California Methane Symposium:

A Scientific Assessment of Methane Pollution and Strategies to Address Emissions

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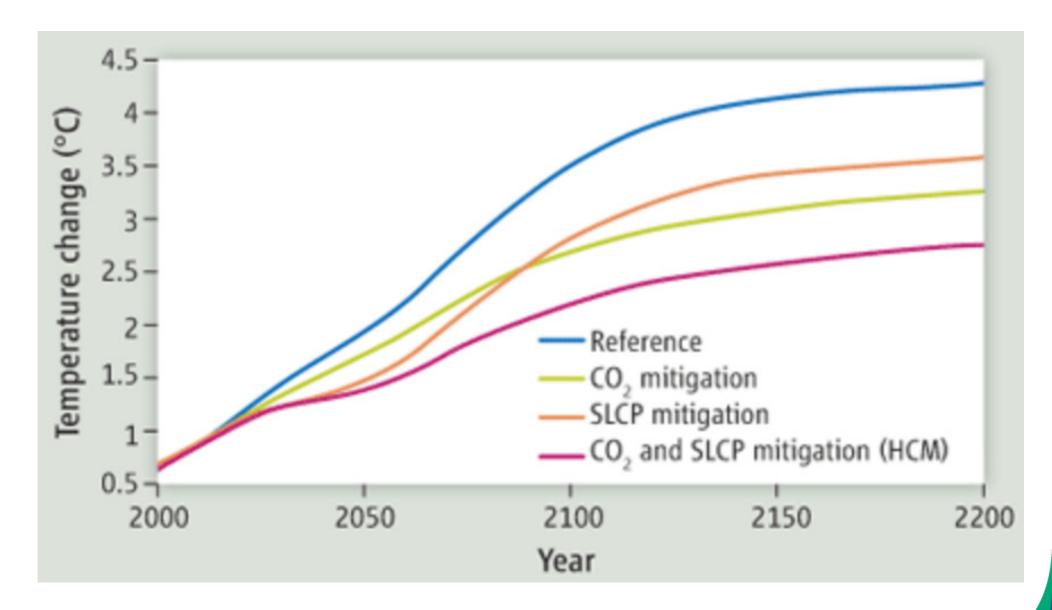




Concept # 1

Fighting climate change requires reducing methane emissions from all sources

Urgent need to reduce CO₂ and Methane

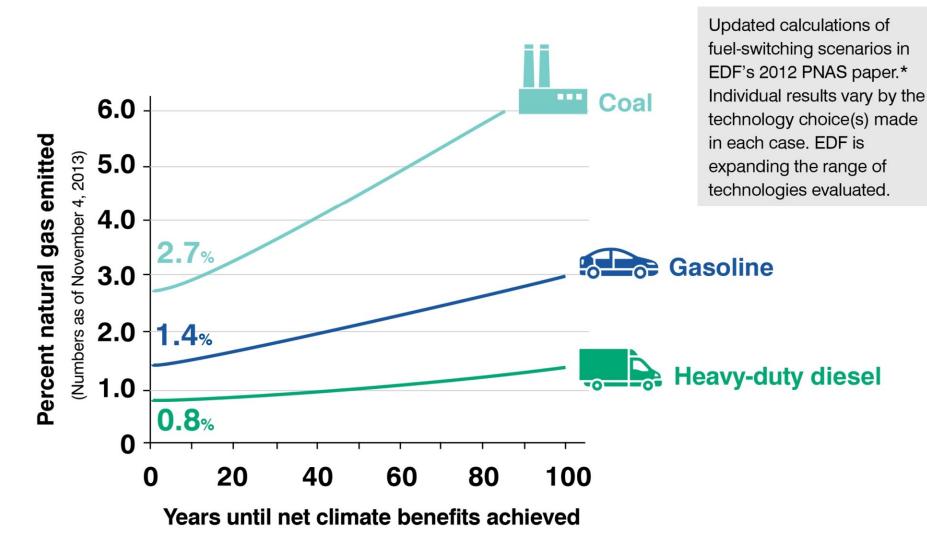


Shoemaker, et. al., What Role for Short-Lived Climate Pollutants in Mitigation Policy?, Science, December 19, 2013

Concept # 2

Natural gas presents a climate benefit only if methane leakage is kept to a minimum

Can natural gas deliver sustained benefits?

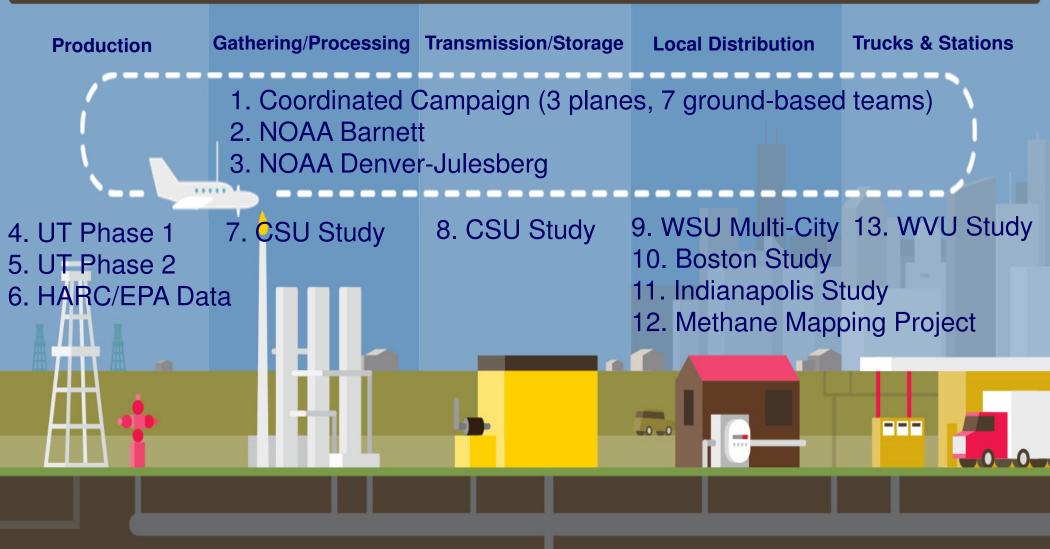


^{*}Adapted from Alvarez et al. (2012) PNAS, 109: 6435–6440, reflecting new IPCC AR5 & 2013 EPA GHG data. IPCC updates: (1) direct/indirect radiative forcing of CH₄ and CO₂, (2) CH₄ lifetime, (3) CO₂ impulse response function. Additional effects due to climate-carbon feedbacks and CO₂ from the oxidation of CH₄ not included (AR5 lacks data to support time-dependent analysis but EDF believes these effects to be small). Emissions updates include factors in Table 1 and corresponding LREF values in Table S1 of PNAS paper; an LREF value specific to heavy-duty CNG vehicles is now used.

Concept # 3

To develop sound methane policy for the energy sector, we must understand the sources better

EDF STUDIES BY NATURAL GAS SUPPLY CHAIN SEGMENT



Other Studies:

- 14. Pilot Projects
- 15. Gap Filling
- 16. Project Synthesis