for regulated substances.
 - Three stages of approvals for all regulated activities:
 - **Stage 1** - Licensing
 - **Stage 2** - Environmental Assessment (environmental objectives and consultation)
 - [EIR](#) and [SEO](#)
 - **Stage 3** - Activity Notification and Approval

Moomba CCS

- First phase operational since 30 September 2024.
- Operated by Santos with JV partner Beach Energy.
- Current injection rate of 1.7 Mtpa of carbon dioxide, from Moomba gas processing plant to depleted fields.
- 1.7 Mtpa represents **~7% of South Australia's emissions.**
- Future phases target 20 Mtpa, from external sources.
- Monitoring and verification to date confirms plume behaving as expected with no loss of containment.



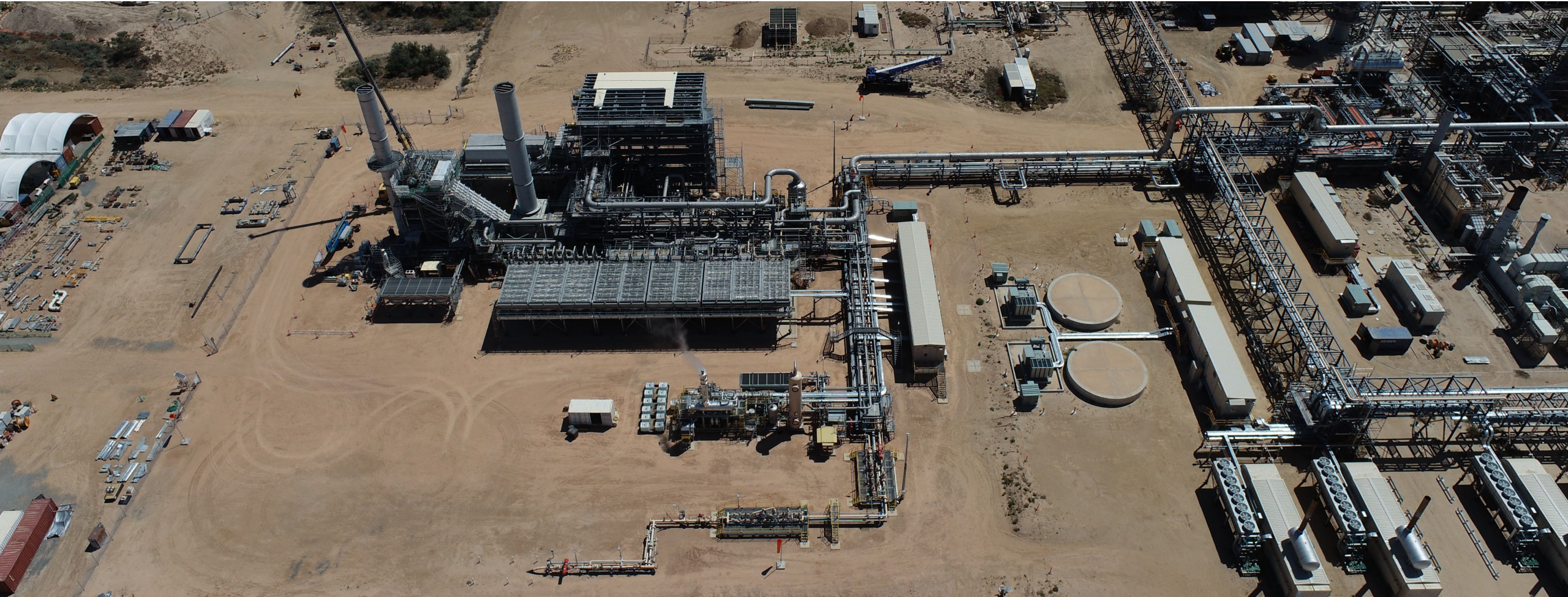
Source: [Moomba M&V Plan and Reports](#)



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Moomba CCS Facility



Source: Santos Ltd

Moomba CCS Subsurface

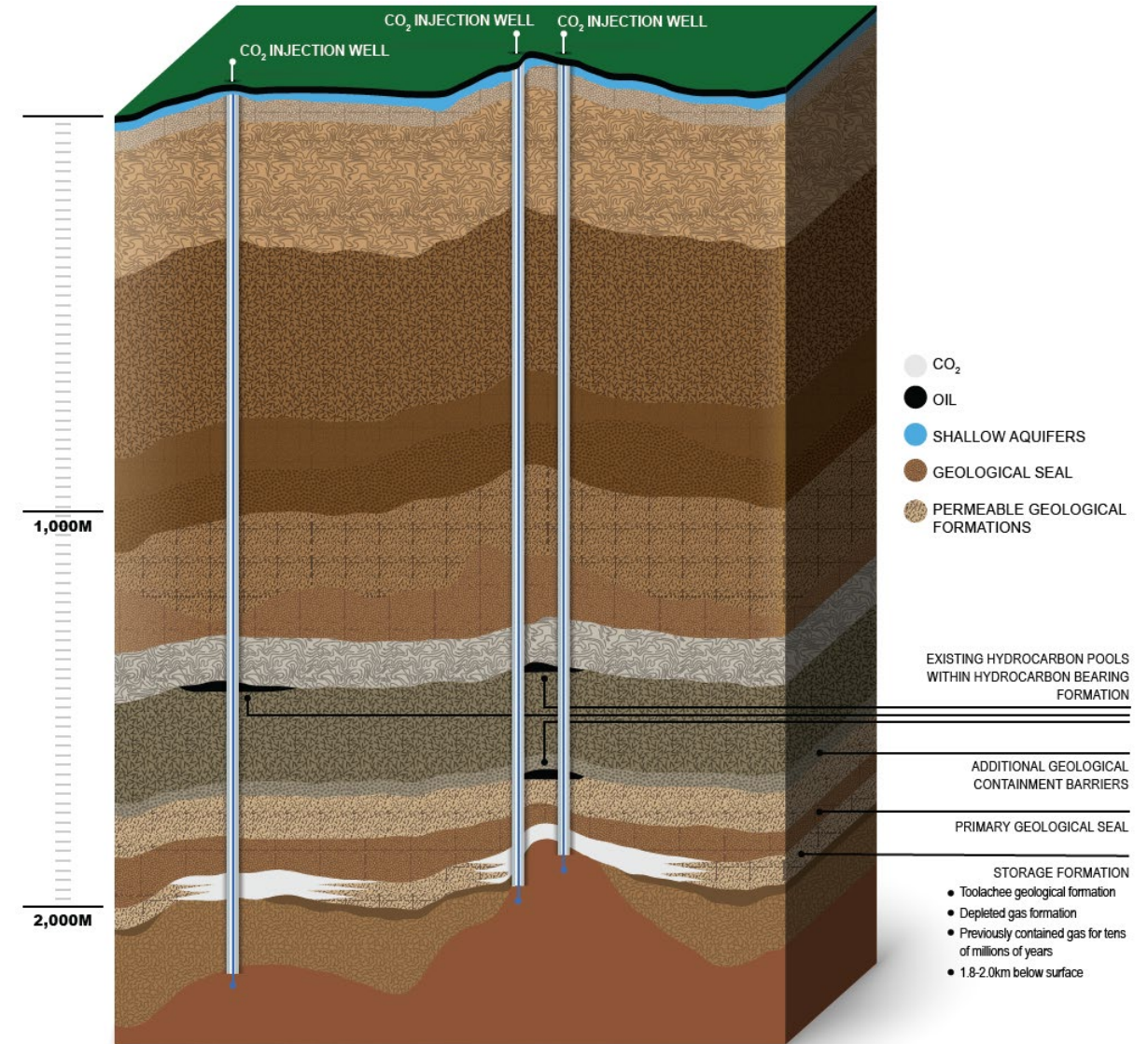
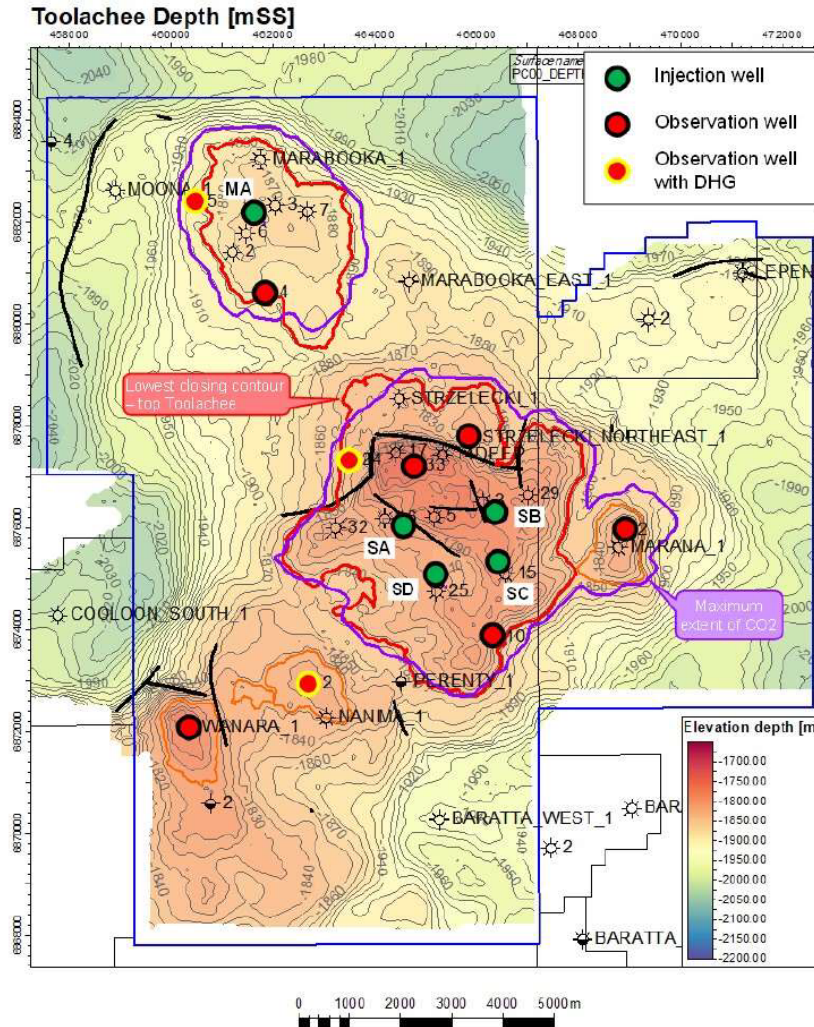


Figure 2 Strzelecki and Marabooka CCS Storage Complex

Import Opportunity



Three Local Clusters and Global Import Opportunity

The analysis considers three phases with three clusters of industry generating CO₂ as well as global import scenario. The phases are generally independent and the program can be modified to capitalise on the best-for-state opportunities.

- Phase 1

Phase 1 – Upper Spencer Gulf / Whyalla Cluster - A CCUS hub is developed at Whyalla in the Upper Spencer Gulf, with infrastructure development occurring entirely within SA to maximise state economic activity. A pipeline is constructed for the transport of CO₂ to the storage location.
- Phase 2

Phase 2 – Global Importation – Development of CCUS import infrastructure, with CO₂ imports occurring via Port Bonython from trade partners such as Japan and South Korea. Additional pipeline infrastructure supports the transport of CO₂ for storage.
- Phase 3

Phase 3 – Greater Sydney & Gladstone/Chinchilla Clusters - QLD and NSW CCUS hubs are implemented with an interstate pipeline for the transport of CO₂ into SA for storage.

Next Steps

ISA undertook this study to understand the potential establishment of a CCUS industry in SA and the ability to address local, national and international opportunities. This study indicates that a range of opportunities exist for SA and presents one potential scenario for infrastructure and partnerships. The next steps will further explore the opportunities and feasibility of CCUS for SA.

