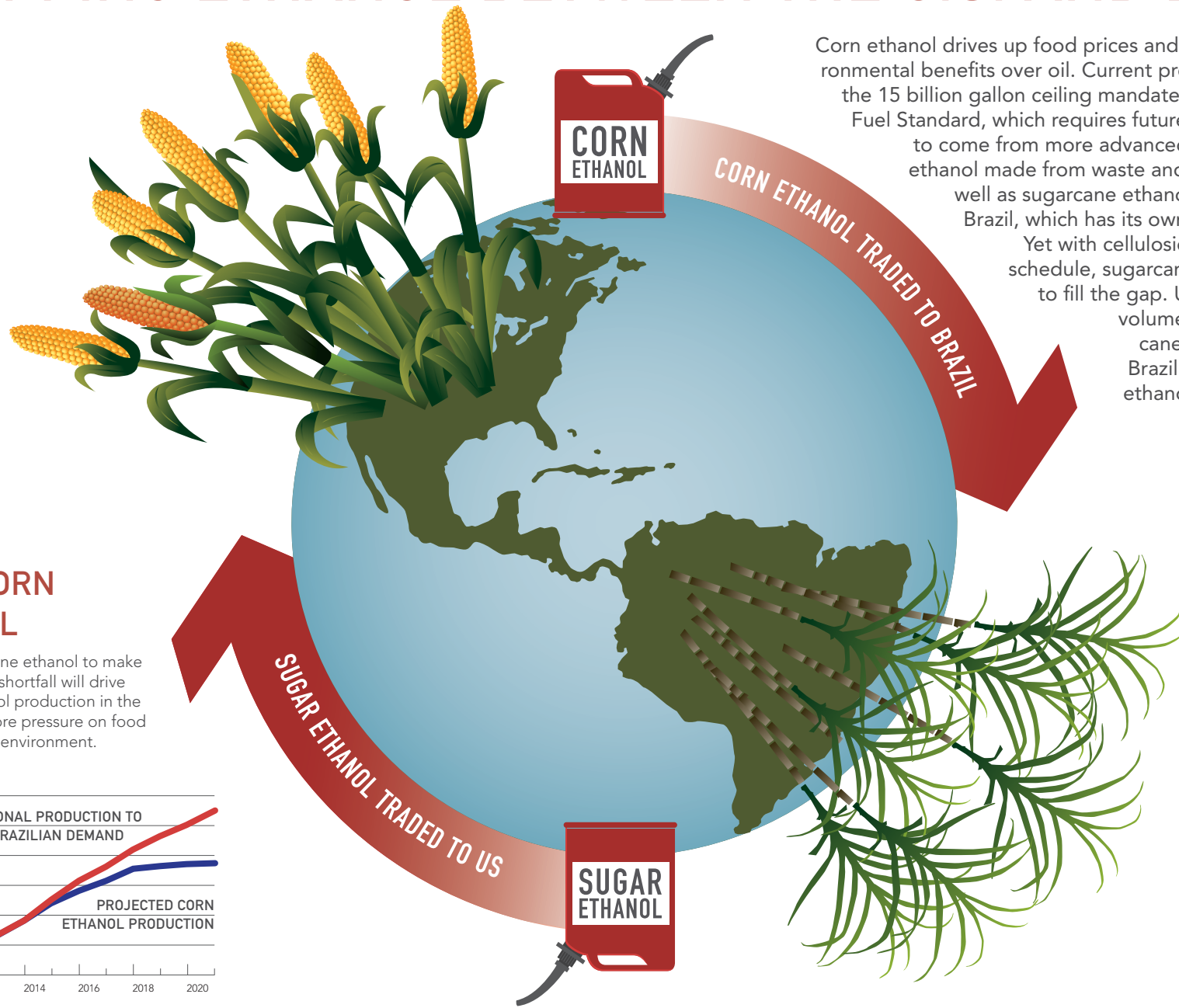


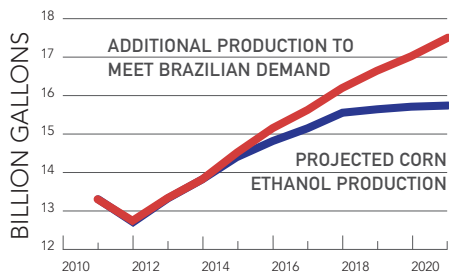
SWAPPING ETHANOL BETWEEN THE U.S. AND BRAZIL



Corn ethanol drives up food prices and fails to deliver environmental benefits over oil. Current production is reaching the 15 billion gallon ceiling mandated by the Renewable Fuel Standard, which requires future biofuel production to come from more advanced fuels like cellulosic ethanol made from waste and non-food crops, as well as sugarcane ethanol grown primarily in Brazil, which has its own ethanol mandates. Yet with cellulosic production behind schedule, sugarcane ethanol threatens to fill the gap. U.S. imports of large volumes of Brazilian sugarcane ethanol will lead to Brazil importing U.S. corn ethanol to meet their own fuel demand.

MORE CORN ETHANOL

Allowing sugarcane ethanol to make up the cellulosic shortfall will drive more corn ethanol production in the U.S.—putting more pressure on food supplies and the environment.



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