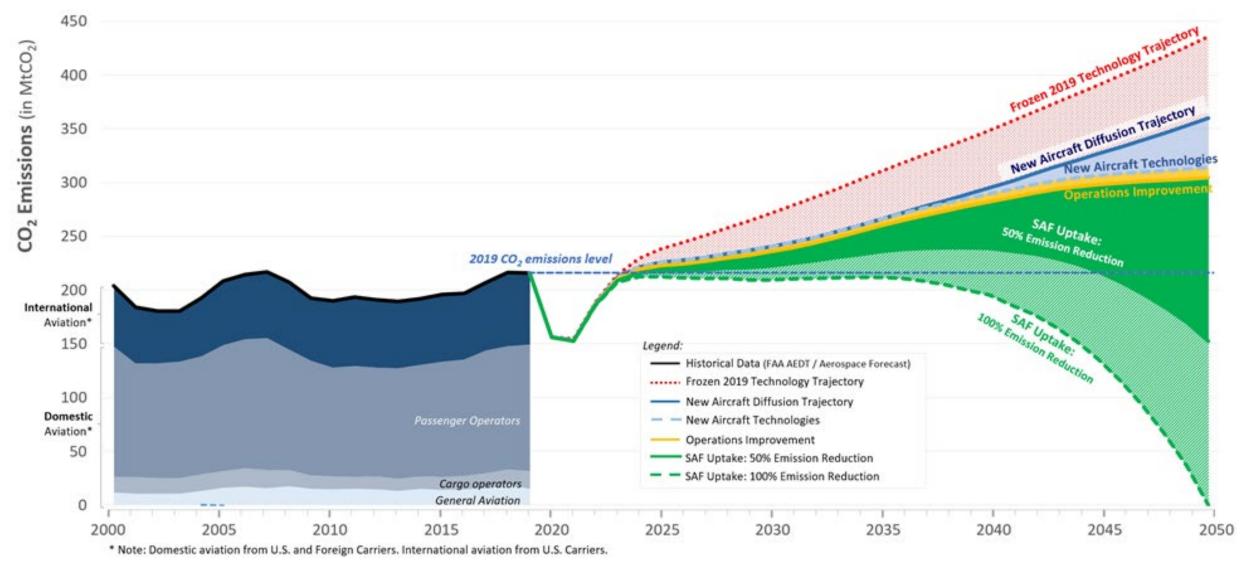
# Policymaking in the U.S. to Support Sustainable Aviation Fuels (SAF)

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#### **United States** 2021 Aviation Climate Action Plan



#### **Domestic and International Aviation CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions**

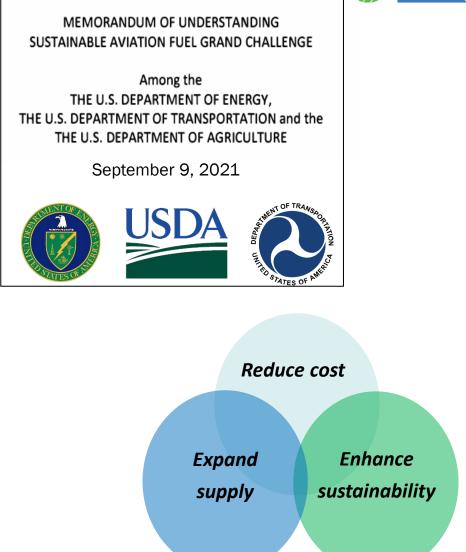


NOTE: Analysis conducted by BlueSky leveraging FAA Aerospace Forecast and R&D efforts from the FAA Office of Environment & Energy (AEE) regarding CO2 emissions contributions from aircraft technology, operational improvements, and SAF



# **U.S. SAF Grand Challenge**

- Agreement by the U.S. Departments of Transportation, Energy and Agriculture to lead a whole of government approach
- Achieve 3 billion gallons of domestic SAF production in 2030 and put U.S. on trajectory to 35 billion gallons per year by 2050
- At least a 50% reduction in life cycle greenhouse gas emissions, as compared to conventional jet fuel
- Multi-agency roadmap to focus federal actions to support industry scale-up







## Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) - Production support through 2027

#### **IRA Tax Credits**

#### SAF Tax Credit §13203 - 2023-2024

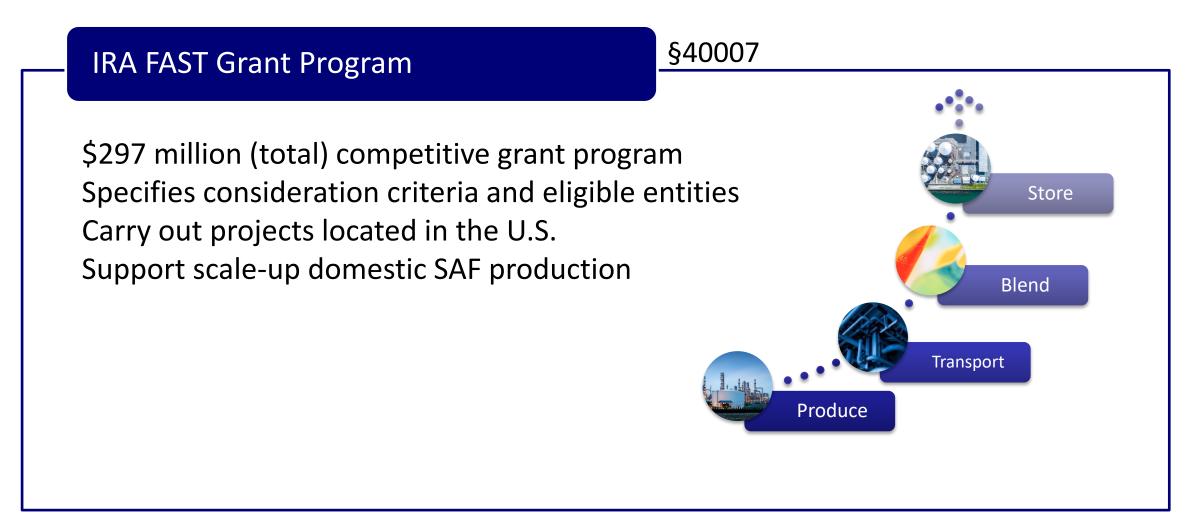
- Achieves 50% lifecycle GHG reduction
- \$1.25 with additional up to \$1.75 for additional lifecycle emissions reduction

#### Production Credit §13704 - 2025-2027

- Lifecycle GHG <50kg CO2e/MMBTU (Jet Baseline = 94kg CO2e/MMBTU)
- Enhanced value for SAF up to \$1.75 for 100% reduction



### IRA - SAF and Clean Technology Grant Program





#### **SAF Policy Lessons learned**

- Communicate the multiple benefits sustainability, economic development and energy security to build support
- Set a clear statement of ambition/intent to work towards (climate action plan)
- Technology and feedstock neutral but reward environmental performance
- Good data, tools, and methods are needed for the community to have a common understanding
- Use full range of tools including R&D, demonstration, deployment, financing as well as incentives
- Engage the entire supply chain holistic approach
- Stakeholder involvement/advocacy are critical for success sand support





#### The Path to Success on SAF

- Create an environment where producers choose to produce and sell SAF
  - Legislative action to reduce cost and risk
- A coordinated approach to federal agency actions that derisks technology, supply chains, and markets, and reduces barriers
  - Actions that support near-term production
  - Ongoing innovation to support future production
  - Data collection and analysis to support markets for SAF through strong policies and focus on sustainability
- Industry action to build and purchase SAF supply





#### **Questions?**



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