

Wood Bioenergy and Fun House Mirrors: Where are Liquid Biofuels?

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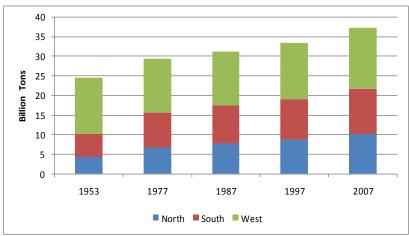
- Forisk provides management consulting and educational services to senior management and investors in the forest products, wood bioenergy and timberland investing sectors.
- Founded in 2004.
- Published products include:
 - Wood Bioenergy US
 - U.S. Timberland Owner List
 - Forisk Forecast
 - Wood for Bioenergy: Historical Context and a Practical Path Forward
 - Book published by the Forest History Society in 2012

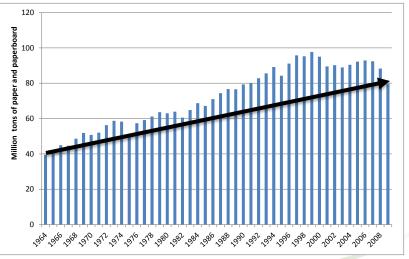


Facts: Forestry & Wood Bioenergy

Forest supplies

- US grows more wood than
 years ago (nationally).
- Pulp & paper industry
 - Investment is up; sector 2x
 bigger than 50 years ago.
- Wood bioenergy
 - 461 announced/operating bioenergy projects in US.
 - Max capacity of 133 million tons/year by 2023.







Bioenergy Projects: Screen for Success

- Technology
 - Does the project rely on proven or unproven technology?
- Status
 - Is the project under construction or operating?
 - Is the project on hold or is the plant shut down?
 - Has the project received/secured/signed <u>two or more</u> of:

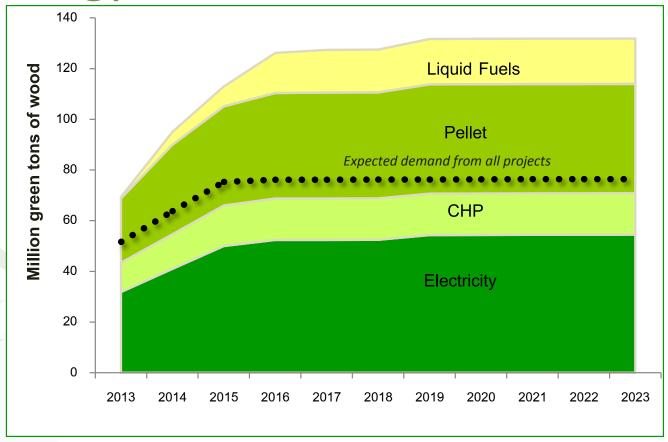


- Air quality permits
- EPC contracts (Engineering, Procurement & Construction)
- Power purchase agreements for electricity facilities
- Interconnection agreements for electricity facilities
- Wood supply agreements
- Location





Bioenergy Demand: US

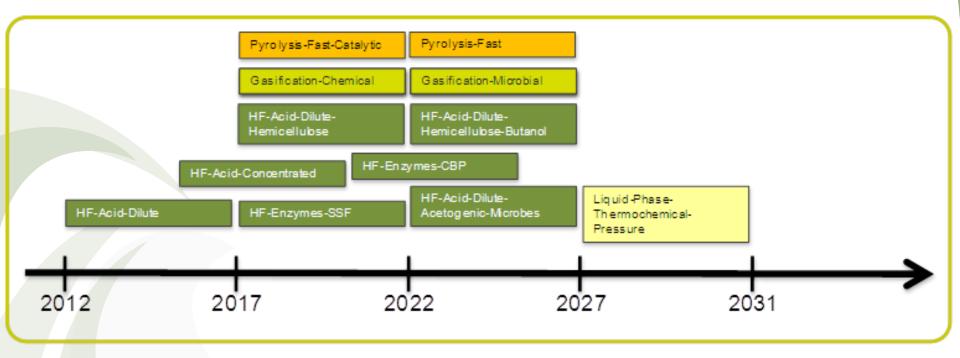


- Projects: 461 → Expected: 296 (64%)
- Wood demand: 132.8 MM → Expected: 76.4 MM (58%)



In 2011, Forisk evaluated 36 liquid fuel projects across three US regions.

Estimated commercial timeline for 12 technology types



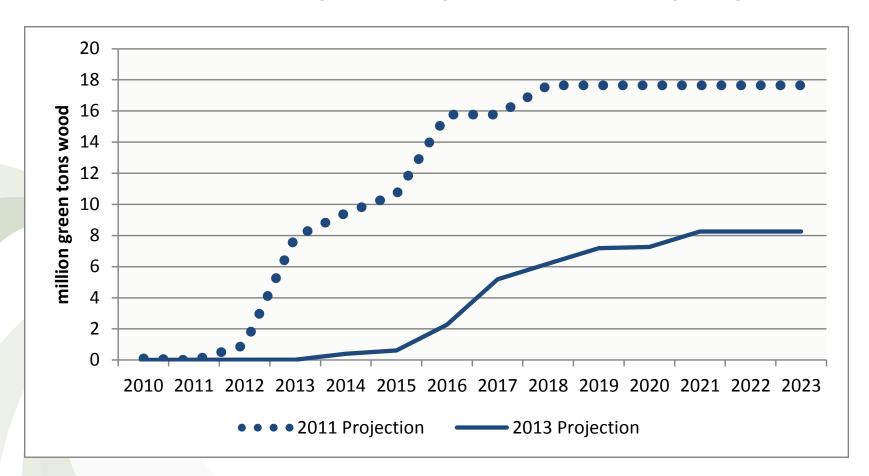


Where are these 36 projects today?

- Cancelled: 12
 - Includes one demonstration plant and 11 commercial plants
- Still in planning stages: 8
- Still under construction: 4
- Shut down: 3
- Operating pilot plants: 6
- Operating demonstration plant: 1
- Operating commercial plant: 1
 - KiOR: not operating at full capacity yet
- Sold and in the planning states: 1
 - LanzaTech purchased Range Fuels plant



What observations can be made regarding the current crop of liquid biofuel projects?





How do timberland investors and wood users allocate capital?

- Separate short-term volatility from long-term trends.
- Communicate relative competitiveness to decision-makers.
- Understand REALLY UNDERSTAND local situations.

