Opportunities for CO₂ sequestration in offshore basalt: Cascadia CarbonSAFE and Solid Carbon projects

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Cascadia CarbonSAFE Project - U.S. DOE



Modeled 50 MtCO₂ plume capped by sediments and far from outcrops after 70 years

CO₂ sources near Cascadia basin

Feasibility of 50 MtCO₂ injected over 20 years



Solid Carbon Project – PICS / Univ. Victoria



Seeking a pilot basalt injection near Cascadia Basin in U.S. or Canada waters

Combinations of existing technologies, renewable energy, and reservoirs













Direct air capture
Renewable energy

- Ocean oil & gas technology
 CO2 injection system
- Mineralization into basalt
- Ocean monitoring

Mineralization depends on composition, kinetics, and hydrologic flow



https://pics.uvic.ca/research/topics/negative-emissions

Solid Carbon pilot injection project Expert survey (N=500) of technical risks



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