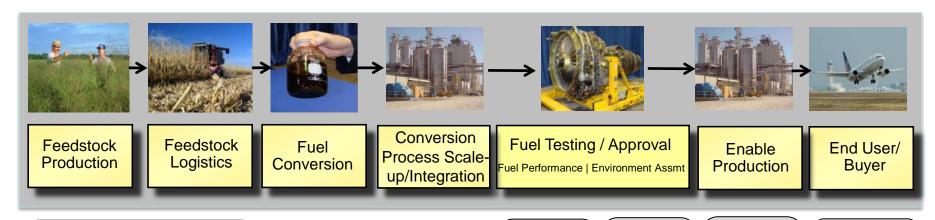
#### Coordinated U.S. Agency Efforts Across the Supply Chain



Agriculture: Biomass Crop Assistance Program & Crop Insurance Program

Agriculture: Feedstock

**Development Center Grants** 

Energy & Defense: R&D grants

Agriculture & Energy: R&D grants FAA & Defense: C/Q Fuel testing FAA,
Defense, &
NASA:
Enviro
Analysis

Agriculture, Navy, & Energy: Defense Production Act and Biorefinery

Airlines: fuel purchases

Defense: Farm to Fleet

EPA: Renewable Fuel Standard

Program

FAA: Guidance for Airports

ASSIN

Energy:

All: Federal Alternative Jet Fuel R&D Strategy

















Agriculture, Energy, FAA: Farm to Fly 2.0



# Building a Strong Biobased Economy with Partnerships



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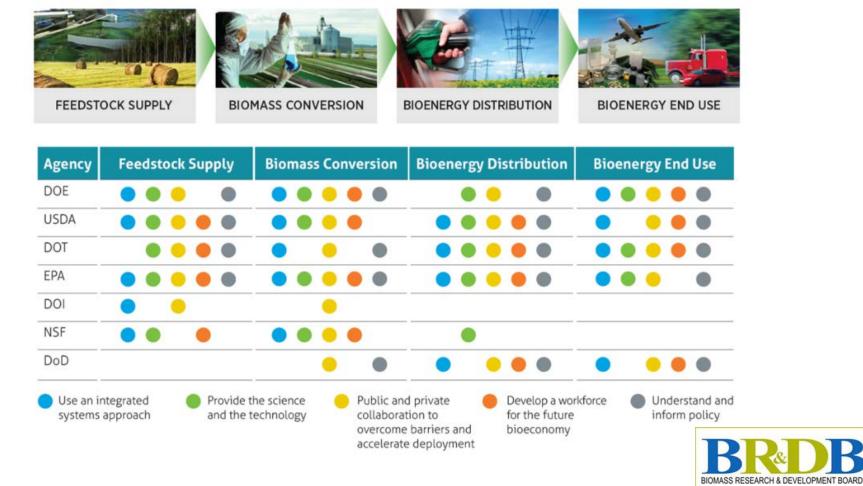
#### Working Together with CAAFI/FAA, DOE, and U.S. Navy

Farm to Fly (2010, 2012 report) Navy/DPA/F2Fleet (2010, 2011, 2013) Farm to Fly 2.0 (2013, DOE 2014)



#### The Biomass Research & Development Board

- Created through the enactment of the Biomass Research and Development Act of 2000.
- The Board facilitates coordination among federal government agencies that affect the research, development, and deployment of biofuels and bioproducts.



#### Federal Activities Report on the Bioeconomy (FARB)

In February, the Biomass R&D Board released the Federal Activities Report on the Bioeconomy. This report aims to educate the public on the wideranging, federally funded activities that are helping to bolster the bioeconomy.

- The **vision** for the Billion Ton Bioeconomy is to sustainably reach the full potential of biomass-derived products as a way of expanding our nation's economy. In doing so, the bioeconomy will provide multiple economic, environmental, and social benefits to the Nation.
- The goal of the Billion Ton Bioeconomy is to develop and provide innovative ways to remove barriers to expanding the sustainable use of Nation's abundant biomass resources for biofuels, bioproducts, and biopower, while maximizing economic, social, and environmental outcomes.



# A BILLION DRY TONS OF SUSTAINABLE BIOMASS

HAS THE POTENTIAL TO PRODUCE

## 1.1 MILLION Direct Jobs

and keeps about

#### \$250 BILLION

in the U.S. (direct contribution and inflation adjusted)

#### 85 BILLION\*

kWh of electricity to power

#### 6 MILLION

households. Plus

#### 1050 TRILLION BTUs

of thermal energy.



#### **50 BILLION**

gallons of biofuels displacing almost

25%

of all transportation fuels.

### 50 BILLION POUNDS

of biobased chemicals and bioproducts, replacing a significant portion of the chemical market. 400
MILLION
TONS
of CO<sub>2</sub>e
reductions
every year.





## STEPS TO BUILDING THE BIOECONOMY

- Accelerate research & technology development
- Develop production, conversion and distribution infrastructure
- 3 Deploy technology
- 4 Create markets and delivery systems

#### Projections based on:

- 2016 Billion Ton Study Report (Forthcoming)
- EIA 2015 AEO
- 2015 USDA Long-Term Forecast
- Various data sources

 Includes 27 billion kWh and 90 TBtu from livestock anaerobic digestion



Energy and the Biobased Economy, visit:

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#### In announcement inviting applications for 9003 Program...

"The bioeconomy is a catalyst for economic development in rural America, creating new jobs and providing new markets for farmers and ranchers. Investing in the businesses and technologies that support the production of biofuels and biobased products is not only good for farm incomes. The whole economy benefits from a more balanced, diversified and consumer-friendly energy portfolio, less dependence on foreign oil and reduced carbon emissions."

--Secretary Tom Vilsack, USDA



# Biorefinery, Renewable Chemical, and Biobased Product Manufacturing Assistance Program (9003)

- The program now provides loan guarantees of up to \$250 million to develop, construct and retrofit commercial-scale biorefineries and to develop renewable chemicals and biobased product manufacturing.
- For this announcement, USDA will seek applications in two cycles.
   Applications for the first funding cycle are due <u>October 3, 2016.</u>
   Applications for the second cycle are due <u>April 3, 2017</u>.
- Newly implemented two-phase application process to help identify projects that have made most progress in the development stage, greatest capacity for implementation and loan closing.
- First two cycles under the new process yielded complete applications from projects producing biogas, biodiesel, cellulosic ethanol, biobased lubricants and oils, lignin cake and syrup, and fertilizers.
- For more information, p. 48377 of the July 25, 2016, <u>Federal Register</u>.
- Application materials on USDA's <u>Rural Development website</u>.
- More to come from Energy Division Director Mark Brodziski

#### **Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program**

- More than \$8.3 million in available funding through National Institute for Food and Agriculture (NIFA) for the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program to support small businesses in the creation of advanced research and development projects that will lead to innovative solutions for American agriculture.
- The SBIR program stimulates technological innovations in the private sector and strengthens the role of federal research and development in support of small businesses, encourages participation by womenowned and socially or economically disadvantaged small businesses.
- Companies initially apply for Phase I feasibility studies, which may be followed by Phase II research and development projects. Phase I grants are limited to \$100,000 and a duration of eight months, while Phase II grants are limited to \$600,000 and a duration of 24 months.
- Applications are due October 6. See the request for applications for more information: <a href="https://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/small-business-innovation-research-program-phase-i">https://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/small-business-innovation-research-program-phase-i</a>

# Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI) Coordinated Agricultural Project and Alcohol-to-Jet

- A major milestone was reached in June when two commercial Alaska Airlines flights departed Seattle-Tacoma Airport fueled by 1,500 gallons of alcohol-to-jet (ATJ) fuel made by Gevo, Inc., blended at 20% with petroleum based jet fuel.
- These flights represent the first-ever commercial flights on the recently ASTM qualified fuel.
- Gevo's ATJ conversion process can utilize sugars and starches that originate from multiple sustainable sources, including agriculture, silviculture, and industrial process waste streams.
- Alaska Airlines also anticipates flying a demonstration flight on Gevo ATJ fuel produced from sugars derived from saccharification of forestry residuals (slash piles from forest harvest, chips or sawdust from timber production, and residues from pulp and paper processing) through a project with Washington State University's Northwest Advanced Renewables Alliance, recipient of one of the largest USDA NIFA grants.

#### 66 Million Dead Trees in Southern Sierra Nevada

- U.S. Forest Service announced that it has identified an additional 26 million trees dead in California since Oct. 2015.
- Trees located in six counties, 760,000 acres in southern Sierra Nevada region, and are in addition to the 40 million trees that died statewide from 2010 to Oct. 2015, bringing the total to at least 66 million dead trees.
- Four consecutive years of severe drought, dramatic rise in bark beetle infestation and warmer temperatures are leading to historic levels of tree die-off.
- Efforts to protect watersheds and restore forests resilience are being squeezed out of budget; Last year fire management alone consumed 56% of the FS's budget.
- Link to <u>Photos and video of the May survey</u>

#### **Public-Private Partnership to Help Reduce Wildfire Threat**

- U.S. Forest Service and the Natural Resources Conservation
   Service announced a new partnership with the American Forest
   Foundation to conduct critical restoration work to address
   catastrophic wildfire risk across 3.5 million acres of private land
   in order to protect water supplies for Western communities.
- Combined \$5 million initial investment, Aiming to restore more than 11,000 acres in the first two years.
- A portion of the funds will help AFF and partners including state forestry agencies, conduct outreach and education to 17,500 private landowners in important water supply watersheds.
- The remainder of the funds will provide cost-share dollars directly to landowners in one of the project landscapes, the Upper South Platte Watershed in Colorado.
- Also Rocky Mountain Front, MT; Blue Mountains, OR; Sierra Nevada region, broader CA; Four Corner States (AZ, CO, NW, UT)

# Addressing the Challenges & Opportunities of Advancing the Billion Ton Bioeconomy

- Agricultural Technology Innovation Partnership (ATIP) Foundation --- a
  consortium of State Economic Development organizations --- develop and cohost with a coordinating entity, a series of regional Bioeconomy Forums to
  garner input from a broad range of stakeholders on the Bioeconomy
  challenges & opportunities to help shape a multiyear implementation plan, to
  be prepared by the Biomass R&D Board by the end of the calendar year.
- Foundation will co-host five Bioeconomy Forums throughout the United States, in partnership with the U.S. Departments of Agriculture and Energy.
- Forums are confirmed for Atlanta, Georgia (September 16), Mineral Wells, TX (September 29), Seattle-Tacoma, Washington (October 3), Orono, ME (October 18), and Columbus, OH (November 15)
- Follows listening sessions on the Vision, conducted by USDA and DOE, in April and May through a national webinar and at four major conferences including the 2016 Advanced Bioeconomy Leadership Conference; 2016 International Biomass Conference in Charlotte, NC; World Congress on Industrial Biotechnology in San Diego, CA; and the Symposium on Biotechnology for Fuels and Chemicals in Baltimore, MD.

### Federal Alternative Jet Fuels R&D Strategy

Research, Development, Demonstration, & Deployment (RD3)

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Co-Chairs

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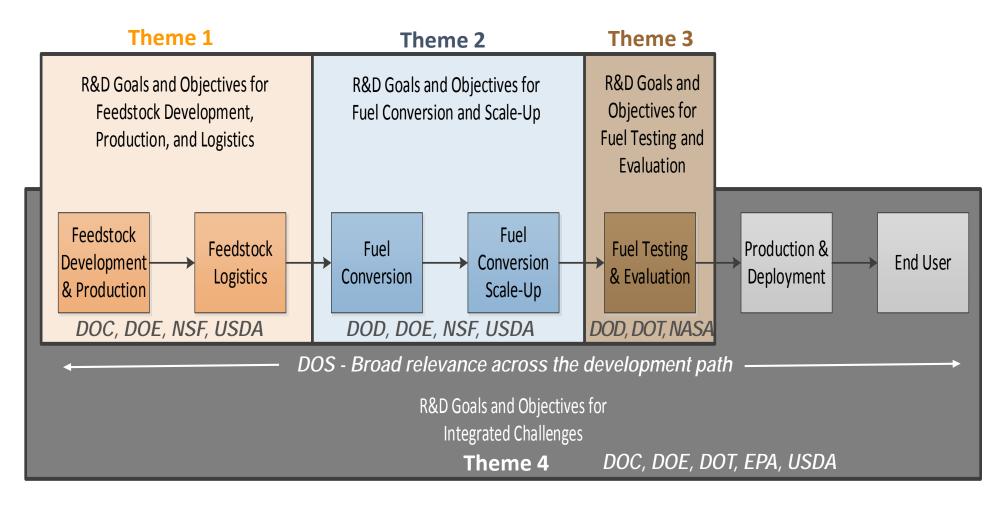
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# **Strategy Construct: AJF Development Path and Agency Engagement**



Prioritized Federal R&D goals and objectives to address key scientific/technical challenges that currently inhibit the development, production, and use of economically viable alternative jet fuels – enabling environmental and social benefits compared to conventional fuels while enhancing U.S. energy security.

#### Summary

• US Agencies recognize the complex, inter-related nature of the sustainable alternative jet fuel enterprise.

• The complexity of this enterprise warrants close, inter-agency communication & coordination. Federal Agencies have self-NASA organized to more closely DOC DOE coordinate & have codified the coordination & common goals, **FAA** Academia DOD in an actionable Federal Strategy. NSF **EPA**  Examples of early coordination USDA DOS successes include National Jet Fuel Combustion Program, Farm to Fly 2, and recent progress under the DPA. Industry More detail & discussion at the Federal Strategy

 More detail & discussion at the Federal Strategy session on Thursday, October 27, 9am-noon



# U.S. Leadership and Cooperation to Advance Deployment

October 25, 2016

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## Aviation Fuels in the RFS Program

The RFS program was primarily designed to ensure that gasoline and diesel are replaced with increasing volumes of renewable fuel.

The definition of renewable fuel in the RFS regulations includes jet fuel.

- The term **"renewable fuel"** means fuel that is produced from renewable biomass and that is used to replace or reduce the quantity of fossil fuel present in a **transportation fuel**.
- The term "additional renewable fuel" means fuel that is produced from renewable biomass and that is used to replace or reduce the quantity of fossil fuel present in home heating oil or jet fuel.

Renewable jet fuel can generate Renewable Identification Numbers (RINs) if there is an approved fuel pathway and all of the other requirements are met.

• A renewable fuel pathway includes three critical components: (1) feedstock, (2) production process and (3) fuel type. Each combination of the three components is a separate fuel pathway.



# Renewables Enhancement and Growth Support (REGS) Rule (signed Oct. 3, 2016)

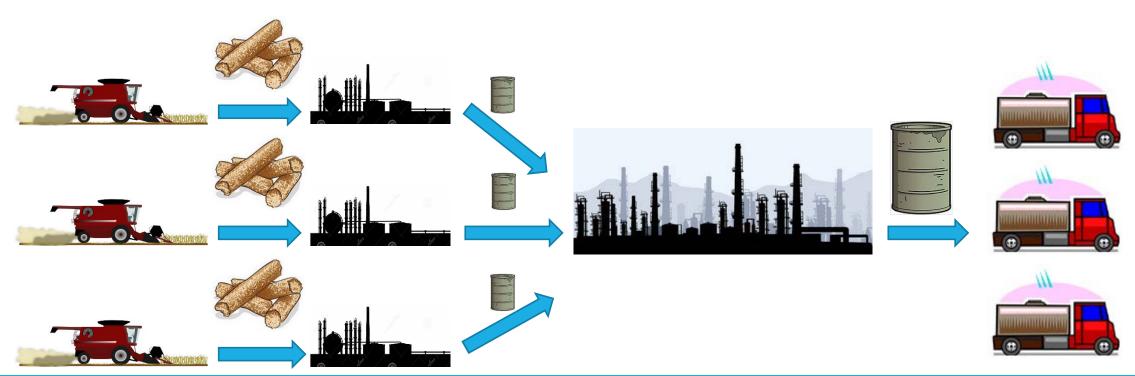
#### **Biointermediates**

Renewable biomass collected in multiple areas

Biomass is sent to local collection/pre-processing facility to produce biointermediate

Biointermediates from multiple facilities are sent to a renewable fuel production facility

Renewable fuel is produced and distributed to blenders





### Other Relevant REGs Provisions

#### **Short-Rotation Trees**

- Proposing to add short-rotation hybrid poplar and short-rotation willow as new cellulosic biofuel feedstocks, allowing producers to generate cellulosic RINs (D3 or D7)
- Defining "short-rotation" to mean that qualifying hybrid poplar and willow have harvest rotations of less than 10 years



- Currently no pathway for cellulosic biomass that is co-processed with petroleum to produce diesel, jet fuel, or heating oil
  - In order to generate D7 cellulosic RINs, our regulations require that these fuels meet both "cellulosic biofuel" and "biomass-based diesel" definitions, the latter of which does not allow for co-processed fuels
- Proposing to redefine D7 RIN category as "cellulosic biomass-based diesel" and revise definition of cellulosic diesel to remove BBD requirement
- Will allow diesel, jet fuel, and heating oil produced from cellulosic biomass that is coprocessed with petroleum to generate cellulosic D3 RINs











#### **Federal Agency Initiatives - CAAFI**

October 25, 2016

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#### **Defense Production Act (DPA) Initiative**

In July 2011, the Secretaries of Agriculture, Energy, and Navy signed a Memorandum of Understanding to commit \$510 M (\$170 M from each agency) to produce hydrocarbon jet and diesel biofuels in the near term. This initiative sought to achieve:

- Multiple, commercial-scale integrated biorefineries.
- Cost-competitive biofuel with conventional petroleum (without subsidies).
- Domestically produced fuels from non-food feedstocks.
- Drop-in, fully compatible, MILSPEC fuels (F-76, JP-5, JP8).
- Help meet the Navy's demand for 1.26 billion gallons of fuel per year.
- Contribute to the Navy's goal of launching the "Great Green Fleet" in 2016.
- Demonstration of the production and use of more than 100 million gallons per year will dramatically reduce risk for drop-in biofuels production and adoption.



### On September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 three projects were selected for construction and commissioning:

| Company           | Location        | Feedstock                  | Conversion<br>Pathway                        | Off-Take<br>Agreements  | Capacity<br>(MMgpy) |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--|-------------------------|---------------------|
| EMERALD BIOFUELS  | Gulf Coast      | Fats, Oils, and<br>Greases | Hydroprocessed Esters and Fatty Acids (HEFA) | TBD                     | 82.0                |
| Fulcrum BIOENERGY | McCarran,<br>NV | Municipal<br>Solid Waste   | Gasification – Fischer<br>Tröpsch (FT)       | UNITED CATHAY PACIFIC   | 10.0                |
| Red Rock Biofuels | Lakeview, OR    | Woody<br>Biomass           | Gasification – Fischer<br>Tröpsch (FT)       | FedEx southwest ARLINES | 12.0                |

#### **DOE Joins Farm to Fly 2.0**

- We appreciate the hard work in approving alternative fuels and commitment to sustainable growth made by the aviation industry.
- DOE is actively committed to accelerating the adoption of alternative fuels by this market.
- In 2013, USDA and FAA made a commitment to the aviation industry to help meet their goals with the Farm to Fly 2.0 agreement. This effort seeks to enable the use of commercially viable and sustainable renewable jet fuel in the United States.
- In July 2014, Secretary Moniz signed an amendment officially making DOE the newest partner agency in this significant initiative.
- Welcome input on specific areas of collaboration for DOE via F2F2





### Farm to Fleet (Navy & Agriculture)



- Commodity Credit Corporation Funds available to pay for USDAapproved domestic feedstock costs for bulk buys of naval distillate and jet fuels (F-76 & JP-5) alternative fuel blends
- Rocky Mountain/ West Coast bulk fuels contract awarded 77.6 MM gallons of F-76 with 10% synthetic fuels content
  - Covers San Diego, Bremerton, Hawaii
  - Synthetic fuel supplied by AltAir (Paramount, CA) using the HEFA process
  - Provided the fuel for RIMPAC 2016
- Inland/ East/ Gulf Coast solicitation recently closed for fuel delivery starting 1 April 2017
  - Covers Norfolk, Mayport, and Jacksonville
  - All services will accept synthetic fuel blends in Jet A and JP-8 in accordance with published fuel specifications
  - Awardees (including any information on synthetic fuel content) will be announced 1 March 2017