



From Sea to Shining Sea: Offshore Wind Analysis and Action

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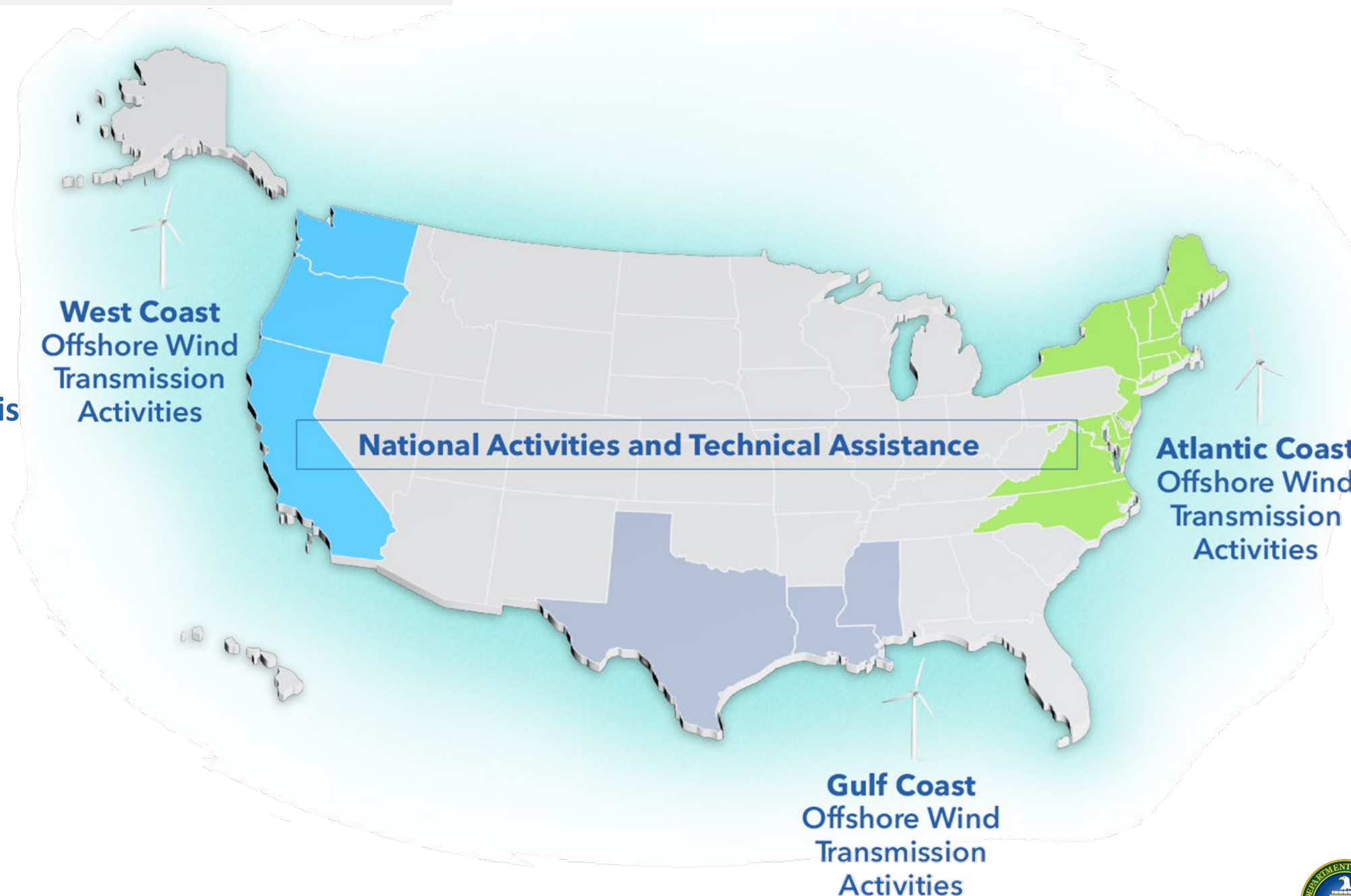


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DOE Efforts on Offshore Wind Transmission

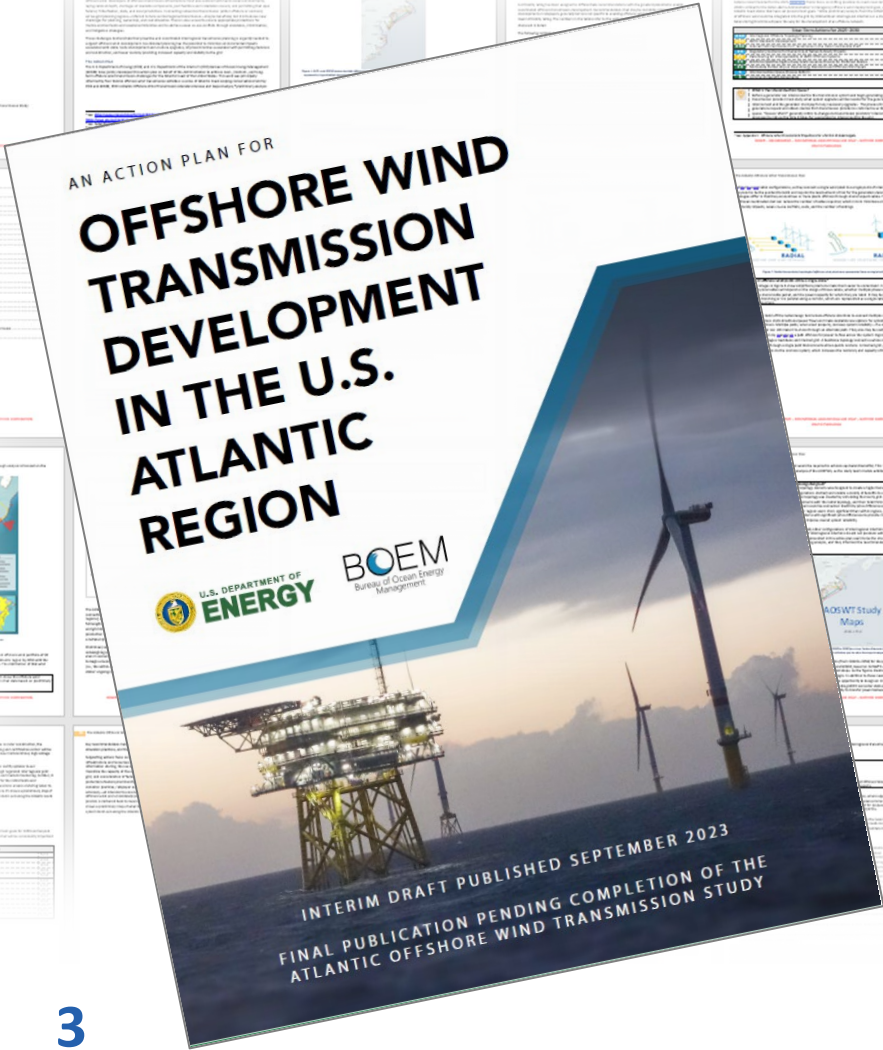
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Atlantic Action Plan



- ▶ 41 recommendations
- ▶ Spanning 2023-2050
- ▶ 5 Key Categories

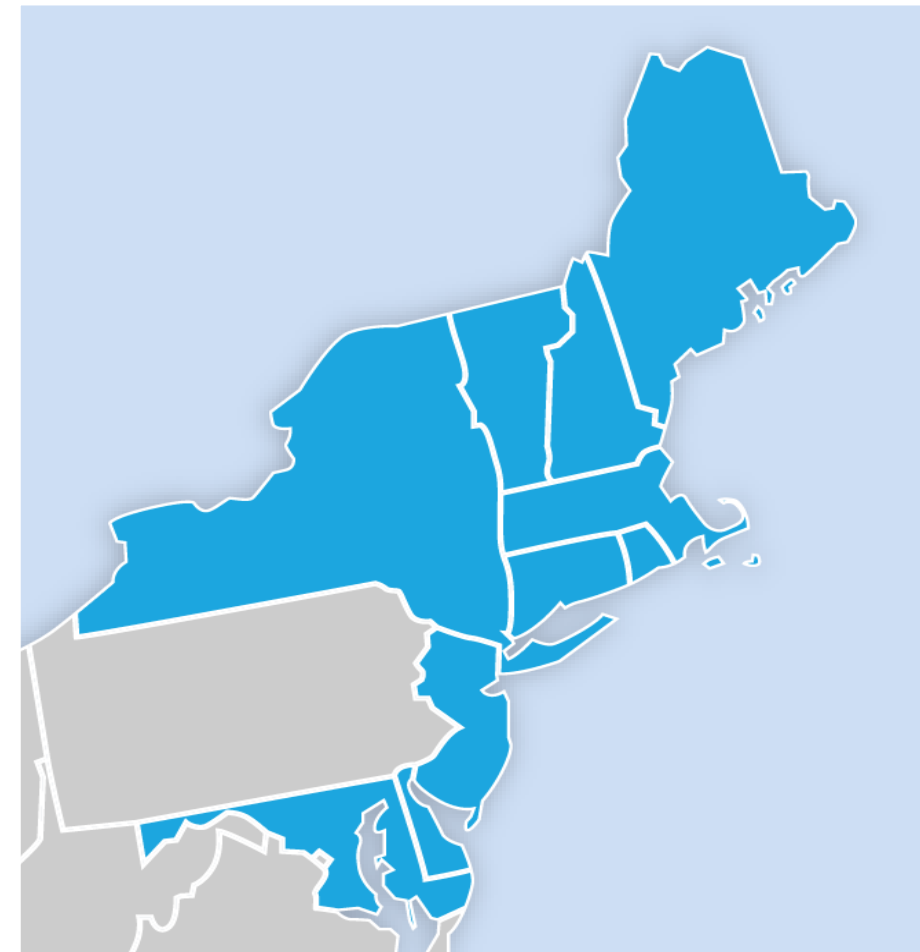
- ▶ Co-drafted by DOE & BOEM
- ▶ Input provided by FERC, NOAA



Northeast States Collaborative on Interregional Transmission

Action Plan Recommendation 1.1.1

- ▶ Eight northeastern states sent a letter to DOE in June 2023 requesting support for interregional and offshore transmission planning efforts (2 more have joined since).
- ▶ Asked DOE to assist in forming a “Northeast States Collaborative on Interregional Transmission”
- ▶ The collaborative is working to:
 - identify barriers to economic planning and development of interregional transmission
 - identify potential multi-state projects that may be suitable for ISO/RTO study
 - develop a strategy for state cooperation on technical standards for OSW transmission equipment
- ▶ GDO is working with state members to explore how best to support their engagement in transmission planning and development activities to meet their energy policy goals.



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MARYLAND

DOE's Investments in HVDC

- HVDC Standards & Workforce FOA
 - Functional requirements and standards development
 - HVDC curriculum for education and workforce training
- IDEAL-HVDC FOA
 - HVDC converter Innovative designs for increased power density and cost reduction

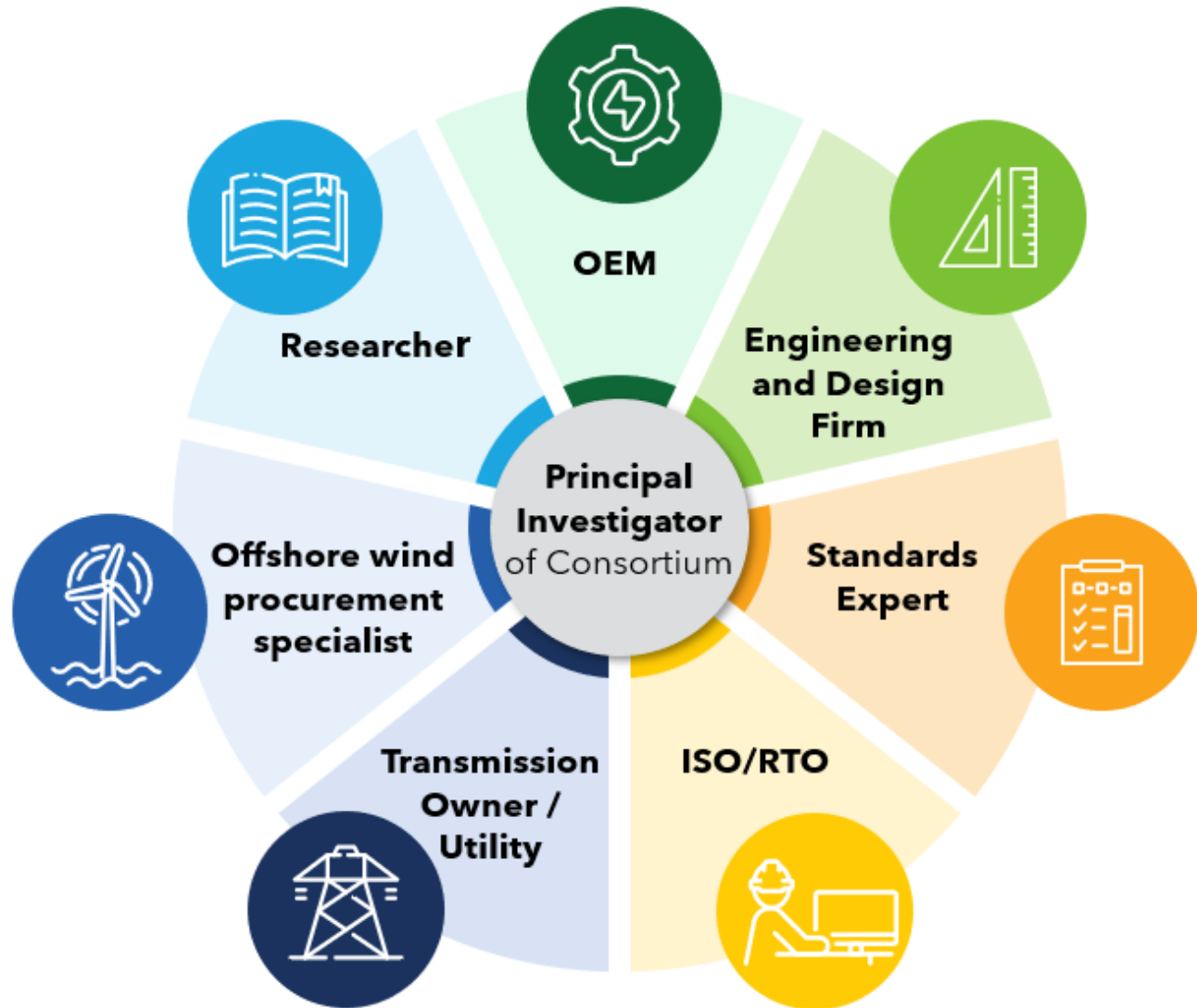
CORE Initiative Metrics



35% by '35



DOE Announces \$1.25 Million Award Standardization for Interregional Offshore Wind Transmission



Goal: Form a consortium of technical experts to identify standardized offshore wind transmission equipment specifications and mesh-ready design to support coordinated procurement in the United States.

Timeline: DOE anticipates this project to occur over a 12-month period across FY24-FY25.

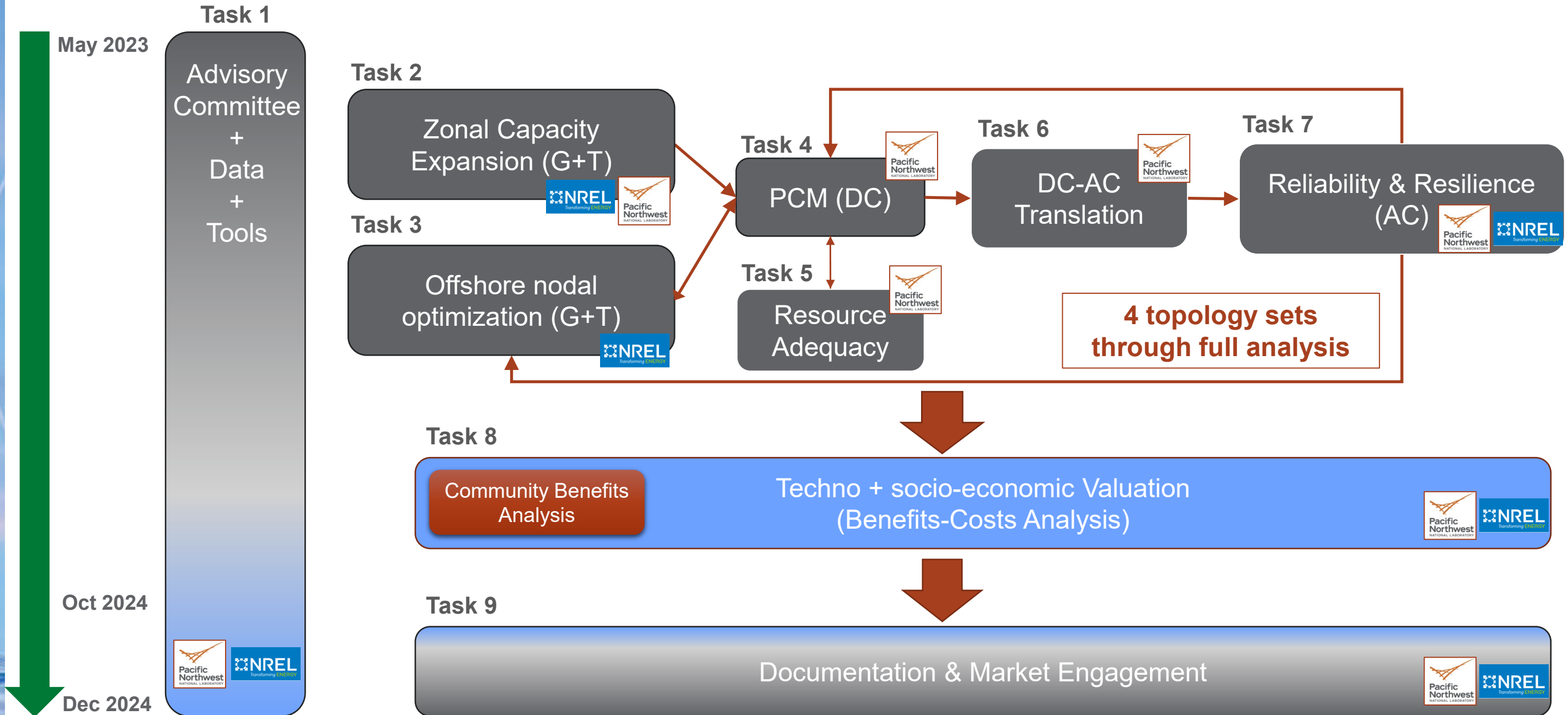
Eligibility: Specialized, independent experts, consultants, and academic entities. Principal Investigator must certify status as a U.S. domestic entity.



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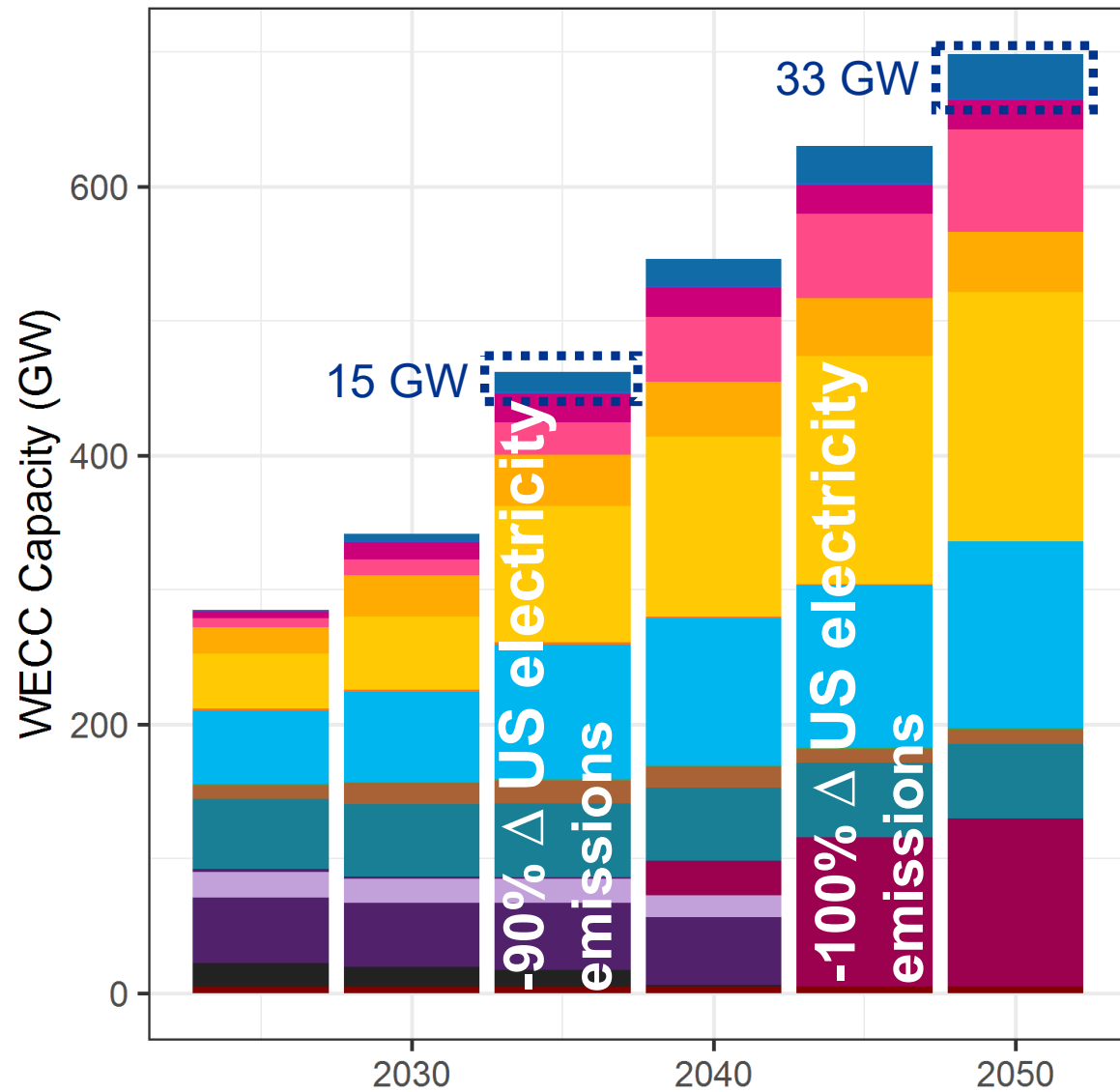
West Coast OSW Transmission Study (WOW-TS)



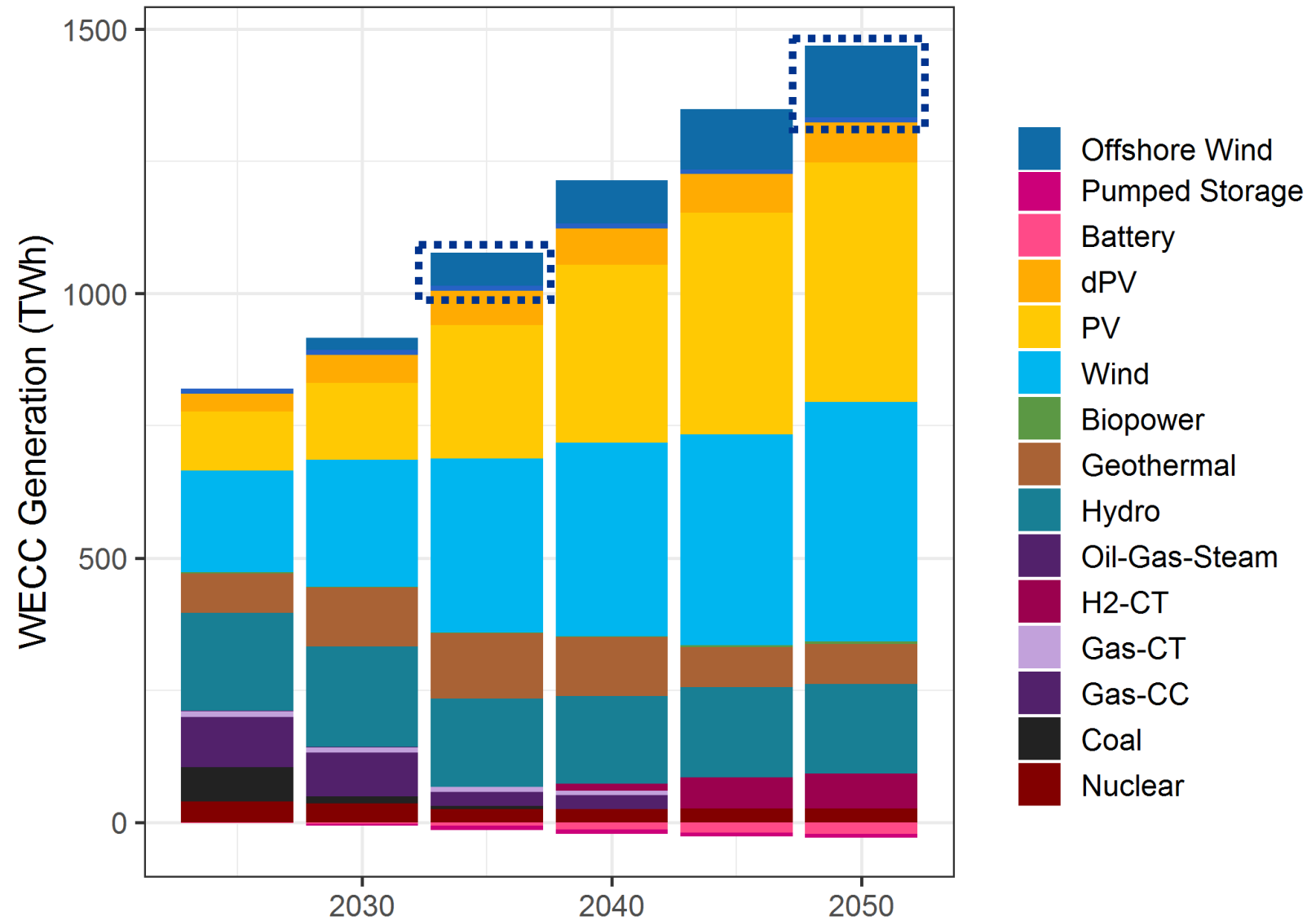
Capacity Expansion Results

All generation technologies (WECC)

Installed Capacity (GW)

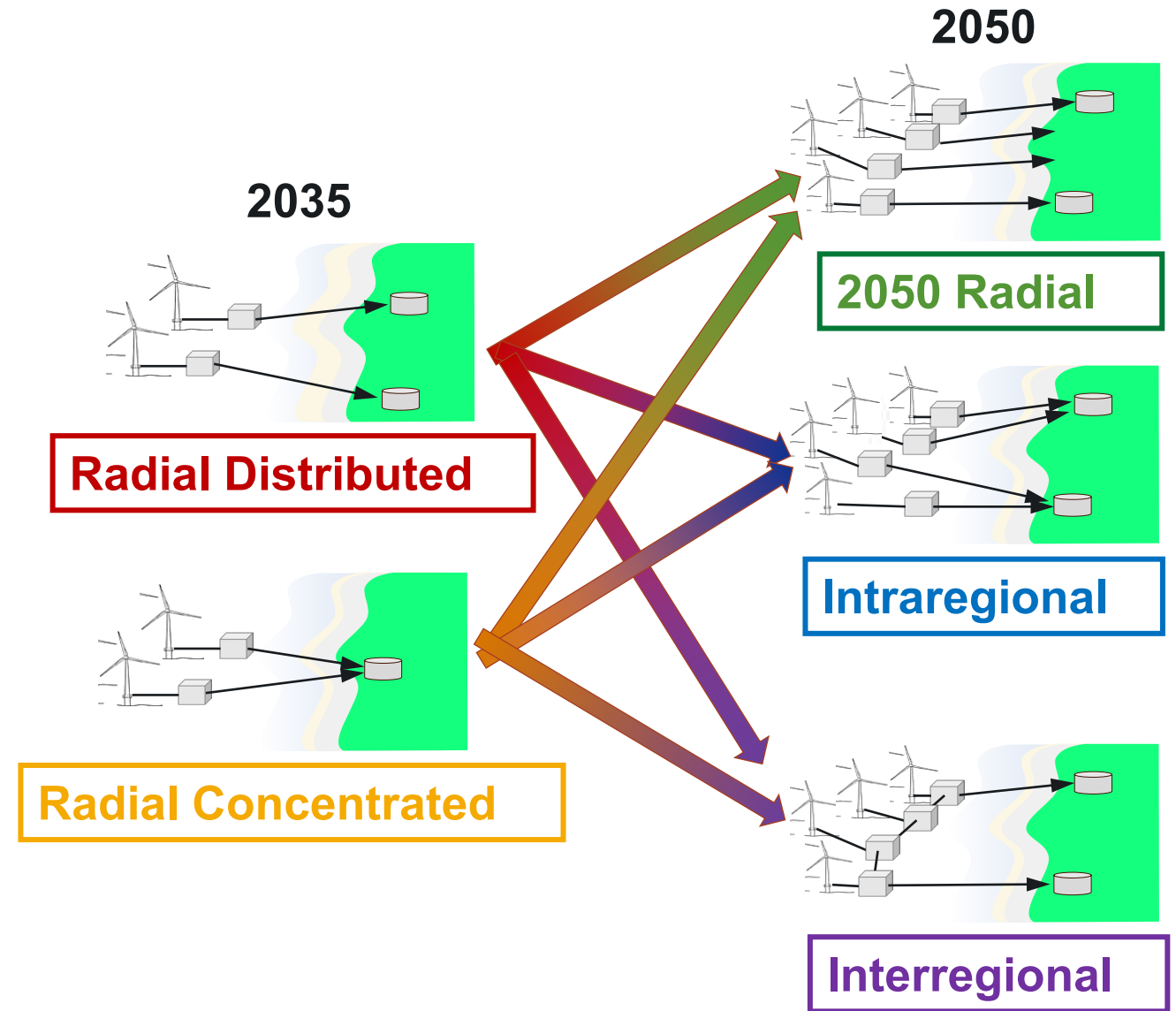


Annual Generation (TWh)



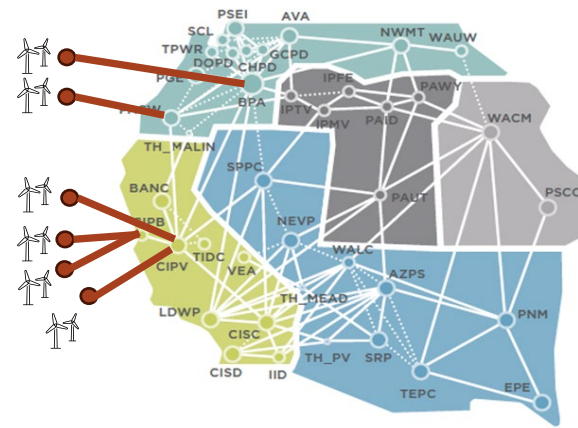
Topology Sets & Development Pathways

Topology Set	Year	OSW (GW)	No. of POIs
Radial, Distributed	2035	15	9
Radial, Concentrated	2035	15	5
Radial (Counterfactual)	2050	33	13
Intraregional	2050	33	13
Interregional	2050	33	13

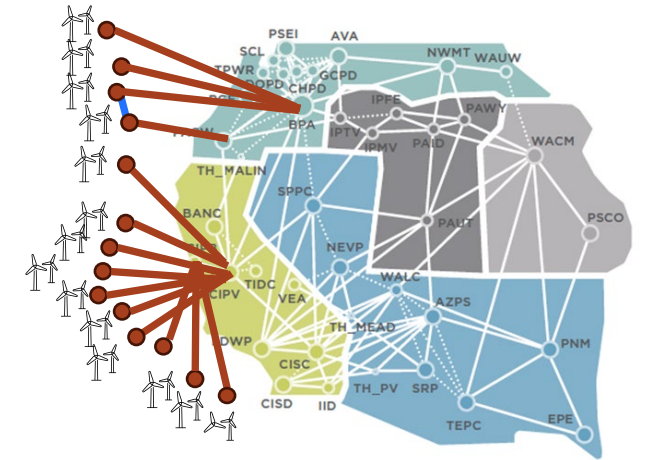


Resource Adequacy in GridPath RA Toolkit

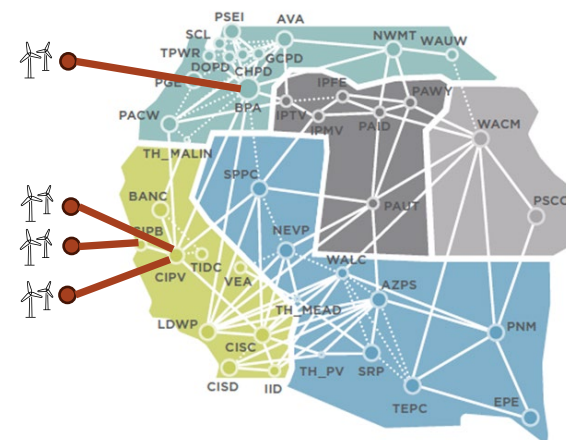
- 38 Zonal topology compatible with WECC Load Areas + Key Path Interfaces
- The transmission topology, line ratings, and path limits are synced to the PCM
- Forced outages are assumed for thermal generation.
- Weather-dependent generation de-rates are not modeled.
- Forced outages of transmission are not modeled.
- Hydro and energy storage dispatch assumes perfect foresight through 7-day subproblems



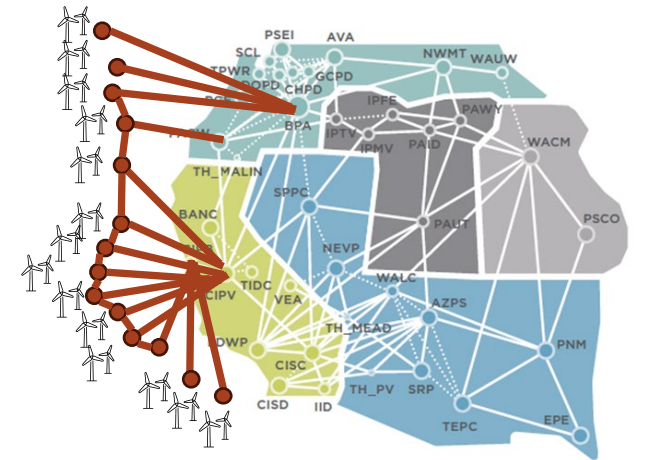
Radial Distributed



2050 Radial Intraregional



Radial Concentrated



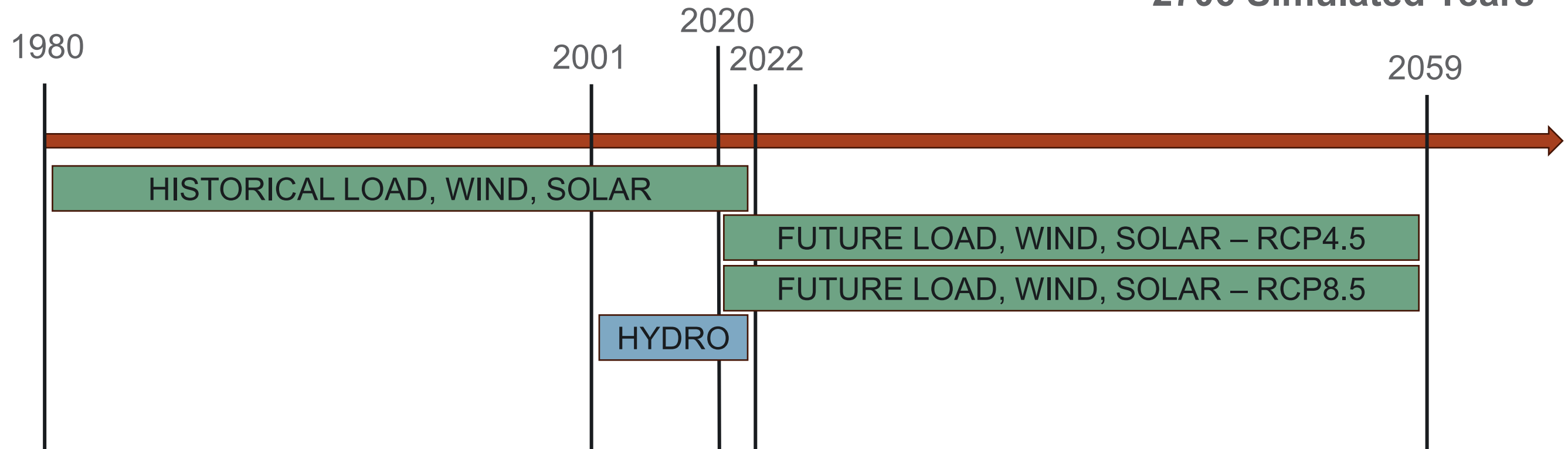
Interregional

Weather-Synchronized Time Series

43 *Historical Weather Years* X 22 Hydro Years = 946 Simulated Historical Years

40 *Future Weather Years* X 22 Hydro Years X 2 Climate Pathways = 1760 Simulated Future Years

2706 Simulated Years

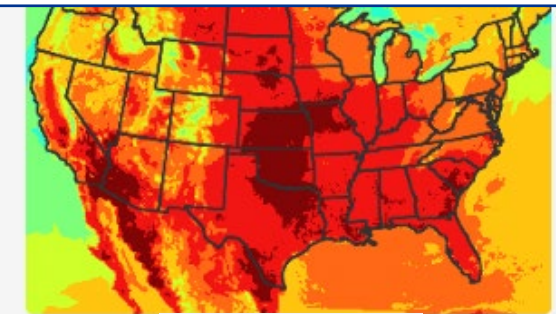


Time series: Coincident Meteorology

- **Meteorology:** IM3 Thermodynamic Global Warming (TGW) Numerical Weather Prediction model datasets, spanning 1980 – 2022
 - Future climate scenarios from historical weather repeated forward with Representative Climate Pathway 4.5, 8.5 (RCP4.5, RCP8.5), spanning 2020-2059



Thermodynamic Global
Warming WRF



12km/1hr

1980 - 2022

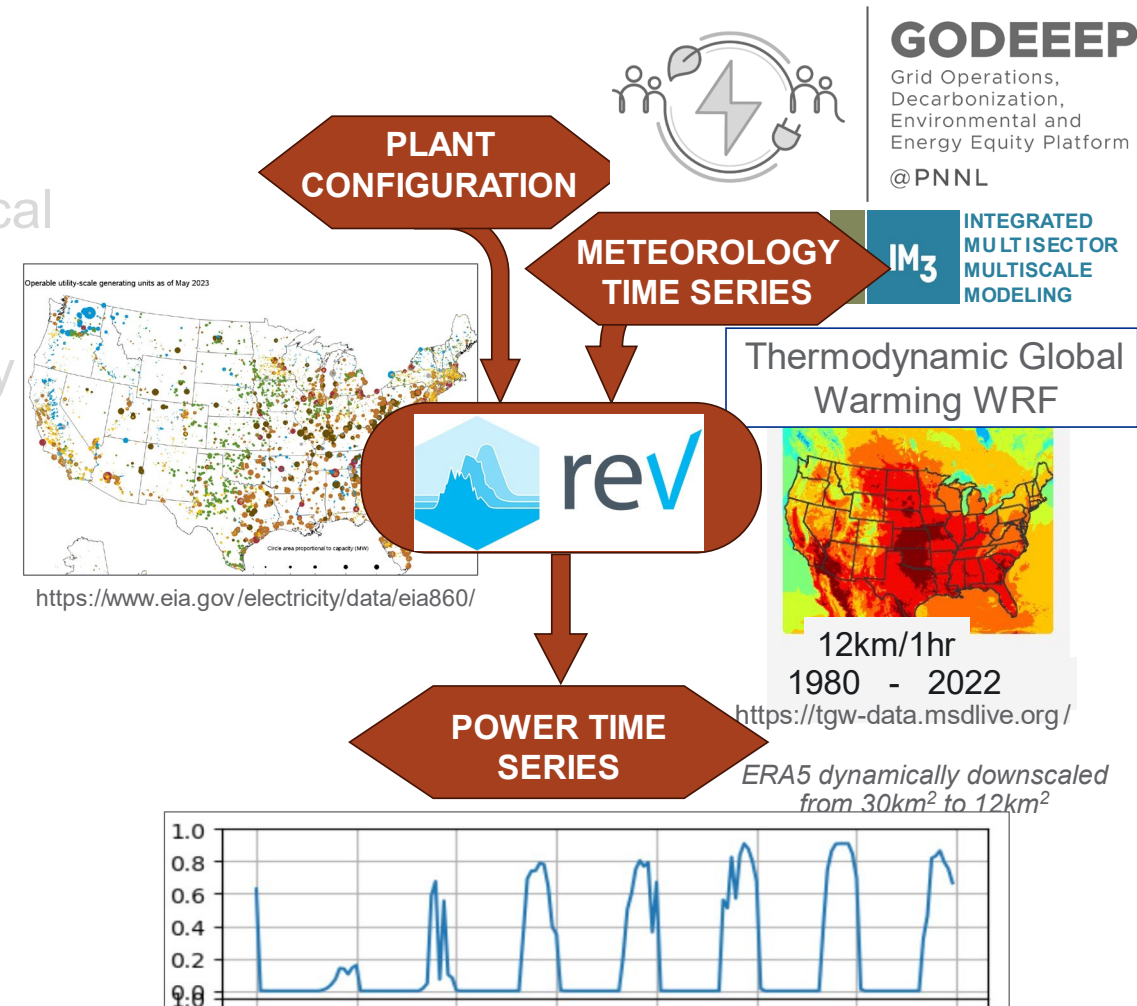
<https://tgw-data.msdlive.org/>

Climate data was developed with
DOE Sc funding and is publicly
available:

<https://data.msdlive.org/records/cnsy6-0y610>

Time series: Hourly Wind + Solar (1980 – 2059)

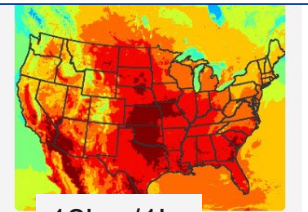
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- **Wind + Solar Generation:** TGW + EIA 860 plant configurations



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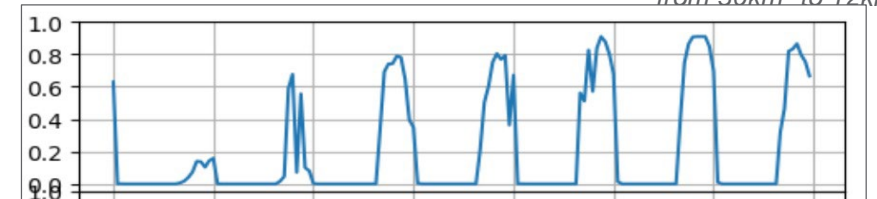
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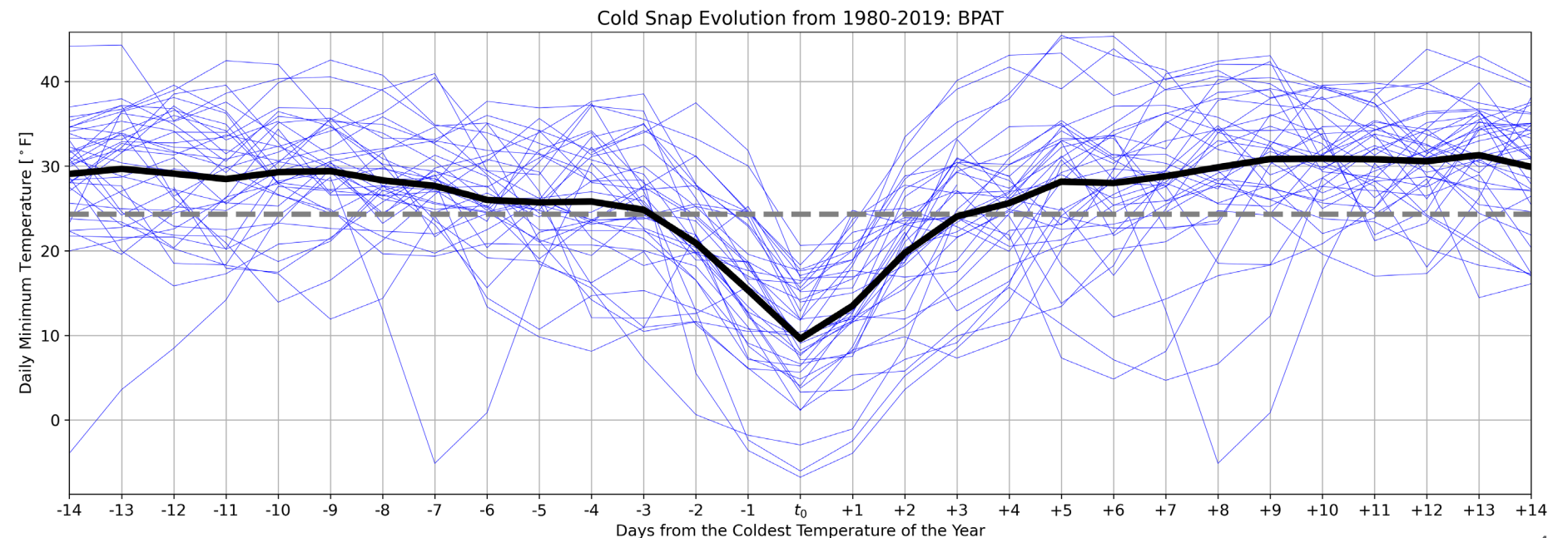
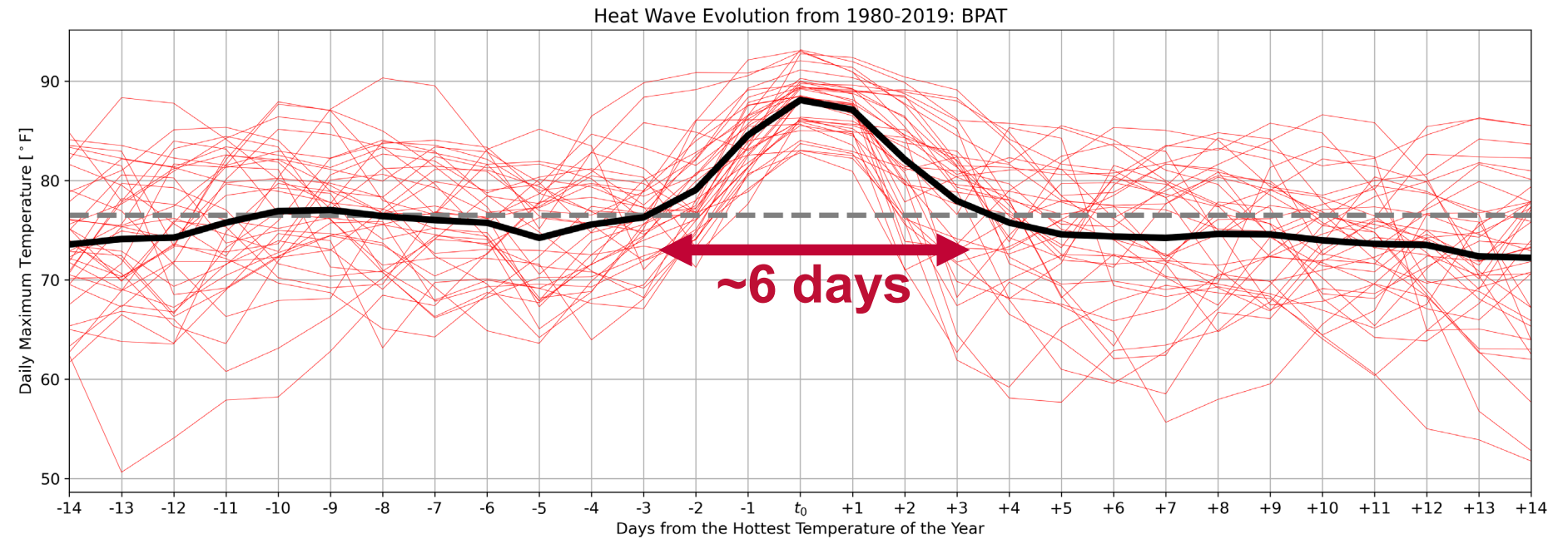
ERA5 dynamically downscaled
from 30km² to 12km²



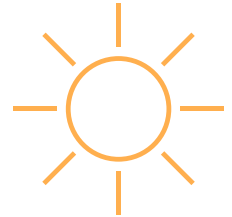
Historical Plant-Scale Hourly Solar and Wind for Lower 48 U.S. States
https://zenodo.org/records/8393319

Extreme Events: Heat Wave and Cold Snap Duration in BPAT

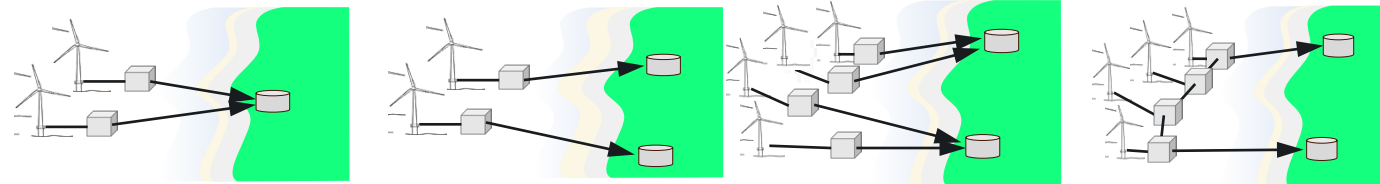
- Analyzed the hottest and coldest day of each year (1980-2019) in each BA in the WECC
- Typical heat waves and cold snaps last ~6-7 days and are, on average, symmetric about the max/min temperature day
- We use these event dates and meteorology time series to select extreme hot/cold events to study
- These patterns are consistent across BAs in the WECC in the historical record



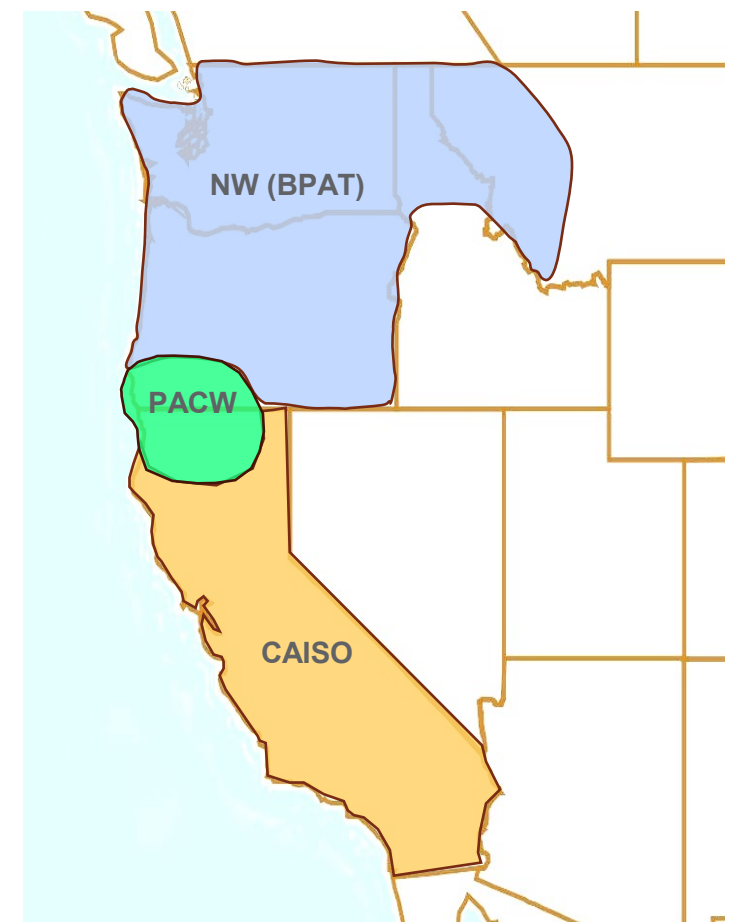
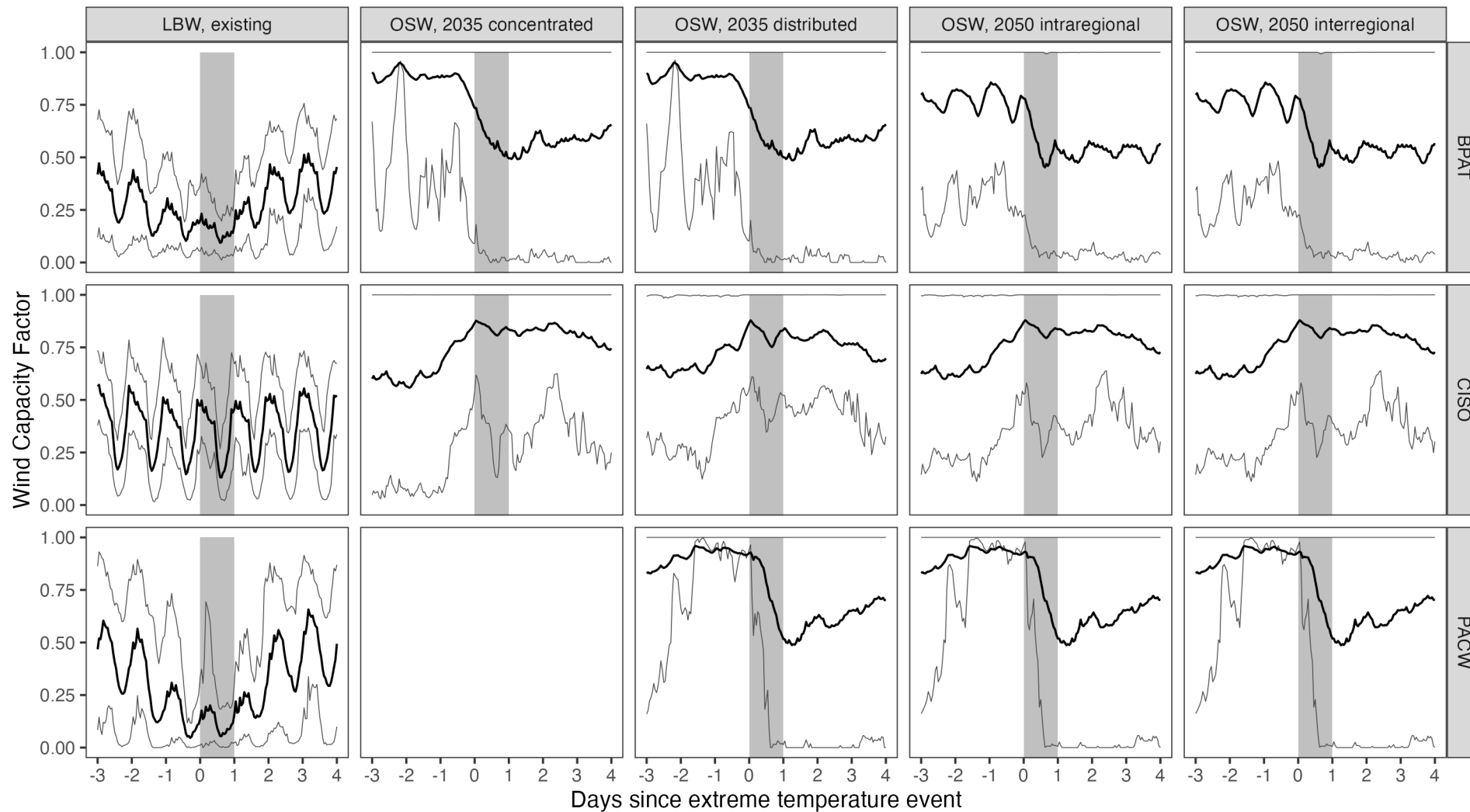
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Existing Wind



Wind generation during annual maximum temperature event historical 1980_2022

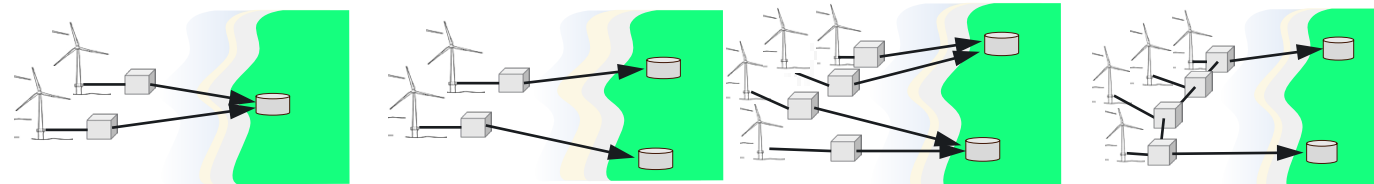


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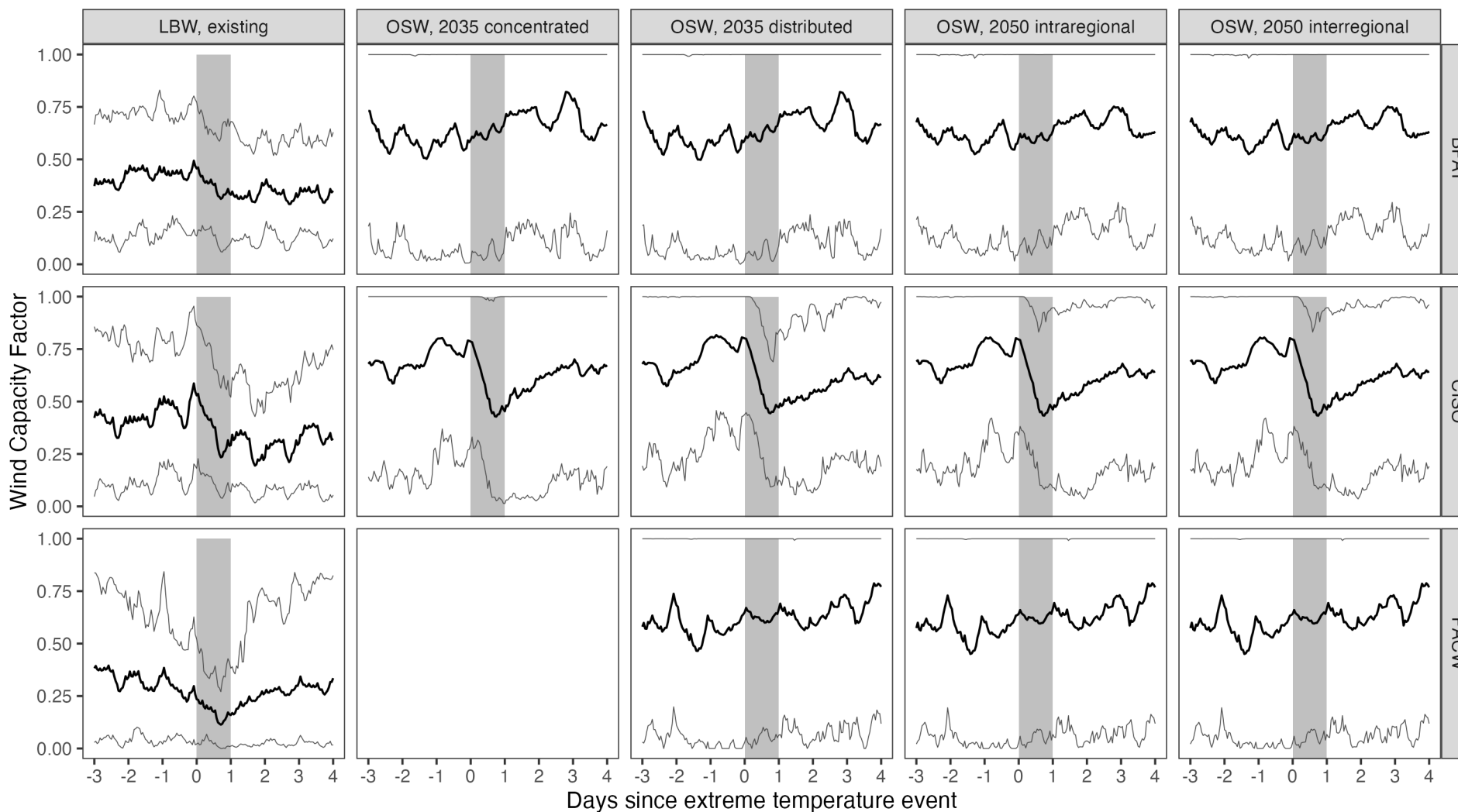


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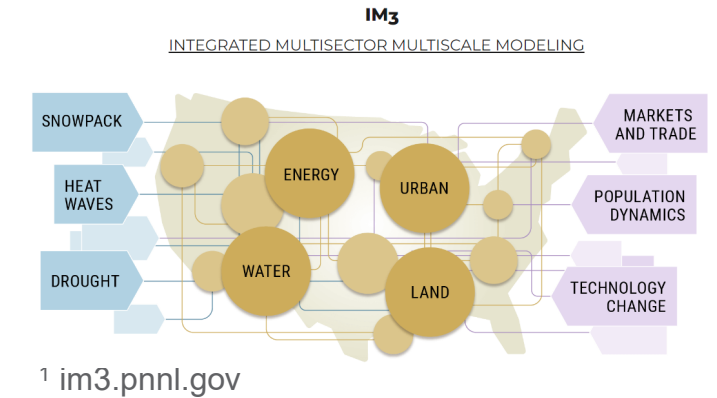
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Time series: Hourly Load (1980 – 2059)

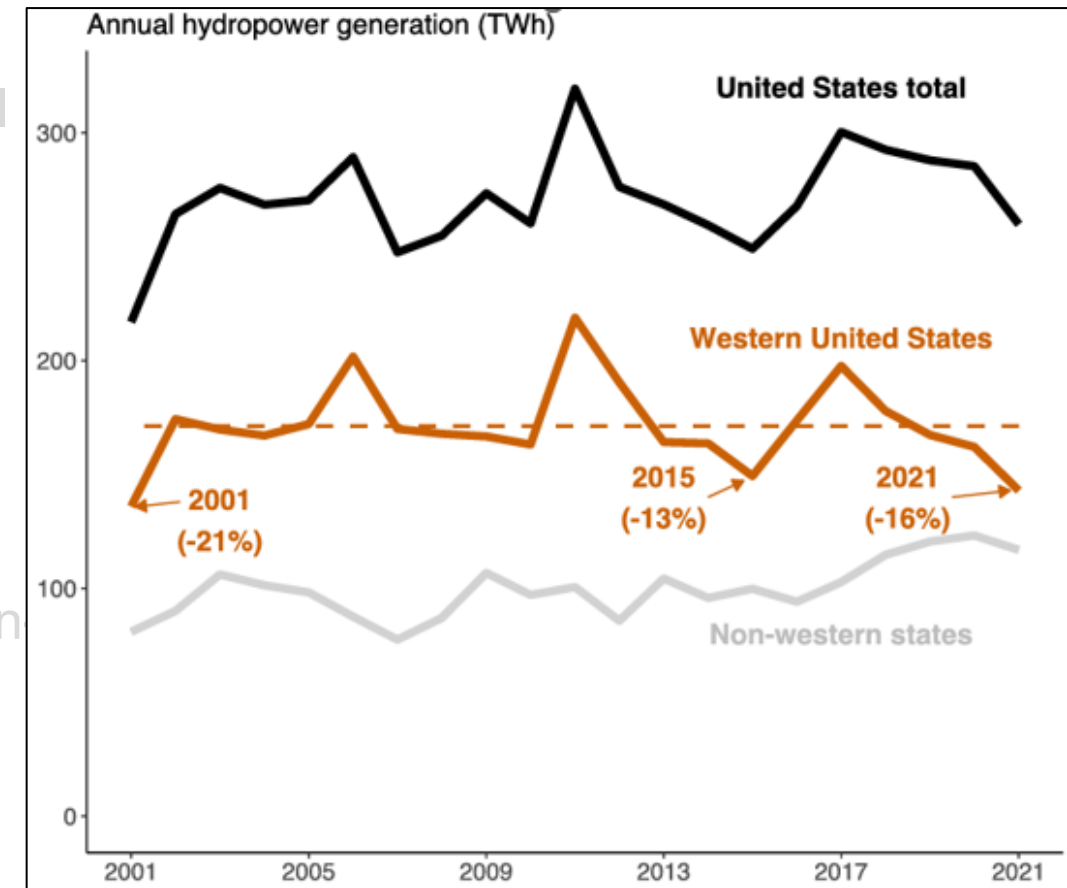
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² Full EER Report for 2022:
<https://www.evolved.energy/post/adp2022>

Time series: Weekly Hydropower (2001 – 2022)

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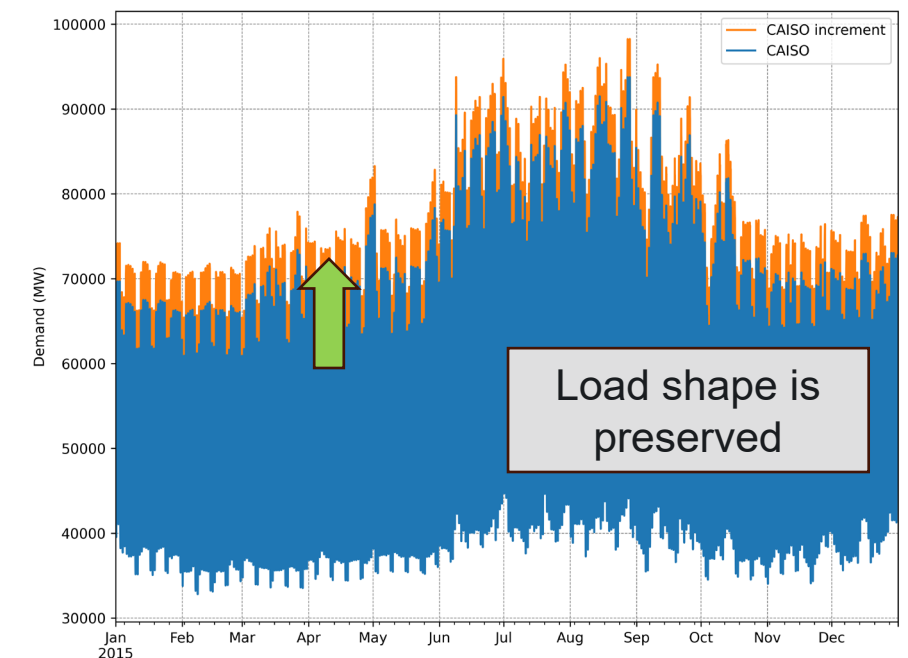


Effective Load Carrying Contribution: Balancing Method

With OSW included, all historical weather years, and seven representative hydro years (2001, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2009, 2011):

1. Seed problem by running ~150% load scaling for CAISO + PACW + NW, and isolate weeks of unserved energy (USE). Complete remaining steps on these problems.
2. Disallow USE everywhere but CAISO. Increment CAISO load until LOLE = 0.1. Lock loads and USE in CAISO.
3. Retain loads and USE from prior step. Allow USE in NW and increment NW load until LOLE = 0.1 in NW.
4. Retain loads and USE from prior step. Allow USE in PACW and increment PACW load until LOLE=0.1 in PACW.

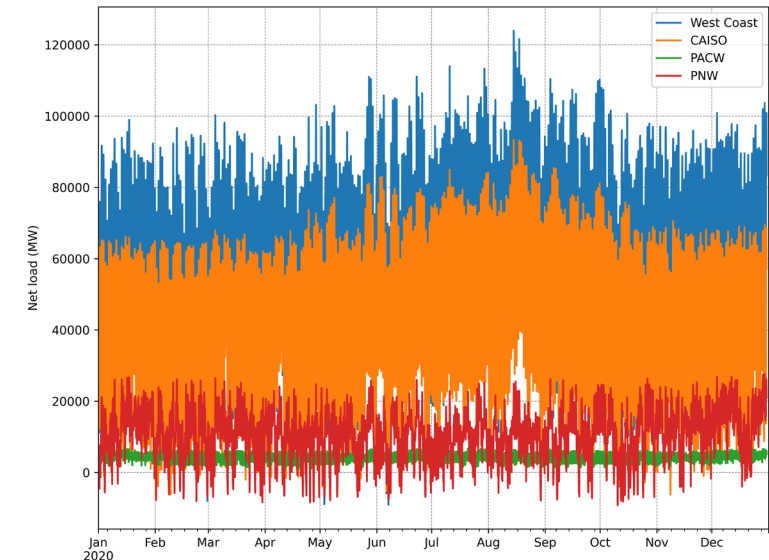
Repeat steps 1-4 without OSW and compare the loads between the balanced final runs to define the ELCC.



ELCC findings (preliminary)

- Increment load shape to reach LOLE=0.1 in all three regions, take difference of increments with and without OSW to quantify ELCC of OSW

Topology Set	CAISO ELCC (MW)	PACW ELCC (MW)	PNW ELCC (MW)	Total ELCC (%)
2035 Concentrated	7178	0	0	48%
2035 Distributed	7438	0	0	50%
2050 Radial	13472	0	0	41%
2050 Intraregional	13472	0	0	41%
2050 Interregional	13474	0	0	41%



- OSW provides robust ELCC through 2050
- Critical system needs are driven by CA net loads in mid-late summer evenings
- Improvement in 2035 by injecting more OSW into CIPB
- No RA value of the interregional or intraregional transmission given the onshore system designs



Thank you

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