#### Call for Bids NS22-1:

Research, Innovation and Exploration Opportunities

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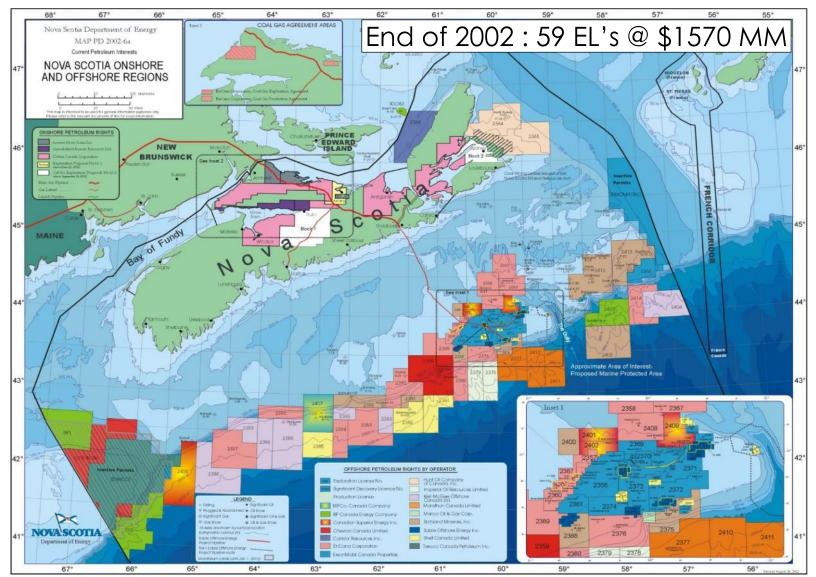


## Outline

- Introduction to Nova Scotia
- Recap of Geoscience Initiatives
- Call for Bids NS22-1 Summary
- Integration Atlas and Untapped Potential
- Available Data
- Transitional Energy Opportunities



#### Peak Exploration





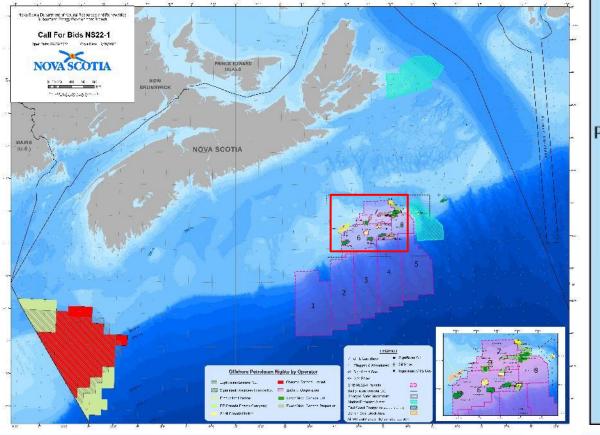


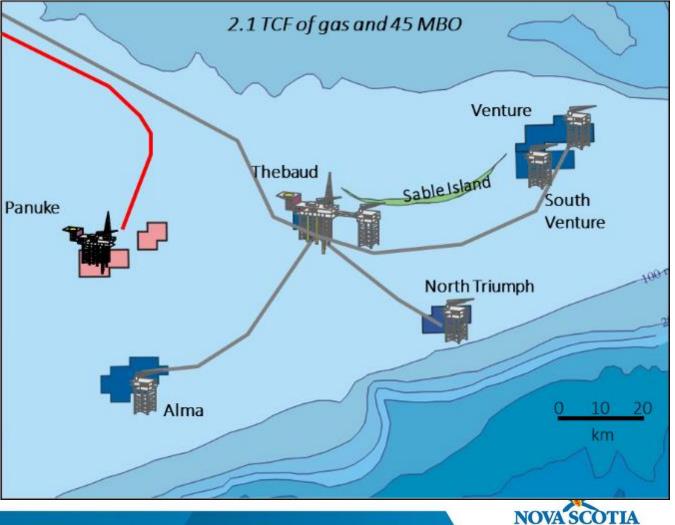
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### Previous Development

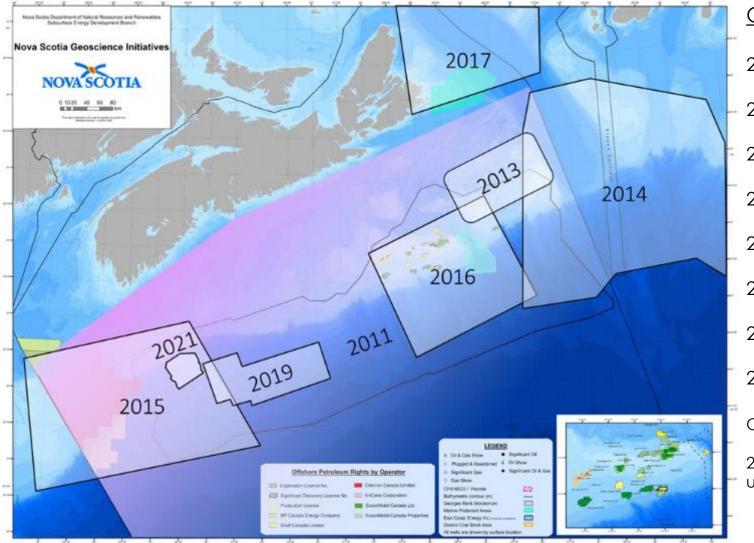
Three oil and gas projects produces on shelf in Sable Delta and Abenaki carbonate bank areas:

- Deep Panuke (2013-2018)
- Cohasset Panuke (1992-1999)
- Sable Offshore Energy Project (1999-2019) Additional 15 undeveloped significant discoveries.





#### Geoscience Initiatives



#### Offshore Petroleum Geoscience Research 2009-11: Scotian Shelf PFA 2013: Northeast Shelf 2014 : Laurentian Subbasin PFA 2015 : Shelburne Subbasin PFA (Updated 2019) 2016: **Central Slope PFA** 2017: Sydney Basin PFA 2020: Barrington Reprocessing 2021-23: PaGeo & Geochemistry Programs

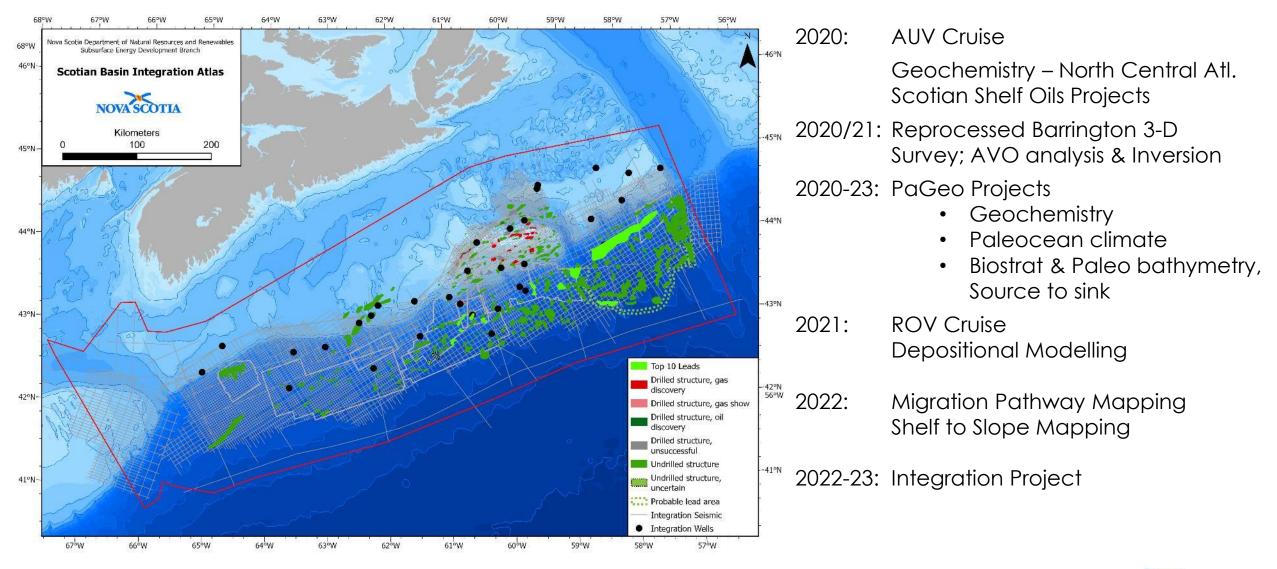
Over \$32 M has been spent on geoscience.

2011 PFA estimated > 8 Bbbls oil and 120 tcf gas potential, unrisked.

#### Over <u>\$2 billion</u> in Exploration Commitments Since 2011

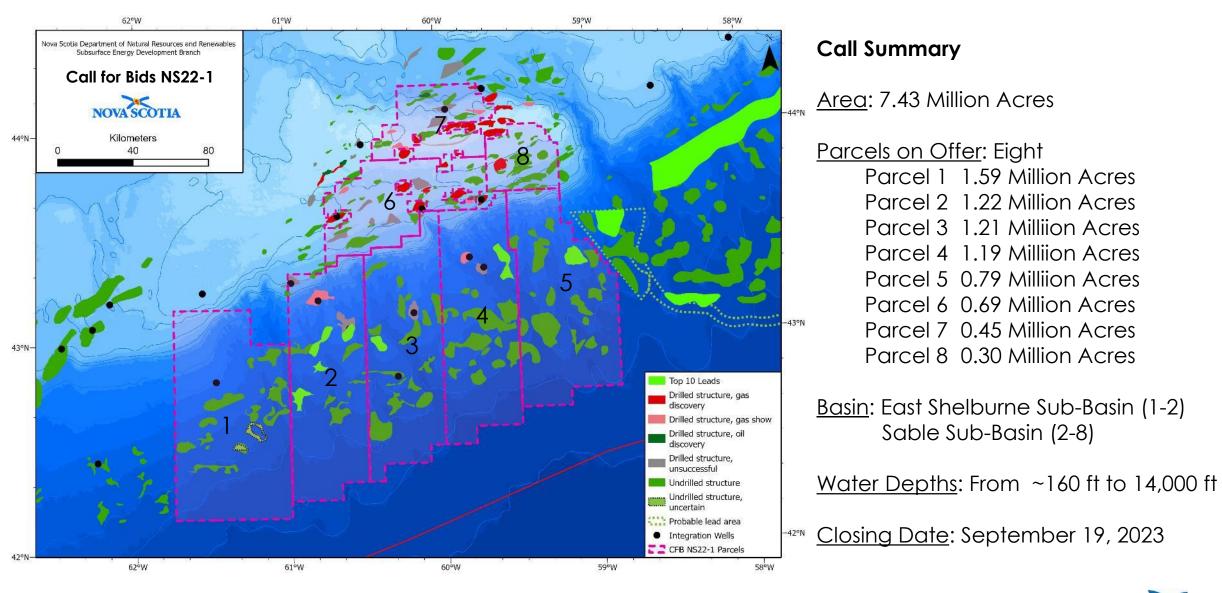


#### Geoscience Initiatives





#### NS22-1 Call for Bids





### Land Tenure – Terms and Conditions

#### **Exploration Licence:**

- EL awarded to company with highest bid
- Minimum bid \$1,000,000
- 25% Work Deposit
- EL provides exclusive right to drill
- Maximum 9-year term

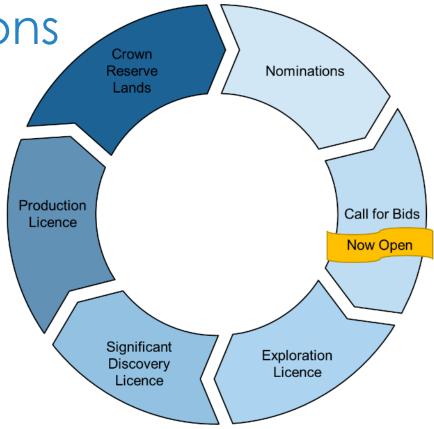
#### Significant Discovery Licence

- Exploration well is drilled & has a successful well test
- Exclusive right to develop the hydrocarbon discovery

#### **Production Licence**

- Issued prior to start of production
- Title to petroleum produced
- 25 year term

Period 1 Allowable Expenditures	Current AE Credits
All pre-licence AE up to 3 years before EL is issued	300%
All AE (including 1st well) within first 3 years of EL	200%
All AE (including 1st well) for the remainder of Period 1 of EL	200%
Drilling (Period 1)	200% - 1st well 300% - 2nd well 400% - 3rd or additional wells



Period 1 Extension	Drilling Deposit
Year 7	\$1,000,000
Year 8	\$2,000,000
Year 9	\$3,000,000
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#### Scotian Basin Integration Atlas 2023

A collaborative study of stratigraphy, architecture, evolution, and geologic prospectivity

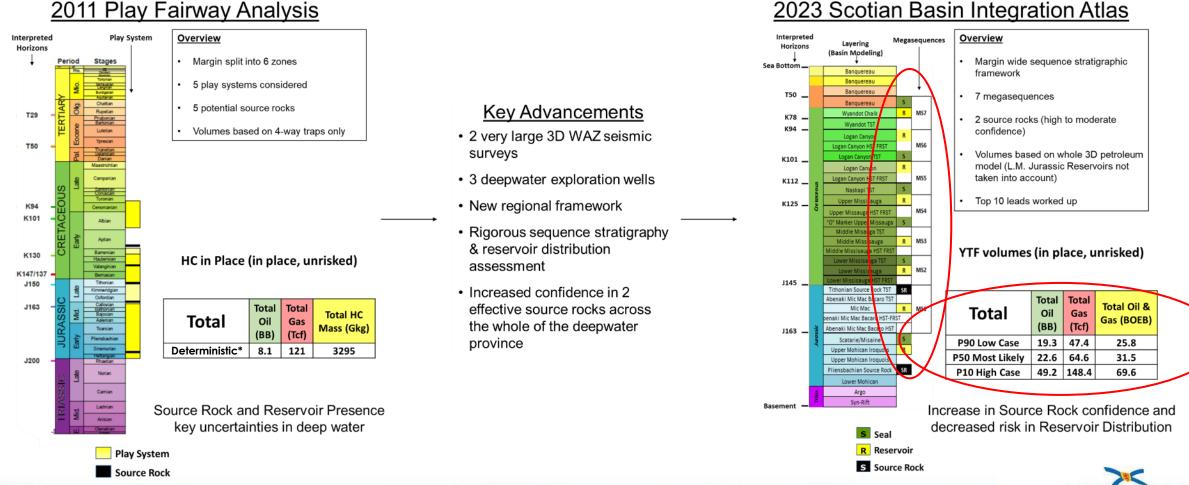


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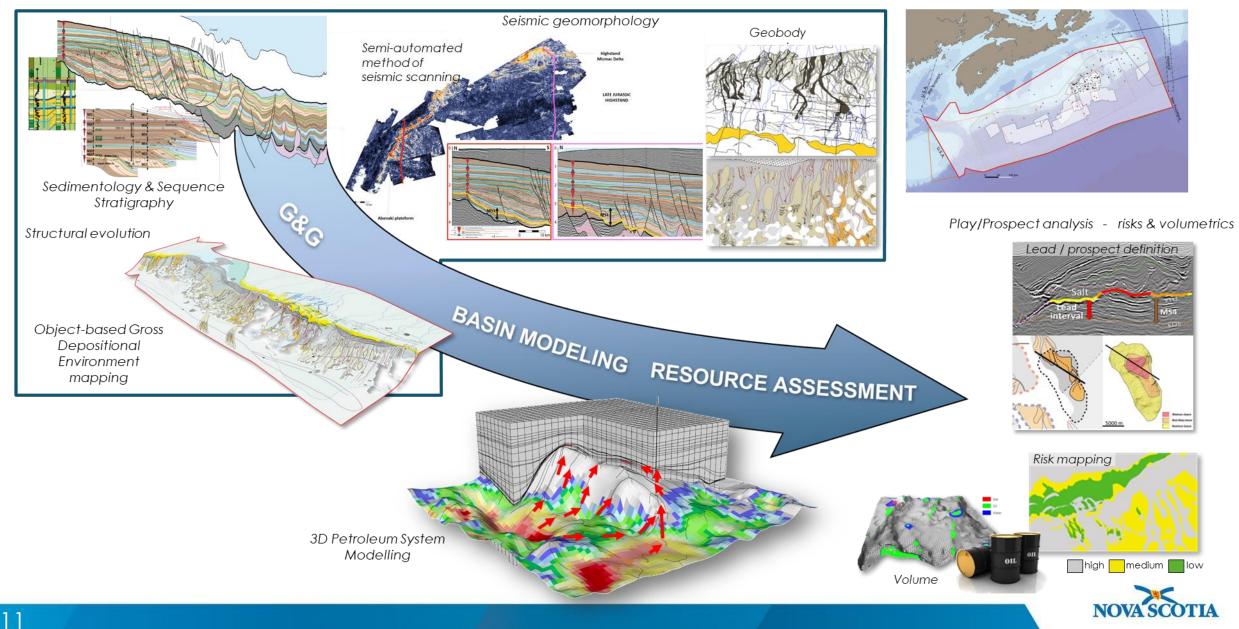
### Nova Scotia Deep Water Potential

- Collaborative and comprehensive new play fairway analysis of the deepwater sub-basins ٠
- It builds on legacy work published during the last decade ٠



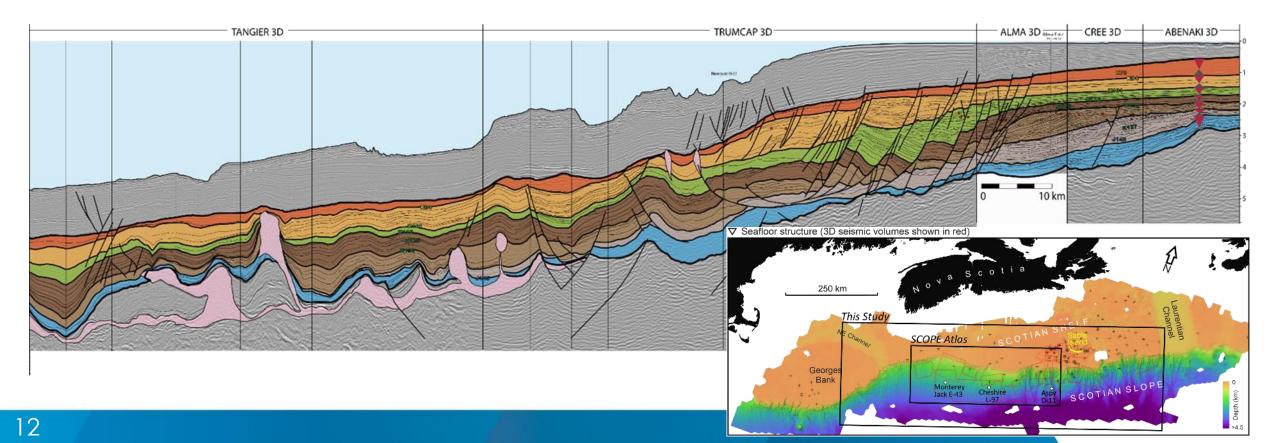
#### 2011 Play Fairway Analysis

## Project Workflow



### New Regional Seismic Framework

- Recent exploration:
  - Two large wide-azimuth 3D reflection seismic volumes on the central to western Scotian Slope (Shelburne 3D and Tangier 3D)
  - Three wildcat exploration wells (Cheshire L-97/L-97A, Monterey Jack E-43/E-43A, and Aspy D-11/D-11A).
- Markers were used to constrain spatial and temporal variations in margin structure, sediment thickness distribution on the continental shelf, slope, and rise, and salt expulsion history (see Deptuck and Kendell 2017). These markers were also used to guide advanced seismic interpretation tools like PaleoScan, presented in Chapter 3 and Appendix 3.



## Lower Jurassic Source Rock Understanding

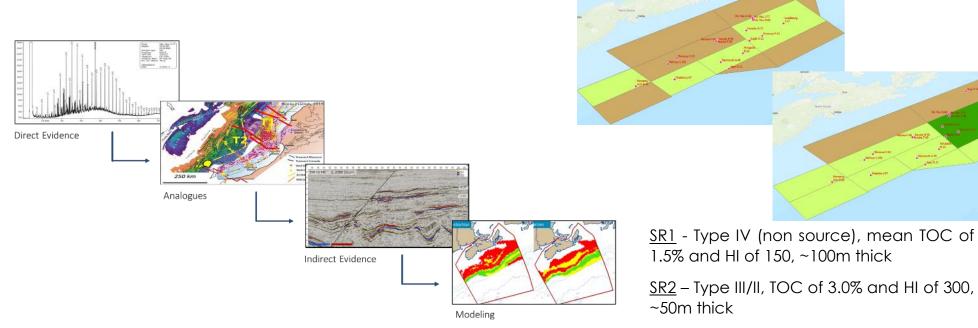
- Majority of the hydrocarbons discovered on the Scotian Shelf are gas often associated with light oils/condensates.
  - Distinct terrigenous signature of a deltaic source rock with Type III-II organic matter,
  - Indicative of Nova Scotia's proven Tithonian aged Source Rock
- Recent Studies indicate there is a considerable amount of circumstantial evidence which suggests that a Lower Jurassic source rock may exist.

	Source Rock	Age	Initial TOC	Kerogen Type	Thickness (m)	HI (mgHC/gTOC)	Focus
~	Tithonian	148 Ma	3%	II/III (mix)	0-50	424	Basin wide study incorporating (1) previous studies (2) large existing geochemical database (+40 years of exploration) (3)
201	Callovian	160 Ma	2%	II/III (mix)	0-20	424	review of all available and new TOC/Geochemical analysis, (4)
	Pliensbachian (L.M. Jurassic)	196 Ma	5%	II (marine)	20	600	characterization of oil families, and (5) new GC/GCMS analyses of oil, condensates and hydrocarbon fluid inclusions. Aptian and Vananginian sources also considered in this project.

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	Source Rock	Age	Initial TOC	Kerogen Type	Thickness (m)	HI (mgHC/gTOC)	Focus
23	Tithonian	150 Ma	0-5%	11/111	0-20	400	Synthesis of numerous studies regarding source rock on the Scotian Margin including (1) Dr. Andy Bishop's independent view of NS Lower Jurassic source rock potential and parameterization and regional review of Lias source rocks from Atlantic domain including Europe
2023	Pliensbachian	196 Ma	3-4%	II	0-30	300-500	and globally, (2) Dr. Martin Fowler's research on the source of shelf oils indicating the presence of two distinct source rocks, and (3) various supporting paleogeographic and migration projects. Three scenarios of Lias source rocks tested (See Chapter 5 for details).

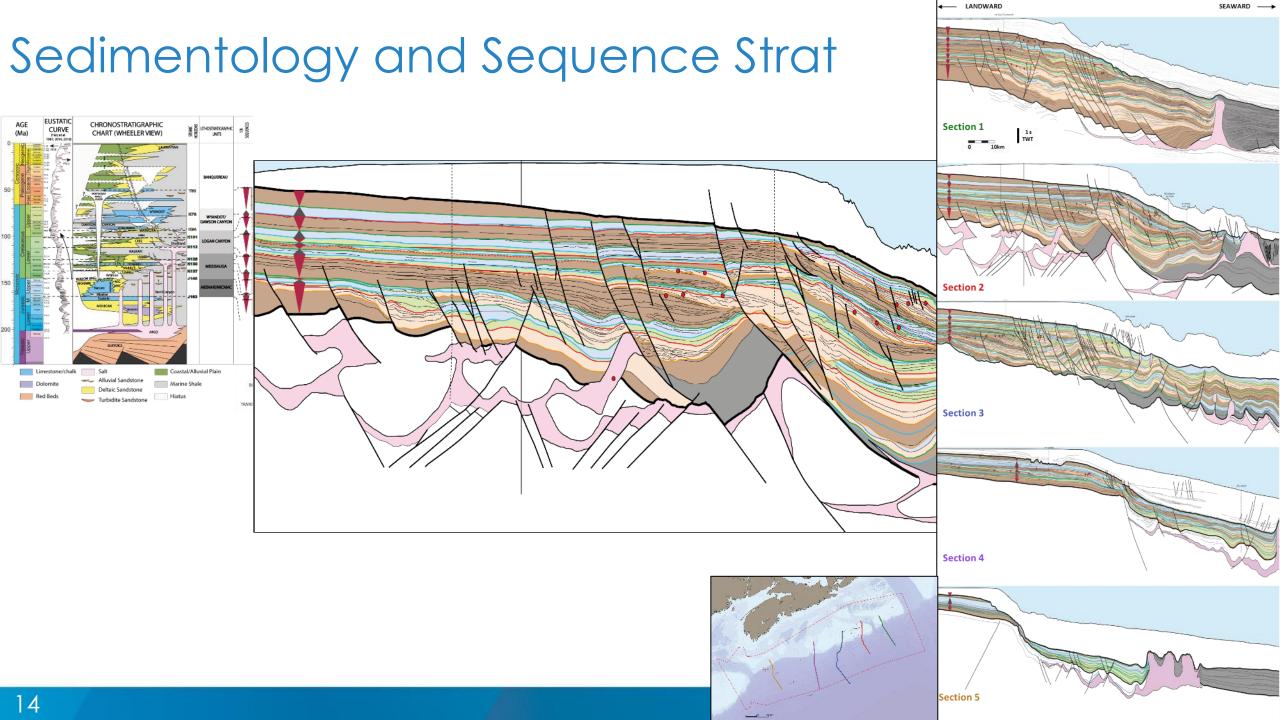
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 $\underline{SR3}$  - Type II marine, mean TOC of 4.0% and HI of 500,  $\sim$  30m thick

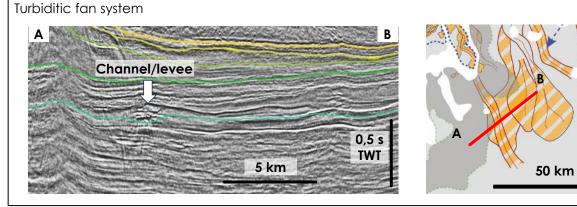


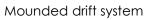
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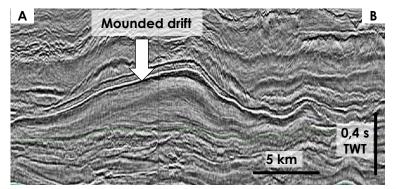
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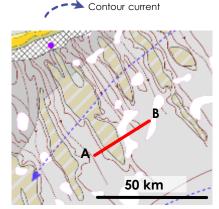
- Relevant geobodies were key play elements for the petroleum system and building blocks that fill the Gross Depositional Environment maps
- Facies assigned based on seismic signature and nearby well control
- The stratigraphic context of deposition also taken into consideration
  2D Lines

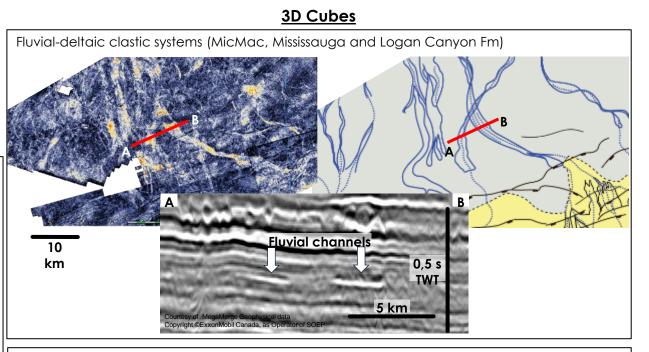




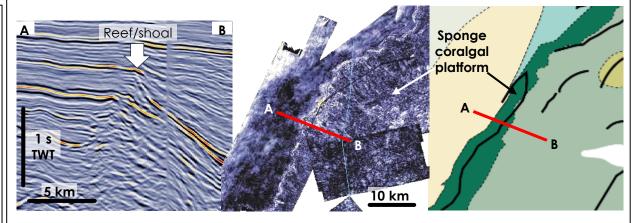
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Shallow marine sponge/corlagal platform (Artimon formation)



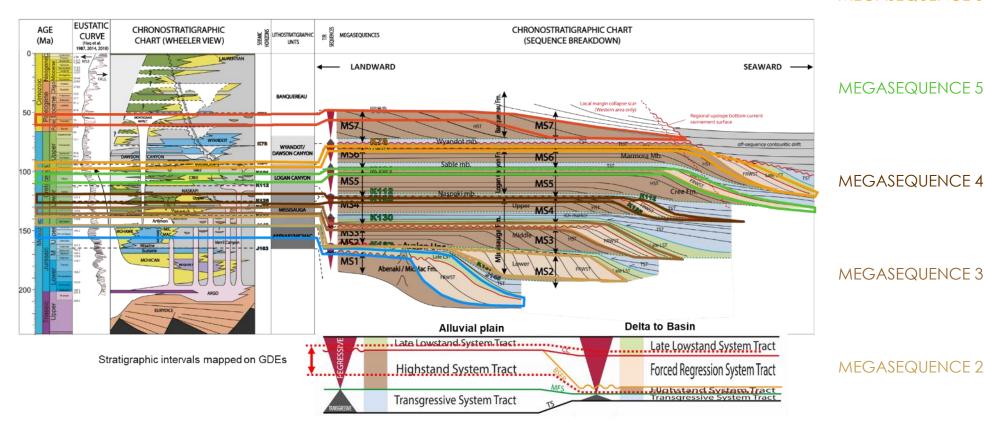
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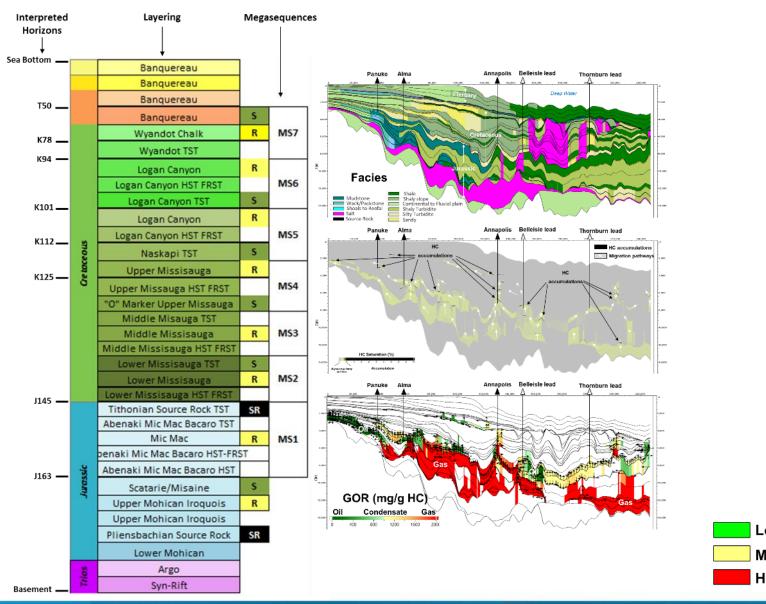
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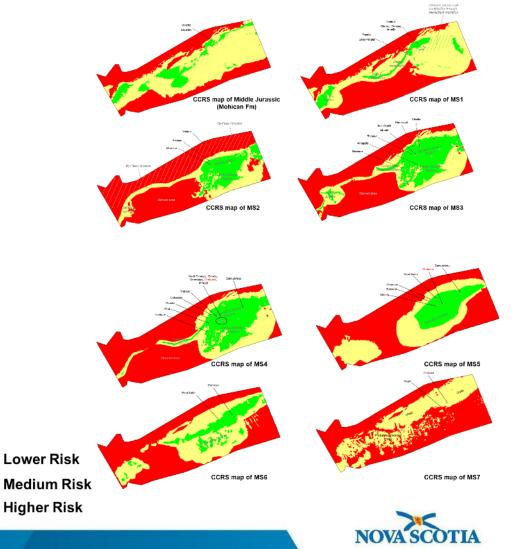
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#### MEGASEQUENCE 1

### Basin Modeling and Common Risk Segment Mapping





### Yet to Find

- In place, yet to find values for the entire study area were calculated
- Result combines various 3D petroleum system models
  - Variations in uncertainties on net reservoir thickness, source rock richness, hydrocarbon saturation cutoff and hydrocarbon mass cut-off in reservoir cells
- Probabilistic assessment comes from Monte Carlo simulations derived from the petroleum system models to provide the P10, P50, and P90.

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Total	Total Oil (Bbl)	Total Gas (Tcf)	Total Oil & Gas (Bbloe)
P90 Low Case	19.3	47.4	25.8
P50 Most Likely	22.6	64.6	31.5
P10 High Case	49.2	148.4	69.6

#### East

- Large turbiditic system above the mature Tithonian source rock
  - Pliensbachian an additional contributor.
- Gas and condensate dominate
  - transition from condensate to oil such as at Panuke on the shelf (proven) and Tangier blocks on the slope.
- MS2 and MS3 main target for exploration at play level
- Faults, fractures and diapirism provide some efficient vertical conduits

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#### Leads

Scotian Basin Integration Atlas

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Lead Name

Stonehouse

Belleisle

Thorburn

Piscatiqui

Oakfield

Seawolf

Brooklyn

Berwick

Weymouth Deep

Liscomb East

Estimation of the resource potential was completed by:

- (1) Calculating a whole basin Yet to Find (YTF)
- (2) Completing a ranking of 25 candidate leads
- (3) Calculate conventional volumetrics for 10 top ranked leads

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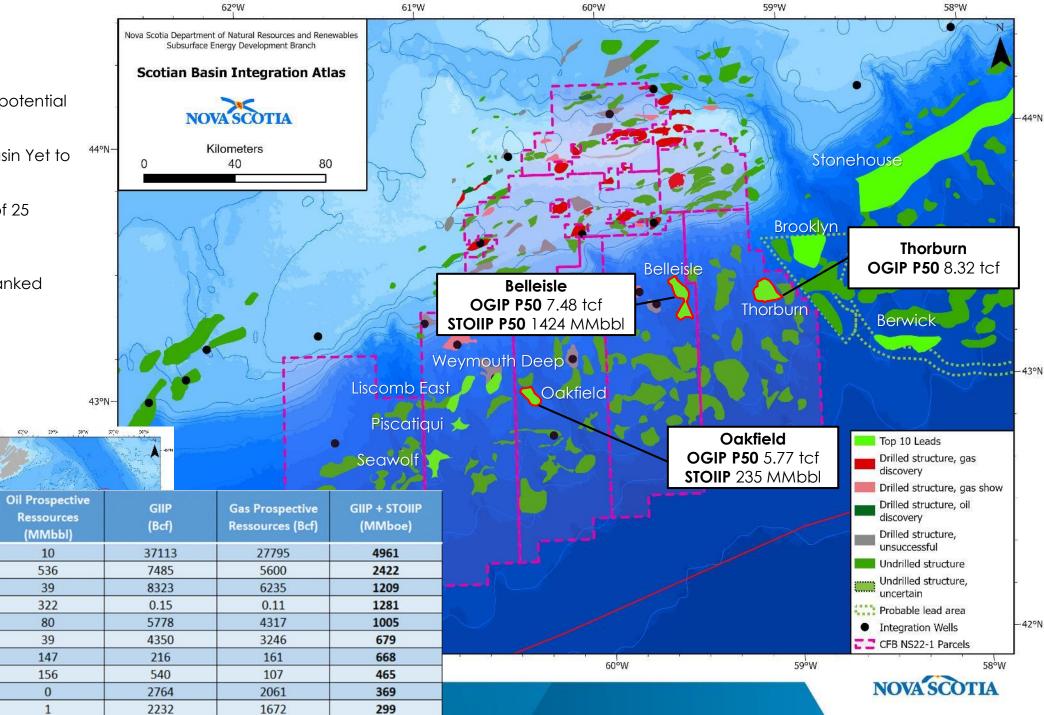
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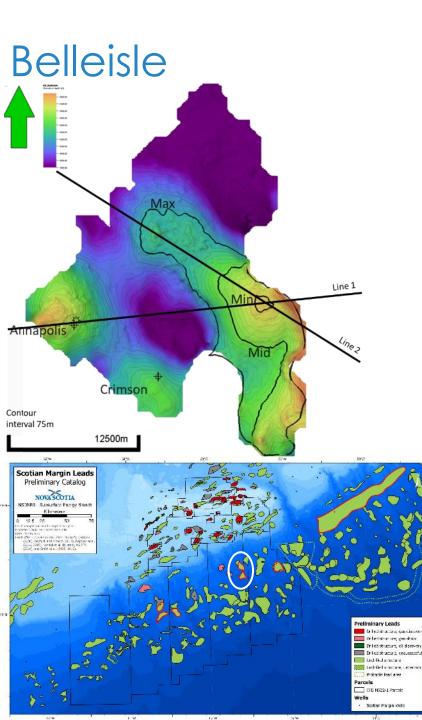
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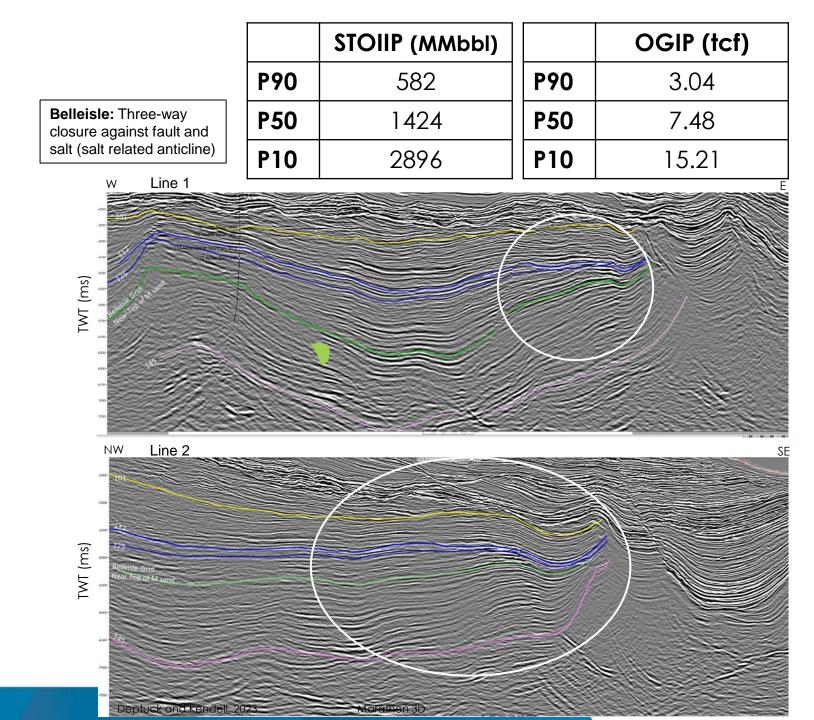
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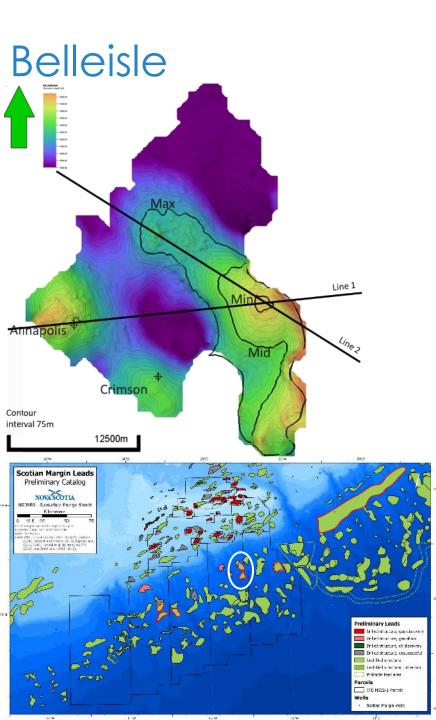
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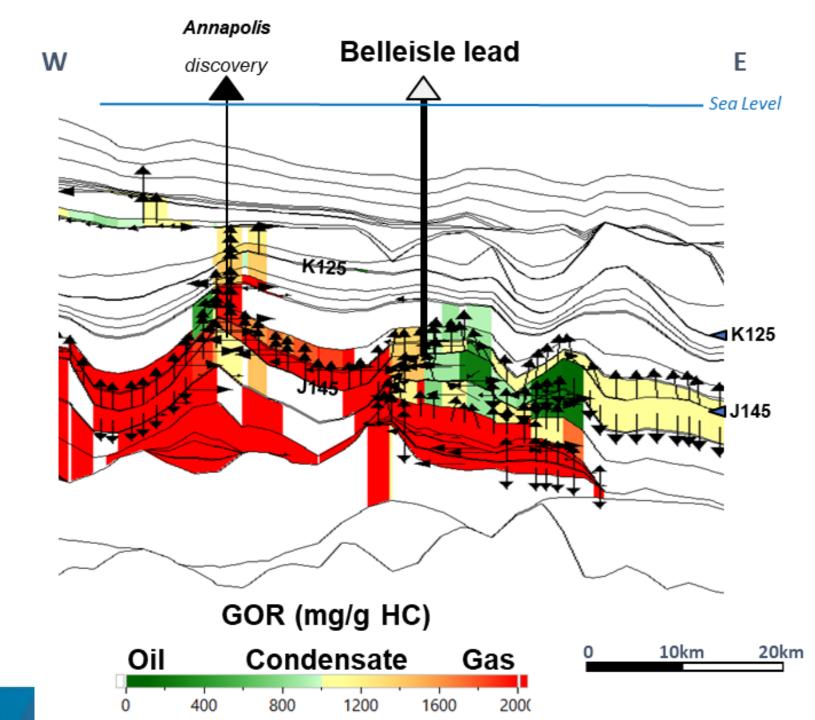
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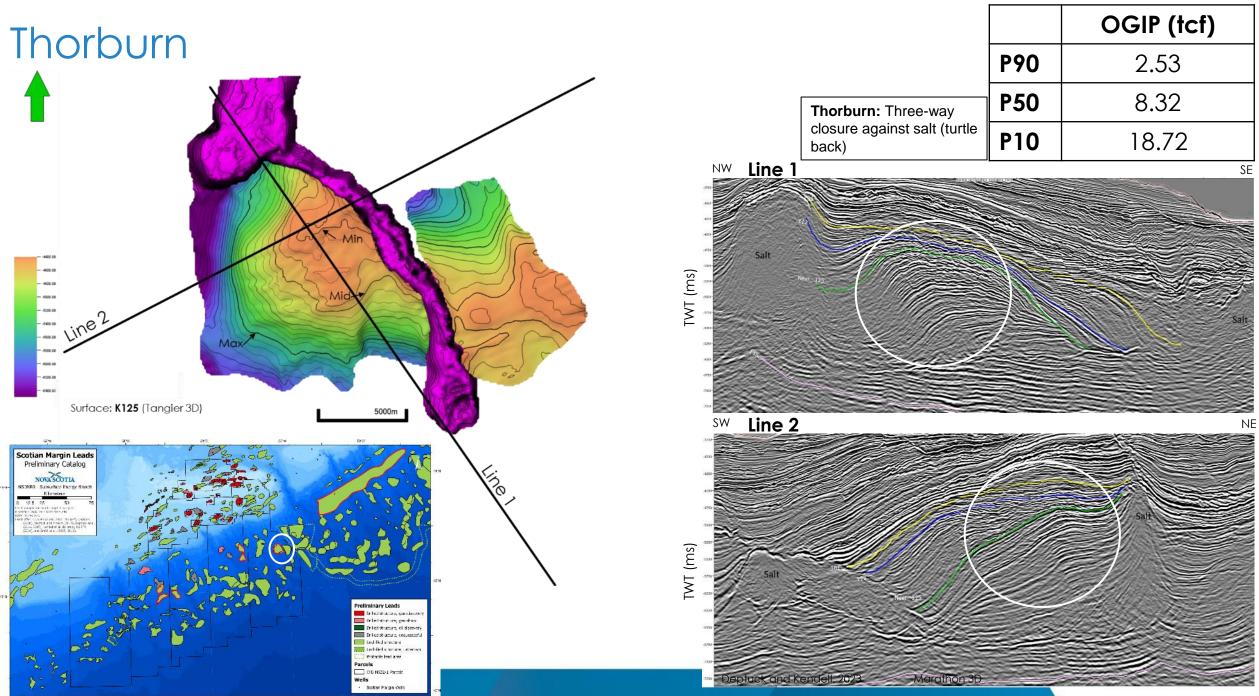




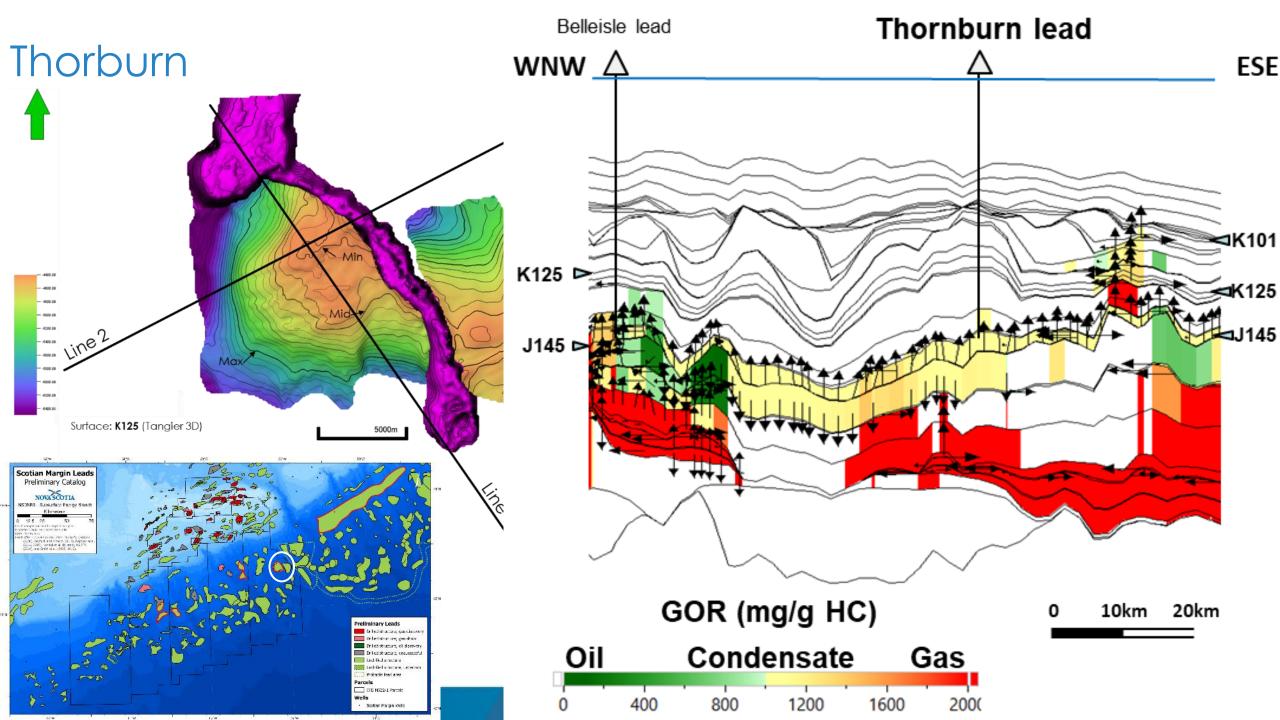


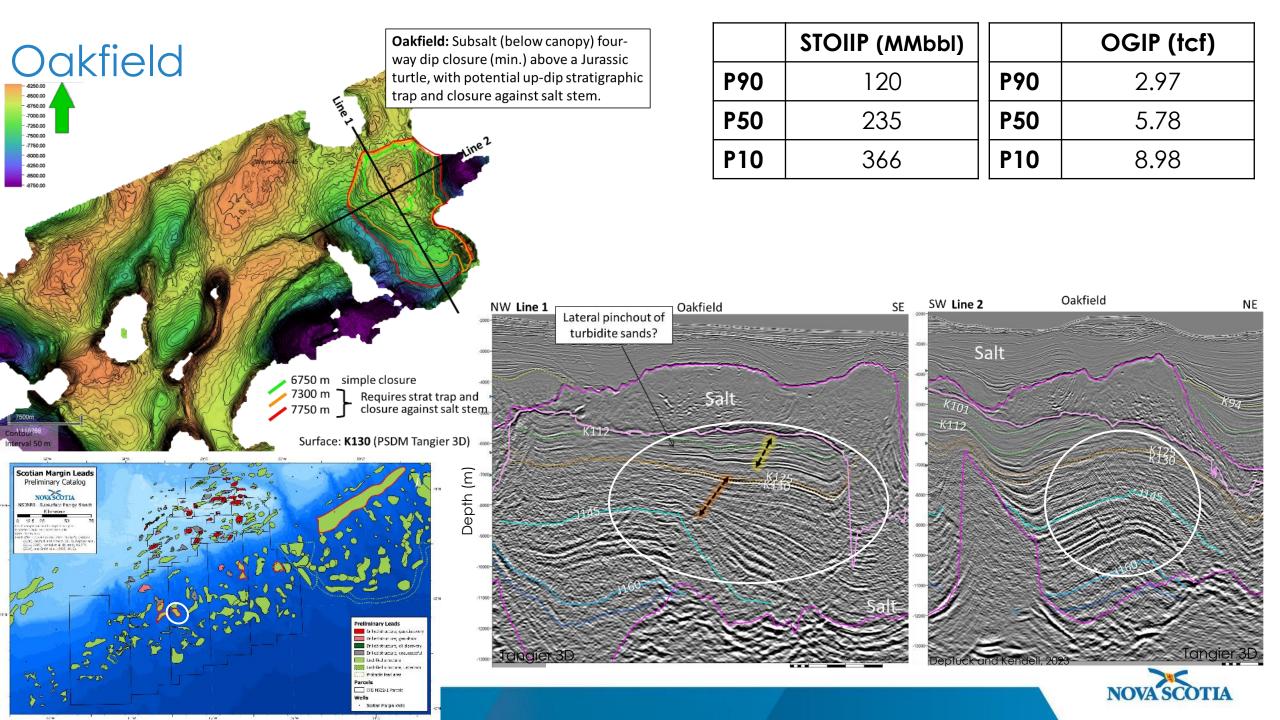


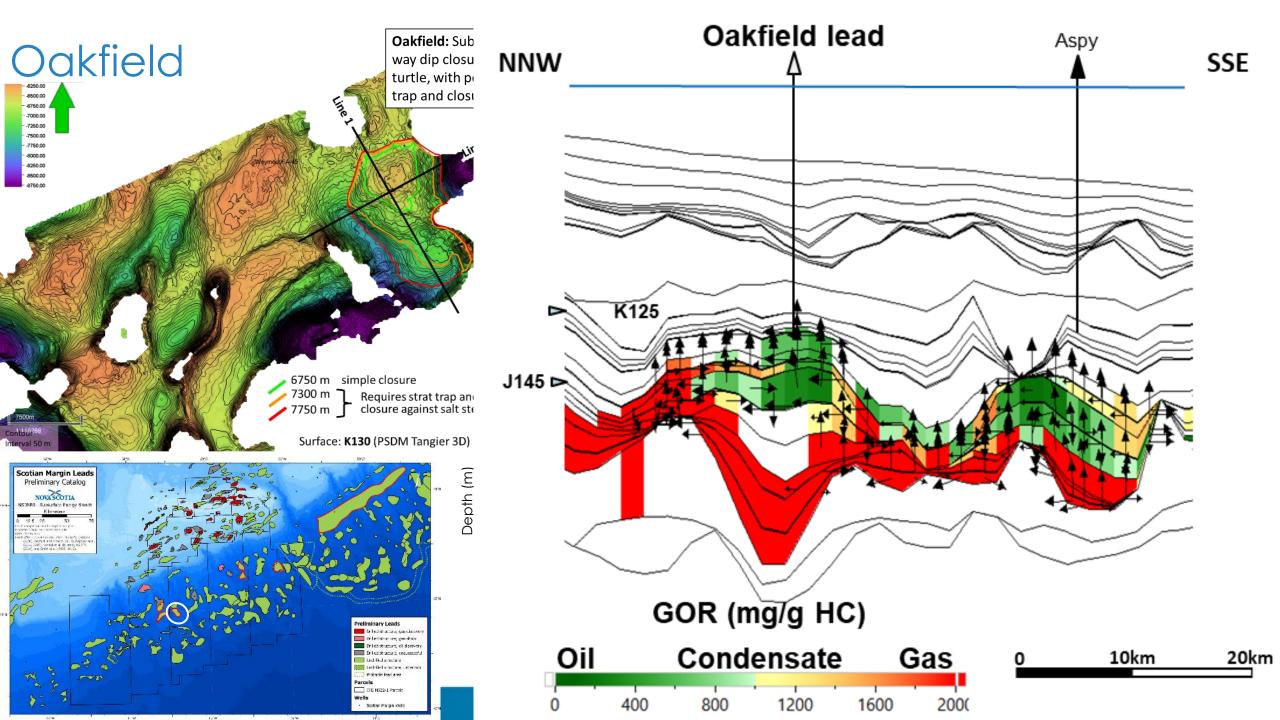




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#### **Energy Transition Potential**

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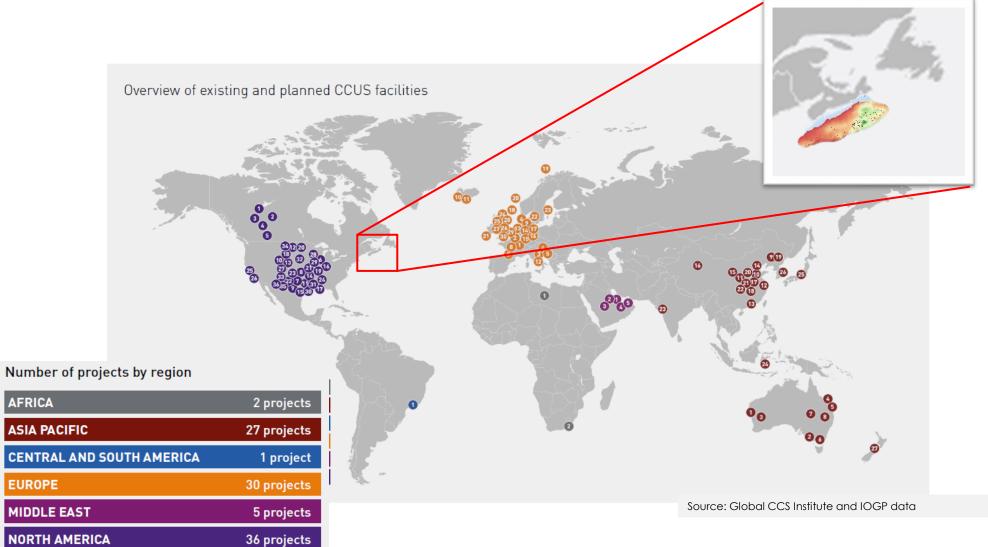


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#### Nova Scotia in a Global Context





## Energy Transition Potential - CCS

#### CO<sup>2</sup> Storage in Deep Saline Aquifers:

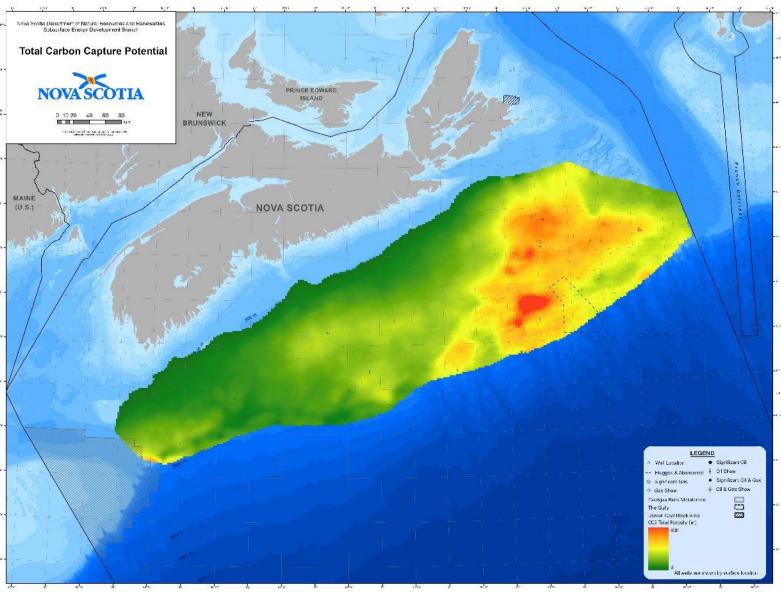
(1) Good Late Cretaceous / Cenozoic top seal; sub-regional internal seals within the clastics (containment)

(2) High NTG & PHI-K (suitable for storage & injectivity) in Sable Island Delta & margin of Abenaki Bank

(3) No requirement for conventional hydrocarbon trapping – mainly residual trapping (drainage – imbibition)

(4) Storage efficiencies in deep saline aquifers are in the 1%-10% range (analogues and models)

(5) Estimated storage volumes & carbon pricing indicate Profitable commercialization



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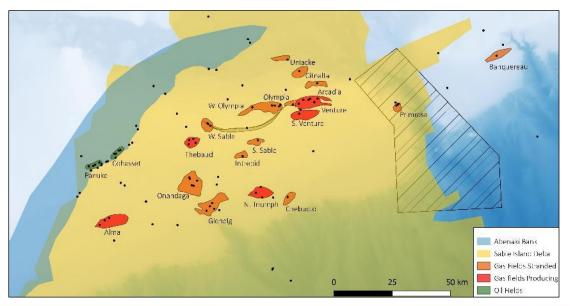
## Energy Transition Potential - CCS

#### **Depleted Fields Storage**

- Cumulative gas production
- Formation Volume Factors
- Range of densities and Storage Efficiencies

#### Stranded Fields Storage

- P50 CNSOPB resources
- Formation Volume Factors
- Range of densities and Storage Efficiencies



Depleted fields	CNSOPB published cumulative production		Estimated weighted FVF (Estimated from Dev. Plans)	CO2 Storage Density=0.7 E= 75%
	BCF / MBO	$10^3 \text{ sm}^3$	sm <sup>3</sup> /rm <sup>3</sup>	Mt CO <sub>2</sub>
S.Venture	314.6	8,908,194	285.0	16.4
Venture	493.6	13,977,451	350.0	21.0
North Triumph	292.2	8,273,692	300.0	14.5
Alma	516.0	14,612,931	250.0	30.7
Thebaud	501.3	14,194,298	360.0	20.7
Sub-Total	2117.7	59,966,566		103.2
Deep Panuke	147.3	4,170,559	400.0	5.5
CoPan	44.5	7,066,810	0.8	4.6
Total	2264.9	131,170,500		113.4

Stranded Gas Fields	CNSOPB SDL Re	port (2014) P50	Estimated weighted FVF	CO2 Storage
	Reso	urces	(Estimated from report)	Density=0.7 E= 75%
(if depleted)	BCF	$10^9 M^3$	sm <sup>3</sup> /rm <sup>3</sup>	Mt CO <sub>2</sub>
Arcadia	158	4.5	400	5.9
Banquereau	170	4.8	280	9.0
Chebucto	66	1.9	275	3.6
Citnalta	172	4.9	290	8.8
Glenelg	508	14.4	270	28.0
Intrepid	54	1.5	260	3.1
Olympia	143	4.1	350	6.1
Onondaga	304	8.6	250	18.1
Primrose	127	3.6	160	11.8
South Sable	8	0.2	265	0.4
Uniacke	20	0.6	405	0.7
West Olympia	30	0.8	330	1.4
West Sable	93	2.6	170	8.1
West Venture C-62	31	0.9	375	1.2
West Venture N-91	68	1.9	385	2.6
Total	1952.0	55.3		108.8



# Energy Transition Potential - CCS

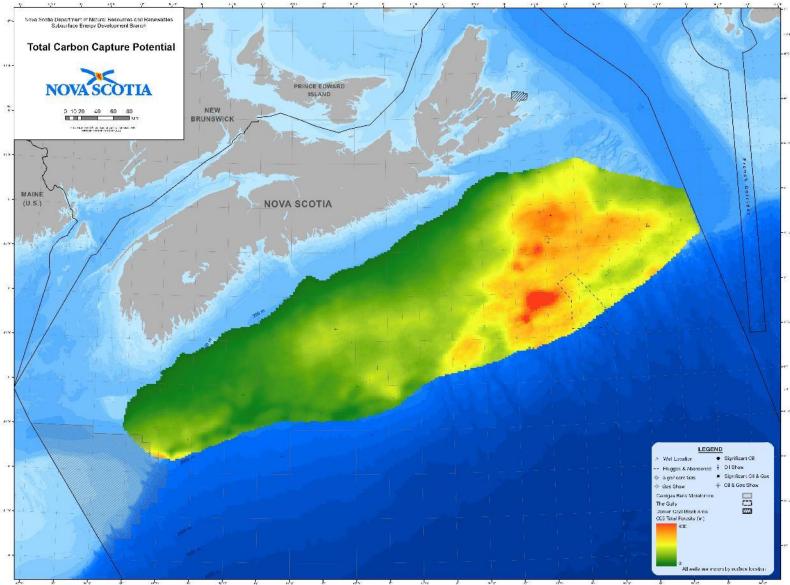
Excellent database for offshore subsurface geology and engineering

Range of storage volumes 15 - 154 - 618GtCO<sub>2</sub> in the ideal deep Saline Aquifers

Depleted (8) and Stranded (15) Fields: 113 & 108 GtCO<sub>2</sub>

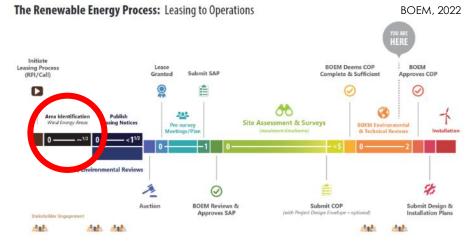
Canada's Emissions are 670 MtCO<sub>2</sub> / year: Nova Scotia 14 MtCO<sub>2</sub> / year New Brunswick 12 MtCO<sub>2</sub> / year Quebec 76 MtCO<sub>2</sub> / year Ontario 149 MtCO<sub>2</sub> / year

251 M<sub>t</sub>CO<sub>2</sub> = 613 years of unreduced permeant storage available



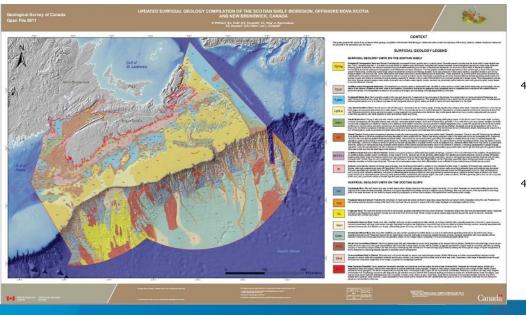
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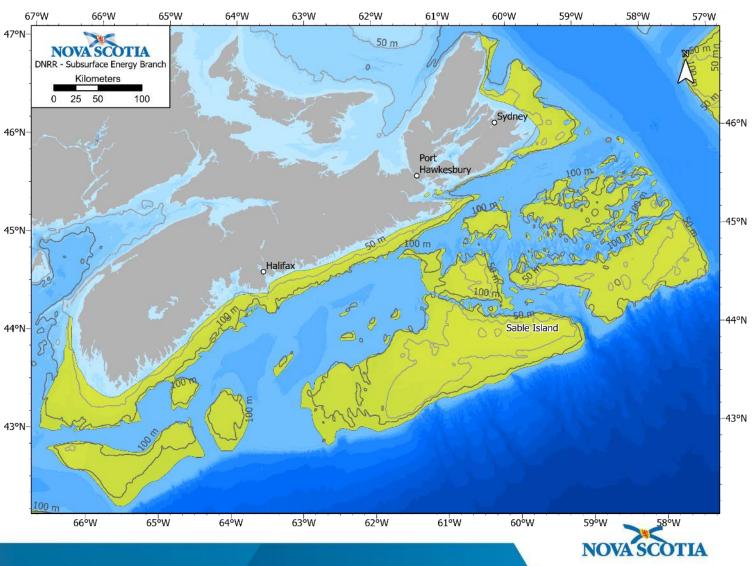
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#### Areas of Interest

• 50-100 meter "Fairways" of sands and gravel





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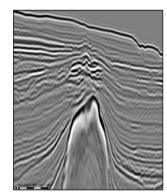


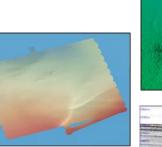
Subsurface Understanding

Mapping of Fields and Transmission Corridors

Identification of Hazards G

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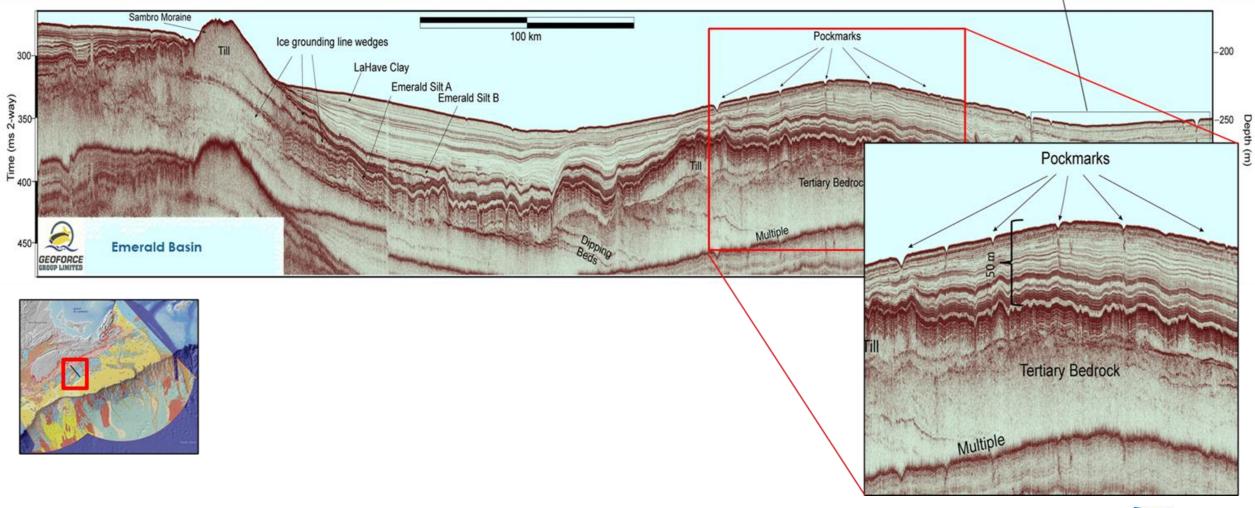
NRR Expedition 2020 with Ocean Infinity Deepwater – AUV and Sub bottom



### Energy Transition Potential – Offshore Wind

#### Shallow Geophysics for Hazards

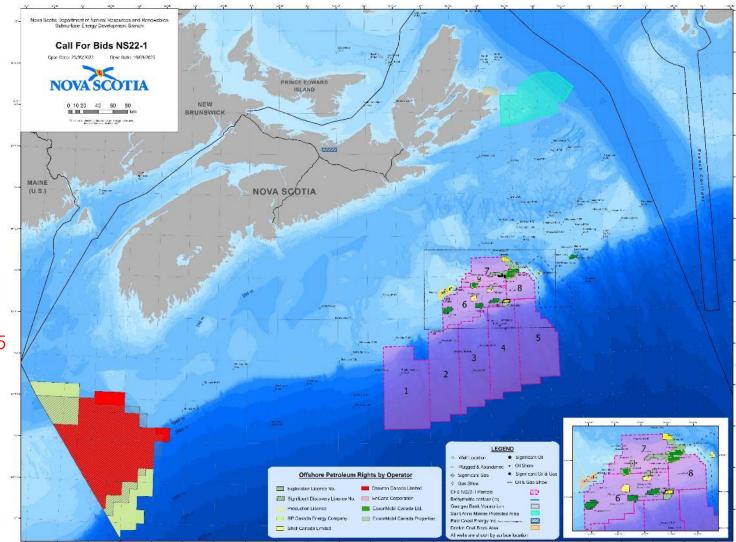
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# **Closing Reminders**

- CFB NS22-1 Excellent Acreage & Tenure terms Closes September 19, 2023
- Integration project and updating 2011 PFA research finalized August 2023
- Leads/Prospects Identified Virtual Data Room available
- Diversity of Energy Options Critical for Success
  - Offshore Petroleum NG & Oil
  - Offshore Wind 1st Call for Bids Estimated for 2025
  - CCUS Offshore hub off Nova Scotia can deliver negative emissions for NS and opportunity for the future.
  - Hydrogen Development





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