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Corporate Update



Cardinal Energy



1. Scope one negative for carbon emissions
2. Lowest production decline among conventional producers
3. Business Model undergoing significant de-risking in 2022
4. Begin significant returns to shareholders in 2022

Cardinal Snapshot

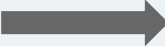


Fully Diluted Share Outstanding	166 MM
Net Debt (Dec 31, 2021)	\$178 MM
Net Bank Debt (Dec 31, 2021)	\$165 MM
Forecast Production Average 2022	20,500 BOEPD
Production Decline	+/- 10%
Cash Flow Estimate 2022 (\$90 WTI)	\$337 MM
CAPEX 2022	\$80 MM
Cash Flow Sensitivity (\$1 WTI)	+/- \$5.6 MM
Tax Pools	~\$1.4 Billion
2022 Hedging	Unhedged

Our Business Model

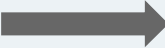


Cash Flow



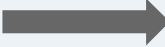
Amount of capital required to maintain our assets and keep production flat/growth (\$30 MM drilling in 2022)

2022
(\$80 WTI)
\$80 MM



Amount of capital required to fulfill our commitment to operating our business in a responsible manner

\$19 MM
* SRP Funds

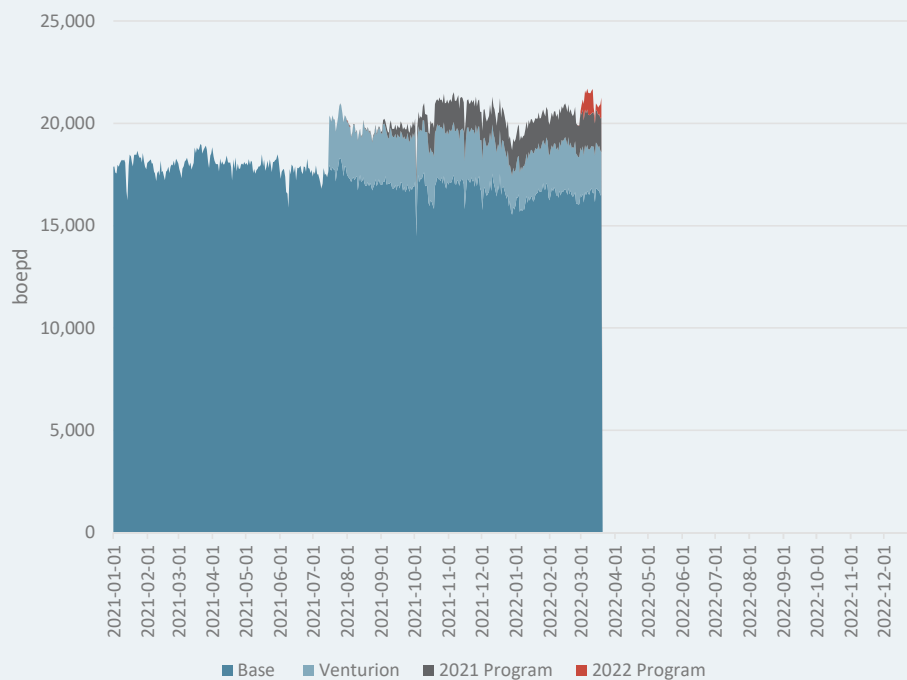


Capital available to our shareholders¹

\$171 MM

1. Not adjusted for increased Q1 pricing.

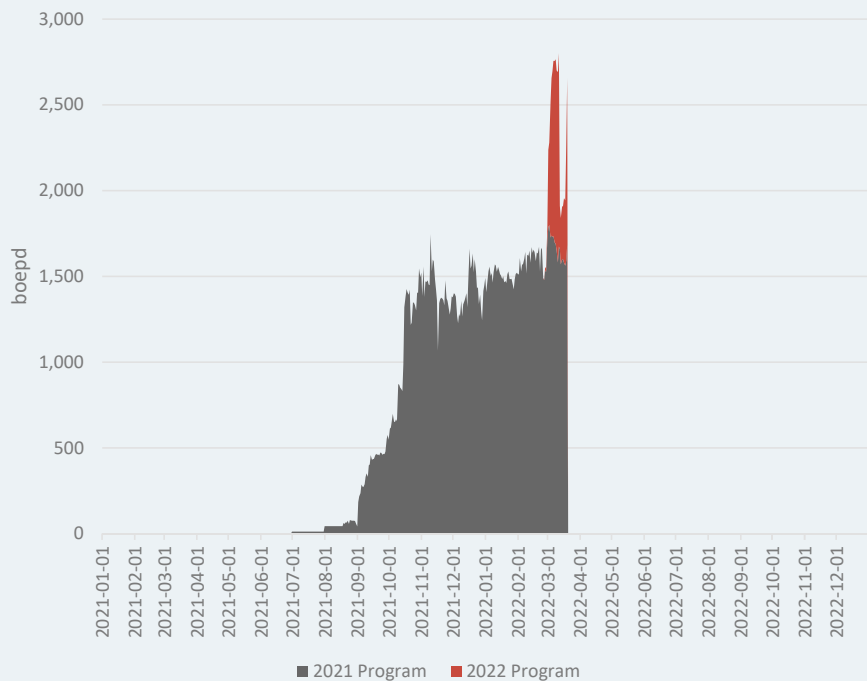
Corporate Production



Field estimated production

- Current production >20,500 boepd
- Base decline ~ 10%
- Majority of production under established secondary or tertiary recovery schemes
- 84% oil, 4% NGLs, 12% natural gas
- Venturion assets integrated, performing to expectation
- Extreme cold impacted late December early January production - recovered
- Current performance above budget forecast

2021 & 2022 Development



Field estimated production

- 2021
 - 8 producers, 2 WAG injectors drilled
 - DCET capital ~\$15MM (net)
 - Net current production ~1600 boepd (90% liquids)
 - Performing above expectation
 - Complete program expected to payout in Q2 2022
- 2022
 - 4 wells (GP x2, Tide Lake x2) in process of coming onstream
 - 4 Clearwater wells onstream prior to end of March
 - 18 well total program
 - 16 produced
 - 2 CO₂ injectors

2021 YE Reserves Highlights



<u>Category</u>	<u>Reserves</u> ⁽¹⁾ MMBoe	<u>Annual Change</u>	<u>NPV10</u> \$MM	<u>Annual Change</u>	<u>FD&A</u> \$/boe	<u>Recycle Ratio</u> ⁽²⁾
Proved Developed Producing	74.4	+16%	\$1,050	+75%	\$5.66	5.2
Total Proved	83.3	+11%	\$1,100	+77%	\$6.49	4.6
Total Proved Plus Probable	110.4	+11%	\$1,376	+70%	\$5.17	5.7

- Strong production replacement (2.5x on PDP)
- Ongoing positive technical revisions associated with outperformance of water flood and EOR assets
- Improved pricing led to positive economic revisions
- Strong drill results
- All complemented by strategic, opportunistic acquisitions

Sustainability: Drilling Inventory Breakdown



Cardinal Growth/Maintenance Drilling

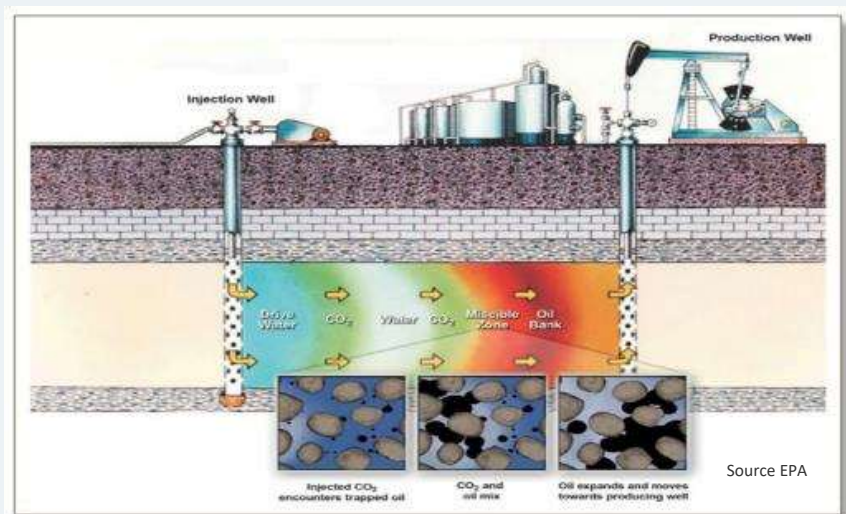
- Multiple oil targeted play types across asset base
- All tier 1 development 1 year or less payout at \$75US WTI
- Multiple years of inventory to maintain current production levels
- Significant tier 2 contingent inventory

District	Primary Plan	Tier 1 Potential Inventory
South	Ellerslie, Glauc, Arcs	40
Central	Infills, secondary zones	25
North	Dunvegan, Clearwater, Swan Hills, Charlie Lake	35
SK-Midale	CO ₂ EOR focused, water flood focused	35
TOTAL		135



Midale – CCS EOR Simplified

Utilizing CCS EOR reduces emissions while still contributing a low carbon source of energy



- CO₂ is injected into the reservoir combines with residual oil and then a portion is produced along with the recovered oil, with the balance remaining safely sequestered in the reservoir
- CO₂ produced is captured at surface and re-injected into the reservoir

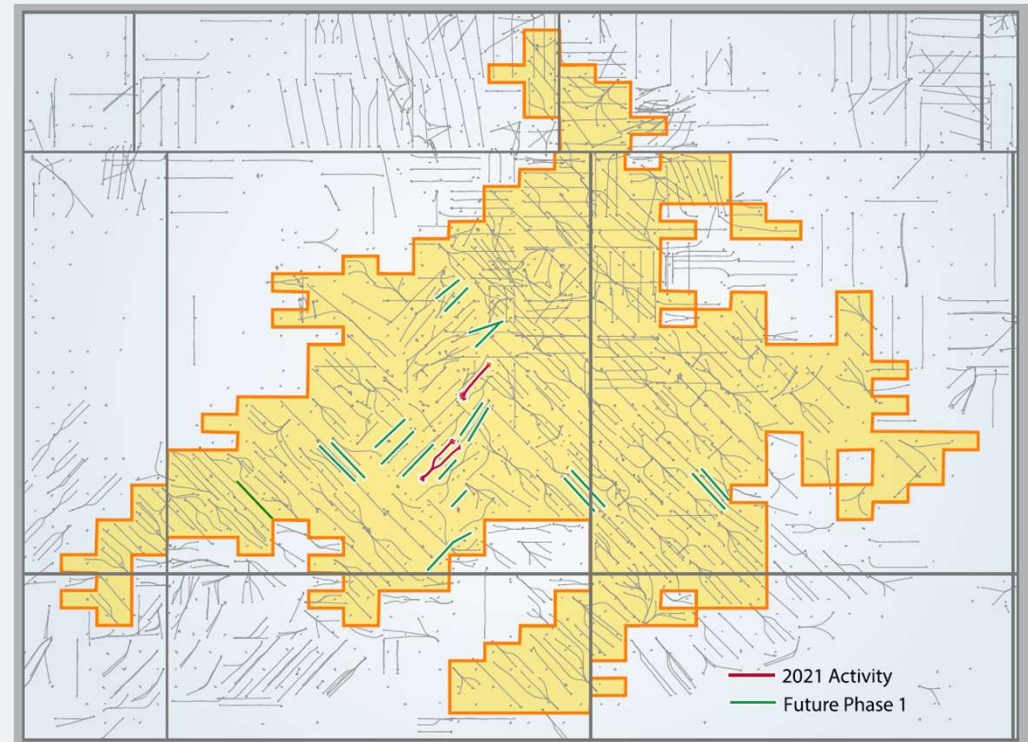
- Midale CO₂EOR project has sequestered over 5 million tonnes of CO₂ over its lifetime making it currently the 6th largest storage site in the world⁽³⁾
- Fully utilized Midale has the potential to store ~50 million tonnes of CO₂
- Current Midale operation sequesters more CO₂e than total Cardinal corporate CO₂e direct (scope 1) emissions
- Sequestration volumes increased >50% in 2021 2H

- ❖ Midale is one of 26 active CCS/CCUS projects in the world.
- ❖ Each WAG injector is forecast to inject over 200,000 tonnes of CO₂ over its life time, the equivalent of:
 - ❖ Removing ~45,000 cars off the road for a year⁽¹⁾ or;
 - ❖ Planting ~250,000 trees⁽²⁾

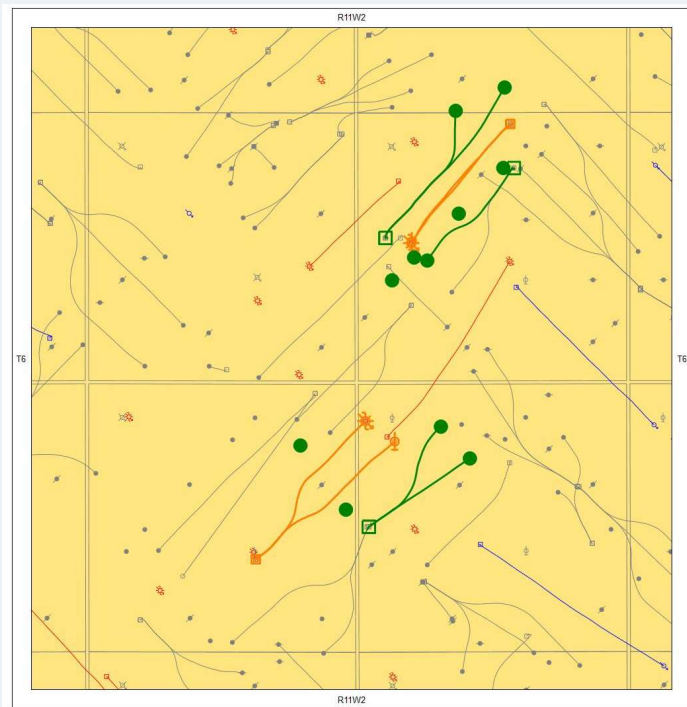
Midale, Sk – 2021 New WAG Injectors



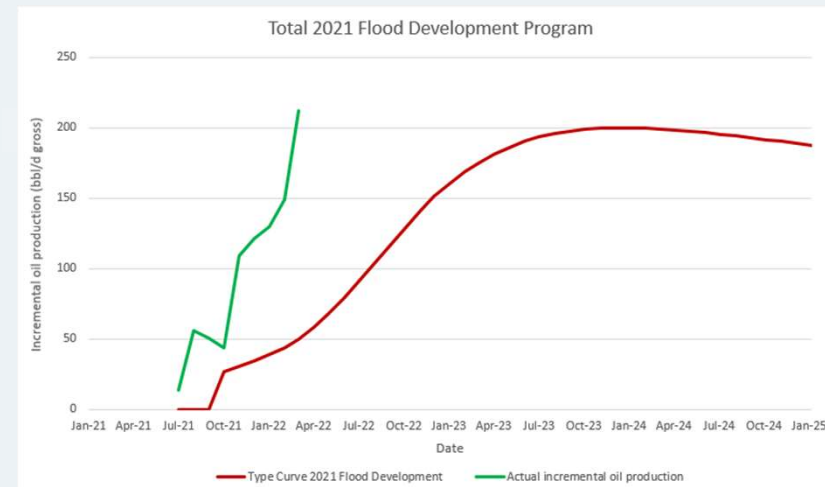
- Midale unit under exploited compared to offsetting Weyburn unit
 - 21% current estimated recovery factor vs 40%
- 2021 drilled 2 dual leg (M1 + M3) water alternating gas injectors
- Targeted under-pressured, under-supported, relatively recovery M1 and M3 reservoir intervals
- Commenced injection Q3 2021
- Annual CO₂ sequestration increased >100,000 tonnes
- Pilot for future larger scale activity – Future Phase 1 plus multiple subsequent potential phases



Midale, Sk – 2021 Injector Program – Results



2021 new dual leg WAG injectors (M1 + M3)
 Existing offsetting legacy wells with incremental oil production
 Existing WAG injectors, water injectors, producers



- Earlier than forecast response
- At current production rates payouts reduced (@\$80/bbl US WTI : 15 months)
- Up to 100 potential follow-up opportunities across unit

Returns to Shareholders

Phase One: Protect the Business

- 100% of our Free Cash Flow will go toward repayment of Bank Debt until Bank Debt is reduced to \$100 MM (increases Net Asset Value per share by \$0.50).

Phase Two: Deliver direct returns to shareholders

- Upon reaching our Phase One Bank Debt milestone, our Free Cash Flow will be allocated, 50% to further Debt repayment and 50% to a regular monthly Dividend.

Phase Three: Increase returns to shareholders

- Once Bank Debt is reduced to \$50 MM, we will alter allocations, increasing amount allocated to Dividends and also adding allocation to larger ARO and ESG projects.

Free Cash Flow Forecast – No Dividend



WTI (\$USD/bbl)	\$65	\$70	\$75	\$80	\$85	\$90
2022 Cash flow (\$MM)	\$174	\$207	\$239	\$270	\$304	\$337
Capex/ARO (\$MM)	\$99	\$99	\$99	\$99	\$99	\$99
Free cash flow (\$MM)	\$75	\$103	\$135	\$166	\$200	\$233
Closing net debt/(Cash) (\$MM) ⁽¹⁾	\$102	\$74	\$42	\$7	(\$23)	(\$55)

1. Excluding potential dividend

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"Capital efficiency" means the development cost divided by the production added over a defined period of time. "FD&A costs" are calculated as the sum of development costs plus net acquisition costs plus the change in FDC for the period when appropriate, divided by the change in reserves within the applicable reserves category, inclusive of changes due to acquisitions and dispositions. "Recycle ratio" is calculated by dividing an unaudited operating netback for 2021 of \$29.68/boe by F&D costs per boe or FD&A costs per boe for the year.

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This presentation discloses Cardinal's approximate 135 identified Tier 1 Potential Inventory drilling locations, of which 59 net are booked proved undeveloped locations, 19 net are booked probable undeveloped locations and 63 are unbooked. The booked locations are derived from the report prepared by GLJ evaluating Cardinal's reserves as of December 31, 2021.

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