### **Bio-Refinery Ground Breaking**



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## Anatomy of a Project









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## Enid Project Goals

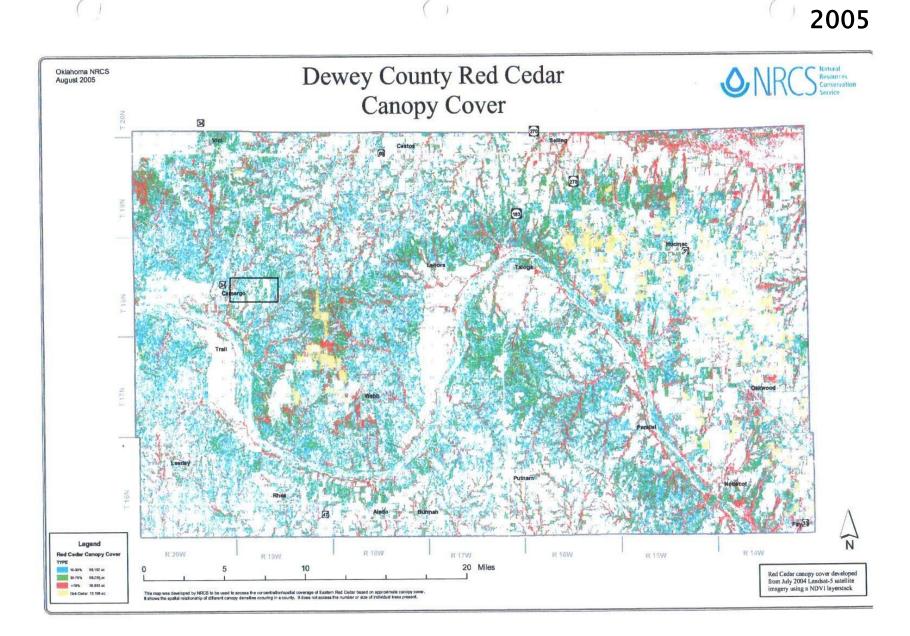
- Not part of the Food vs. Fuel debate
- No subsidy for cash flow
- Provide a solution to the Eastern Red Cedar land use issue

### Eastern Red Cedar

The Problem = The Opportunity

- 8 million acres
- 762 acres/day
- \$157 million needed Red Cedar Task Force Report Dec 2002





#### What to turn it into?

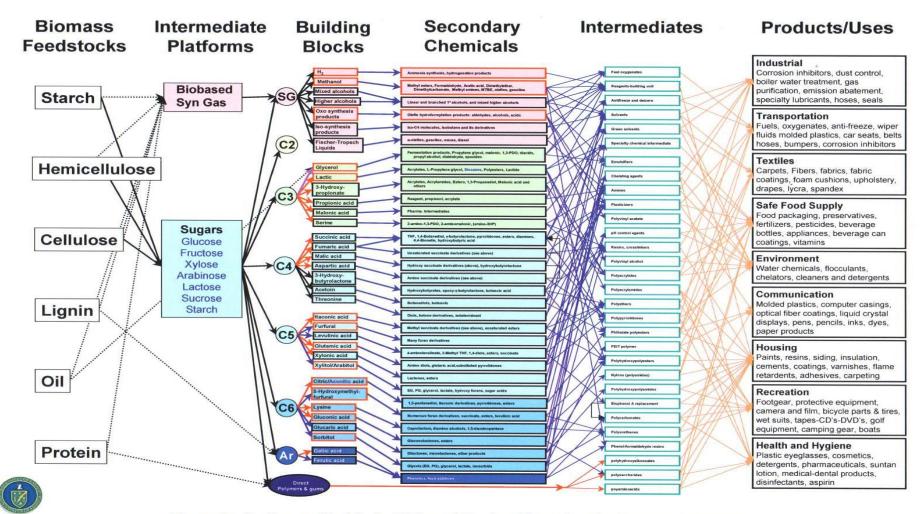
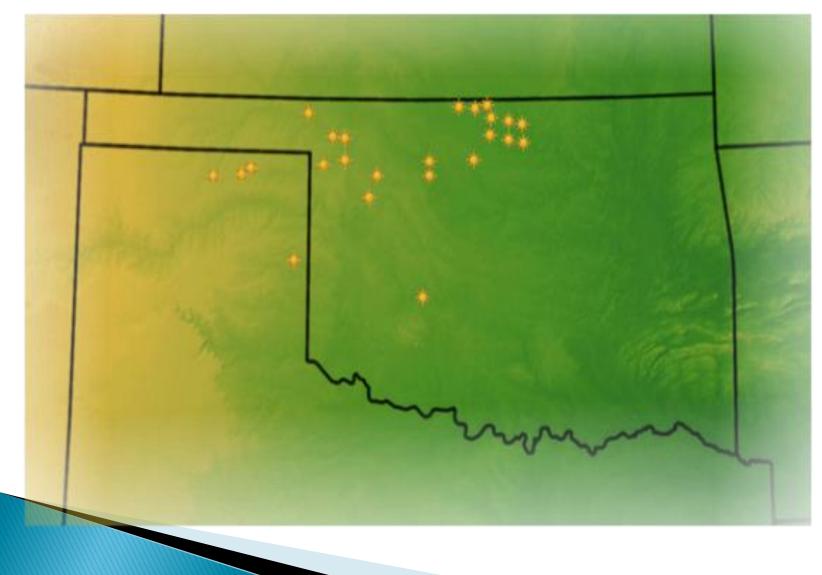


Figure 3 – Analogous Model of a Biobased Product Flow-chart for Biomass Feedstocks

### Logistics

Feedstock Resource Center Facilities - WB Johnston Grain Co.



## Challenges

Long term harvesting contracts

Need a Technology that processes trees as we harvest them today

Storage

• Water Usage in Processing Plant

## Opportunities

- Capital Markets want to participate
- Land use solution is needed
- Political "Home Run"

# **Funding Options**

- Tax Increment Finance Districts
- Economic Development Pooled
  Finance Program
- Conservation Innovation Grants





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