



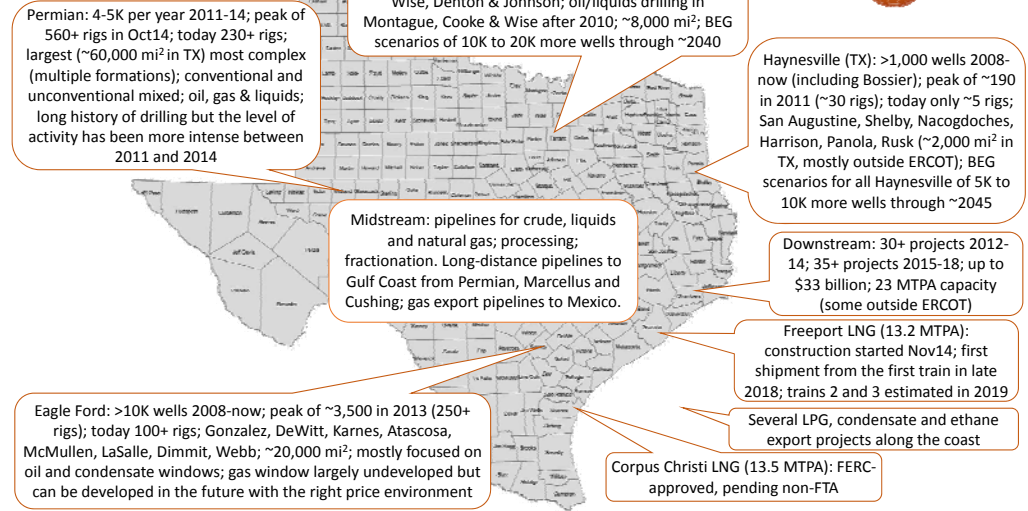
# Oil & Gas Developments in Texas

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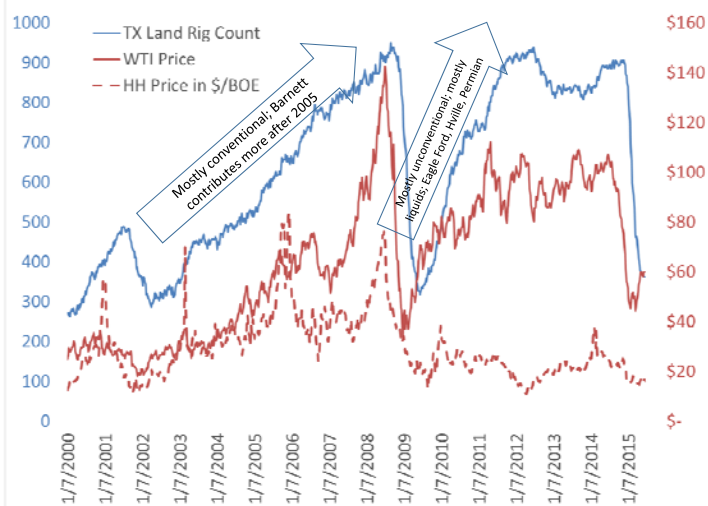
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## Overview



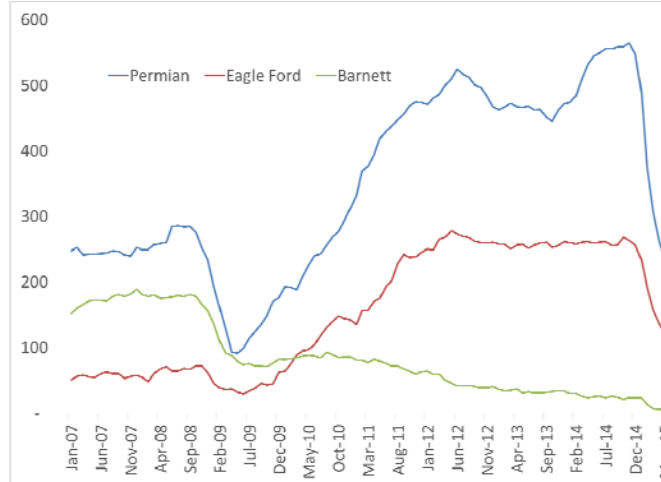
## Land Rig Count Back to 2009 Low



- Drilling is very responsive to the oil price
- NGL prices traditionally linked to oil price; but today ethane is priced as methane (mostly)
- Oil and natural gas prices decoupled since the late 2000s

Calculations based on Baker Hughes rig data and EIA price data.

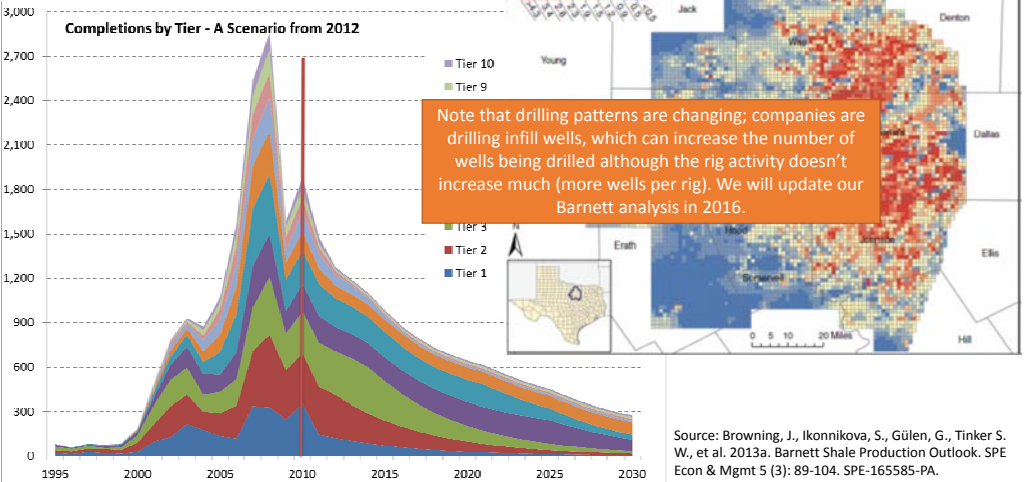
## Permian, Eagle Ford and Barnett account for 94% of rig count today versus 78% in early 2007



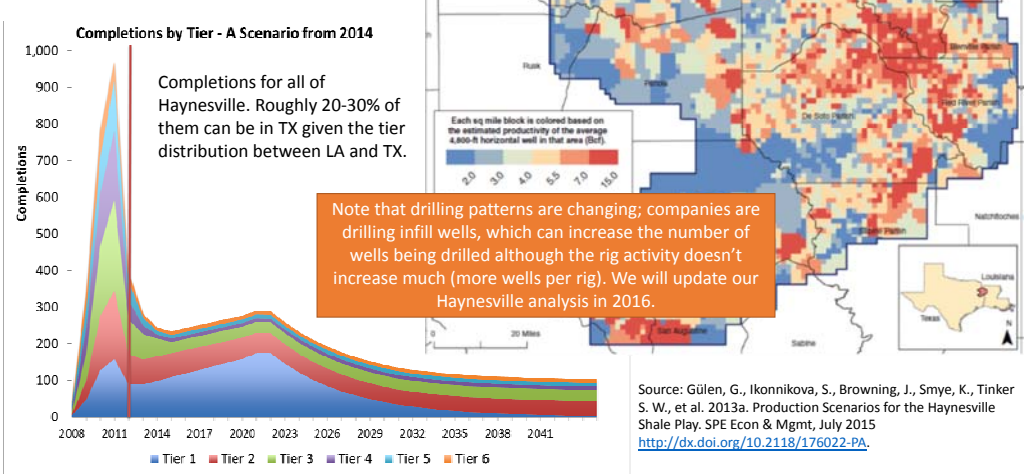
- Permian drilling is a mix of conventional and unconventional wells
- There are several formations in the Permian that will likely be developed over time
- Eagle Ford drilling started targeting gas but quickly switched to oil and liquids

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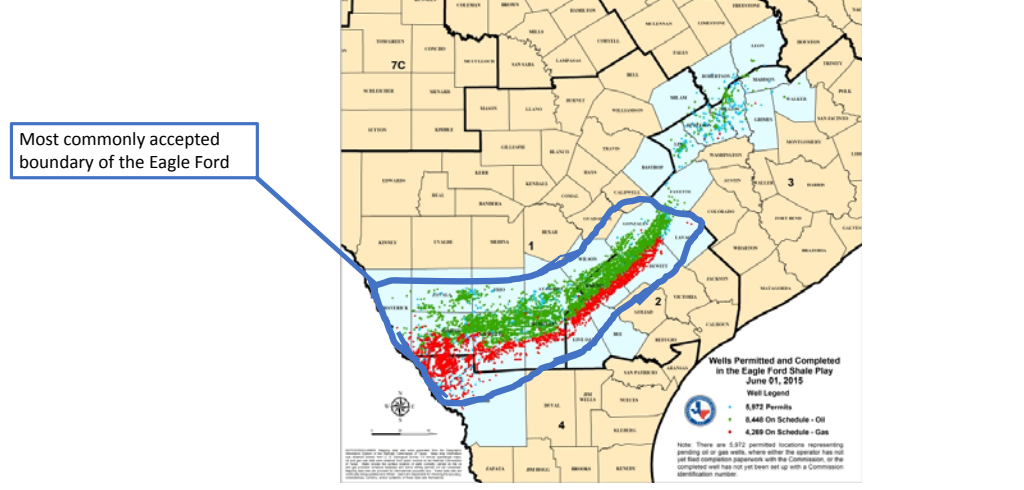
# Barnett Drilling to Continue but at a Slower Rate



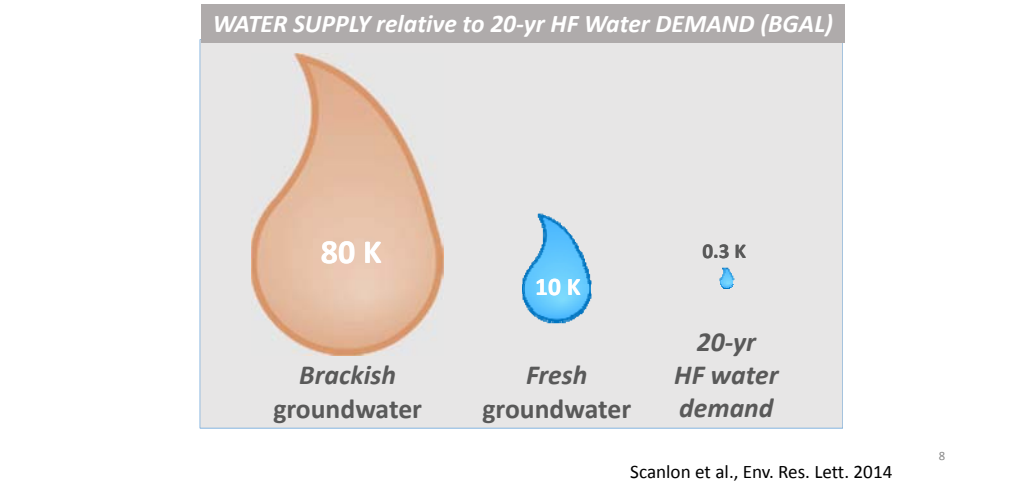
# Haynesville Drilling is More Sensitive to Price



# Eagle Ford Drilling Slowed Down but Interest Remains High



# Water is not a Problem in the Eagle Ford: Brackish Groundwater is an Alternative



# Hydraulic Fracturing Saves Water



For every gallon of water used to produce natural gas through hydraulic fracturing



- Water use for shale gas extraction = 6% of water used to generate electricity using that gas

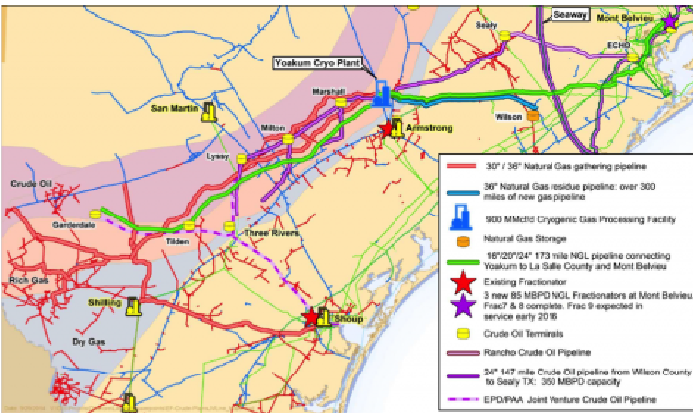
Texas saved 33 gallons of water by generating electricity with that natural gas instead of coal or nuclear power (in 2011)

# Eagle Ford & Permian Will Continue to be Drilled but Infrastructure Issues Need to be Addressed → \$ Billions of Investment



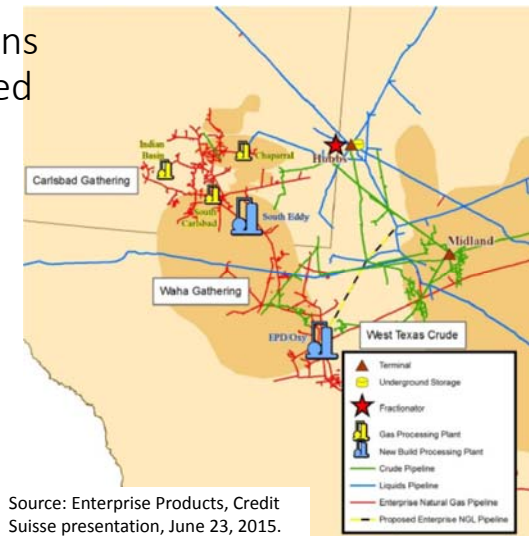
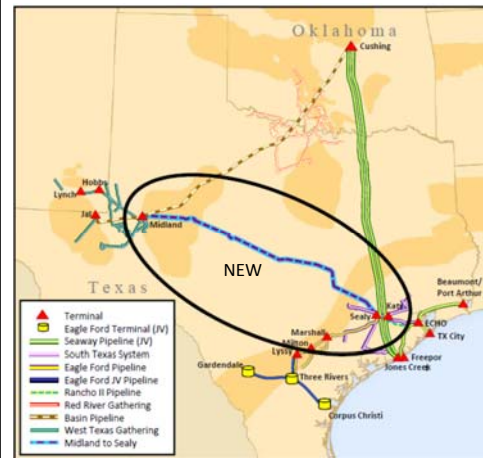
- Gas flaring in EF: new pipelines & processing under development.
  - Other options: in-field generation, trucks running on LNG/CNG, drilling rigs that run on natural gas, micro power generation at the field
- Condensate splitting is necessary to meet refinery specs and/or "refine oil" to enable product export (primarily EF)
- NGL production handling and shipping: investment in new processing plants, fractionators and liquids pipelines (both EF and Permian)
- Crude shipping (both EF and Permian)
- Water infrastructure in the Permian (not as many options as EF): wastewater treatment & pipeline networks

# Eagle Ford Midstream – \$Billions Already Invested in Infrastructure; More Being Invested



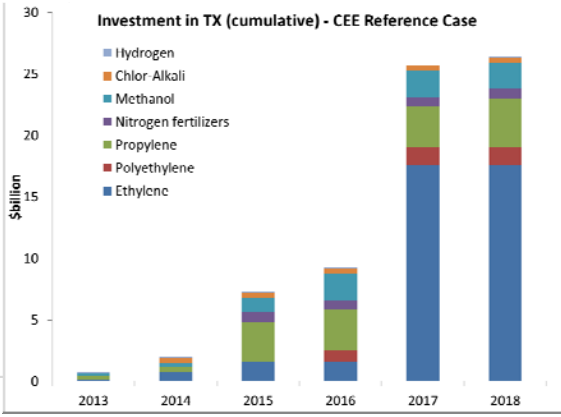
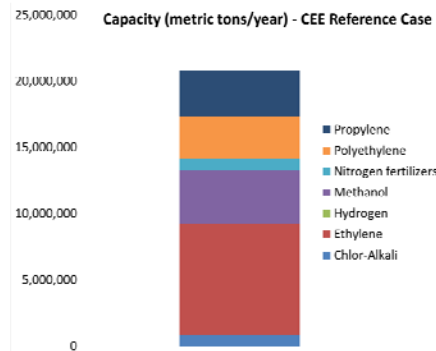
Source: Enterprise Products, Credit Suisse presentation, June 23, 2015.

# Permian Midstream - \$ Billions Invested; More Being Invested



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# Petrochemicals & Other Industrial Projects



- \$26.5 billion in the Reference Case
- Incremental gas demand of 0.8 BCFD.
- If we include projects under consideration or planning: \$33 billion, 0.9 BCFD.

Source: BEG-CEE industrial projects database

<http://www.beg.utexas.edu/energyecon/documents/Industrial%20Gas%20Demand%20052215.pdf>

# Some Concluding Observations



- Although slowed down significantly since October 2014 owing to low oil and natural gas prices, oil & gas activity in Texas remains significant across the value chain and across most of the State
  - As the oil price stabilizes and/or natural gas price recovers, the activity is likely to pick up.
- Eagle Ford and Permian will dominate in drilling and most midstream investments
- But all roads lead to the Gulf Coast for refining, fractionation, petrochemicals, liquefaction and exports