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**Thursday, April 9, 2020**

Virtual Meeting



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ON ELECTRICITY POLICY

# Argonne National Laboratory

## Agenda

- Overview of Argonne National Labs
- Overview of Energy Zones Mapping Tool (EZMT)
- Update on (forthcoming) Valuation Guidance and Techno-Economic Studies for Pumped Storage Hydropower
- Other projects
- Q&A

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# Welcome

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# OVERVIEW OF ARGONNE



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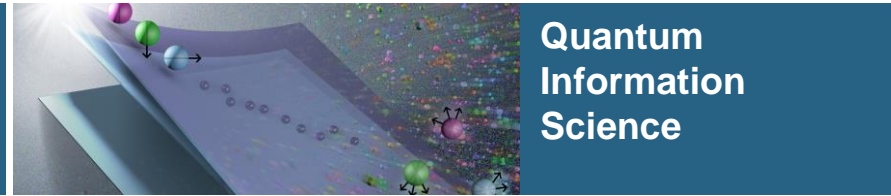
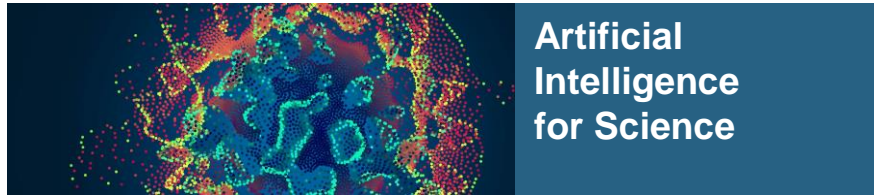
**End-to-end, from discovery to application**

**User facilities integrated with our research**

**Collaborations within and outside Argonne**

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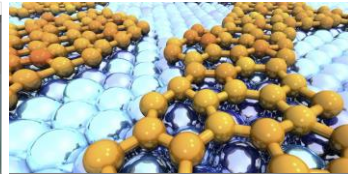
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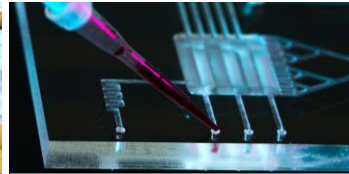
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**Advanced  
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**Materials and  
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**Manufacturing  
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# ARGONNE'S RESEARCHERS AND DISCOVERIES ARE WIDELY RECOGNIZED

**~120  
R&D 100  
Awards**

**700+  
national and  
international awards  
and honors**

**Thousands  
of inventions  
recorded and  
patents issued**

**Numerous  
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including  
Secretary's Awards  
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## THREE NOBEL PRIZES



Enrico  
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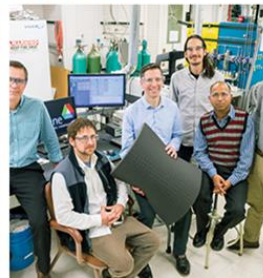
7,900+  
Facility Users

790+ Visiting  
Researchers

3,200+ Employees

340+ Joint Faculty

590+ Students



# ARGONNE'S PARTNERSHIPS SPAN SECTORS FROM START-UPS TO FORTUNE 500'S

## MANUFACTURING



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An aerial photograph of the Argonne National Laboratory campus, showing various buildings, parking lots, and green spaces, all overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter.

# THANK YOU!

# Energy Zones Mapping Tool (EZMT)

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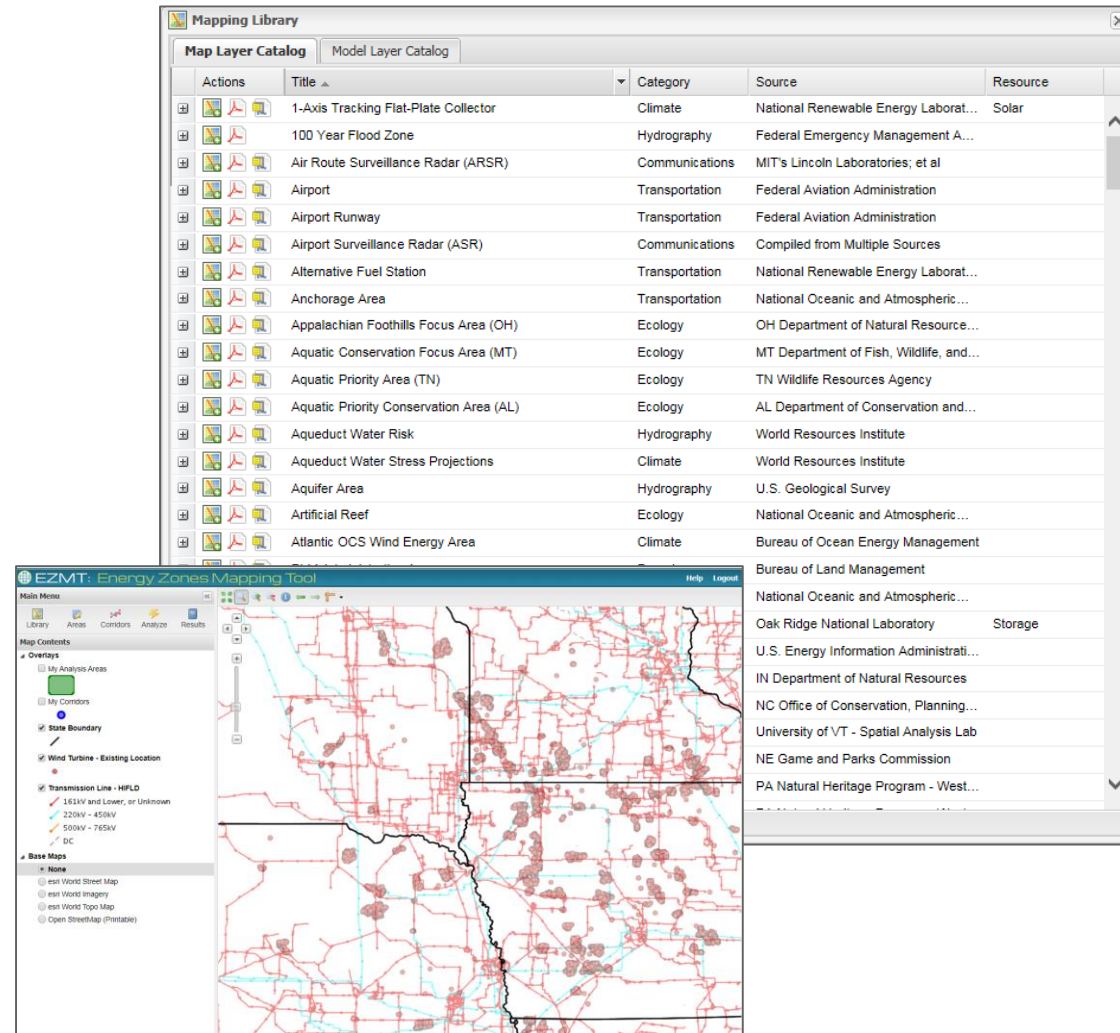


- Initiated by EISPC request as part of the technical support from Argonne, NREL, and Oak Ridge
- Funded by DOE Office of Electricity
- Launched in 2013
- Publicly available web-based mapping tool for energy analysis
  - Large geospatial data library (over 320 mapping layers)
  - Suitability modeling and analysis to map
    - Areas highly suitable for energy development
    - Potential energy corridor paths
  - Location-specific reports dynamically generated from database



# The EZMT Has an Extensive GIS Data Library

- Over 320 GIS mapping layers:
  - Energy resources (wind, solar, biomass, etc.)
  - Energy infrastructure
  - Siting factors
  - Reference layers
  - Environmental
- Detailed metadata for all layers
- Downloadable GIS data for most layers
- Actively maintained and updated



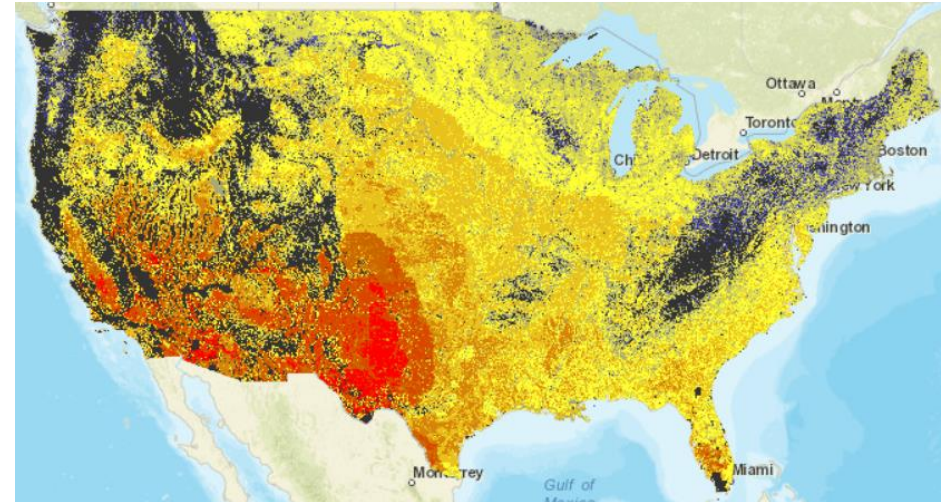
Wind turbines and electrical transmission in the plains states



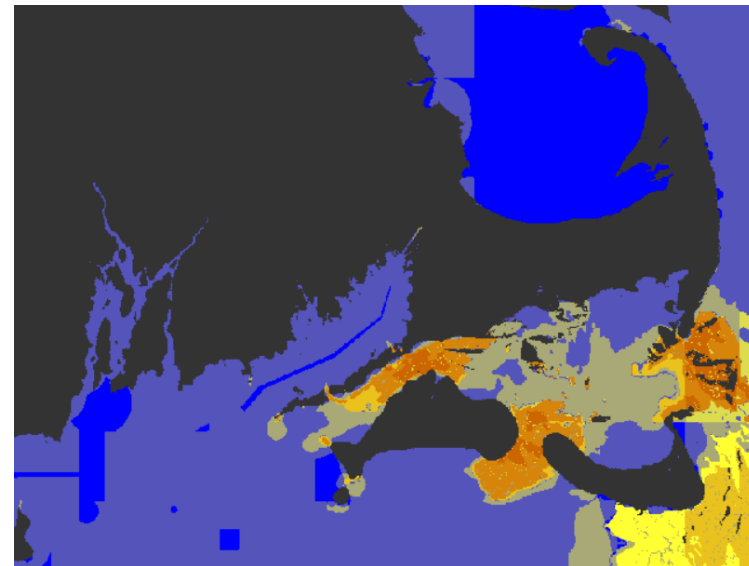


# EZMT Modeling – Unique and Powerful

- Nine energy resources
  - Natural gas, solar, wind, corridor, ...
- Forty preconfigured models
  - Wind (land-based and offshore), 100m height
  - PV solar
  - Combined-Cycle Gas Turbine
  - ...
- Over ninety modeling layers
  - PV solar resource
  - Distance to  $\geq 220$  kV substation
  - Habitat
  - ...
- Intuitive and flexible model interface
- Can use default models, revise them for user preferences, or design new models



Utility scale photovoltaic solar

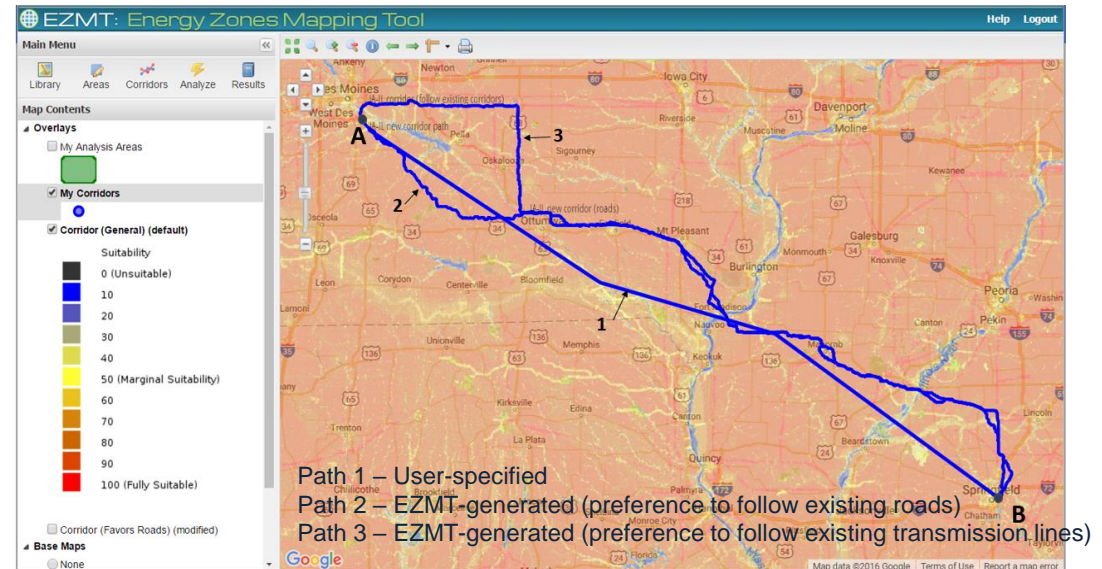
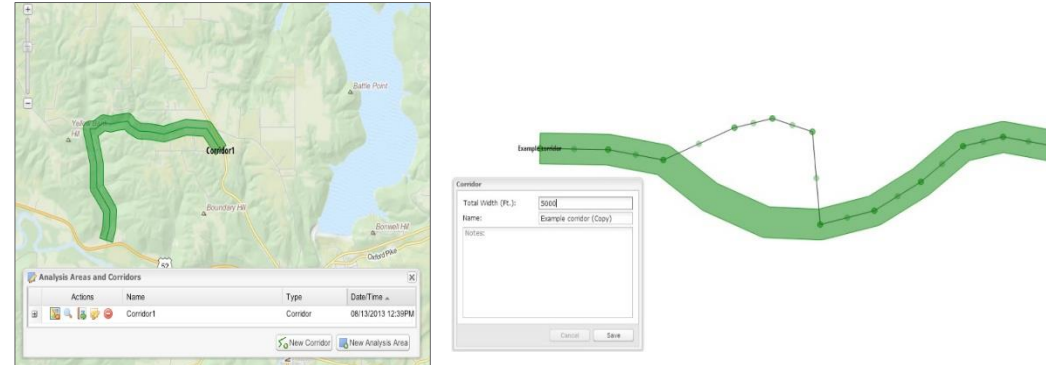


Marine tidal hydrokinetic around Cape Cod

# EZMT Modeling – Potential Corridor Paths

Two analytical options are available:

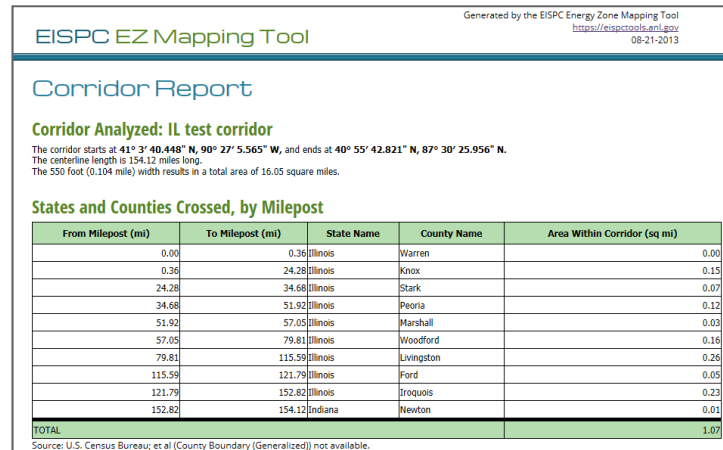
- a) User can draw a corridor path on the map, specify a width, and run a corridor analysis report
- b) EZMT can model the most suitable path between points A and B, based on user-specified constraints and siting preferences





# EZMT Reports – Rapid and Specific

- Sixteen report topics: Power plant, corridor, protected land, ...
- Generated from current database content
- Run for user-specified map areas

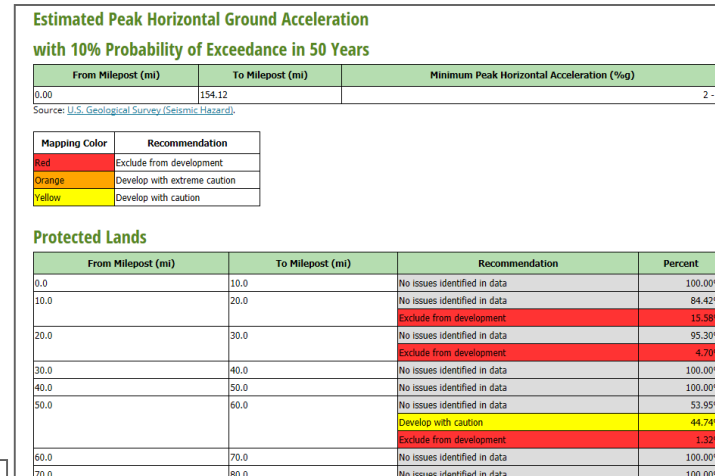
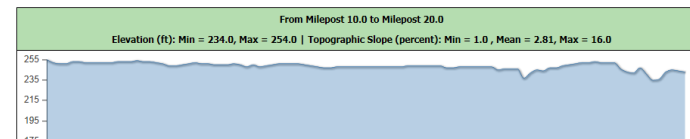
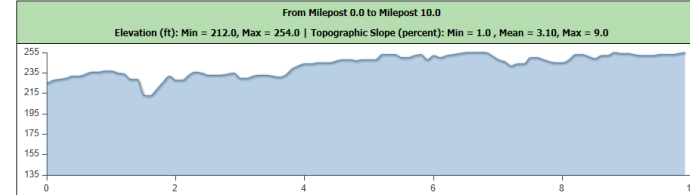


#### Populated Places

From Milepost (mi)

#### Elevation Profiles

Min Elevation : 135.0 - Max elevation: 254.0



#### Habitat

From Milepost (mi)	To Milepost (mi)	Recommendation	Percent
0.0	10.0	No issues identified in data	96.68%
		Develop with extreme caution	1.32%
10.0	20.0	No issues identified in data	99.35%
		Develop with caution	0.65%
20.0	30.0	No issues identified in data	87.25%
		Develop with caution	12.75%
30.0	40.0	No issues identified in data	100.00%
40.0	50.0	No issues identified in data	57.82%
		Develop with caution	38.78%
		Develop with extreme caution	3.40%
50.0	60.0	No issues identified in data	52.63%

Corridor report excerpts

# Example Use Cases

- Mapping library
  - Discover new, vetted, geospatial data and download it for internal use
  - Interactively study energy infrastructure and resources nationally or locally
- Models
  - Visualize where power plants of different types are most viable, and why
  - Examine where transmission capacity increases could be most effective
  - Find a potential corridor route that avoids many constraints
- Reports
  - Compare power generation portfolio for different regions (power plant)
  - Rapidly inventory characteristics and constraints along a potential corridor



## ***Recent Activities***

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- Newsletters and webinars  
(announced to users and other stakeholders)
- Added corridor/analysis area import/export tools
- Extended solar, wind, corridor models to lower 48 states
- Increased data content, such as:
  - “Sight Wind Right” data from The Nature Conservancy
  - Natural Gas Compressor Stations
  - Petroleum Refineries
  - Petroleum Product Terminals



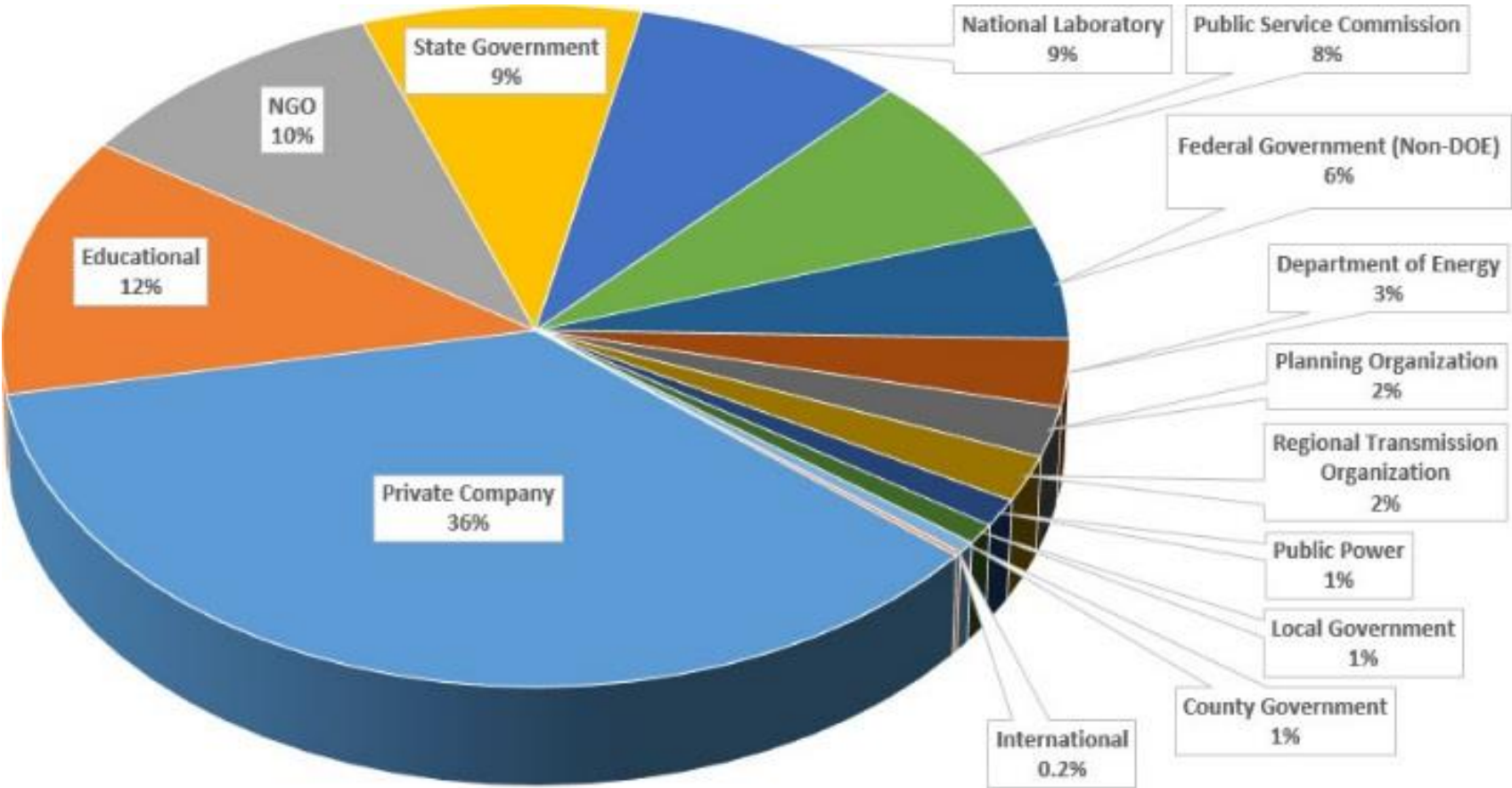
## ***Recent Activities***

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- Transitioned from Platts to HIFLD transmission data
- Updated distance to transmission modeling layers
- Added distance to substation modeling layers
- Reviewed and updated all models
- Pilot study and discussions about EZMT's potential for electric vehicle charging station planning



# EZMT User Community



Over 2,000 users have registered.



# Energy Zones Mapping Tool

- Register for and access the tool here: <http://ezmt.anl.gov>
- Questions/comments at any time to: [ezmt@anl.gov](mailto:ezmt@anl.gov)





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# Valuation of Pumped Storage Hydropower (PSH)

Presented by: Vladimir Koritarov, PI  
Argonne National Laboratory

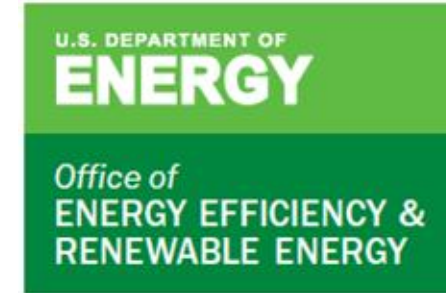
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# Valuation Guidance and Techno-Economic Studies for PSH

## Project Background and Overview:

- Study funded by Department of Energy's (DOE's) Water Power Technologies Office (WPTO)
- Carried out under the WPTO HydroWIRES initiative by a collaborative comprised of five DOE National Laboratories

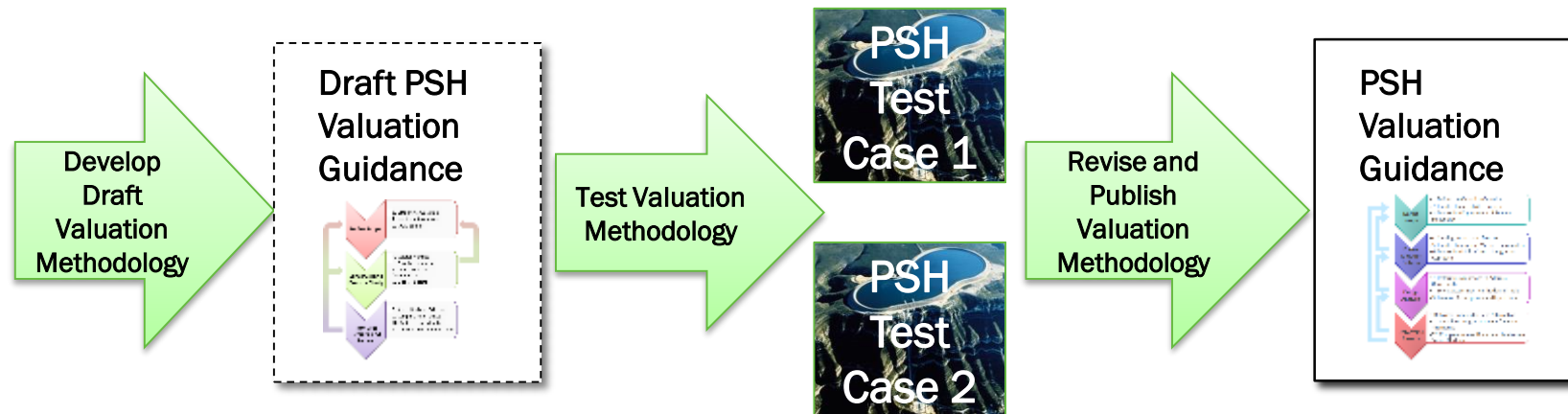


# Project Goals and Objectives

**Objective:** Advance the state of the art in the assessment of value of PSH plants and their role and contributions to the power system

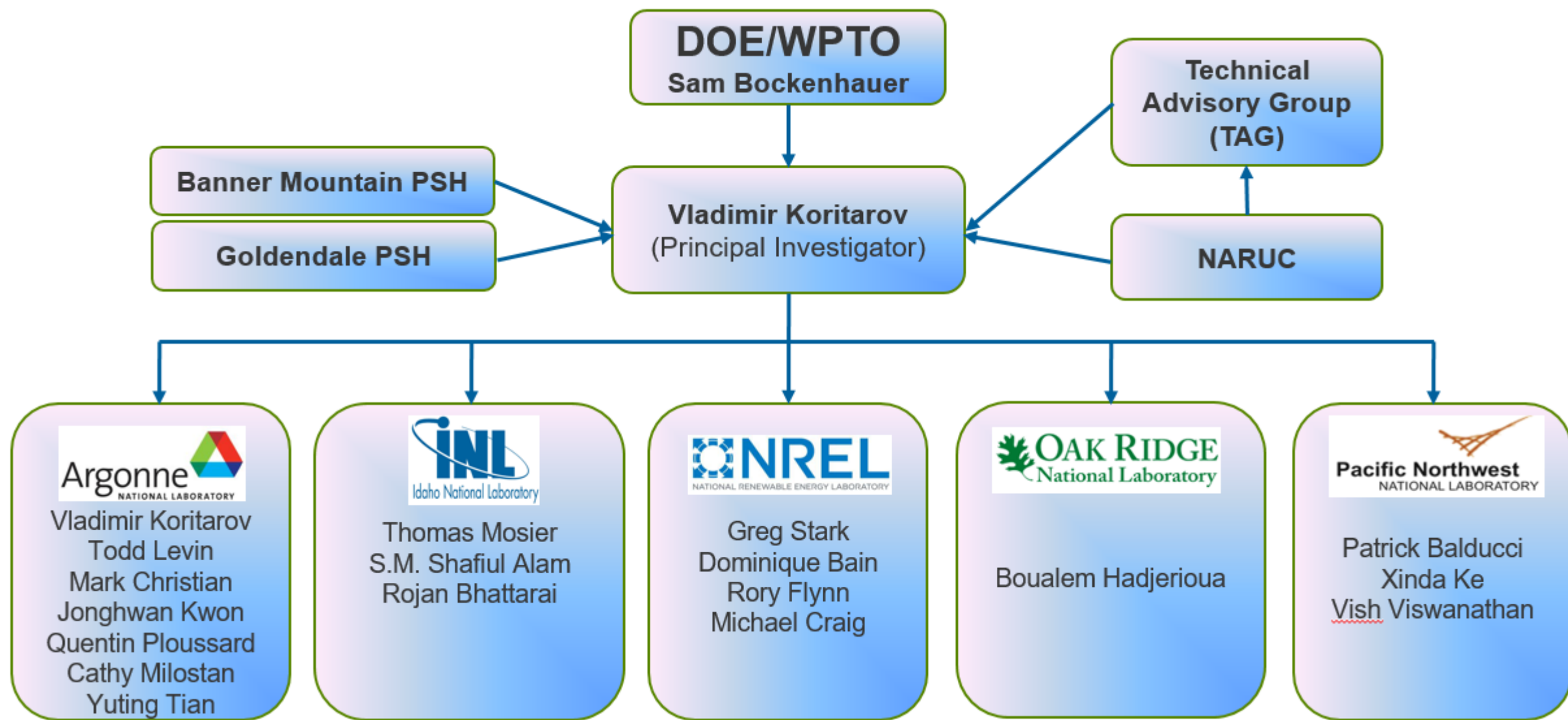
**Specific goals:**

1. Develop a comprehensive and transparent valuation guidance that will allow for consistent valuation assessments and comparisons of PSH projects
2. Test the PSH valuation methodology by applying it to two selected PSH projects
3. Transfer and disseminate the PSH valuation guidance to the hydropower industry, PSH developers, and other stakeholders





# Project Team and Organization



# The Project Team is Collaborating with Two Industry Partners

## Absaroka Energy

### Banner Mountain PSH

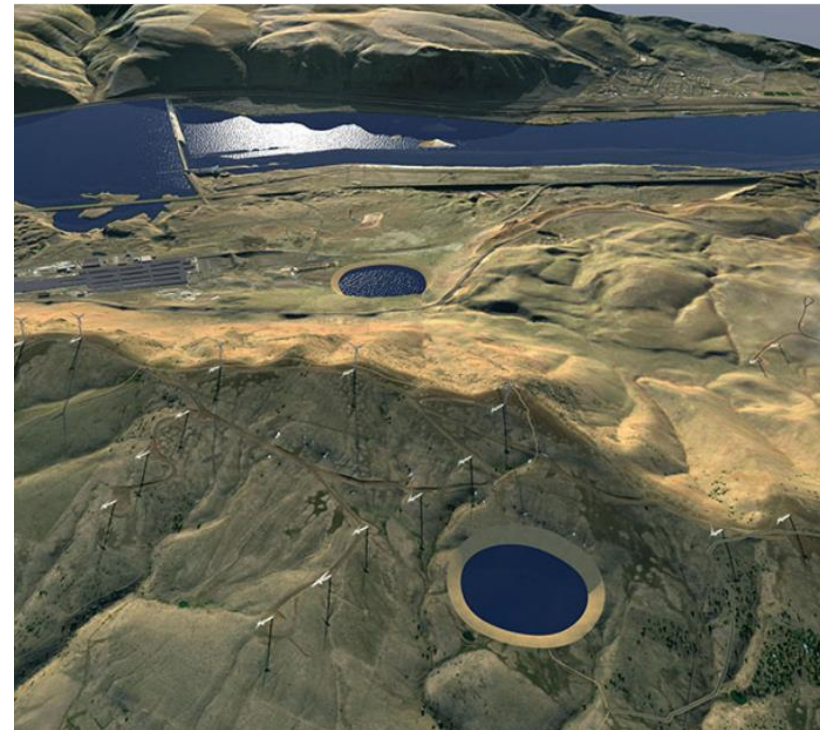
- 400 MW, quaternary technology
- Closed loop
- Site near Casper, WY



## National Grid & Rye Development

### Goldendale Energy Storage Project

- 1,200 MW, adjustable speed technology
- Closed loop
- Site just north of OR/WA border



# Collaboration with Technical Advisory Group (TAG) and NARUC

## Technical Advisory Group:

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Norman Bishop	Knight Piesold
Brent Buffington	SCE – Southern California Edison
Wei Dang	PSE – Puget Sound Energy
Peter Donalek	Stantec
Christine Ericson	Illinois Commerce Commission
Don Erpenbeck	Stantec
Robert Fick	LADWP
Scott Flake	Scott Flake Consulting
Levi Gilbert	PG&E – Pacific Gas & Electric

Edward Hansen	PG&E – Pacific Gas & Electric
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Robert Williams	PSE – Puget Sound Energy

NARUC (National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners) is assisting the Project Team in coordinating TAG activities and in industry outreach.

- Kerry Worthington
- Chris Villarreal (Plugged In Strategies) – Consultant to NARUC



# Key Project Tasks

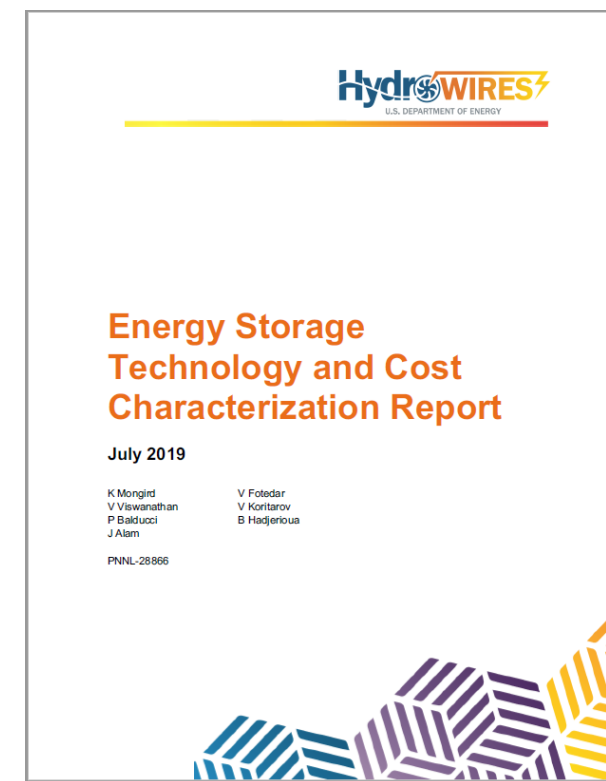
- ✓ Conduct valuation literature review (**Completed**)
- ✓ Perform a cost and performance comparison of PSH and competing technologies (**Completed**)
- ✓ Develop draft PSH valuation guidance (**Completed**)
- Conduct techno-economic studies for two selected PSH projects (**In progress**)
- Analyze potential market revenues of two PSH projects (**In progress**)
- Conduct two valuation case studies to test the guidance and its underlying methodology
- Revise PSH valuation guidance and document study findings



# Published Energy Storage Cost and Performance Study

- Objective was to define and compare energy storage technology costs and to evaluate these technologies across a variety of performance parameters

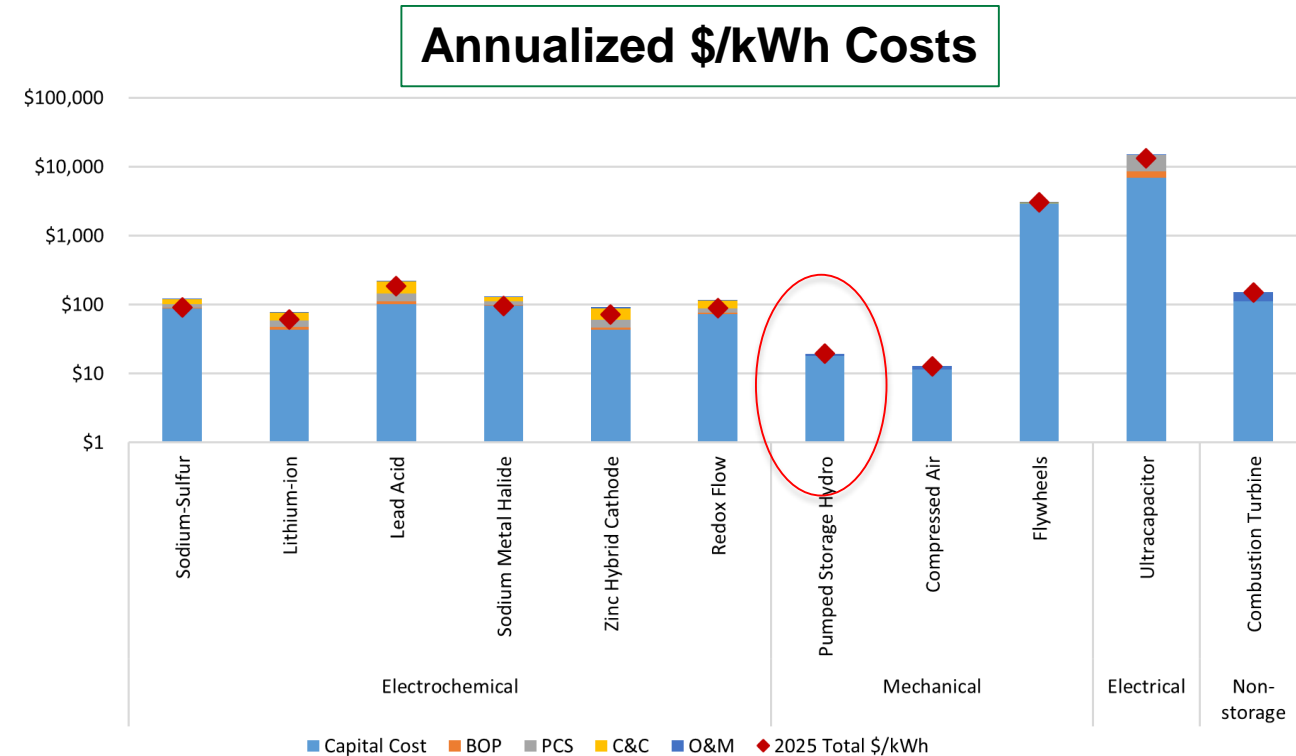
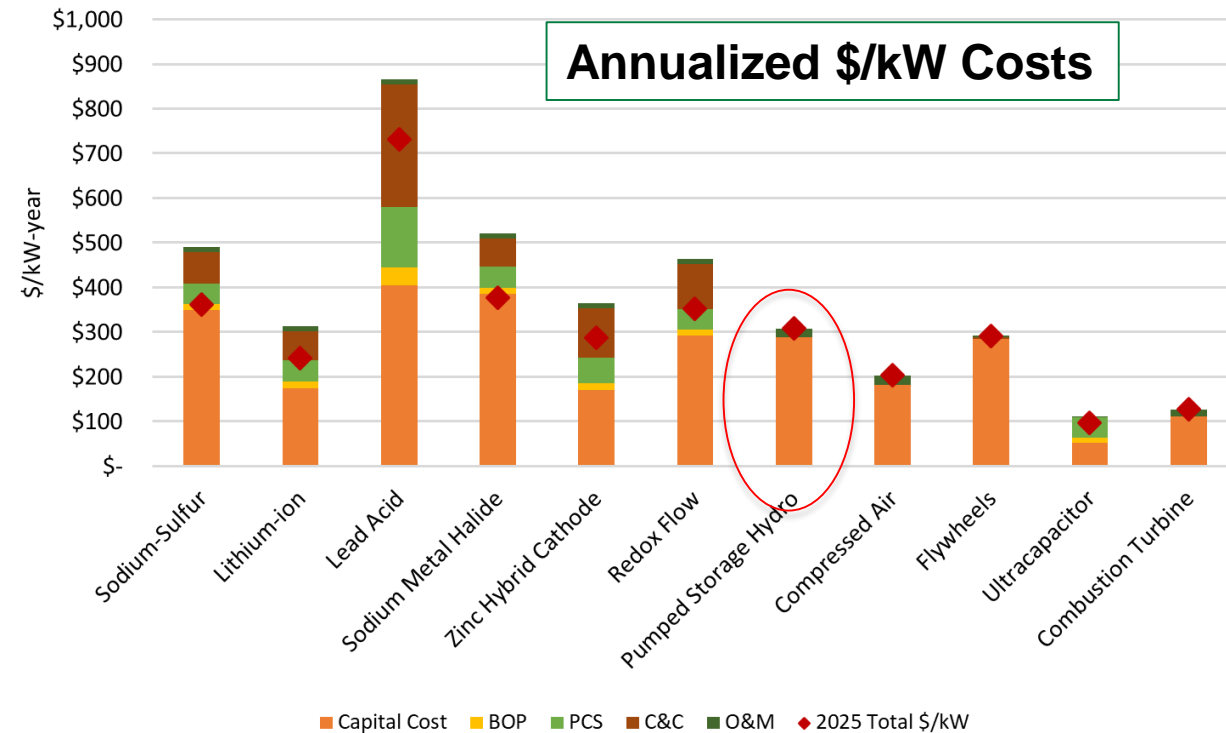
- Lithium-ion batteries
- Lead-acid batteries
- Redox flow batteries
- Sodium-sulfur batteries
- Sodium metal halide batteries
- Zinc-hybrid cathode batteries
- Pumped storage hydropower
- Flywheels
- Compressed air energy storage
- Ultracapacitors



<https://www.energy.gov/eere/water/hydrowires-initiative>  
(Under Updates/Publications)

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# Annualized Costs by Technology



- Cost information procured for most recent year for which data are available; data procured from literature and industry survey/contacts/data.
- Base year used is 2018 and projections for 2025 are provided.

# PSH Valuation Guidance Development Goals

- **Objective** and **comprehensive** methodology
- **Consistent** and **repeatable** valuation approach
- **Transparent** valuation process and results
- Can be applied to **different types and sizes** of PSH plants
- Accounts for **various services and contributions** that PSH plants provide to the grid
- Considers PSH **benefits and costs over time**
- Applies to both **traditional and restructured market environments**
- Can be used by **stakeholders with different perspectives**
- **Publicly available** for use by hydropower industry and stakeholders

# Development of PSH Valuation Guidance

## Leveraging numerous current and past efforts in this area

- DOE-funded Grid Modernization Laboratory Consortium (GMLC) projects:
  - GMLC 1.2.4: Valuation Framework
  - GMLC 1.1: Metrics Analysis
- EPRI: The Integrated Grid – A Benefit-Cost Framework for DER
- EPRI: Guidebook for C/B Analysis of Smart Grid Demonstration Projects
- Argonne: The Role and Value of Advanced Pumped-Storage Hydropower in the United States
- Other valuation studies (e.g., solar, wind, storage, etc.)



### PSH Valuation Guidance

Detailed step-by-step methodology for valuation  
assessment of PSH projects

# Techno-Economic Studies for Banner Mountain and Goldendale

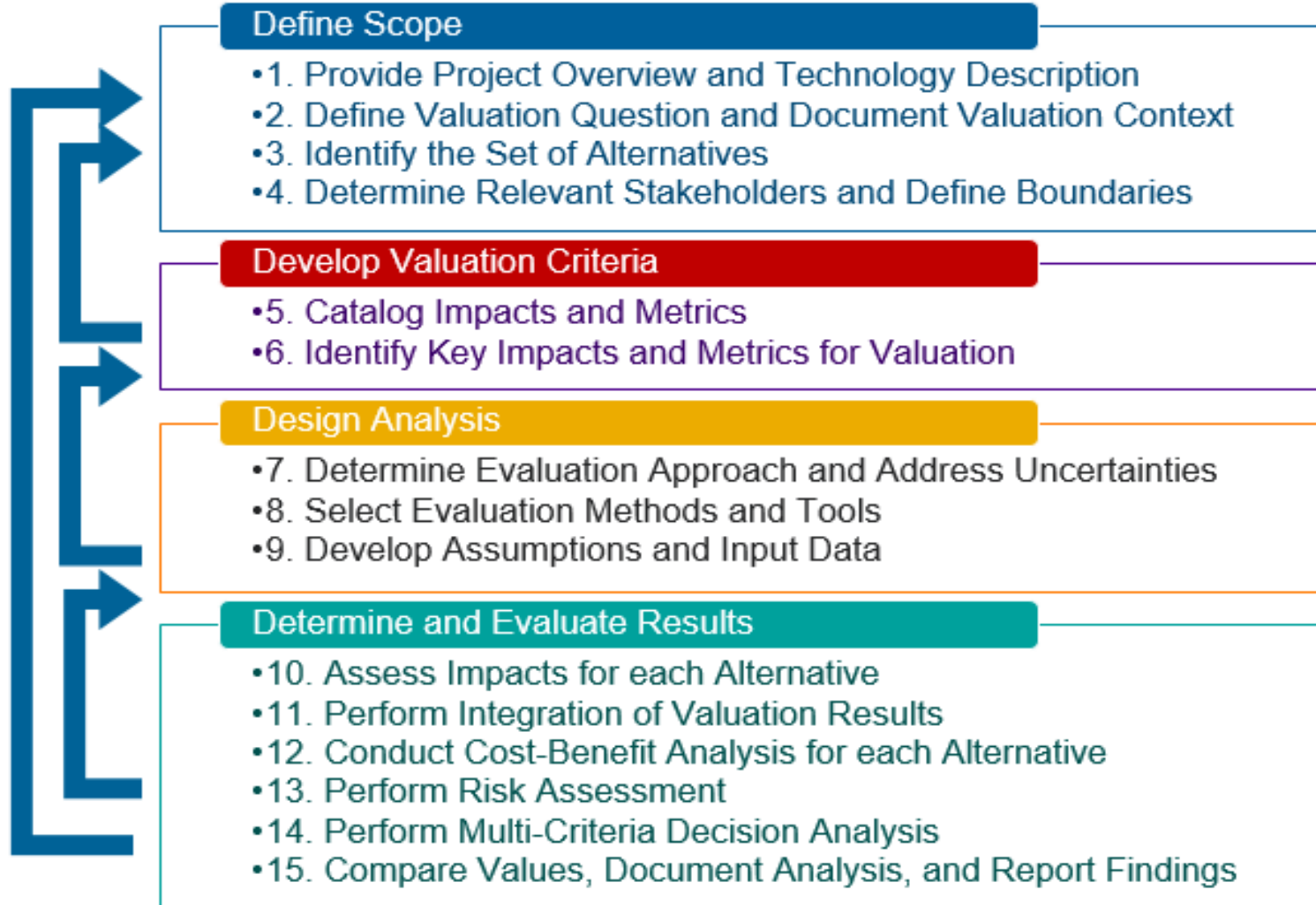
A variety of analyses are carried out to assess the costs and benefits of various PSH services and contributions to the grid:

- ANL: Capacity valuation using **AURORA** model
- ANL: Historical electricity market analysis (**PMAT**)
- ANL: Black start service valuation (developing own model)
- NREL: Value of PSH ancillary services: regulation service, contingency reserves, and flexibility reserves (**PLEXOS**)
- INL: Power system stability services: inertial response, governor response (primary frequency control), transient and small signal stability, voltage support (**PSSE**)
- NREL: PSH impacts on power system cycling and ramping costs (**PLEXOS**)
- ORNL: Potential cost and performance impacts of increased PSH cycling and ramping operations (e.g., increased wear and tear of PSH units)
- NREL: Other system-wide effects of PSH operations (e.g., PSH impacts on system production costs, integration of variable energy resources, power system emissions) (**PLEXOS**)
- PNNL: PSH transmission benefits (congestion relief, transmission investments deferral) (**PSSE**)
- ORNL: PSH non-energy services (e.g., water management, socioeconomic benefits, and env. impacts)



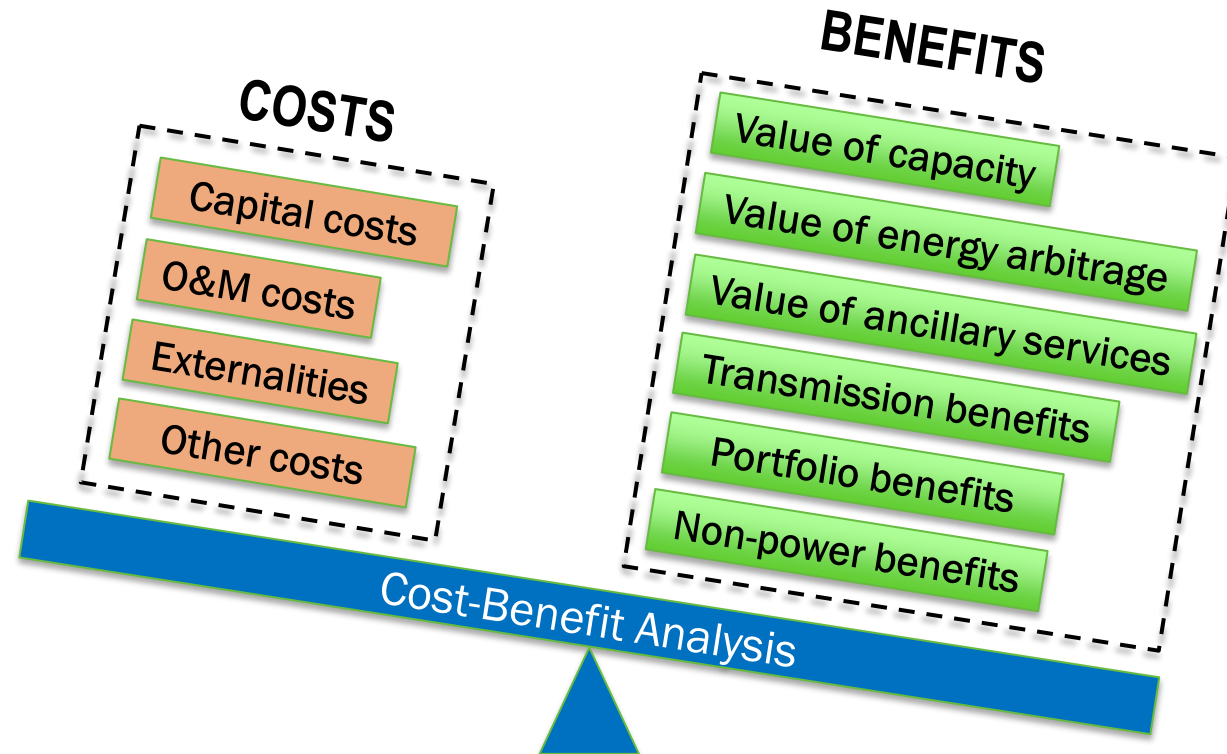
# Proposed PSH Valuation Process

## A Cost-Benefit and Decision Analysis Valuation Framework



# PSH Valuation Framework – Cost-Benefit Analysis

The results of various techno-economic studies will provide inputs for Cost-Benefit Analysis (CBA)



CBA will be used to calculate the net present value (NPV), benefit-cost (B/C) ratio, etc.

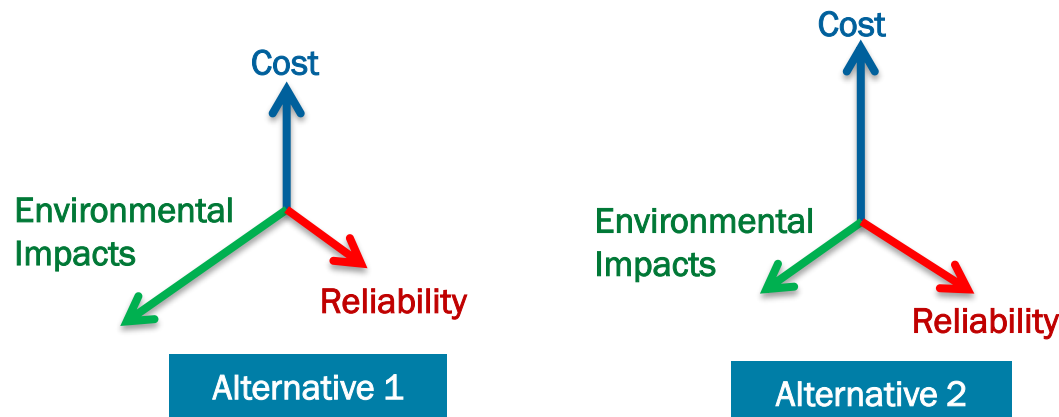
# PSH Valuation Framework – Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis

Choosing among different alternatives with multiple attributes

- Many PSH impacts are not easily monetized and have to be expressed in physical units or qualitatively
- How to compare different alternatives that are described by both monetized and non-monetized impacts?
- A decision-support system can help decision-makers choose among different alternatives defined by multiple attributes



*Tradeoffs  
Among  
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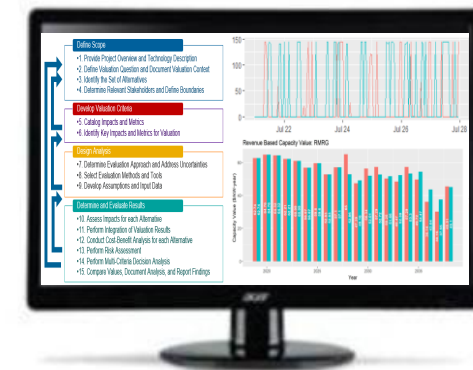
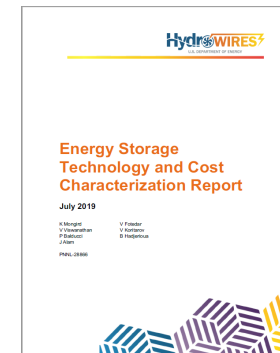
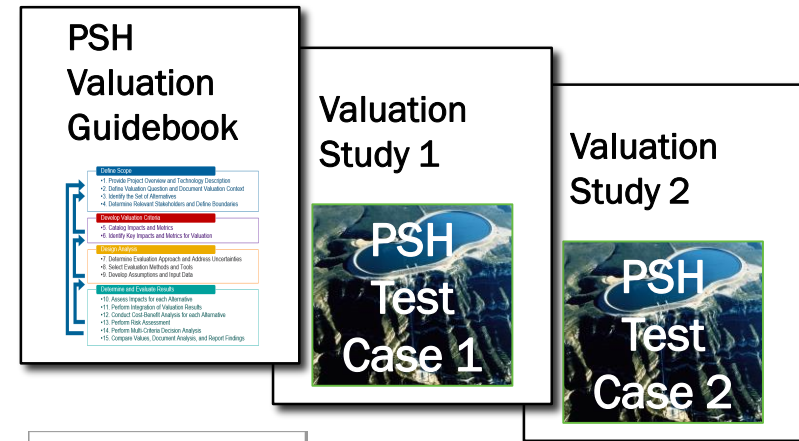
**Which  
alternative is  
better?**

# Key Products of the PSH Valuation Project

- PSH Valuation Guidebook
- Two technical reports illustrating the application of Guidebook methodology for valuation of actual PSH projects

- Energy storage cost and performance study

- PSH valuation tool helping the users navigate the PSH valuation process



# Main Project Outcomes

- A comprehensive, transparent, consistent, and repeatable valuation methodology
- A cost-benefit and decision analysis framework that allows for valuation of both monetized and non-monetized PSH services and contributions
- Increased understanding of PSH grid value among various stakeholders (utilities and power market operators, PSH developers, regulators, etc.)
- A valuation framework which can easily be generalized and adapted for valuation of other energy storage technologies





# Thank you! Questions?

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