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**Preparing for a Future with
Abundant DER**



Preparing for a Future Grid with Abundant Distributed Energy Resources

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Cornerstones of the Distribution Resources Plan

1. *Identify* Available DER Hosting Capacity across the Distribution Grid
 - Replace rules-of-thumb with more sophisticated analytics
2. *Facilitate* Interconnection for DERs with Capacity below Available Hosting Capacity
3. *Identify* Where DERs can Provide the Most Locational Value
4. *Direct* DERs to High-Value Locations
 - Use various procurement and incentive mechanisms



Integration Capacity Analysis Methodology Development and Working Group Coordination

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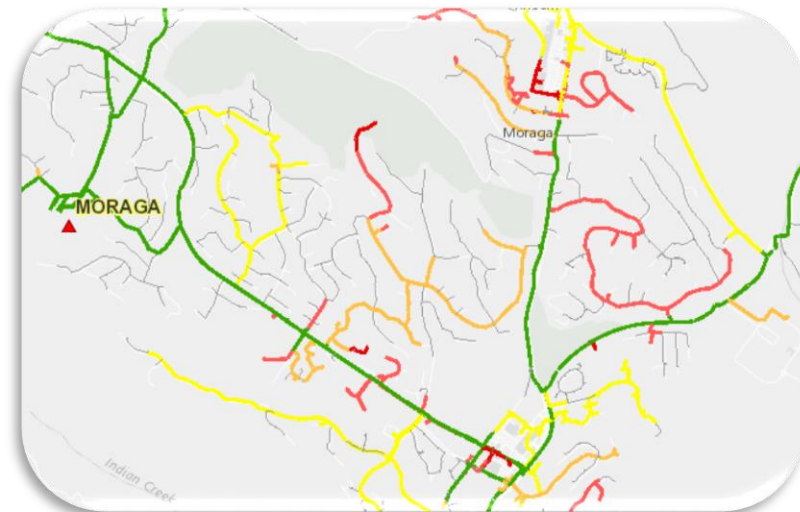
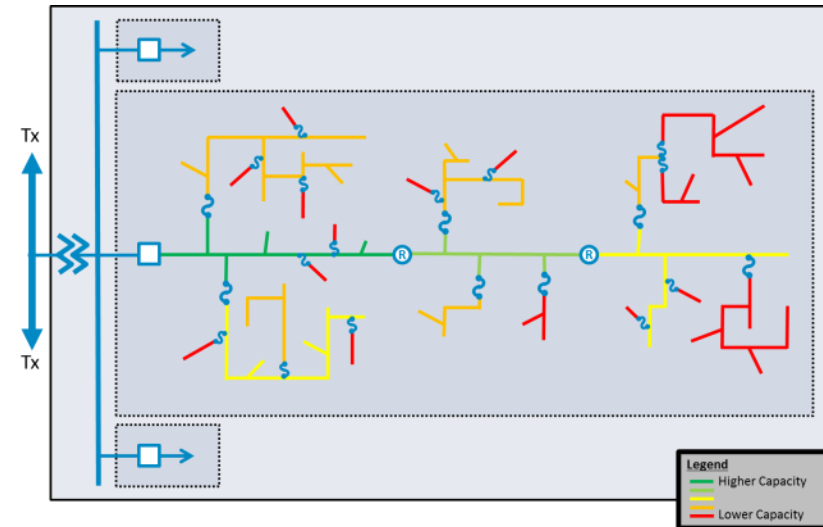


Distribution Resources Plan (DRP) Guidance on ICA

- Specify available hosting capacity on distribution grid
- Results down to line section or node level
- Ability to improve efficiency of interconnection process

Key Characteristics Required for ICA

- Establish common methodology among utilities
- Avoid "rule of thumb" approaches
- Incorporate new technologies and DER capabilities (i.e. Smart Inverters)
- Publish results via online maps for customers
- Can be performed on regular intervals system wide



Collaborative Innovation

- Industry working group has been established to get feedback and input to help improve the methodologies
- The working group is public and free to participate
- Information can be found at the two websites below



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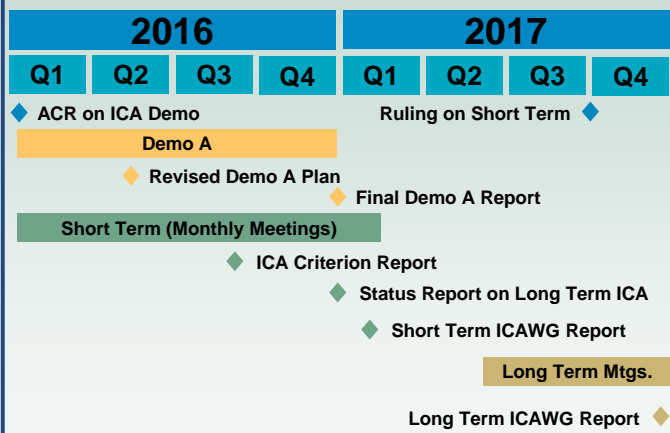
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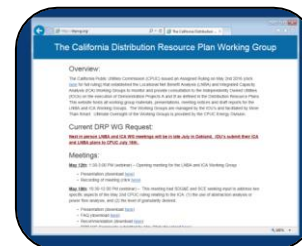
ICA Working Group Timeline



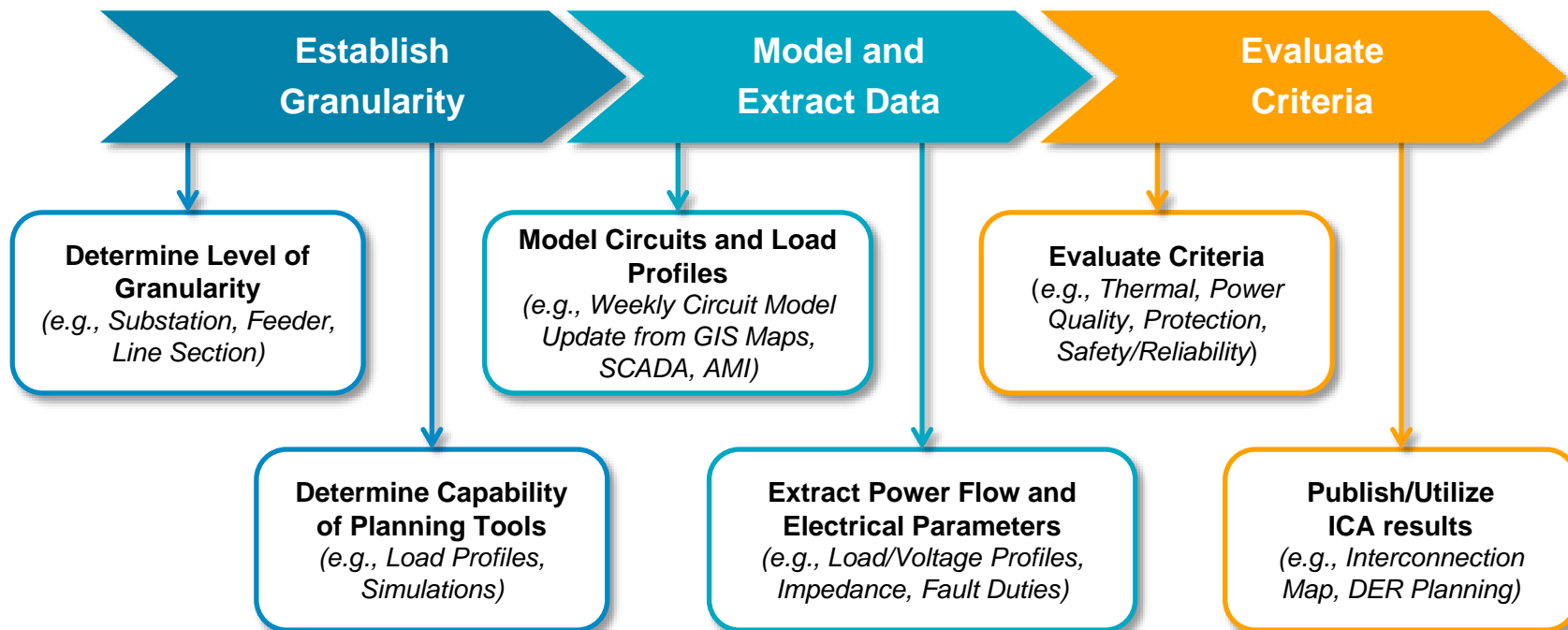
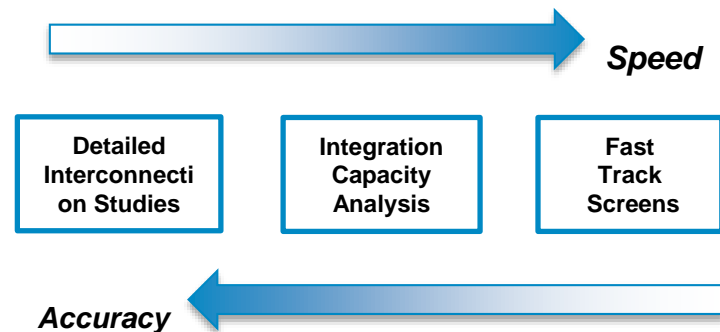
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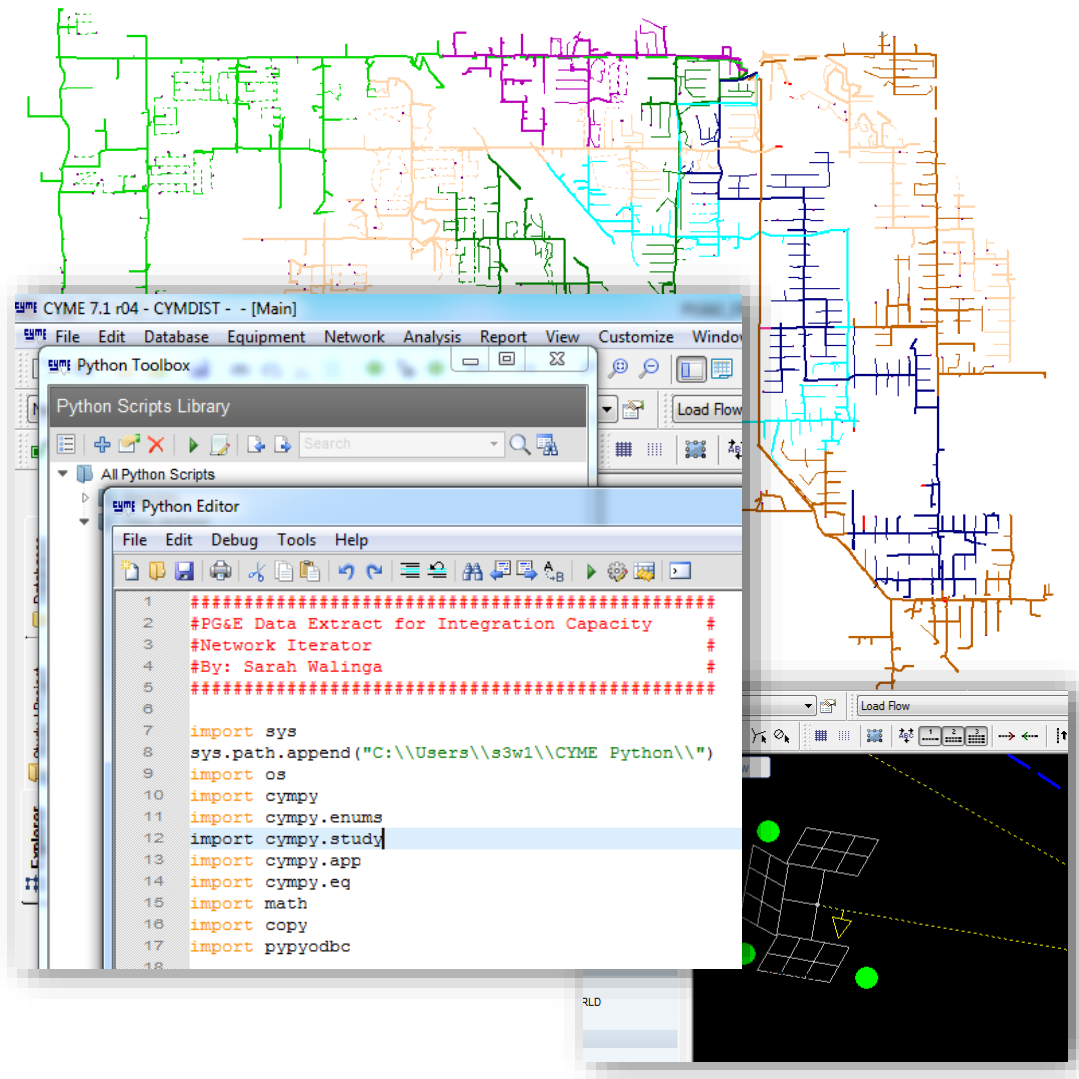


<http://drpwg.org/>



Development of new methodology was required in order to calculate DER Integration Capacity





Modeling geospatial distribution circuits is extremely helpful

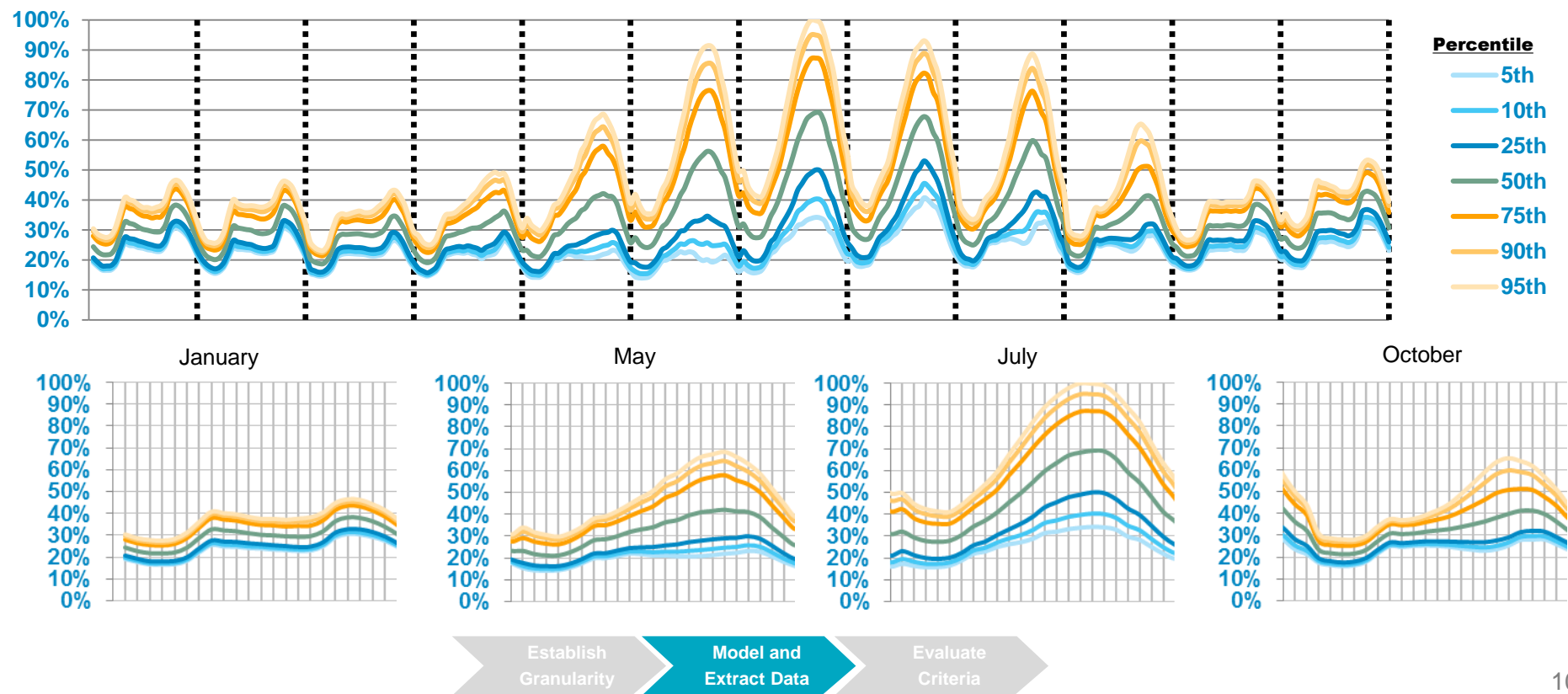
- Customer loading and forecast data downloaded from SmartMeters
- Granular modeling is critical

Software Tools

- Batch automated power flow is necessary for an efficient ICA
- Scripts needed to properly analyze and extract large amounts of data relevant for ICA

Analyzing and Understanding Hourly Profiles

- SCADA can be useful, but it's not everywhere
- Smart Meters are useful, but it doesn't tell the whole story
- Raw historical data is useful, but isn't the future
- PG&E utilizes software to provide enhanced load shapes based on metered data and locational variation between customer types and statistical occurrence



Evaluation of Important Power System Criteria

Various aspects of the power system must be analyzed to determine possible impacts

Thermal

- Determines limits based on equipment thermal ratings

Power Quality / Voltage

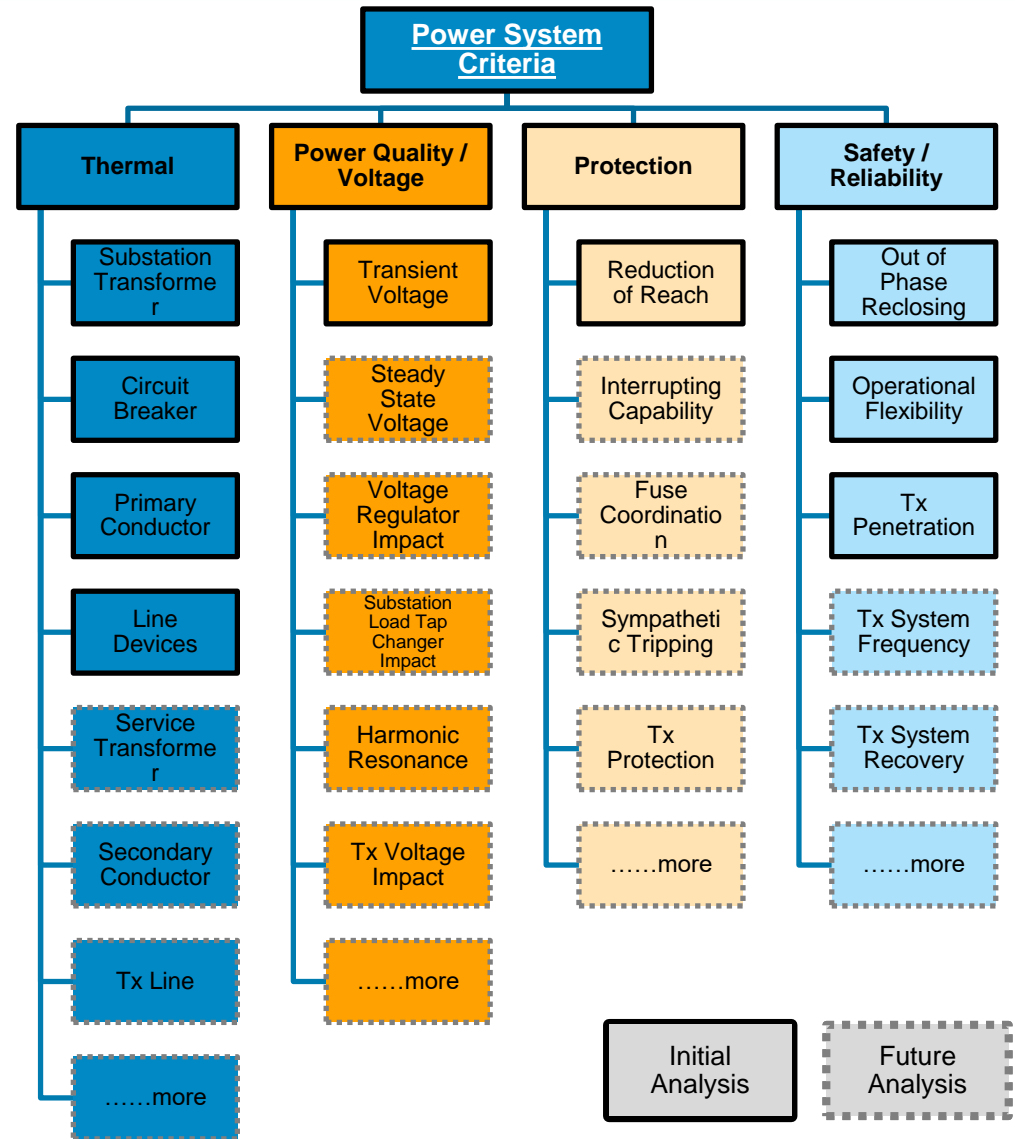
- Determines limits that do not create power quality to operate outside prescribed thresholds

Protection

- Determines limits that ensure protection equipment can still operate as designed

Safety / Reliability

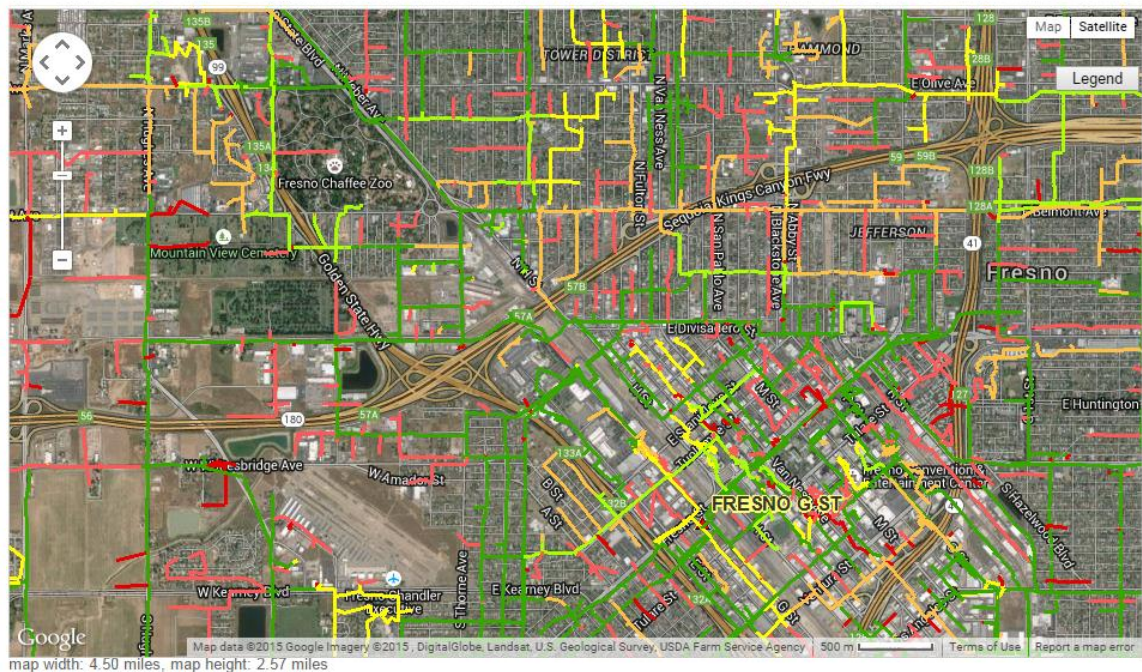
- Determines limits that reduce impacts to safe and reliable operation of the grid during abnormal conditions



Integration Capacity Analysis Results

Solar Photovoltaic (PV) and Renewable Auction Mechanism (RAM) Program Map

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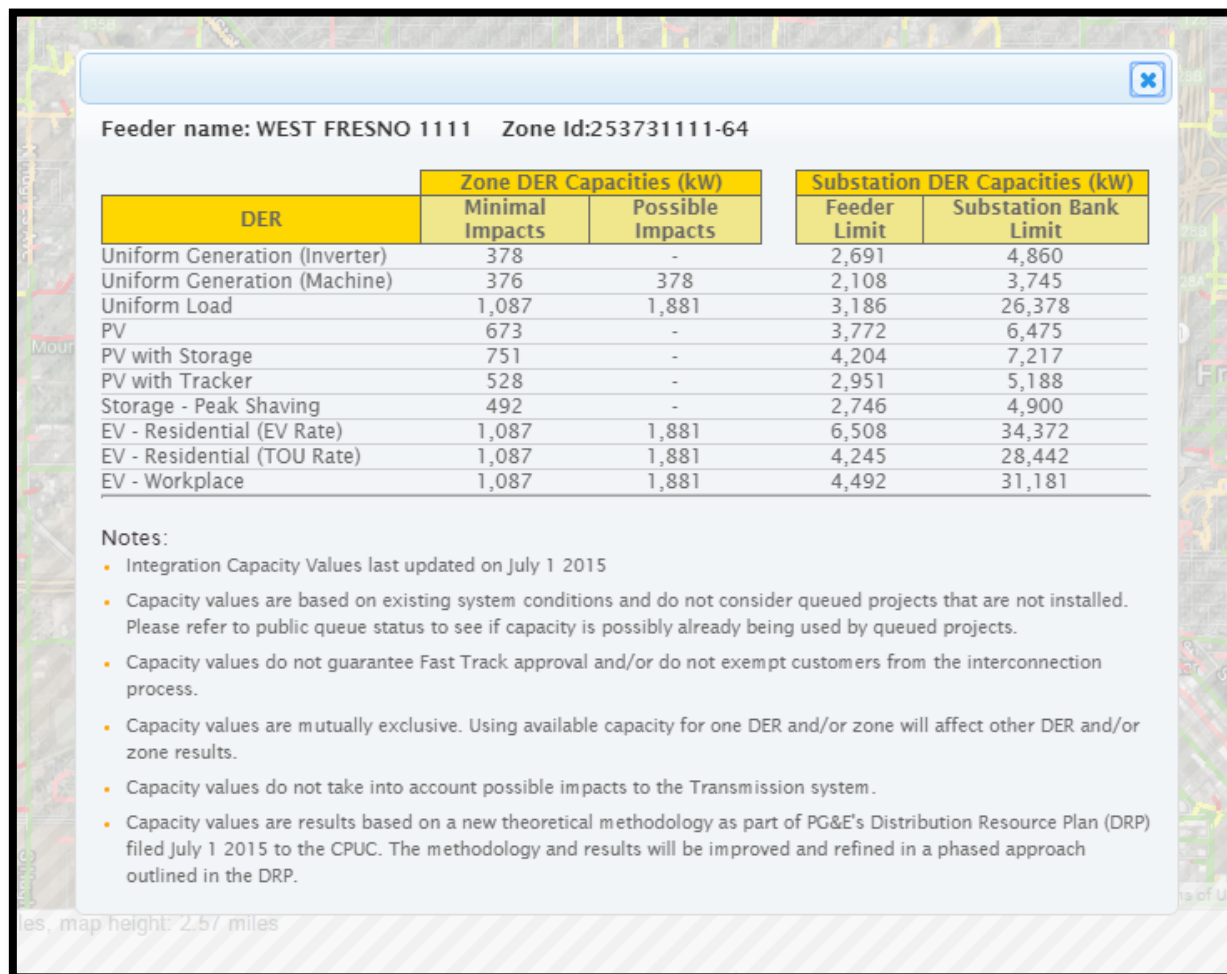
PG&E analyzed all three phase line sections for about 3,000+ distribution circuits

- Helps customers and developers in optimally locating DER
- Initially colored by PV Results
- Exploration of new interfaces and data sharing techniques will occur in DRP discussions

Locational Integration Capacity on PG&E Website

Provide capacities for 10 different types of DER

- Substation (Bank and Feeder) limits are provided
- Line Section Level results provide a range indicating different capacities based on where interconnection on line section.
- IOU coordination with ICA Working Group will determine best consistent method for result publication this year



Next Steps for ICA Working Group

Long term work is to create path forward for how ICA progresses in methodology and utilization

- Enhancements of online maps displaying ICA results
- Improve data sharing of ICA (e.g. more accessible and user friendly)
- Incorporation of Smart Inverters and other voltage regulation devices
- Expand methodology to incorporate load modifying resources (e.g. Non generation DER such as EE and DR)
- Improve modeling of DER load profile shapes
- Engage non IOU validation and comparison of hosting capacity results
- Planning Use Case - Establish how ICA is used in the planning context

Locational Value of DERs

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Distribution Resources Plan (DRP)

- Analytical Frameworks
 - Grid Integration Capacity Analysis (ICA)
 - **Quantification of Distributed Energy Resources' (DER) locational value (aka locational net benefits analysis or LNBA)**
 - Growth scenarios forecast
- Demonstration Projects
 - ICA maps
 - **LNBA Calculator**
 - Other demos
- Policy issues

Locational Net Benefits Analysis (LNBA) Tool

- Optimal location for DERs = available hosting capacity + locational benefits greater than costs
- LNBA Tool calculates locational benefits on an indicative basis
 - Distribution investment deferral value + locational avoided costs
- Distribution investment deferral value identified based on DER services
 - Distribution capacity services
 - Voltage support services
 - Reliability (back-tie) services
 - Resiliency (microgrid) services
- Comparison with costs occurs outside of LNBA calculator
 - DER deployment, interconnection, integration costs

LNBA Tool – Project Deferral Value Calculation

First load forecast year (e.g.: 2016)

Discount Rate (%/yr)

Generic default inflation rate (%/yr)

Case to use for allocated hourly costs (Base, Low, High):

Deferral Yrs indicated by DER Dashboard

2017
7.00%
2.00%
Base

User input: Tool wide financial data

3

Project cost and need information

Equipment Information

Location Identifier (user text)

Location Mapping info (User text)

Equipment type

Equipment Inflation (%/yr)

Revenue Requirement Multiplier

O&M Inflation Rate (%/yr)

Book life (yrs)

O&M Factor (Annual O&M\$/Project Cost \$)

Cost Information

Capital Cost (\$000)

Incremental O&M Cost (\$000)

Cost yr basis

Project install/commitment year

Cumulative MW reduction needed for deferral

- 1 2017
- 2 2018
- 3 2019
- 4 2020

Item 1

DPA 1
Location 1234
Primary Feeder
2.0%
165.0%
2.0%
25
12.0%
Base
\$2,000.0
\$240.0
2015
2017

User input: Project specific details (equipment type defines project financial assumptions)

Base
0.26
0.38
0.51
0.64

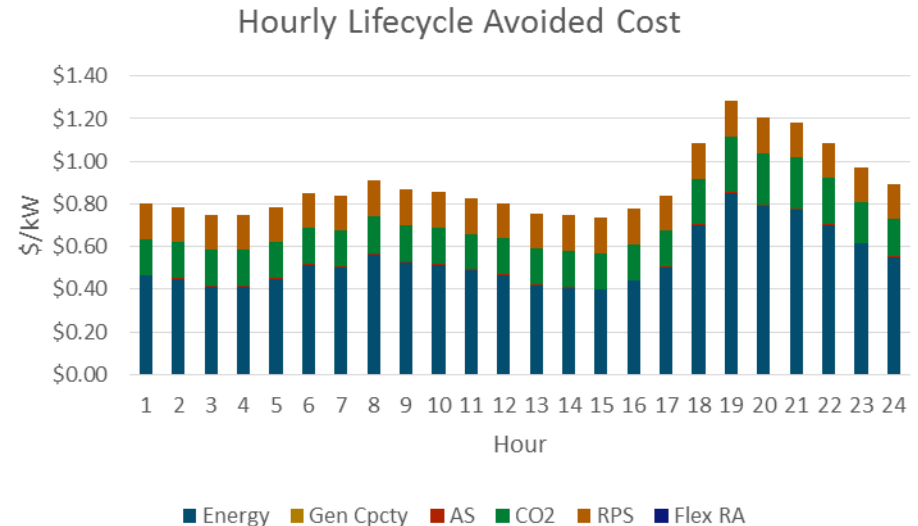
Yearly peak need summarized from user input hourly project need

LNBA Tool: Other Avoided Costs Calculation

User inputted hourly
DER solution profile

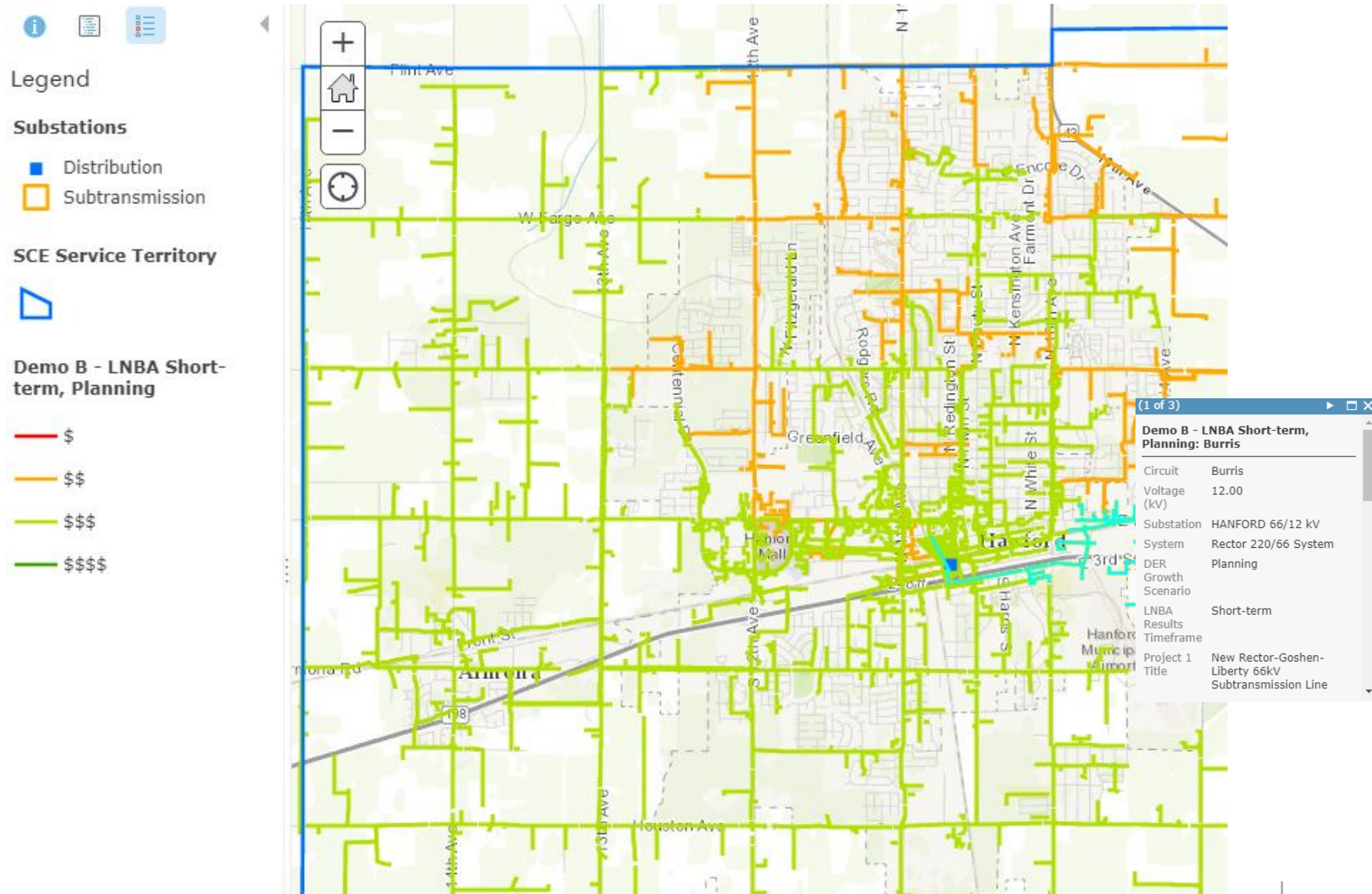
Calculated lifetime hourly
avoided cost values

User Input for DER Hourly Shape			
PST			
Hour Starting	Month	Hour	DER at meter (kW)
1/1/15 12:00 AM	1	0	0.00
1/1/15 1:00 AM	1	1	0.00
1/1/15 2:00 AM	1	2	0.00
1/1/15 3:00 AM	1	3	0.00
1/1/15 4:00 AM	1	4	0.00
1/1/15 5:00 AM	1	5	0.00
1/1/15 6:00 AM	1	6	0.00
1/1/15 7:00 AM	1	7	0.00
1/1/15 8:00 AM	1	8	105.30
1/1/15 9:00 AM	1	9	720.21
1/1/15 10:00 AM	1	10	154.16
1/1/15 11:00 AM	1	11	293.76
1/1/15 12:00 PM	1	12	315.30
1/1/15 1:00 PM	1	13	175.15
1/1/15 2:00 PM	1	14	940.02
1/1/15 3:00 PM	1	15	727.53
1/1/15 4:00 PM	1	16	174.38
1/1/15 5:00 PM	1	17	0.00
1/1/15 6:00 PM	1	18	0.00
1/1/15 7:00 PM	1	19	0.00
1/1/15 8:00 PM	1	20	0.00
1/1/15 9:00 PM	1	21	0.00
1/1/15 10:00 PM	1	22	0.00
1/1/15 11:00 PM	1	23	0.00



Lifecycle Value from DER by Compon	
	Circuit 1102
Energy	\$1,998,095
Gen Capacity	\$362,696
Ancillary Services	\$18,462
CO2	\$794,182
RPS	\$808,743
Flex RA	-\$168,364

Heatmap of LNBA Results



Questions?



Locational Net Benefits Assessment & Distribution Infrastructure Deferral

Limitations, Opportunities & Next Steps

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Value categories are refined and adjusted for local variation

System-wide Average or Location Specific Benefit Value layers

(Assessed as applicable to each layer)

HV System Transmission

+ LV Transmission Territory

+ Sub-transmission Area

+ Distribution Planning Area

+ Distribution substation

+ Circuit

+ Line section

+ Transformer

+ Meter Load

+ BTM load

= **Total Stacked Value**

DERAC Components	
1	Energy
2	Losses
3	Generation Capacity
4	Ancillary Services
5	T&D Capacity
6	Environment
7	Avoided RPS

+

New /More Granular Components	
1	Distribution Capacity
2	Voltage and Power Quality
3	Reliability and Resiliency
4	Transmission Capital and Operating Expenditures
5	Flexible Resource Adequacy (RA) Procurement
6	Renewable Integration
7	Societal avoided costs
8	Public safety avoided costs

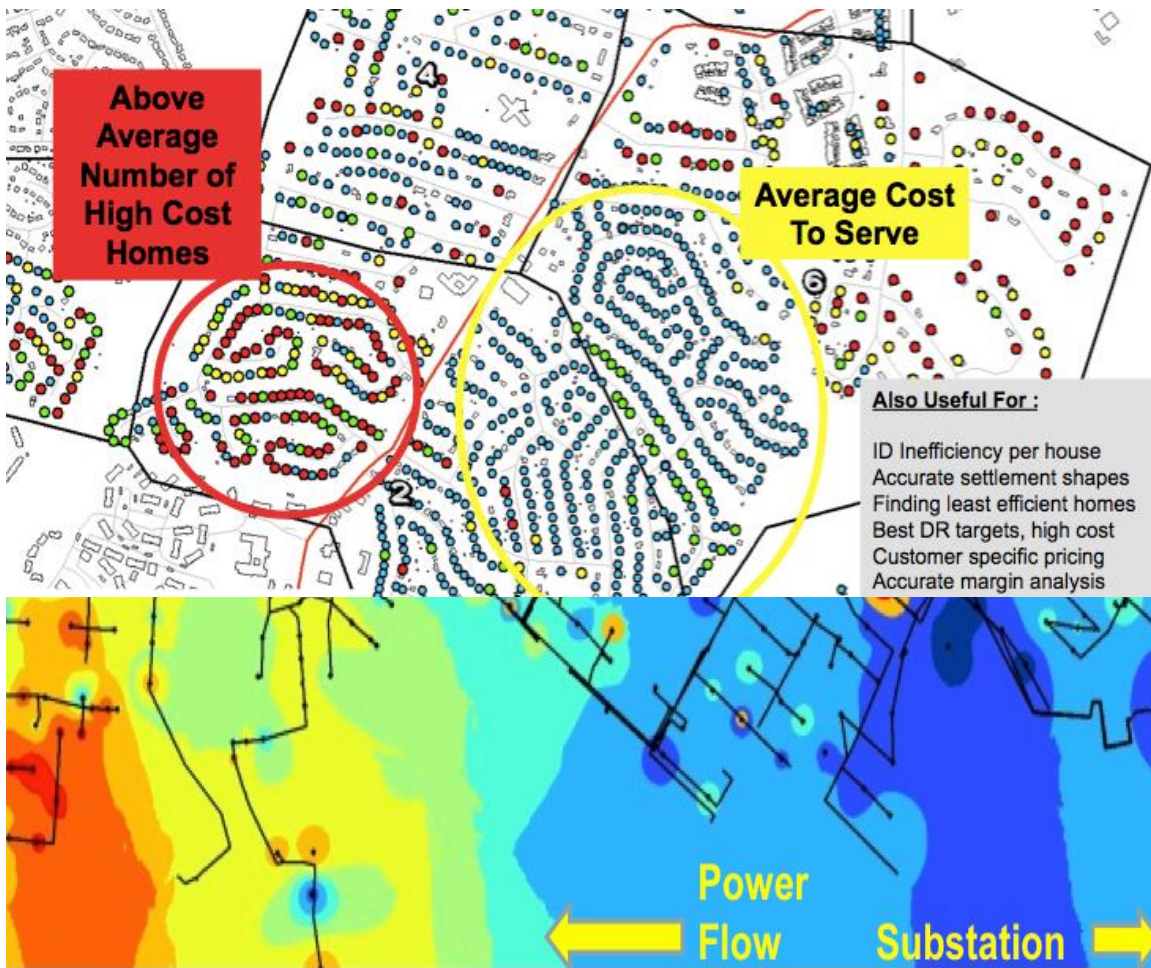
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PG&E Final Value Components	
1	Distribution Capacity
2	Voltage and Power Quality
3	Reliability and Resiliency
4	Transmission Capital and Operating Expenditures
5a	System or Local Area RA Procurement
5b	Flexible RA Procurement
6a	Generation Energy and GHG
6b	Energy Losses
6c	Ancillary Services
6d	RPS Procurement
7	Renewables Integration
8	Societal avoided costs
9	Public safety avoided costs

Key: ■ Distribution ■ Transmission ■ Generation ■ Societal

LNBA Value Components

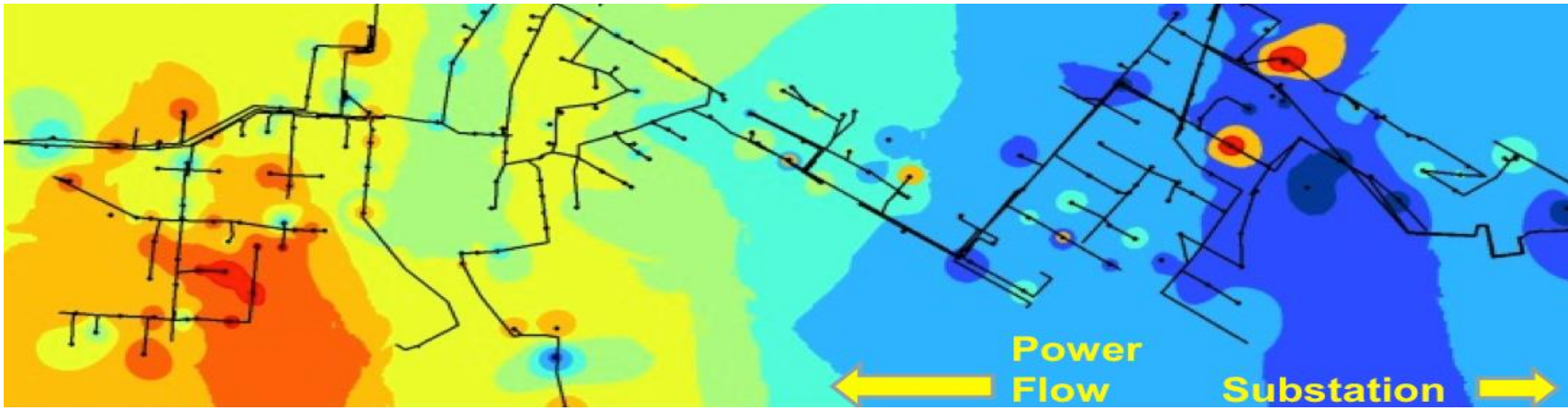
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ISO/ Market	1. Frequency regulation
	2. Spin
	3. Ramp
	4. Black start
	5. Real-time energy balancing
	6. Energy arbitrage
	7. Resource Adequacy
Generation	8. Intermittent resource integration: wind (ramp/voltage support)
	9. VER/ PV shifting, Voltage sag, rapid demand support
	10. Supply firming
Transmission / Distribution	11. Peak shaving: load shift
	12. Transmission peak capacity support (deferral)
	13. Transmission operation (short duration performance, inertia, system reliability)
	14. Transmission congestion relief
	15. Distribution peak capacity support (deferral)
	16. Distribution operation (volt/VAR support)
Customer	17. Outage mitigation
	18. Time-of-use (TOU) energy cost management
	19. Power quality
	20. Back-up Power

LNBA - Distribution Marginal Cost Impacts

	Grid Side	Supply Side	
Variable Costs	Voltage KVAR Power Factor Line Losses Limiting Factors	Ancillary Services Plant Following Wind/ Cloud Firming Current hour LMP	Time Minutes
			Hours
Fixed Costs / Capacity	Asset Protection Circuit Capacity Deferral Bank Capacity Deferral Future Congestion	Capacity Premium 10 Year LMP Forecasts Future Covariance	Months
			Years



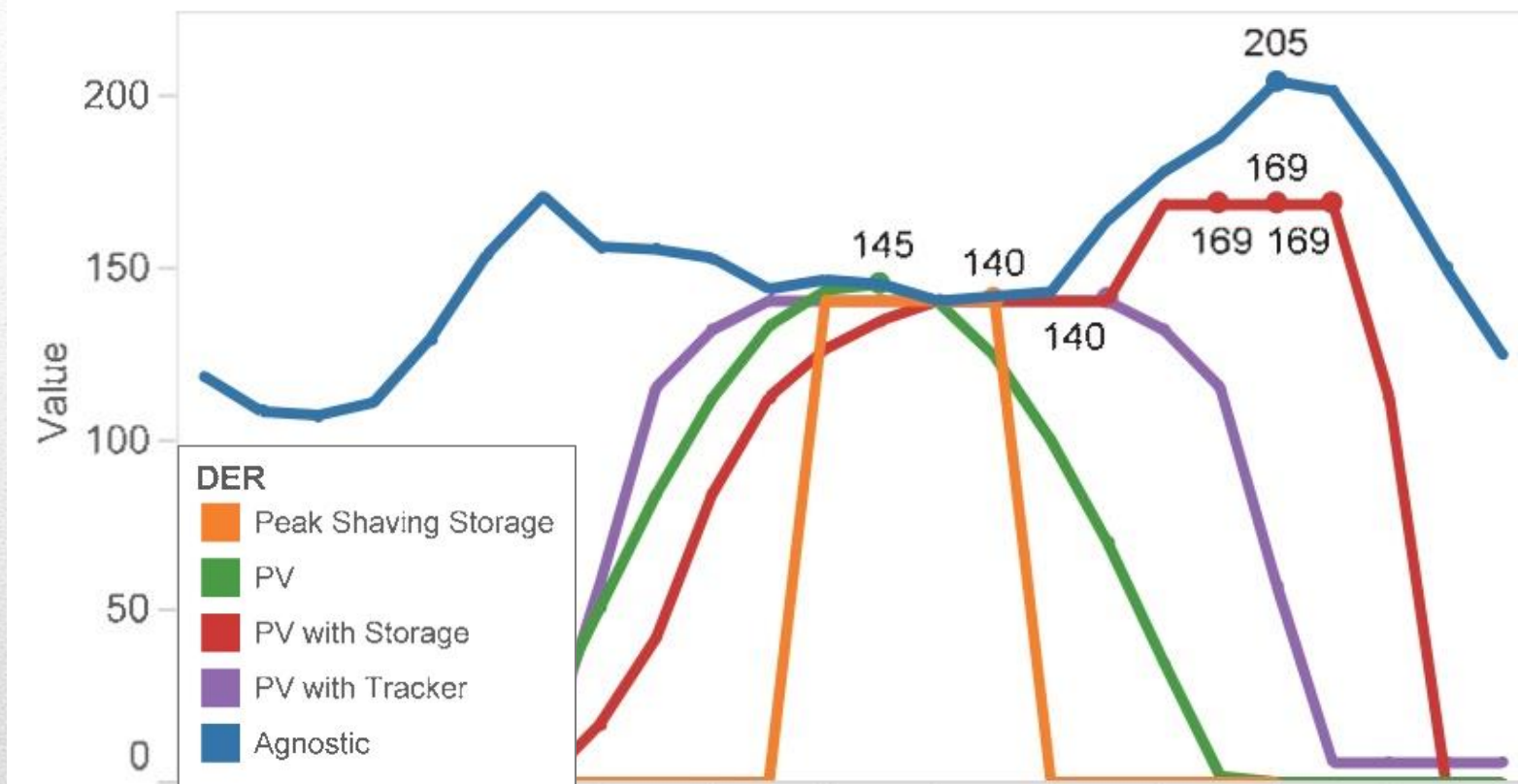
Project Screening & Selection Process

Scoring Metrics	Features	Higher Viability
Screen 1: Technical (Which projects have DER options)	Four DER services: Capacity, Voltage, Reliability, Micro-grid	Thermal mitigation service
Screen 2: Project Timing (rules out many potential projects)	Sufficient lead time within planning cycle	3-5 years Allows for procurement & Contingency options
DER Attribute Requirements	DER capacity to deferral ratio (MW/MWh reduction, duration, & timing profile)	Lower DER capacity requirement & Higher siting potential
Project Timing Certainty	volatility in historic and forecast load growth	Nearer term need & Low volatility
Financial Assessment	Higher deferral value	Expensive projects/DER capacity
Customer Composition (Market Assessment)	High load reduction to participant ratio	Customers with large loads
Distribution Topology	Geographic and customer range	Larger area & number of potential participants (substation needs)

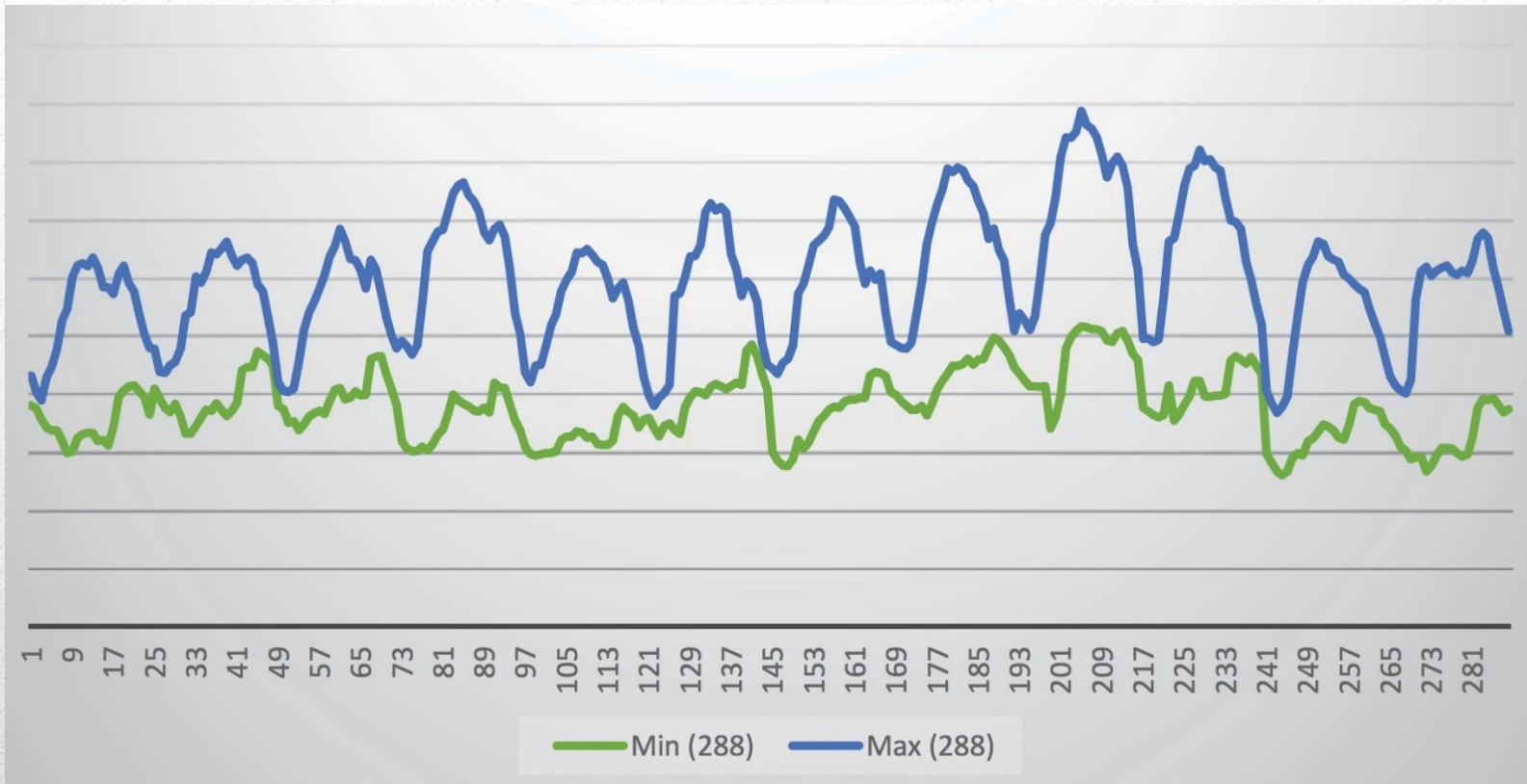
Distribution Resources Planning in California



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Integration Capacity Analysis Values



Circuit Load Profile – 576 Hours Per Year



Measuring Locational Value

Date & time (Hour Beg)	2025	2026			2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
3/1/13 21:00	3,676	3,750			438	500	564	630	696	764	833	904	976	1,050
3/1/13 22:00	3,529	3,600			312	372	434	497	561	626	692	760	829	900
3/1/13 23:00	3,376	3,443			181	239	298	357	419	481	545	609	676	743
3/2/13 0:00	3,243	3,308			68	123	179	237	296	356	417	479	543	608
3/2/13 1:00	3,072	3,133			-	-	28	82	138	195	252	311	372	433
3/2/13 2:00	2,889	2,946			-	-	-	-	-	22	76	132	189	246
3/2/13 3:00	2,736	2,791			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36	91
3/2/13 4:00	2,624	2,676			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3/2/13 5:00	2,533	2,584			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3/2/13 6:00	2,480	2,530			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3/2/13 7:00	2,572	2,623			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3/2/13 8:00	2,857	2,914			-	-	-	-	-	-	46	101	157	214
3/2/13 9:00	3,241	3,306			66	122	178	236	295	354	415	478	541	606
3/2/13 10:00	3,631	3,703			399	461	524	588	654	721	790	860	931	1,003
3/2/13 11:00	3,971	4,050			689	757	826	896	968	1,042	1,117	1,193	1,271	1,350
3/2/13 12:00	4,228	4,313			909	981	1,055	1,130	1,206	1,284	1,364	1,445	1,528	1,613
3/2/13 13:00	4,412	4,501			1,066	1,141	1,218	1,296	1,376	1,458	1,541	1,626	1,712	1,801
3/2/13 14:00	4,554	4,645			1,187	1,265	1,344	1,425	1,507	1,592	1,677	1,765	1,854	1,945
3/2/13 15:00	4,628	4,721			1,250	1,329	1,410	1,492	1,576	1,661	1,748	1,837	1,928	2,021
3/2/13 16:00	4,567	4,658			1,198	1,276	1,355	1,436	1,519	1,603	1,689	1,777	1,867	1,958
3/2/13 17:00	4,328	4,415			994	1,068	1,143	1,220	1,299	1,378	1,460	1,543	1,628	1,715
3/2/13 18:00	3,986	4,066			702	770	840	911	983	1,056	1,132	1,208	1,286	1,366
3/2/13 19:00	3,679	3,753			440	503	567	632	699	767	836	907	979	1,053
3/2/13 20:00	3,460	3,529			253	312	372	434	496	560	625	692	760	829
3/2/13 21:00	3,312	3,378			127	183	241	300	360	421	483	547	612	678
3/2/13 22:00	3,174	3,237			9	63	118	175	232	291	350	411	474	537
3/2/13 23:00	3,075	3,136			-	-	30	85	140	197	255	314	375	436
3/3/13 0:00	3,011	3,071			-	-	-	27	81	137	194	252	311	371
3/3/13 1:00	2,897	2,955			-	-	-	-	-	30	85	141	197	255
3/3/13 2:00	2,774	2,829			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	74	129
3/3/13 3:00	2,634	2,687			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3/3/13 4:00	2,519	2,569			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Load Reduction Need in LNBA Tool

- Where are there constraints that are difficult to surmount?
- Where will capacity additions be more expensive?
- Where is long-term load growth expected?
- In which areas would DER grid services be most effective?

Regional Considerations

Thank you!



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