



**Maryland**  
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# 2019 GGRA Draft Plan Approach to 2050

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# Meeting Longer-Term Goals (2040, 2050 and Beyond)

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- GGRA requires incremental emission reduction steps intended to demonstrate progress towards a much deeper long-term goal.
  - 25% by 2020, 40% by 2030
  - Also includes non-binding aspirational goals of **80 percent** to **95 percent** GHG reduction in the 2050 time frame.
- The MDE modeling included analyses of 2050 and identified strategies and technologies to continue to analyze as part of the States effort to achieve deeper reductions.



# Conclusions from 2050 Analysis in GGRA Draft Plan

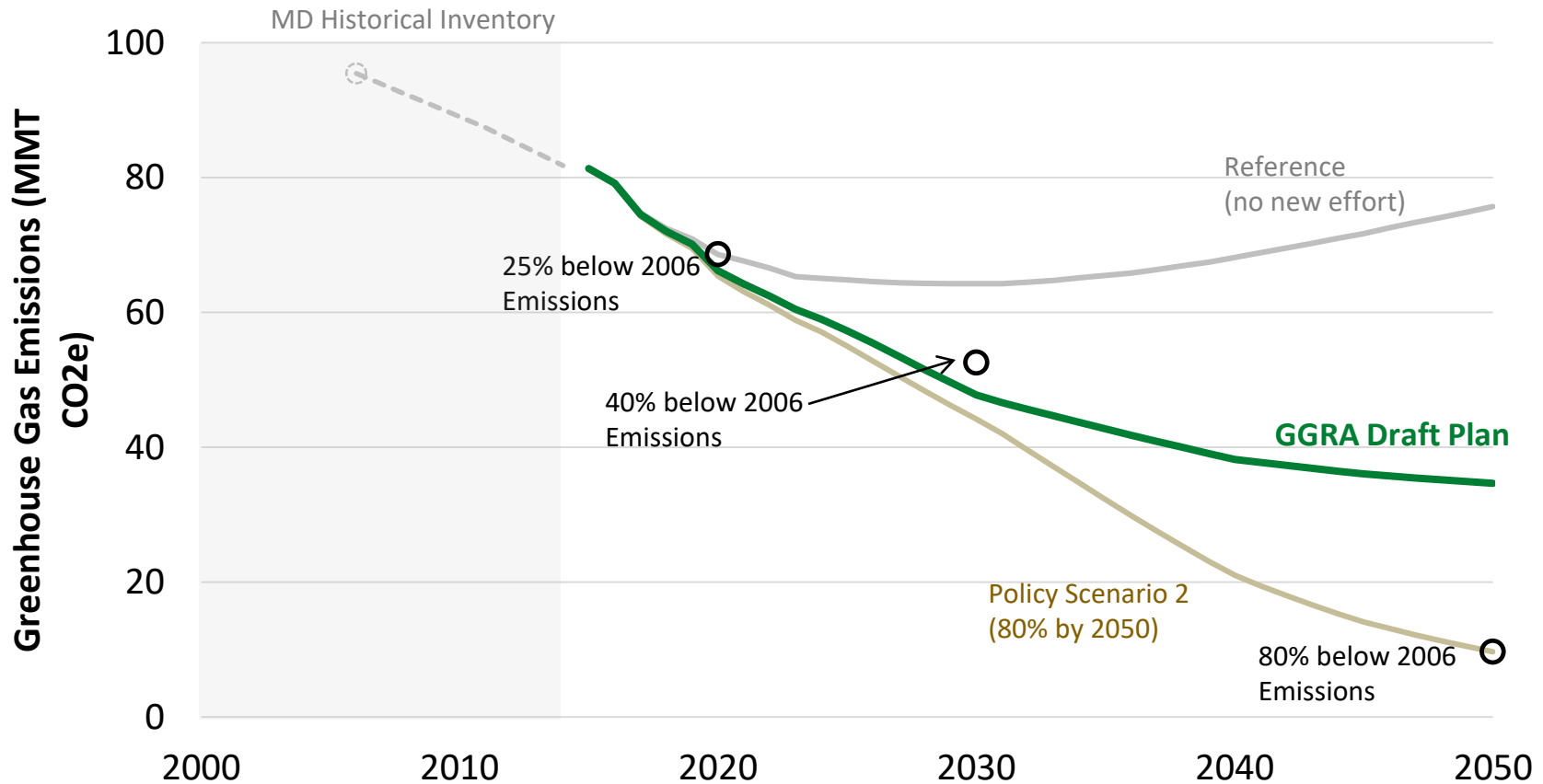
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# Long Term Goals

MDE analyzed a scenario that achieves 80% reduction by 2050 (“Scenario 2”)

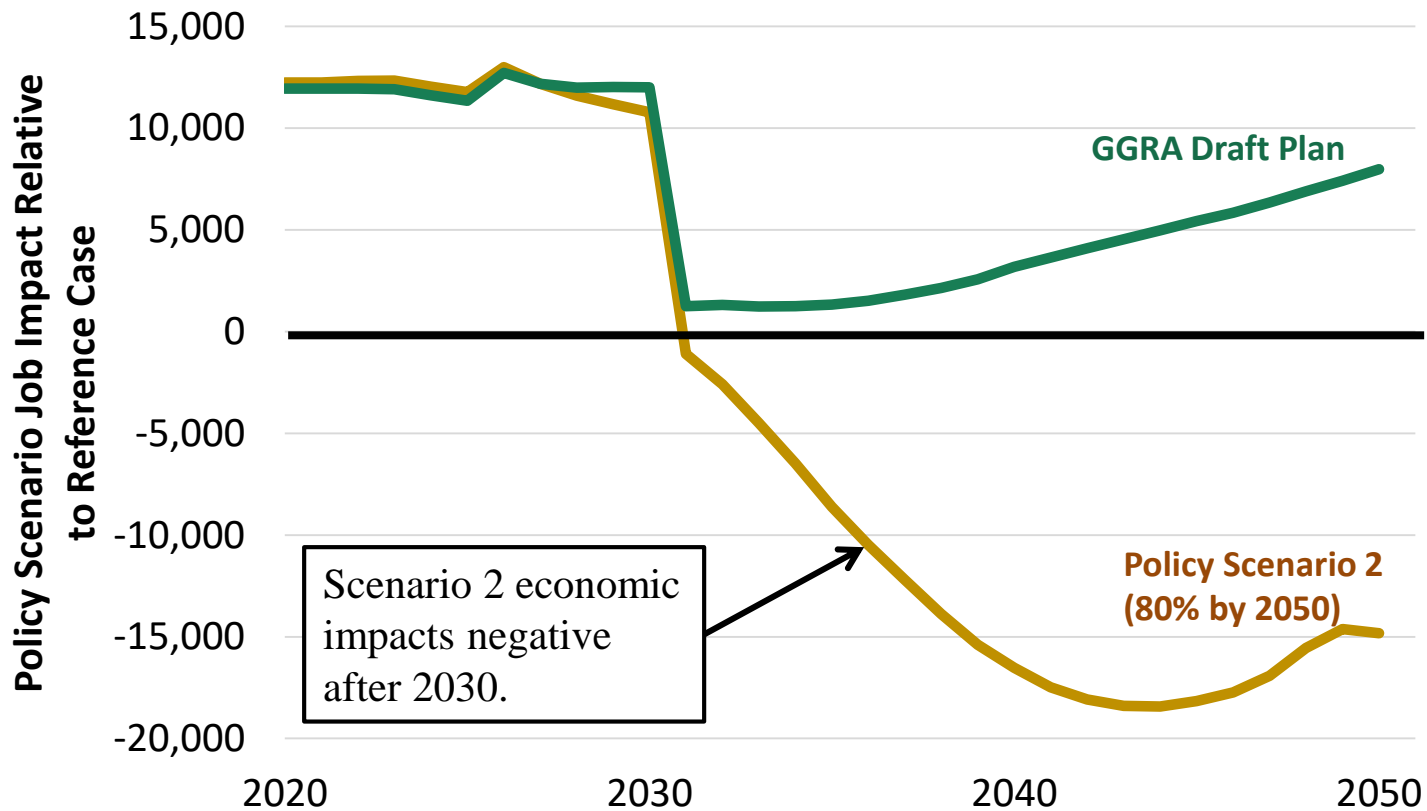


Important long-term measures included: renewable natural gas, other advanced biofuels, electric or other zero-emission heavy trucks and non-road vehicles.



# Long Term Challenges

Scenario 2 identified important long-term measures that should be re-evaluated as technologies mature, but are currently expensive.



These measures may be necessary for deeper reductions, and may be cost-effective when the time comes. In the meantime, the Draft Plan focuses on measures necessary for 2030.



# Policy Scenario 2 Measures

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*Compared to The Draft Plan (“PS4”)*

## Near Complete Electrification:

- Accelerated light duty ZEV sales by 2030 (same 100% by 2050 as PS4)
- Accelerated heavy duty EV and Diesel Hybrid Sales (95% by 2050)
- Electrification of non-road vehicles (50% construction EVs by 2050)
- Aggressive building electrification (95% Heat Pump sales by 2050)

## Near Complete Decarbonization:

- Continued RGGI cap decline through 2050 (90% reduction 2020-2050)
- Aggressive deployment of renewable natural gas and advanced biofuels (25% biomethane by 2050 and 63% renewable diesel by 2050)
- More aggressive energy efficiency (100% efficient appliance sales by 2030; additional savings in industrial sector)



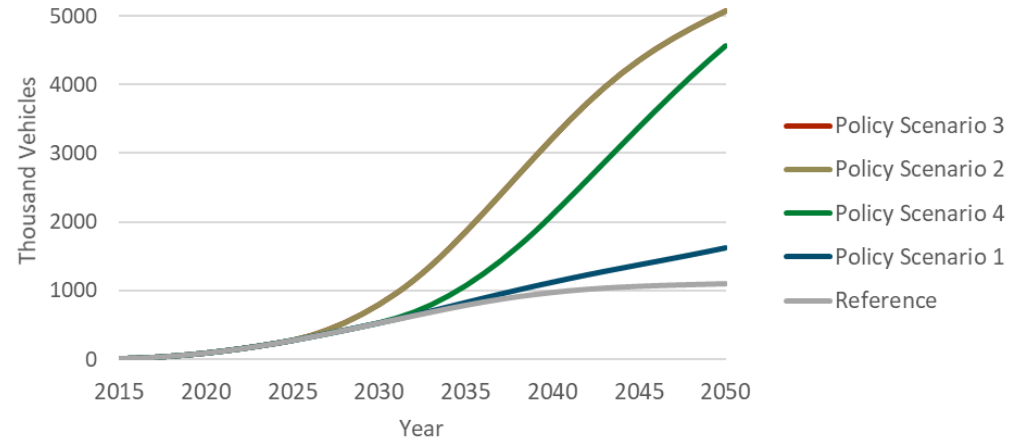
# Policy Scenario 2 Measures

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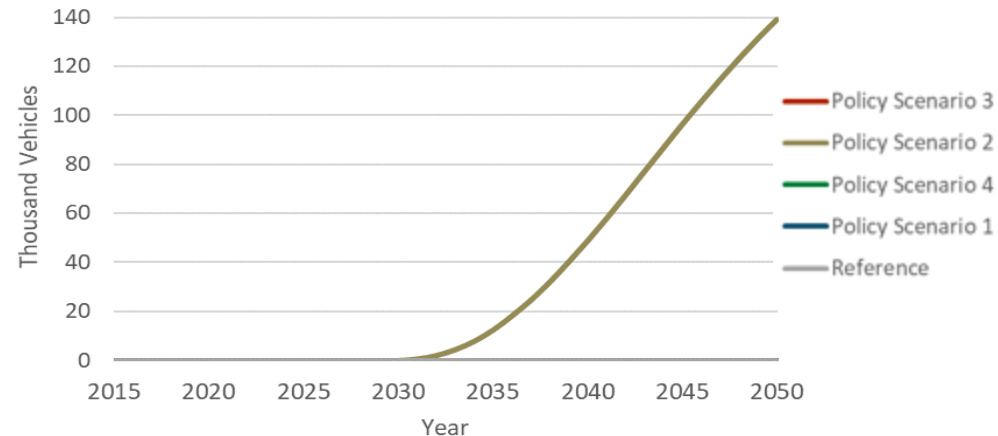
### Increased Sales of ZEVs

- New sales of LDV EVs and PHEVs gradually increase to 50% by 2030 and 100% by 2050
- 270,000 ZEVs by 2025, 800,000 ZEVs by 2030, 5,000,000 ZEVs by 2050
- Combined Electric and Diesel Hybrid HDVs sales increases to 40% by 2030, 95% by 2050
- 5,700 HDV EVs by 2030, 72,000 EVs by 2050
- 5,700 Diesel Hybrid by 2030, 83,000 by 2050

### ZEV Stock (LDVs)



### EV + Diesel Hybrid Stock (HDVs)





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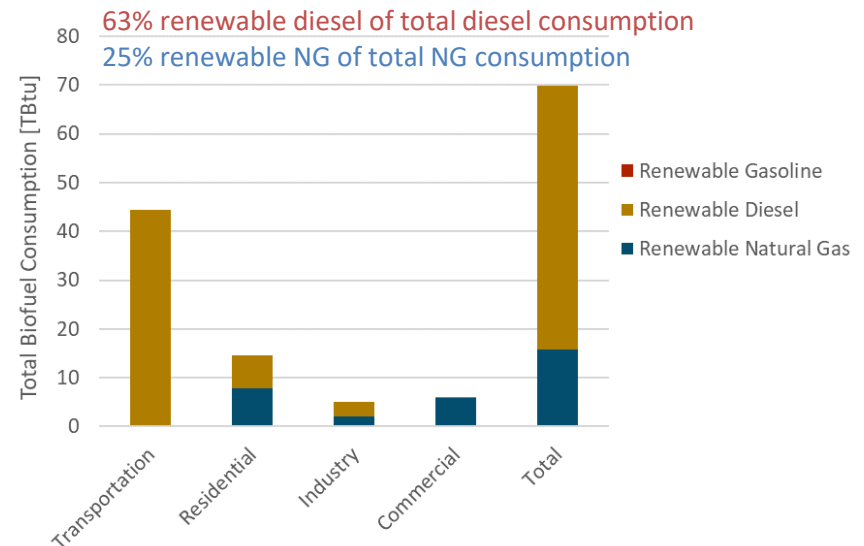
## Renewable NG and Advanced Biofuels

- E3 performed biofuel feedstock analysis for supply and cost of biofuels
- Deployed to reduce non-electrified transportation and building emissions to hit 80-by-50

### Quantity and market-clearing price of biofuels in Policy Scenario 2

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### Biofuels consumption by sector in PS2 in 2050

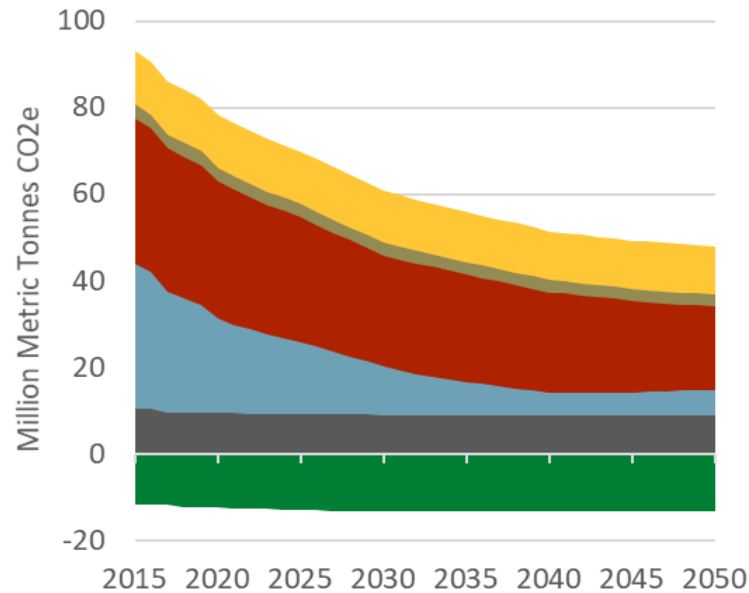




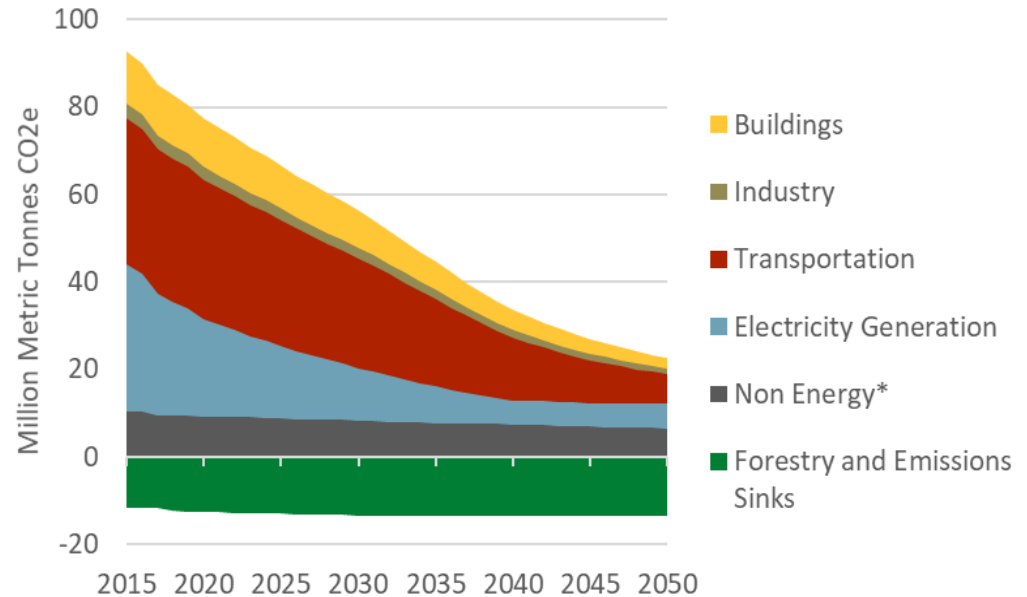


# Total GHG Emissions by Sector

## Draft Plan (Policy Scenario 4)



## Policy Scenario 2



- Additional efficiency, electrification, and biofuels further reduce transportation and building GHGs.
- But they violated economic impact restrictions, given current high cost of many measures (esp. new technologies).
- Some also very uncertain to achieve given currently available policies (e.g. even more LDV EVs).
- **That doesn't mean we shouldn't pursue those measures in the future.**

\*Non Energy includes Agriculture, Waste Management, Industrial Processes and Fossil Fuel Industry emissions



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# Appendix: E3 Biofuels Methodology

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# Biofuels Modeling and Assumptions

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# Biofuels Measure Summary

- + **Policy Scenario 2 assumes that Maryland will pursue advanced biofuels in addition to conventional biofuels in the federal renewable fuel standard.**
- + **We use county-level biomass feedstock data from the [2016 Billion-Ton Report by DOE](#)**
  - Estimates the potential biomass available in the US based on current and future production capacity, availability, and technology
  - Concludes that US has the potential to produce at least one billion dry tons of biomass resources (composed of agricultural, forestry, and waste products) without adversely affecting the environment.
- + **Policy Scenario 2 includes using population-weighted share of US supply of wastes and residues, starting in 2031. As a result,**
  - **63% diesel will be replaced by renewable diesel by 2050**
  - **25% natural gas will be replaced by renewable natural gas by 2050**

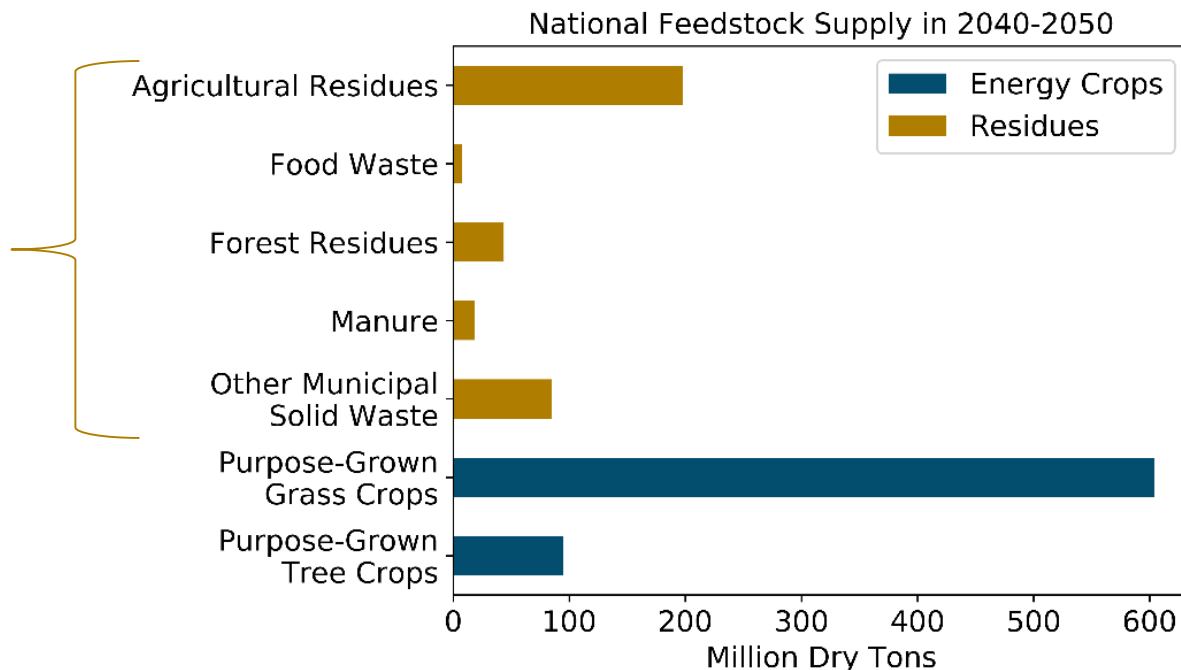


# Feedstock Potential

## + The Billion Ton Study includes two major categories of feedstock:

- “Residues” include feedstocks such as agricultural residues, forest thinnings, and food waste
- “Energy Crops” include dedicated land to grow high-energy crops or new forests for conversion to biofuels. *These have been excluded for this analysis due to land-use concerns*

Categories  
Included in PS2

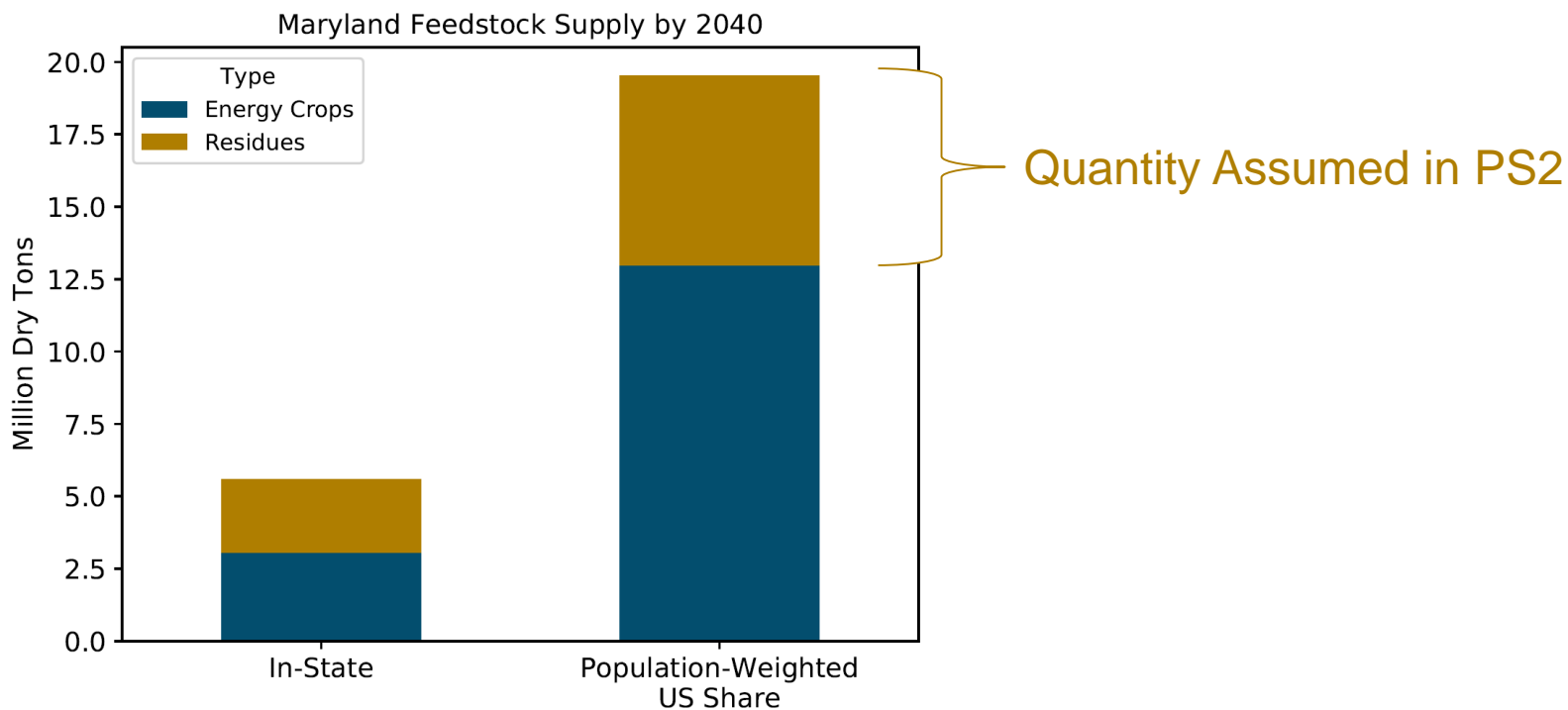


Source: DOE, 2016. Billion Ton Update



# Maryland Biomass Feedstocks

- + Policy Scenario 2 assumes that Maryland has access to its population-weighted share of the national “Residue” feedstock categories
- + Maryland has limited in-state biomass resource potential
- + Using the population-weighted share of the US supply (1.9%), MD has access to more than 2x the in-state potential of residues and wastes

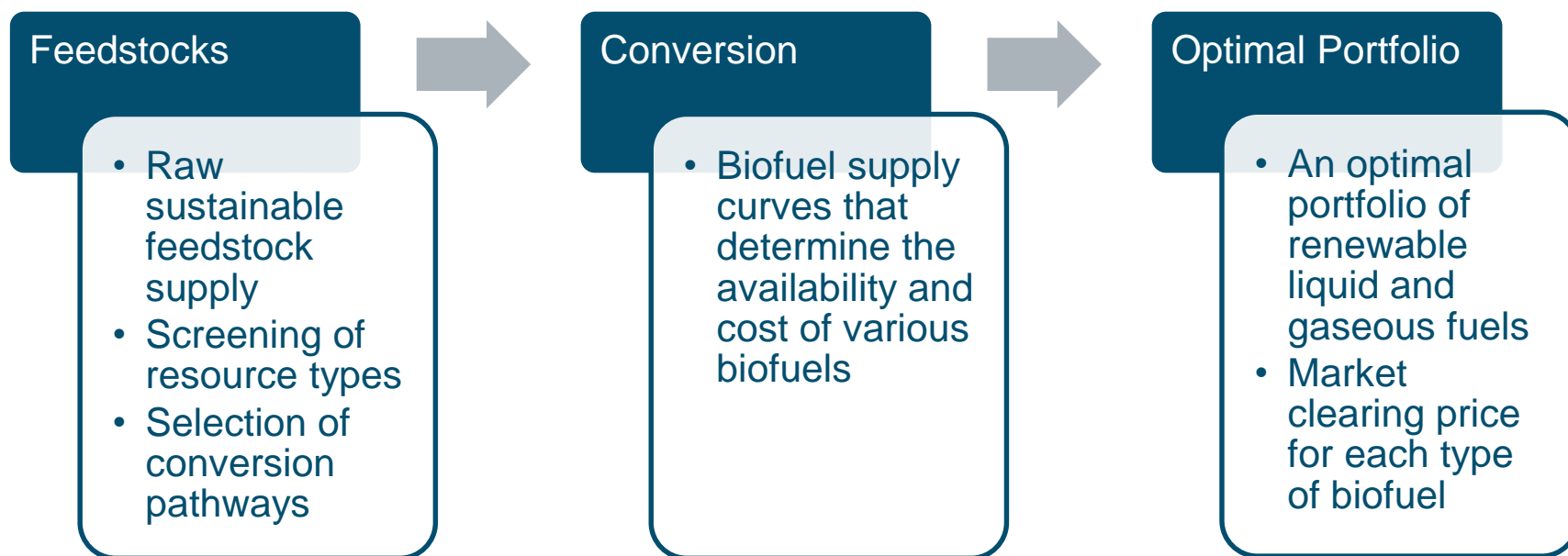


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# Overview of Biofuels Modeling Approach

- + E3 has developed a biofuels optimization model that selects a least-cost portfolio based on available sustainable feedstocks and selected conversion pathways.
- + The lowest-cost biofuels portfolio meets a pre-defined demand for renewable jet kerosene, renewable diesel, and renewable natural gas.



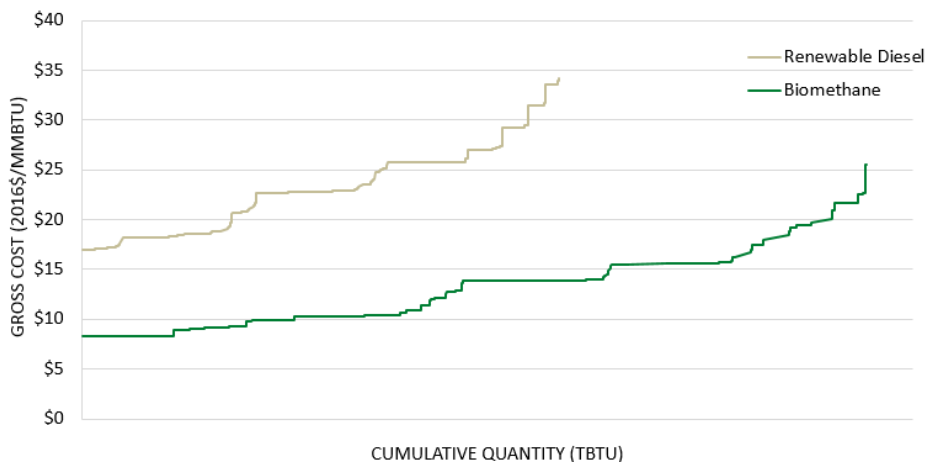




# Conversion

- + Biomass feedstocks are assumed to be converted to biofuels through one of many conversion processes:
  - Gaseous biofuel conversion through anaerobic digestion (e.g. manure) or gasification of wastes and residues
  - Liquid conversion through hydrolysis or pyrolysis of wood and cellulose
- + Each feedstock conversion process has an assumed overall energy efficiency and levelized process conversion costs
- + The model generates a supply curve for each type of biofuels

*Illustrative Biofuels Supply Curves  
(Biomethane vs. Renewable Diesel)*





## + Included Costs:

- Raw feedstock
- Preparation
- Conversion
- Transportation
- Delivery

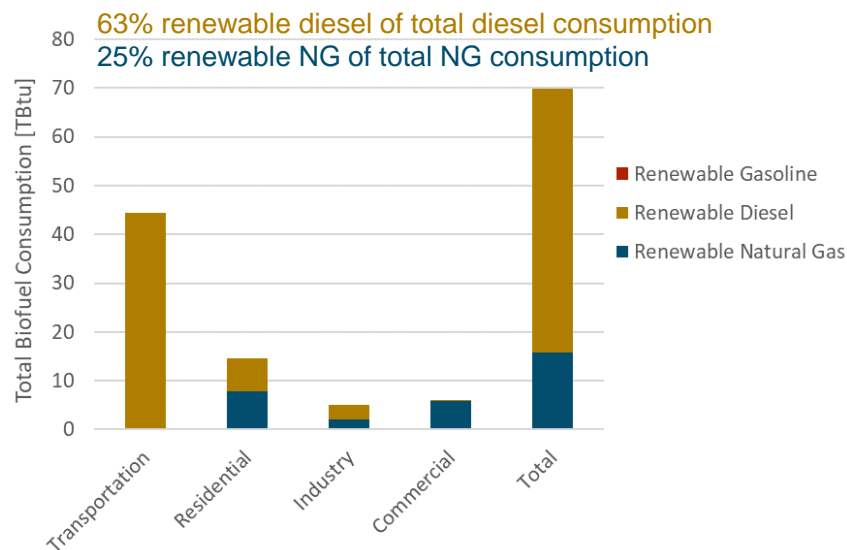
+ Fuel demands from PATHWAYS are used as inputs to determine the quantity and market-clearing price for each type of biofuels.

+ We assume a regional market for biofuels that assumes a market-clearing price will need to be paid to lower cost producers in order to bring higher cost producers into the market.

*Quantity and market-clearing price of biofuels in Policy Scenario 2*

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