



Intermountain West Energy Sustainability & Transitions

# On the road to carbon neutrality in the Intermountain West

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Photo taken on Hwy 585 N. Montana

## What Is I-WEST

DOE funded, Los Alamos led project looking at paths to carbon neutrality in the intermountain west

- Seeks place-based solutions
- Goal of an equitable transition (including economic issues)
- Investigates whether an intersection of hydrogen production, CCUS, power generation and biofuels can simultaneously help address special challenges in these states while helping with economic development





# I-WEST

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*A Place-based Approach to  
Achieving Carbon Neutrality in the Intermountain West*

### I-WEST is developing a regional, stakeholder-informed technology roadmap

- Roadmap will quantify technology pathways, identify factors that could aid or impede the pathways, and assess the impacts of the pathways.

The I-WEST assessment is being sponsored by US Department of Energy.

The Roadmap will be made available publicly.

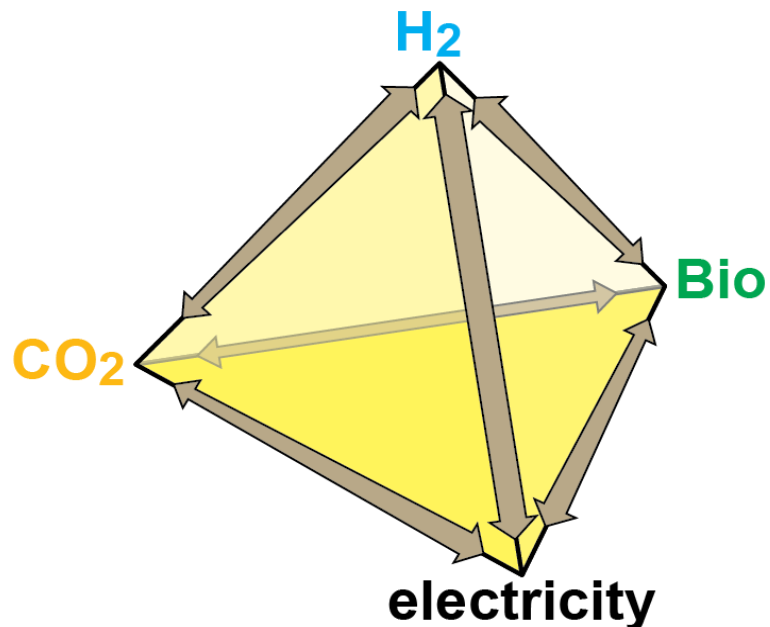


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# Stakeholder workshops being held within the state. Regional topical workshops focused on technology pathways

*It is anticipated that many technology pathways will tie to a hydrogen economy.*



- CO<sub>2</sub> capture from point sources
- CO<sub>2</sub> capture from the air
- CO<sub>2</sub> storage & utilization
- Hydrogen generation
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- Bioenergy
- Biological CO<sub>2</sub> conversion & value-added products
- Electricity generation

# Thumbnail of the I-WEST Phase I Assessment

## Objectives

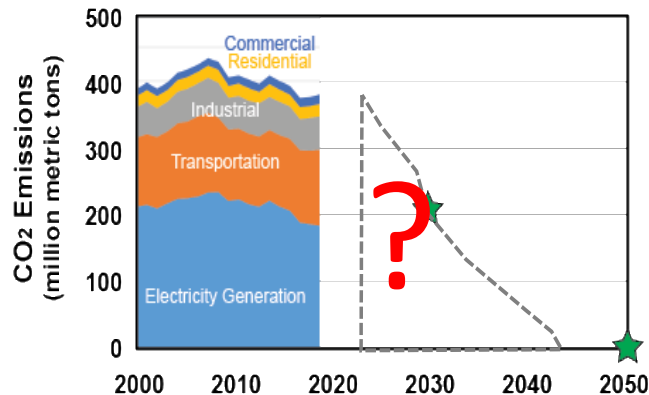
- To develop a regional, stakeholder-informed technology roadmap
  - Regionally relevant technology pathways
  - Options that can be deployed now & ones needed within next decade
- To facilitate regional coalitions

## Strategy

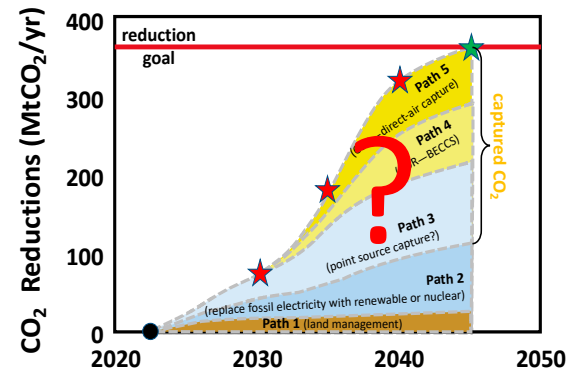
- Place-based approach
- **Emissions reduction** → **new, symbiotic energy economies**



I-WEST Goal



I-WEST Roadmap



Symbiotic Energy Economies

