Integrating Data Sources, Geo-Spatial Analyses, and Engineering-Based Calculations to Model Life-Cycle Emissions in Crude Oil Transport for Mobile-Source Fuels

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Overview of Presentation

- Background
- Literature Review and Data Gaps
- Objective
- Method and Preliminary Results
  - Crude transport by rail, truck, pipeline, and marine
- Conclusions and Next Steps
Crude oil transport from the well to the refinery is complex and includes various transport modes. Emissions impact can be significant over life-cycle of mobile-source fuels. **Key questions for modeling life cycle inventories:** where is the source of crude, where is the destination, what mode moves it, how much is moved, and what emissions are associated with the movement?
Existing Literature and Data Gaps – Crude Oil Transport Emissions

Existing Literature:
• includes nationally aggregated emissions factors
• focuses on emissions of greenhouse gases
• does not evaluate local scale impacts

Data Gaps:
• activity data, i.e., the amount of crude to be transported some distance, does not exist in the literature
Objectives

• For a given amount of crude demand for petroleum refineries in a PADD, account for emissions of multiple pollutants that occur during the transport of crude oil for mobile sources by different modes (i.e., truck, pipeline, marine and rail).
  - Criteria Air Pollutants (CAPs), Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) and Greenhouse Gases (GHGs) emissions inside the US
  - Greenhouse Gases (GHGs) emissions outside the US

• Quantify and spatially resolve emissions impacts of activities in a given transport mode.

We present an approach that incorporates geo-spatial analysis and engineering-based calculations to model the activity (mass and distance during transport), and account for the emissions impact of a given type of transport mode (i.e., rail, pipeline, marine, or truck).
Overview: Crude Transport Methodology

- Methodology is driven by finished fuel volumes (gas, diesel, etc.)
- Emissions for a given mode of crude transport to a refinery – rail, pipeline, truck and marine – at a Petroleum Administration Defense District (PADD) level
- Explicit characterization of impact of scale and transportation distance on emissions
Draft analysis combines numerous data sources to estimate crude transport emissions specific to transportation modes (rail, pipeline, marine, truck).
Crude Transport by Rail

- **Crude Demand**
- **Distance of transport (km)**
- **Geo-spatial analysis**
  - Rail terminal locations
  - Refinery locations
- **Activity calculations**
  - Tons to be transported (domestic and imports)
- **Modal (rail vs. marine, pipeline vs. truck) splits, inter intra PADD movement shares**
- **Freight Analysis Framework (FAF)**
- **Fuel use (gal/ton-km)**
- **ERTAC-Rail model**
- **Energy use**
  - EIA, NEI and GREET
  - Class 1 rail emissions factors (gms/gal)
- **PADD-level allocation factors**
- **PADD Level Emissions**
- **Emissions in foreign region**

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  - PADD-level emissions inventories (CAPs, HAPs, and GHGs) for domestic crude flows and domestic movement of imported crude flows
  - GHG inventories associated with transport of imported crude outside the US

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Sample emissions inventories in PADD 1 (CAPs and GHGs only) for domestic crude flows and domestic movement of import crude flows via rail

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Crude Transport by Truck

- **Crude Demand**
  - Modal (rail vs. marine, pipeline vs. truck) splits, inter intra PADD movement shares
  - Distance of transport (km)*
- **Geo-spatial analysis**
  - Crude production locations
  - Refinery locations
- **Activity calculations**
  - Truck payload (barrels)
  - Total fuel used or vehicle miles traveled (VMT)
  - Truck emissions factors (gms/mile)
  - PADD-level allocation factors
  - MOVES2014

- **Freight Analysis Framework (FAF)**

*Methodology in-progress, currently utilizes FAF data to derive distances*
Crude Transport by Truck: Example Results*

- Given PADD-level crude demand from refineries as an input, outputs generated for:
  - PADD-level emissions inventories (CAPs, HAPs, and GHGs) for domestic crude flows and domestic movement of imported crude flows
  - PADD-level total VMT for domestic crude flows and domestic movement of imported crude flows

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Sample total VMT in all PADDs for domestic crude flows and domestic movement of import crude flows via truck

Note: PADD51 represents all states in PADD 5 except Hawaii and Alaska, and PADD52 represents Hawaii and Alaska

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Crude Transport by Marine (GHG emissions outside the US)

Crude Demand

Modal (rail vs. marine, pipeline vs. truck) splits, inter intra PADD movement shares, etc.

Tons to be transported (foreign crude)

Distance of transport (nm)*

Portworld Ship Voyage Distance Calculator

Dead Weight Tonnage (DWT), vessel power, avg. speed, load factor, empty return factor

Activity calculations

Total power required (kWh)

Freight Analysis Framework (FAF)

GREET and NEI

C3 marine vessel emissions factors (gms/kWh)

GHG emissions associated with foreign crude by foreign origin

*distance outside the air quality boundary
Crude Transport by Marine: Example Results*

- Given PADD-level crude demand from refineries as an input, outputs generated for
- PADD-level emissions inventories (CAPs, HAPs, and GHGs) for domestic crude flows and domestic movement of imported crude flows
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Crude Transport by Pipeline

- **Crude Demand**
- **Distance of transport (km) and distance weighted diameter on a state-segment basis**
- **Tonnes to be transported by (domestic and foreign pipelines)**
- **Through-put through each pipe system and energy calculations**
- **Pipeline system allocation factors**
- **Modal (rail vs. marine, pipeline vs. truck) splits, inter intra PADD movement shares**

**Freight Analysis Framework (FAF)**

- **US state-level electricity energy use due to foreign and domestic pipelines**
- **Electricity use in foreign regions (Canada and Mexico)**
Crude Transport by Pipeline: Example Results*

Given PADD-level crude demand from refineries as an input, outputs generated for:

- US state-level electricity energy to transport crude oil via domestic pipelines for the movement of:
  - Domestic crude
  - Imported crude that has pipeline as the secondary mode but primary mode is not pipeline.

- US state-level and foreign region (Canada and Mexico) electricity energy to transport crude oil via foreign pipelines for the movement of:
  - Foreign crude that has pipeline as primary and secondary mode.

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Conclusions and Next Steps

• Draft analyses generate PADD level inventories associated with transporting crude oil
  ➢ allow explicit accounting of the CAPs, HAPs, GHGs impacts from transporting crude oil

• Methodology uses same building blocks (module type) for multiple calculations (e.g., marine transport, rail transport)
  ➢ minimize errors
  ➢ allows integration of different data sources for each mode
  ➢ applicable for various scenarios (e.g., future year or control scenario)

• Next Steps: documentation, synthesizing with other sectors
Questions and feedback?
Appendix
Data Sources: Crude Transport

- Annual Energy Outlook
- EPA’s National Emissions Inventory (NEI)
- The Greenhouse Gases, Regulated Emissions, and Energy Use in Transportation (GREET) Model by Argonne National Laboratory
- EPA’s MOtor Vehicle Emission Simulator (MOVES)
- Eastern Regional Technical Advisory Committee (ERTAC) Rail Model
- PennWell
- U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA)
- Portworld Ship Voyage Distance Calculator
- Freight Analysis Framework (FAF)
  - Produces through a partnership between Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
Methodology uses existing agency emissions inventories to maintain high fidelity between inventories generated for mobile source fuel transport and AQ modeling.
Crude Transport by Marine (Inside U.S.)

- Activity data of ships carrying crude (C3 crude tanker vessels) inside the air quality boundary, are unavailable
- Data unavailable for C3 tanker vessels carrying domestic crude vs. imported crude
- Domestic vs. import flows inventories (C3)
  - Treat flows from Alaska to California same as import flows.
- Disaggregate the total inventory for C3 crude tanker vessels from NEI for crude oil tanker based on the flows’ split between Alaska to California (i.e. PADD 5), and Rest of the World flows as derived from the FAF.
- Allocation of emissions due to import crude flows are then allocated to PADDs using FAF data.
- GHGs for flows outside the air quality boundary are estimated using method described on the following slide

Marine shapes file (US exclusive economic zones) Federal Waterways; ~200 nm