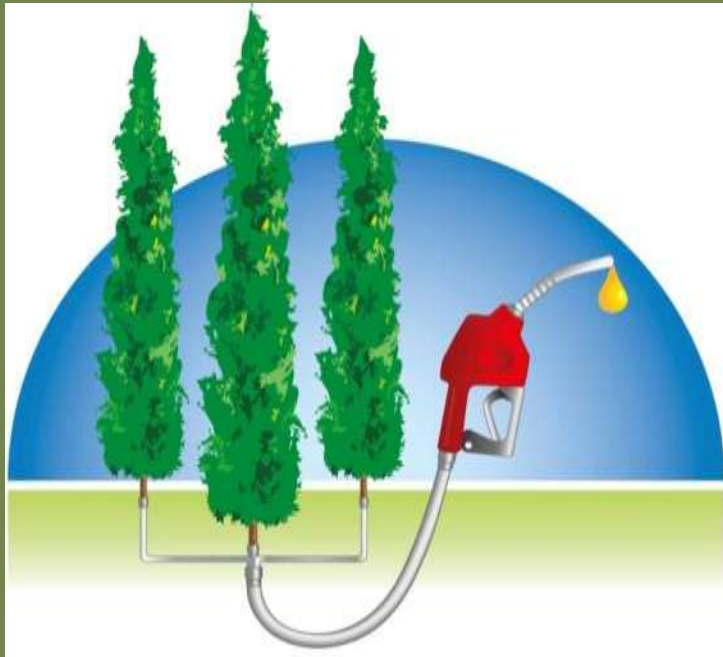


Bioresource Research at UW



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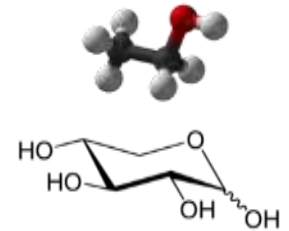
What We Do!

Biomass



Useful Stuff

Biological
conversion



Chemical
conversion



Thermal
conversion



Economics, Environment (Carbon & Water), Social

How to deal with heterogeneous biomass?

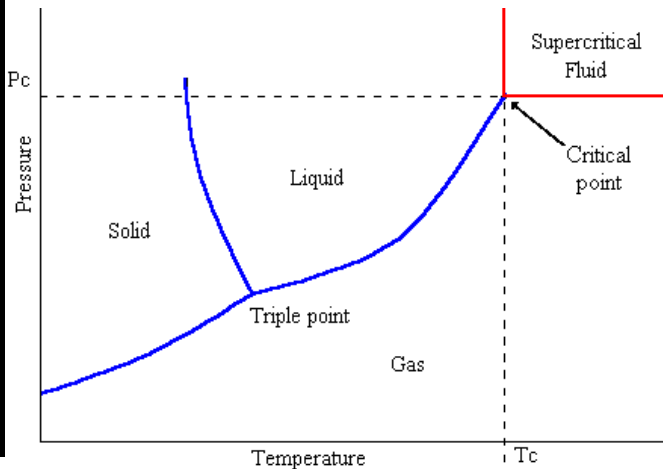
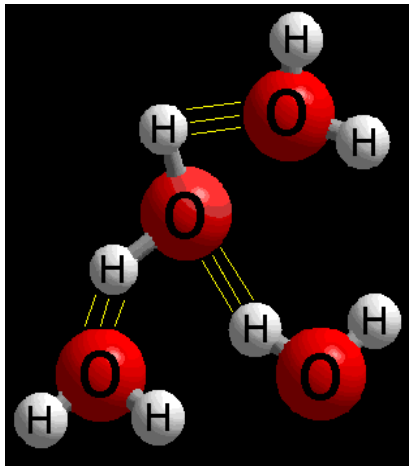
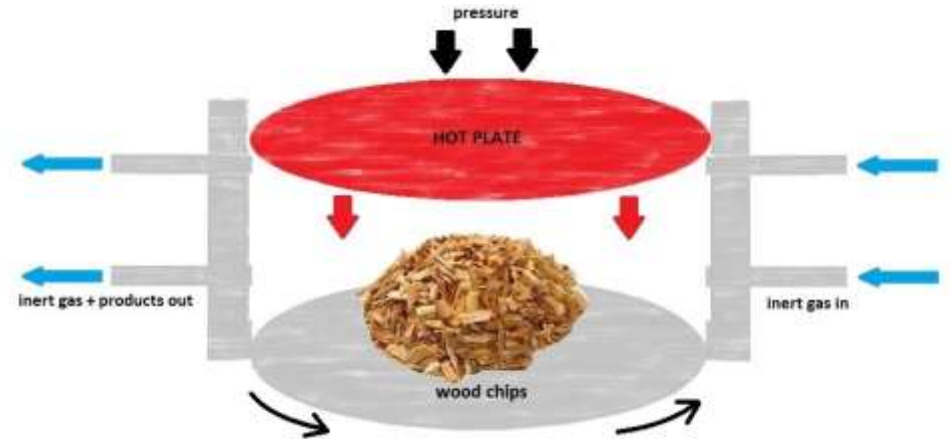
(Renata Bura – Session B2, 11:15)



1. Preconditioning
2. Online reaction control
3. Techno-economical analysis
4. Life Cycle Analysis (LCA)

Thermochemical/Hydrothermal Conversion of Biomass (Fernando Resende – Session B3, 1:30)

- ✓ Ablative Pyrolysis of Beetle-killed Trees
- ✓ Catalytic Fast Pyrolysis for Drop-in Fuels

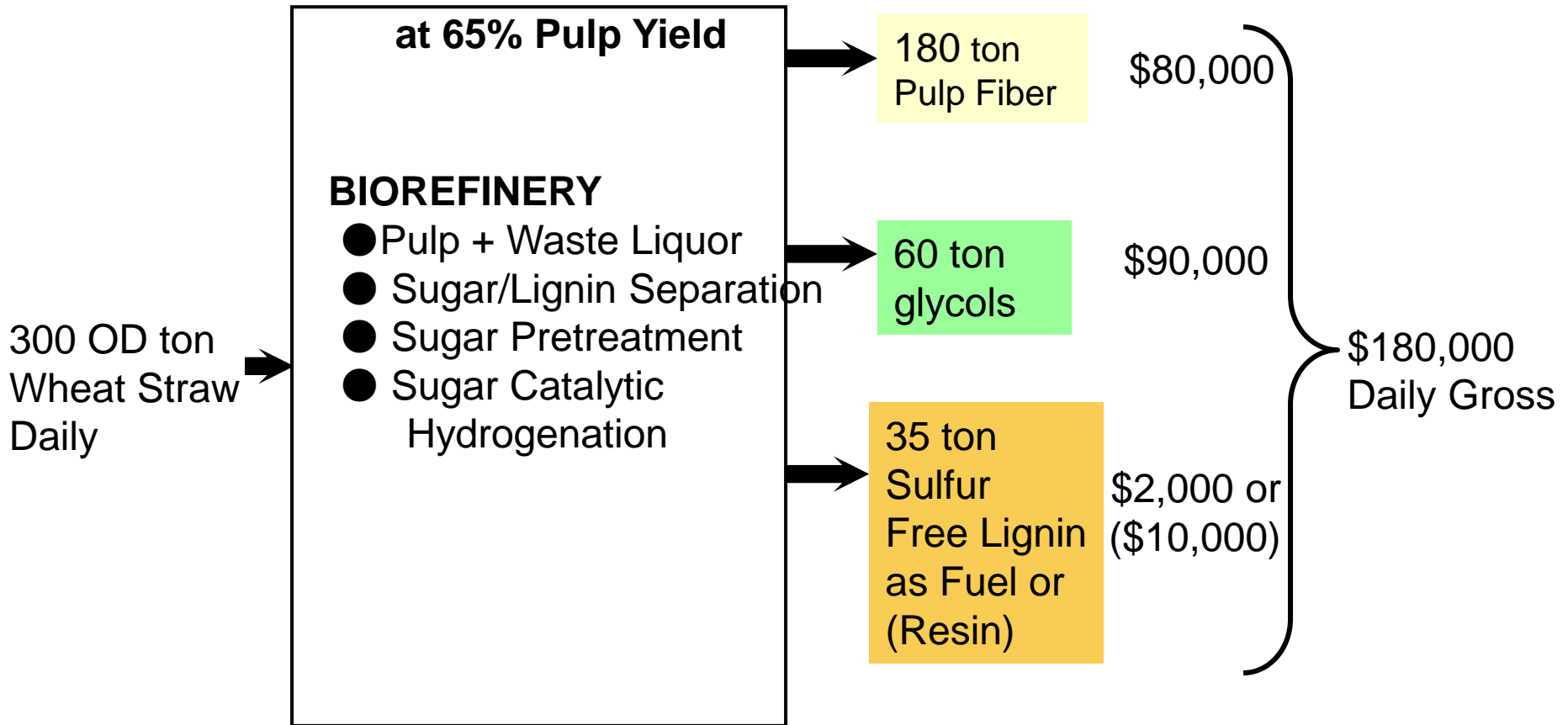


- ✓ Hydrothermal Gasification/Liquefaction of Biomass
- ✓ Conversion of Ethanol to Gasoline/Jet-fuel

Biorefinery Process Development – Pulp+Chemicals

(Bill McKean – Plenary Session 4, 3:00)

BASIS: 200 TON OD PULP DAILY



Advanced Hardwood Biofuels Northwest

AHB

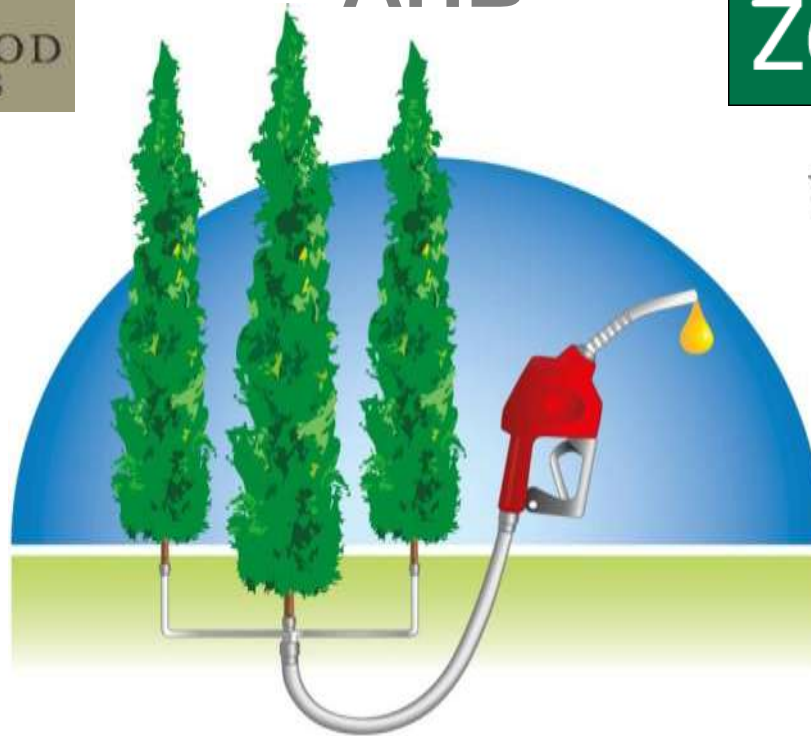
ZeaChem



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Preparing PNW for Biofuels Industry

5 million tons biomass/yr
400,000 acres in production

- Poplar-industrial growers
- Poplar-farmer-based partnerships
- Local residuals

Sustainable system

- Environmental
- Economic
- Social

1500 direct employment
– most in rural areas



Vigorous Extension

Comprehensive Education

400 million gallons/yr
(75% of pro-rata PNW RFS2 for 2022)
100% infrastructure
compatible biofuels

Feedstock – Trial Plantations

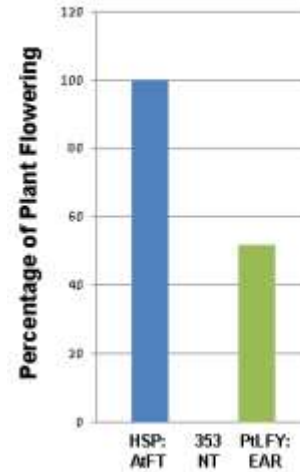


Feedstock Supporting Research

Clonal Performance



Sterile Poplars



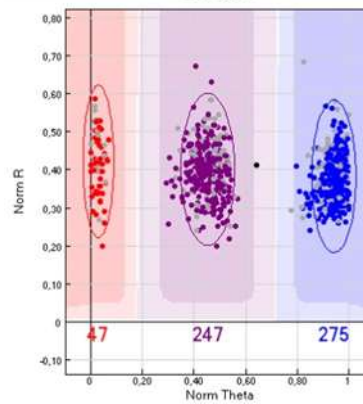
Phenotyping



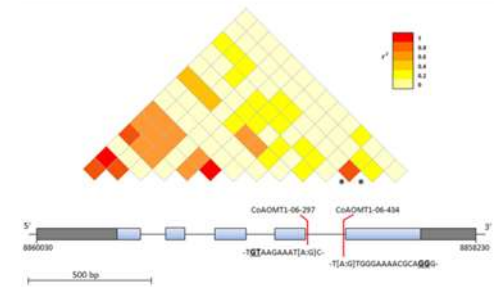
Traits related to:
 Growth and phenology
 Water use efficiency
 Wood chemical composition
 Wood metabolome

+

Genotyping



Association analysis



Feedstock - Supporting Research

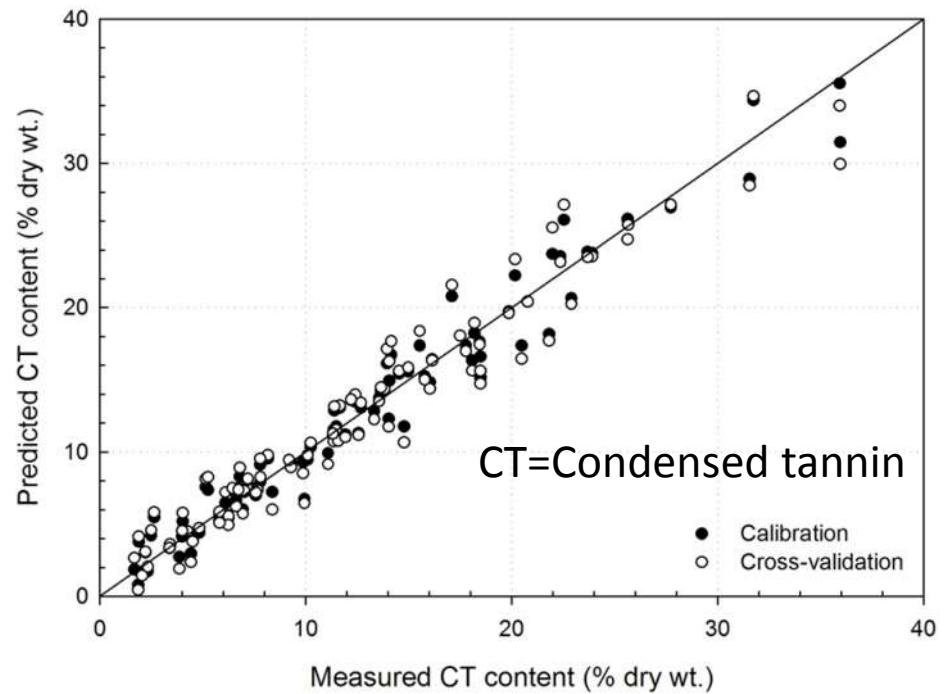


Control

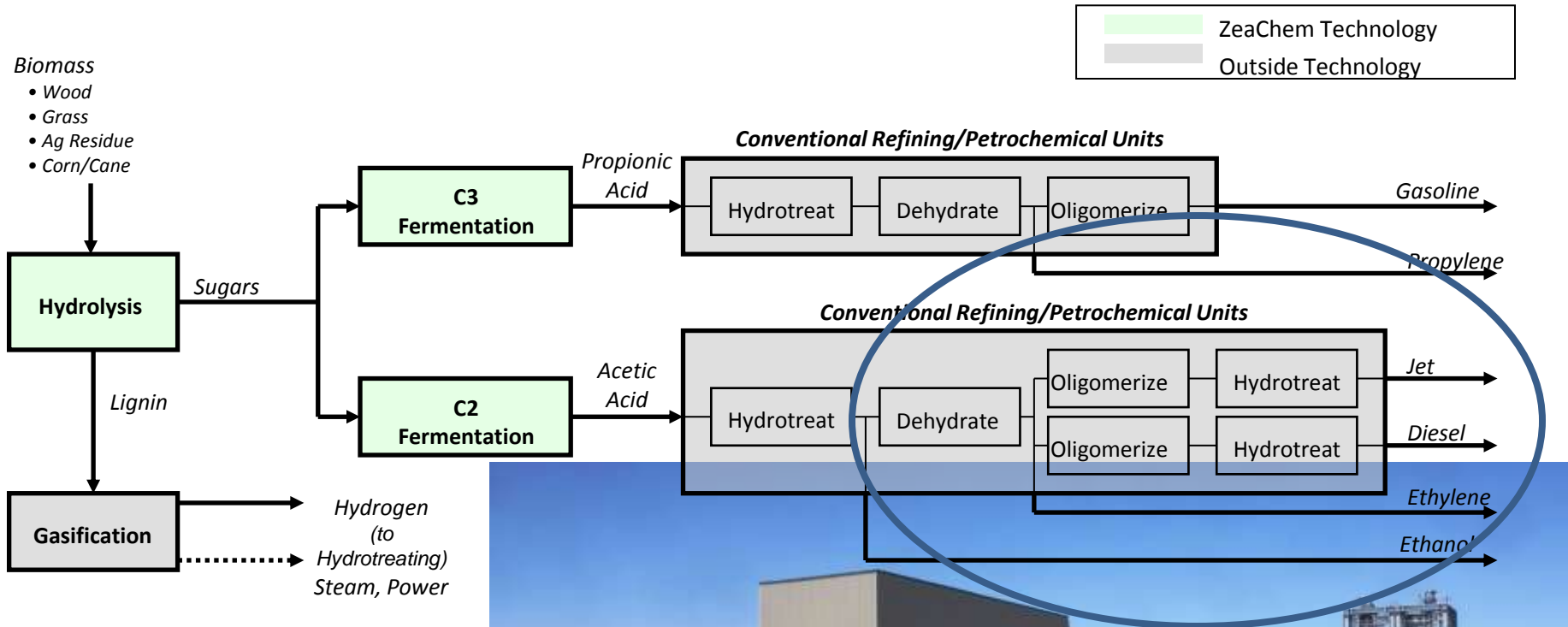
Leaf Endophytes



P. trichocarpa + *generosa* calibration



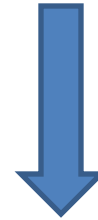
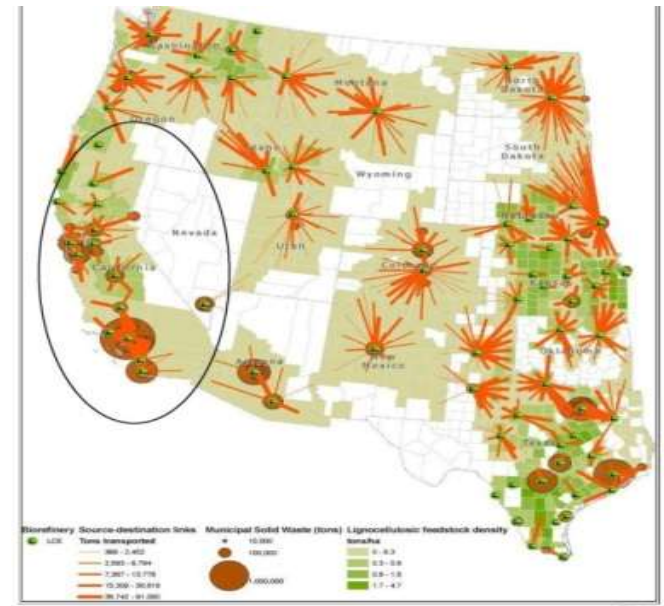
Conversion - ZeaChem Process



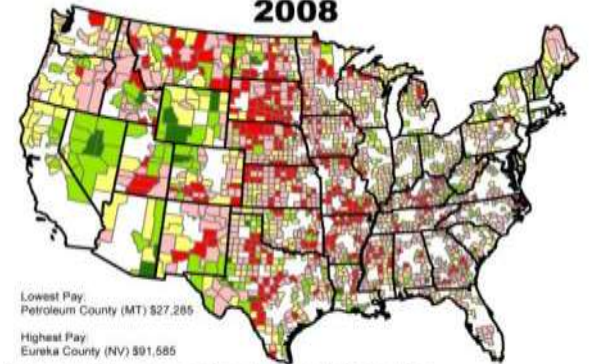
Conversion – Project Schedule

Area	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Dehydration and Oligomerization	Design & Assembly	Operations w/ C2 Platform			Operations w/ C3 Platform
Distribute 1st Truck-load of Jet/Diesel			◆		
C3 Platform	Lab-scale Development (Outside AFRI Scope)		Pilot-scale Dev.	10 TPD Integrated Biorefinery Development	
Distribute 1st Truck-load of Gasoline					◆

Sustainability



What Work Pays in Rural America 2008



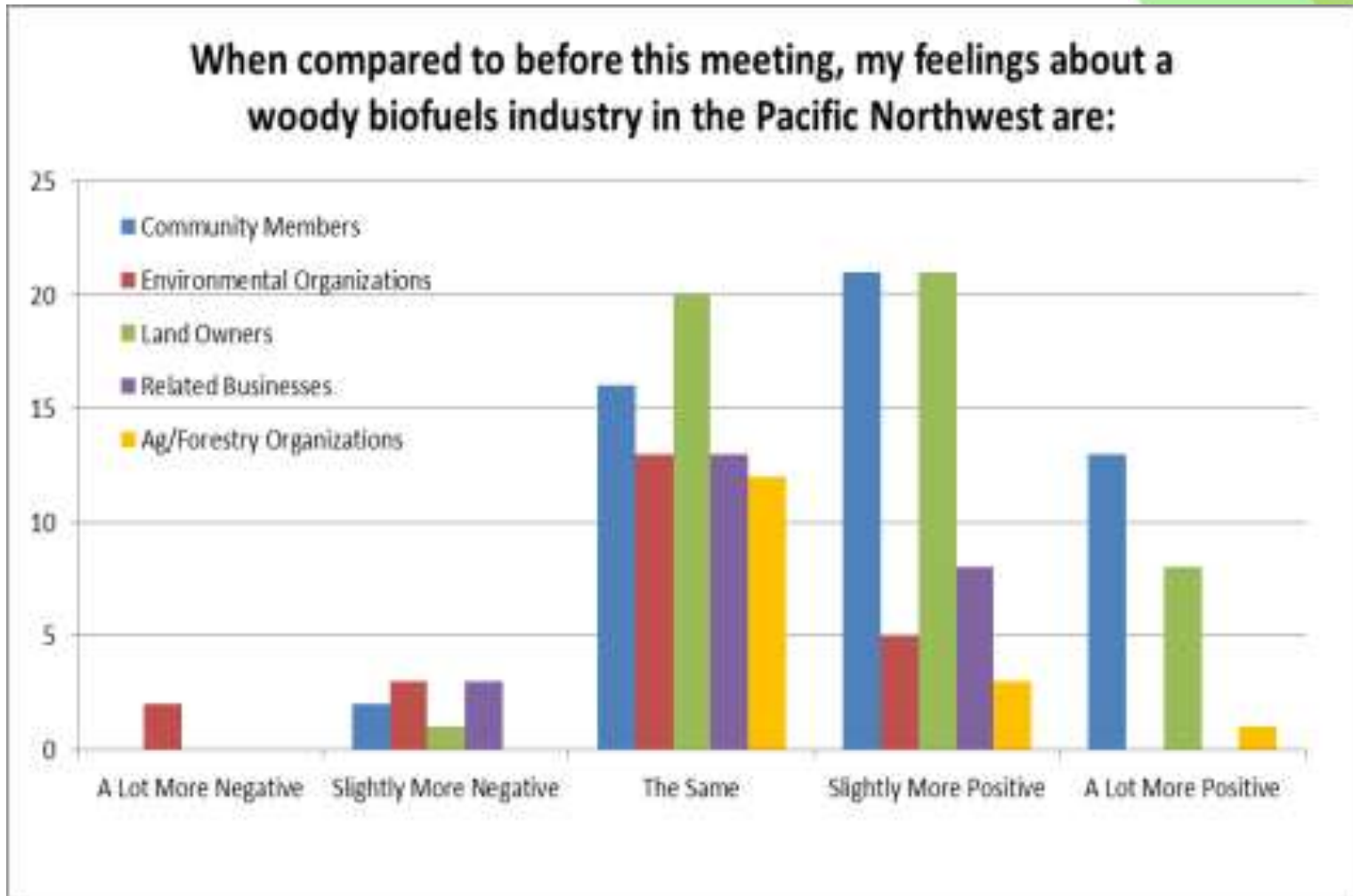
Lowest Pay:
Petroleum County (MT) \$27,285

Highest Pay:
Eureka County (NV) \$91,585

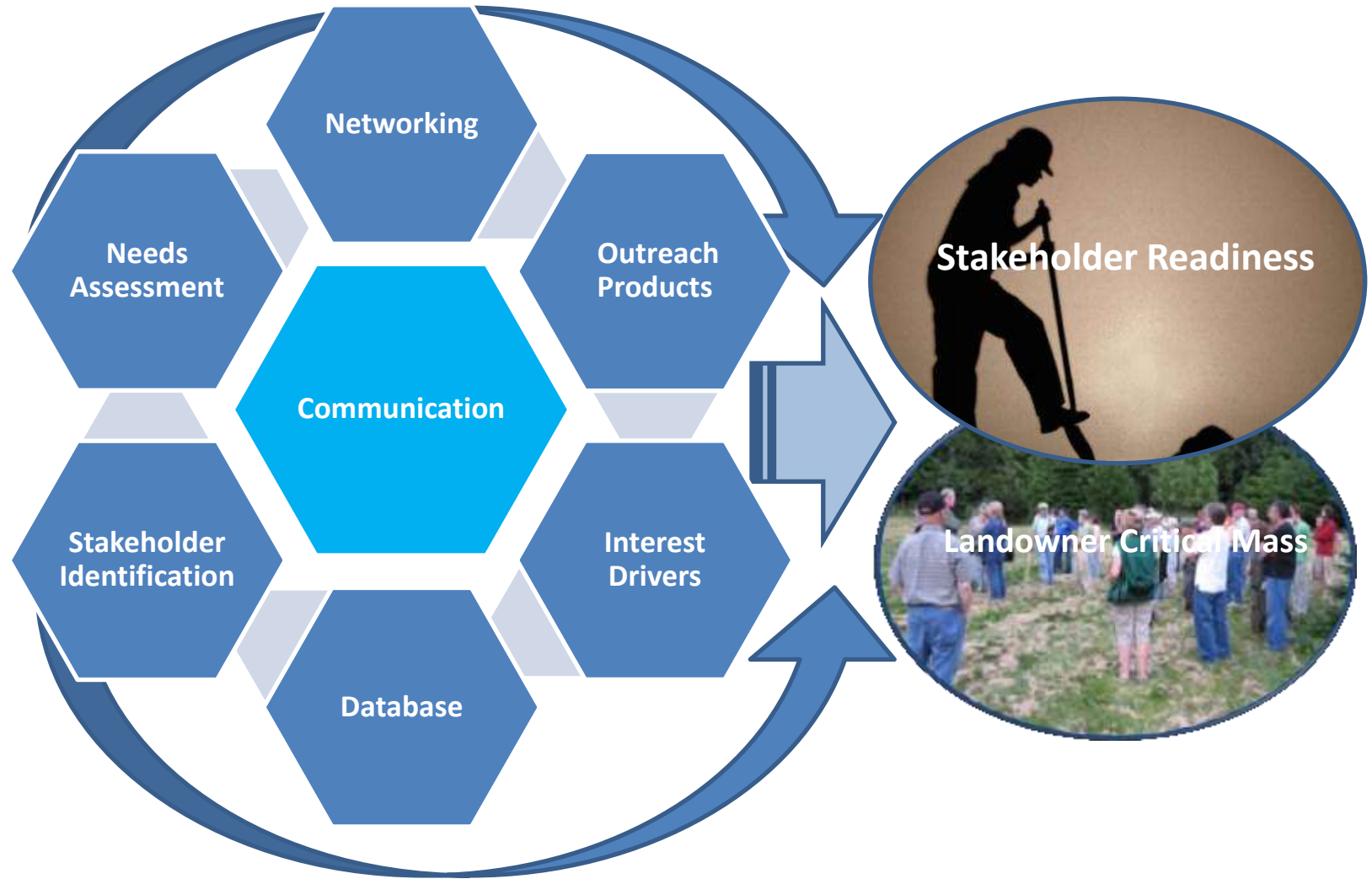
Average Compensation in Rural Counties

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Sustainability

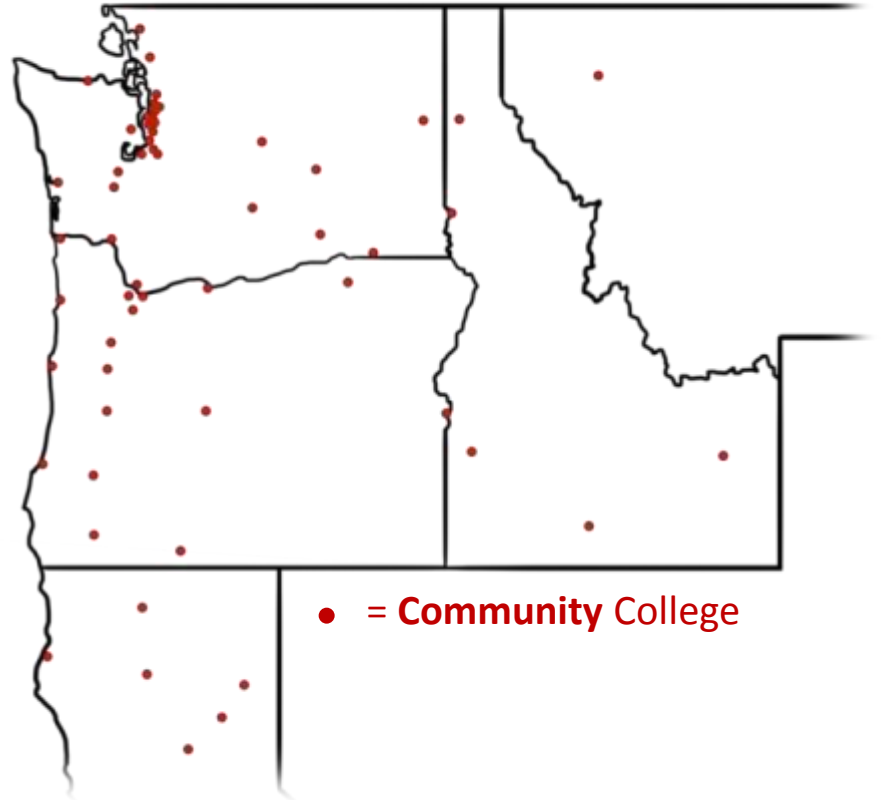


Extension



Education

Community College Curriculum Development (DACUM) sessions:



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