

APPENDIX III: ALASKA ENERGY SECURITY TASK FORCE ENERGY SYMPOSIUM SERIES

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- *Beneficial and Equitable Electrification*
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- Nuclear Energy: State of Micro Reactors
- Small Nuclear Power: An Option for Alaska?

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- Renewable Energy Standards and Clean Energy Standard Overview

FUTURE NATURAL GAS SUPPLY FOR THE ALASKA RAILBELT

Thursday, July 13, 2023, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

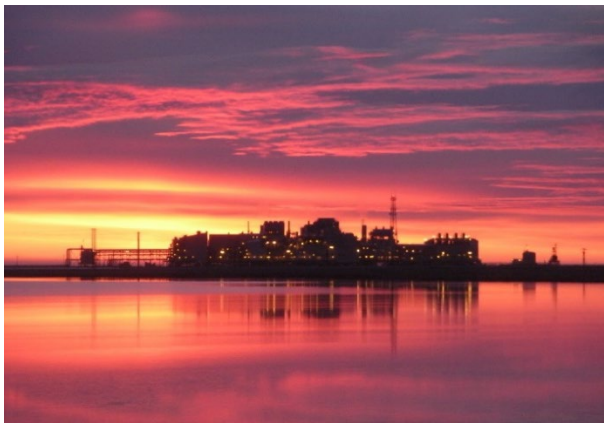
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2022 Cook Inlet Gas Forecast

July 2023 AESTF Presentation



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INTRODUCTION & PREFACE



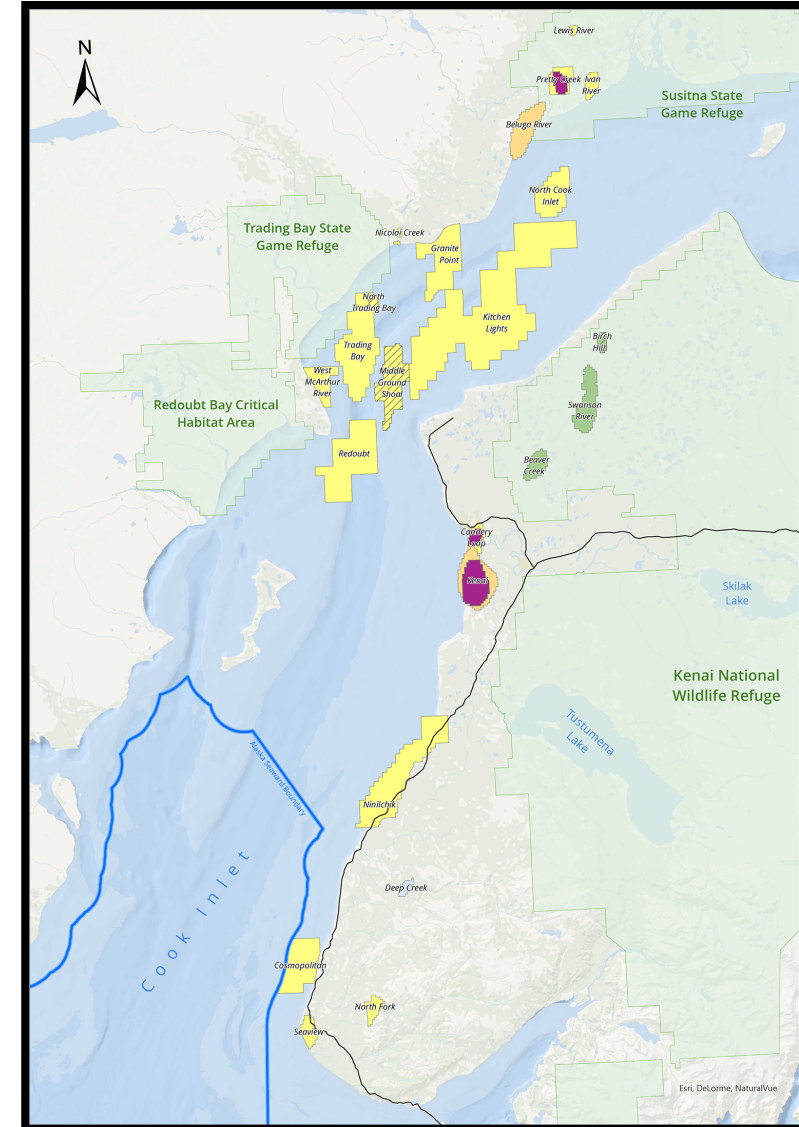
- Department actively manages lease holdings and units in Cook Inlet – through the annual plan of development review process.
- We are evaluating other proactive management actions to support investment and development in Cook Inlet.
- Held last special lease sale in December 2022 to coincide with Congressionally directed federal sale – next state sale coming this Fall/Winter.
- Department is working to facilitate gas storage through lease amendments to existing leases and support further commercial, operational, and regulatory alignment around storage.
- Department is prioritizing the release of tax-credit seismic and well data that is statutorily eligible for release.
- Department continues to be informational resource for all interested parties.



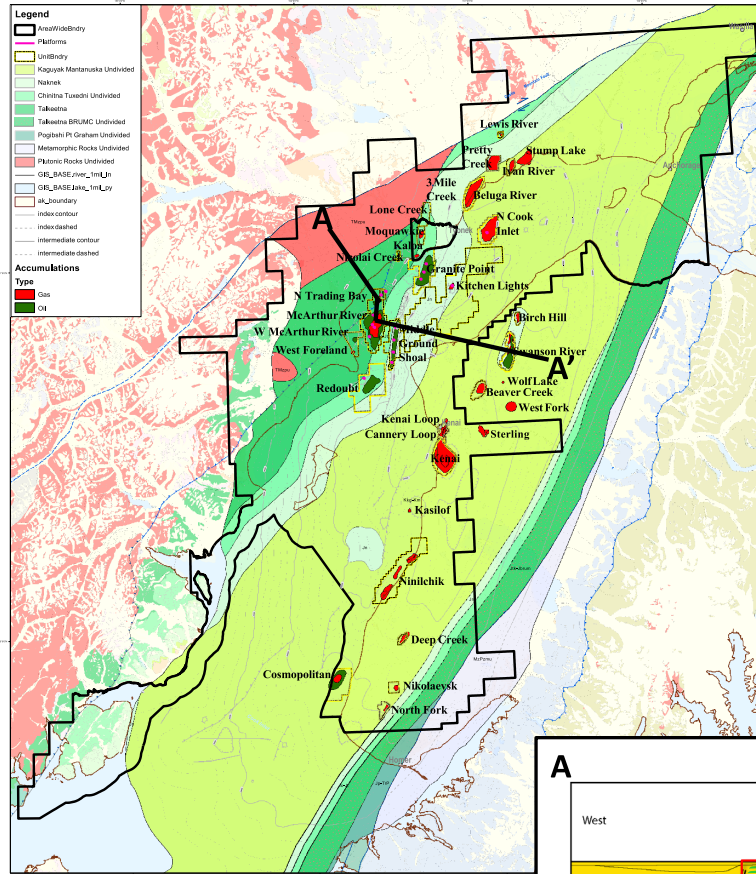
OUTLINE



- **Cook Inlet Geology and Resource**
- **Cook Inlet Supply and Demand Evolution**
- **Cook Inlet Recovery Act and Resulting Activity**
- **Overview of Division of Oil and Gas Cook Inlet Studies**
- **2022 Cook Inlet Gas Forecast**
 - Methodology
 - Economic constraints
 - Forecast - outcomes
 - Comparison to previous studies

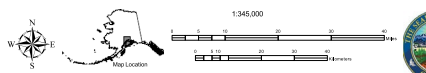


Cook Inlet Geology



Modified from Gregersen and Shellenbaum, 2016

Top Mesozoic Subcrop Map with Oil and Gas Accumulations, Cook Inlet

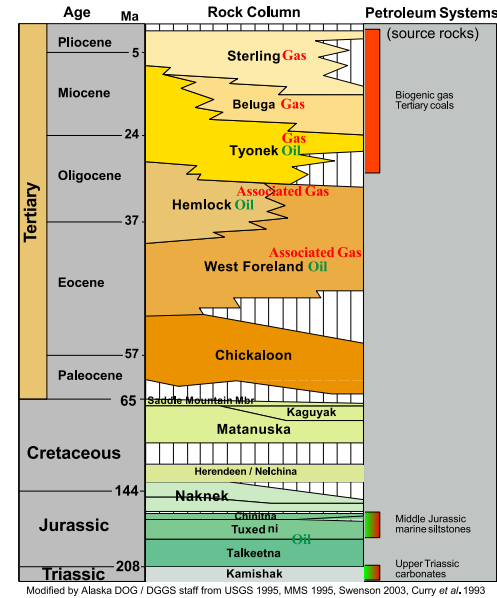


Quick Look Guide to Cook Inlet Oil and Gas
LS Gregersen, 3-13-2020

Majority of
oil and gas
production is
from Tertiary
reservoirs

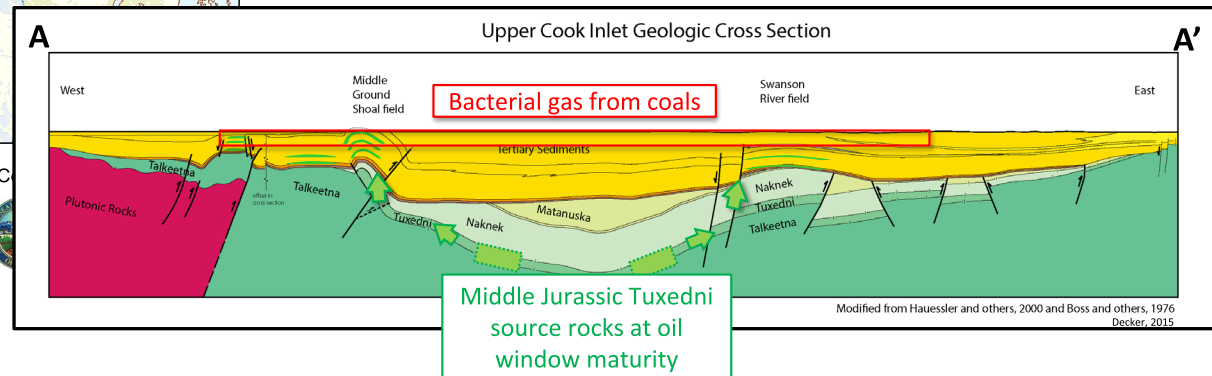
Oil Seeps;
TBU M-28
produced oil

Cook Inlet Stratigraphic Column



Two Sources of Gas In Cook Inlet Basin

1. Biogenic gas from coals.
2. Oil migrated from source rocks, creating associated gas.



Modified from Hauessler and others, 2000 and Boss and others, 1976
Decker, 2015

2022 Cook Inlet Gas Forecast

COOK INLET GAS RESOURCES



Known accumulations yet to be fully developed (based on various sources) and largely excluded from the scope of the forecast:

- Cosmopolitan (BlueCrest)

- Kitchen Lights Unit (Furie/HEX)

- North Fork (Vision)

- ~ a dozen additional known prospects

Total ~ 300 to 700 BCF

Undiscovered gas in CI per USGS (Mean Values) – DNR's study is not an alternative or contrary review of this data:

- Conventional gas ~ 13.7 TCF [USGS, 2011]

- Unconventional gas ~ 5.3 TCF [USGS, 2011]

- Southern Cook Inlet OCS ~ 1.2 TCF [BOEM, 2011]

Total ~ 20 TCF

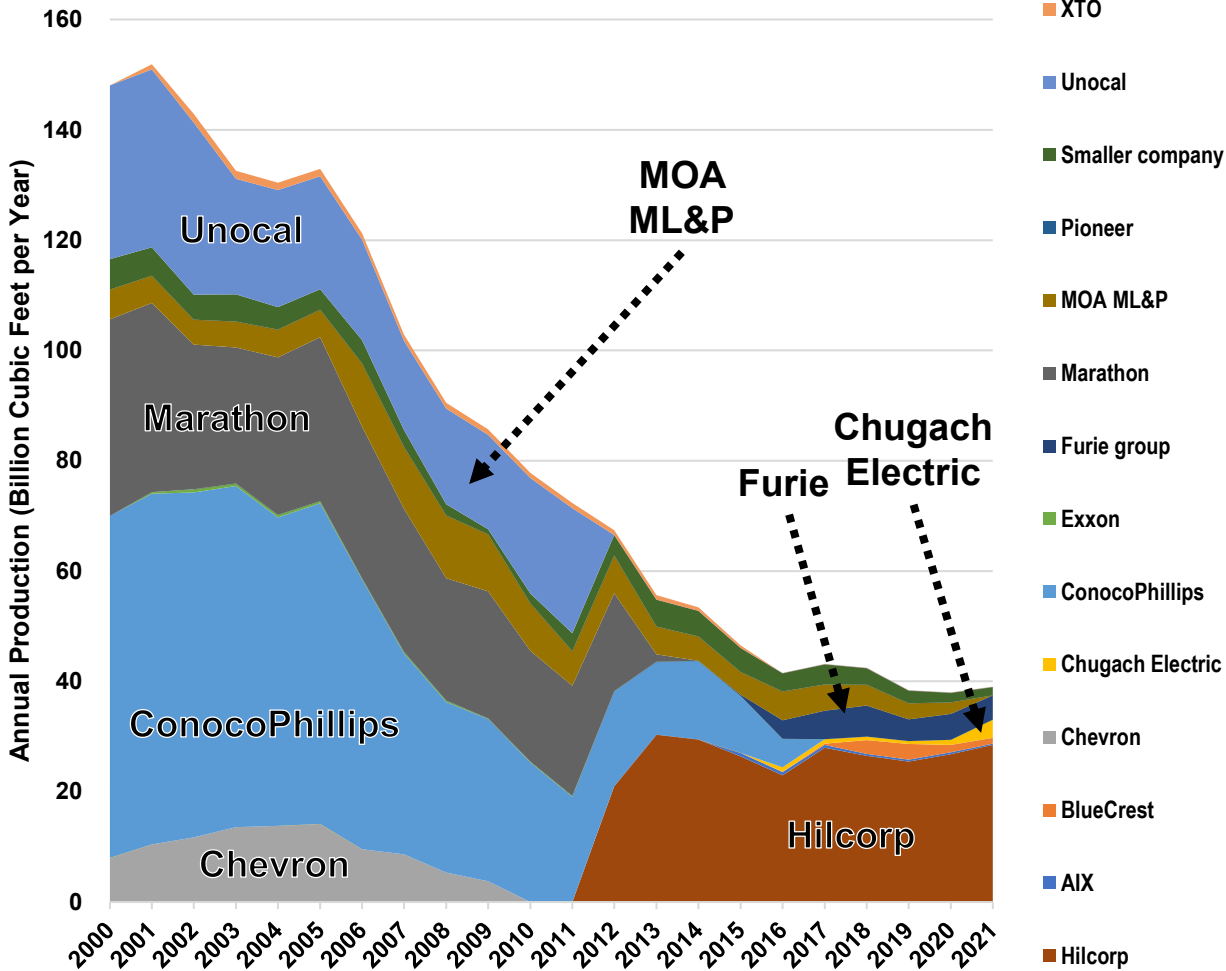
U.S. Department of the Interior
U.S. Geological Survey



COOK INLET FIELDS OVERVIEW: GAS PRODUCTION HISTORY

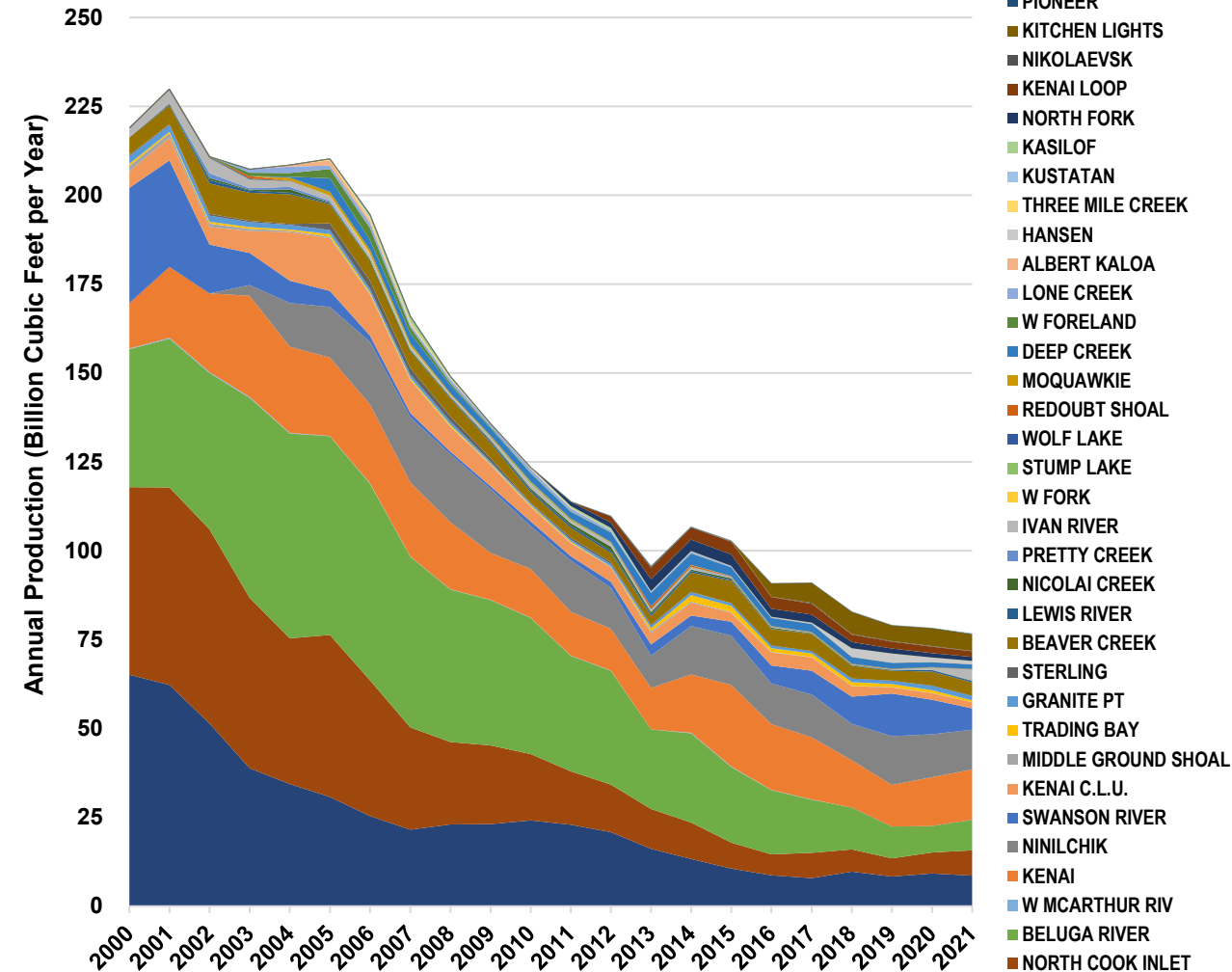


Production of Cook Inlet gas by lessee from State-owned oil and gas leases



Note: State Lands Only

Gas production (including reinjection) in Cook Inlet



Note: State + Federal + Private Lands

2022 Cook Inlet Gas Forecast

INTELLIGENCE THAT WORKS

Cook Inlet Gas Supply Project Phase I Assessment

Regulatory Commission of Alaska

June 28, 2023

Presenters:

John Sims (ENSTAR)

Lieza Wilcox (BRG)



Cornerstone
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Working Group Participants

Demand Group



State Agencies



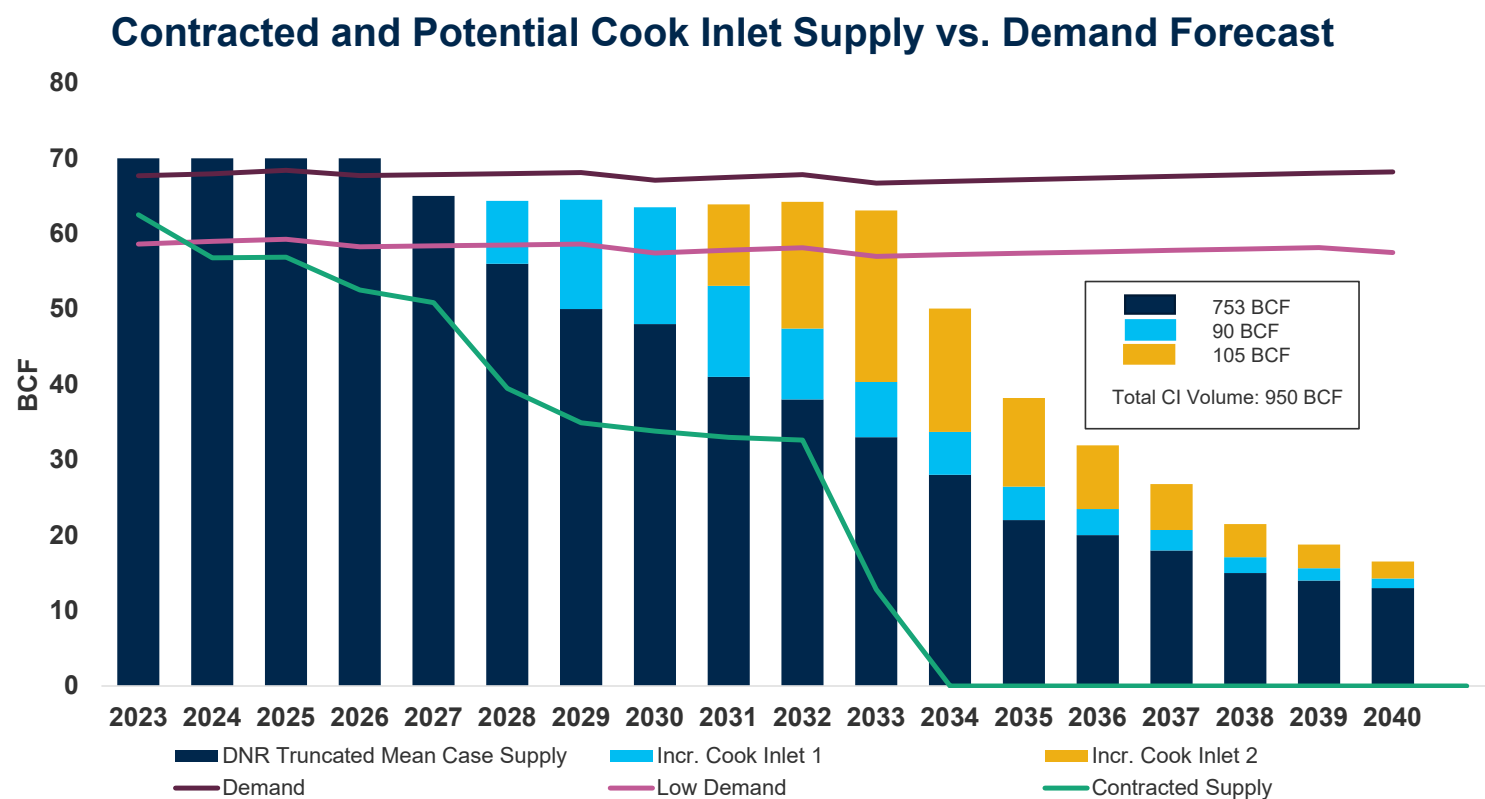
Key Conclusions

- Cook Inlet gas cannot fully meet demand forecast beyond 2026 with current proved reserves or beyond early/mid 2030s assuming incremental local supply development
- While continuing to work on Cook Inlet options, other project(s) must be pursued due to lead time to implement
- It is vital for the Alaska utilities to have control of the pace of option development due to the impending gas shortage
- Several viable options to supplement and Cook Inlet gas supply need to be progressed further in the next phase of this project (“Phase II”) to enable a sanction decision on one option by the end of 2023

Supply and Demand Assumptions

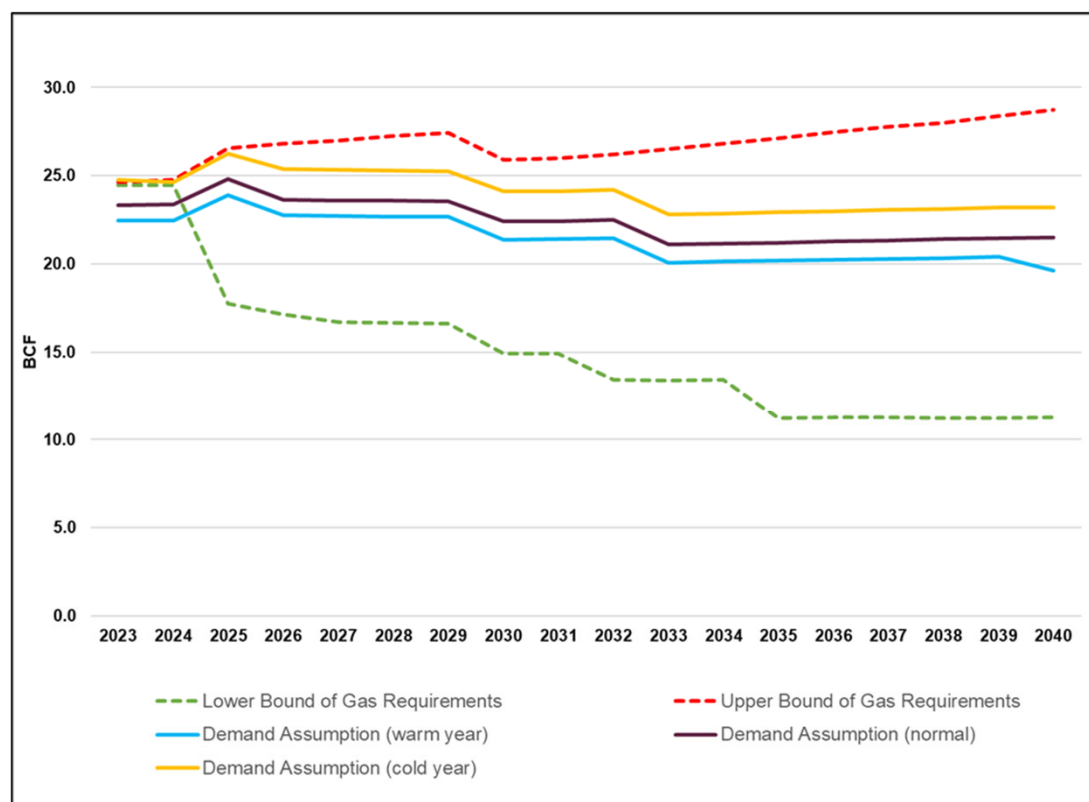
1. Long-term natural gas demand for interconnected Alaska utilities
 - Forecast supplied by the utilities, and provides basis for capacity planning assumptions
 - ENSTAR's stable gas demand for heating, GVEA's plan to incorporate more natural gas generated electricity into its system, and potential range of outcomes for renewable power generation and beneficial electrification all impact potential demand outcomes
 - High, Medium, and Low natural gas demand forecast represents reasonable expectations and timelines for clean energy uptake and a range of winter temperatures
2. Cook Inlet Supply
 - Used DNR's 2022 Cook Inlet Mean Truncated supply forecast as the base case assumption for future gas coming from Cook Inlet
 - Uncontracted Cook Inlet reserves are ~290 BCF in 2027-2040
 - DNR anticipates gas supply gap to develop in 2027
 - Used DNR's 2018 gas availability study to estimate incremental Cook Inlet supply and price levels beyond base case

Supply and Demand Assumptions (Cont.)



Range of Potential Gas Requirements Associated with Renewable Power Adoption

Electric Utility
Gas Demand



Scope and Assessment of Options

1. Option scope development and screening-level evaluation
 - Created or adopted (from project developers) conceptual scope and cost estimates for ten most viable options
 - Developed estimated cost of supply in \$2023 (today's dollars) using consistent volumes up to each option's ability to supply gas

Scope and Assessment of Options (Cont.)

2. Created a prioritized system of scoring different options with guidance from the utilities' Working Group on prioritization. Options were scored based on ten criteria. Uniformly, the top three criteria received the highest priority scores.

- 1) Schedule risk
- 2) Reliability of supply during operations
- 3) Delivered cost of supply per Mcf
- 4) Flexibility / Scalability
- 5) Project complexity and integration into current system
- 6) Permitting
- 7) Environmental impact
- 8) Size of direct investment by utilities
- 9) Local economic impact
- 10) Carbon efficiency

Key Project Option Metrics

Gas Supply Options (Private Ownership)

					Cost of Supply		
Option		Timeline from decision YE2023	Capital Investment	Supply Volume	Gas	Midstream	Total
		years	\$ mm	Bcf/year	\$/Mcf	\$/Mcf	\$/Mcf
1	Cook Inlet Gas	3 - 4	up to \$1500 - \$2000	up to ~23	\$9.3 - \$25.5	Included	\$9.3 - \$25.5
2 (a)	In-State Pipeline (Private)	6 - 7	~ \$8,790	up to 105	\$1.3 – \$2.6	\$26.8 – \$34.2	\$28.1 - \$37.0
3	Kenai LNG	4 - 5	\$768	up to 55	\$8.6 - \$8.9	\$3.4 - \$4.7	\$12.0 - \$13.6
4	Greenfield Port and Regas	6 - 7	\$876	up to 55	\$8.6 - \$8.9	\$4.0 - \$5.3	\$12.6 - \$14.2
5	FSRU - Own/Lease	4 - 6	\$698	up to 55	\$8.6 - \$8.9	\$3.6 - \$5.0	\$12.2 - \$13.9
6	Barge / Small LNG Carrier	4 - 5	\$563	up to 25	\$8.6 - \$8.9	\$13 - \$14	\$21.6 - \$23.0
7	Alaska LNG	7 - 8	~\$43,000	up to 183	\$1.3 – \$2.6	\$3.1	\$4.4 - \$5.8
8	LNG Truck and/or Rail	3 - 4	\$321	~9	\$2.50	\$22.5 - \$29.5	\$25 - \$32
9	Renewable Natural Gas	Unknown	n/a	~1	~\$25	Included	~\$25
10	Hydrogen (green)	12+	unknown	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$>32

Key Project Option Metrics (Cont.)

The assessment also considered how cost of supply of certain options with long-term benefits to the State of Alaska can be impacted by alternative financing with State participation

Gas Supply Options (State Participation)

Option		Timeline from decision YE2023	Capital Investment	Supply Volume	Cost of Supply		
					Gas	Midstream	Total
		years	\$ mm	Bcf/year	\$/Mcf	\$/Mcf	\$/Mcf
2 (b)	In-State Pipeline (Subsidized 80%)	6 - 7	~ \$8,790	up to 105	\$1.3 – \$2.6	\$7.8 - \$9.9	\$9.2 - \$12.6
2 (c)	In-State Pipeline (State Owned)	6 - 7	~ \$8,790	up to 105	\$1.3 – \$2.6	\$5.9 – \$7.4	\$7.3 - \$10.0
4 (b)	Greenfield Port and Regas (Subsidized 80%)	6 - 7	\$876	up to 55	\$8.6 - \$8.9	\$2.3 - \$3.3	\$10.9 - \$12.2
4 (c)	Greenfield Port and Regas (State Owned)	6 - 7	\$876	up to 55	\$8.6 - \$8.9	\$2.2 - \$3.1	\$10.8 - \$12.0

Top Scoring Options for Meeting Future Demand

A. In-State Pipeline

- Construct a 24-inch pipeline that can meet local demand and provide opportunity for future industrial customer supply
- Only viable with state participation / subsidy due to relatively small utility demand
- Provides broad benefits across the state
- Current forecast indicates that this is a long-term option, and would not meet schedule for near-term shortfall

B. Kenai LNG

- In cooperation with owner, modify existing export facility to utilize dock and potentially storage tanks in the short term, accelerating project timeline to meet shortfall

C. Floating Storage and Regasification Unit (FSRU)

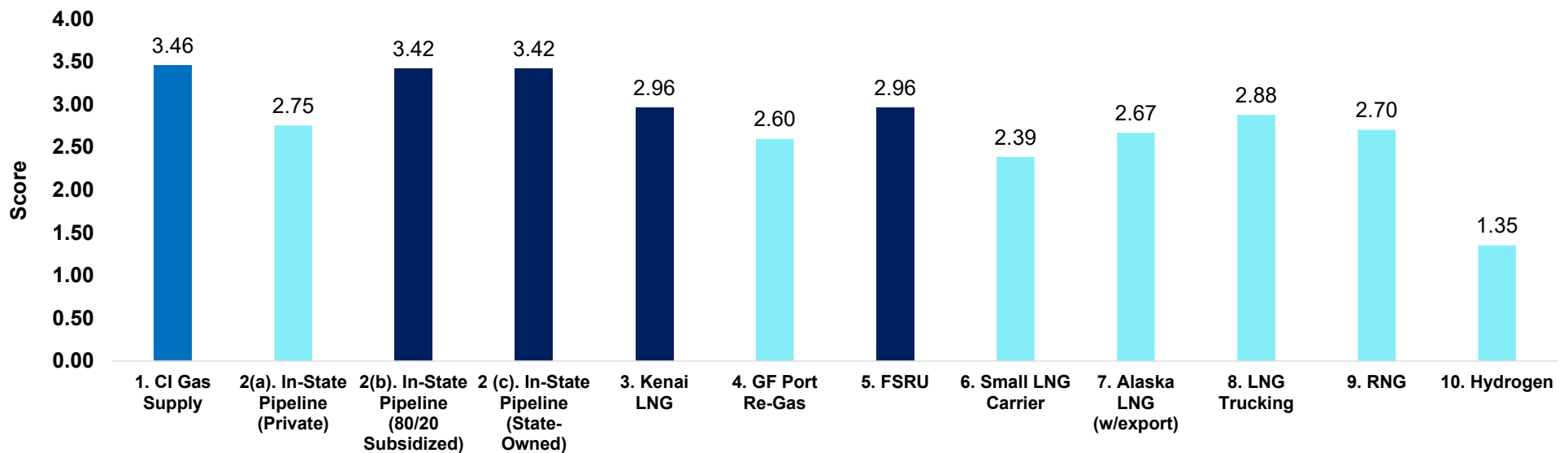
- Pursue options to utilize FSRU at existing or modified dock facilities in Nikiski, accelerating project timeline to meet shortfall

D. Cook Inlet Gas Supply

- Remains a preferred top-scoring option but is not sufficient to meet long-term demand forecast

Results of Options Scoring

Option Scoring Results (Max Score of 5)



Recommendations and Next Steps

- A. Utilities individually continue to work with Cook Inlet producers and the State to secure additional contracted supply and promote alternative development
- B. As the utilities' Working Group, pursue several top-scoring options in order to further define scope, schedule and commercial viability, specifically:
 - Modification of existing Kenai LNG facility (via commercial discussions with owner)
 - Scope definition and planning for FSRU option
 - Greenfield site selection and feasibility assessment for LNG imports if retrofit options become unavailable
 - Market survey to further define availability and cost of LNG
 - Optimization and feasibility assessment of the In-State Pipeline option with AGDC and State of Alaska in areas of permitting critical path and financing structure

Recommendations and Next Steps (Cont.)

- C. Refine cost of supply estimates for the three top-scoring options (FRSU, Kenai LNG, In-State Pipeline), develop procurement strategy
- D. Complete permitting due diligence of all top-scoring options and identify key bottlenecks and showstoppers
- E. For top-scoring options, develop draft venture model, project finance structure and plan of engagement with capital markets
- F. Identify one permanent solution or multiple short and long-term options to pursue by 1Q 2024 in order to meet the supply shortfall projected in 2027-2028

COOK INLET FIELDS OVERVIEW: PRODUCTION BY FIELD



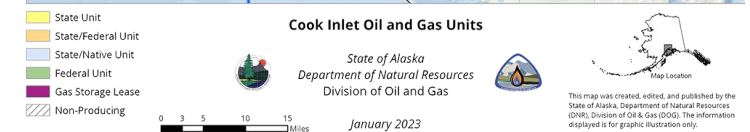
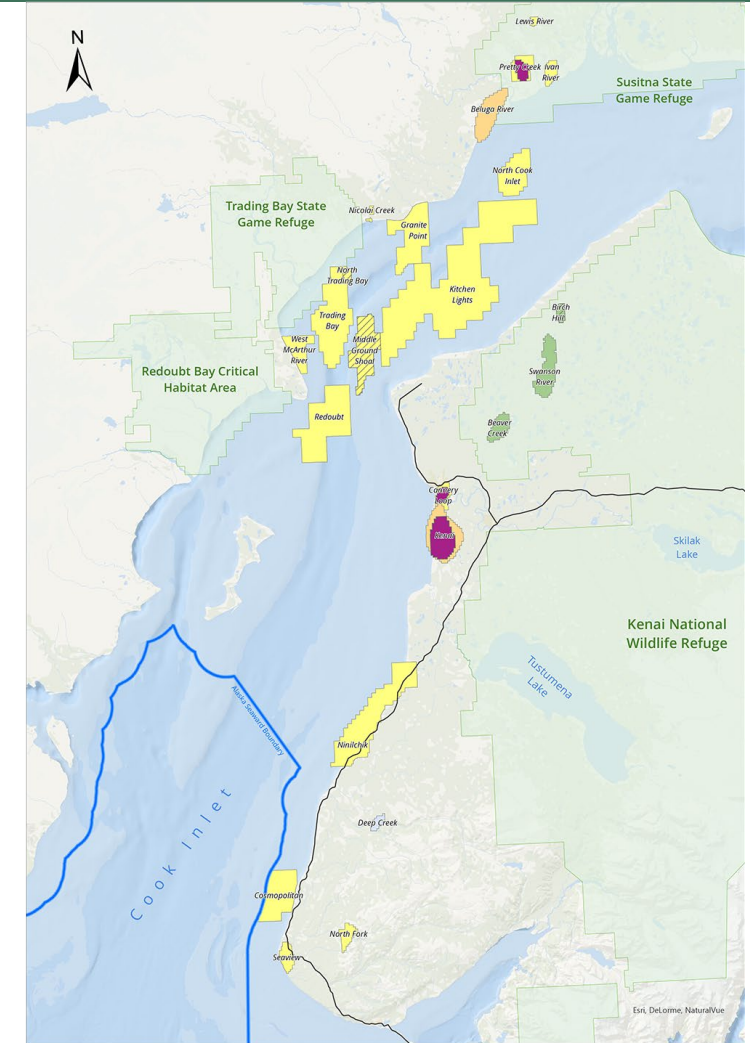
Field	Operator and lessees	2022 Gas Production	2022 Oil Production
Kenai Loop	AIX Energy LLC	1.17 bcf	
Nicolai Creek	Amaroq Resources, LLC	0.1 bcf	
Hansen	Bluecrest Alaska Operating LLC	0.58 bcf	770 bopd
Redoubt Shoal	Cook Inlet Energy, LLC.	0.07 bcf	879 bopd
West McArthur River	Cook Inlet Energy, LLC.	0.00 bcf	240 bopd
Kitchen Lights	Furie Operating Alaska, LLC; Cornucopia Oil & Gas Company; A. L. Berry; Danny Davis; Taylor Minerals, LLC; Corsair Oil & Gas	4.02 bcf	
Beaver Creek	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	3.72 bcf	629 bopd
Beluga River	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC; Chugach Electric Association	11.07 bcf	
Deep Creek	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	1.17 bcf	
Granite Pt	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	1.16 bcf	2,199 bopd
Ivan River	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	3.37 bcf	
Kenai	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	5.53 bcf	
Kenai C.L.U.	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	0.68 bcf	
Lewis River	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	0.24 bcf	
McArthur River	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	6.08 bcf	2,631 bopd
Middle Ground Shoal	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	0 bcf	0 bopd
Nikolaevsk	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	0.08 bcf	
Ninilchik	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	11.52 bcf	
North Cook Inlet	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	10.93 bcf	
Seaview	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	0.06 bcf	
Swanson River	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	3.65 bcf	705 bopd
Trading Bay	Hilcorp Alaska, LLC	0.4 bcf	794 bopd
North Fork	Vision Operating, LLC	1.13 bcf	

bcf = billion
cubic feet

bopd = barrels of oil
per day

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2022 Cook Inlet Gas Forecast



SOUTHCENTRAL GAS DEMAND: DEMAND BY USER TYPE



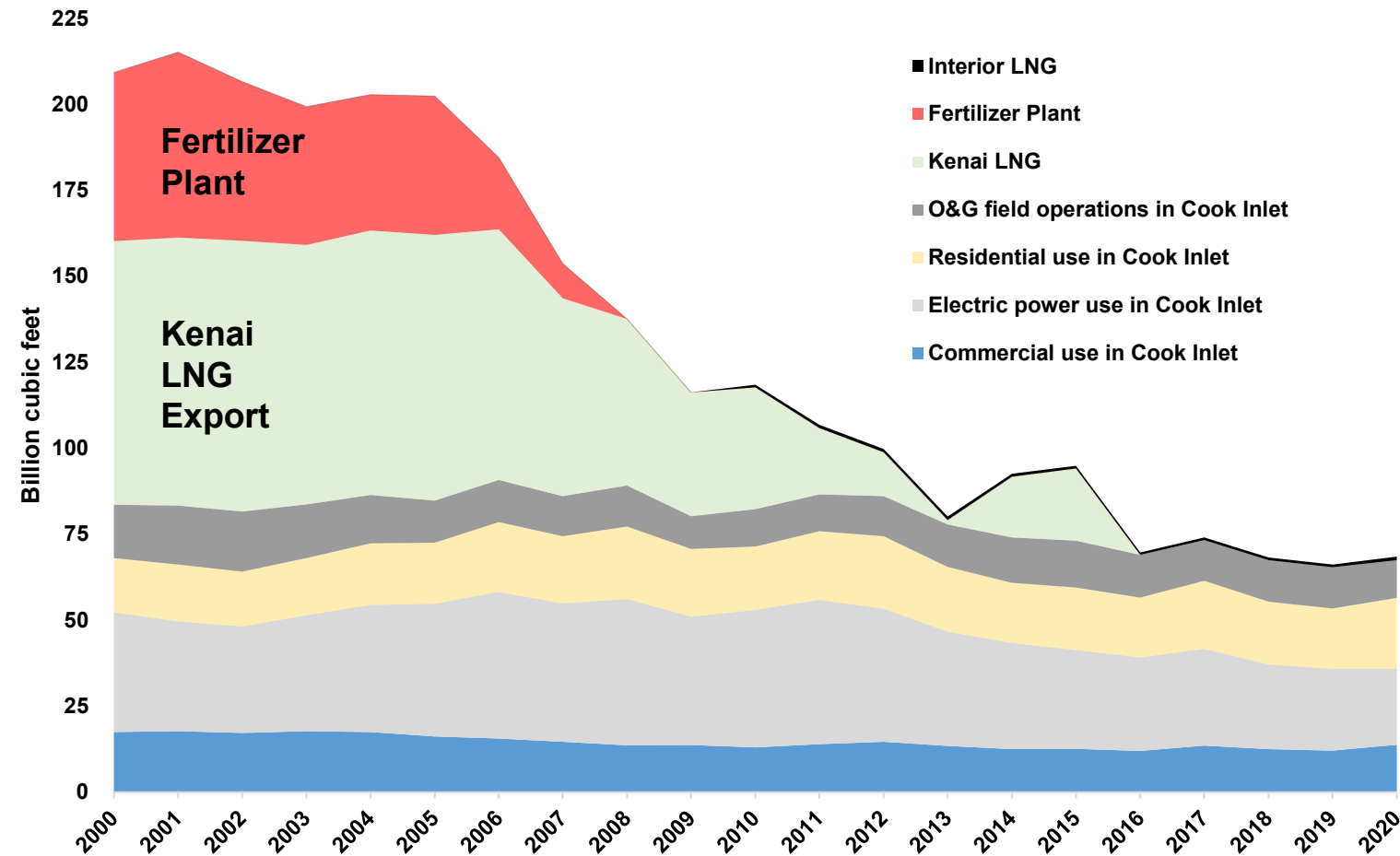
Kenai LNG Plant

- Nikiski liquified natural gas (LNG) facility is operated by Trans-Foreland Pipeline Co. LLC – which is a sub of Marathon Petroleum.
- Last exported LNG was 2015.
- Department of Energy (DOE) authorization for exporting LNG expired in 2018.
- Dec. 2020 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) approved LNG Imports to this facility an annual capacity up to 1.8 billion cubic feet (bcf) per year.

Nutrien Fertilizer Plant

- Second largest ammonia/urea plant in U.S.
- Shut down and mothballed in 2007, however Nutrien maintains permits and remains interested in reopening the plant.
- Gas prices relative to Lower 48 makes economics difficult.
- Potential source for blue hydrogen/blue ammonia.

Demand for Cook Inlet gas (source: EIA)

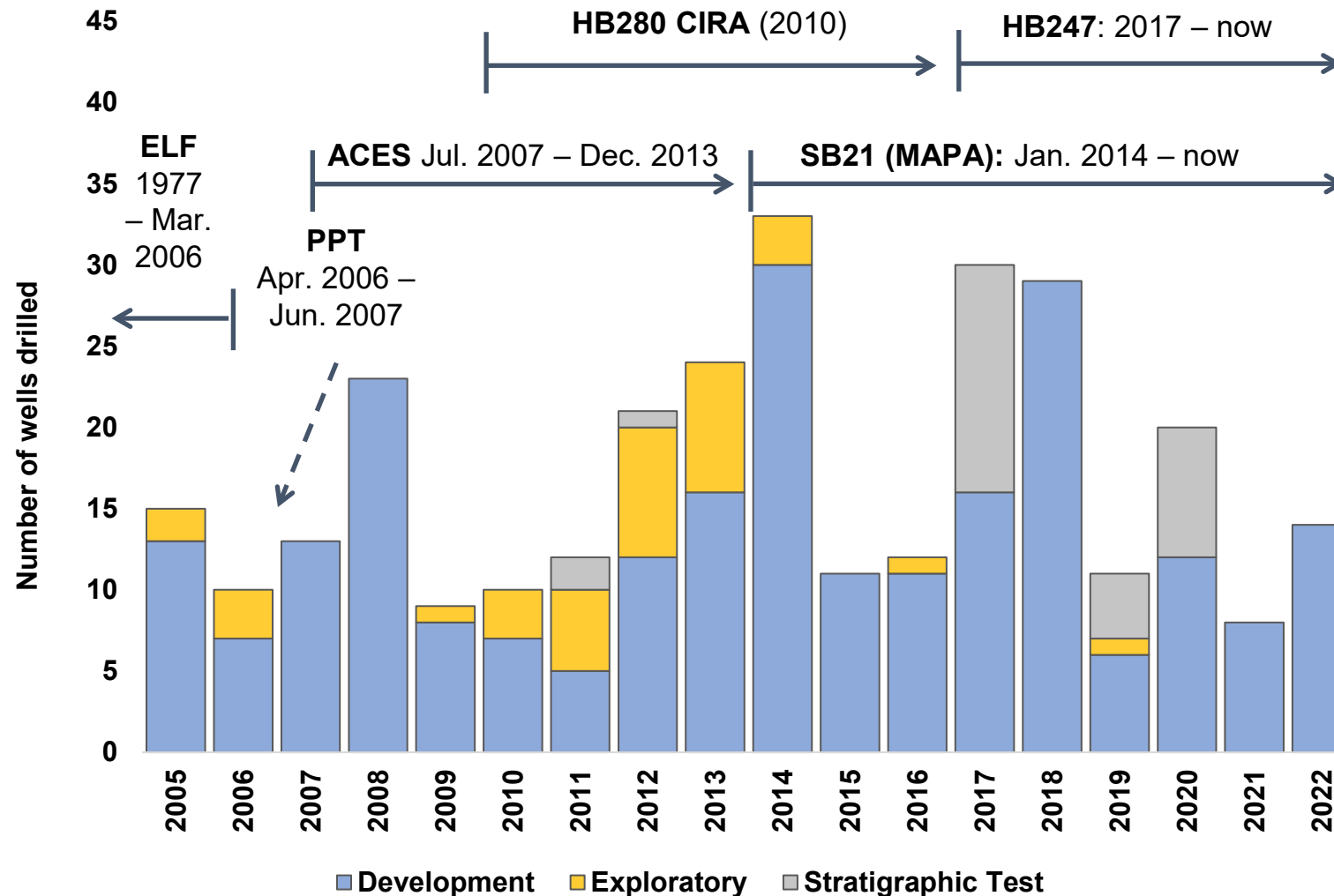


2022 Cook Inlet Gas Forecast

COOK INLET RECOVERY ACT AND RESULTING ACTIVITY



Cook Inlet Basin: Tax System and Wells Drilled



➤ Active:

- Discovery royalty AS 38.05.180(f)(4)

➤ Expired or repealed in 2016 or with HB 247:

Before CIRA

- Exploration Incentive credit: AS 38.05.180(i)
- Alternative Credit for Exploration: AS 43.55.025(a)
- Gas Exploration and Development credit: AS 43.20.043
- Qualified Capital Expenditure credit: AS 43.55.023(a)
- Small Producer Credit AS 43.55.024: Qualification deadline May 2016
- Carried Forward Annual Loss Credit: Expired with HB 247

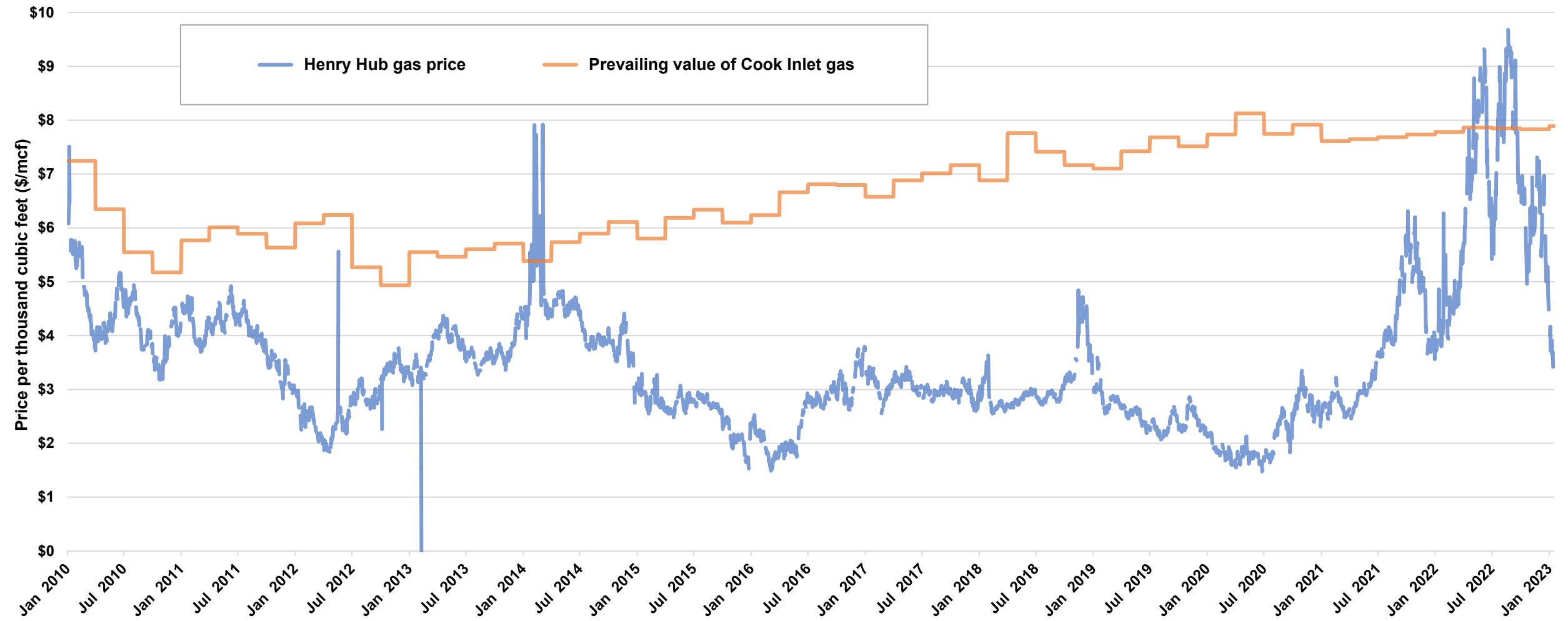
CIRA

- Well Lease Expenditure Credit AS 43.55.023(l)
- Gas Storage Facility Credit AS 43.20.046
- Cook Inlet Jack-Up Rig Credit AS 43.55.025(a)(5) and (l)

COOK INLET NATURAL GAS: LOCAL PREVAILING VALUE VS HENRY HUB



Natural gas prices: Cook Inlet vs. Henry Hub
Source: Department of Revenue

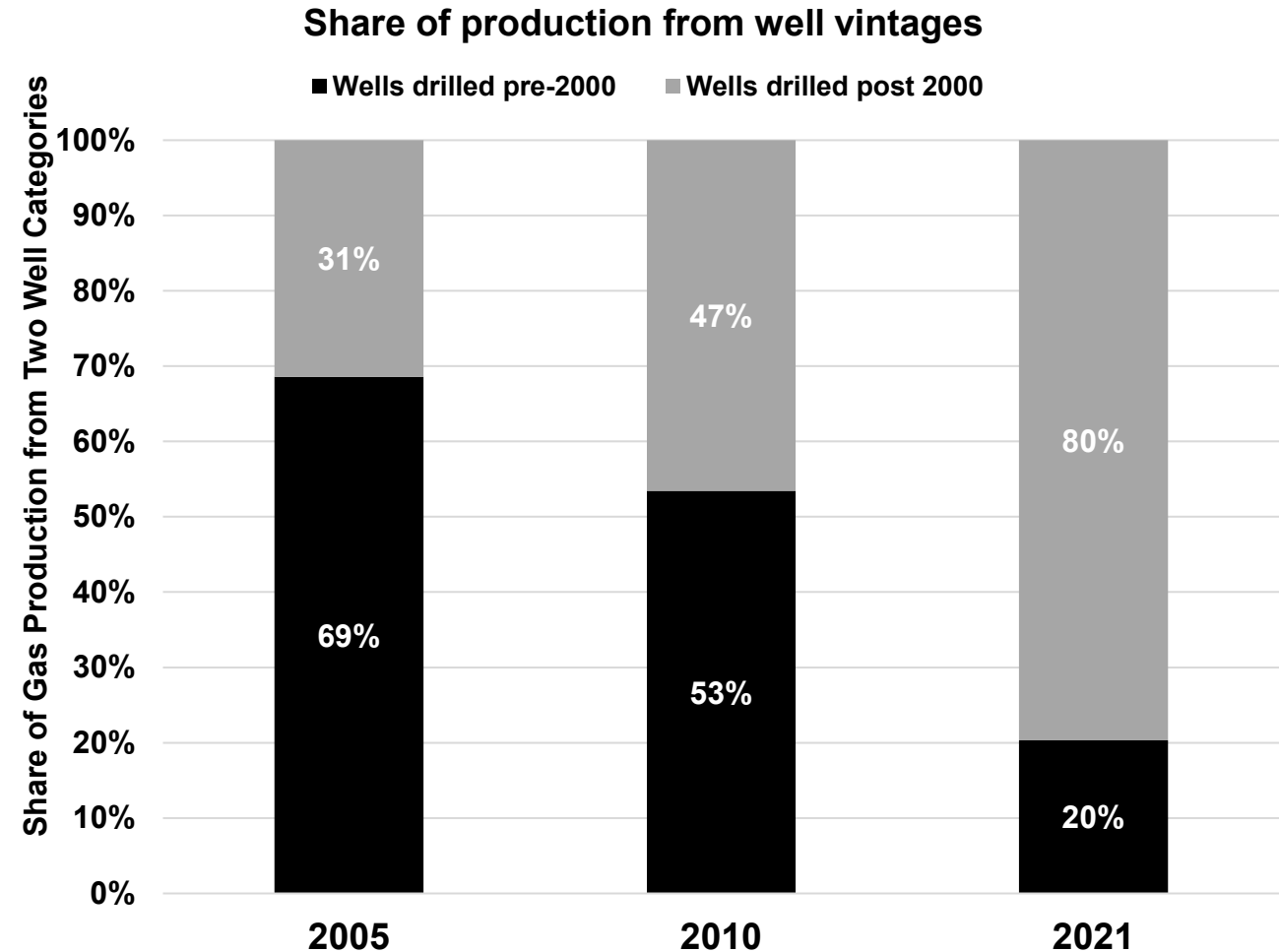


EXPLORATION & DEVELOPMENT IN COOK INLET: COOK INLET FUTURE PRODUCTION



The CI Basin depends on successful exploration.

- The CI Basin has been producing for over 60 years.
- Continuous exploration has led to 13 new oil and gas units coming online, and over 450 wellbores drilled **since year 2000**.
- Of the ~200 million cubic feet per day (mmcf/d) of produced gas in 2021, ~80% came from wells drilled less than 20 years ago.
- Exploration/delineation within and outside the units is crucial to continued security of gas supply for the basin.



OVERVIEW OF DIVISION OF OIL & GAS COOK INLET STUDIES



2009 - Preliminary Engineering and Geological Evaluation of Remaining Cook Inlet Gas Reserves

- Consisted of engineering and geologic evaluations of 28 currently producing Cook Inlet gas fields to derive estimates of remaining Proved and Probable reserves.
- Applied single deterministic Decline Curve Analysis (DCA) and Material Balance (MBAL) engineering methods to publicly available production and pressure data obtained from Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (AOGCC).
- Did not address economics of drilling additional wells, recompleting existing wells, optimizing infrastructure, and the ability to sell the gas into the Cook Inlet market.
- Proved + Probable reserves estimated at 1.14 trillion cubic feet (tcf).

2011 - Cook Inlet Natural Gas Production Cost Study

- Investigated investment requirements around various targeted reserves.
- Addressed commercial viability of remaining gas by postulating conceptual plans to produce natural gas from the Cook Inlet Basin to meet a demand of 90 billion cubic feet (bcf) per year.



OVERVIEW OF DIVISION OF OIL & GAS COOK INLET STUDIES (CONTINUED)



2015 - Updated Engineering Evaluation of Remaining Cook Inlet Gas Reserves

- An update to 2009's study of 34 currently or historically producing Cook Inlet gas fields to derive estimates of remaining Proved and Probable reserves.
- Applied single deterministic DCA and MBAL engineering methods to publicly available production and pressure data obtained from AOGCC.
- Did not address prospective (undiscovered), contingent (discovered, non-producing), and 3P (Proved + Probable + Possible) reserves.
- Proved + Probable reserves estimated at 1.18 trillion cubic feet (tcf).

2018 - Cook Inlet Natural Gas Availability

- Built on three previous DOG Cook Inlet gas studies, while incorporating future supplies by formulating hypothetical development projects required to produce undeveloped volumes and estimate each project's economic viability.
- 500–800 bcf of additional gas is economic to develop at a price range around \$6-8/thousand cubic feet (real 2016 dollars).
- P50 reserves estimate of 700 bcf when price is \$8 per thousand cubic feet (mcf).



CURRENT STUDY – SCOPE AND ASSUMPTIONS



2022 - Cook Inlet Gas Forecast

- Technical reserves assessment of 90 different gas & oil pools using publicly available production data obtained from AOGCC.
- Decline Curve Analysis (DCA) used to estimate volumes from currently producing well set. Type Curve(s) were developed to estimate volumes from future development wells.
- Discovered resources contingent upon more favorable commercial conditions and undiscovered (prospective) resources were not included in the forecast.
- Estimated field level economic limits were used in the “truncated” forecast cases.
- Forecasted volumes do not account for gas produced from gas storage to avoid duplicative gas volumes produced.
- Flat gas demand of 70 billion cubic feet per year does not assume future additional requirements nor does it assume possible substitutes or increasing efficiency in consumption both for energy producers and commercial or domestic consumers.

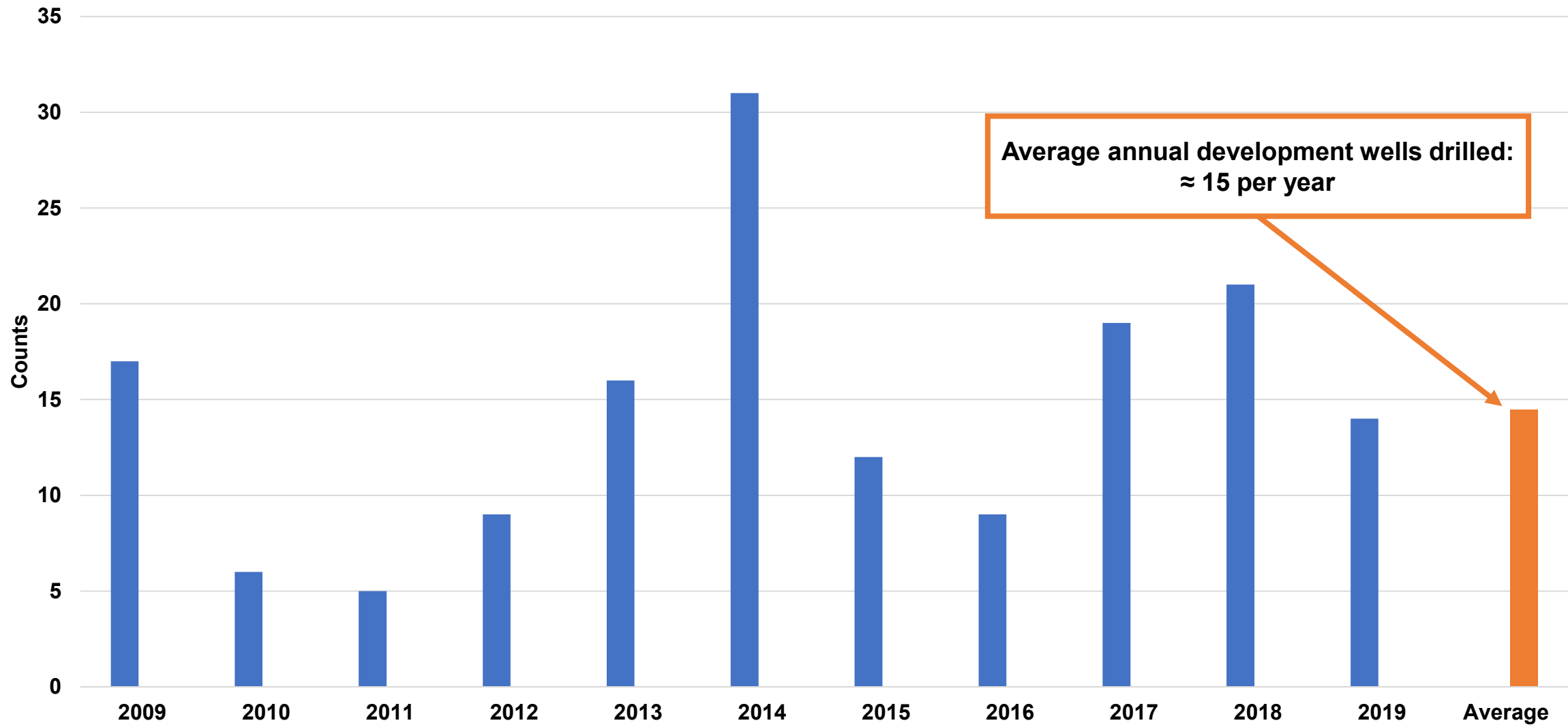
Key Assumptions:

- Assumes 15 development wells per year until 2030, and no new wells beyond that. That is not a prediction that no drilling will occur after that date, it was the horizon for which 15 wells per year was assumed to be reasonable.
- Assumes gas price is flat, with escalation for inflation. Does not forecast market changes responding to supply/demand.
- Does not include contribution from non-producing known prospects and does not forecast likelihood of their development.

Cook Inlet Development Well History (PRE-PANDEMIC, 2009-2019)



Cook Inlet Development Wells



MODELING THE ECONOMIC LIMIT FOR EACH FIELD: STRUCTURE OF THE MODEL



- 1. **The technical forecast of oil and gas is run through an economic model.**
 - Upstream companies unlikely to operate their fields at a sustained loss (i.e., negative cash flows).
 - If marginal revenue associated with production of oil and gas in a field is not large enough to cover marginal expenditure, then the operator will likely stop production.
 - Marginal expenditure includes costs, royalty / overriding royalty payments, and taxes.
 - Remaining technically recoverable gas production beyond the economic limit point will not be available to the market.

2. Structure of the economic model:

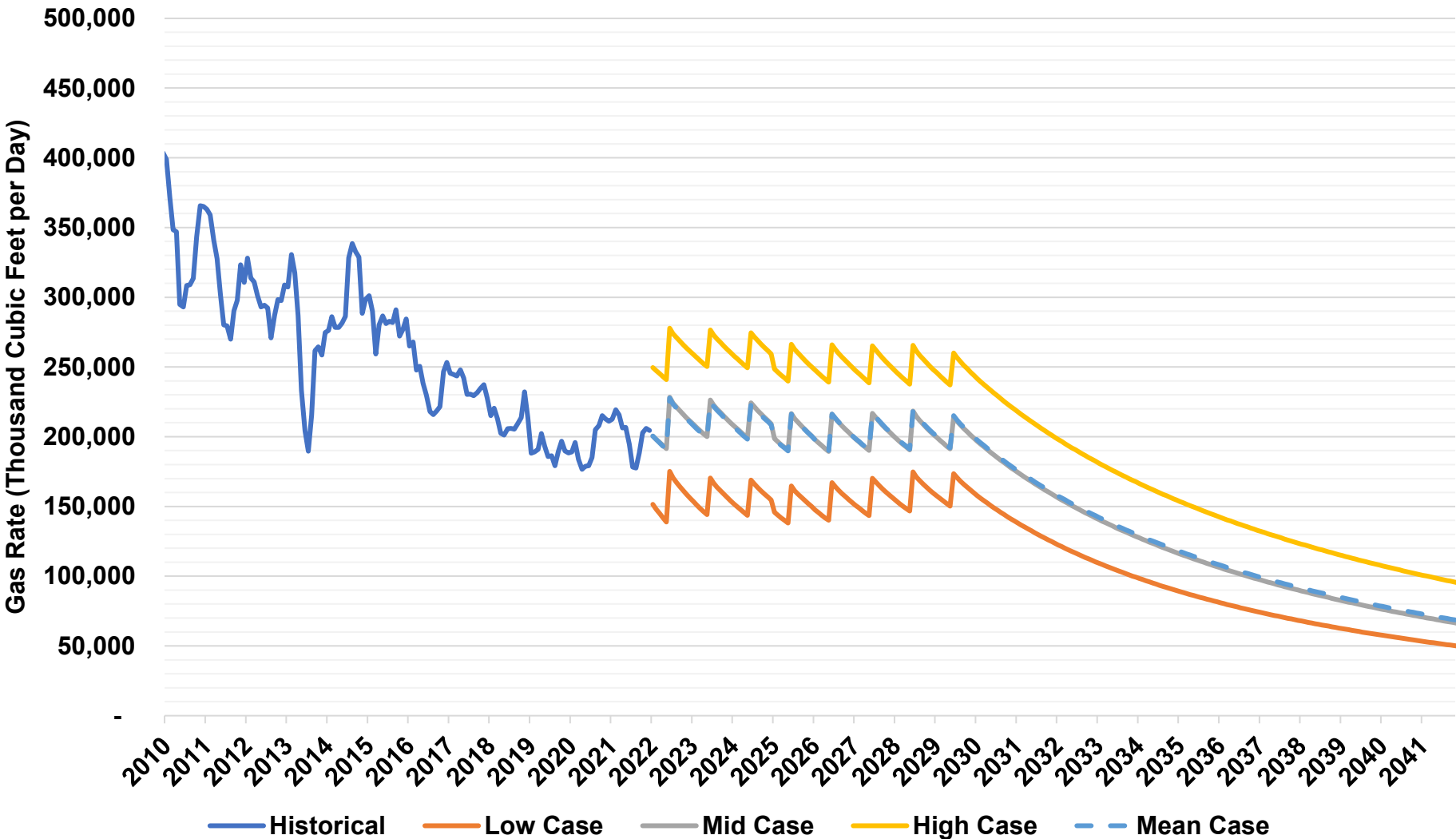
Production of gas for sale	Not all gas produced is available to the market: Small share used for in-field operations and enhanced oil recovery.
Revenue	Proxy for gas prices between some Cook Inlet producers and local utilities.
Costs	One-size-fits-all approach for costs allowing for differences based on proximity to infrastructure (offshore vs. onshore, West vs. East).
Royalty	Share of gross revenues: 12.5%.
Overriding royalty interest	Another claim on gross revenues: percentage varies.
Taxes	O&G production tax (\$1/bbl and \$0.177/mcf ceilings) and O&G property tax.

mcf = thousand cubic feet
bbl = barrel

FORECAST UNTRUNCATED HIGH-MID-LOW-MEAN STREAMS



Cook Inlet Gas Forecast



High Case (P1)	
Total Gas Reserves (bcf)	1,404.0
Gas (bcf)	1,361.7
Associated Gas (bcf)	42.3

Mid Case (P1)	
Total Gas Reserves (bcf)	1,101.4
Gas (bcf)	1,079.3
Associated Gas (bcf)	22.1

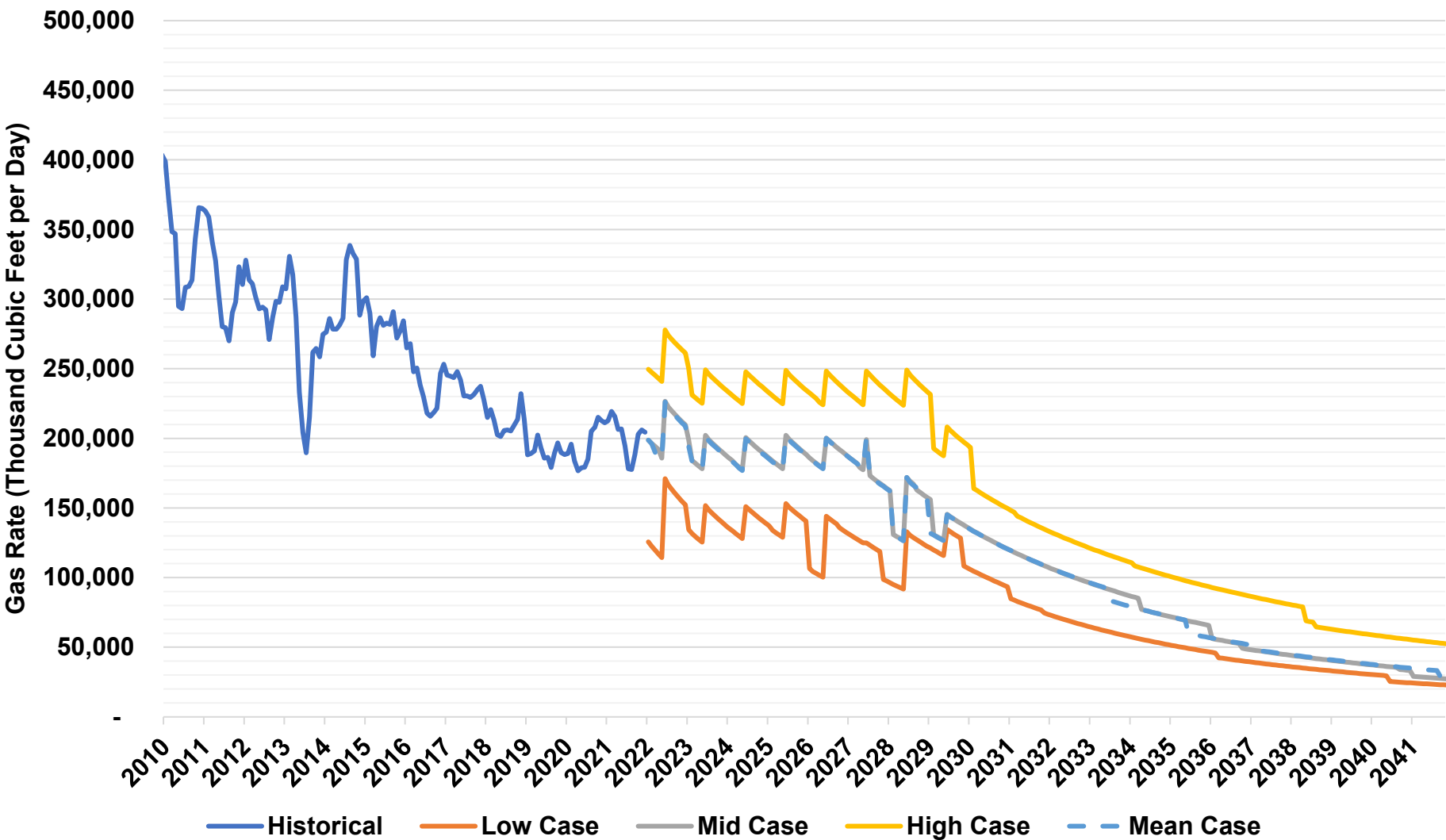
Low Case (P1)	
Total Gas Reserves (bcf)	843.2
Gas (bcf)	832.4
Associated Gas (bcf)	10.8

Mean Case (P1)	
Total Gas Reserves (bcf)	1,108.8
Gas (bcf)	1,085.2
Associated Gas (bcf)	23.6

FORECAST TRUNCATED HIGH-MID-LOW-MEAN STREAMS



Cook Inlet Gas Forecast



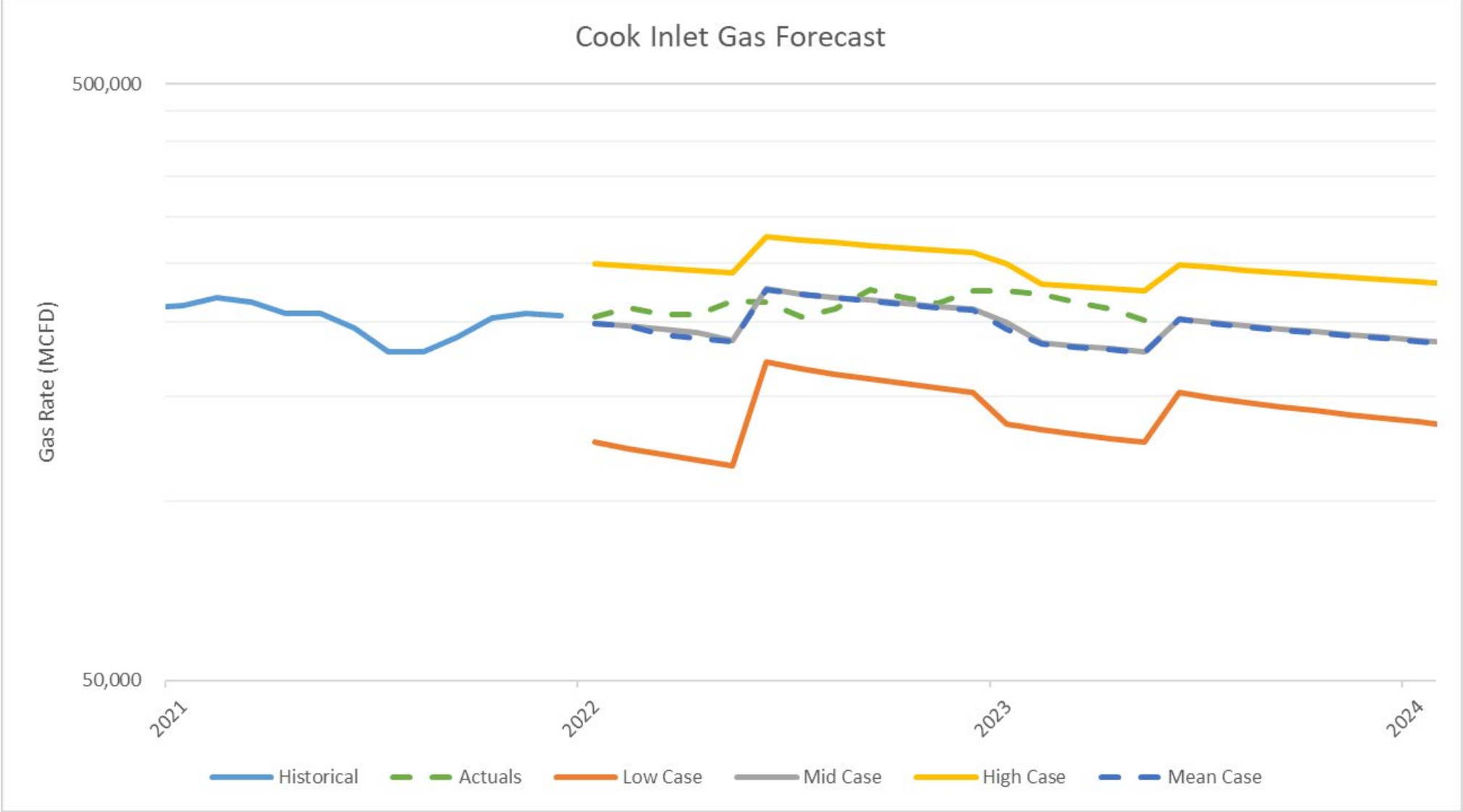
High Case (P1)	
Total Gas Reserves (bcf)	1,108.9
Gas (bcf)	1,066.6
Associated Gas (bcf)	42.3

Mid Case (P1)	
Total Gas Reserves (bcf)	823.9
Gas (bcf)	807.9
Associated Gas (bcf)	16.0

Low Case (P1)	
Total Gas Reserves (bcf)	602.5
Gas (bcf)	597.2
Associated Gas (bcf)	5.3

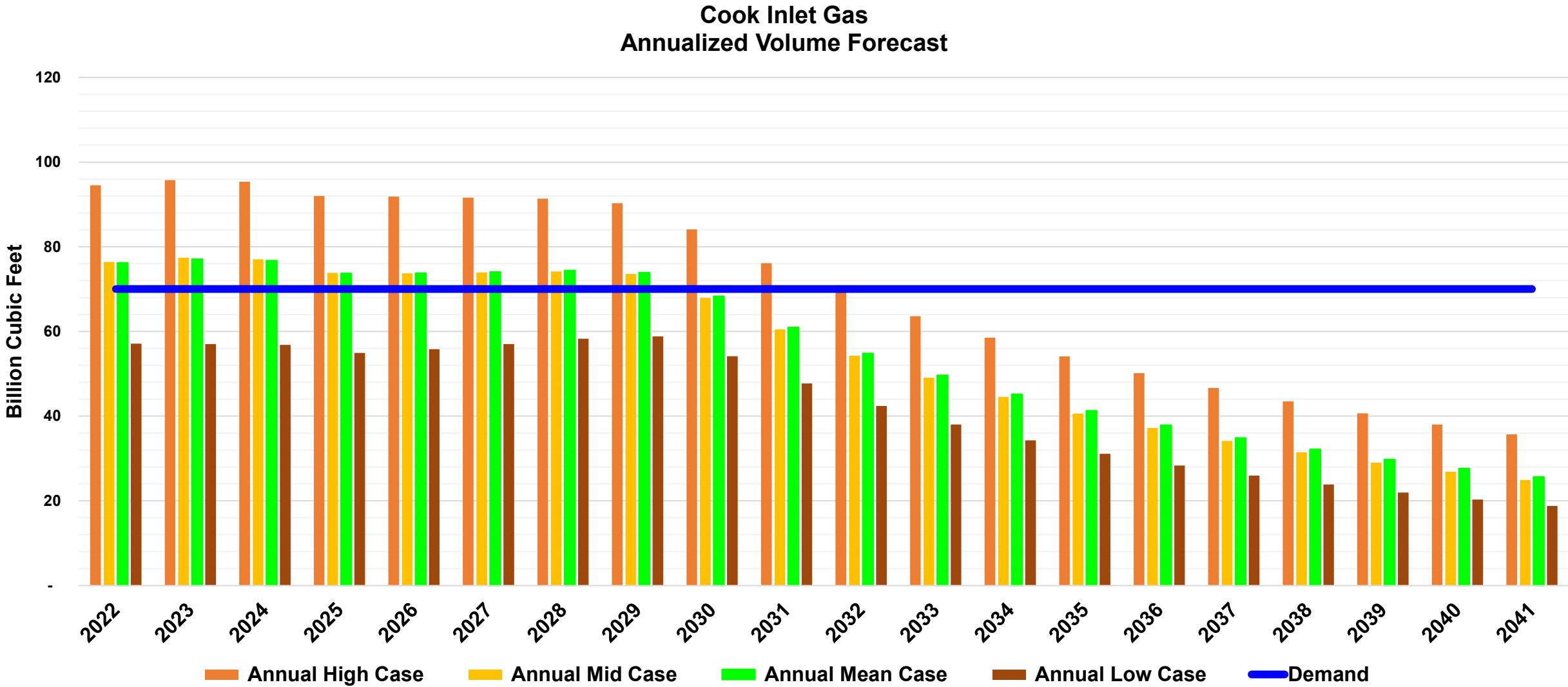
Mean Case (P1)	
Total Gas Reserves (bcf)	820.2
Gas (bcf)	803.2
Associated Gas (bcf)	17.0

FORECAST VS ACTUALS (THROUGH MAY 2023)



FORECAST

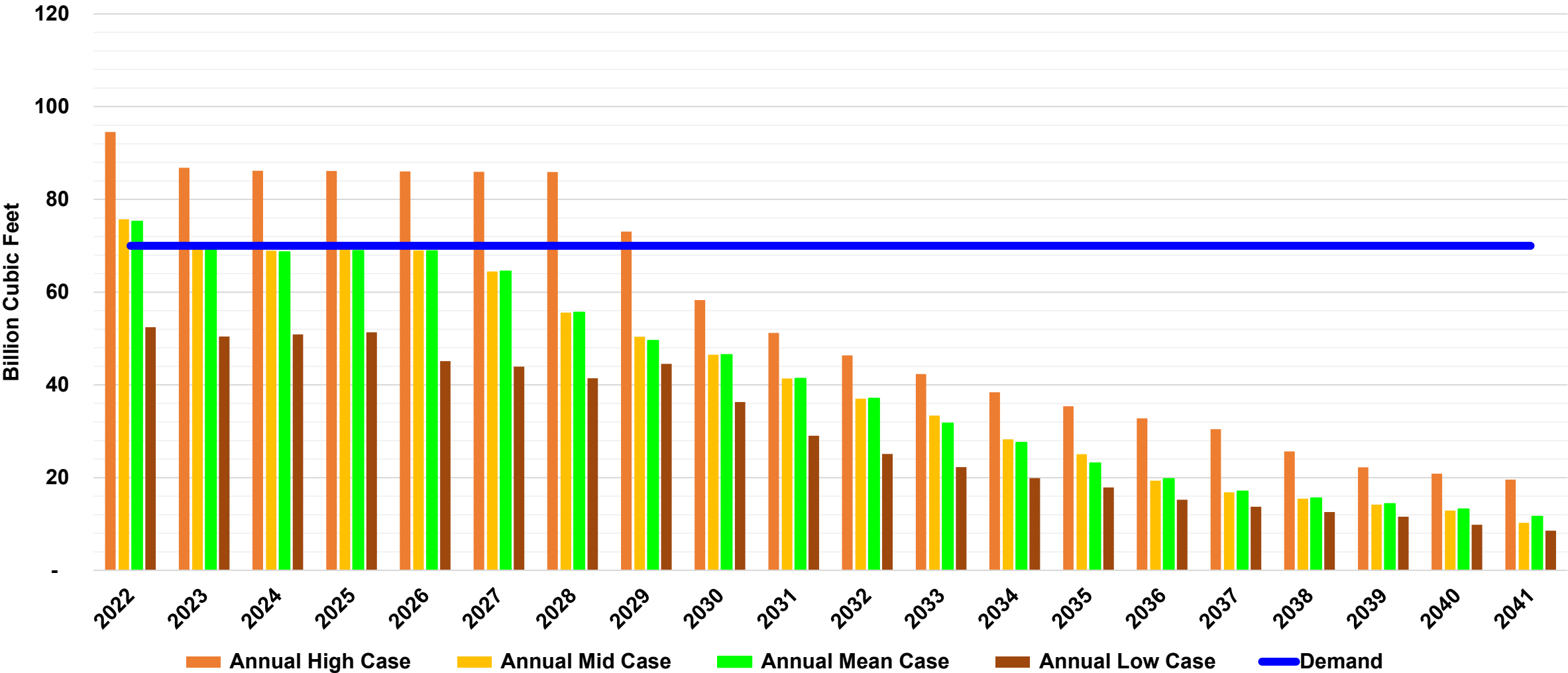
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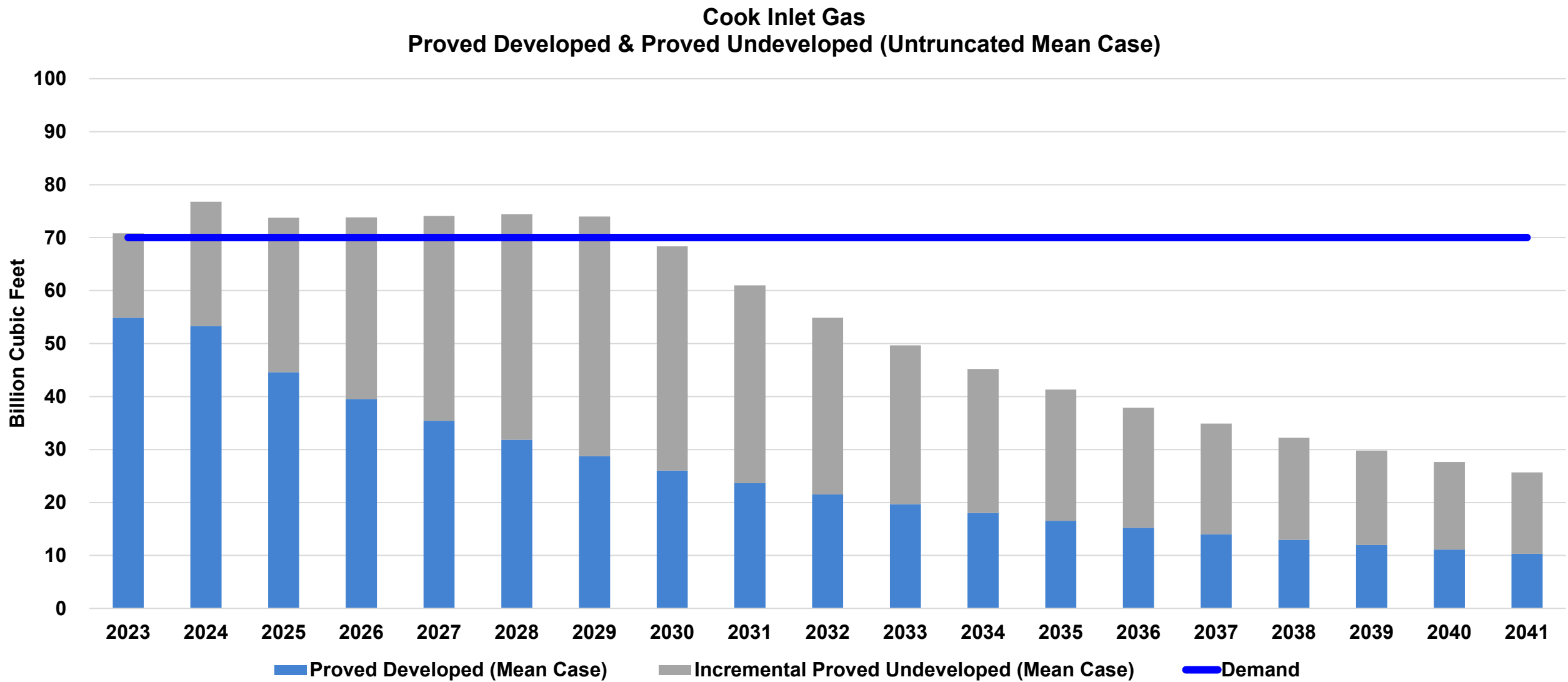
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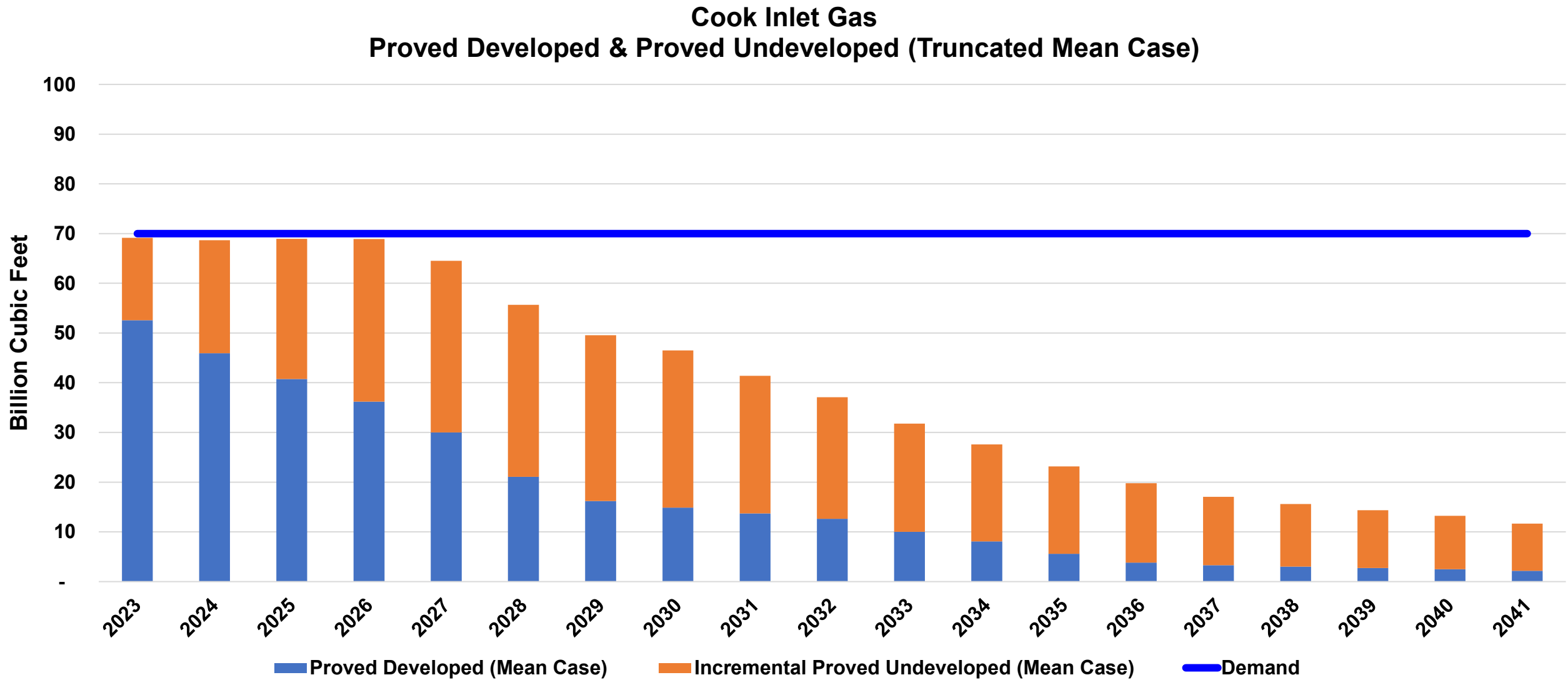
Cook Inlet Gas
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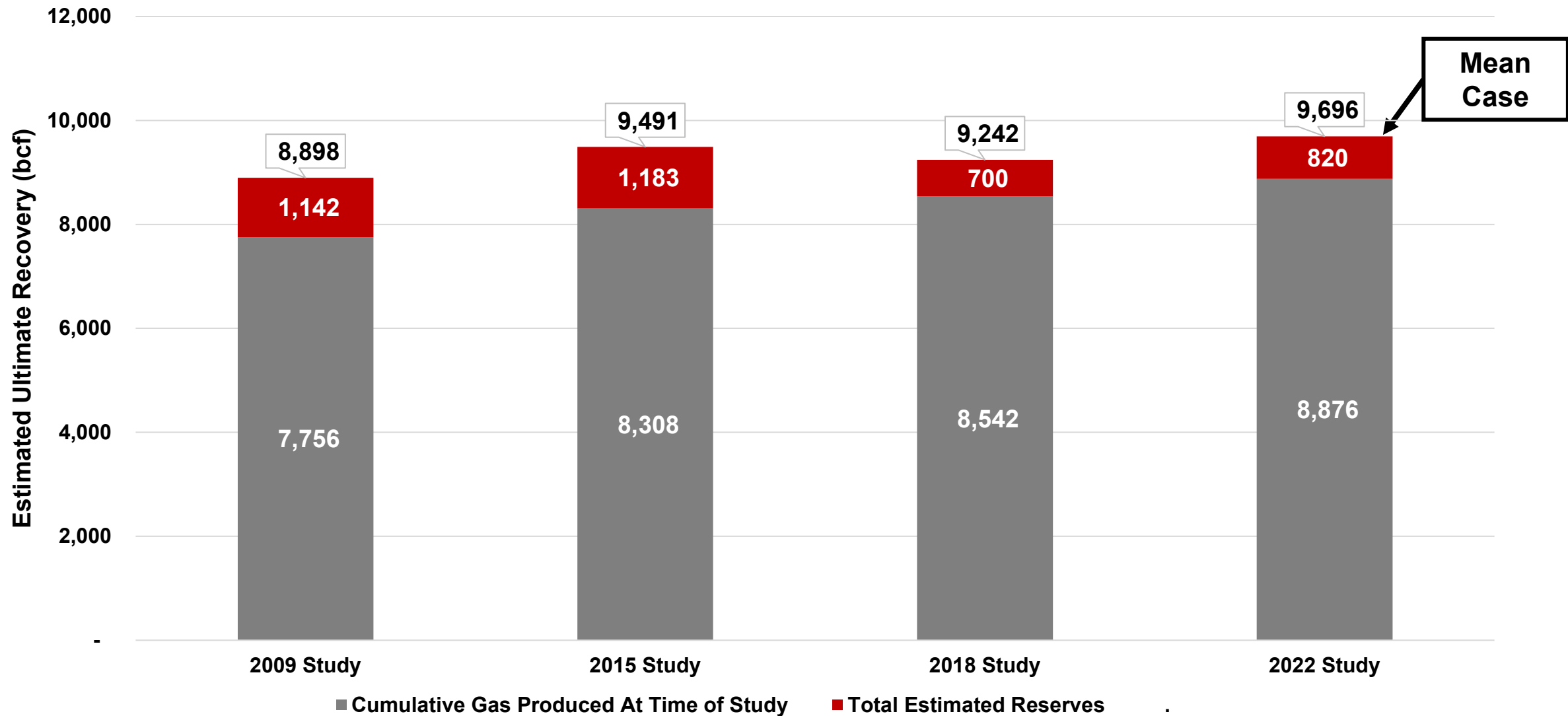
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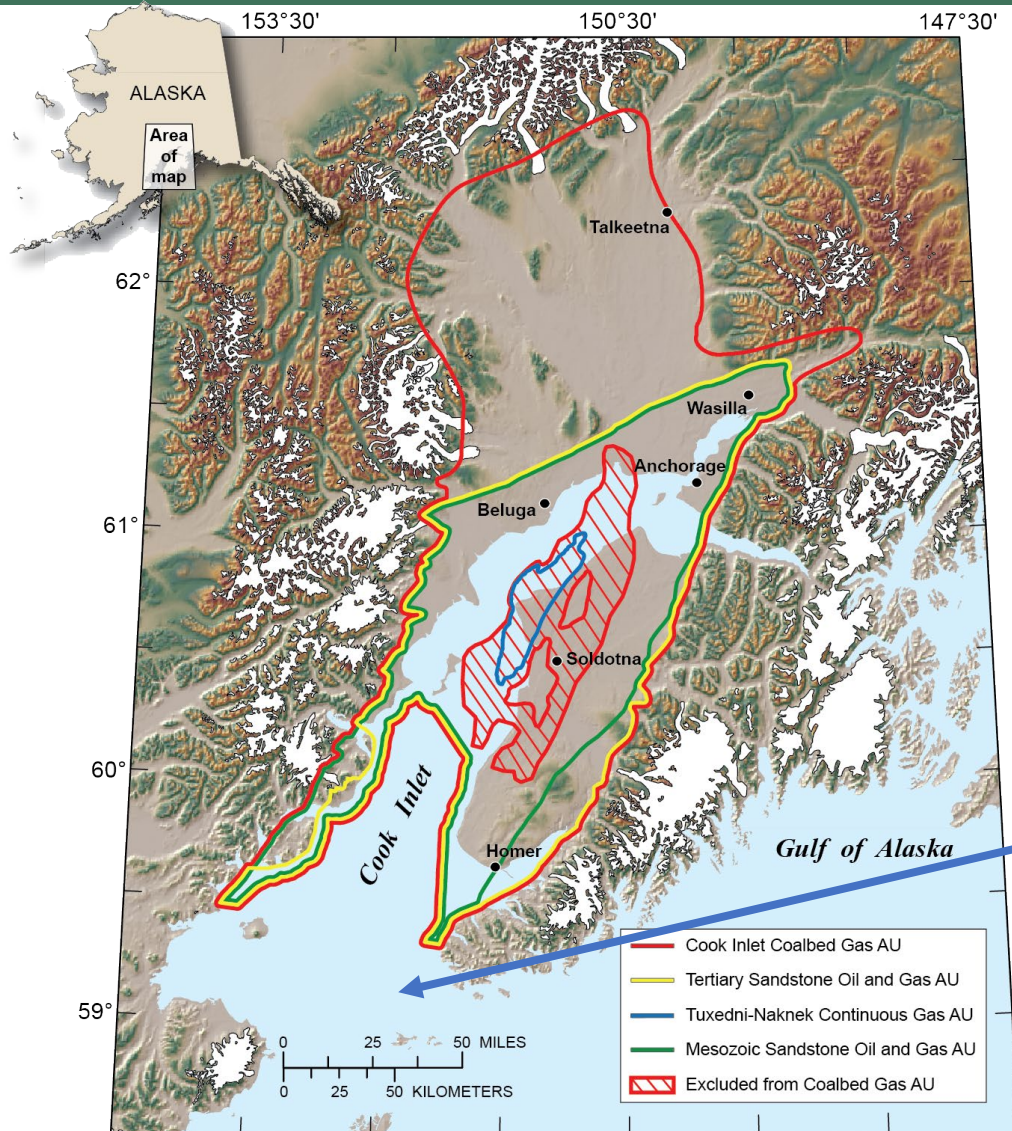
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DOG STUDIES COMPARED



EXPLORATION & DEVELOPMENT IN COOK INLET: COOK INLET UNDISCOVERED RESOURCE

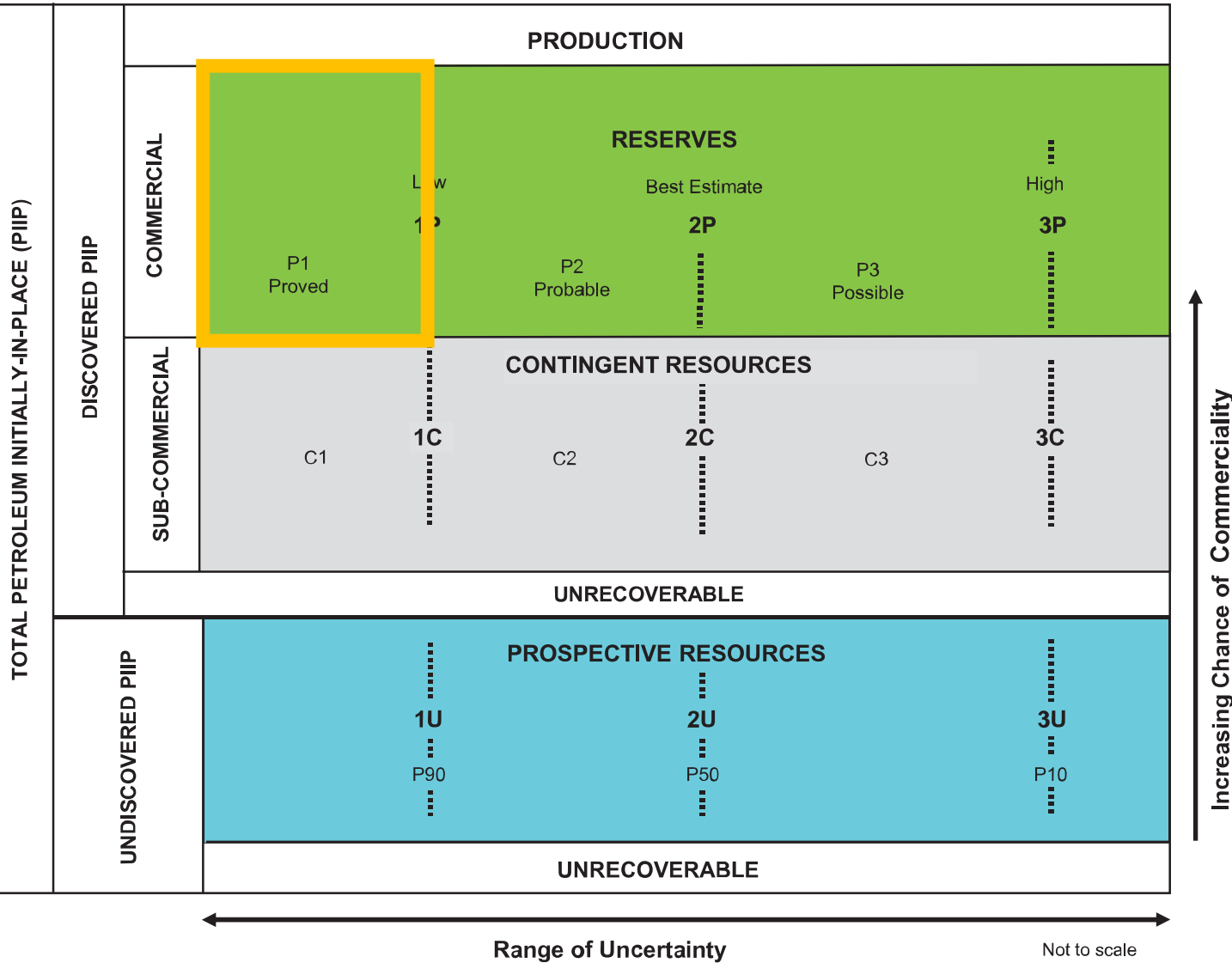


- **Undiscovered, Technically Recoverable Oil & Gas ([USGS 2011](#)):**
 - mean conventional oil 599 million barrels of oil
 - mean conventional gas 13.7 trillion cubic feet
 - mean unconventional gas 5.3 trillion cubic feet
- **Undiscovered, Technically Recoverable Gas:**
 - 1.2 trillion cubic feet additional mean resource assessed in Southern Cook Inlet OCS ([BOEM 2011](#)) *South of the USGS study area.*
- In general, access to additional area provides opportunities for locating and commercializing currently undiscovered resources.

QUESTIONS?



PETROLEUM RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



$$\begin{aligned}
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 &\quad \text{Analysis} \\
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 &\text{Proved Developed Associated Gas Pool-Level} \\
 &\quad \text{Decline Curve Analysis} \\
 &+ \\
 &\text{Proved Undeveloped Type Curve Analysis}
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SCOPE & APPLICATION



- **Evaluated 90 different gas & oil pools in the Cook Inlet Basin as defined by AOGCC.**
 - Historical production considered through year-end 2021.
- **Probabilistic High-Mid-Low DCA forecasts performed at Pool-level for gas and associated gas.**
 - Pool forecasts begin January 2022.
 - Length of *untruncated* forecast projections mostly held to 20 years, depending on reservoir performance.
 - Field-level oil forecasts were generated to determine economic field oil rate that directly impact produced associated gas forecasts.
- **Type Curves used for future development assumed a steady drilling pace of 15 development wells per year based on historical development wells drilled between 2009 and 2019.**
- **DCA & Type Curve forecasts are run through economic model to derive economic limits for each field by using revenue, fiscal, and cost factors to estimate remaining Proved & Proved Undeveloped reserves.**
- **DCA & Type Curve forecasts are then combined and aggregated to produce a basin-wide forecast.**



TECHNICAL METHODOLOGY



Decline Curve Analysis

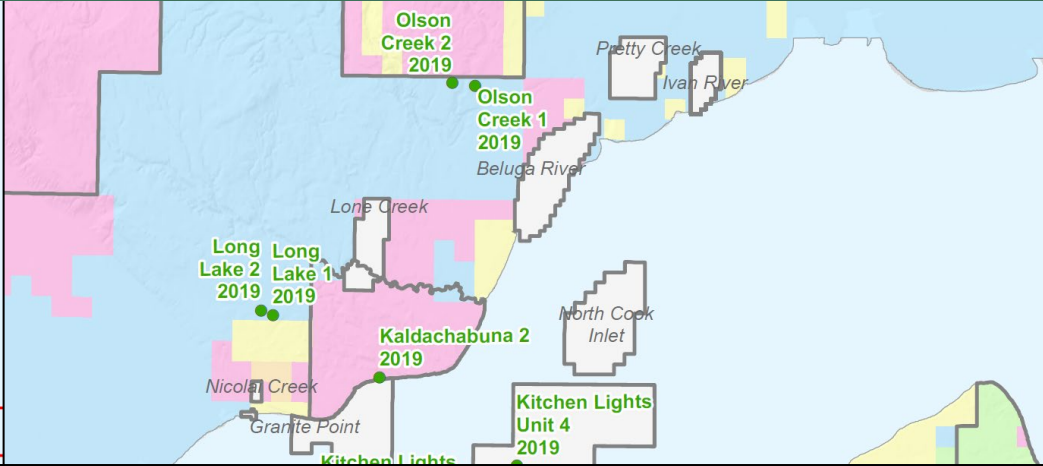
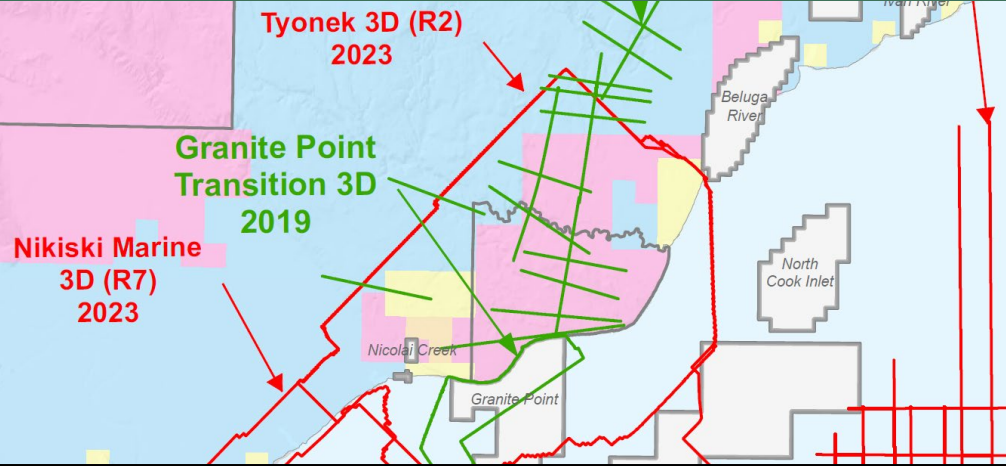
- Extrapolates recent trends of production decline into the future.
- Probabilistic forecasts were generated for currently producing pools to show a range of possible production into the future.
 - Uses statistical bootstrapping method in addition to traditional DCA to derive a quantifiable probabilistic range of outcomes, including High (P10), Mid (P50), and Low (P90) cases.
- Weighted toward recent production history.
- Engineering judgement applied to honor field development and reservoir constraints.

Type Curve Analysis

- Generated from a population of representative wells in respective pools, intended to characterize behavior of future wells drilled in pools.
 - Accounts for both geological parameters and reservoir conditions.
- Grounded in decline curve & statistical analysis using historical production data.
- Based on both historical development wells drilled between 2009 and 2019 and confidential information received from operators for specific fields that remain active and continue to develop in the Cook Inlet basin.

DCA & Type Curve forecasts are then combined and aggregated to produce a basin-wide forecast.

Data Release Through The Tax Credits Program



Seismic Data Release Status

Seismic survey, showing data coverage:

<u>2D survey</u>	<u>3D survey</u>	<u>Release Status</u>
		Survey released and available at Geological Materials Center
		Statutory confidentiality period expired; survey eligible for and in preparation for release (see notes 2, 3, and 4)
		Other survey with tax credit certificate, statutory confidentiality period still in effect; survey not yet eligible for and prepared for release (see notes 2, 3, 4, and 5)

Notes:

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Source: [DNR/DOG Tax Credit Seismic Surveys for Public Release](#) Map updated: March 2022

Well Data Release Status

Well bottom hole location

<u>Well</u>	<u>Has VSP Checkshot</u>	<u>Release Status</u>
		Well released and available at Geological Materials Center
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Source: [DNR/DOG Tax Credit Well Data for Public Release](#) Map updated: December 2020

DNR releases well & seismic data collected under the tax credit program (past the statutory holding period) for a nominal charge.

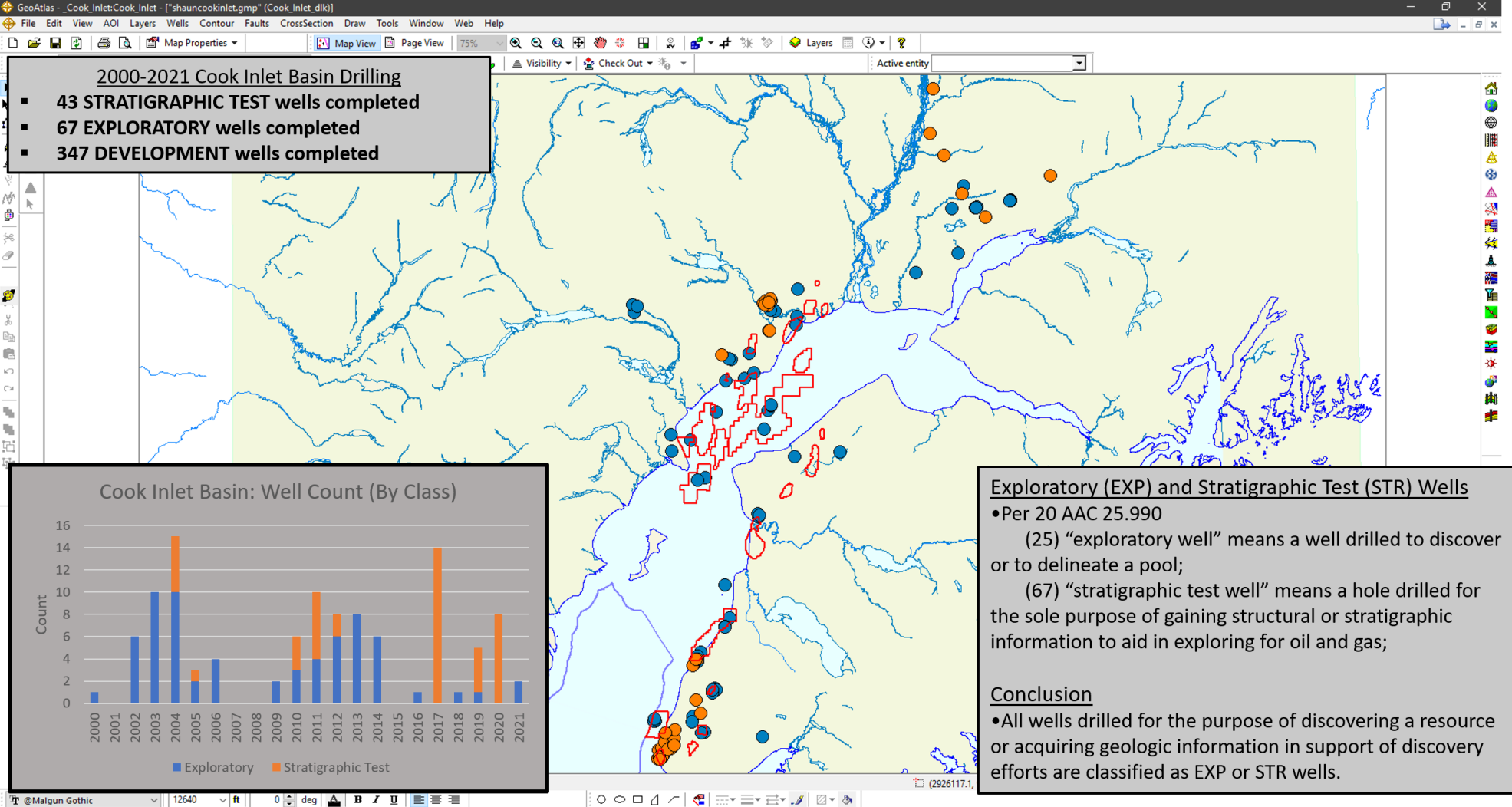
For the State:

- Increases subsurface resource knowledge
- Utility in managing State lands
- Purposed to incentivize new and additional investment

For Industry/Research:

- Lower barrier to entry
- Further published research/training
- Development of new technologies

EXPLORATION & DEVELOPMENT IN COOK INLET: 2000 THROUGH 2021



Recent Cook Inlet exploration activity comprises seismic, aerial surveys, and drilling of exploratory and stratigraphic test wells.

HISTORY OF COOK INLET TAX CREDIT PROGRAM: DESIGN AND PURPOSE



The purpose of the Cook Inlet Tax credits is to “entice companies ‘to invest more money in Alaska and drill more wells’ so that the possibility of both discovery and production could be ‘substantially’ increased.”

Minutes, Senate Finance Committee, May 13, 2003, summarizing comments from Sen. Wagoner regarding AS 43.55.025(a) tax credits contained in SB 185

<p>Primary Cook Inlet Credits</p> <p>AS 43.55.023(l) *</p> <p>Well Lease Expenditure Credit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In effect from 2010 – 2017 for Cook Inlet• Credit equal to 40% of well or seismic cost (decreased to 20% in 2017)• Not available for North Slope <p>AS 43.55.025(a) *</p> <p>Alternative credit for exploration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In effect from 2003 – 2016 for Cook Inlet (2010 for Jack-Up Rig Credit)• Credit equal to 30% or 40% of well or seismic cost (increased from 20% in 2008)• Distance restrictions from existing wells or units to qualify	<p>Other Major Tax Credits</p> <p>AS 43.55.023(a)</p> <p>Qualified Capital Expenditure Credit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In effect from 2006 – 2017 for Cook Inlet• Credit equal to 10% - 20% of capital expenditures <p>AS 43.55.023(b)</p> <p>Carried Forward Annual Loss Credit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In effect from 2006 – 2017 for Cook Inlet• Credit equal to 25% of annual loss (increased in 2007) <p>Additional Considerations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Credits could be certificated, and either traded or repurchased by the State• * These credits have DNR data submittal requirements
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Alaska LNG Project

Alaska Energy Security Task Force
July 13, 2023



AGDC

- Independent, public corporation owned by the State of Alaska
- Created by the Alaska State Legislature

Mission

- Maximize the benefit of Alaska's vast North Slope natural gas resources through the development of infrastructure necessary to move the gas to local and international markets

Alaska Stand Alone Pipeline (ASAP)

- Environmental Impact Statement and Record of Decision Complete
- Put on hold when focus shifted to Alaska LNG

Alaska LNG Project

- Provides best opportunity for long term, low cost, secure energy for Alaskans

Alaska LNG Project

The Alaska LNG Project is not the project you heard or read about over the last 20 years.

Today's Project:

- Cost competitive
- Benefits the state
- Transitions to the private sector
- Environmentally friendly
- Has all major permits and authorizations



Alaska LNG: Gas for Alaskans & Export

North Slope Gas Supply

- 40 Tcf of natural gas stranded in Prudhoe Bay and Point Thomson
- More than enough gas for 30-years

Arctic Carbon Capture (ACC) Plant

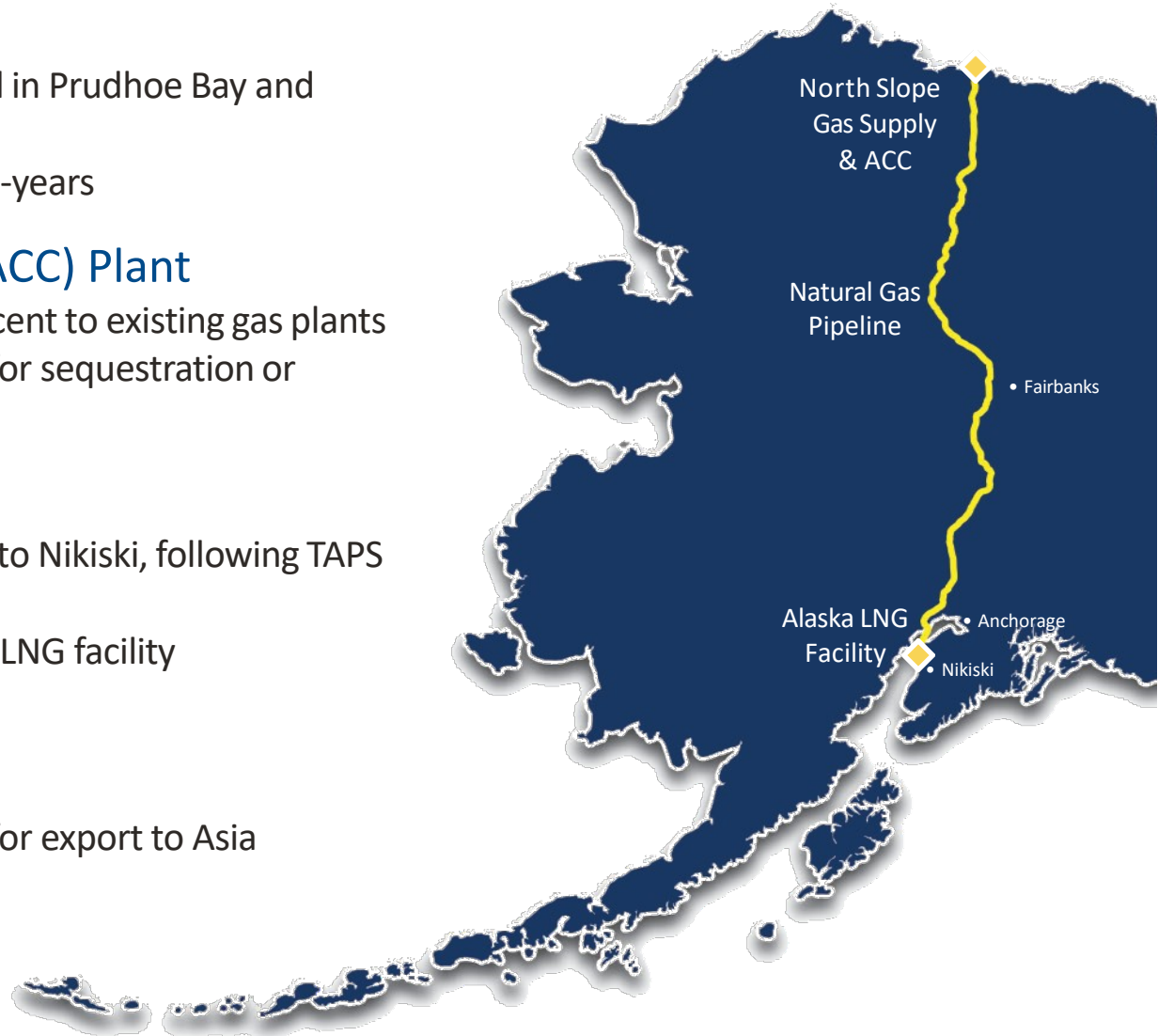
- Located in Prudhoe Bay adjacent to existing gas plants
- Removes CO₂ from feed gas for sequestration or enhanced oil recovery

Natural Gas Pipeline

- 807 miles from Prudhoe Bay to Nikiski, following TAPS and highway system
- Provides gas to Alaskans and LNG facility

Alaska LNG Facility

- 20-MTPA LNG Facility
- Converts natural gas to LNG for export to Asia



Major Permits and Authorizations

Completed

- Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Order
- Department of Energy (DOE) Supplemental EIS and Export Orders
- Land rights-of-way (ROW): about 93% of Project area
- Approved Cultural Resources Management Plan
- Major Facility Air Permits

ALASKA LNG		Federal Permits and Authorizations	
Permit/Authorization	Date Obtained	Complete	
Presidential Finding Concerning Alaska Natural Gas - President Reagan	1/12/1988	✓	
BLM Right-of-Way - Grant Offer	1/1/2021	✓	
BLM Right-of-Way Record of Decision	7/23/2020	✓	
Cultural Resources Management Plan	6/24/2021	✓	
DOD Letter of Non-Objection	3/10/2020	✓	
DOE Natural Gas Export Order (Free Trade) Order No. 3554	11/21/2014	✓	
DOE Natural Gas Export Order (Non-Free Trade) Conditional Order. 3643	5/28/2015	✓	
DOE Natural Gas Export Order (Non-Free Trade) Order No. 3643-A	8/20/2020	✓	
DOE Order on Rehearing (Non-Free Trade) Order No. 3643-B	4/15/2021	✓	
DOE Natural Gas Export Order (Non-Free Trade) Order No. 3643-C	4/13/2023	✓	
EPA Section 401 Water Quality Certification	6/22/2020	✓	
FAA Determinations GTP	5/6/2021	✓	
FAA Determinations LNG	1/5/2021	✓	
FERC Final Environmental Impact Statement	3/6/2020	✓	
FERC Order Granting Authorization under Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act ¹	5/21/2020	✓	
FERC Programmatic Agreement - Cultural Resources	6/24/2020	✓	
NMFS Biological Opinion AKR0-2018-01319	6/3/2020	✓	
NMFS Cook Inlet Marine Mammals (whales/seals) Incidental Take Rule	8/17/2020	✓	
NMFS Cook Inlet Marine Mammals (whales/seals) Letter of Authorization	9/15/2020	✓	
NMFS Prudhoe Bay Incidental Harassment Authorization Marine Mammals (whales/seals)	2/16/2021	✓	
NPS Right-of-Way Permit	1/5/2021	✓	
NPS Right-of-Way Record of Decision, DNPP	7/23/2020	✓	
PHMSA Siting Letter of Determination and Analysis - Liquefaction Facility	2/4/2020	✓	
PHMSA Special Permit - Crack Arrestor Spacing	9/9/2019	✓	
PHMSA Special Permit - Mainline Block Valve Spacing	9/9/2019	✓	
PHMSA Special Permit - Pipe-in-Pipe	4/27/2020	✓	
PHMSA Special Permit - Strain-Based Design	9/9/2019	✓	
PHMSA Special Permit - Three-Layer Polyethylene Coating	9/9/2019	✓	
USACE Record of Decision Section 404 Wetlands Permit	6/24/2020	✓	
USCG Bridge Permit - Deshka River	9/11/2020	✓	
USCG Bridge Permit - East Fork Chulitna	9/11/2020	✓	
USCG Bridge Permit - Middle Fork Chulitna	9/11/2020	✓	
USCG Bridge Permit - Sag	9/11/2020	✓	
USCG Bridge Permit - Tolovana	9/11/2020	✓	
USCG Letter of Recommendation Regarding the Waterway Suitability Assessment	8/17/2016	✓	
USCG Waterway Suitability Assessment	3/18/2016	✓	
USFWS Biological Opinion	6/17/2020	✓	
USFWS Cook Inlet Incidental Take Rule Marine Mammals (sea otters)	8/1/2019	✓	
USFWS Eagle Take Permit	6/23/2020	✓	
USFWS Incidental Take Rule Marine Mammals (polar bear)	8/5/2021	✓	

Regulatory Work Took Over a Decade

Major Permitting for Alaska LNG Occurred 2012 - 2023

- Scoping and pre-filing work
- Two major impact statements totaling over 6,000 pages of analysis
- Agency response documentation totally more than 150,000 pages
- Over a billion dollars

Permits and Approvals are Legally Tied to the Project - Not Easily Transferred to New Project/Scope

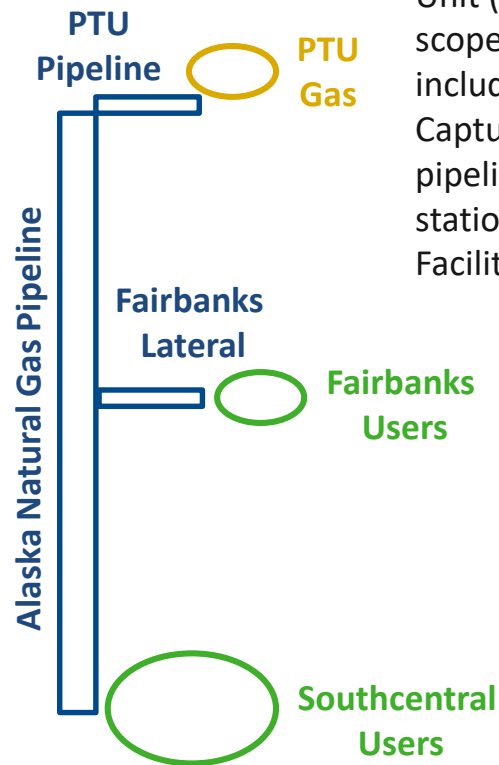
- Purpose and need
- Impacts
- Footprint

Can Build in Phases

- Examples: Pre-build pipeline, start with one train at the liquefaction facility

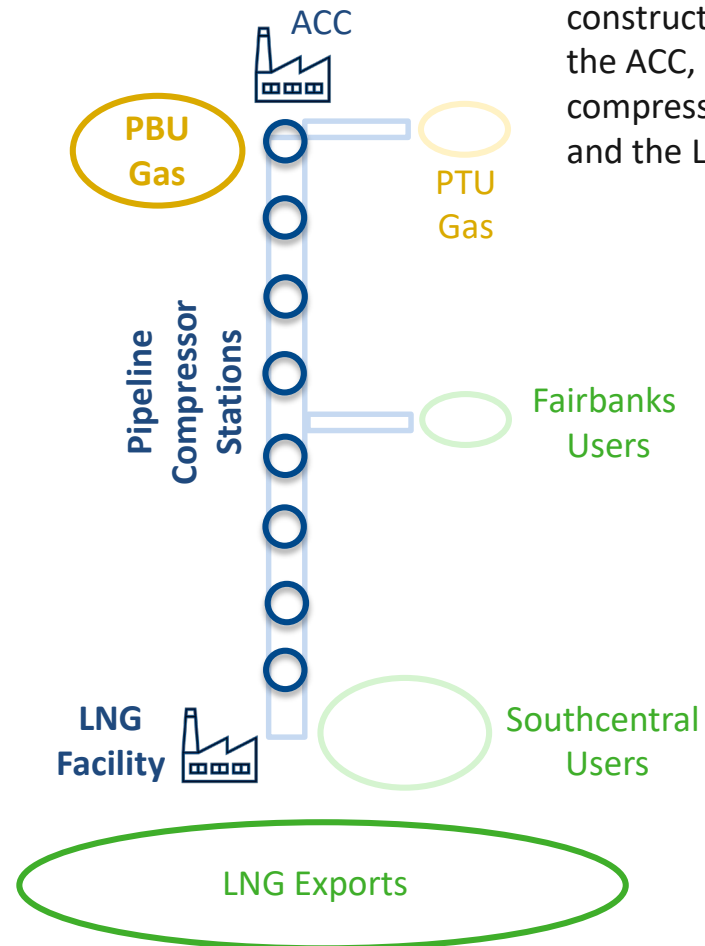
Alaska LNG Phase 1 Pipeline

Phase 1: Gas to Alaskans



Gas is sourced from the Point Thomson Unit (PTU): Pre-build scope does not include Arctic Carbon Capture (ACC), pipeline compressor stations, or the LNG Facility.

Phase 2: LNG Exports



Full Alaska LNG Project scope is constructed, including the ACC, pipeline compressor stations, and the LNG Facility.

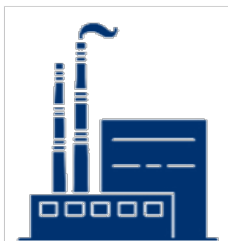
Positive Climate Impact

Alaska LNG can reduce GHG emissions by more than 77 million tonnes of CO₂ per year.

Alaska LNG can have one of the greatest GHG benefits of any project in the world.

Alaska LNG will have the same GHG impact as:

Eliminating



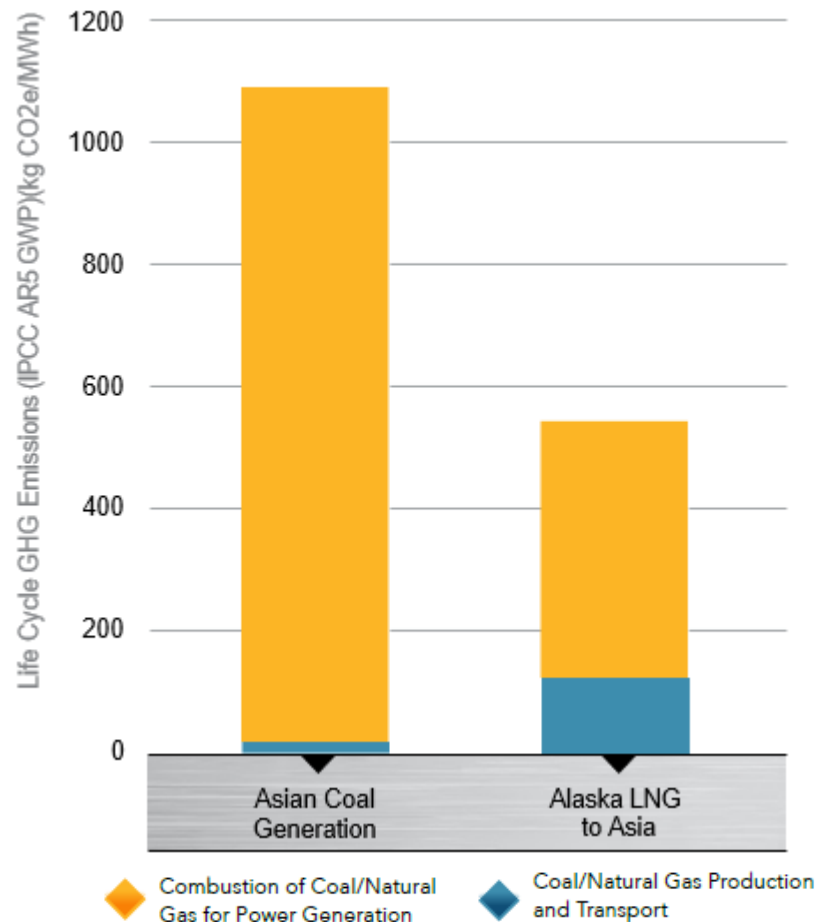
19 coal power plants

Constructing



16,000 Wind Turbines

Lifecycle GHG Emissions for Natural Gas vs. Coal Power



Source: Greenhouse Gas Lifecycle Assessment: Alaska LNG Project

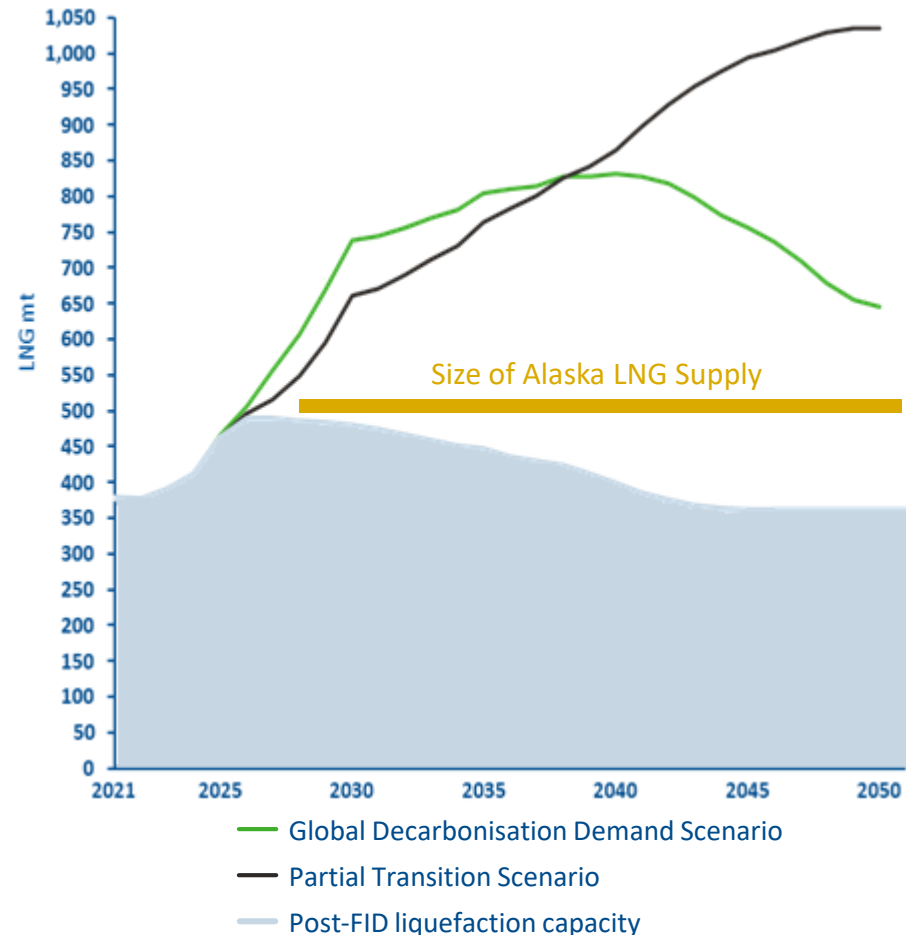
LNG Market is Still Growing

- Demand growth will outpace current and planned LNG capacity
- LNG growth expected as part of energy transition, as natural gas emits half the greenhouse gases as coal

Investors and Buyers want LNG

- New LNG projects expected to be sanctioned. Most new projects have some degree of energy transition planning
- Under both energy transition scenarios, LNG demand exceeds supply for the expected life of the Alaska LNG Project

Global LNG Supply/Demand Balance
Forecast, 2021-2050



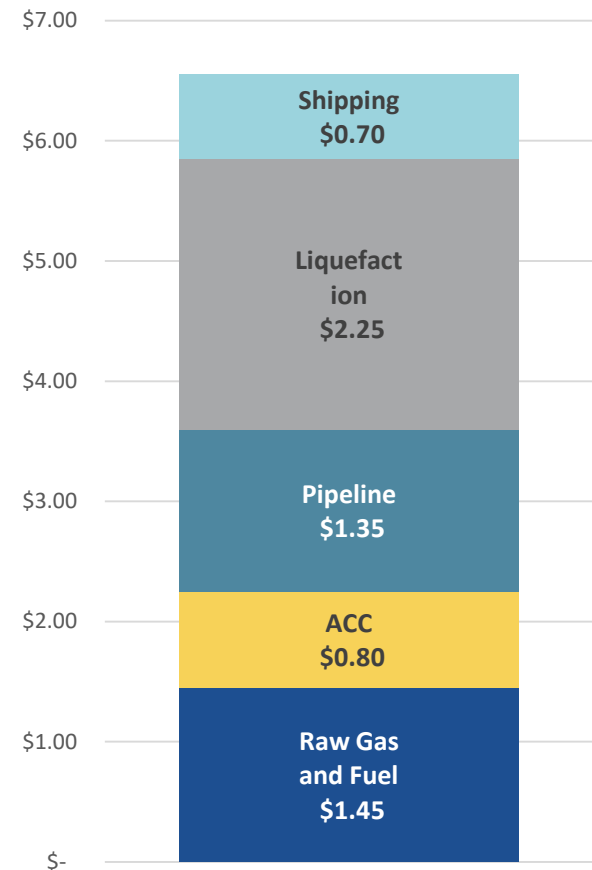
Source: Gas Strategies

Alaska LNG's Cost of Supply is Well Below Market Prices

- \$6.55 cost of supply delivered to Asia is lower than competing market prices*
 - Brent Linked: \$9.24 ($\$77 \text{ Brent} \times 12\%$)
 - U.S. Gulf Coast: \$7.30 ($\$2.30 \text{ Henry Hub} + \5.00)
 - JKM: \$19.50 (*spot price*)
- LNG will be sold at market prices, providing for significant financial upside to Alaska LNG investors and the State of Alaska
- 2023 update to account for recent construction inflation, 45Q tax credits, and financial return expectation

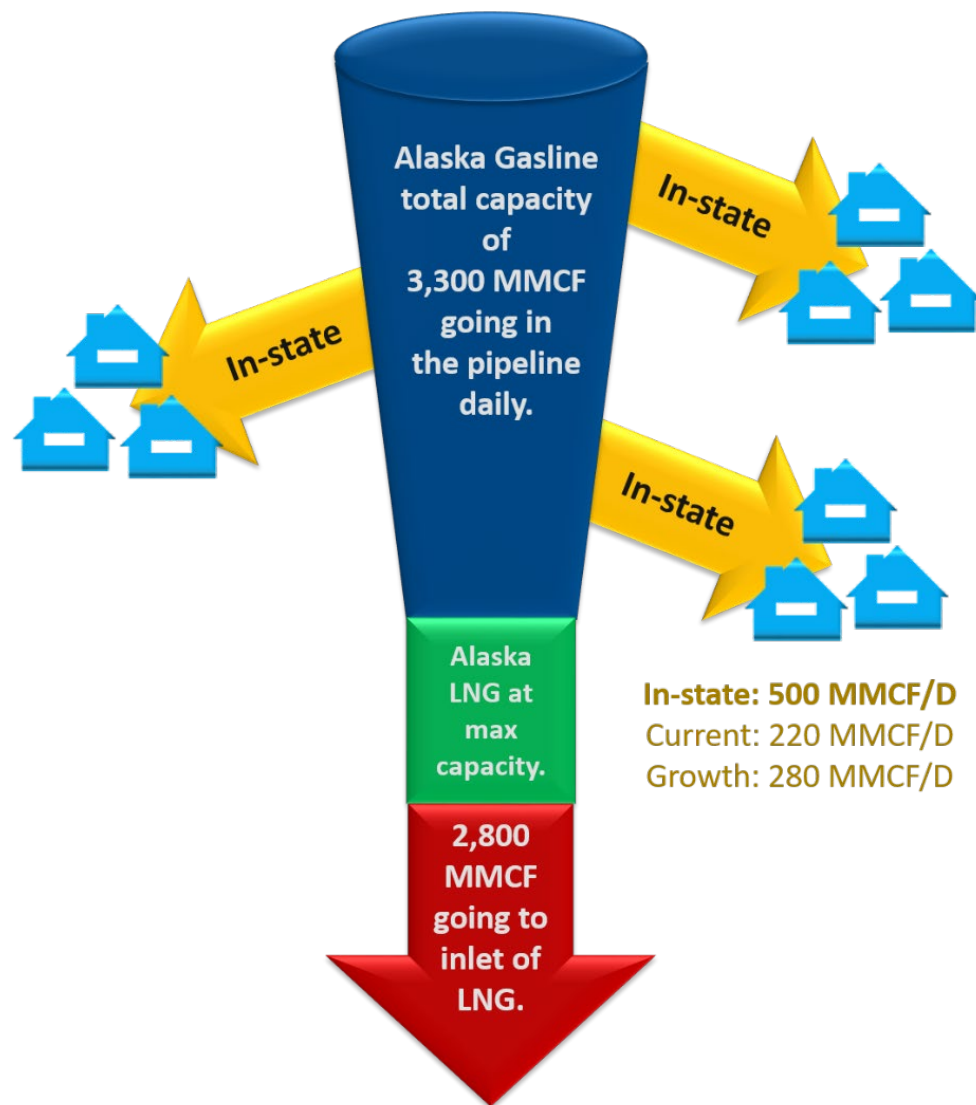
*As of June 8, 2023

\$6.55: Delivered Cost of Supply



Priority Supply for Alaskans

- Alaska LNG is designed to provide system capacity to ship natural gas to Alaskans
- The pipeline has 500 MMcfd of capacity in excess of the LNG Plant's needs
 - All 500 MMcfd is prioritized for Alaskans
 - Current Alaska natural gas demand is about 220 MMcfd
 - Allows for long-term Alaska natural gas demand growth



Lower Cost Energy for Alaskans

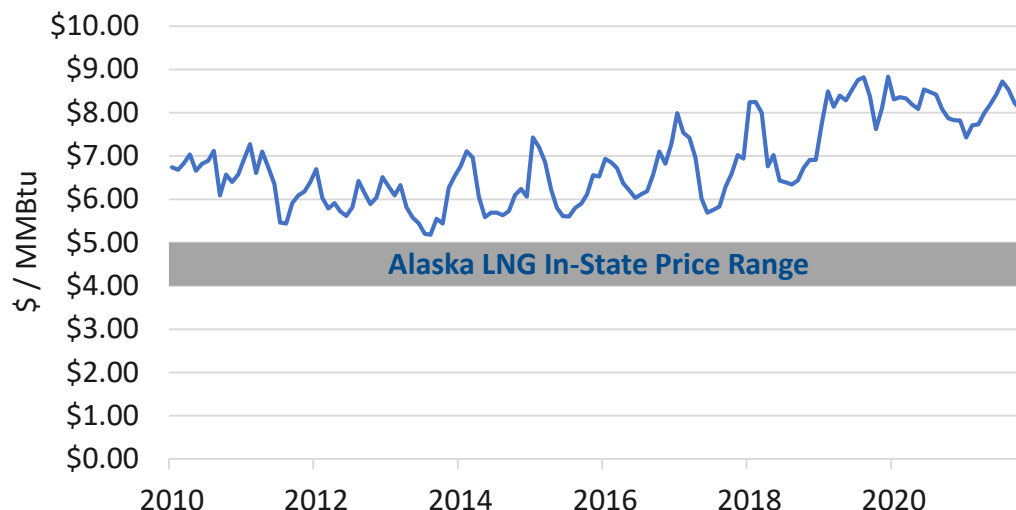
Low-Cost Gas for Alaskans

- The Alaska LNG in-state price is estimated to be between \$4 - \$5 per MMBtu
- Significant reduction from current prices, saving Alaskans hundreds of dollars per year*

Significant Energy Savings

- Southcentral households/businesses can save up to \$1,000 in energy costs (more in the Interior)
- Communities without access to natural gas will benefit from Rural Energy Fund

**Alaska LNG vs Historic Cook Inlet
Natural Gas Prices**

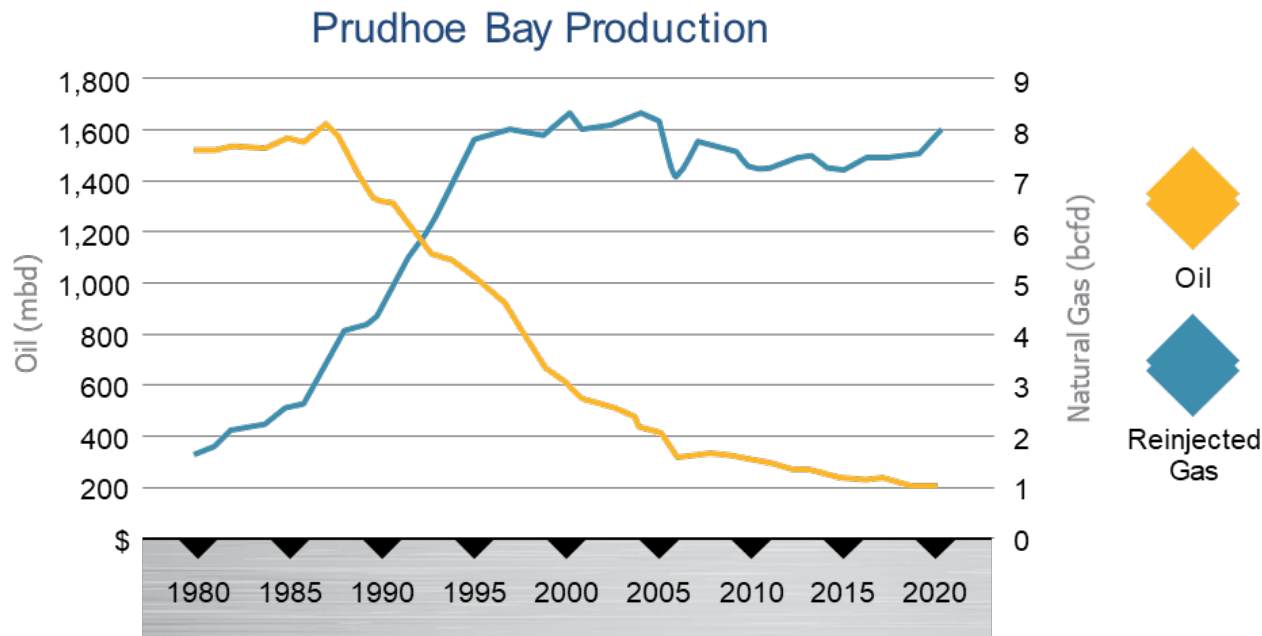


Not all Alaskans use natural gas. This table converts the price of natural gas to other energy sources used in Alaska.

Natural Gas	Heating Oil	Electricity
\$/MMBtu	\$/gal	\$/kWh
5.00	0.69	0.02
10.00	1.38	0.03
15.00	2.07	0.05
20.00	2.76	0.07
25.00	3.45	0.09
30.00	4.14	0.10

* Source: Energy Information Administration

Revenue from gas sales will offset declining oil revenues

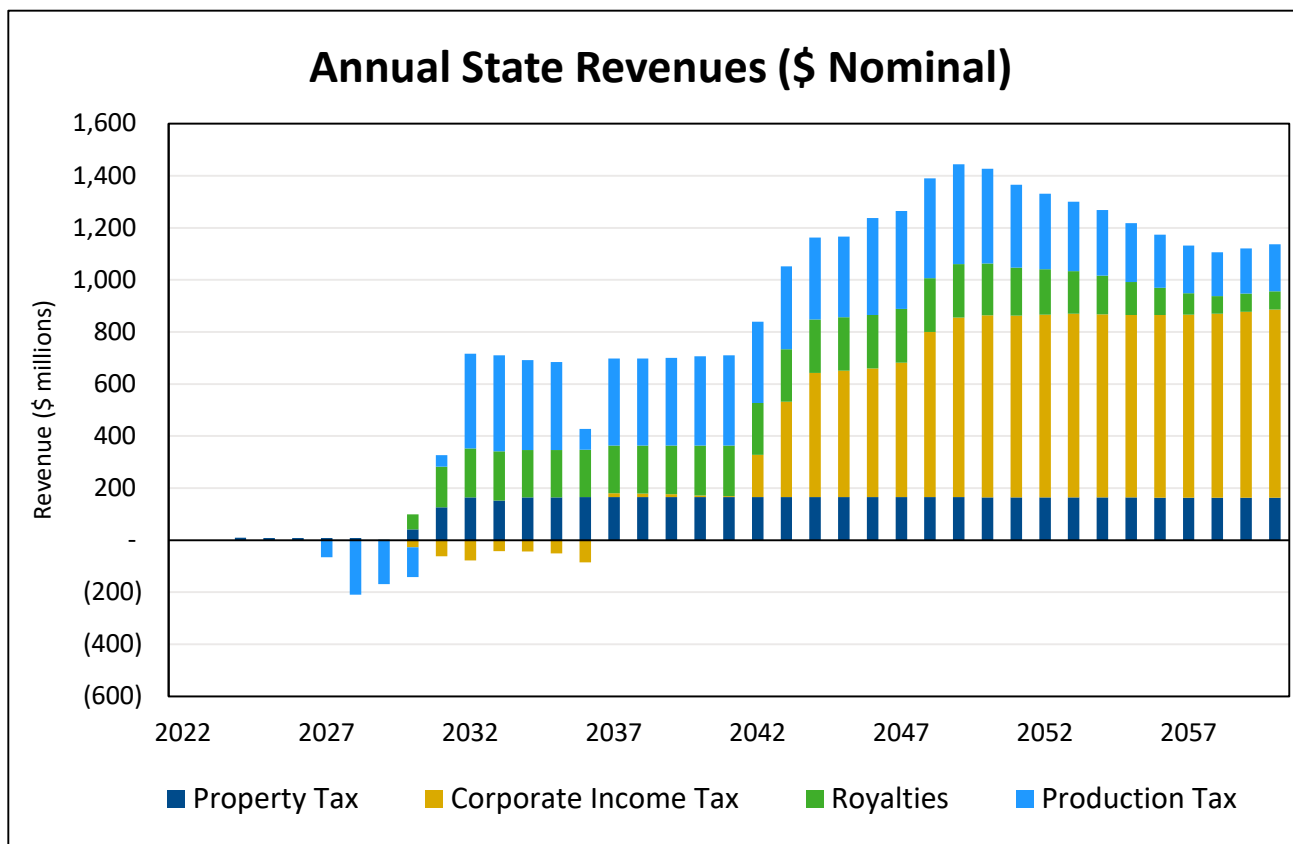


Project maximizes use of existing oil and gas infrastructure

- Upstream infrastructure and large-scale production facilities are already in place on the North Slope

Alaska LNG: New State Revenue

Significant revenue generated by Alaska LNG, even with no State of Alaska investment in construction.



State of Alaska
Department of
Revenue Analysis
(April 2023)

**Does not include AGDC revenue from return on investment-to-date or future State investments.*

Alaska LNG Investment

- AGDC is seeking private investors to take Alaska LNG through Front-End Engineering and Design (FEED) and to a Final Investment Decision (FID)
- Goldman Sachs is under agreement to raise investment capital for Alaska LNG
- AGDC is targeting approximately \$150M development capital to get to FID
 - 3rd Party FEED costs, project management, legal/commercial, 8 Star Alaska overhead
 - Investors will receive majority interest in 8 Star Alaska and Alaska LNG
- **Capital Raise Process:**
 - Goldman Sachs has set out a structured capital raise process and leading financial investment engagement
 - Goldman Sachs is only engaging with investors with the financial strength and expertise to advance the project



Alaska LNG CIM (Confidential Information Memorandum)

- Developed by Goldman Sachs
- Distributed to potential investors under confidentiality agreements
- Contains 60+ pages of detailed financial projections, commercial status, and investment terms



AGDC's Role: Transition to Private Investors

- AGDC is seeking qualified partners and investors to advance Alaska LNG to FID
- AGDC created the project company 8 Star Alaska, LLC (8 Star) to function as the parent company of the project
- AGDC is transitioning Alaska LNG assets under 8 Star and is selling 75% equity ownership of the company to investors in exchange for taking the project to FID
- AGDC will retain a 25% carried interest in 8 Star



8 Star's Role: Manage Alaska LNG through FID

- 8 Star will be managed by private investors with AGDC being a minority owner
- 8 Star will be the project manager and retain oversight of all 3 aspects of the project through to FID
- 8 Star ownership is likely to consist of one "lead party" with other strategic partners owning minority stakes
- At FID, 8 Star will raise the construction capital for each of the three project subcomponents

Now



After Investment

Investment Highlights

- 1 Significant Recent Tailwinds Driving Project Towards FID**
Combination of US government support, macroeconomic factors driving demand for LNG and long-term North Slope E&P operators underpins attractive outlook for Alaska LNG development
- 2 Abundant Stranded Gas Reserves with no Commodity Linkage**
Significant volume of low-cost gas with no link to volatile commodity prices or need for fracking
- 3 Proximity to Asia Reduces Cost of Supply and Transportation Bottlenecks**
Short shipping route, direct to Asian markets minimizing shipping (only 7-9 days)
- 4 Most Economic North American LNG Project**
Delivered cost of supply is competitive with other pre-FID projects globally, targeting \$6.50 per MMBtu delivered to Asia
- 5 Offtake Agreement Flexibility Will Spur Contracting Momentum**
Low cost of supply and lack of commodity linkage enables pricing structure flexibility for offtakers
- 6 In Discussions with World-Class Partners**
Group of IOCs, pipeline specialists, upstream operators, and LNG offtakers
- 7 Significant Existing Value from Regulatory Approvals, Permitting and Due Diligence**
Major government approvals obtained including FERC Order, DOE export license, Corps of Engineers wetland permit, air permits for both major facilities, and lease / Right of Way agreements covering ~93% of the Project footprint
- 8 Attractive Pre-FID Returns**
Significant project tailwinds towards FID with potential to unlock significant value for pre-FID equity
- 9 Leading Low-Carbon LNG Profile**
Amongst the leading projects globally for low-carbon emissions, access to world-class potential Carbon Capture and Sequestration (CCS) and a ready opportunity to expand into hydrogen
- 10 Local Support Incentivizing Project Development**
Alaska LNG has strong local support, Alaska Native land claims resolution, and commercial relationships with Alaska Native Corporations

Utility Supply Agreement

- AGDC offered agreements to Alaskan utilities that will ensure they receive gas supply on preferential terms from Alaska LNG.
- These agreements are with 8 Star Alaska, LLC and will bind future investors in Alaska LNG
- Key Terms
 - Alaska utilities will be provided natural gas from Alaska LNG on priority terms to supply residential, commercial, and small industrial customers
 - The price will be no higher than that paid by the LNG facility for natural gas supply (lowest cost possible)
 - In the event of an interruption, Alaska utilities will be prioritized over LNG exports
 - Ensure utility demand growth up to 500 MMcfd, over 2x growth
 - Ability to adjust take-or-pay commitments in response to changes in demand or new renewable sources of energy

- Required by Alaska Statute 37.05.610
- The purpose is to provide a source of funds for appropriation to develop infrastructure to deliver **energy** to areas of the state that do not have direct access to the Alaska LNG pipeline
- The Alaska Affordable Energy Fund is to receive an annual deposit of 20% of state royalty revenue after paying into the Permanent Fund

Gas Sales Agreement – Producers

- Investors have identified that gas supply terms are needed prior to investing development capital
- Securing these agreements is a top priority for AGDC
- Need for gas supply terms has been communicated to the Producers
 - DOR Commissioner Crum and DNR Commissioner Boyle joined meetings to stress the importance of the project to Alaska
 - Goldman Sachs joined meetings to communicate investors' views on the importance of gas supply
- AGDC has transmitted gas supply precedent agreements to Producers
 - 8 Star Alaska, LLC is the buyer in the agreements so it will be binding on future investors
 - Establishes, price, term, volume, and commitment to buy and sell gas
 - Fully-termed gas supply agreements will be negotiated by the private project developer prior to FID
 - Mixed level of engagement from the Producers

- Active negotiations with multiple LNG offtakers/buyers are underway
 - Negotiations are fairly advanced with ongoing price discussions
 - Buyers include traditional Asian utility buyers, LNG traders, and oil and gas companies
 - All buyers are credit worthy and large-scale market participants
- Alaska LNG is uniquely able to offer a combination of prices
 - Brent-linked, Henry Hub, JKM, and fixed-price offering
 - 20-year term with an aggregate price floor that can cover system tolls and debt service
- Some buyers are considering “equity offtake” where they would invest in the project at FID in exchange for LNG supplied at cost
- In total, AGDC is currently in discussions for 125% of project capacity (25 MTPA)
- All conversations under confidentiality agreements

In Summary – Alaska LNG...

Increases Production:

- Provides infrastructure to get stranded gas to market
- Provides another 30+ years of North Slope production and increases condensate production
- Provides lower cost, clean-burning gas for Alaskans (no imports needed)
- Contributes to state revenue
- Provides bridge to ammonia and hydrogen production

Minimizes Impacts:

- Extensively scrutinized with multiple requirements to minimize impacts
- Maximizes use of existing infrastructure and resources
- Lowers global greenhouse gas emissions
- Uses existing corridors – TAPS, utility corridor, highway
- Regulated under strict U.S. and Alaska legal requirements

Energy Security – Alaska

- Cook Inlet gas supply is uncertain
- Utilities are evaluating potential alternative natural gas supplies
- Alaska LNG is the best option to replace Cook Inlet gas
 - Secure, low-cost supply for Alaskans
 - Alaska LNG will ensure priority natural gas supply for Alaskans

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Hilcorp warns Alaska utilities about uncertain Cook Inlet natural gas supplies

By Alex DeMarban

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Exhaust from the Southcentral Power Project in Anchorage is lit by the setting sun on Friday, Jan. 11, 2019. (Loren Holmes / ADN)

Officials with several Alaska utilities say they've been informed by Hilcorp that the company does not currently have enough natural gas reserves in Cook Inlet to provide for new gas contracts. Those contracts face renewal in the next two to 11 years.

Getting in Touch with AGDC

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AGDC Common Acronyms

ACC	Arctic Carbon Capture	GTP	Gas Treatment Plant
AFN	Alaska Federation of Natives	HH	Henry Hub
AGDC	Alaska Gasline Development Corporation	Kbblsd	Thousand Barrels per Day
ANCSA	Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act	LNG	Liquefied Natural Gas
ANVCA	Alaska Native Village Corporation Association	LOI	Letter of Intent
AOGCC	Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission	M3	Cubic Meters
Bbl	Barrel	MMBtu	Metric Million British Thermal Unit
Bblsd	Barrels per Day	MT	Metric Tons
Bcf	Billion Cubic Feet	MTPA	Million Tonnes Per Annum
Bcfd	Billion Cubic Feet Per Day	NETL	National Energy Technology Laboratory
BLM	Bureau of Land Management	NPRA	National Petroleum Reserve Alaska
CCS	Carbon Capture and Sequestration	ROW	Right-Of-Way
CO2	Carbon Dioxide	TAPS	Trans-Alaska Pipeline System
CO2E	CO2 Equivalent	Tbtu/yr	Trillion British Thermal Units per Year
DOE	Department of Energy	Tcf	Trillion Cubic Feet
EA	Environmental Assessment	TPA	Tonne per Year
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement		
EPC	Engineering, Procurement & Construction		
FEED	Front End Engineering Design		
FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission		

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The logo features a stylized outline of the state of Alaska, composed of several blue stars of varying sizes arranged to form the state's shape. One star is positioned to the right of the main outline.

ALASKA RURAL ENERGY: CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES FOR REDUCING THE COST

Thursday, July 20, 2023, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

- Providing Electricity in Rural Alaska
- How is AVEC Doing?
- Standalone Rural Electric Utilities
- Challenges for Reducing Costs
- Intelligent Energy Systems

The background image shows a rural energy facility in Kasigluk, Alaska. In the foreground, there is a snow-covered field with a chain-link fence. Behind the fence is a concrete platform with several large, white, cylindrical storage tanks. To the left, a smaller tank is labeled '8,000 GALLONS GASOLINE'. In the background, several wind turbines are visible against a clear blue sky. A small building with a blue roof is partially visible on the right side.

PROVIDING ELECTRICITY IN RURAL ALASKA

ALASKA ENERGY SECURITY TASK FORCE

JULY 20, 2023

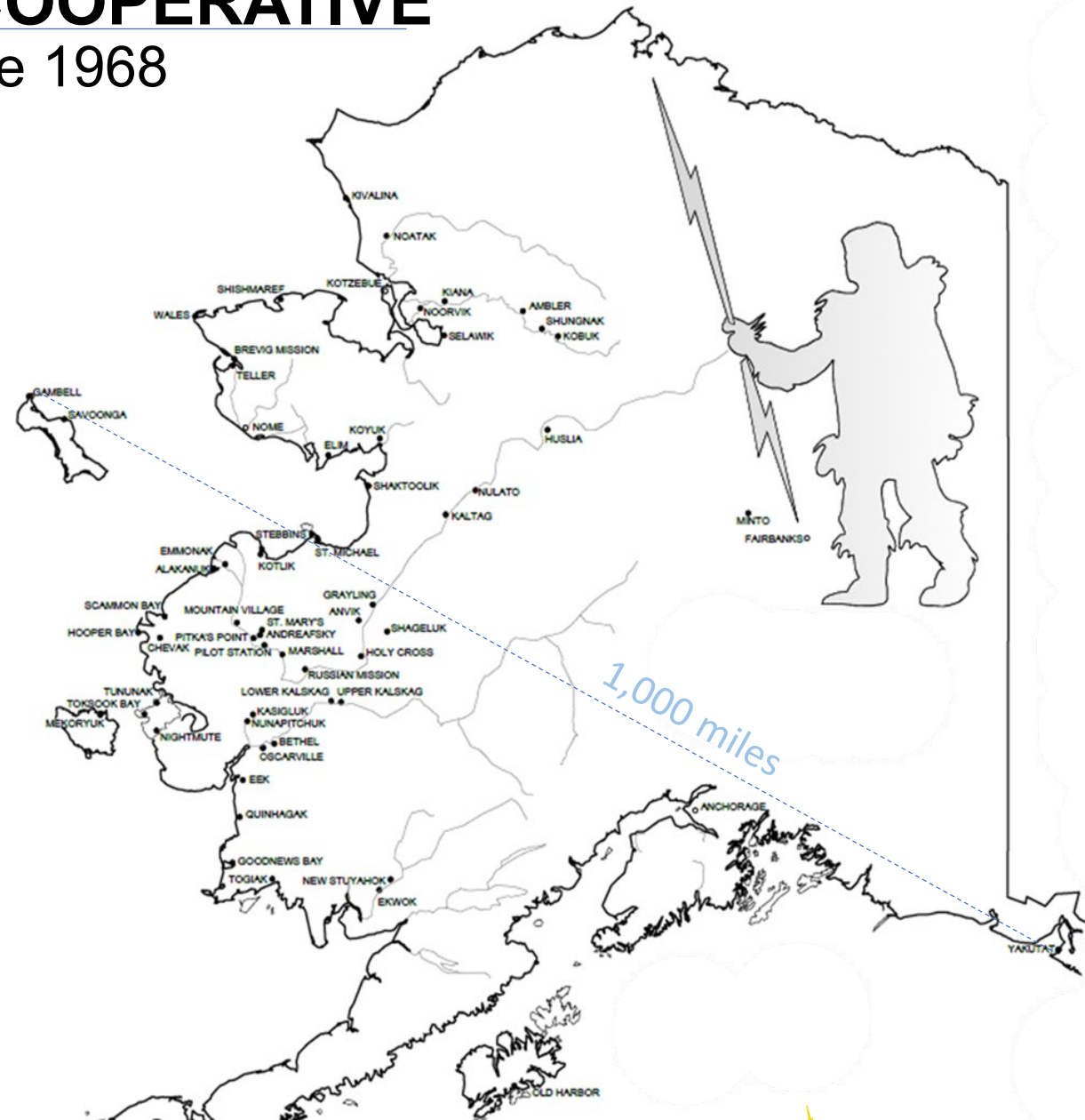
Kasigluk, AK

**Alaska Village Electric Cooperative
Bill Stamm President & CEO**

ALASKA VILLAGE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

Energizing Rural Alaska since 1968

- Nonprofit 501(c)12 -Electric Cooperative
- 8,300 Members, 11,500 Meters
- 58 Rural Communities, 31,000+ Residents
- 48 Power Plants, 160 Diesel Generators
- 9.1M Gallons of Diesel in 2022 (\$35.3M)
- 515 miles of Distribution Lines, 4,752 Poles
- 12 Wind Sites, 32 Wind Turbines, Serving 20 Communities
- \$60.7M Annual Revenue
- 2022 Total Electricity Sold 124.5 MWh



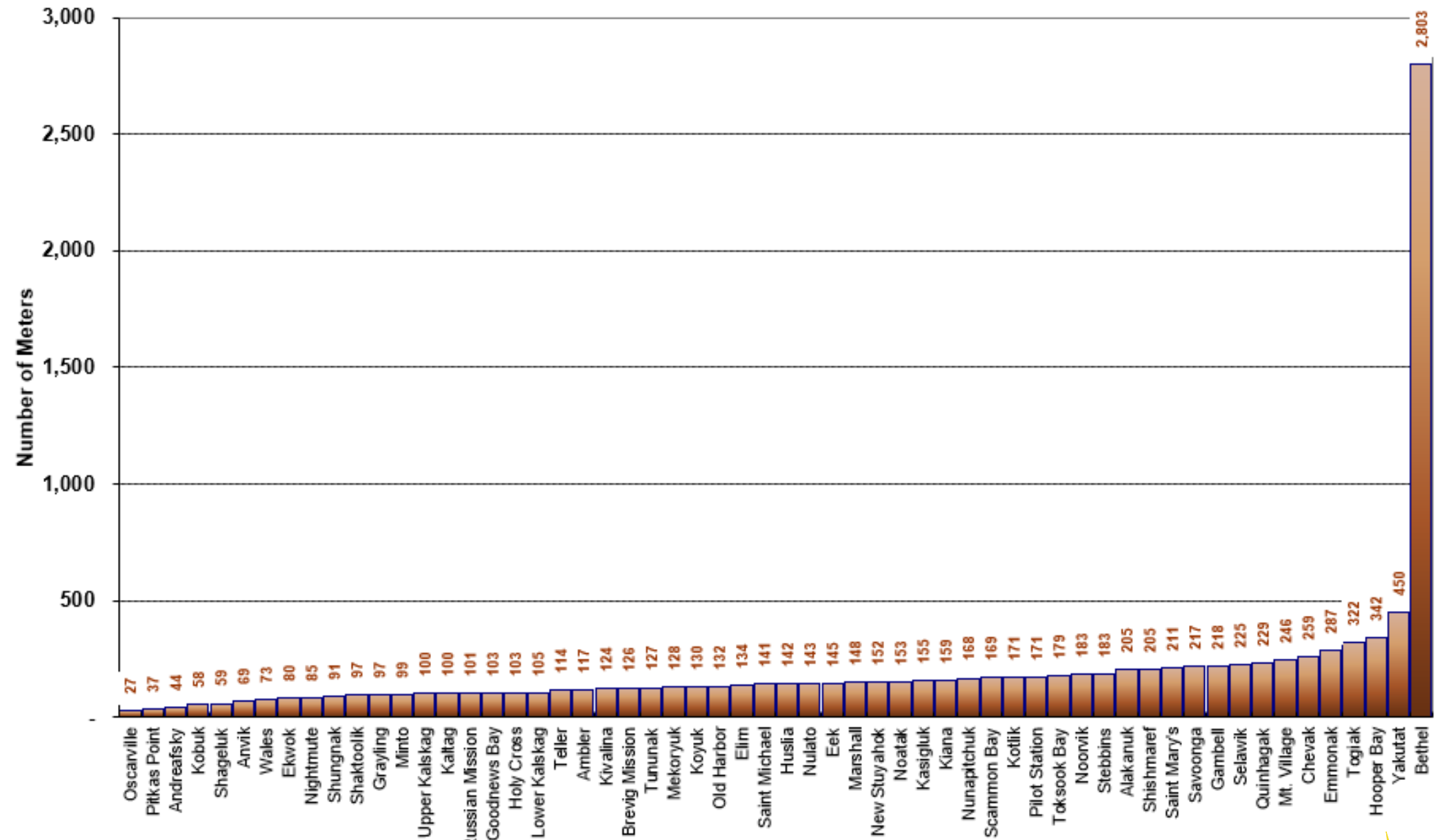


- 48 Full-time employees in Anchorage
- 24 Full-time travelling technicians
- 11 Full-time employees in Bethel
- 2 Full-time Operators in Yakutat
- 120 Part-time local Power Plant Operators





Relative “Size” of Community by Meter Count

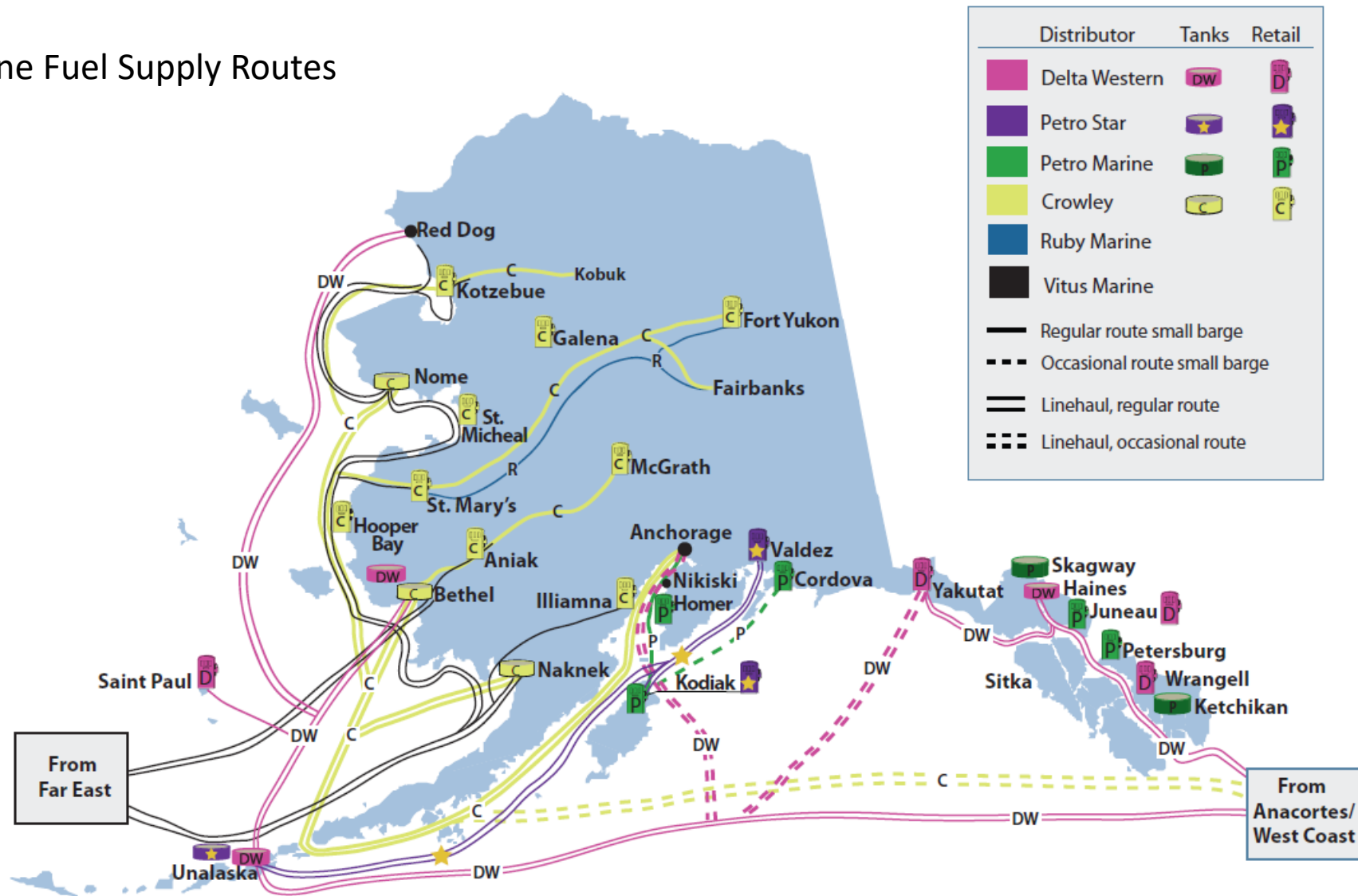




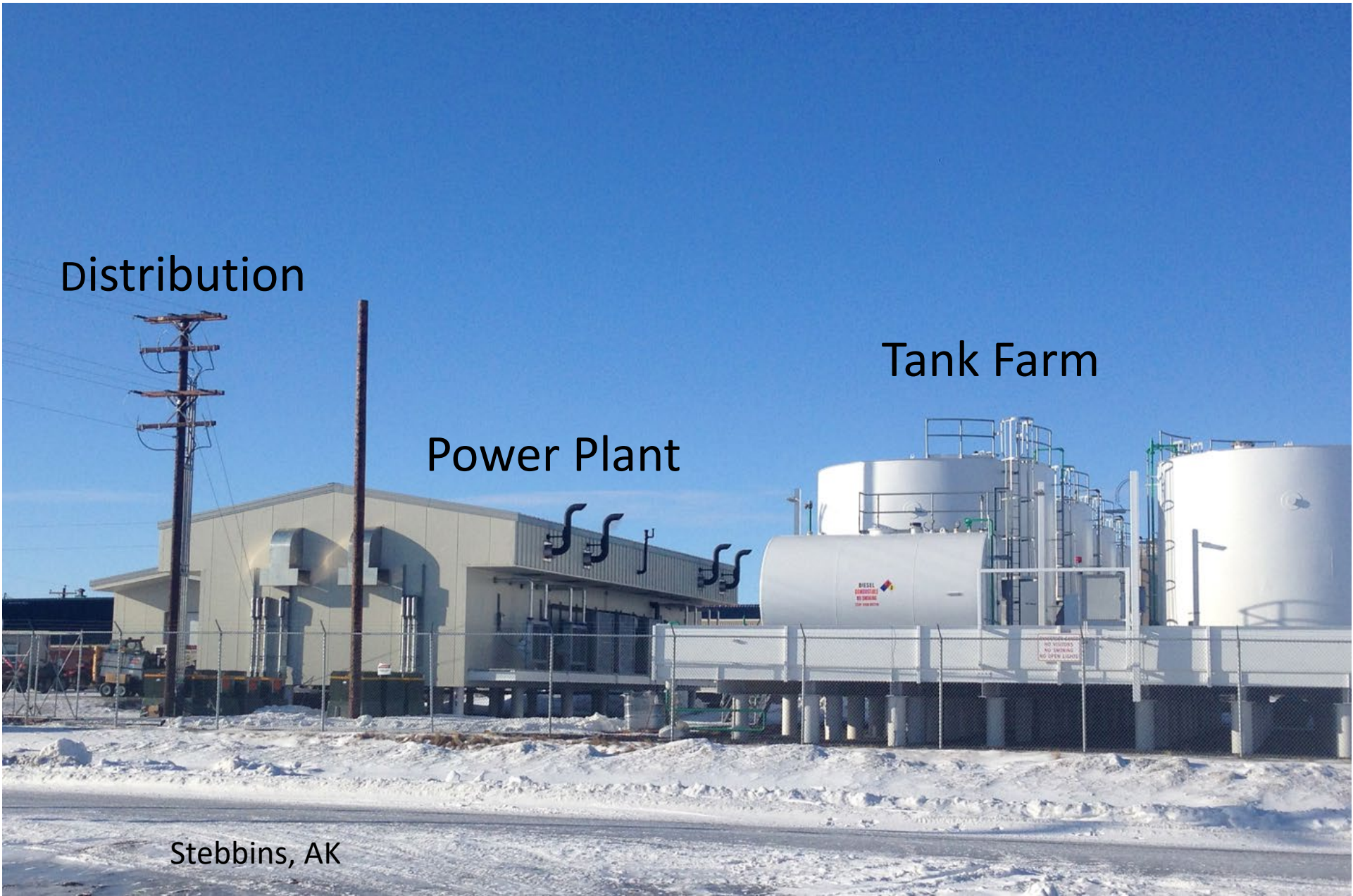


Toksook Bay, AK

Marine Fuel Supply Routes



Components of Alaska Fuel Costs: An Analysis of the Market Factors and Characteristics that Influence Non-Railbelt Fuel Prices. 2010, Szymoniak, Fay, Villalobos-Melendez, Charon and Smith.



Distribution

Tank Farm

Power Plant

Stebbins, AK



Pitka's Point/Saint Mary's

Renewable Generation System-wide 2022

Net Wind Generation	4.5 MWh
Net Solar Generation*	<u>0.2MWh</u>
Total Renewable Gen	4.7MWh (5%)

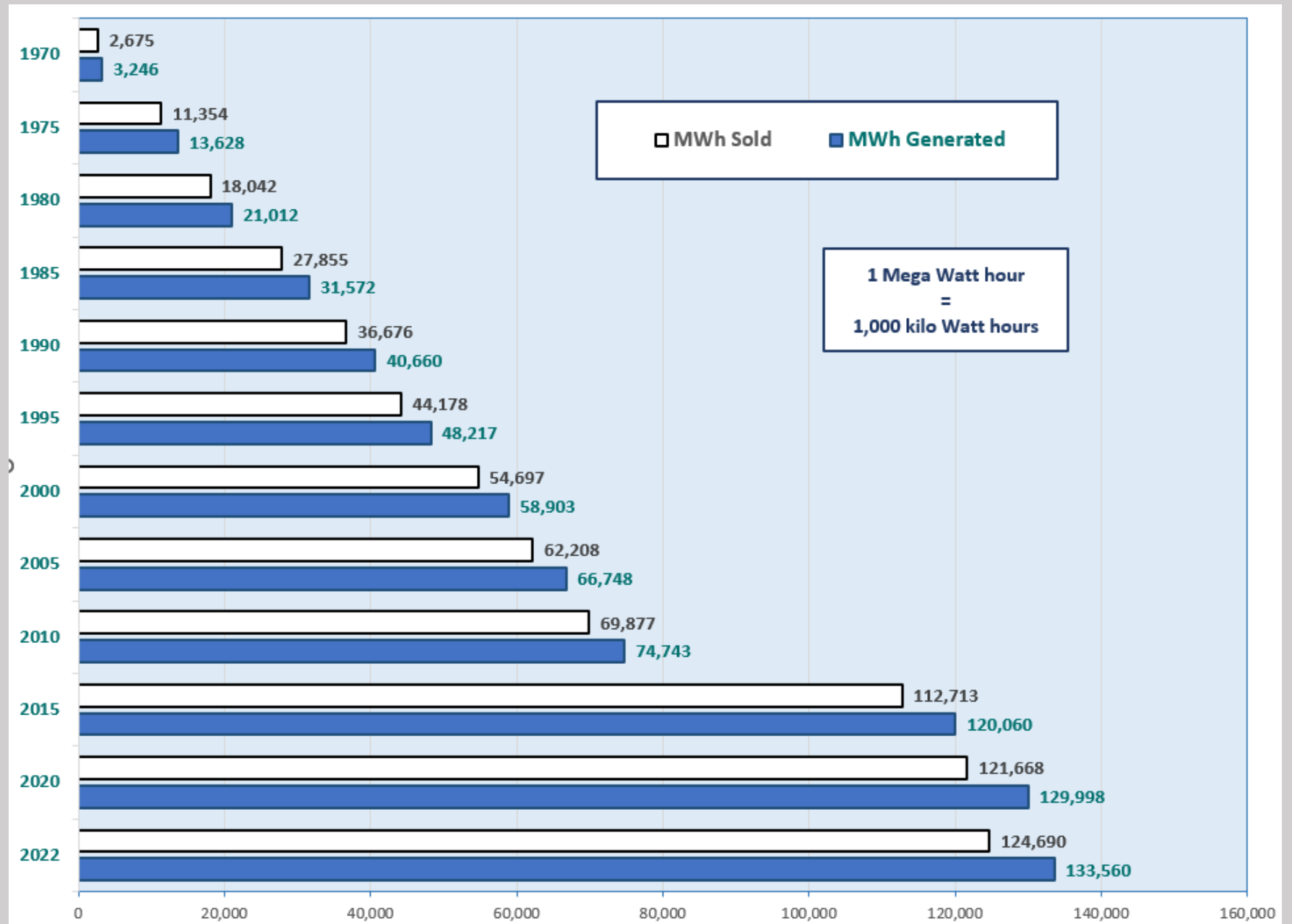
Diesel Fuel Displaced (based on 13.7 kWh/gal)	343,000 gallons
Equivalent Cost of Diesel (based on \$3.90/gal)	\$1,338,000

* Primarily due to Shungnak-Kobuk Solar IPP

Togiak

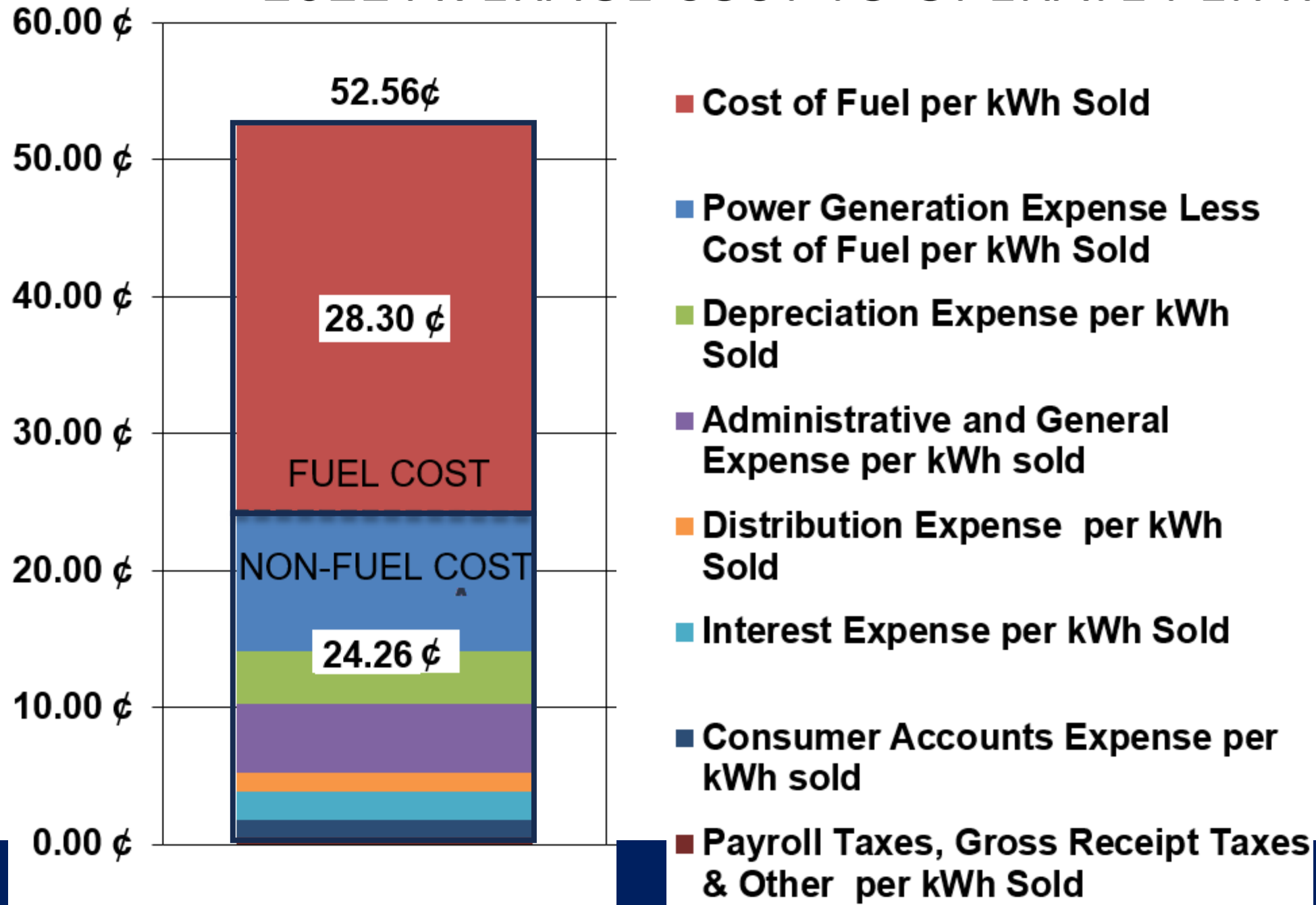
POWER CONSUMPTION

- Steady load growth due to increased electrification and acquisitions since 1970
- Large step increase due to acquisition of Bethel in 2014
- Consistently low Line Loss, 6.6% in 2022
- Comparatively low power consumption for population size of 31,000 people. (< ½ of Juneau or Fairbanks)



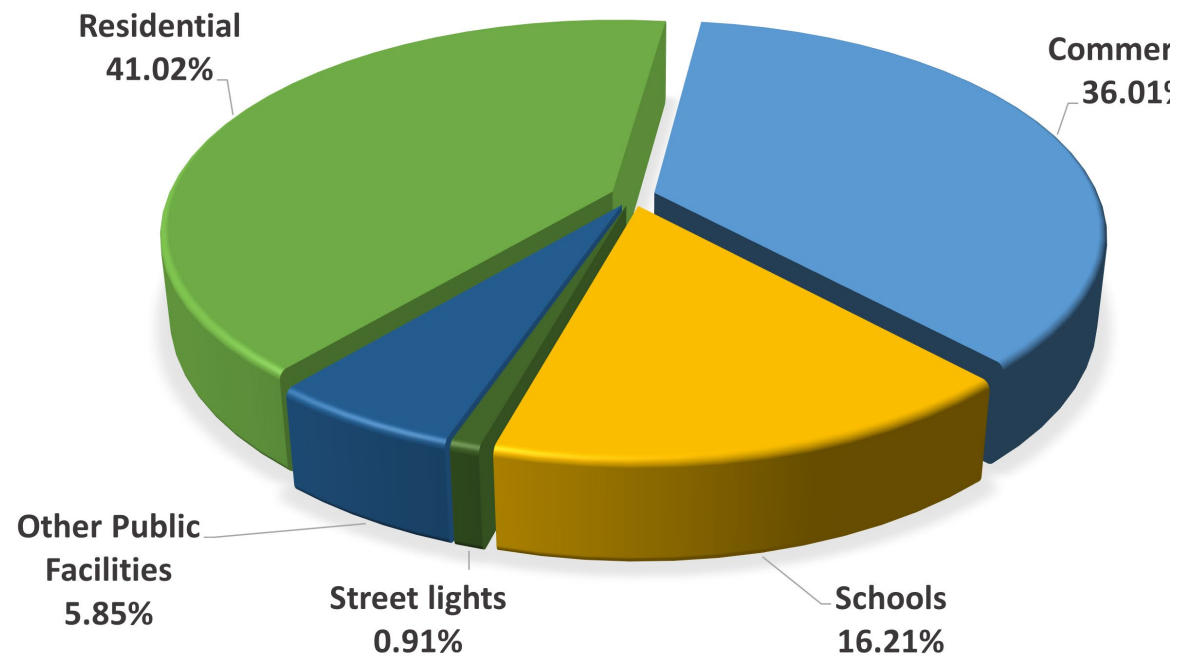


2022 AVERAGE COST TO OPERATE PER KWH SOLD

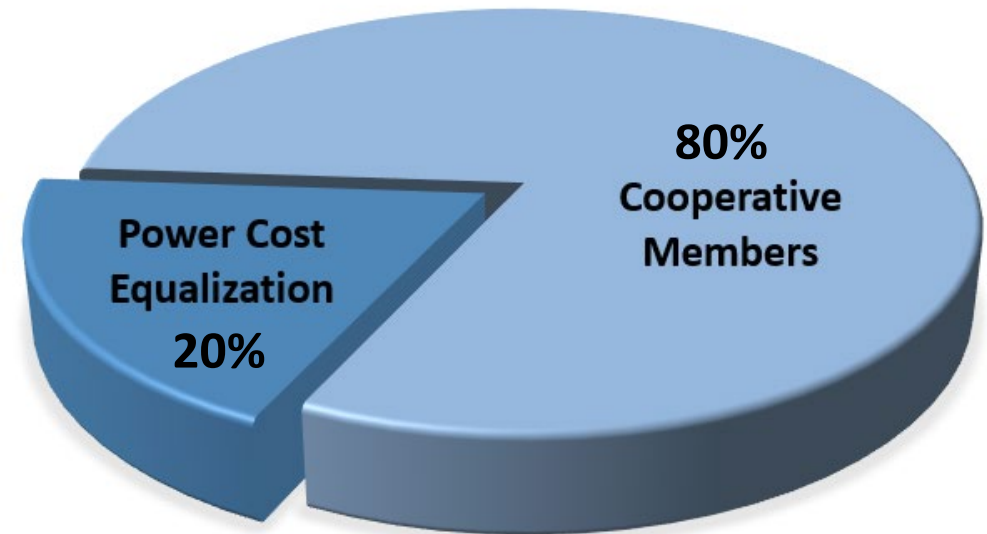


Where the Money Comes From

2021 SOURCE OF REVENUE BY CONSUMER CLASS



2021 SOURCE OF REVENUE FROM PCE



Why is electricity expensive in rural Alaska?

- Small populations – AVEC's average village is ~400 people
- Small loads – AVEC's average village load is ~160 kW
- No economies of scale, minimal commercial and industrial loads
(Expensive power = Less Development)
- Utilities are capital intensive; require lots of physical plant
- Isolated systems - reliability relies on self-redundancy
- Remote and difficult to access, limited infrastructure, equipment, resources
- Fuel is expensive – diesel delivery and storage cost often exceeds purchase cost
- Operations and maintenance is more expensive, freight, travel, lodging, it all adds up
- Availability of qualified personnel is limited, especially as complexity increases

AVEC strategies to reduce power cost

- Improve generation efficiency whenever possible
- Minimize distribution losses whenever possible
- Interconnect villages to improve economies of scale
- Welcome cost-effective new communities
- Add renewables and energy storage where economically feasible
- Capture and sell recovered heat, excess wind energy
- Promote energy education, workforce development, and economic opportunity

St. Mary's Family of Projects

- 900kW EWT Wind Turbine and Distribution Upgrades
- 20 Mile Intertie to Mt. Village
- 410,000-gallon Bulk Fuel Storage
- 3MW Power Plant
- GBS Energy Storage (2023)



Mountain Village

Yukon River

AVEC St. Mary's Power Plant

St. Mary's
St. Mary's

900kW EWT

Pitkas Point

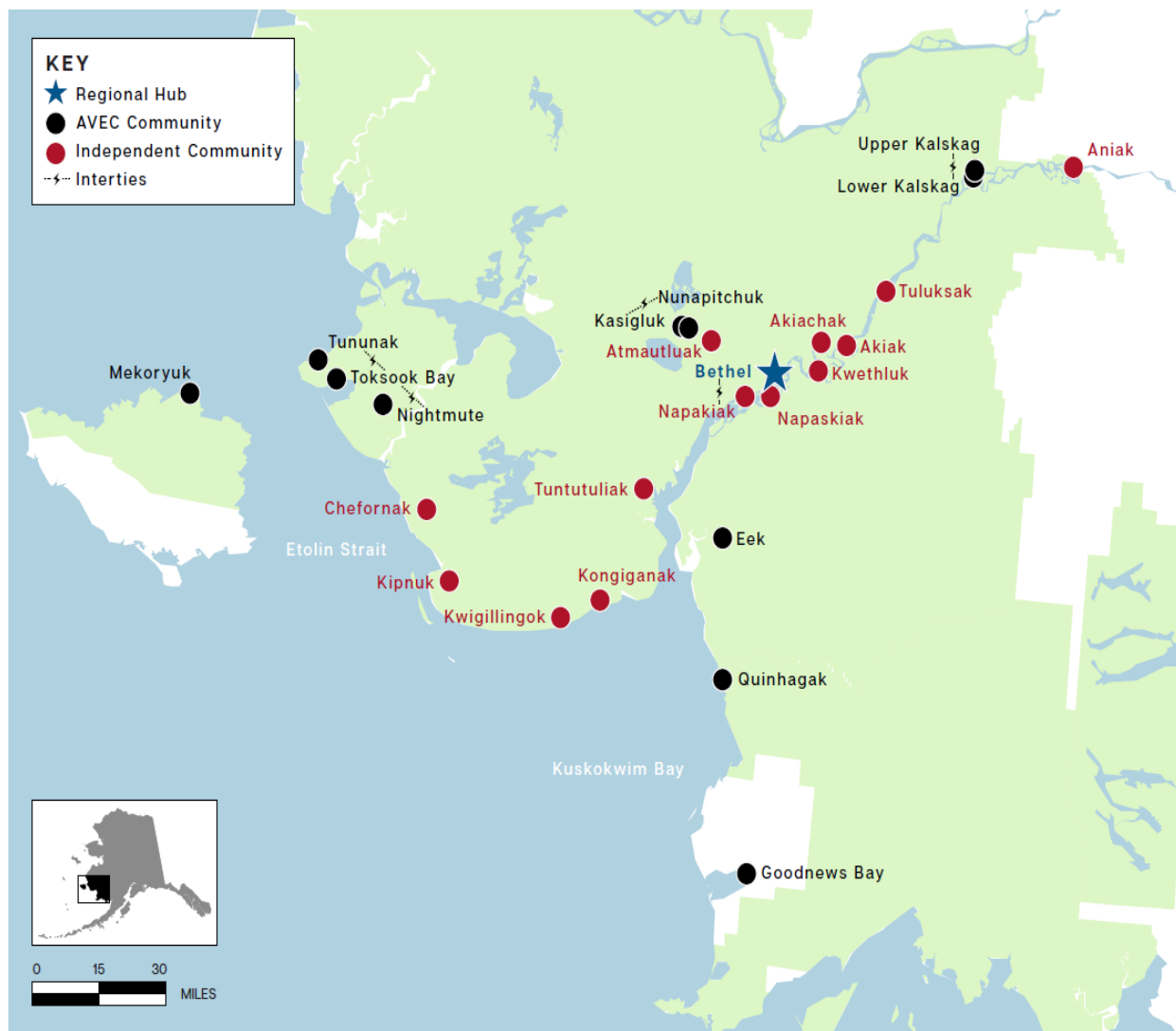




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How is AVEC doing?

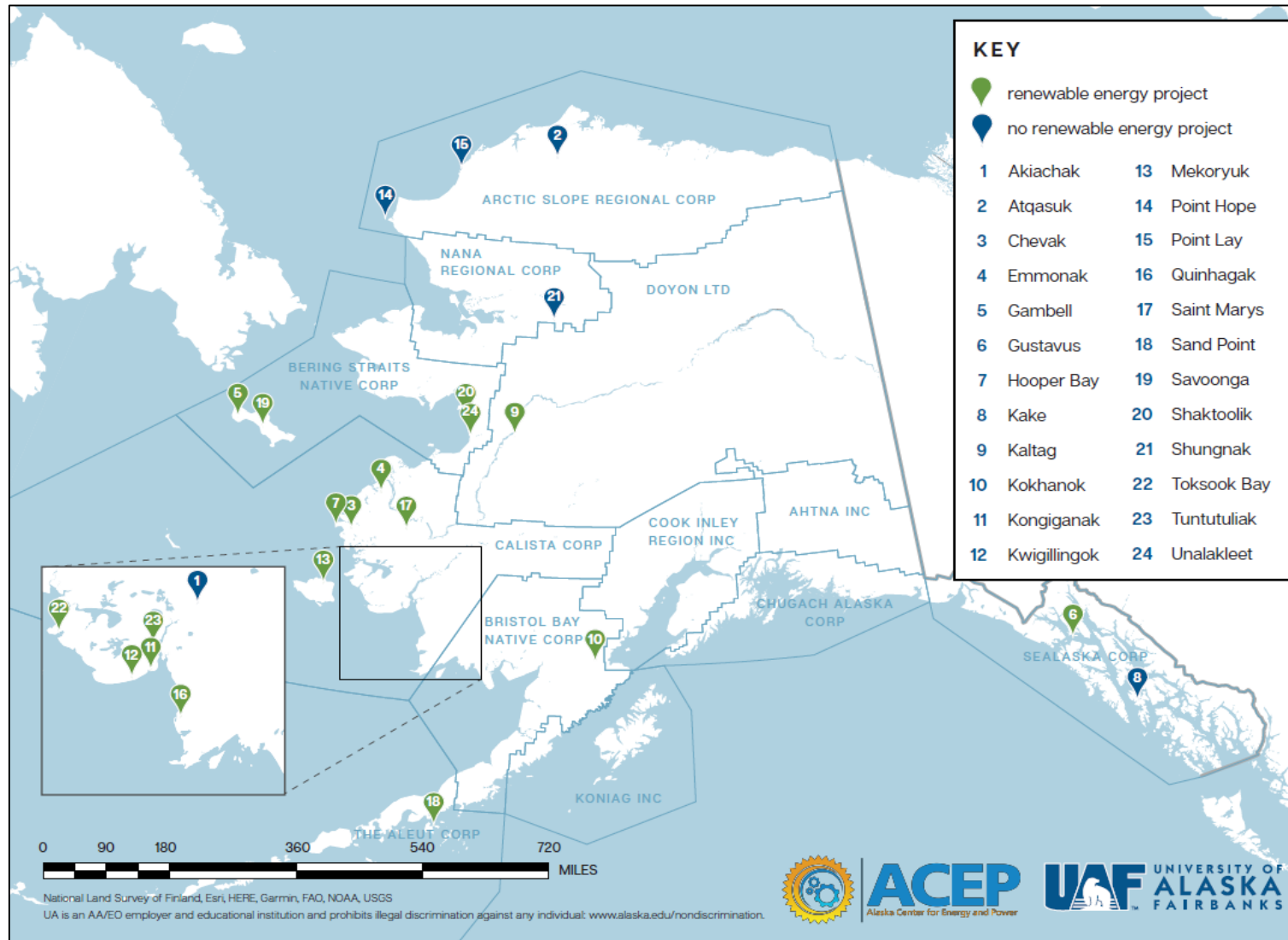


Bethel Census Area Communities
(excluding Bethel)

11 AVEC Communities (median
number of residents = 377)

14 Independent Communities
(median number of residents = 441)

Pathways to Renewable Energy Development



- 37 conditions/factors analyzed using qualitative comparative analysis
- 24 communities included in the analysis
- 3 explanatory factors: high capacity, pooling of resources, no additional subsidy beyond PCE

		Economic	Technological	Social	Political	Environmental	Infrastructural
Screening Criteria	Community is eligible for PCE subsidy	●		●	●		
	Community has economically viable renewable energy resource		●			●	●
	Community is not a regional hub but has >100 residents	●		●	●		
Utility Ownership	Utility ownership type (community or private)			●	●		●
	Membership in the Alaska Village Electric Cooperative				●		●
	The utility shares or pools resources across multiple communities	●		●	●	●	
Power Costs	Partial or total postagestamp rate ^a	●					●
	Fuel price paid by utility for diesel (\$)	●					
	Annual total fuel costs	●					
	The average fuel cost per kilowatt hour (\$/kWh)	●					
	The average nonfuel cost per kWh (\$)	●					
	The cost to generate 1 kWh of electricity before subsidies ^b	●					
	The residential rate for 1 kWh (of electricity) after subsidies	●					
	The commercial rate for 1 kWh after subsidies	●					
Community Power Sales	Total annual electricity sales in kWh		●				●
	The average number of kWh sold to residential customers	●	●				
	Total annual residential electricity sales in kWh		●				●
	The number of the utility's residential customers			●	●		
	Industrial anchor tenant in community is purchasing electric from the local utility			●		●	●
Subsidy	Total PCE eligible kWh sold by the utility		●				●
	The non-PCE eligible kWh sold by the utility		●				●
	Percentage of total kWh sold that are not eligible for PCE		●				●
Community Capacity	The community has an additional subsidy (beyond the PCE)	●		●	●		
	The number of residents in the community			●	●		
	The number of community facilities eligible for PCE			●	●		●
	% of qualifying facilities (i.e., >20 % eligible for PCE subsidies)	●		●	●		
	The % of kWh claimed under the PCE program			●	●		
	The total number of PCE eligible kWh for a community			●	●		●
	Community capacity (as a fuzzy variable)	●		●	●		
Regional Government	The community is located in an organized borough			●	●		
	Total residents in the borough, including remote & non-remote communities			●	●		
	Total number of remote communities within borough			●	●		
	Total tax revenue collected by the borough in 2015	●		●	●		
Poverty	Median household income in area (borough)	●		●			
	Poverty levels (% of residents under the poverty line)	●		●	●		●
	Utility costs to average household income (ratio)	●		●	●		●
	Average household income in the community ^c	●		●			

^a Whether the community has a partial or total postagestamp rate. Inside Passage Electric Cooperative (IPEC) communities have a total postage stamp rate, while Alaska Village Electric Cooperative communities only have a postage stamp rate for non-fuel costs.

^b The cost to generate 1 kWh of electricity before utility and end-user subsidies have been applied.

^c Based on census data [50].

Pathway 1

Community
Capacity

No additional
subsidy

Presence of a
RE Project

Pooled
Resources

No additional
subsidy

Pathway 2

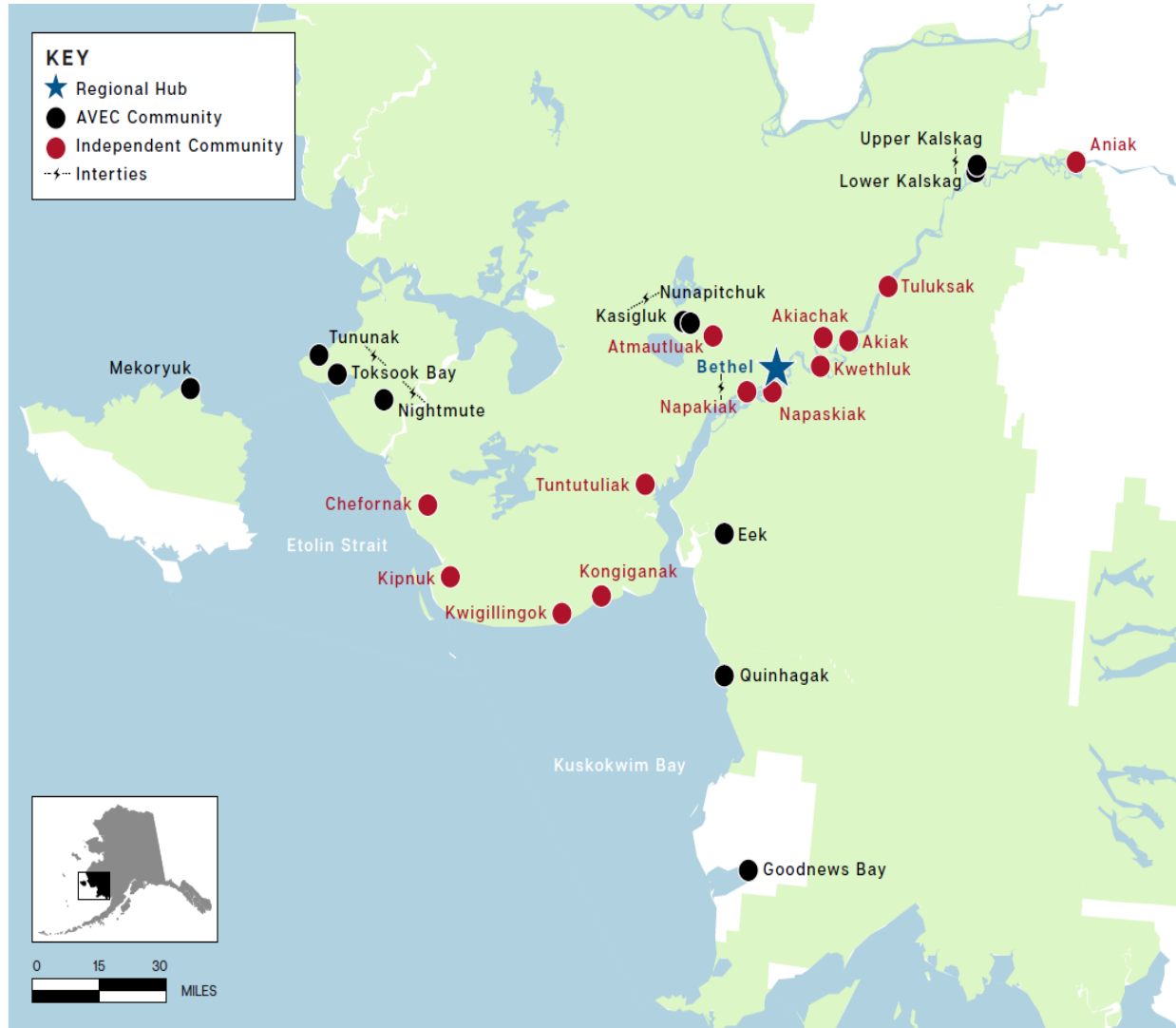


Example:
Unalakleet



Example:
Kongiganak

Analysis of AVEC's Performance



Statistically significant variables:

- 1) Delivered cost of fuel
- 2) Non-fuel costs
- 3) Line loss (kWhs of electricity produced but not sold)
- 4) Diesel efficiency
- 5) Non-PCE rate (\$/kWh)
- 6) PCE rate (\$/kWh)
- 7) Proportion of available PCE credits for qualifying community facilities used

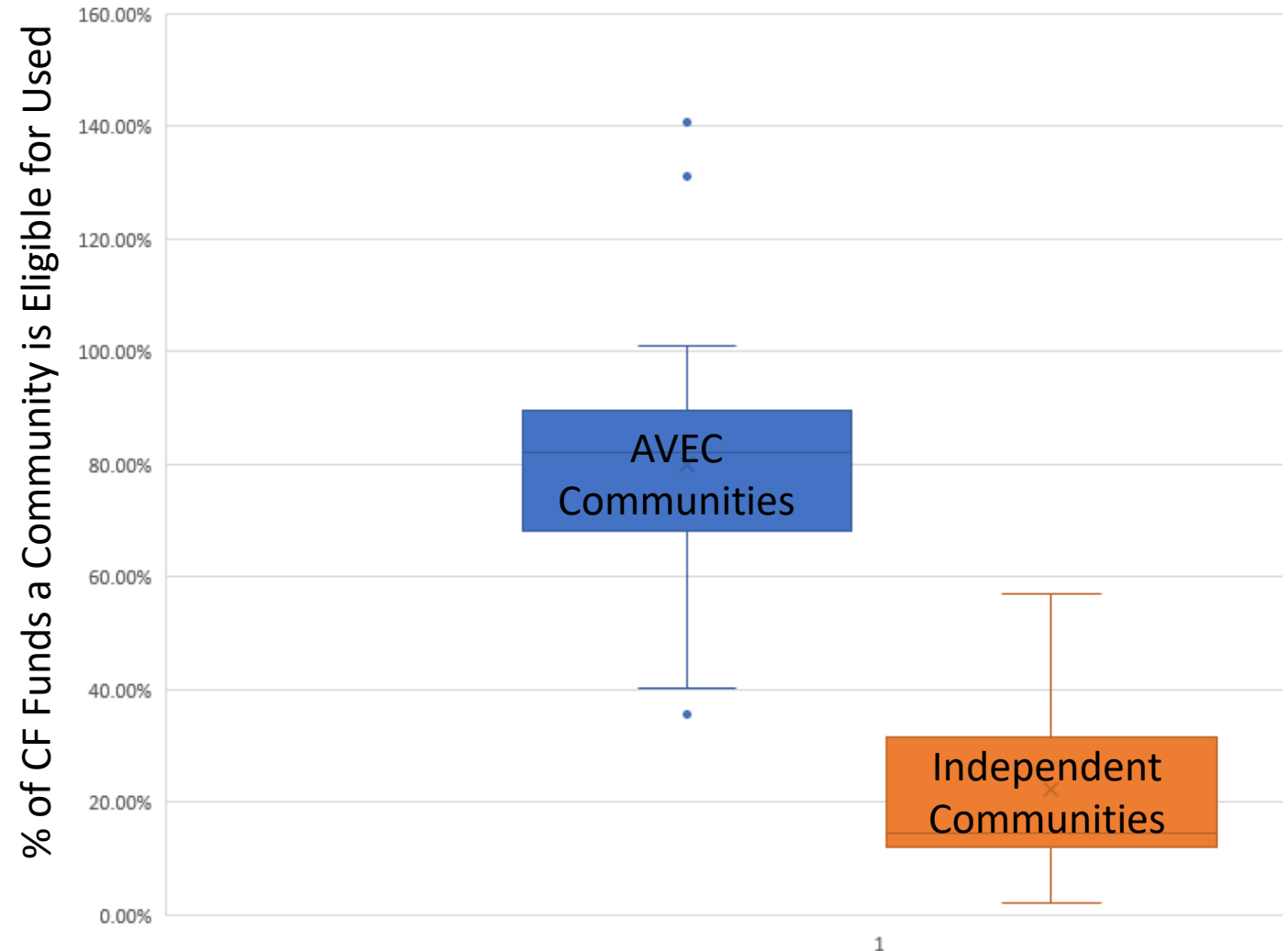
Variables – Statistically Significant

	AVEC (avg)	Independent (avg)	Difference
Line Loss (%)	4.49	8.78	4.29%
Fuel Cost (\$/gal)	2.89	3.11	\$0.22/gal
non-Fuel Cost (\$/kWh)	0.21	0.27	\$0.06/kWh
Fuel Efficiency (kW/gal)	13.4	11.97	1.43 kW/gal
Subsidized Rate (\$/kWh)	0.25	0.32	\$0.066/kWh
Unsubsidized Rate (\$/kWh)	0.52	0.66	\$0.14/kWh

PCE-Eligible Community Facilities

The PCE Program allows communities to apply a subsidy to power used by community facilities such as the washeteria, tribal hall, street lights or water/sewer treatment plant

The maximum allowable sales eligible for the PCE credit (70 kWhs/month/resident)



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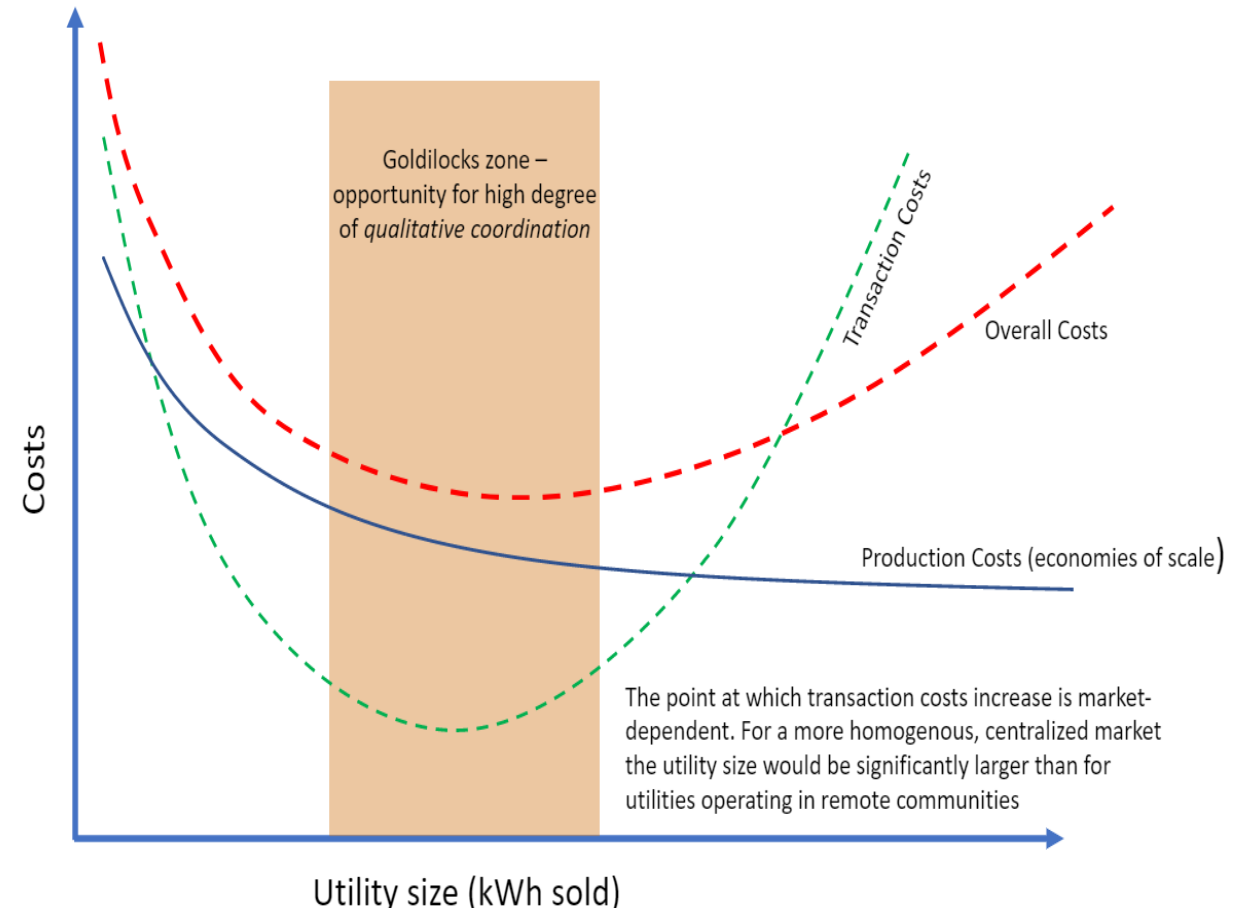
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Standalone Rural Electric Utilities

Municipalities and Tribes may choose to retain ownership/operation of the community electric utility because:

- The Council, with community input, gets to determine how the utility will make power and run the utility. Or...
- It creates local jobs, including board/council seats that pay stipends for attending meetings. Or...
- The Council can control customer rates and payment plans. Or...
- A utility can be a source of revenue. Or...
- AVEC said no.

Challenges	Solutions?
Personnel – Finding and Keeping: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Utility clerk, power plant operators, meter readers• Diesel mechanic, electrician, lineman, bookkeeper• Hybrid power plants require high level of training for complex controls and equipment integration/repairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Detailed Job Descriptions• On-site training and pay enough hours to do the job right• Compensation commensurate with performance – evaluate annually• Bring in student interns (14+ can work in office, 16+ in power plant)• Partnerships with nearby communities• Tribal Consortium/Borough/ANCSA Corp (“loose” coop) - Assistance that doesn’t require giving up local control• Hire high end consultants/technicians to do complex services on hybrid systems
High Costs – Extremely Low Sales <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lime Village (pop. 6) (utility has 15 R, 6 CFs, 1 C, 1 F/S) \$1.77/kWh - \$.76	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Self-generation? Utility consist of a repairman and fuel sales?
Collections – hard to collect from family and friends	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pre-Pay Metering – limited stock remaining reserved for existing installations. AMPY system no longer in production.
Board Members must navigate complicated issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Board training

Standalone Rural Electric Utilities

Several do an exceptional job under tough circumstances - mostly due to the good fortune of having a motivated and devoted staff – and good partners. It doesn't matter how many people are left; it matters who is left.

Creative Solutions

Chaninik Wind Group – villagers help each other install wind turbines, install dual meter bases, and repair equipment whenever possible.

NWAB Independent Power Producers/Community Solar – Tribe/Community owns renewable generation and sell kWhs to the utility. The kWhs become a fuel cost and eligible for PCE with each fuel report. The utility's customer and PCE rates don't change much if at all, but the IPP can use the revenue to repair/replace/increase renewable energy generation.

Nikolski (pop. 41 and growing) – Use Power Plant Operator Pairs (1 woman and 1 man). Man does the generator work while the woman documents everything on the plant log.

Started with TDX Power training 3 pairs. Those folks trained 2 more pairs.

They pay someone in Anchorage to do administrative work for utility as none of them want to do that job.

Standalone Rural Electric Utilities

POWER COST EQUALIZATION BUTTS HEADS WITH RENEWABLE ENERGY

ONE EXAMPLE:

Puvurnaq Power Company – Kongiganak, AK. According to Manager Rod Phillip, PPC has reduced imported diesel fuel for village heat and power by 50% since installing (5) 100 kW wind turbines and Electric Thermal Stoves (ETS) that utilize excess wind kWhs to produce heat for residential customers.

The RCA included those excess wind kWhs when calculating the utility's PCE rate. This caused a decrease in the PCE rate. They further reduced the PCE rate by deducting the revenue (which sells for \$0.10/kWh) from the utility's expenses when calculating their PCE rate.

PPC's PCE rate was only reduced by \$0.03 this time, which seems a small difference - \$22.50 on 750 kWhs. But it will become more significant with the planned addition of more wind turbines, more ETS, and EV charging.

Reducing diesel should be incentivized, not penalized.

Standalone Rural Electric Utilities

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Alaska Rural Energy: Challenges & Opportunities for Reducing Costs



**Public Private Partnerships &
The case for
Community – IPP's**

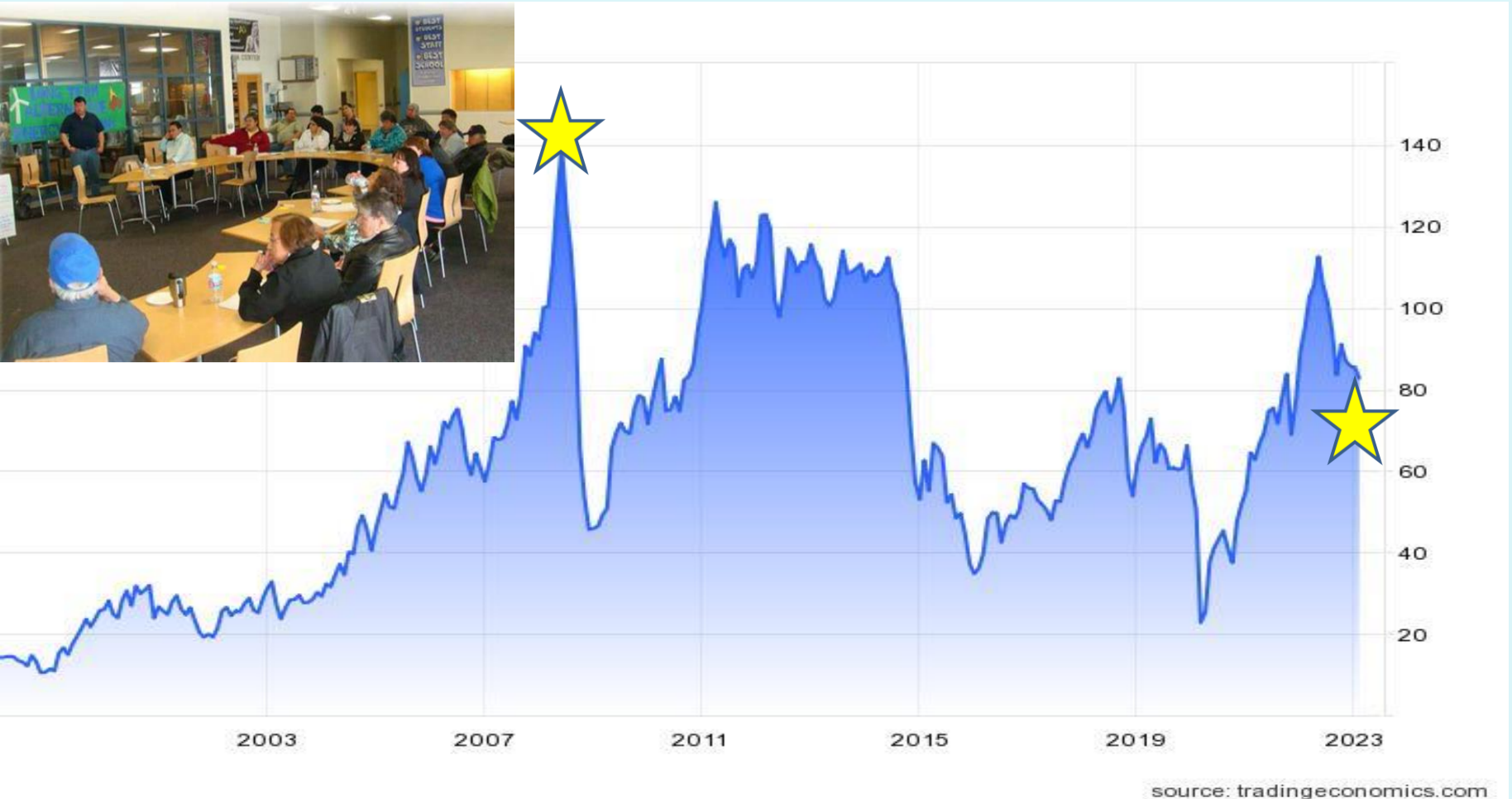


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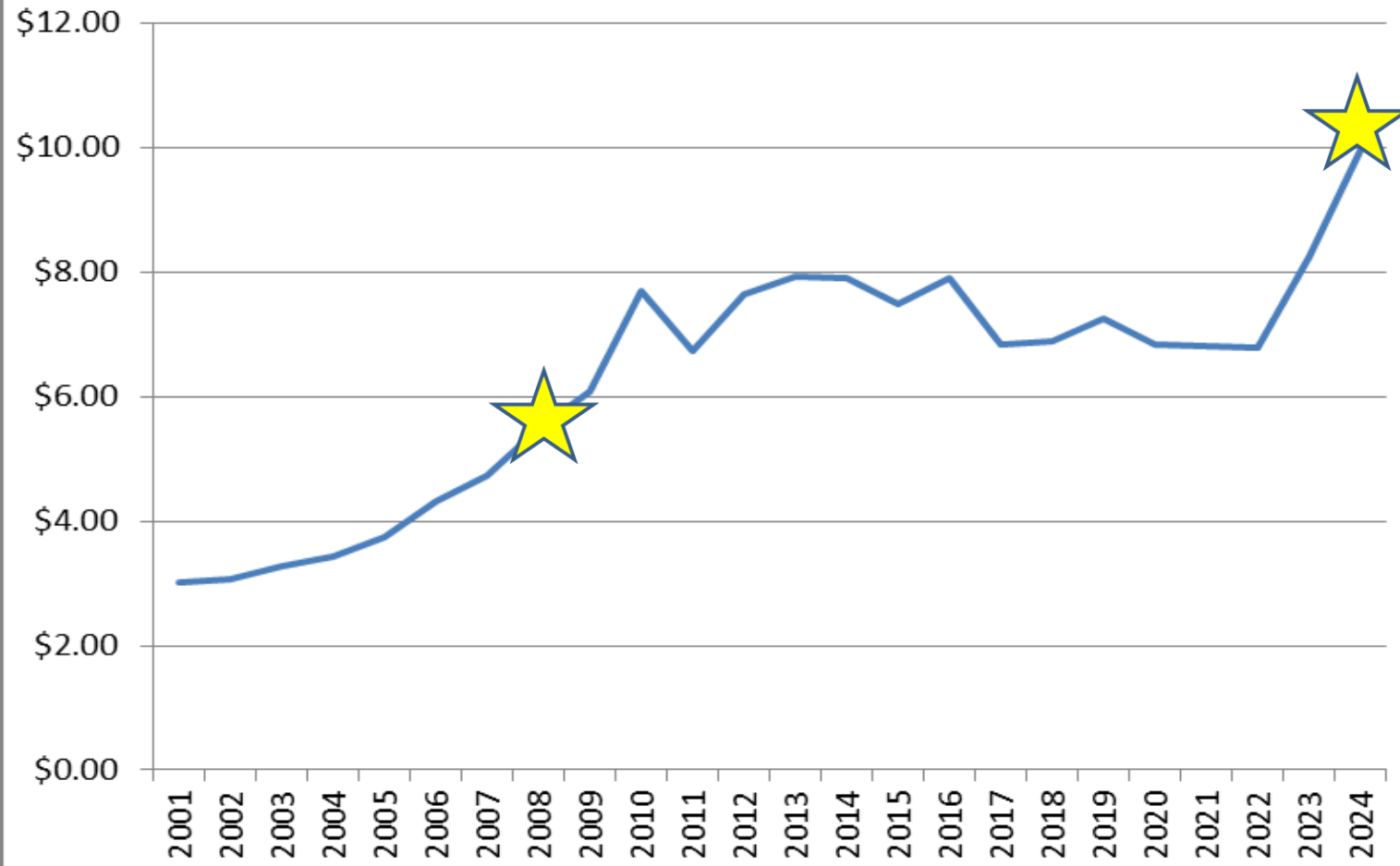
Challenges

2008 Energy Summit



Brent Crude oil prices over time

Average Retail Stove oil prices per Gallon for the Northwest Arctic Borough



Fuel prices (tax included on retail) April. 2023 & FY24

Community	Gasoline \$/G Retail	Stove oil \$/G Retail	Sales Tax included	Util. & AVEC Cost \$ Barge/Air FY2022- FY2023	NWABS Cost \$ FY2023- FY2024
Kotzebue KIC and KEA	8.99	9.12	6%	3.71 KEA/ 3.20	4.54/4.7605
Kotzebue Vitus	7.99	7.57	6%		
Kotzebue Crowley	7.80	7.97	6%		
Ambler	14.42	14.42	3%	4.49 /11.50	6.07/6.2505
Kobuk	13.91	15.45	3%	N/A	6.07/6.2505
Shungnak	14.03	15.05	2%	5.45 / 11.50	6.07/6.2505
Kiana	7.98	7.73	3%	2.82/4.18	4.71/5.0005
Noorvik	7.21	6.18	4%	2.96/4.63	4.71/5.0005
Selawik	5.68	6.58	6.5%	2.854.52	4.71/5.0005
Buckland	7.65	7.66	6%	2.13-3.547	5.25/5.0005
Deering	5.50	5.20	3%	2.13-4.057	4.71/5.0005
Kivalina	6.52	6.52	2%	2.78/4.18	5.16/5.0005
Noatak	14.49	15.31	6%	8.10/10.75	7.24/10.96

NAB Electric rates, Apr 6 2023

Community	1-750Kwh \$/Kwh with PCE	Tax	1-750 Kwh Actual cost/Kwh with tax	0-750 \$/Kwh No tax	750-up \$/Kwh No tax	Utility Non firm power purchase rate \$/Kwh 1/30/2023
Kotzebue KEA	0.2275	6%	0.24	0.3949	0.3918	N/A
Ambler AVEC	0.2651	3%	0.2731	0.8621	0.7566	0.3949
Kobuk AVEC	0.3348		0.3348	1.0988	0.9933	N/A
Shungnak AVEC	0.3348	2%	0.3414	1.0988	0.9933	0.6138
Kiana AVEC	0.2553		0.2647	0.6654	0.5599	0.2733
Noorvik AVEC	0.2545	4%	0.2647	0.6490	0.5435	0.2507
Selawik AVEC	0.2521	7%	0.2697	0.6027	0.4972	0.2053
Buckland BEC	0.2781		0.2781	0.4900	0.4900	0.2823
Deering IEC	0.4081		0.4081	0.6747	0.6747	0.3575
Kivalina AVEC	0.2535	2%	0.2586	0.6295	0.5240	0.2442
Noatak AVEC	0.3724	6%	0.3947	1.1364	1.0309	0.6682

2008

**NANA Regional
11 communities**

**Kotzebue
Noorvik
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NANA Region Strategic Energy Plan



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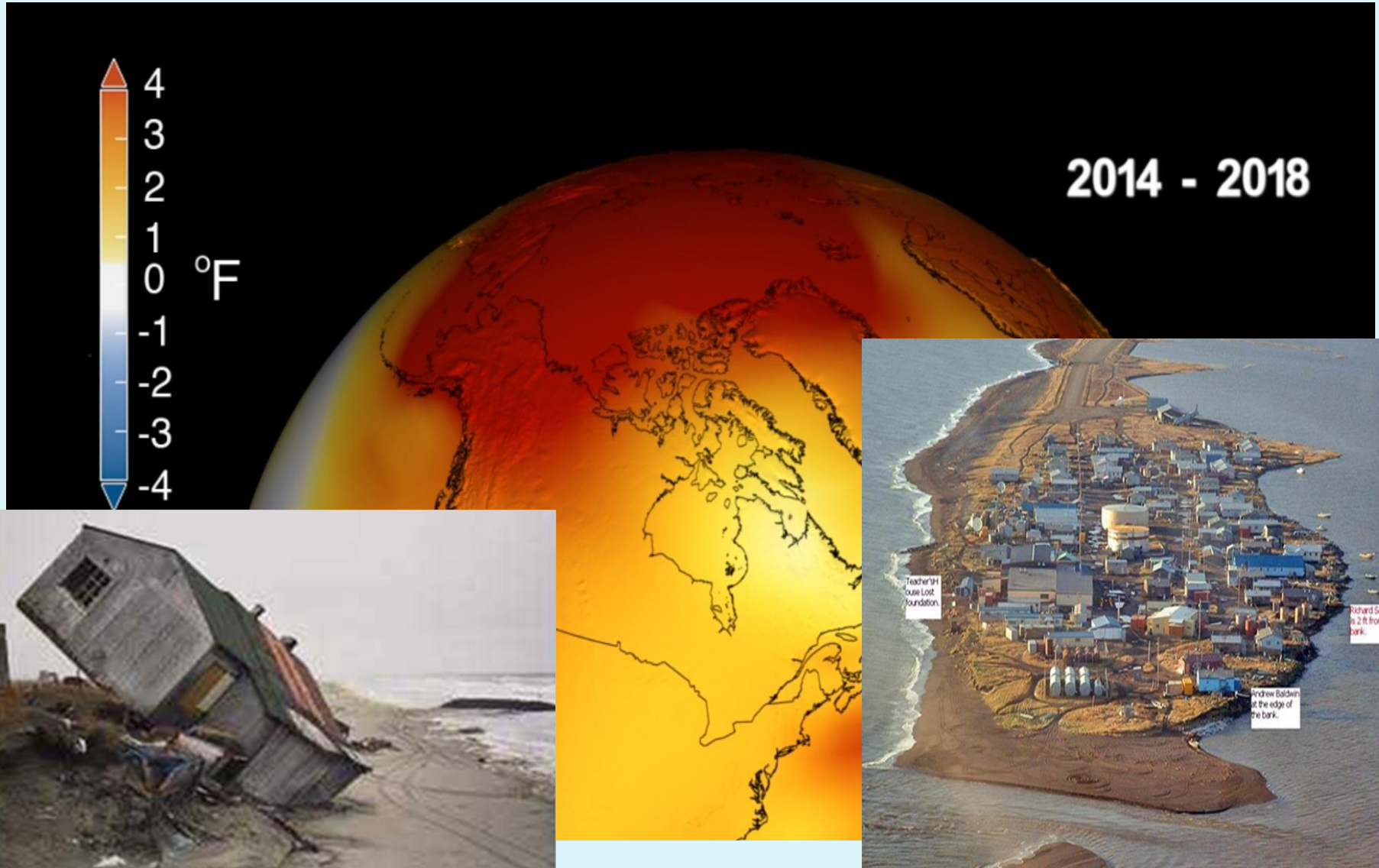


2009-2023



The Arctic Warming up faster than the rest of the world

Climate Change Mitigation Plans was needed



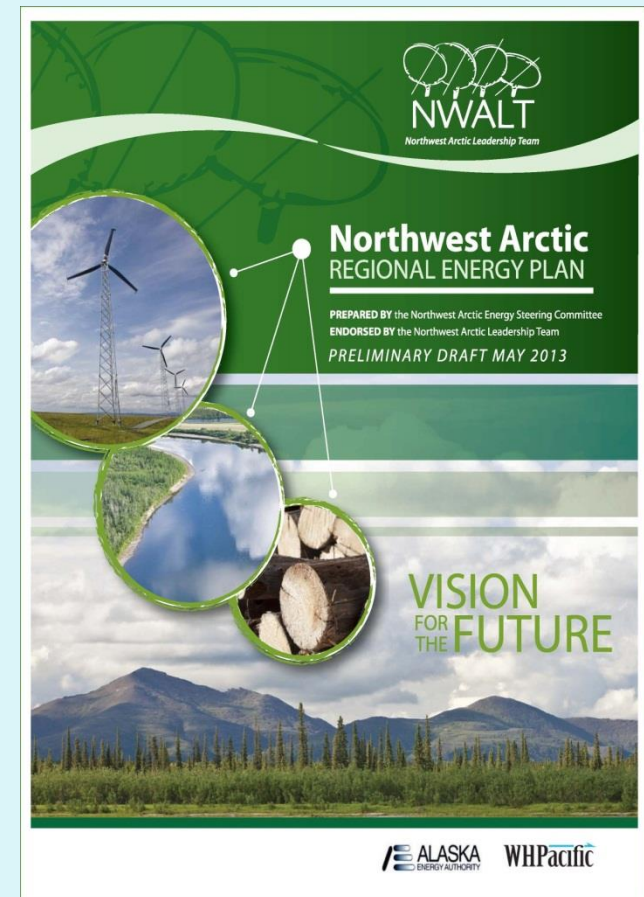
NANA-NAB Energy planning

Started in 2008-2009

Current version 2020

Available @Nwabor.org

The vision is for the Northwest Arctic region to be 50 percent reliant on regionally available energy sources, both renewable and non-renewable, for heating and generation purposes by the year 2050. And to combat rapid climate change due to greenhouse gas emissions like Co2, Methane and other harmful effects of fossil fuel usage.



The progression is planned as follows:

10 percent decrease of imported diesel fuels by 2020

On track

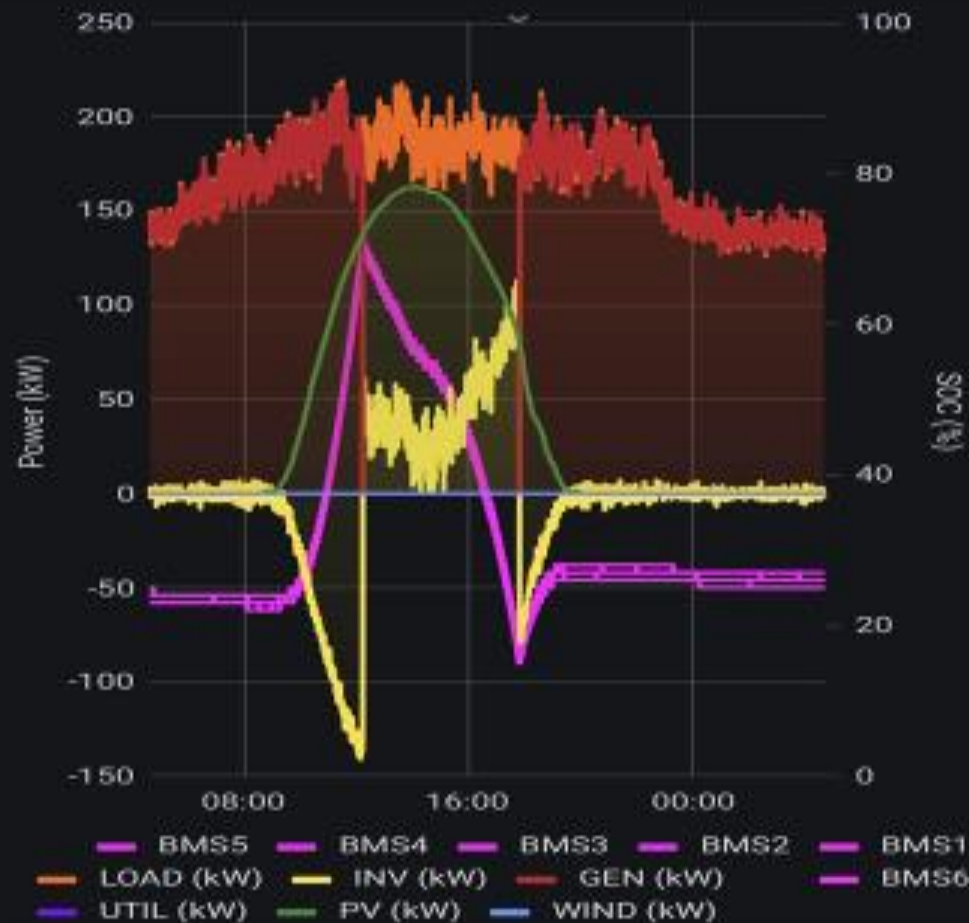
25 percent decrease of imported diesel fuels by 2030

50 percent decrease of imported diesel fuels by 2050

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To get there, we need to go;

Diesels Off

Our Single Focus in 2008-2012

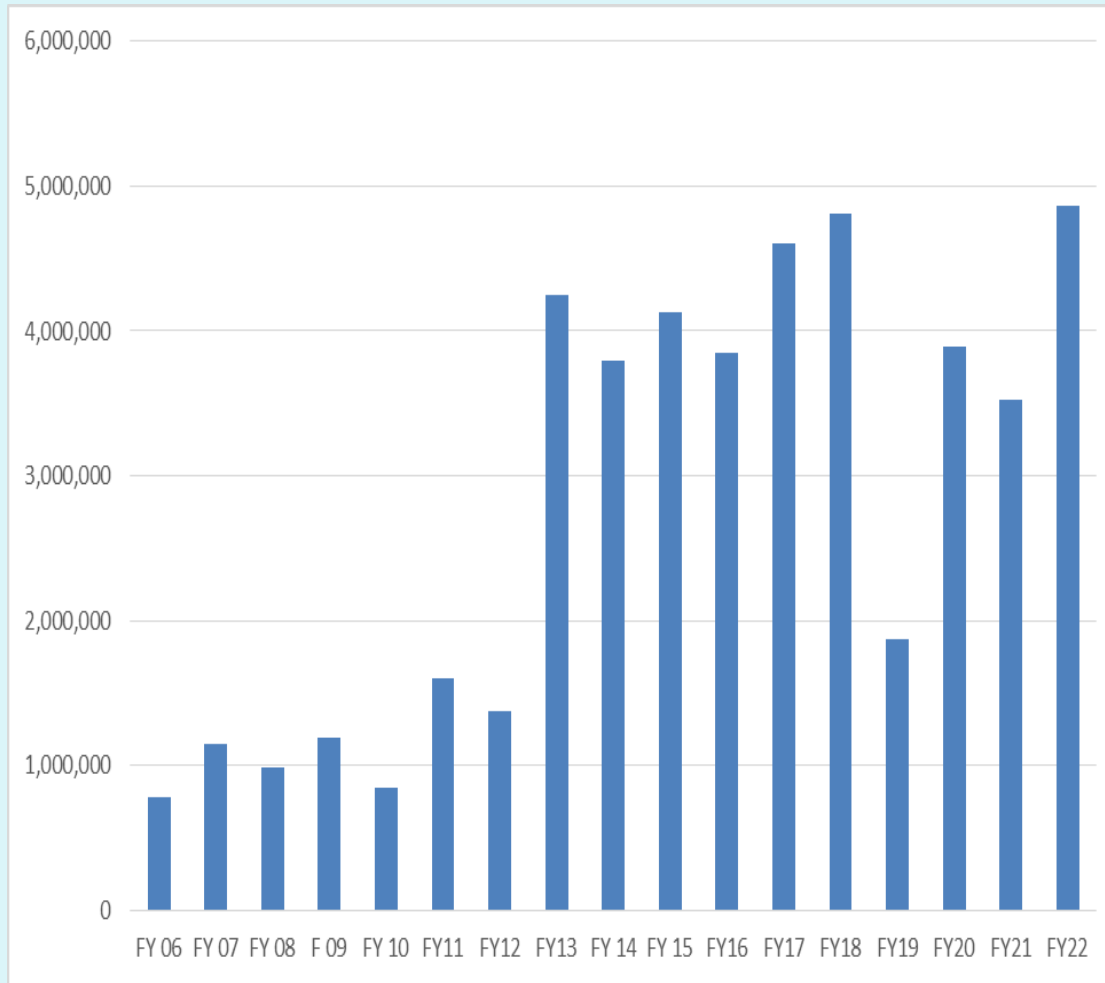
- **To try to stabilize the cost of electricity by developing local energy resources as much as possible (Wind-Hydro) and possibly bring down cost/Kwh**
- **Projects were funded and then implemented by Electric Utilities to offset the use of Diesel fuel.**
- **However, the cost to the Households \$/Kwh, did not change in communities that receives PCE funding,**
- **Instead, as more Alternate Energy projects were built by grants, the allocation of PCE decreased to the communities.**

2007-2012 Wind diesel projects



Wind projects and data

Kwh



	Total	Diesel	Value
	Kwh	Gallon	\$ 3.75/Gallon
		saved	
Selawik	1,158,985	82,785	\$310,442.41
Buckland	1,105,121	78,937	\$296,014.55
Deering	559,725	39,980	\$149,926.34
Kotzebue	44,662,843	3,190,203	\$11,963,261.52
Total	47,486,674	3,391,905	\$12,719,644.82

3.4 Mil Gallons of Diesel not needed

Independent Power producers shows up in Alaska Fire Island

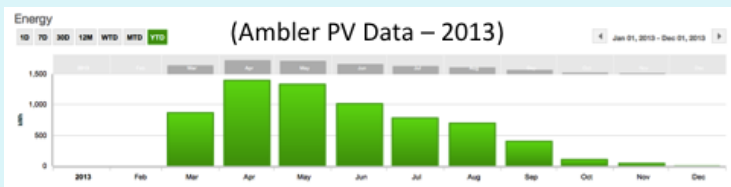
- September 2012
- The project started production in September 2012 and supplies approximately 2% of Chugach's retail load under a 25-year power purchase agreement with Cook Inlet Region Incorporated and its subsidiary Fire Island Wind LLC, who owns and operates the facility.



2012 NAB Synergy project over 10 Years has saved 50,000 Gallons



- Borough population: 7,810
- Electricity for village water / sewer plants
- Launched in Ambler, replicating across borough
- 10,000 kWh/year from 10 kW array
- Peak production April-July
- Long sunlight hours in summer + 30% reflection from snow-covered ground in spring



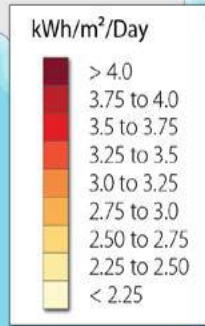
Powering water treatment
facilities with renewable
energy

2022

***Celebrating 10 Years of
Solar PV development in the
Northwest Arctic Borough
2013-2023***

250,000 Gallons saved

7.8 Mil lb of CO2 not released



United States
(Alaska)



Approximate minimum value per year of behind the meter Solar projects at NAB Water plants due to PCE. Based on actual value for consumer.

	Installed Kw	Production Kwh	Value/Kwh	Value Peryear
Ambler	8.4	8400	0.2547	\$2,139.48
Kobuk	7.38	7380	0.2505	\$1,848.69
Shungnak	7.5	7500	0.2555	\$1,916.25
Noorvik	12	12000	0.2422	\$2,906.40
Noatak	11.27	11270	0.2669	\$3,007.96
Deering	11.13	11130	0.3575	\$3,978.98
Kotzebue-1	10.53	10530	0.2180	\$2,295.54
Kotzebue-2	10.53	10530	0.2180	\$2,295.54
Selawik	9.72	9720	0.2478	\$2,408.62
Kivalina	10.53	10530	0.2363	\$2,488.24
Kiana	10.53	10530	0.2318	\$2,440.85
Buckland	10.53	10530	0.2823	\$2,972.62
Total	120.05	120,050		\$30,699.17

Total Estimated savings per year

\$ 30,699.17

However, the production is invisible to the utility, and no PCE is collected for it from AEA.

Value of utility size Solar arrays to the Households

Community	Installed Kw	Production Kwh	Behind meter PCE value / Kwh	Avoided Diesel rate \$/Kwh	Value under IPP Management \$/Kwh
Shungnak Ut	233	200,000	\$51,100.00	0.5600	\$ 112,00.00
Noatak Ut	275	250,000	\$66,725.00	0.4868	\$ 121,700.00
Noorvik Ut	23.4	23,400	\$5,667.48	0.1685	\$ 3,942.90
Deering Ut	48.5	48,500	\$17,338.75	0.3500	\$ 17,338.75
Buckland Ut	45.99	45,000	\$12,703.50	0.2823	\$ 12,703.50
Kotzebue Ut	966	920,000	\$ 220,800.00	0.18	\$ 165,600.00

July 2017

**Noorvik 23 Kw Utility array
80 Mwh produced so far
Saving 5,700 Gallons of
Diesel so far**



Nov 2018

**Buckland & Deering Electric
Utility Arrays 48.5 & 46 Kw
169 Mwh produced to date,
saving 12,500 Gallons of
Diesel so far**



Courtesy
NANA

6/15/2020

**Kotzebue Electric
Utility Array 576 Kw
Building out an additional
631Kw in 2023
822.47 Mwh produced to
date,
saving 58,800 Gallons of
Diesel**



Courtesy
ANRI

9/26/2021

**Shungnak-Kobuk IPP
233Kw/350Kwh Community
Solar/Battery
273 Mwh produced to date,
Saving 19,500 Gallons of
Diesel to date
And 818 Hours of Diesel off
operation**



Courtesy
ANRI

Transition to Village Independent Power Producers IPP's, 2020



Courtesy NANA



- So why develop Independent power producers

- The Communities taking control of their Energy future, developing their local resources. This creates buy in and good relationships with the utility.
- Being able to sustain PCE support to the communities and stabilize energy cost.
- Better economics, Circular economy
- Funding collected pays for further development and local workforce expertise. The money stays in the community instead of sending the money to far off countries for oil.



Reasons for Regional approach to Alternate Energy Development

- *Regional* support to apply for and manage Energy grants, including access to Dept. of Energy and other funding.
- Economy of Scale and Increasing Efficiency
- (Small, single projects are too expensive).
- Develop Regional Energy infrastructure:
- Wind, Solar, Hydro, Interties, bulk fuel storage & direct Household involvement.



- Admin help for Independent power producers (IPP's) for PCE calculations, utility rates & billing.
- Job Creation - Workforce Development and Training/Capacity building.
- The Region speaking with one voice. Can advocate on behalf of PCE and State wide Energy Policy.
- This creates Energy Security and is needed to stop the increasing cost of Energy and hedge against fuel increases and supply disruptions.



The Shungnak Solar IPP Project

Shungnak-Kobuk 223.5 DC/200 AC Kw Solar/battery PV array.

Using 550pc Bifacial 405W panels

Blue Planet environmentally friendly LFP Battery.
Capable of holding the two communities
for 2 Hours without Generators or Solar power.
Capacity 250Kw/352Kwh

Start of construction April 2021 completed Sep 2021.

Total project cost \$ 2,363,215.11

Funded by USDA HECG @ \$ 1,291,675.00
In-kind VIF and NAB funds \$ 1,071,540.11



Shungnak-Kobuk Solar IPP example

- **A Grant opportunity from USDA HECG was secured by the 2 Tribes by allowing NAB to apply on behalf of the Communities.**
- **The communities are interconnected with a power line so the proposed Solar project benefits both.**
- **Through an MOA a working agreement is executed between the 2 tribes to become an IPP (independent power producer)**
- **A power purchase agreement is executed with the utility AVEC.**
- **AVEC pays for the Solar power and recover the cost partly from the PCE fund.**
- **Another MOA is executed with NAB for help with admin and investment of funds.**
- **An Energy fund is established for the communities.**
- **Funds dispersed for insurance and maintenance and eventual further build-out of the Solar array.**

Alaska Tribes Recognized with Sunny Award for Equitable Community Solar



Congratulations! The DOE Solar Energy Technologies Office awarded a [Sunny Awards Grand Prize](#) to the Shungnak-Kobuk Community Solar Battery Independent Power Producer project, in Shungnak, Alaska.

This solar and battery project led by the Shungnak and Kobuk tribes in the Northwest Arctic Borough region aims to stabilize the cost of electricity and allow the communities to take charge of their energy future. The Shungnak project also received the [2022 Microgrid Project of the Year](#) from *Solar Builder* magazine.

Following suit: Among current Office of Indian Energy projects, the [Northwest Arctic Burrough 2021 Project](#) with the Native Village of Noatak is emulating the Shungnak project and is making progress on a high-penetration distributed solar-battery hybrid system.



A Loud Shout-out to all Partners; USDA, Shungnak IRA, Kobuk IRA, NAB, NANA, AVEC, TECK, ANRI, AGETO, Blue Planet, Deerstone, Daylight services, Launch Alaska & others that contributed to the success of the project

Shungnak-Kobuk IPP Yearly financials FY22

Estimated Gross Annual Revenue	\$120,000.00
Insurance	\$3,771.32
Electric	\$1,958.05
Ageto service fee	\$3,242.28
Tribe Employee	\$8,683.44
Fuel	\$3,150.00
Total Estimated Expenses	\$20,805.09
Estimated Net Income	\$99,194.91
Estimated Administrative Fee (10% Annual Net)	\$9,919.49
Annual Income Less Admin Fee	\$89,275.51

The Noatak Solar IPP Project 2023

Noatak 280.6 DC/250Kw AC Kw Solar/battery PV array phase 1.
Using 432 pc Canadian solar Bifacial 650 W panels
Expansion to 380.6 Kw available for phase 2.

Kronus/Pylontech LFP Battery 438.5 Kwh
Capable of holding the to communities for 2 Hours
without Generators or Solar power.

Construction Sep 2022 to July 2023.

Total project cost \$ 2,946,886.00

Funded by DOE Tribal grant @ \$ 2,008,765.00

Denali Commission \$ 134,079.00

Teck (Red Dog) \$ 100,000.00

NANA VEI and inkind \$ 309,998.00

In-kind VIF and NAB funds \$ 394,123.00



The Selawik Solar IPP and REPOP

Selawik 130kw DC/100Kw AC Kw Solar/battery PV array phase 1.
Using 200 pc Canadian solar Bifacial 650 W panels
Expansion to 500 Kw available for phase 2.

Blue Planet LFP Battery, 1 Mw
Capable of holding the to community for 4 Hours
without Generators or Solar power.

Start of construction Sep 2023 completion by July 2024.

Total project cost \$3,611,190.00

Funded by USDA REPP @ \$1,998,820.00

AEA REF 14 \$ 250,000.00

AVEC \$ 100,000.00

Teck (Red Dog) \$ 100,000.00

NANA VEI and inkind \$ 130,000.00

In-kind VIF and other NAB funds \$ 1,032,370

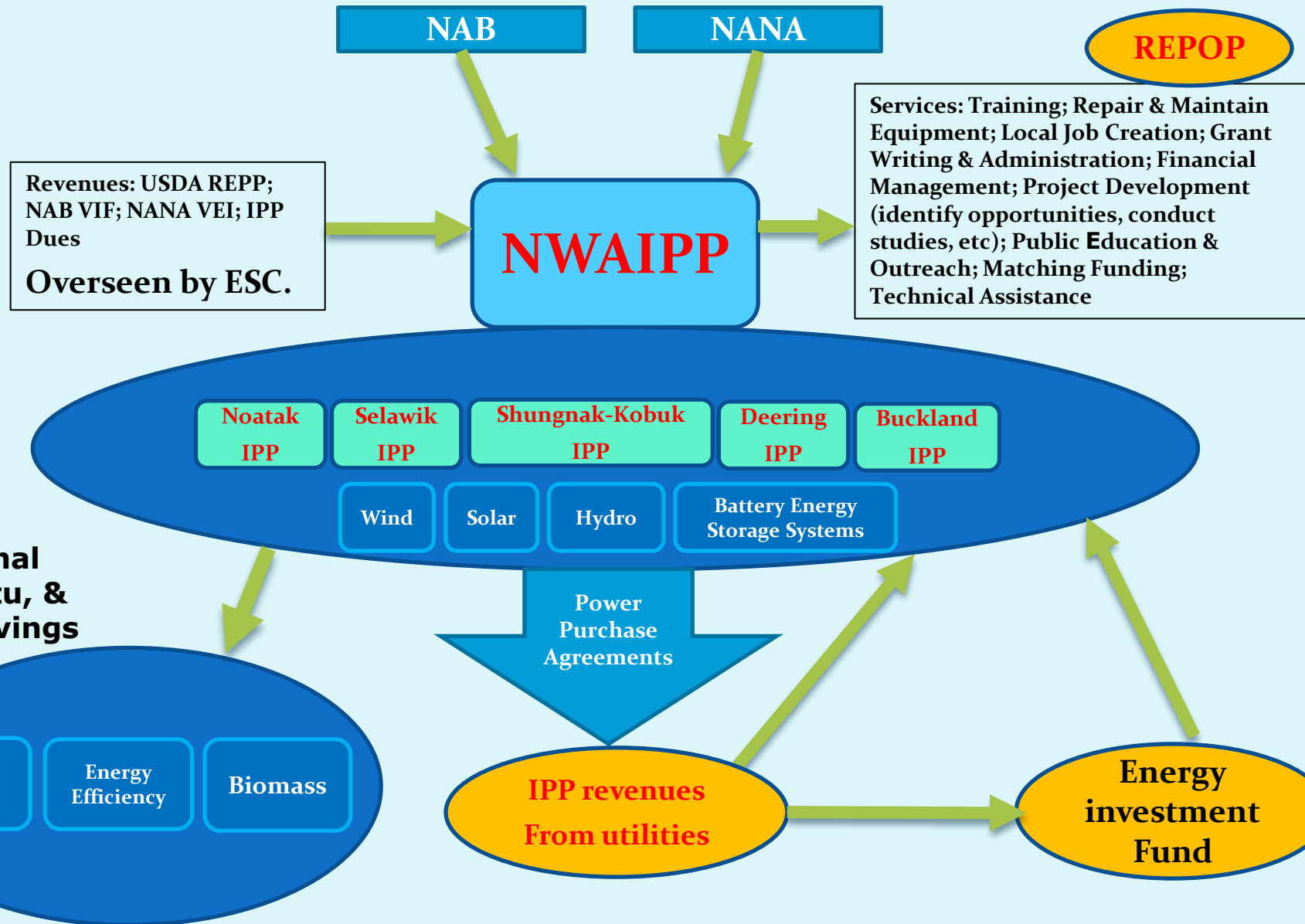


5 Year plan

Solar IPP's full build out

Community	Total			Total
	Solar PV	BESS	Combined	Diesel offset
	kW	MW	MWh/year	Gallons/year
Ambler	400	1	360	25,714
Buckland	450	1	405	28,929
Deering	250	0.5	225	16,071
Kiana	400	1	360	25,714
Kivalina	450	1	405	28,929
Noatak	550	1	495	35,357
Noorvik	550	1	495	35,357
Selawik	500	1	450	32,143
Shungnak-Kobuk	500	1	450	32,143
TOTALS	4,050	8.5	3,645	260,357

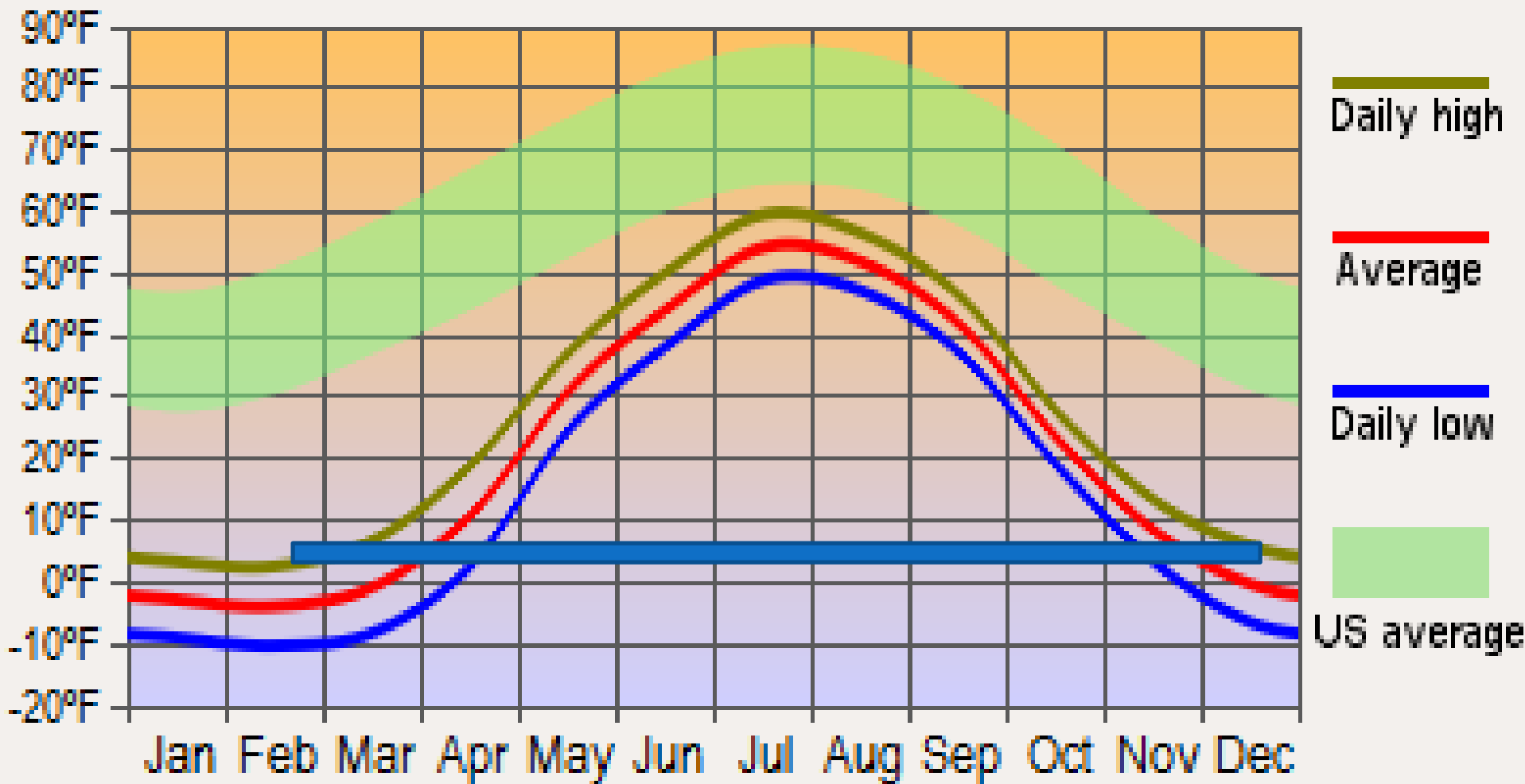
Regional IPP Organizational Structure



2016-17 Harvest season for Solar PV

Is the same as for Heat pumps

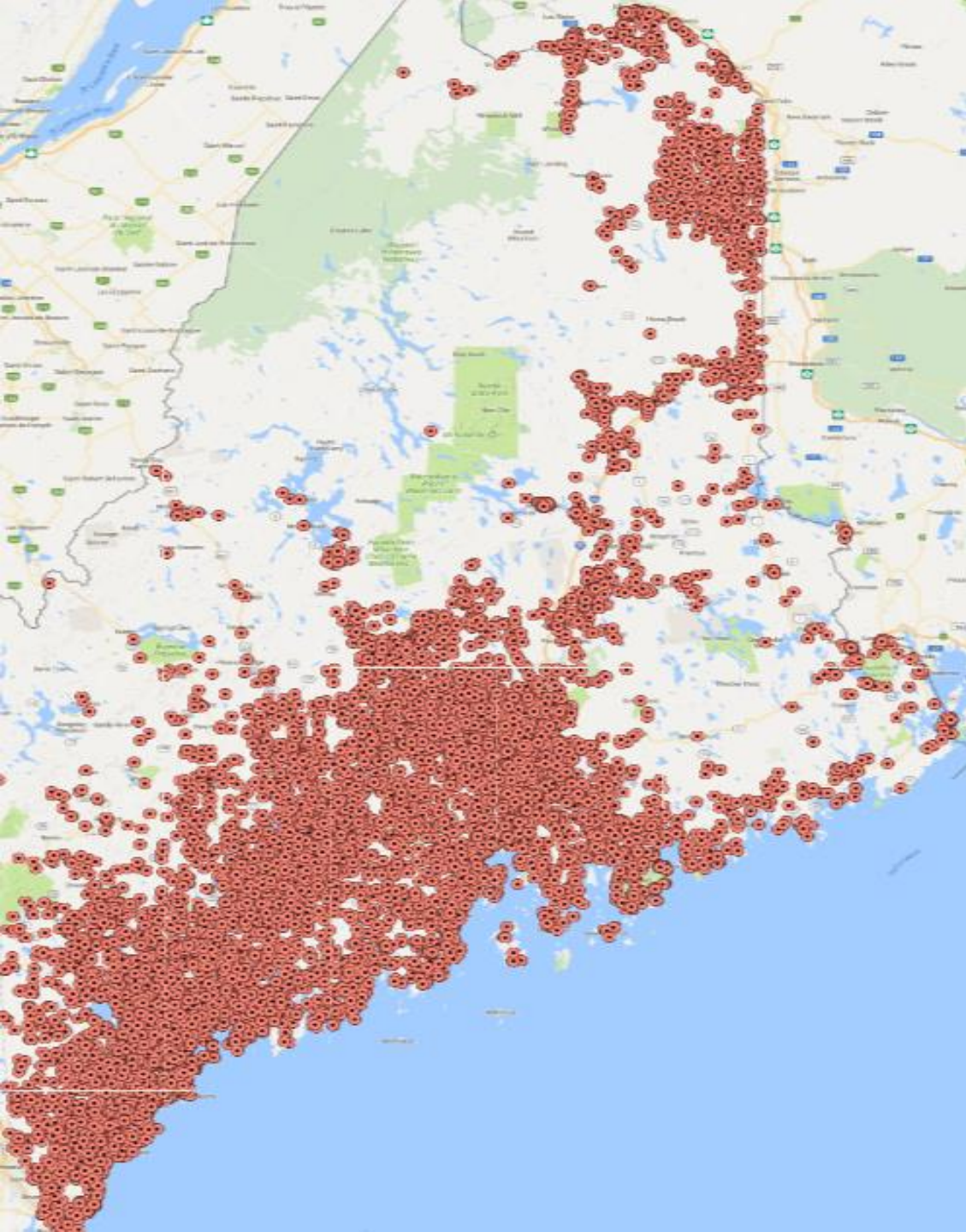
Average Temperatures



Heat-pump COP level for Diesel displacement

if cost of Electric-Diesel and cost of Heating fuel is the same

Break Even COP for Diesel displacement			
			COP
Toyostove:			2.43
Boiler:			2.42
Furnace, Standard Fan:			2.4
Furnace, Efficient ECM Fan			2.33



**Map showing 17,500
ductless heat pump
installations in the first
3.5 years.**

**Installation density
correlates directly with
population.**

**Very popular in far
northern areas where
systems are reported to
continue to provide heat
even at -27F.**

Courtesy Efficiency
Maine

Heat pump advantages

- **Low-cost heat** – The cost of heating with a heat pump is similar to heating with natural gas or wood. This is typically half the cost of heating with oil, kerosene, electric baseboard or propane to compare heating costs of different heating systems.
- **Low-cost air conditioning** – Today's best heat pumps are twice as efficient as typical air conditioners.
- **Comfort** – With advances in controls, heat pumps can maintain very constant temperatures.
- **Safety** – Because heat pumps are electrically powered, there is no risk of combustion gas leaks.
- **Air quality** – Heat pumps filter air as they heat/cool/dehumidify it.
- **No CO₂ emissions** – Cleaner environment and resilience to Global Warming.

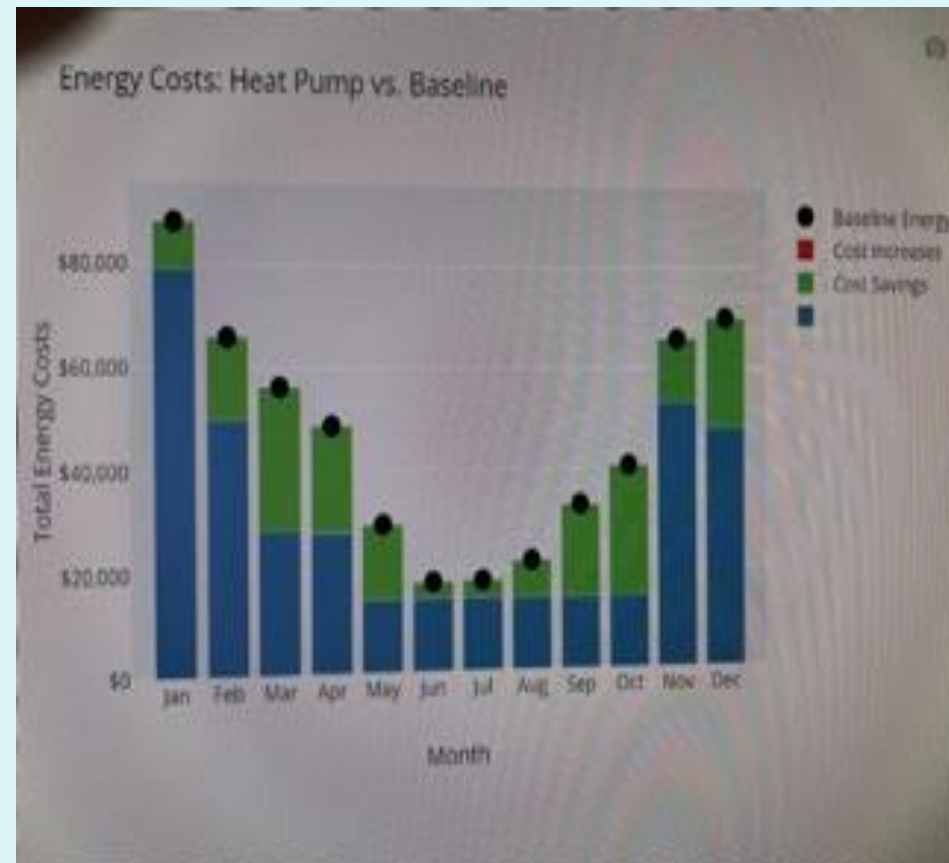
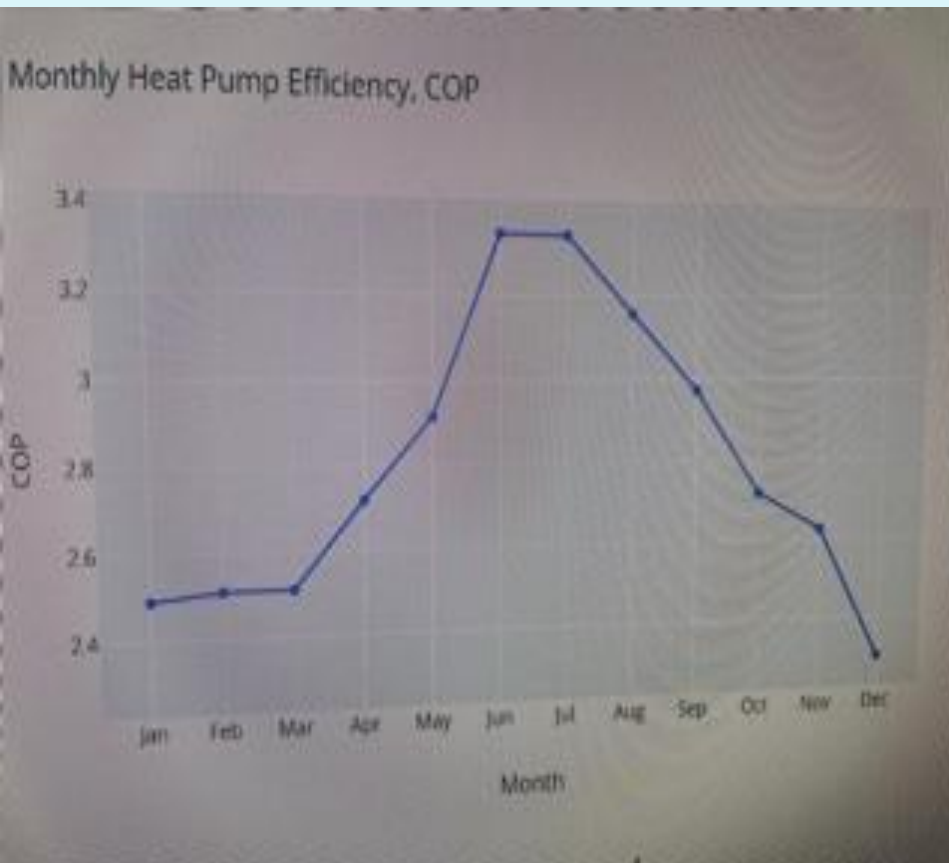
13 Air to Air Heat-pump installations Pilot Project- CIAP Funded 2017-18. Panasonic MHP MXZ4C36NA2-U1



Cooling tent for Meat



COP curve and cost savings According to Heat-pump Calc.



All Alaska Online Calculator

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Web access @ <https://heatpump.cf/>

The Calculator has been updated with the latest Fuel and electric rates and additional new Heat-pump models

Here are some results from Ambler average size House

**Heat-pump; Low temp. Mitsubishi HI-Heat single zone
38,000 BTU**

Annual Heating Fuel Savings: 463 gallon of #1 Oil

Annual saving: \$ 2,500/year @ \$ 12.36/G Fuel cost

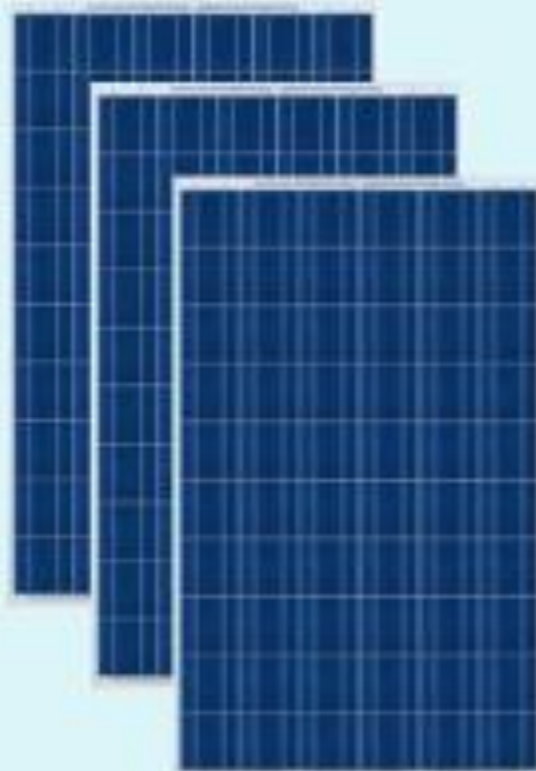
Savings over 14 Year life: \$ 35,065

DC4812VRF Solar/DC Mini split Air Conditioner/heater



**12,000-38,000 BTU 48V DC
Heat Pump VRF Dynamic
Capacity Compressor 100% DC
- No Inverter with AC backup**

**65 Households out of
68 Completed in
Ambler July 2021.**



**1 Kw of Solar for every
Household**

**Data to be collected
2021-2022**

**Pilot
Energy
Efficiency
Project
for
Ambler**

Ambler VPSO Building & House installations.





The Energy Steering Committee

15 Years and Going 2009-2023

Goals and lessons learned

- **Make a sustained effort, realize that changes comes slowly with understanding of new ways and operation.**
 - **Continue to work with the Regional Energy Plan**
- **It is the "Vision" for the future, from the people for the people.**
- **Make sure the document gets updated periodically as it is a "Dynamic" living document and needs to be able to "Adapt" to changes when new thinking and resources comes along.**
 - **Hopefully it will never be completed.**

Energy Policy

- **Do we develop Energy resources for short time profits ?**
 - **Or do we develop Local Energy resources that can sustain the Region for the foreseeable future and create a cleaner environment for our Children ?**

Energy and Persistence Conquer all things

Benjamin Franklin

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Energy Efficient
Coordination

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Intelligent Energy Systems: Anchorage, Alaska

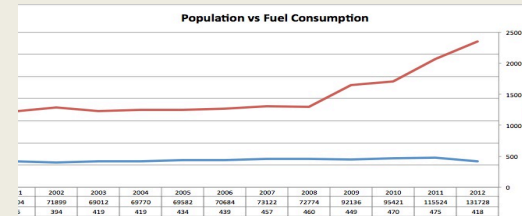


FROM THE FRONTIER TO THE FUTURE

One community at a time.

Things can't stay the same

**Must invest to
maintain quality of life**



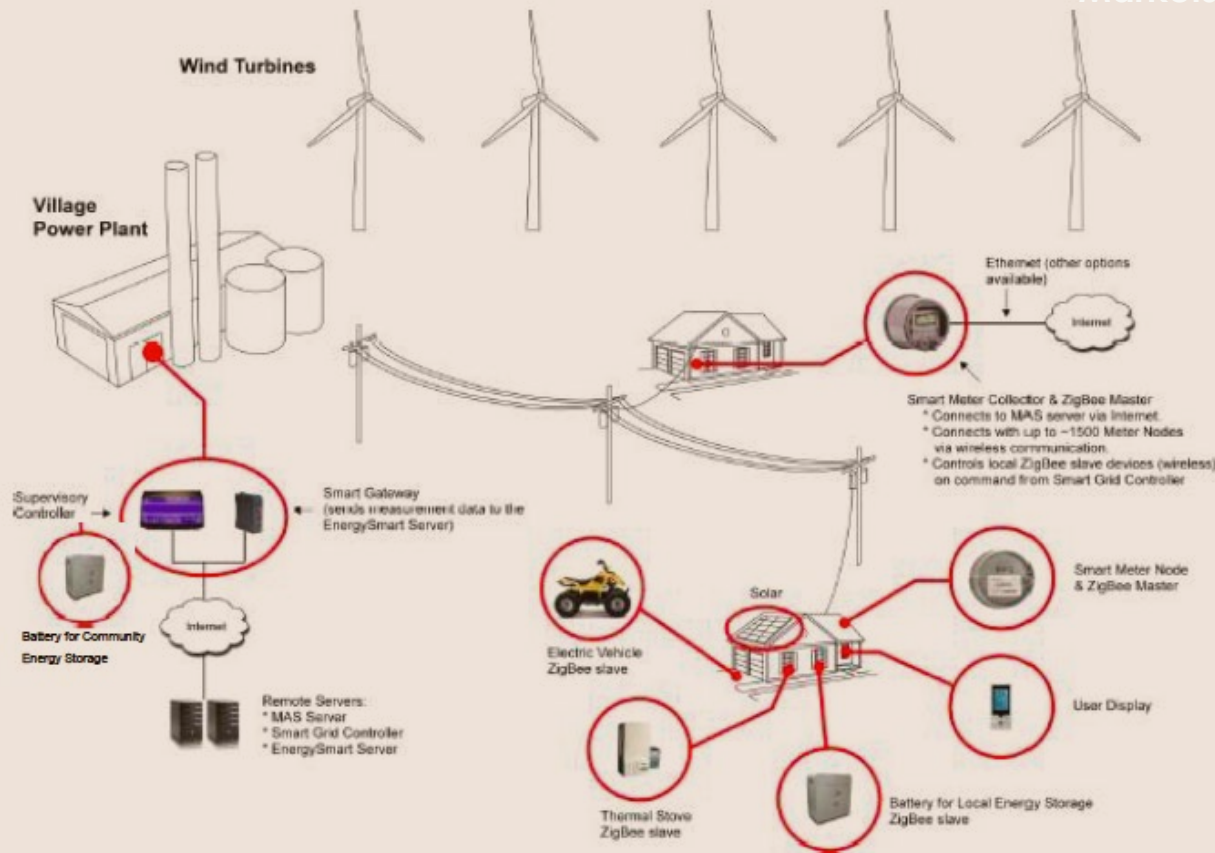


Intelligent Energy Systems, LLC

Hypothesis

- Renewable based microgrids
Common
- Deployments will accelerate,
number, scope, size
- Progress here has impacts

Markets:



Hallucination

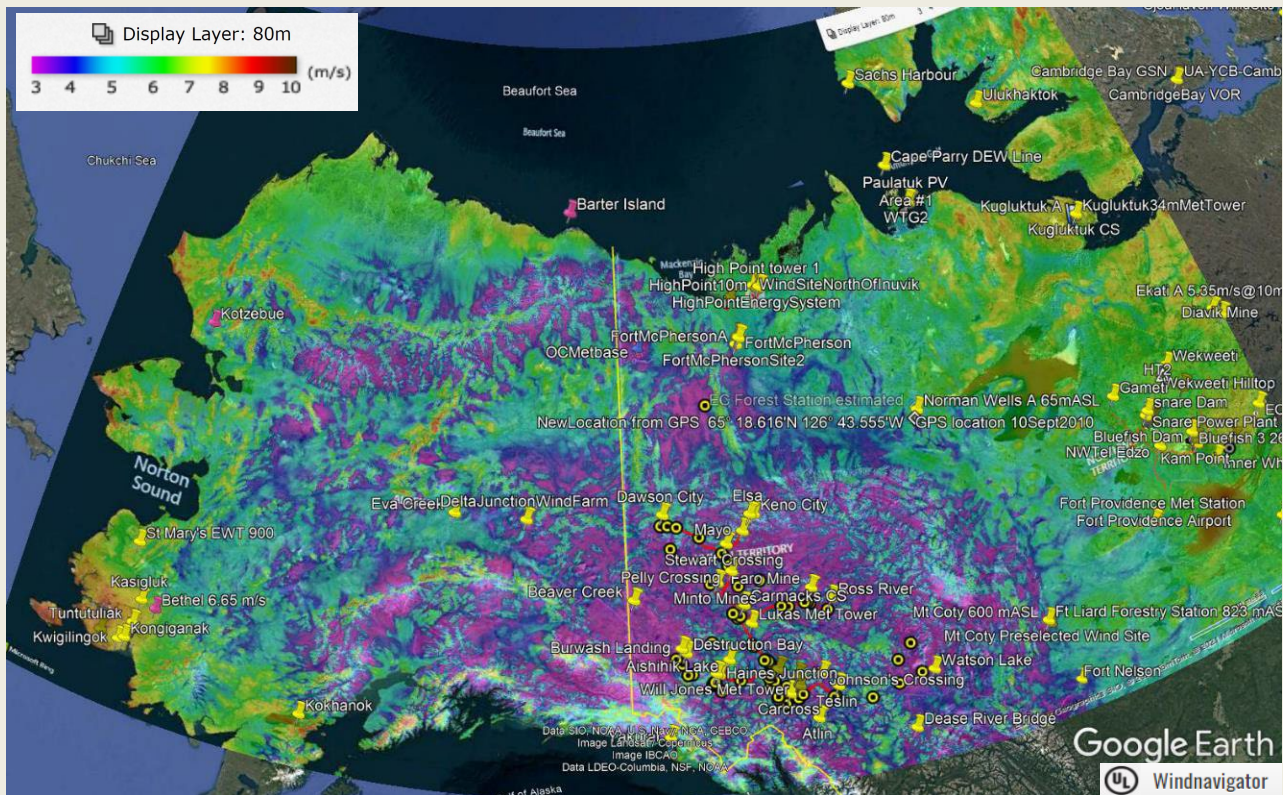
2003 =Reduce Diesel

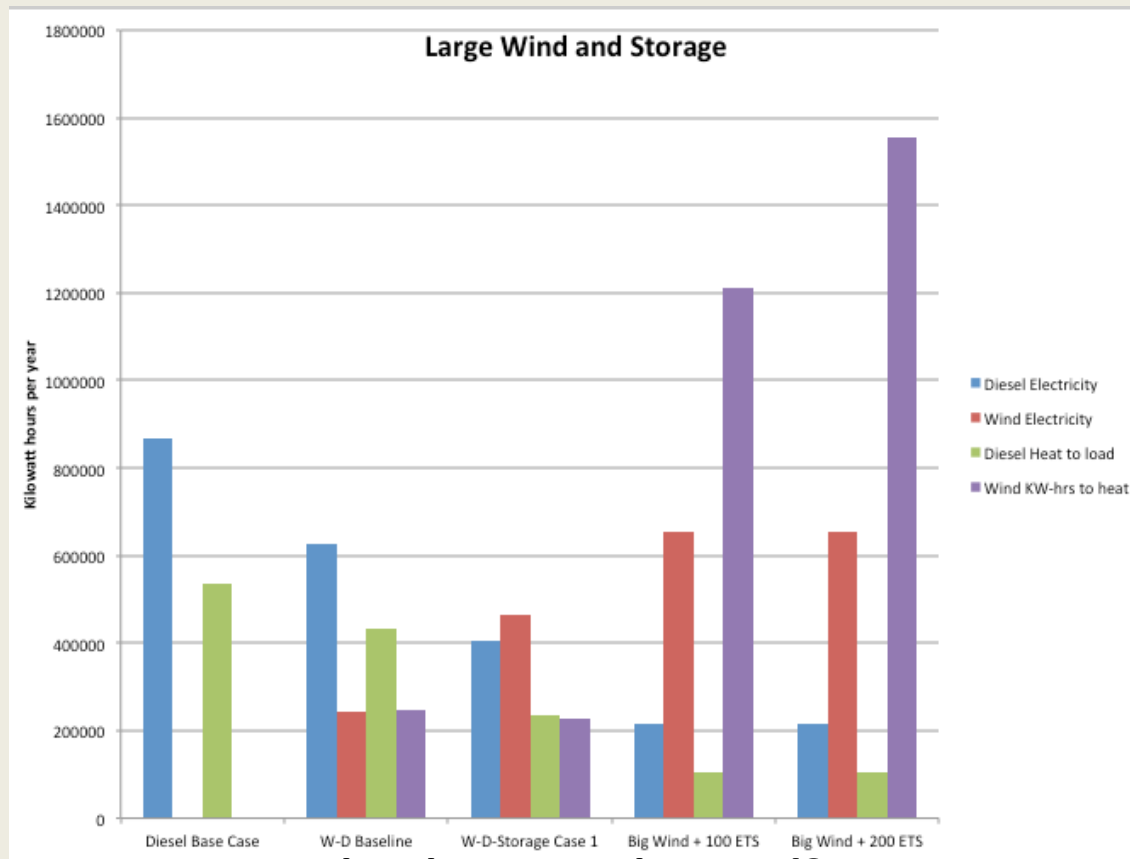
- Control/integration?
- Wind turbines?
- Wind Heat?
- Distribution ?
- Capacity?
- Funding?

2023 (100% Clean,
secure, resilient, cross
sector)

- Internet
- Energy Storage
- Heat
- Solar PV
- EV's
- Biz models
- Water
- Hydrogen

Why Wind





What have we learned?

Coherent Technology

- A family of appliances working together



Meaningful Projects/Jobs



Not just install a few solar panels



Learn by doing
And innovating

Lower Costs

- Increase deployment
- Expand Scope
- Grow Scale

Progress:

- Define state of the art
- Invest in reducing risk
- Generate a history of investment performance

Lessons:

Don't always assume, Remove roadblocks, Pull goalie



GLOBAL TRENDS AND GRID OF THE FUTURE

Thursday, July 27, 2023, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

- Energy Transformation: South Australia as a Case Study
- Opportunities for Electric Load Growth in Alaska
- Insights into the Icelandic Energy Market



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Energy Transformation: It Can Happen Faster Than You Think!

South Australia as a Case Study

Abraham Ellis | June 27, 2023



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- ❖ The case study describes the ongoing rapid energy transition in South Australia.
- ❖ Many of the illustrations were compiled from presentations given at the 2022 IRED conference in Adelaide, accessible here: <https://research.csiro.au/ired2022/>



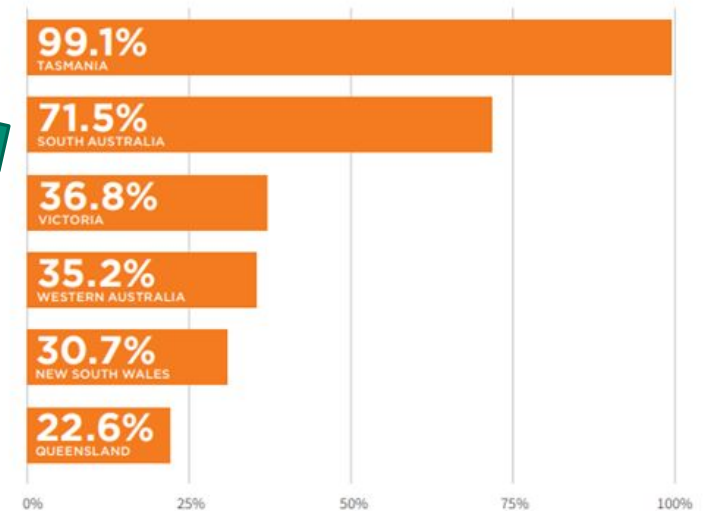
- ❖ Alaska is charting its own path to energy transformation that reflects unique challenges and opportunities

Province of South Australia



- ❖ Area is ~57% of the size of Alaska AK
- ❖ 1.8 million in 2020 (**2.5X** that of AK), highly concentrated in Adelaide (77%)
- ❖ Latitude: 26° to 38° S (Anchorage at ~61° N)
- ❖ Leads states in renewable energy generation
- ❖ State Target: 100% RE by 2030

Renewable energy
penetration by state as
proportion of generation

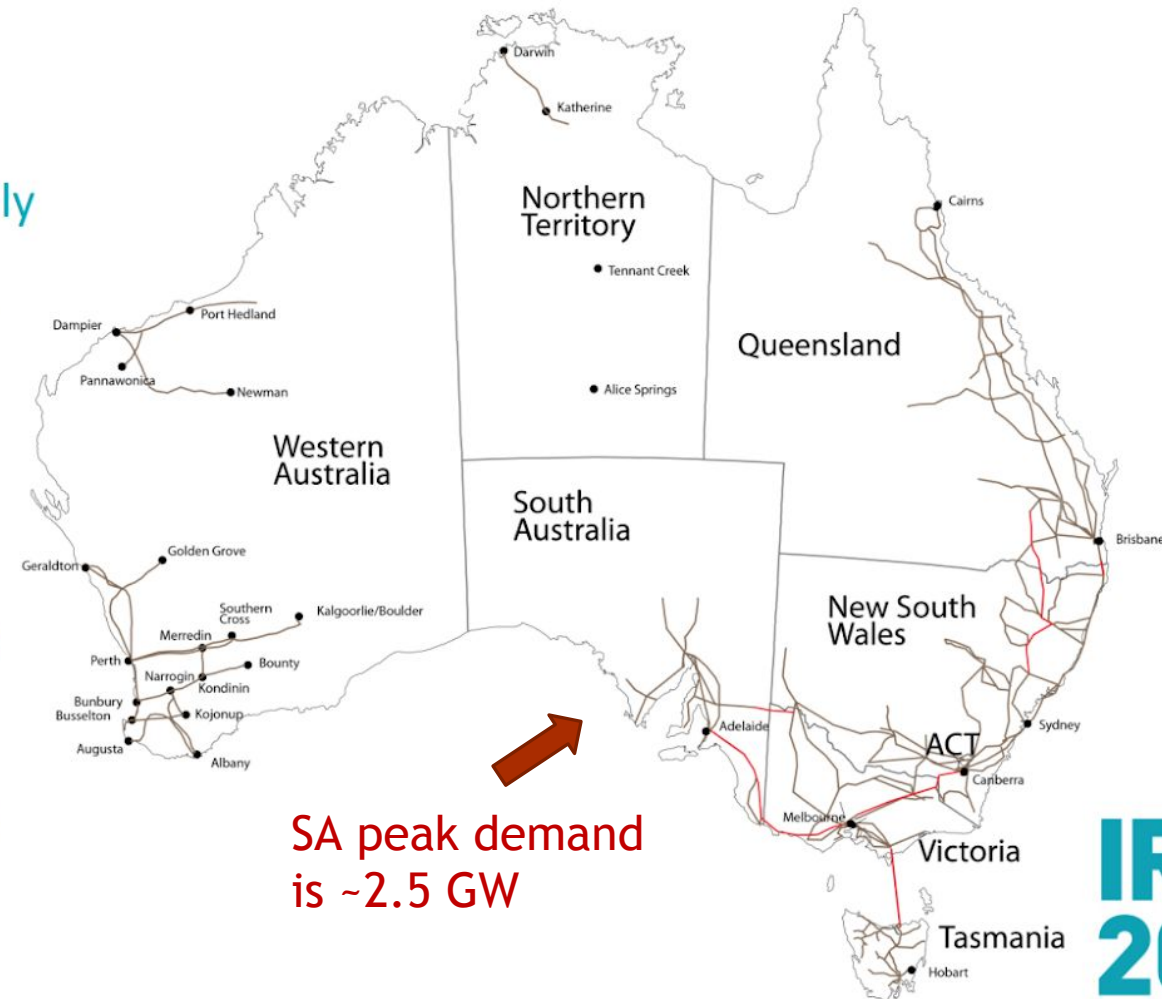


Source:
<https://assets.cleanenergycouncil.org.au/documents/Clean-Energy-Australia-Report-2023.pdf>

Australia's Electric Systems



- Eastern interconnection (NEM)
 - 56 GW of electricity generation capacity
 - 15 - 35 GW demand
 - 5 minute generation dispatch, Energy-Only market, since 1998
 - Security constrained economic dispatch, with co-optimised energy and ancillary services
- WEM for SWIS
 - 5.8GW of electricity generation capacity
 - comprises a wholesale electricity trading component and a capacity component.
- Significant increase in wind, solar and battery connections. (NEM: 15GW small solar, 7GW wind, 4GW large solar)



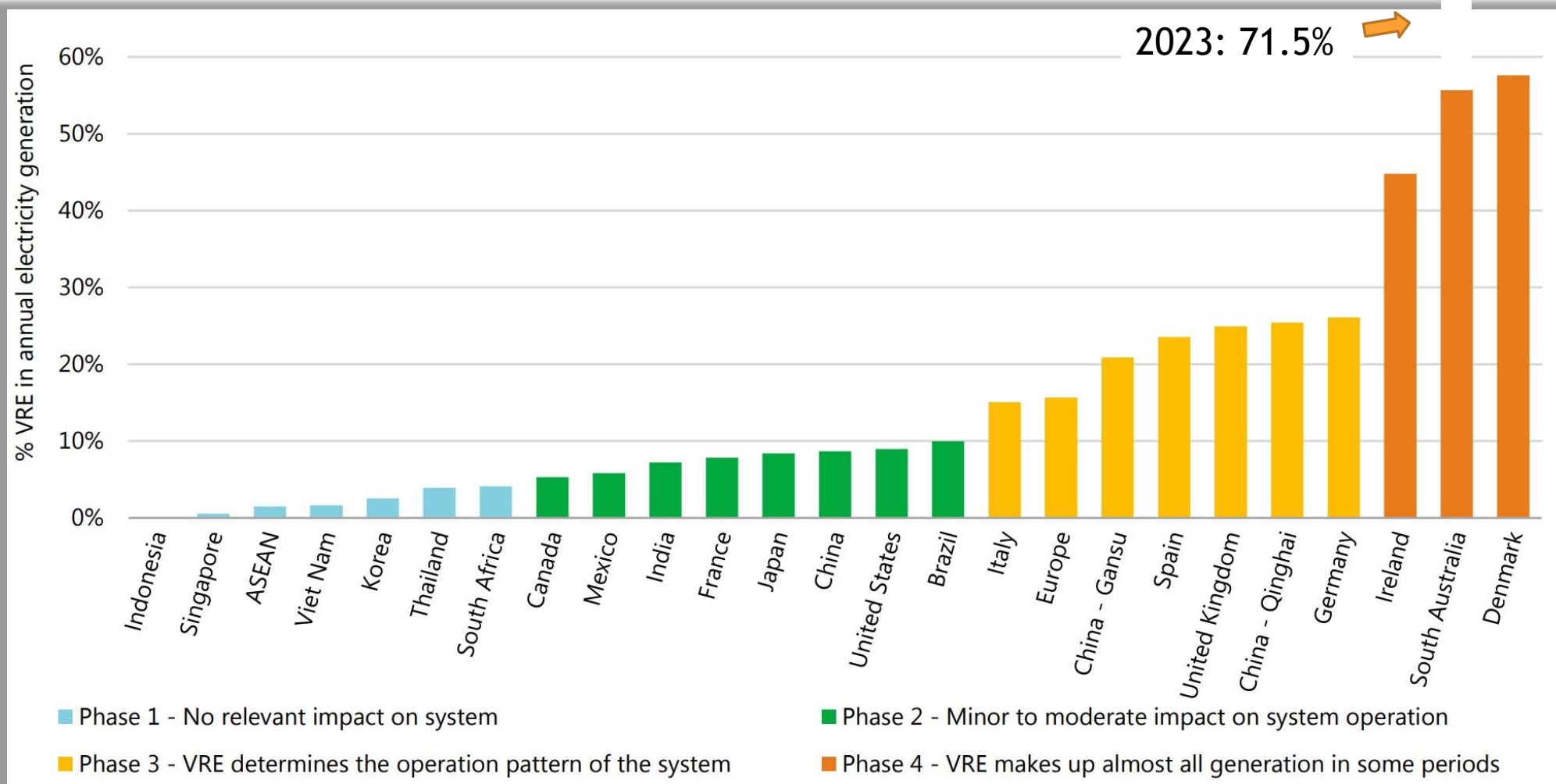
SA peak demand
is ~2.5 GW

IREDA
2022

9TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
INTEGRATION OF RENEWABLE
& DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCES

Source: CSIRO, John Hard, IRED 2022, 9th International Conference Integration or Renewable & Distributed Energy Resources

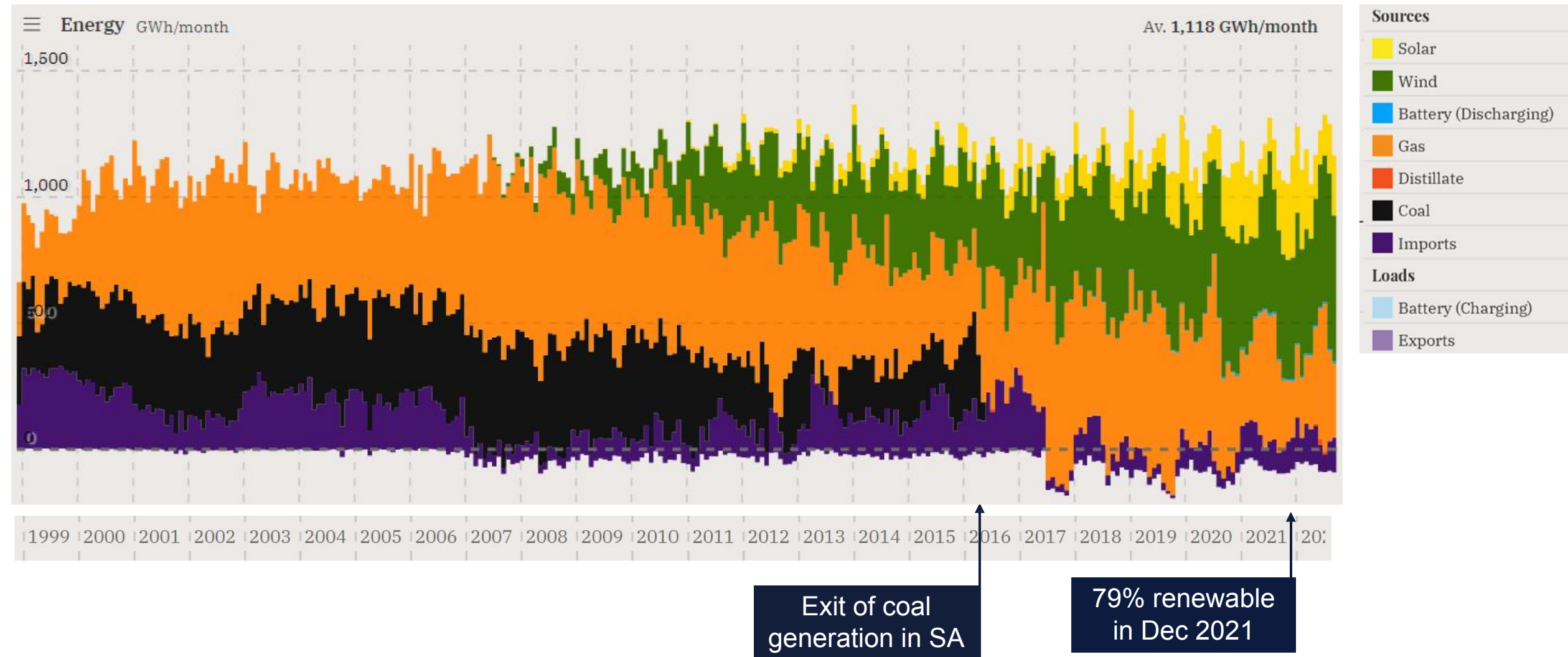
Pushing the limits on VRE penetration



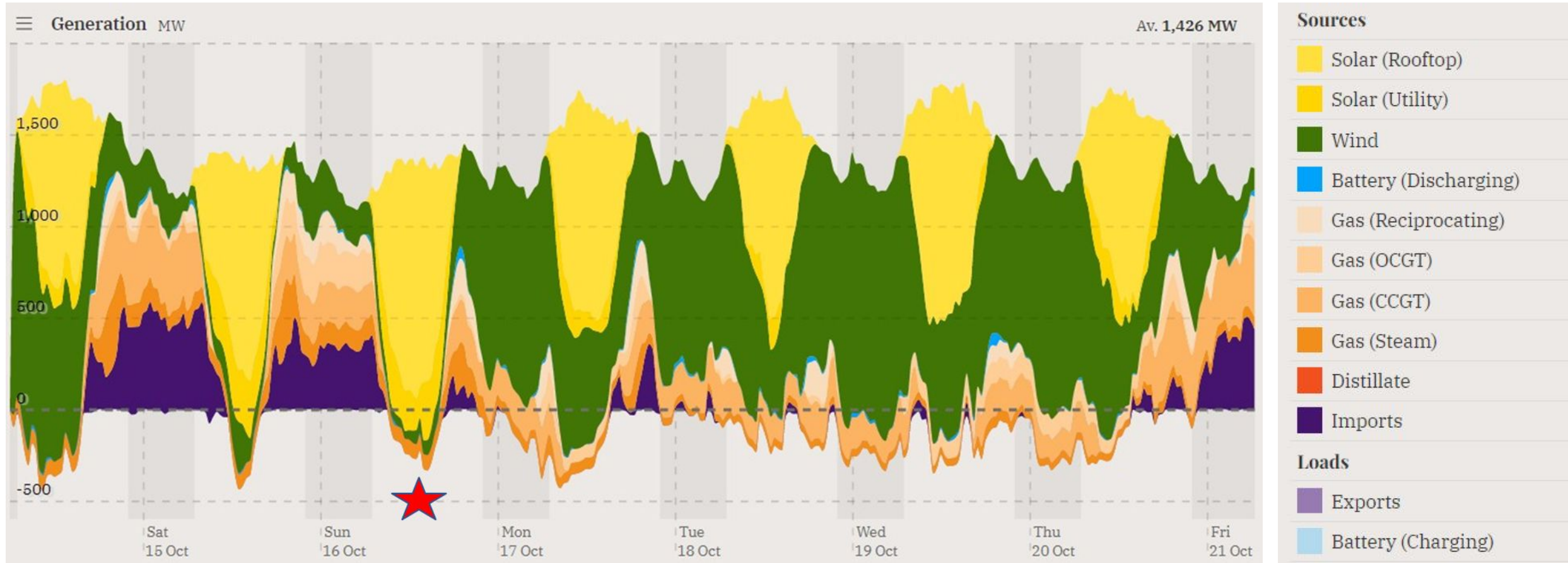
Source: IEA, Secure Energy Transitions in the Power Sector, 2021. Note China = The People's Republic of China

What can we learn from SA's experience?

It can happen fast!



Dealt with difficult operational challenges



Sunday 16 Oct 2022

- New minimum operational state demand record of 100MW (after rooftop solar), lowering last year's record by 4MW
- New solar PV generation record of 116.7% of state demand, beating last year's record of 110%
- 76.2% renewable energy generation for the week (note the record of 88.3%, 17 –23 January 2022)

Incentivized flexibility by wind/solar & storage



Tesla's Big Battery at Hornsdale Power Reserve
150 MW, 193.5 MWh

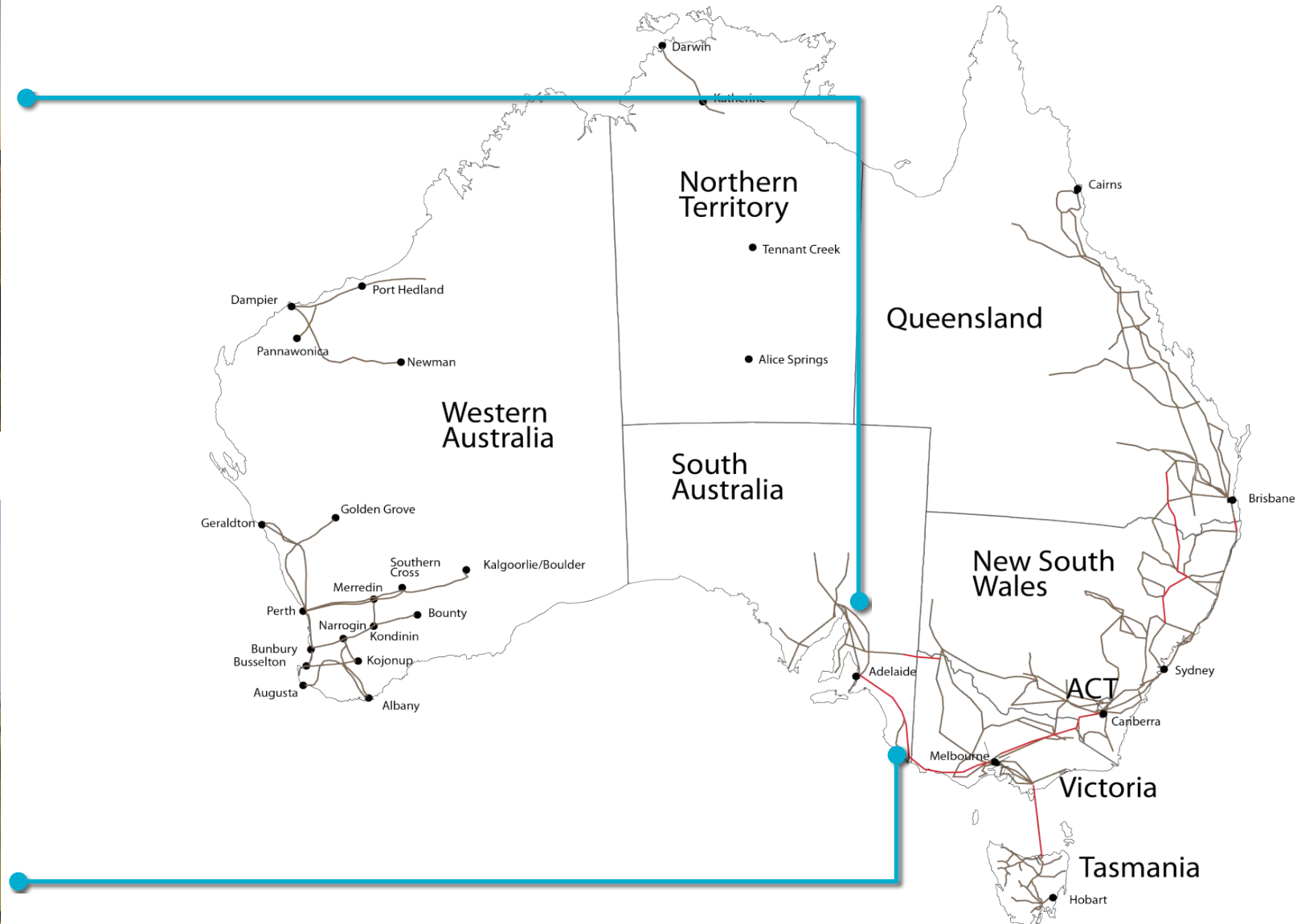


"70% of HPR's output is reserved to prevent load shedding and provide system security services." PV Magazine, Dec 5, 2018

Lake Bonney Wind Farm
278 MW + 25 MW, 52 MWh Battery



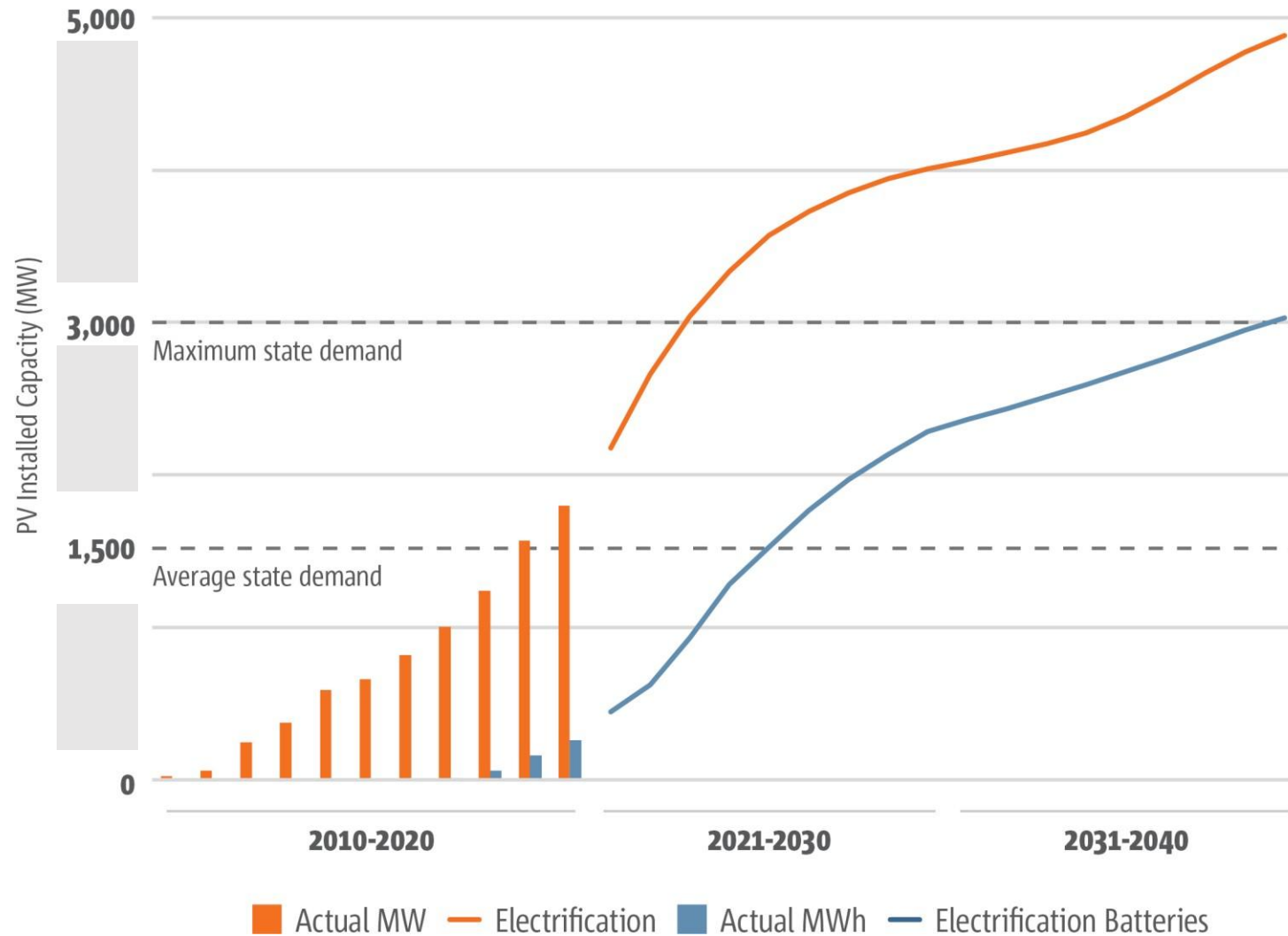
Wikipedia: "In 2020, its Frequency Control Ancillary Service (FCAS) earned \$230,000 per MWh installed."



... and also promoted grid-friendly DER!



SA Forecasts AEMO ESOO 2021



~300,000 Rooftop solar systems

>1 in 3 customers, world's highest

State's largest generator

Record growth continues

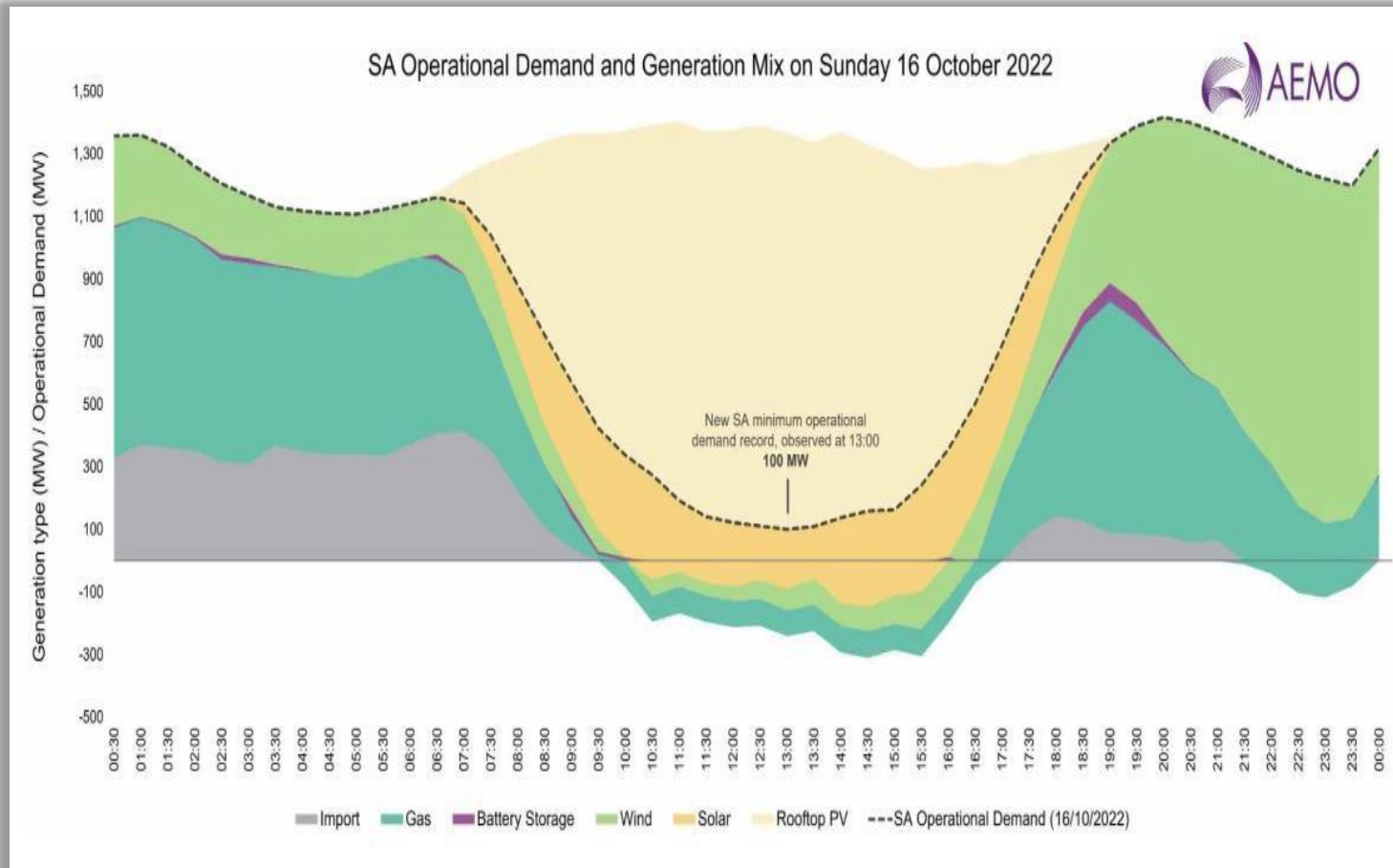


~30,000 Home batteries

9 Virtual Power Plants operating in SA

Source: SAPN

Supply flexibility is critical for security/reliability



Source: SAPN



It sure helps to have strong connections!



Source: Neoen



Source: SMA

Technology innovation has been key...

SA as a test bed for leading edge concepts



Source: ElectraNet



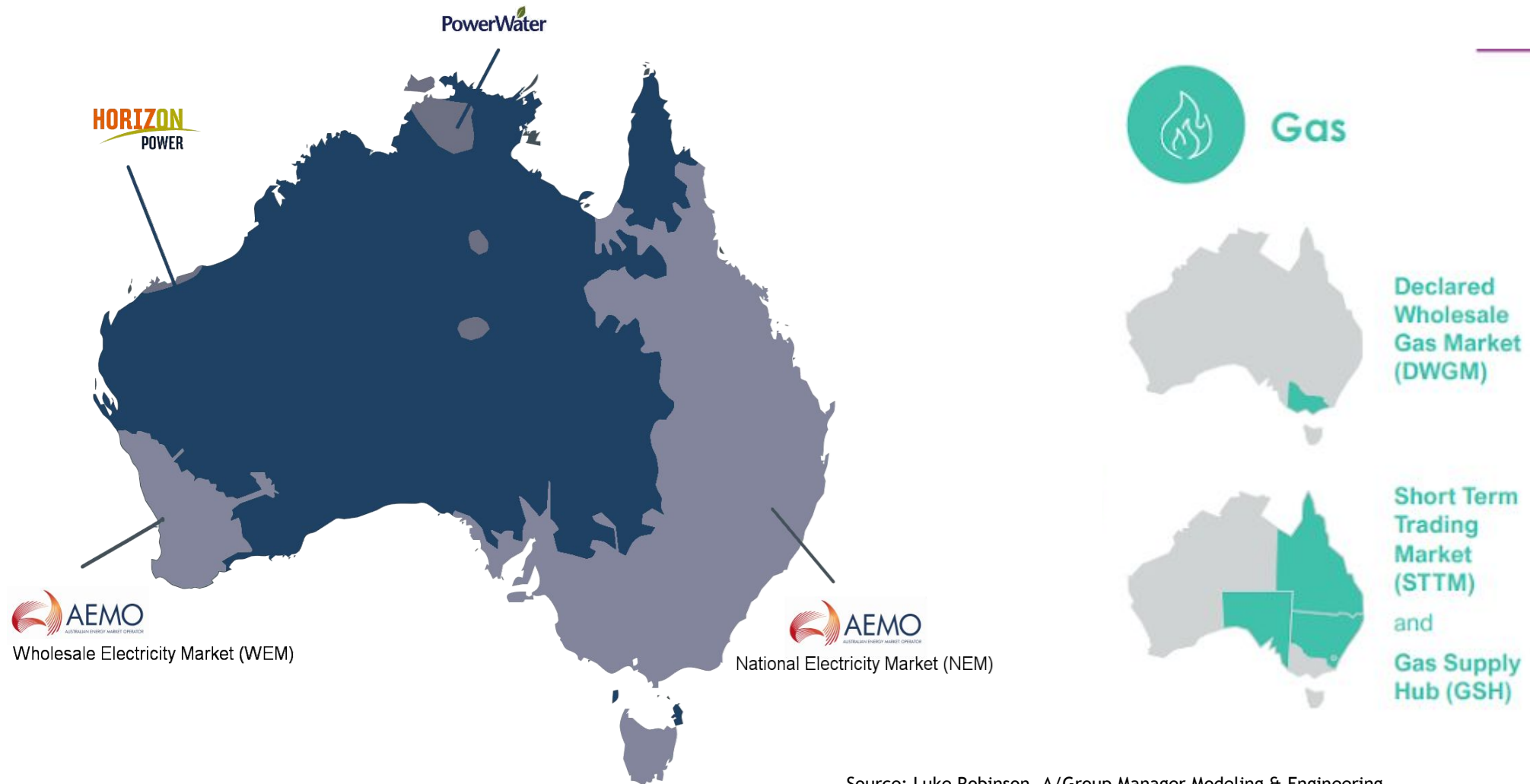
Source: Wärtsilä

- Grid scale batteries
- Home batteries & VPPs
- Synchronous condensers
- Fast gas

The institutional foundations are also critical



Decisive, well-functioning, innovation-friendly Policy, Regulatory & Market Constructs



Source: Luke Robinson. A/Group Manager Modeling & Engineering

Is RE increasing electricity costs?



It's complicated... Wholesale electricity prices are driven more by the cost of natural gas.

SA Inflation Adjusted Average Wholesale Electricity Prices
In Cents Per kWh & Percentage Of Renewable Generation



Average SA Wholesale Electricity Price In
Cents Per kWh & Gas Price In \$ Per GJ

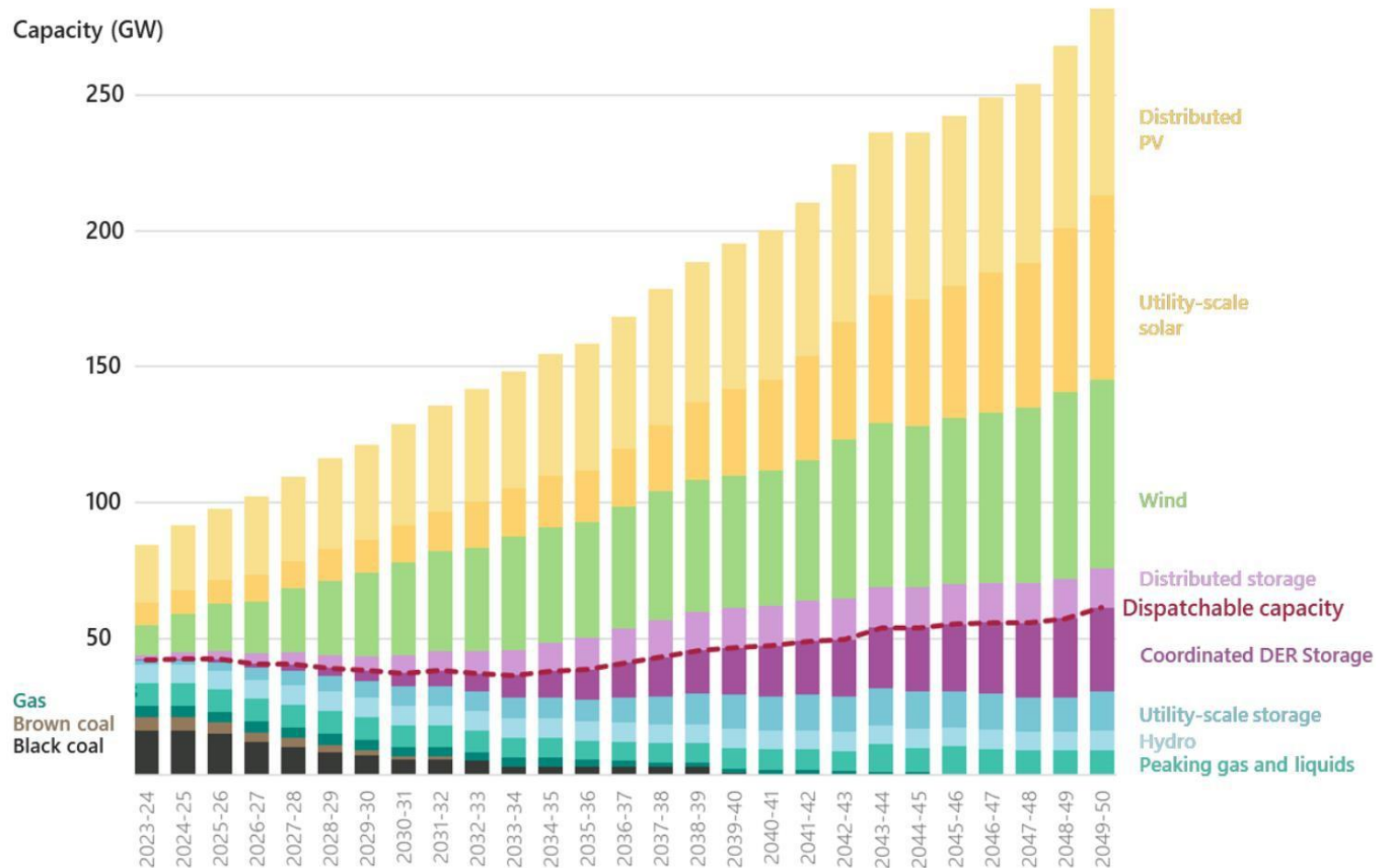


Source: <https://www.solarquotes.com.au/blog/cheap-renewables-expensive-electricity/>

What's next? More RE (mainly solar) and storage



Figure 1 Forecast NEM capacity to 2050, Step Change scenario, with transmission



AEMO ISP (2050):

- **5x** Distributed Solar
- **9x** Large Scale Solar
- **30x** Storage
- **2x** Electricity usage !

Source: IRED 2022, 9th International Conference Integration of Renewable & Distributed Energy Resources

2X electricity usage by 2050.



Primary energy Energy carriers / fuel inputs into the economy Zero carbon materials Zero carbon industries & exports

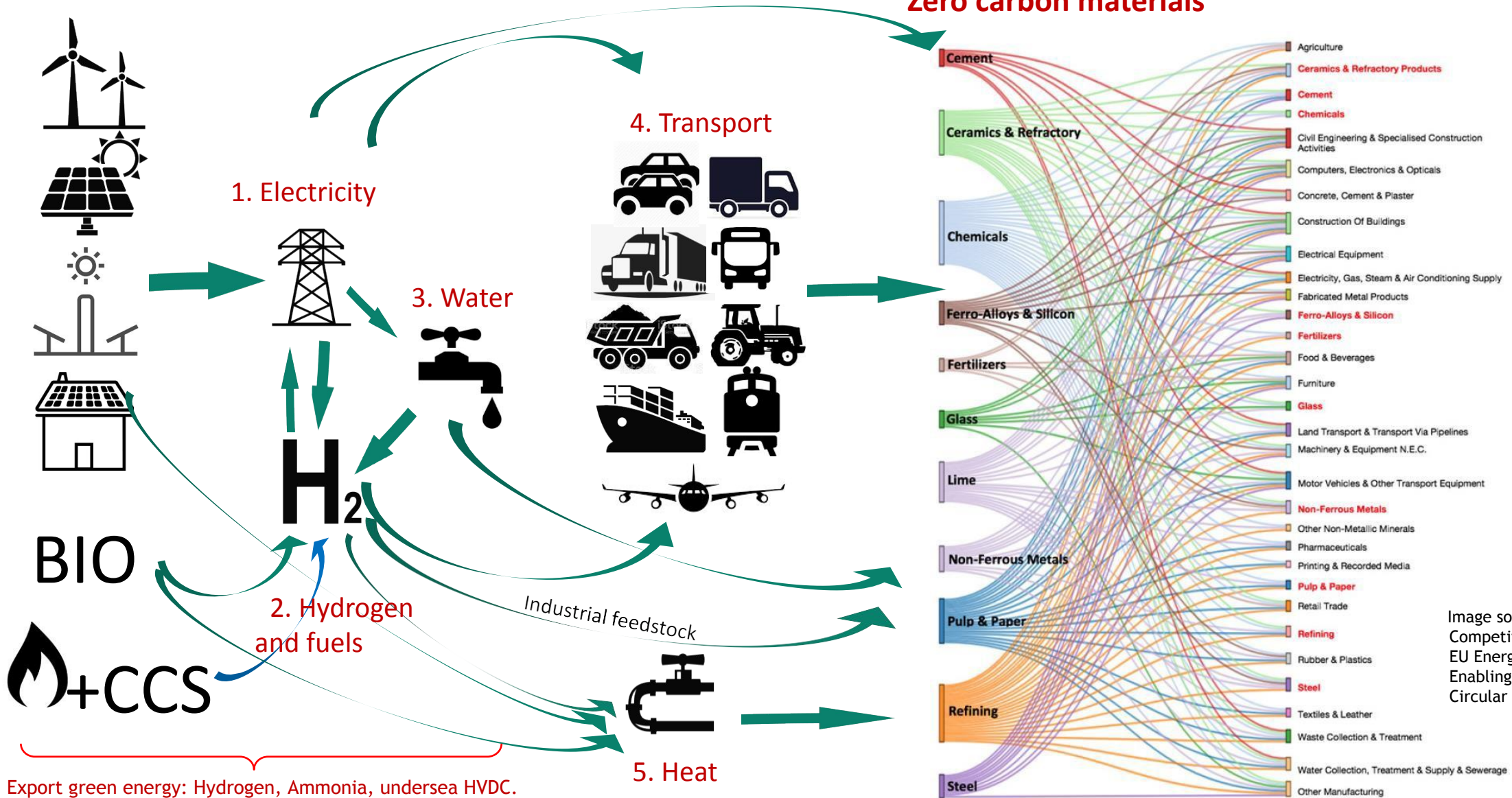


Image source: Masterplan for a Competitive Transformation of EU Energy-Intensive Industries Enabling a Climate-neutral, Circular Economy by 2050

Looking out for Consumers



“For the changes that we see as necessary to become reality, requires **a kind of grand bargain** between consumers and those who run the system.”

“Consumers care most about affordability.”

“Least cost also means unlocking the potential of the demand side.”

“Energy inclusion is essential to our energy transformation... The first thing is nobody gets left behind.”

“Delivering a transition with affordability for all requires optimizing consumer participation.”

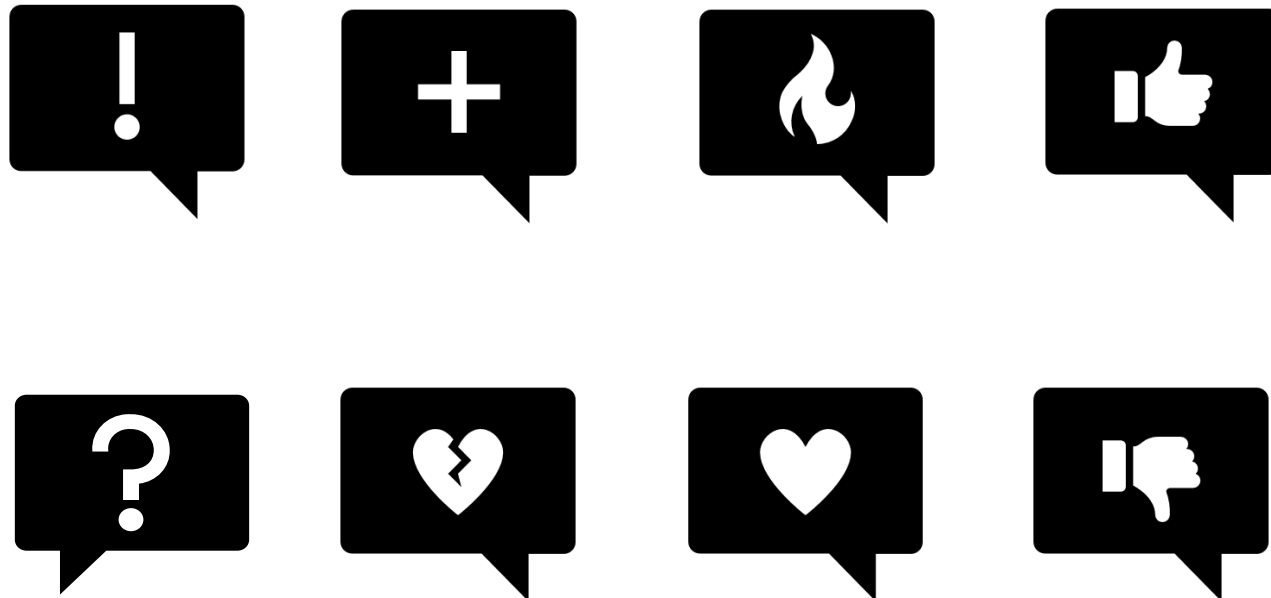
“And participation? Well, that requires trust.”

Credit: Lynn Galagher, “The Role of Consumers in the Energy Transformation”
Presentation at the IRED 2022 conference, Adelaide, Australia, October 2022





Discussion



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Exceptional service in the national interest

Opportunities for electric load growth in Alaska

Andrea Mammoli

Principal Member of the Technical Staff

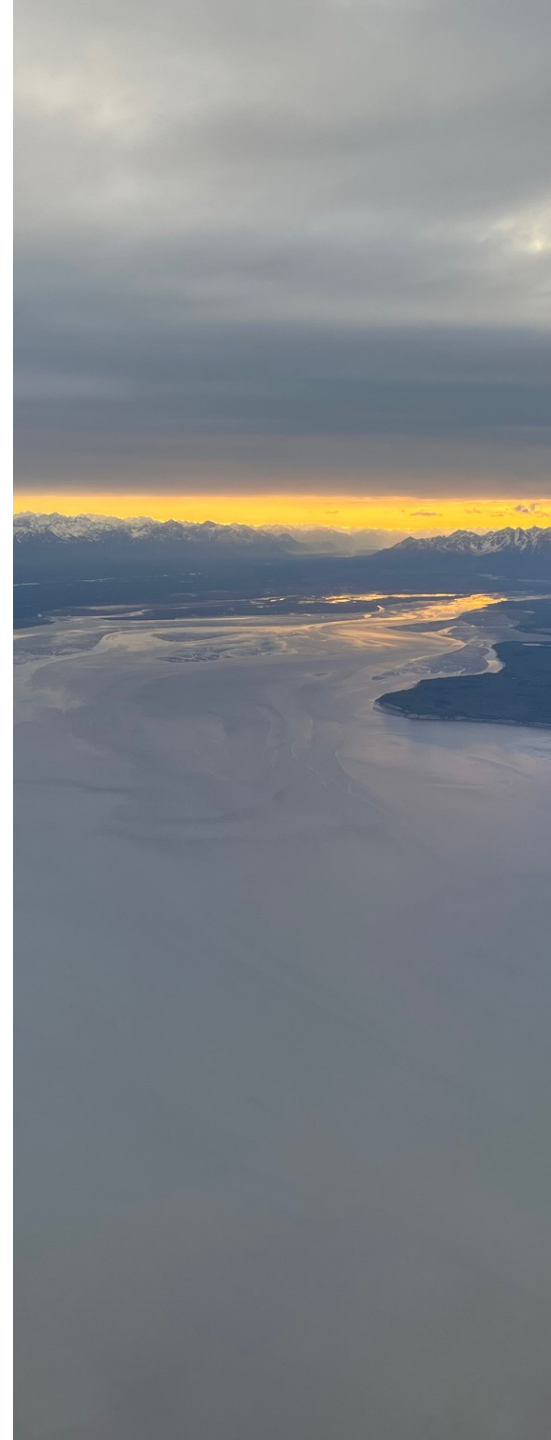
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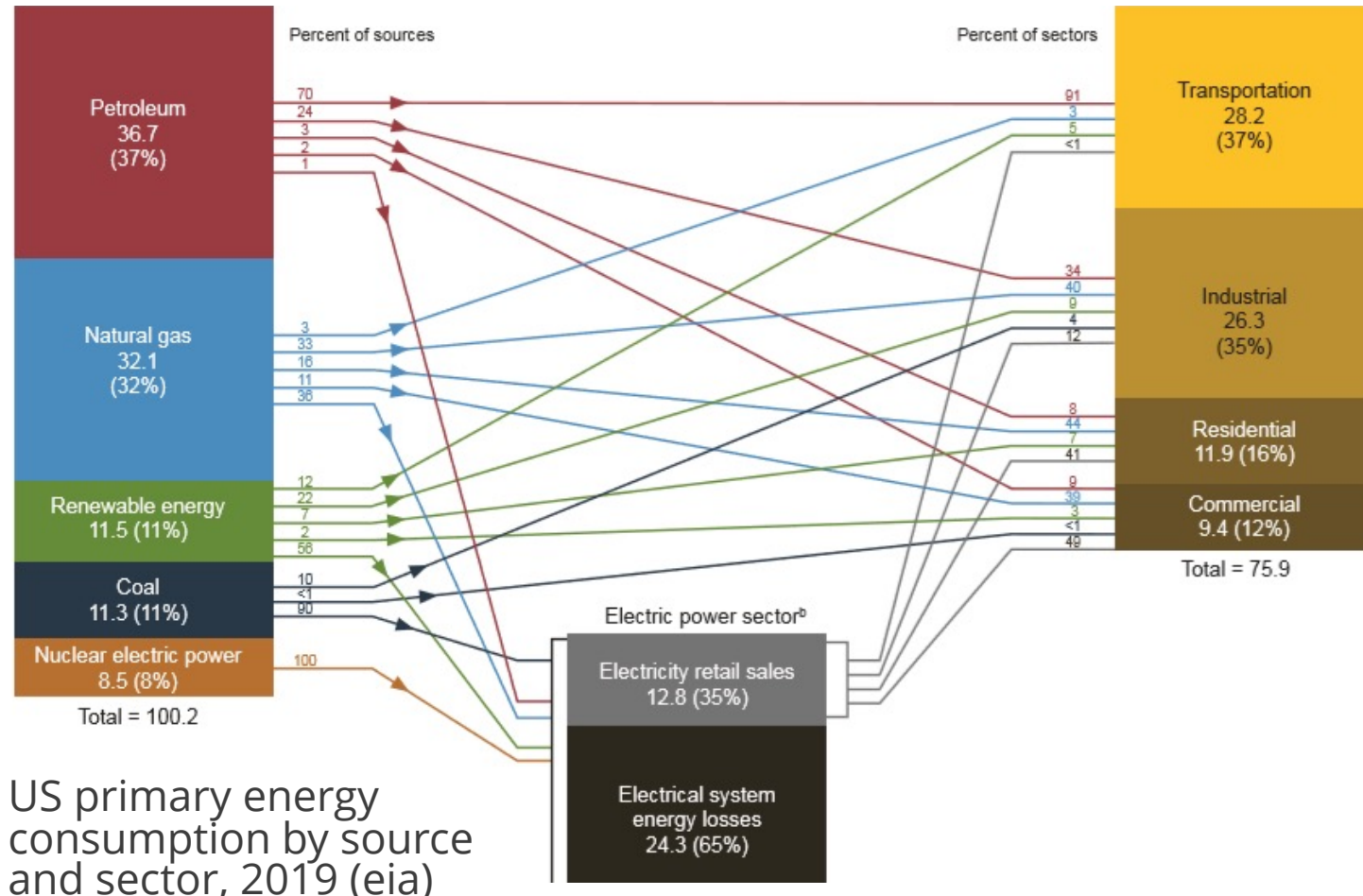
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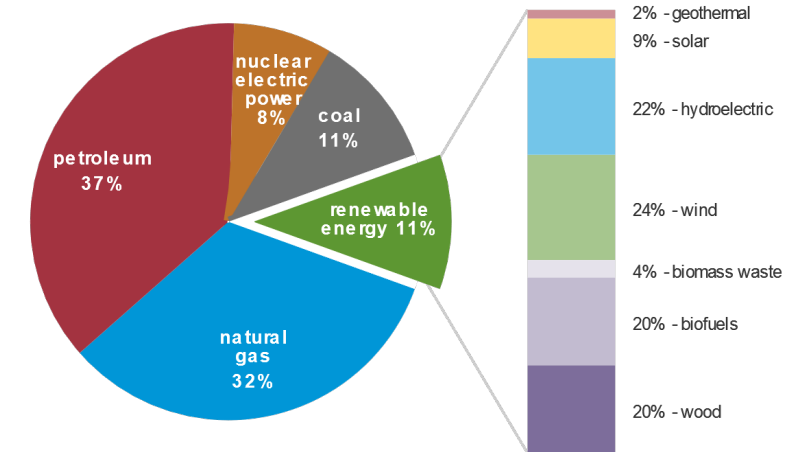
The rapidly evolving context



US primary energy consumption by source, 2019 (eia)

total = 100.2 quadrillion British thermal units (Btu)

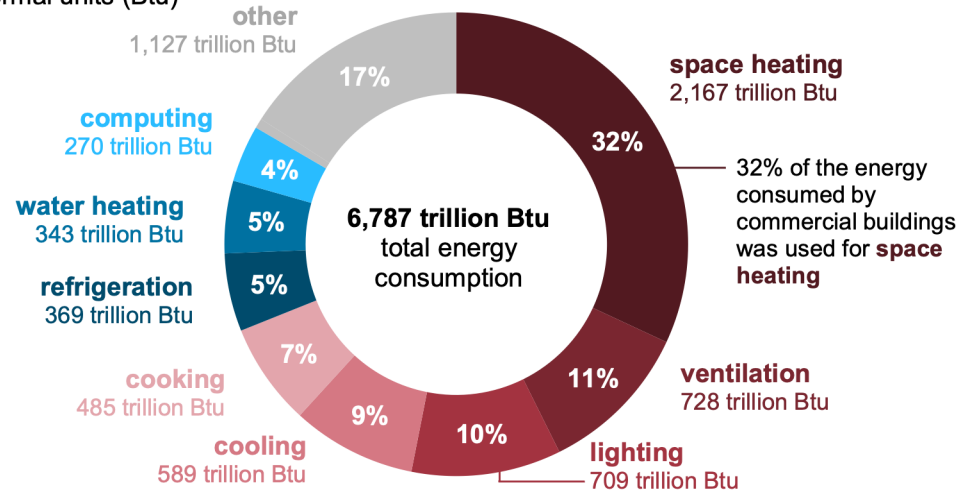
total = 11.4 quadrillion Btu



What buildings do with their energy

End uses of energy consumption by U.S. commercial buildings (2018)

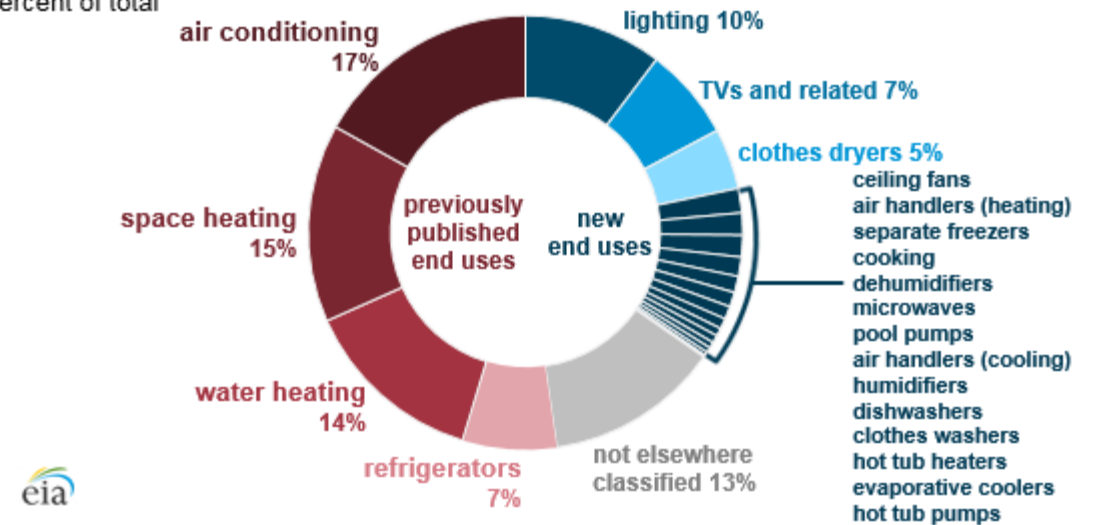
British thermal units (Btu)



Heating is the elephant in the conference room. CBECS has all the gory details.

Residential electricity consumption by end use, 2015

percent of total

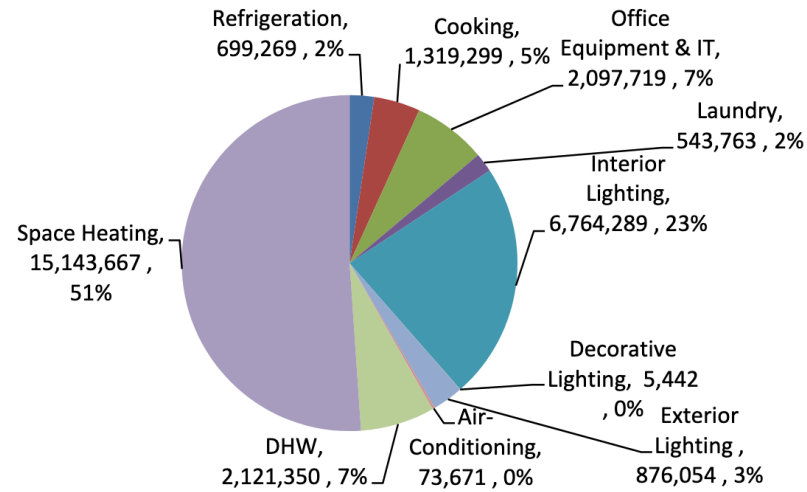


Heating stuff is the elephant in the living room too. Cooling stuff is a slightly smaller elephant. RECS has the entire story.



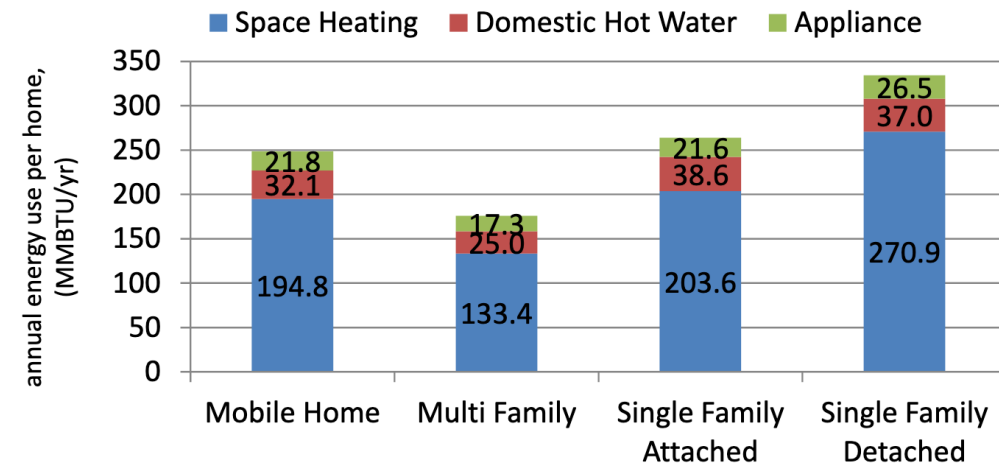
What buildings do with their energy in Alaska

Figure 34: Total non-residential energy end-use consumption in MMBTU/yr, Climate Zones 6, 7 and 8.



Space and water heating are even bigger elephants in AK conference rooms

Figure 6: Total energy use per home for major energy uses by residence type (pop wt, MMBTU)

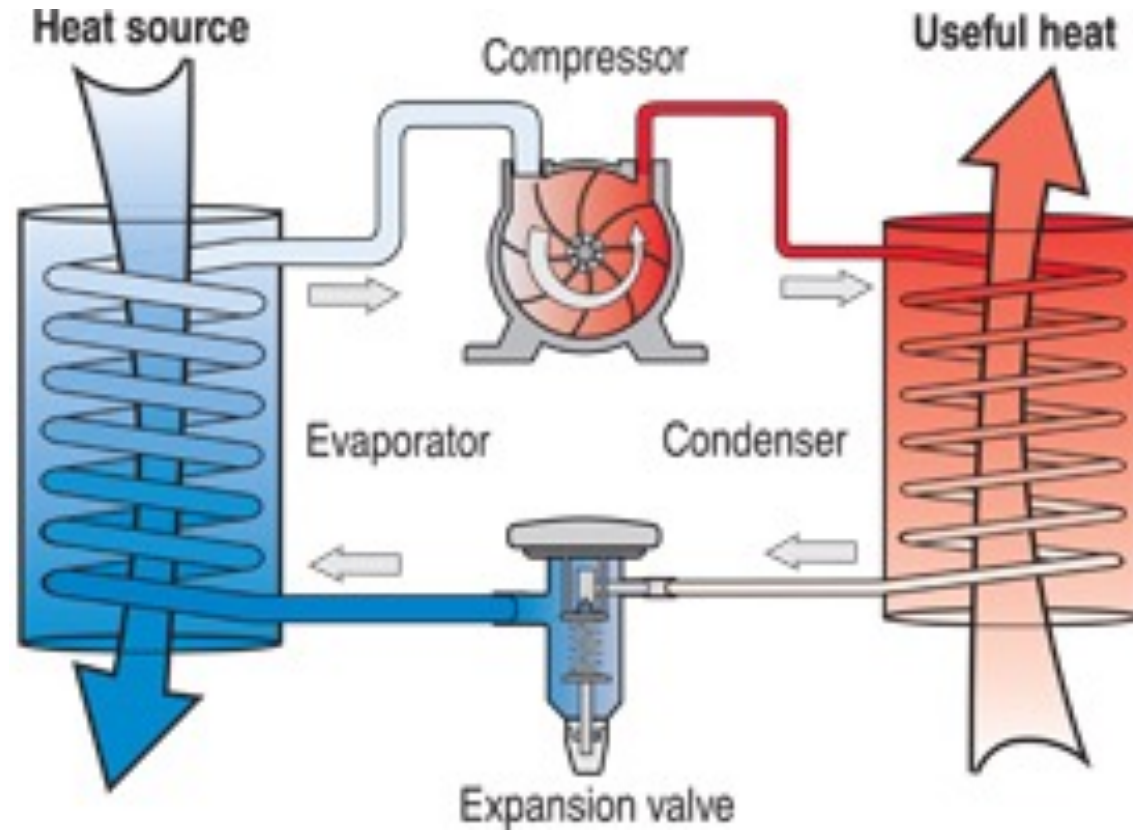


Heating space and water is *by far* the biggest Alaskan home energy user

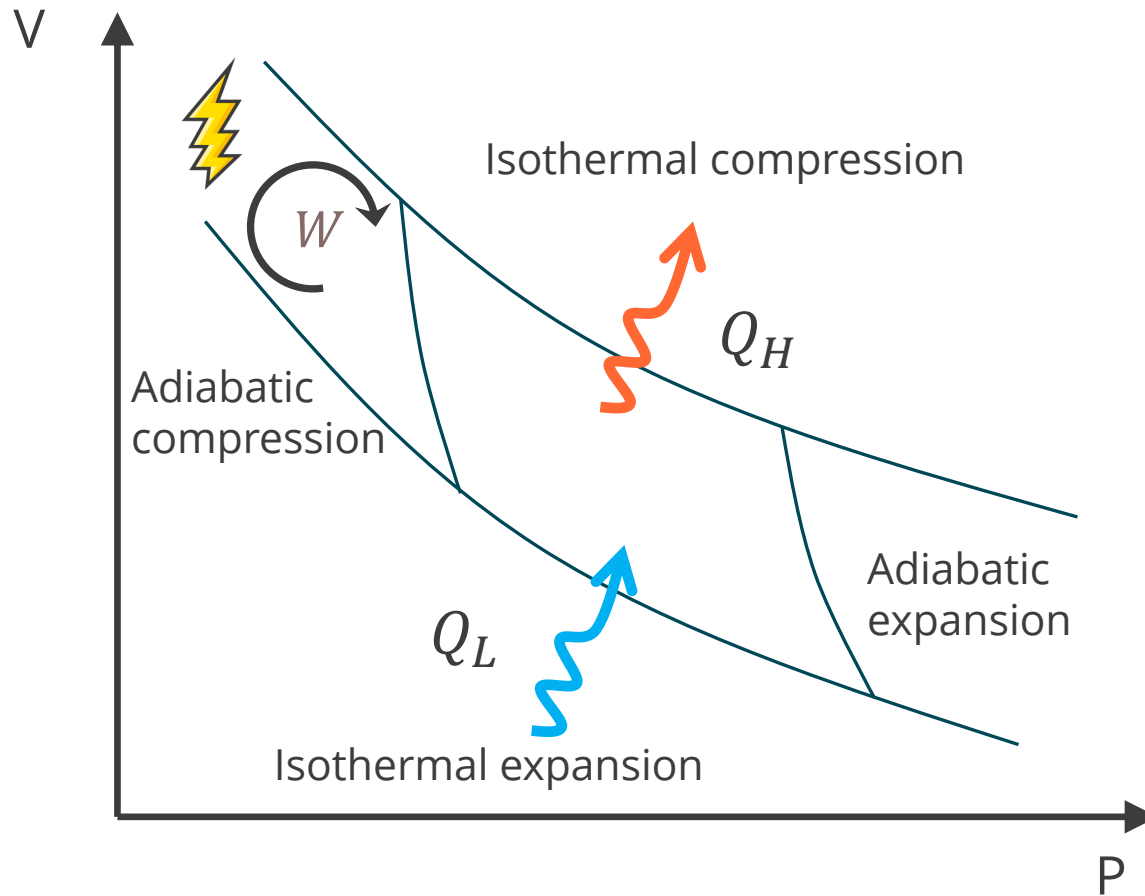


Source: Alaska Energy Authority End Use Study: 2012

Heat pumps 101



In the weeds – the Carnot efficiency



$$COP = \frac{Q_H}{W} = \frac{T_H}{T_H - T_L}$$

The COP, or Coefficient of Performance, is the ratio of amount of heat delivered to a space Q_H and the amount of work done by the compressor W , usually provided by electricity

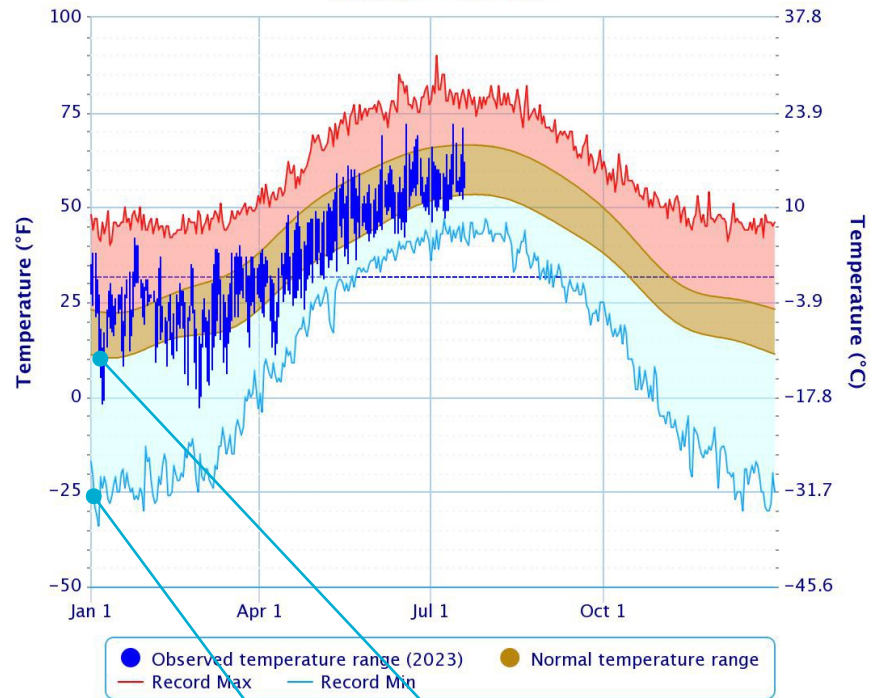
Can heat pumps work in Alaska (at least in theory)?



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Daily Temperature Data – Anchorage Area, AK (ThreadEx)

Period of Record – 1953-11-01 to 2023-07-19. Normals period: 1991-2020. Click and drag to zoom chart.

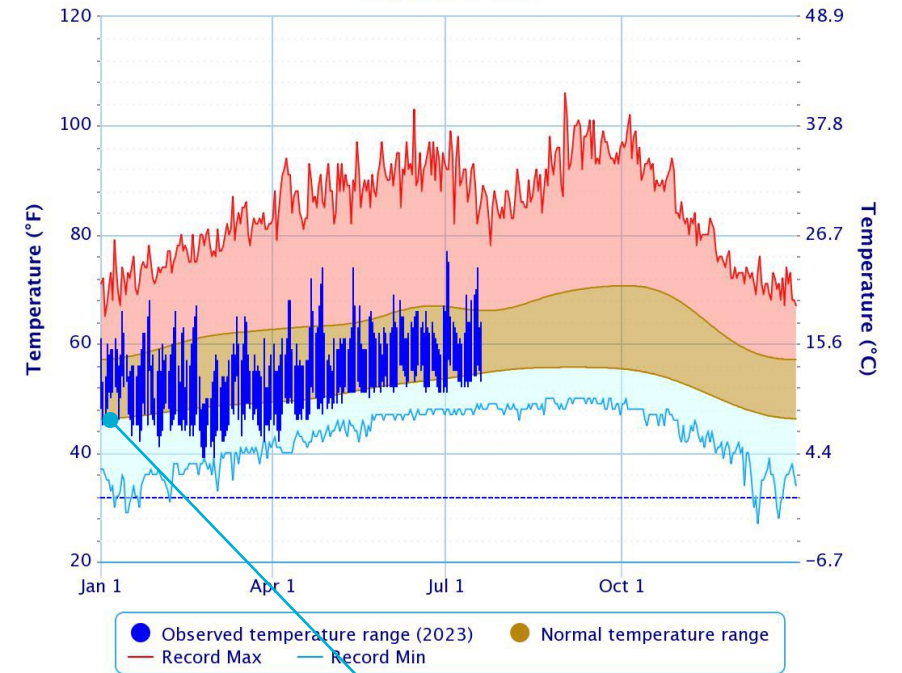


COP=8.97

COP=5.57

Daily Temperature Data – SAN FRANCISCO DOWNTOWN, CA

Period of Record – Max temperature: 1874-06-01 to 2023-07-19; Min temperature: 1875-01-01 to 2023-07-19. Normals period: 1991-2020. Click and drag to zoom chart.



COP=22.05

Note: these are ideal COPs!



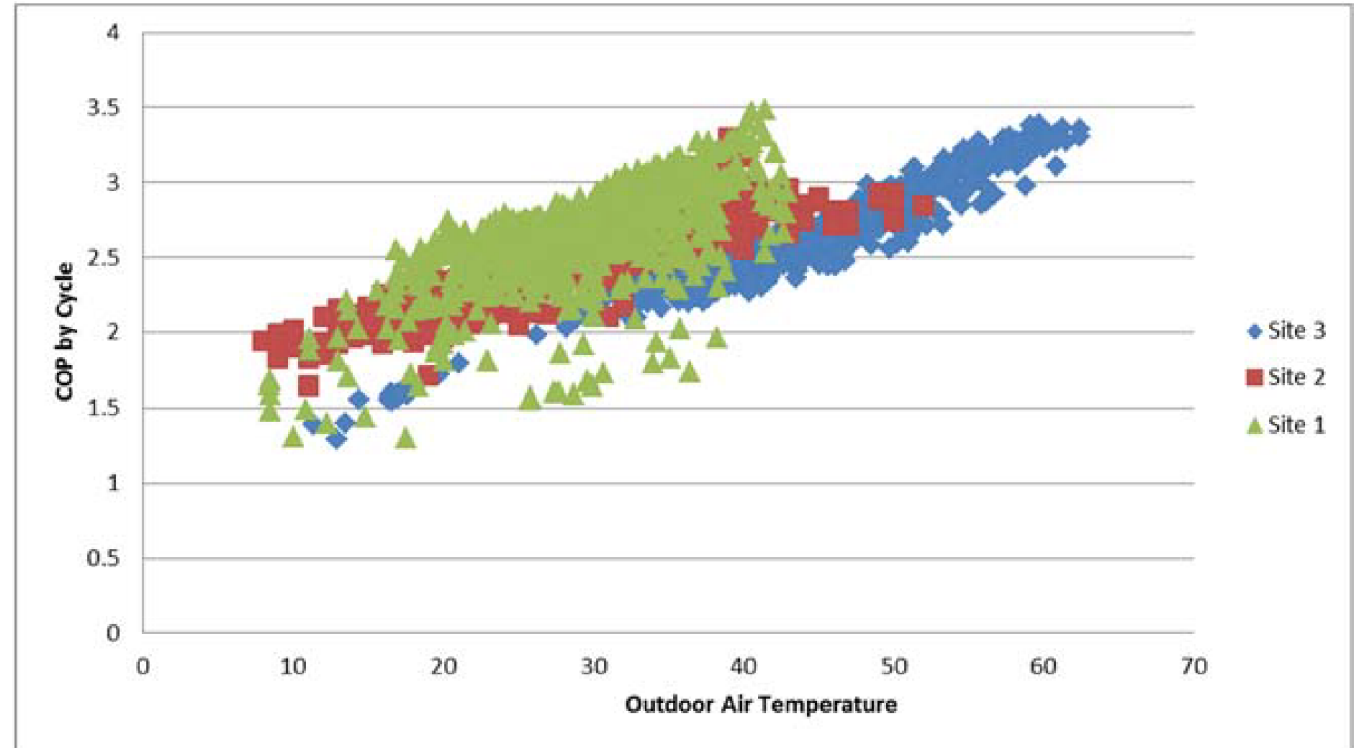
How practical heat pumps compare to ideal ones

- A Carnot heat pump operates at equilibrium – meaning it transfers no power
- Real, practical heat pumps have much lower COP because:
 - Need temperature gradient to transfer heat, hence higher T_H and lower T_L
 - Compressor not 100% efficient
 - Motor not 100% efficient
 - Fans
 - Defrost cycles
 - Etc.



“But I heard heat pumps don’t work in cold climates”

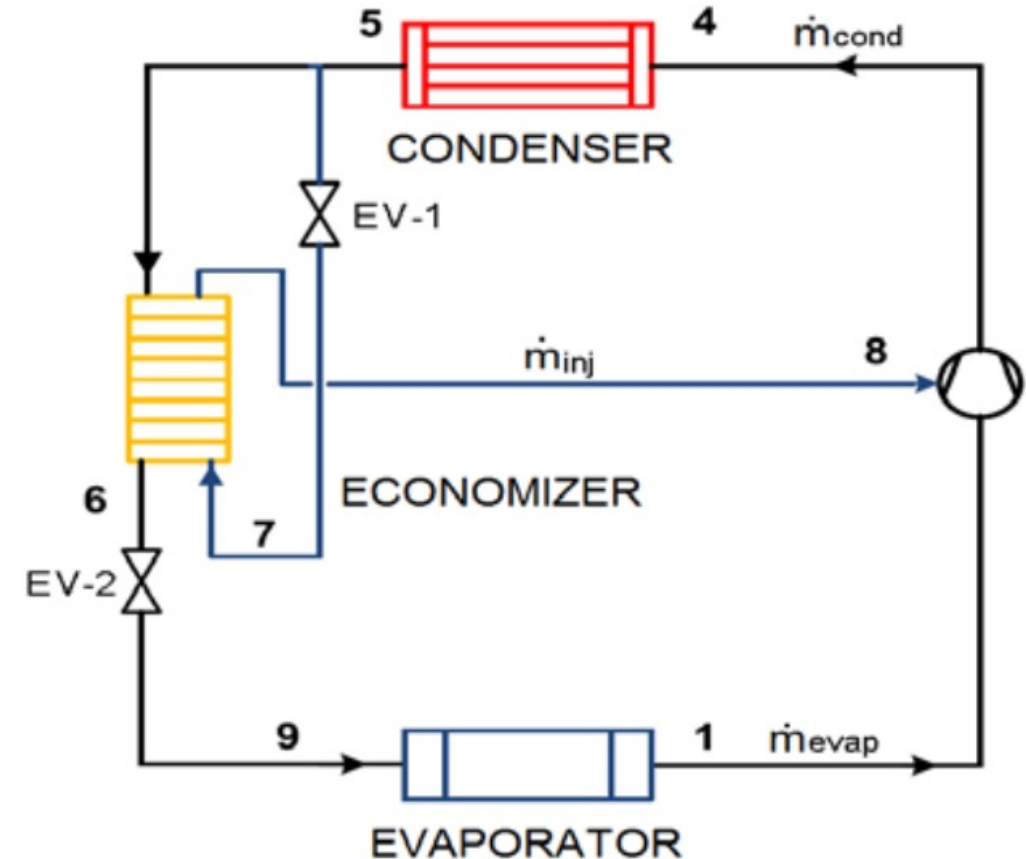
- There is some truth to this statement: the COP and capacity of a heat pump decreases as outside temperature drops
- However, recent advances have improved cold-climate performance substantially
- But are they good enough for Alaska conditions?



Schoenbauer, Ben, Nicole Kessler, David Bohac, and Marty Kushler. "Field assessment of cold climate air source heat pumps." In *ACEEE Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Buildings*. 2016.

Recent improvements in ccASHP technology

- Cold-climate Air Source Heat Pumps take advantage of:
 - Refrigerants with lower boiling point
 - Variable speed compressor
 - Vapor injection
- Modern ccASHPs can function effectively at temperatures down to 0°F



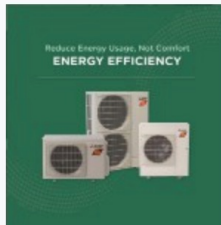
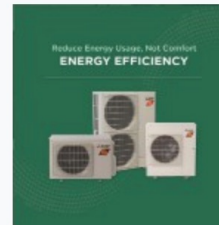
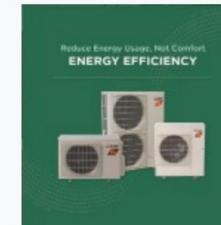
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How does an installer know what to select?



NEEP'S COLD CLIMATE AIR SOURCE

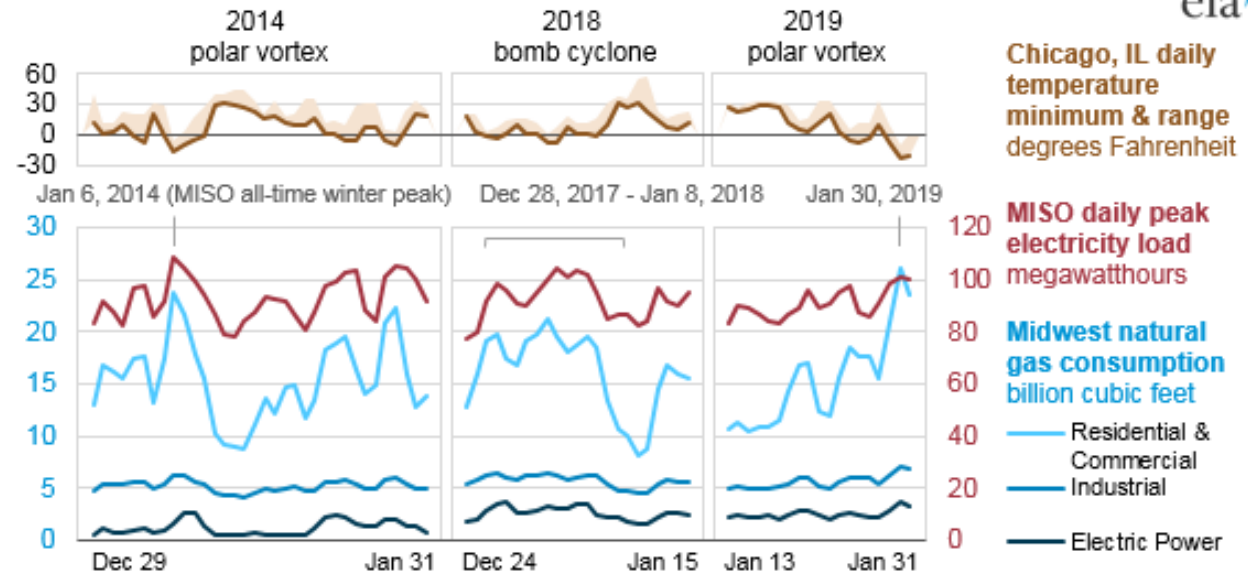
Heat Pump List

[VIEW DETAIL](#)
AHRI #: **201754461**Singlezone Ducted, Compact Ducted
Central Air Conditioning Heat Pump (HP)🔥 **14,300** Max Btu/h @5°F🔥 **29,400** Rated Btu/h @47°F❄️ **24,400** Rated Btu/h @95°FCOP @5°F: **2.33**HSPF: **10.8**Outdoor Unit Model #: **PUZ-A24NHA7*****Indoor Model #: **PEAD-A24AA***
[VIEW DETAIL](#)
AHRI #: **201754463**Singlezone Ducted, Centrally Ducted
Central Air Conditioning Heat Pump (HP)🔥 **14,500** Max Btu/h @5°F🔥 **28,000** Rated Btu/h @47°F❄️ **24,000** Rated Btu/h @95°FCOP @5°F: **2.24**HSPF: **9.3**Outdoor Unit Model #: **PUZ-A24NHA7*****Indoor Model #: **PVA-A24AA***
[VIEW DETAIL](#)
AHRI #: **201754460**Singlezone Non-Ducted, Ceiling Placement
Central Air Conditioning Heat Pump (HP)🔥 **14,900** Max Btu/h @5°F🔥 **28,000** Rated Btu/h @47°F❄️ **24,000** Rated Btu/h @95°FCOP @5°F: **2.3**HSPF: **10.8**Outdoor Unit Model #: **PUZ-A24NHA7*****Indoor Model #: **PCA-A24KA***

Potential problem with widespread HP adoption

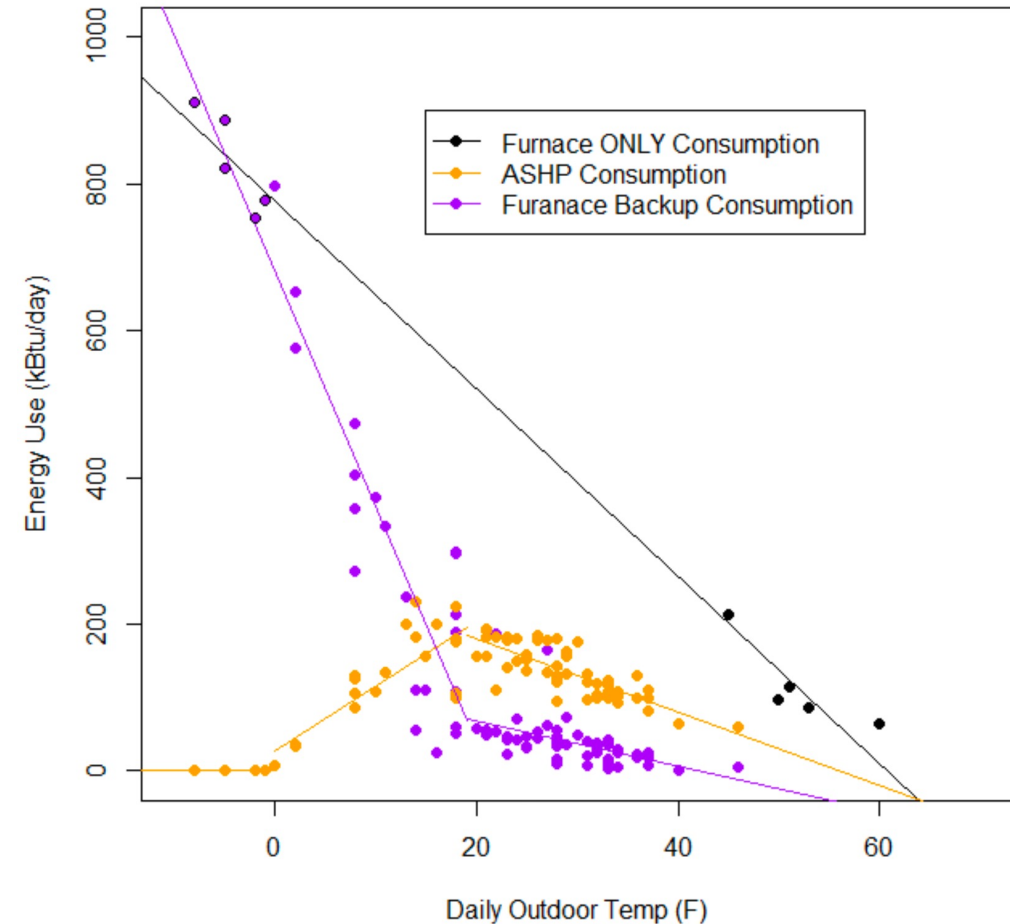
- On very cold days, ASHP may not have sufficient capacity to heat the space
- No problem, backup resistance heater comes on and provides necessary heat!
- This could place an excessive strain on the electric grid

Midcontinent ISO (MISO) region during recent cold weather events



Solution 1: dual fuel heat pumps

- Several manufacturers offer integrated gas / ccASHP system
- Existing furnace systems can be run in parallel with new ccASHP
- The transition between gas and ccASHP operation is adjusted to suit user requirements



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Solution 2: better building envelope

- Passivhaus principles:
 - Highly insulated walls
 - High-performance windows
 - Minimize thermal bridges
 - Minimize infiltration
 - heat recovery ventilation
 - Thermal storage
 - Radiant heat
- Retrofitting to passivhaus standard can be expensive
- What is a reasonable compromise?



What's wrong with this picture?

Solution 3: geothermal heat pump

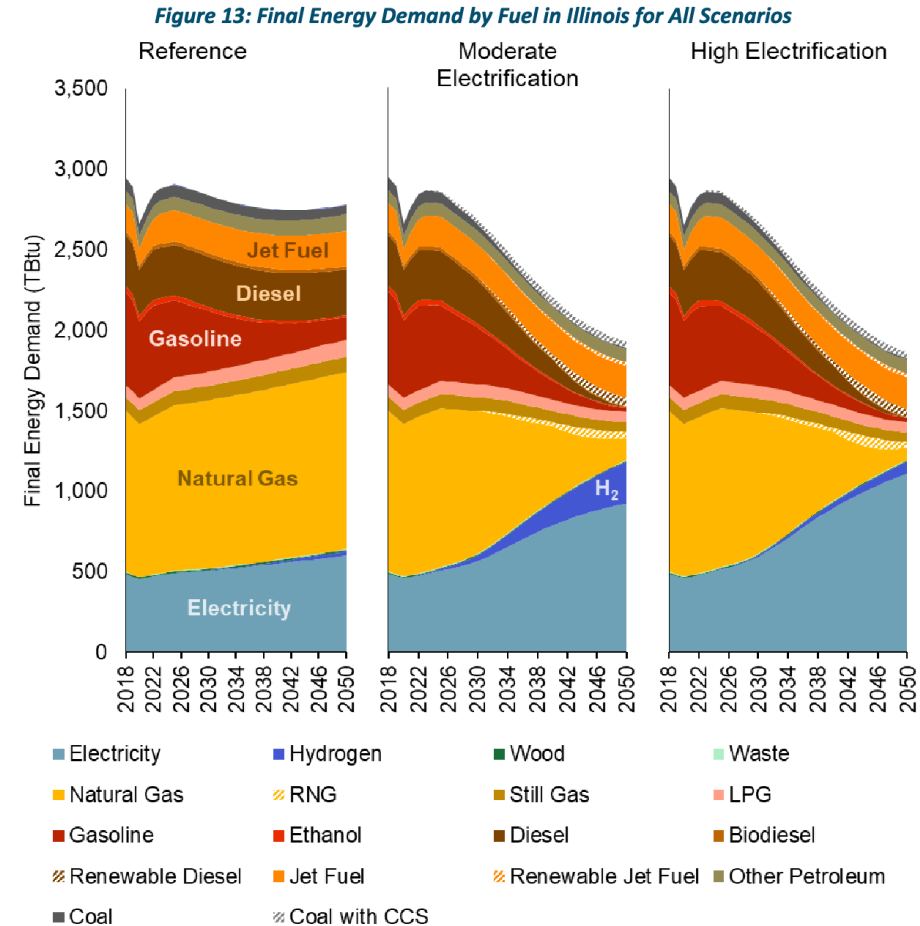
- Ground temperatures are generally constant even during cold parts of the year
- Alaska conditions are more challenging, depending on location
- Higher upfront cost are offset by energy savings in the long run
- Another option: heat exchange with ocean or other water bodies – as in the case of the Prince William Sound Science Center in Cordova, under construction now



Installation work on the ground source heat pump loop for Juneau airport, 2012

Back of the envelope calculation for heating buildings

- 1.41M metric tons of CO₂ equivalent for heating and cooking in 2020
- This corresponds to 0.512M metric tons of natural gas burned
- Assuming efficiency of 70% for a typical furnace / boiler, this corresponds to 20M GJ of heat
- Assuming an average COP of 2, this is equivalent to 2.78M MWh of electricity
- Chugach 2021 retail sales were 1.92M MWh
- Detailed study under way at ACEP



Illinois Decarbonization Study
 Climate and Equitable Jobs Act and Net Zero by
 2050, Energy+Environmental Economics 2022



What are the economics?

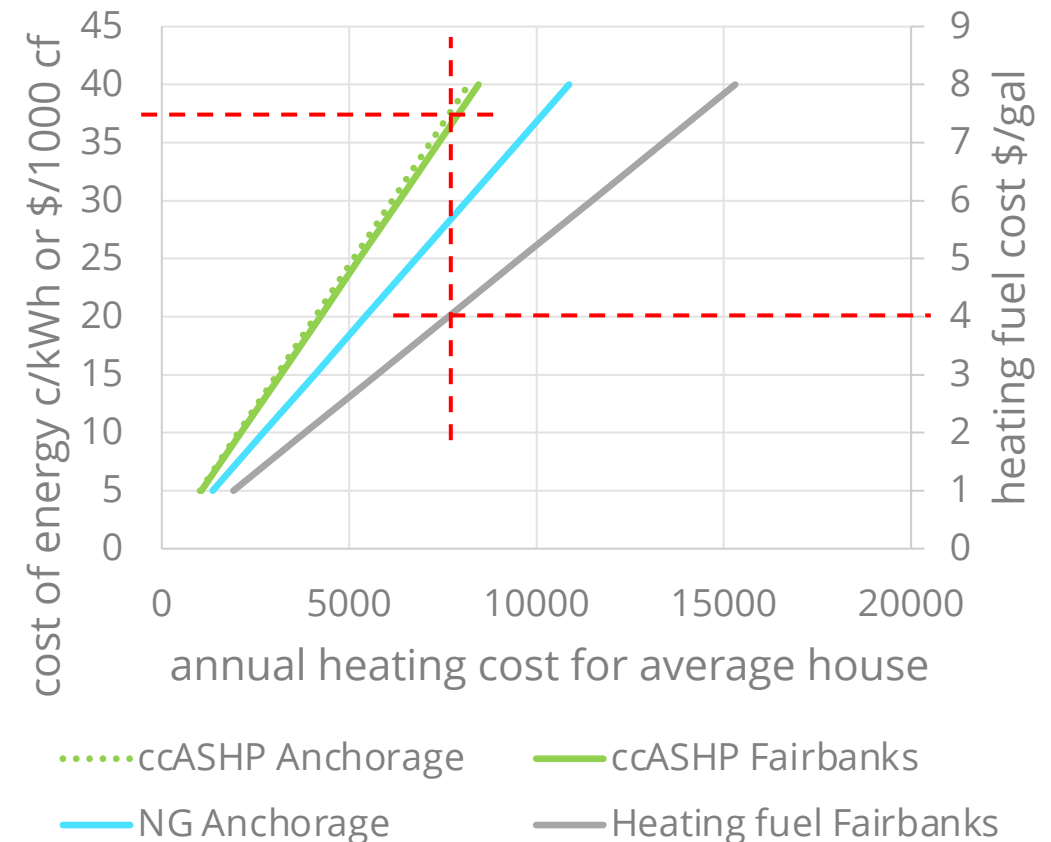
- The cost of installing a ccASHP can be from \$6k to \$35K in Alaska. There are rebates but these are capped and this is still a major investment
- The cost of retrofitting a house to Passivhaus standard can be 30% of the value of the house. For the “average” Anchorage house (median cost \$410K in 2023), this is about \$123K, not exactly pocket change, and about twice the cost of the average major remodel
- The average monthly heating cost in Alaska is \$291, with a 7-month heating season
- So, does an energy retrofit make sense? What can be done to change this?



How much does it cost to run heating?

- The COP of a heat pump changes with temperature, so the cost of a unit of heat varies throughout the cooling season
- The published Heating Seasonal Performance Factor is a measure of the "average" performance of a heat pump over a heating season and can be used to get seasonal cost
- On the other hand, NG and Heating Fuel cost per unit heat is constant

electric ccASHP vs. fossil fuels cost comparison



Recap so far

- Buildings use about 40% of total primary energy production in the US, but 17% in Alaska, due to large industrial energy consumption. However, 77% of all electricity sales go to commercial and residential buildings.
- Heating is the largest residential energy user in Alaska, between 76% and 83%
- Heating is also the largest commercial building energy user in Alaska, at 58% for space and water heating combined
- Most of the heat is from burning fuels, so there is an opportunity for decarbonizing heating – but how?
- Much of the decarbonization could be in the form of heat pumps
- Cold climate heat pumps have improved substantially in recent years
- The Alaska climate still poses challenges, but solutions exist
- Deep electrification of building heating could produce almost 150% electric load growth in Anchorage



Electrification of the chemicals industry

- The chemicals industry is responsible for 37% of all industrial emissions in the US (EPA 2021)
- Petrochemicals are organic chemicals made primarily using oil, gas and coal
- Petrochemicals are used in a wide variety of consumer products ranging from pharmaceuticals to shampoo to plastic bottles
- There is vast potential to shift the source of carbon from fossil to CO₂ contained in flue gases or even the atmosphere

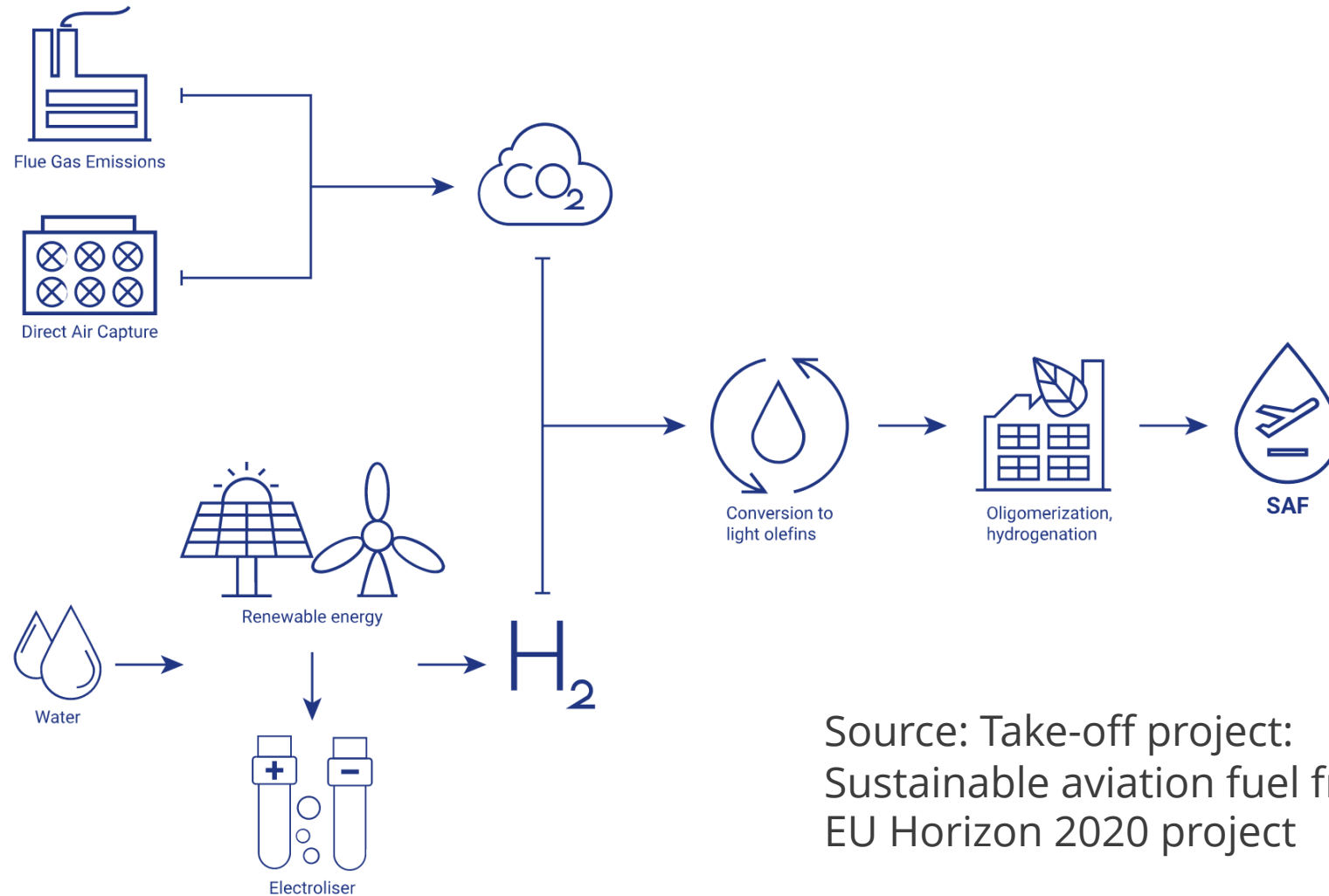


Sustainable aviation fuel



- Aviation is developing drop-in solutions for existing fleet and infrastructure
- Feedstocks:
 - Waste oil / fats
 - Municipal waste
 - Non-food biomass
 - Synthetic route via DAC and H₂
- SAF is carbon neutral because carbon released in combustion is derived from carbon absorbed from atmosphere
- But – currently only 0.1% of total fuel used in aviation industry is SAF (IEA)
- ANC uses almost 2M gal of jet fuel per day!

One route to production at scale



Source: Take-off project:
Sustainable aviation fuel from CO₂.
EU Horizon 2020 project

How far are we from chemicals by electrolysis?

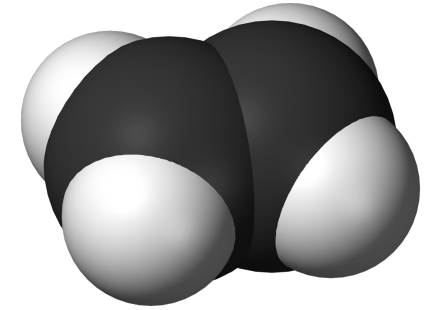
- 175 million tons of ethylene are produced per year* (this is one of the highest production chemicals)
- All the renewable energy produced in 2022 (8,500TWh) would not be enough to electrify ethylene production alone (energy need estimated at ~12,000TWh*)
- Is this good news or bad news?

* Source: Xia, Rong, Sean Overa, and Feng Jiao.
"Emerging electrochemical processes to decarbonize the chemical industry." *JACS Au* 2, no. 5 (2022): 1054-1070.

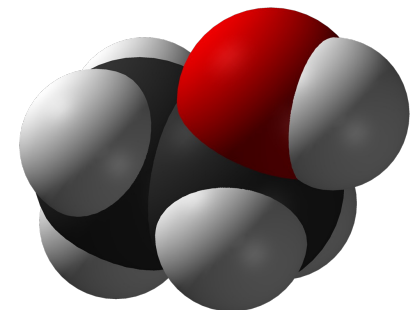


Emerging trends

- Electrification of the production of high-carbon-footprint commodity chemicals such as ammonia, nitric acid, ethylene, urea is key to meeting emissions goals
- Production of commodity chemicals by electrolysis to date has not been adopted due to high cost of electricity and lack of technology to allow production at scale
- The cost of renewable electricity, particularly solar PV, continues to drop, from an average of 5c/kWh today to a target of 2c/kWh in 2030 (DOE)
- Rapid progress is being made on suitable catalysts / reactors
- The global petrochemicals market is projected to grow from \$582.4 billion in 2021 to \$888.3 billion in 2028 (Fortune Business Insights 2022)
- Ammonia and other nitrogen compounds hold similar potential



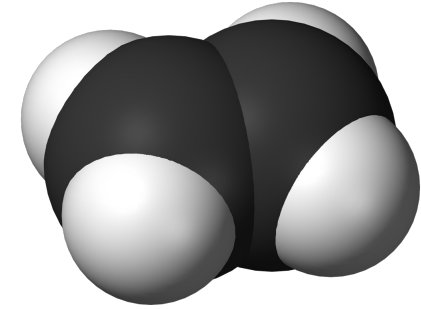
Ethylene molecule



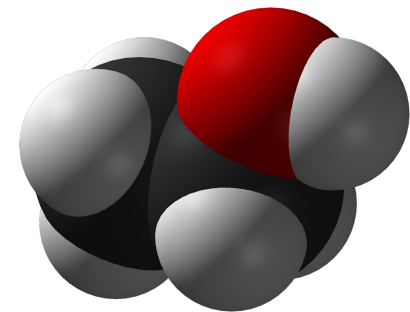
Ethanol molecule

Opportunities for Alaska

- Massive increase in solar, wind, hydro (and nuclear?) generation needed to meet decarbonization targets
- There is potential for large curtailment of solar or wind during certain parts of the year
- Curtailed energy can be absorbed by synthetic fuels or chemicals manufacturing
- Modular, non-steady-state production routes are also being investigated by many
- Hydro power can also play a major role
- Fills a need for aviation and maritime transportation
- TEA needed to establish economic viability of a new type of seasonal industry



Ethylene molecule



Ethanol molecule




Questions?



Insights into the Icelandic Energy Market

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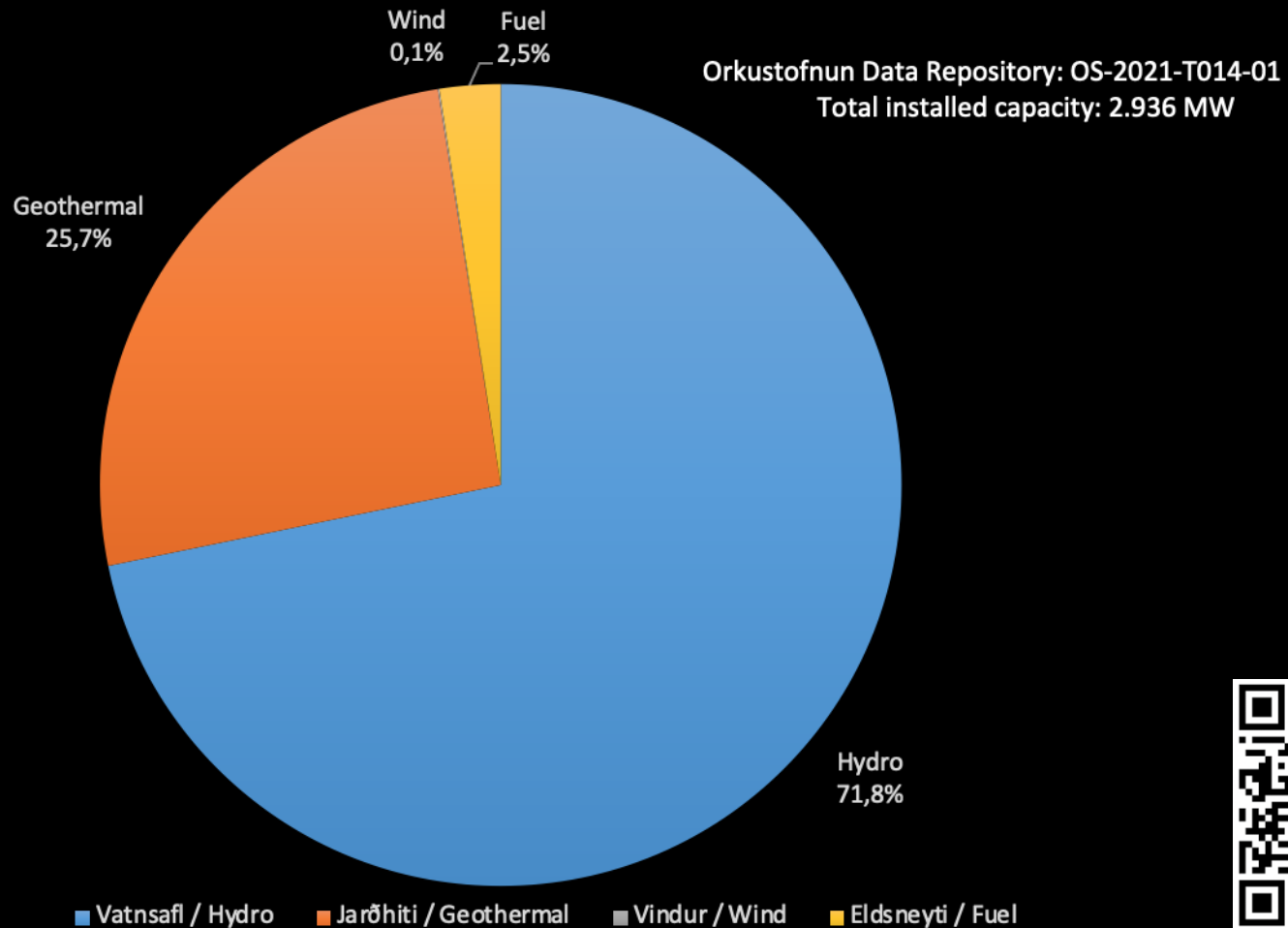


Welcome to the land of renewable energy

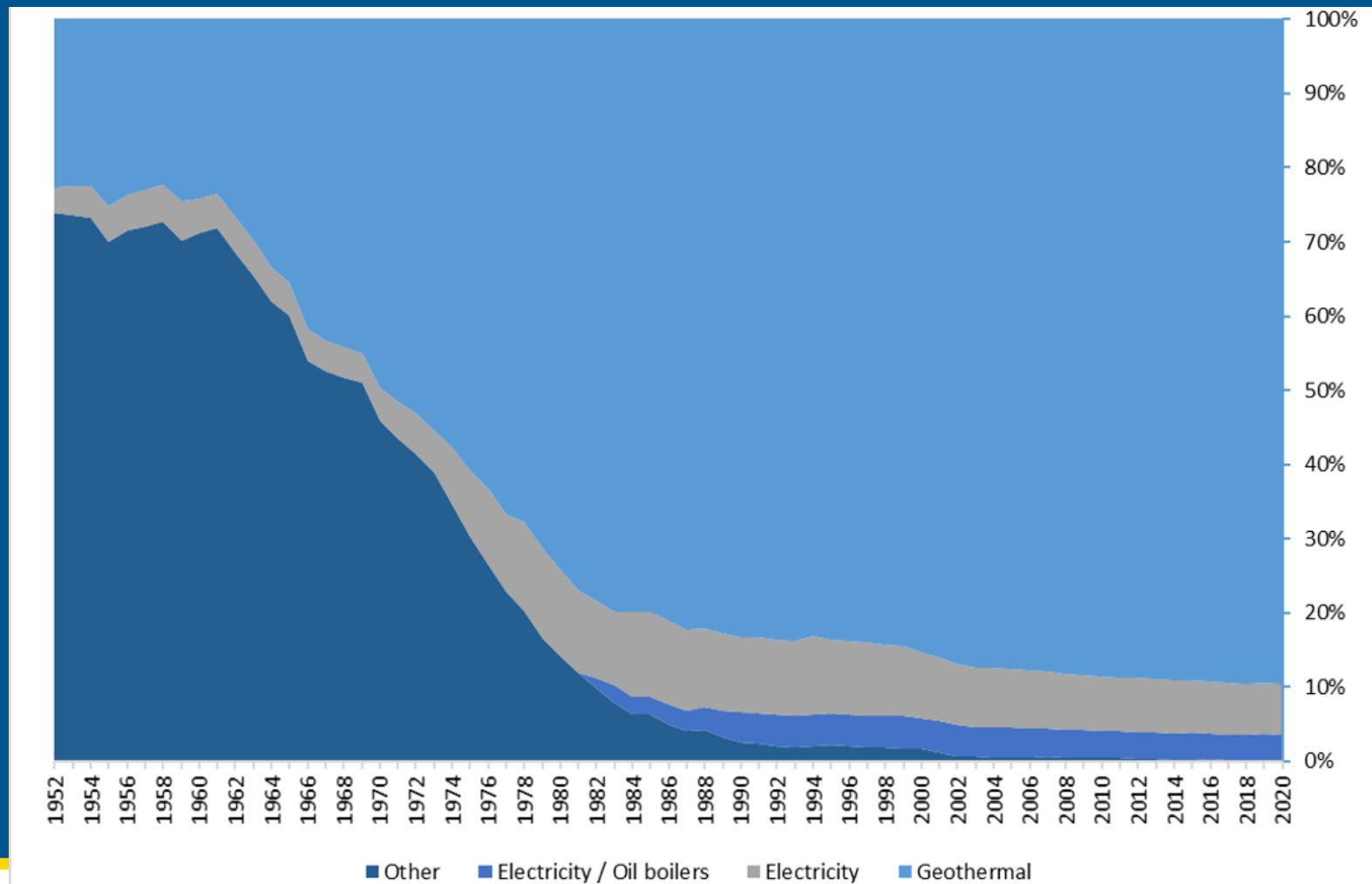


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Installed Capacity by Source (2020)



Space Heating by Energy Source – Iceland 1952-2020



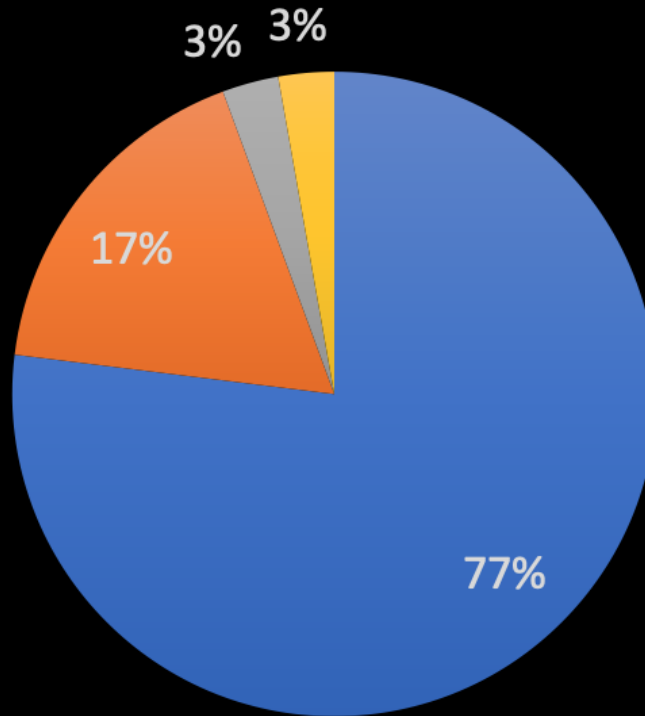




Iceland Electricity Sales/Production

Iceland Total Production 19.8 GWh
Population = 372,000

Alaska Statewide 6.5 GWh
Population = 732,000



■ Heavy industry ■ Public sector ■ Unsecured energy ■ Losses



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Ring Grid/Railbelt Grid Comparison

	Installed capacity	Annual sales	Length	Per capita sales
	[MW]	[GWh]	miles	[MWh/capita]
Railbelt Grid	2,000	4,400	~650	845 MWh/capita
Ring Grid	2,900	19,100	~2000	51.6 MWh/capita



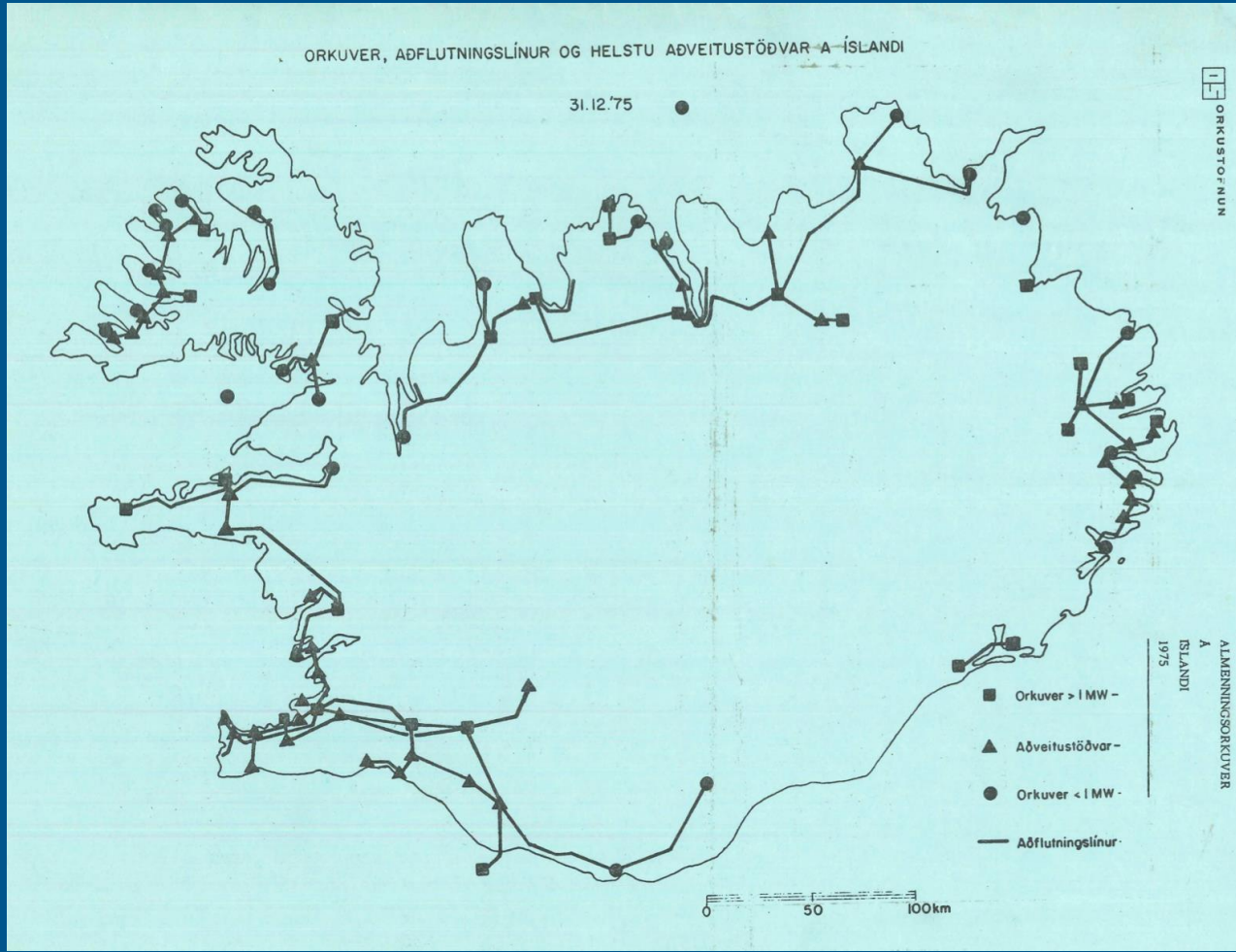
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On a per capita basis, Iceland produces and sells 6 times more electricity than the Railbelt grid

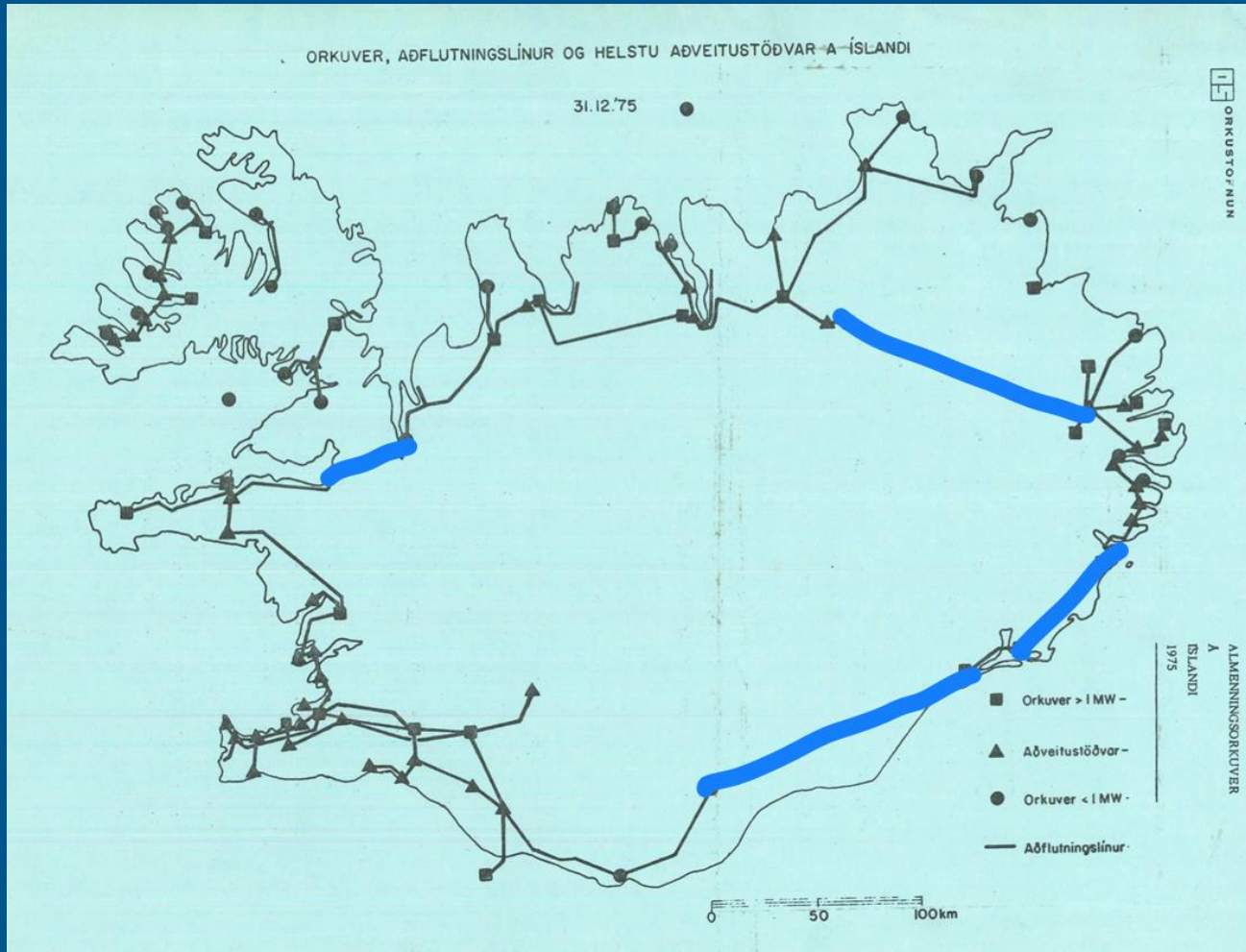


“Closing the Gap”



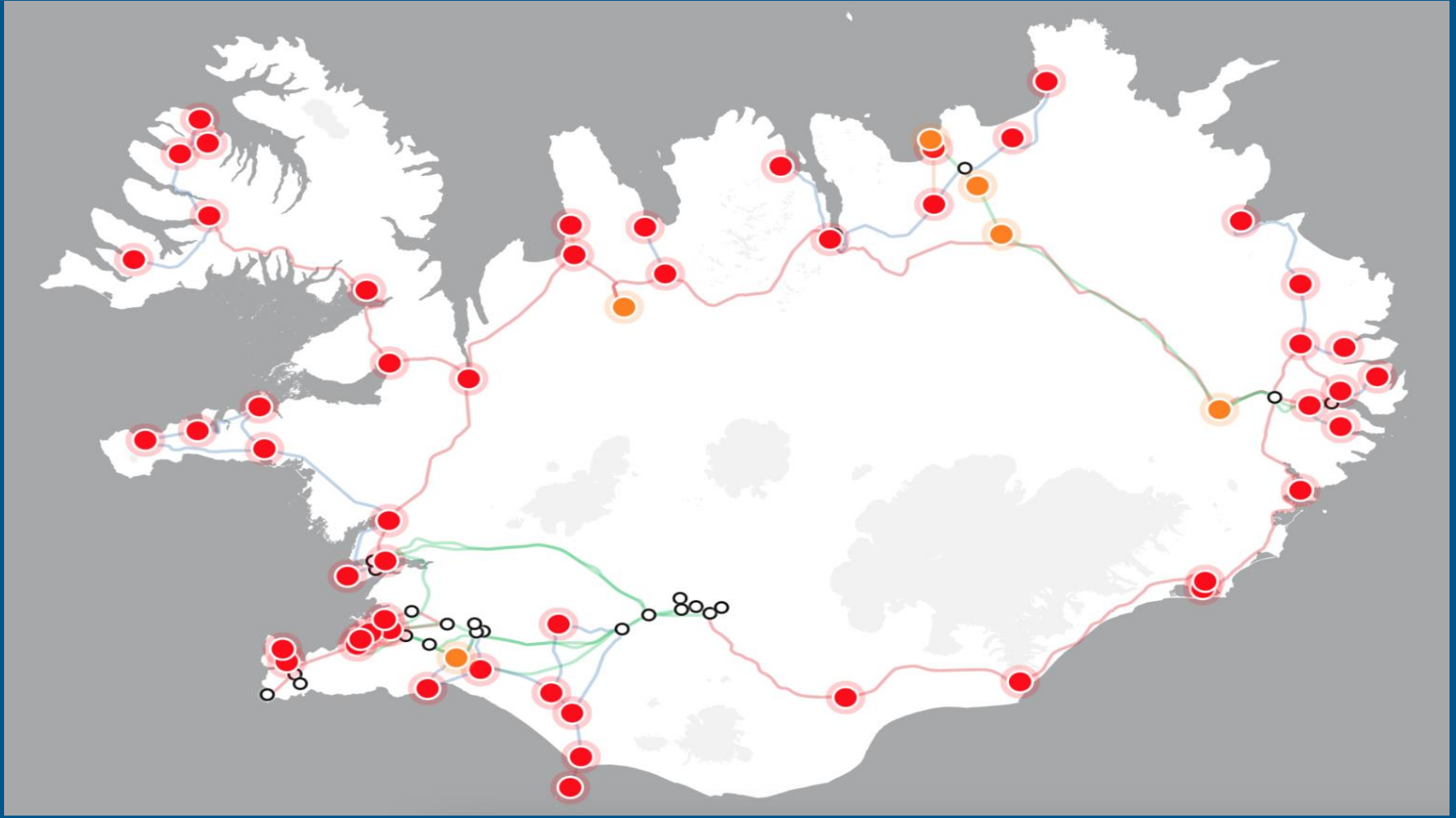
Iceland circa 1975 had 4 independent non-interconnected generation “regions”

“Closing the Gap”



Transmission
interconnections
completed in 1984

TSO Grid and Generation Stations (2023)



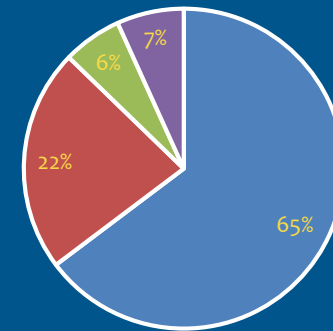
Unbundling G&T Assets

Required by EU Policy – 3 stages over a decade



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Landsnet shareholders 2007











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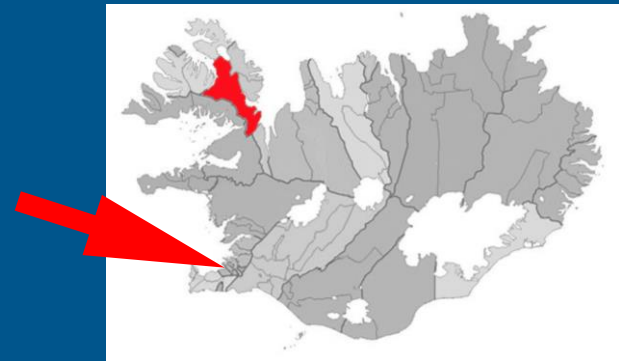
Transmission assets primarily owned by Icelandic state (through Landsnet);

maintains generation and distribution ownership diversity

Consumer Energy Price Structure (Iceland)

		Energy price (general)	Energy price (general)	Energy price (heating)	Energy price (heating)	Heating discount
		kr/kWh	cents/kWh	kr/kWh	cents/kWh	%
	Straumlind	6,98	4,99	6,25	4,46	10,5%
	N1 Rafmagn	6,98	4,99	6,25	4,46	10,5%
	Orkubú Vestfjarða	7,50	5,36	6,72	4,80	10,4%
	Orka Heimilanna	7,30	5,21	6,54	4,67	10,4%
	Fallorka	8,67	6,19	7,56	5,40	12,8%
	Orkusalan	9,16	6,54	7,68	5,49	16,2%
	HS Orka	9,24	6,60	7,79	5,56	15,7%
	Orka náttúrunnar	9,18	6,56	8,04	5,74	12,4%

Consumer Pricing – bottom line



		Example 1	Example 2
Energy unit price	cent/kWh	4,02	4,02
VAT		0,97	0,97
Total	cent/kWh	4,99	4,99
Wheeling cost	cent/kWh	10,78	4,66
Equalizing fee	cent/kWh	0,29	0,29
Gov. subsidy	cent/kWh	-3,93	
VAT		1,71	1,19
Total	cent/kWh	8,86	6,14
Total cost	cent/kWh	13,84	11,12
	ISK/kWh	19,38	15,57

Example 1 =
rural area;
Example 2 =
urban area



Electrical prices: Industrial Customer



Small commercial example: Construction company;
150-200 MWh annual sales

Electricity bill brake down

Usage	Qty	Unit	Unit price	Unit	Total (USD)	VAT	Total w. VAT (USD)
Energy (general)	14.114	kWh	4,99	cent/kWh	704,79	24%	873,94
Total usage	14.114	kWh			704,79		873,94

Transmission

Usage	Qty	Unit	Unit price	Unit	Total (USD)	VAT	Total w. VAT (USD)
Connection fee (general)	31	Days	2,32	USD/day	71,93	24%	89,20
Transmission (general)	14.114	kWh	4,51	cent/kWh	636,14	24%	788,81
Equalizing fee	14.114	kWh	0,29	cent/kWh	41,33	24%	51,25
Total usage					749,41		929,26

To be paid per month (USD)	1.803,21
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Average price (cent/kWh)	12,78
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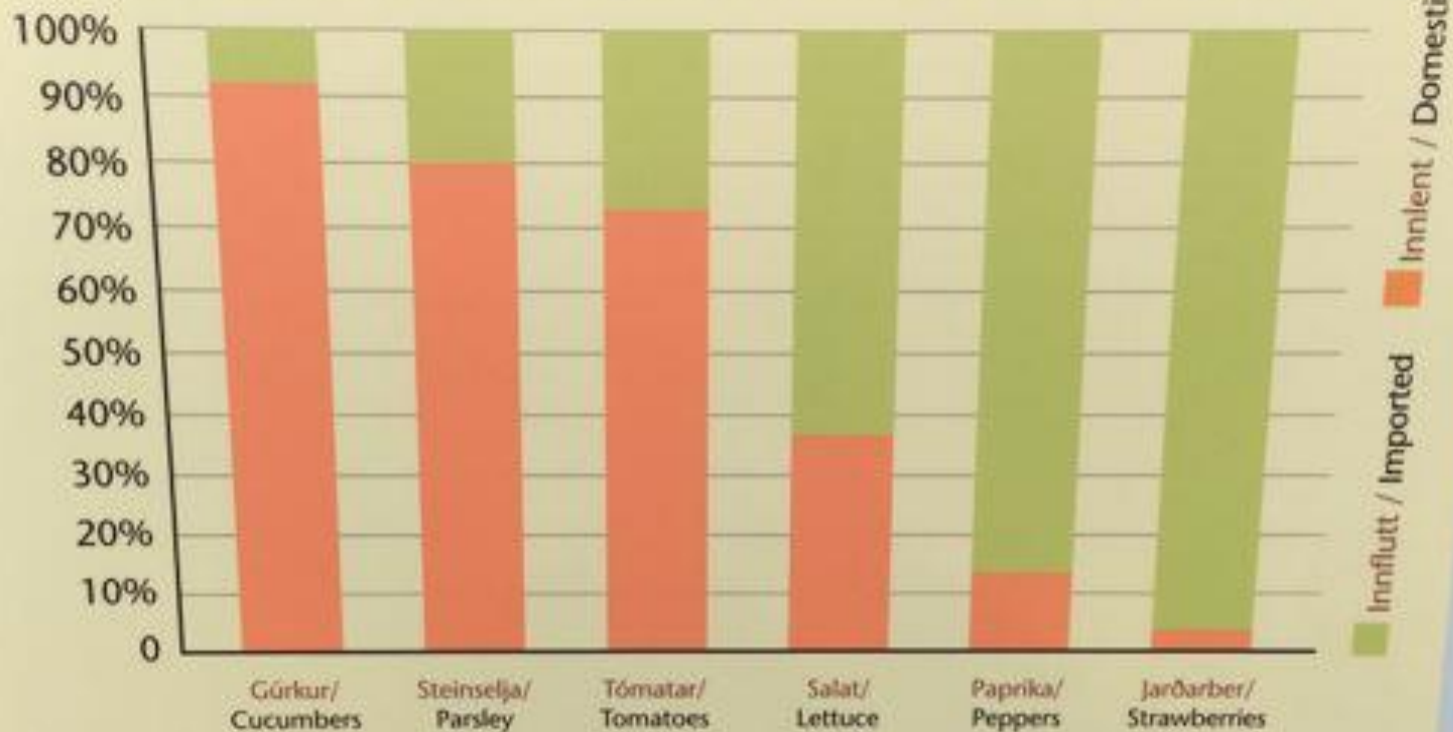


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Hlutdeild innlendrar framleiðslu í framboði á Íslandi 2010 Participation of domestic production available in Iceland 2010



Megnið af þeim gúrkum sem íslenskir neytendur leggja sér til munns er innlend framleiðsla, eða rúm 90%. Um 75% af tómötum á markaðnum er innlend framleiðsla en einungis lítið brot af jarðarberjunum.

Most of the cucumbers consumed in Iceland are domestic, or about 90%. About 75% of tomatoes on the Icelandic market are domestic produce, but only a small fraction of strawberries.

Framleið
innar og
við innflu

Production
Agreement
local produ



Large commercial:

- Located in Reykjavik
- Steel Fabrication and Construction
- ~1200 MWh annual sales

Electricity bill brake down

Usage	Qty	Unit	Unit price	Unit	Total (USD)	VAT	Total w. VAT (USD)
Energy (general)	100.013	kWh	3,52	cent/kWh	3523,46	24%	4.369,10
Total usage	100.013	kWh			3523,46		4.369,10

Transmission

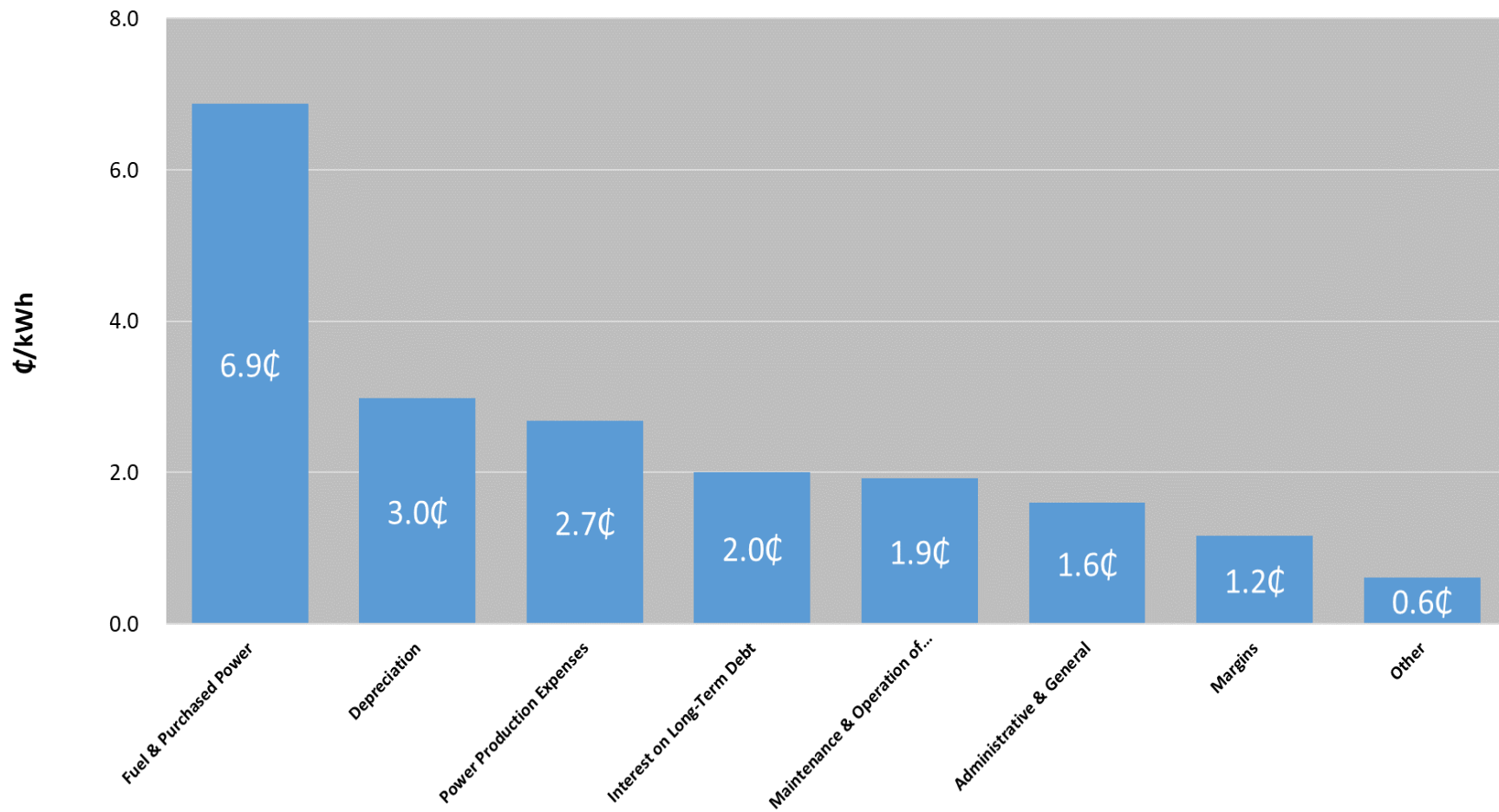
Usage	Qty	Unit	Unit price	Unit	Total (USD)	VAT	Total w. VAT (USD)
Connection fee (general)	28	Days	2,32	USD/day	64,97	24%	80,57
TSO fee	100.013	kWh	0,62	cent/kWh	623,37	24%	772,98
DSO fee	100.013	kWh	1,16	cent/kWh	1.159,80	24%	1.438,15
Equalizing fee	100.013	kWh	0,29	cent/kWh	292,90	24%	363,19
Total usage					2.141,03		2.654,88

To be paid per month (USD)	7.023,97
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Average price (cent/kWh)	7,02
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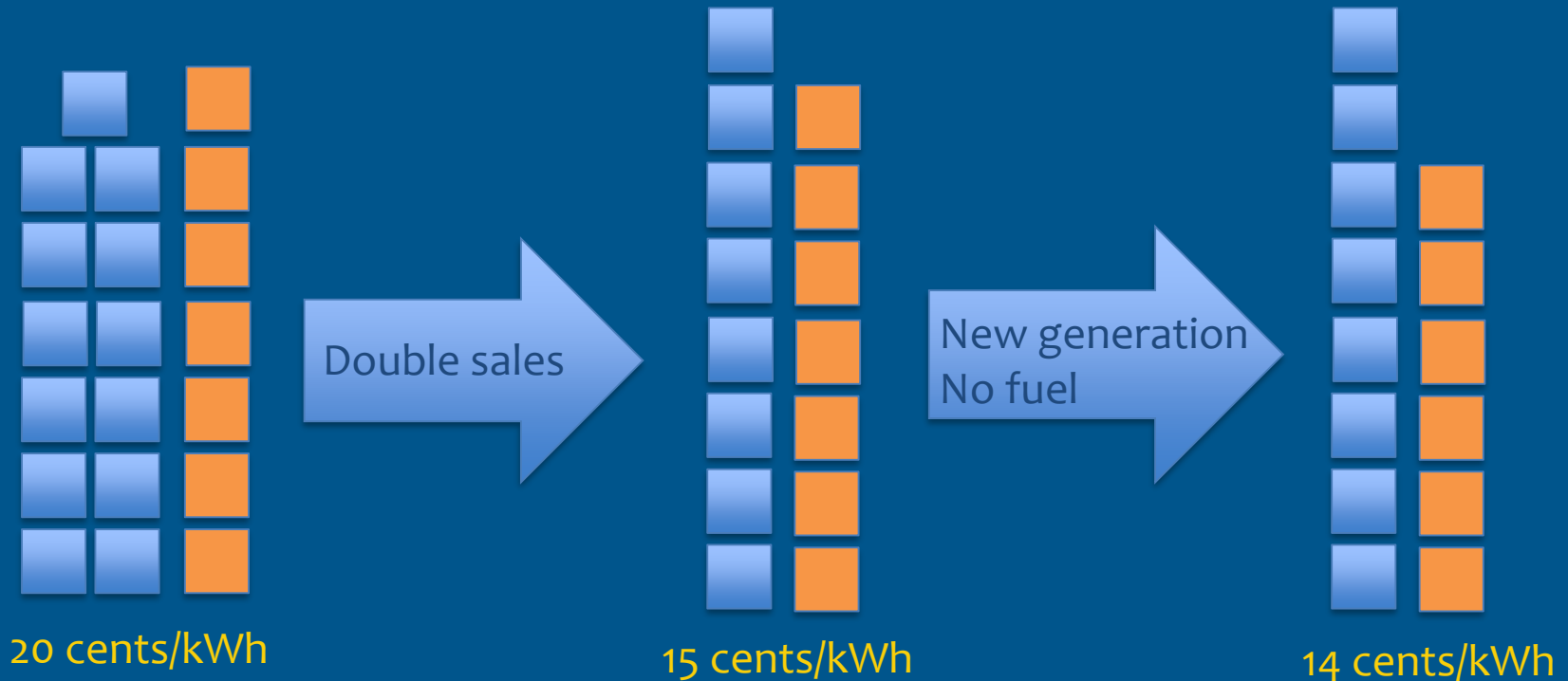


Railbelt Utilities Cost per kWh (2021)



Economies of scale

Many caveats here!!!!



“Cheaper by the dozen” - <https://www.uaf.edu/acep-blog/cheaper-by-the-dozen-reducing-alaskas-electricity-costs.php>



Iceland's Policies (high level)

- Commitment to energy independence
- Industry partnerships to build up infrastructure
- Investment in transmission
- Subsidies for high-cost regions (heat and power)
- Iceland drilling fund – loan fund to reduce risk
- Iceland energy plan – selecting projects
- Hesitancy to develop intertie
- Investment in knowledge economy



Overseas Activities of Geothermal Companies



Thank you!

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RAILBELT HYDROPOWER DEVELOPMENT & FINANCING: LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE PAST, OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE FUTURE

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- Small Hydropower in Southcentral Alaska
- Bradley Lake Operations and Governance
- Railbelt Hydropower: Current and Upcoming Projects
- Susitna-Watana Hydro

Small Hydropower in Southcentral Alaska

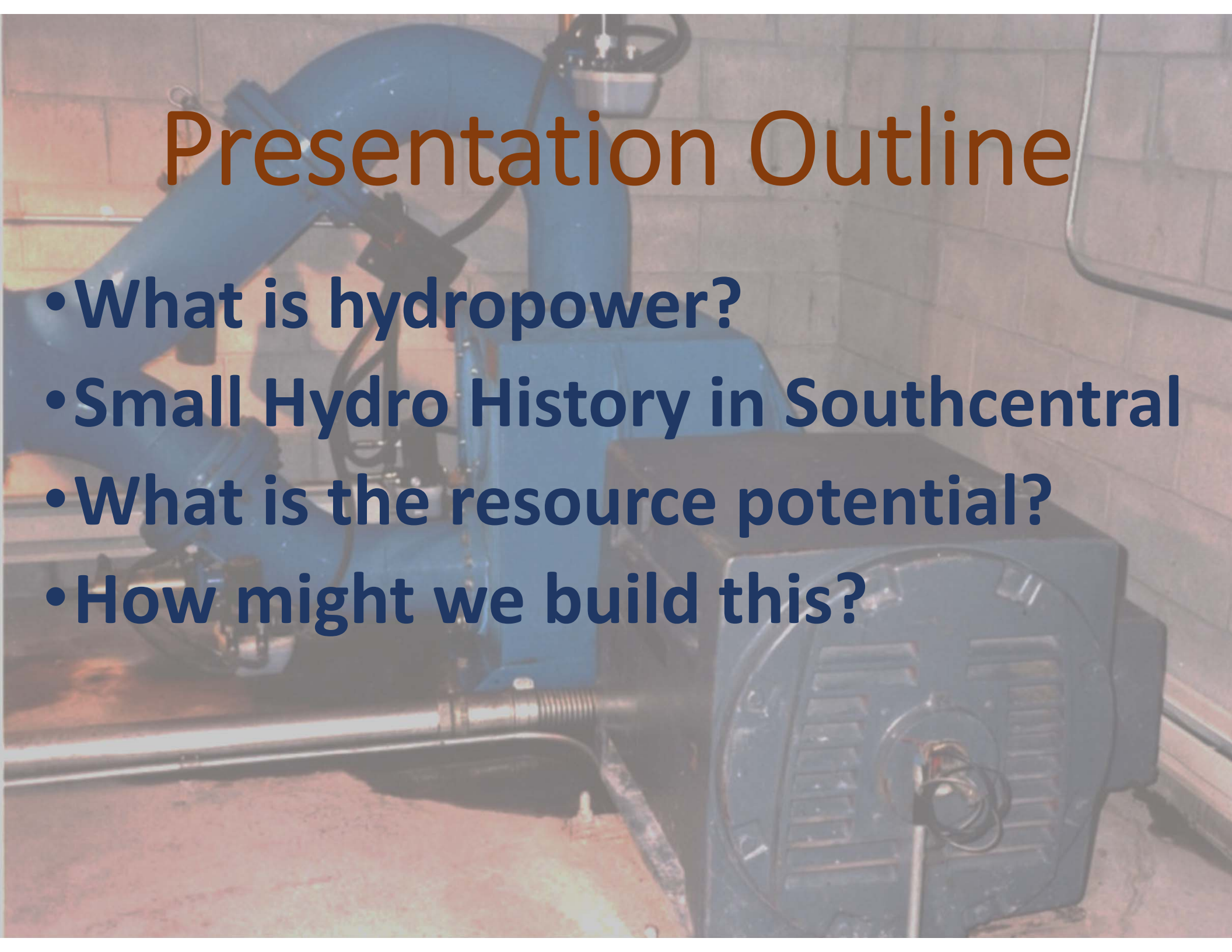
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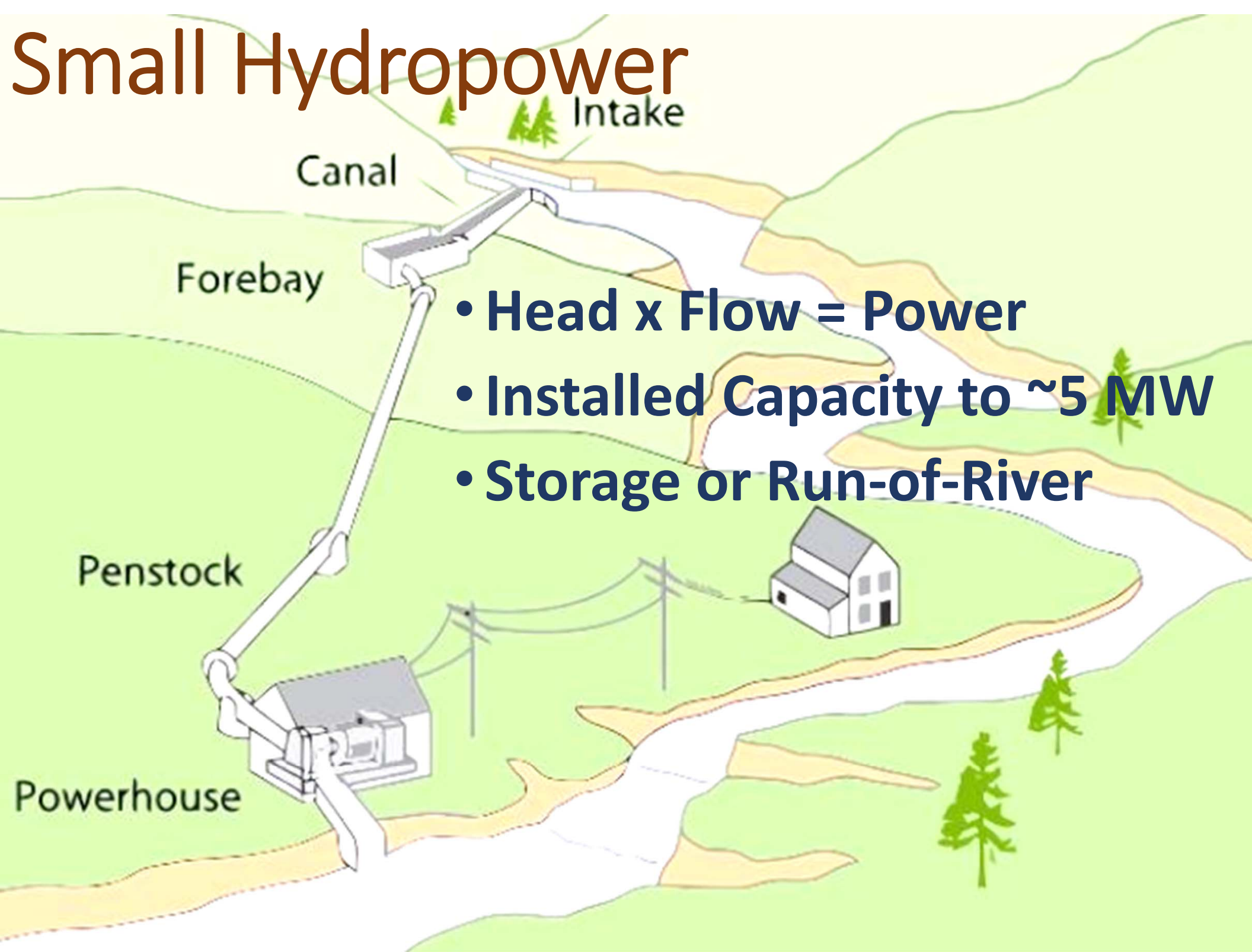


Presentation Outline

- What is hydropower?
- Small Hydro History in Southcentral
- What is the resource potential?
- How might we build this?



Small Hydropower





Big Storage
Hydro

*Bradley Lake
Homer, Alaska
120 MW*

Small Storage Hydro

*Chuniisax Creek
Atka, Alaska
270 kW*





Big ROR Hydro

*Forest Kerr Project
British Columbia, Canada
195 MW*

Small ROR Hydro

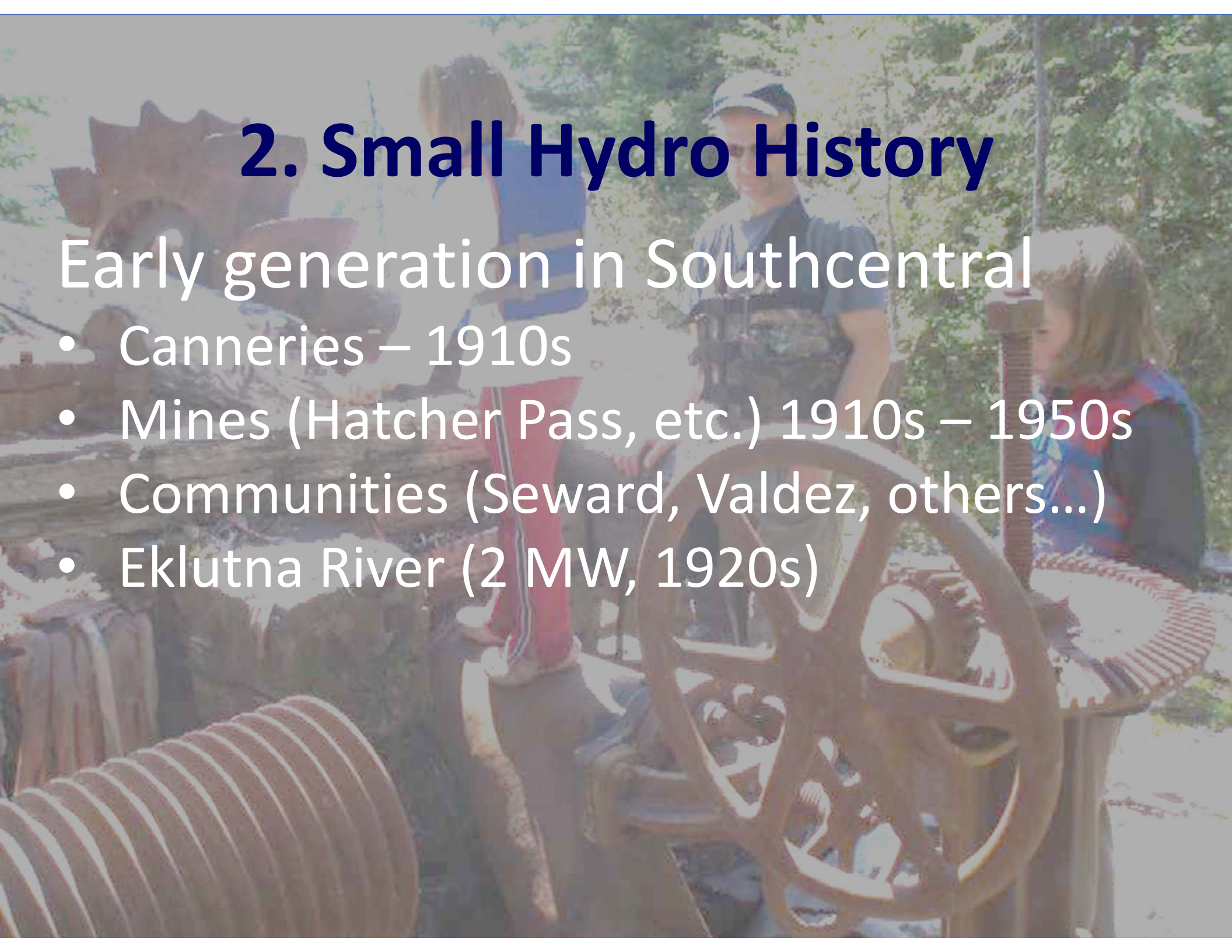
*Juniper Creek
Eagle River, Alaska
300 kW*



2. Small Hydro History

Early generation in Southcentral

- Canneries – 1910s
- Mines (Hatcher Pass, etc.) 1910s – 1950s
- Communities (Seward, Valdez, others...)
- Eklutna River (2 MW, 1920s)




...Hydro History & Lessons

Hydro Independent Power Producers (IPPs)

- 1991 – 100 kW McRoberts Creek (\$0.04 / kWh)
- 2013 – 1.1 MW South Fork (\$0.07 / kWh)
- 2021 – 300 kW Juniper Creek (\$0.07 to 0.08 / kWh)
- No government subsidies!
- Short lead (2 to 50 years)!
- Unique circumstances – not commercially replicable
- Intriguing potential...

→ OLD HYDRO IS THE CHEAPEST POWER THERE IS.

→ IPP SMALL HYDRO IS ON THE CUSP OF COMM. VIABILITY.

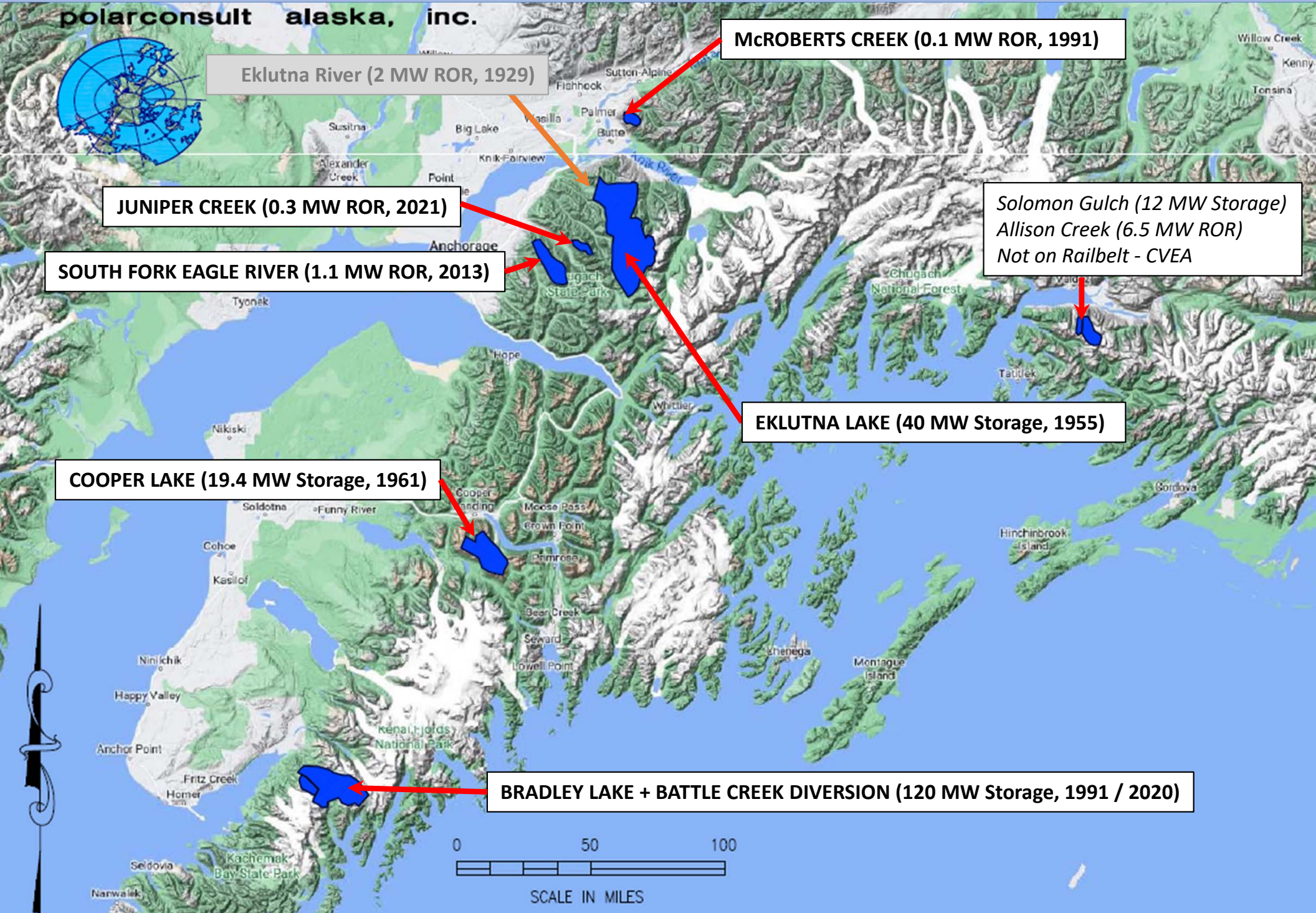


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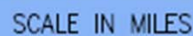
How much are we talking about?

Existing Grid-tied Hydropower in SCAK

EXISTING PROJECTS



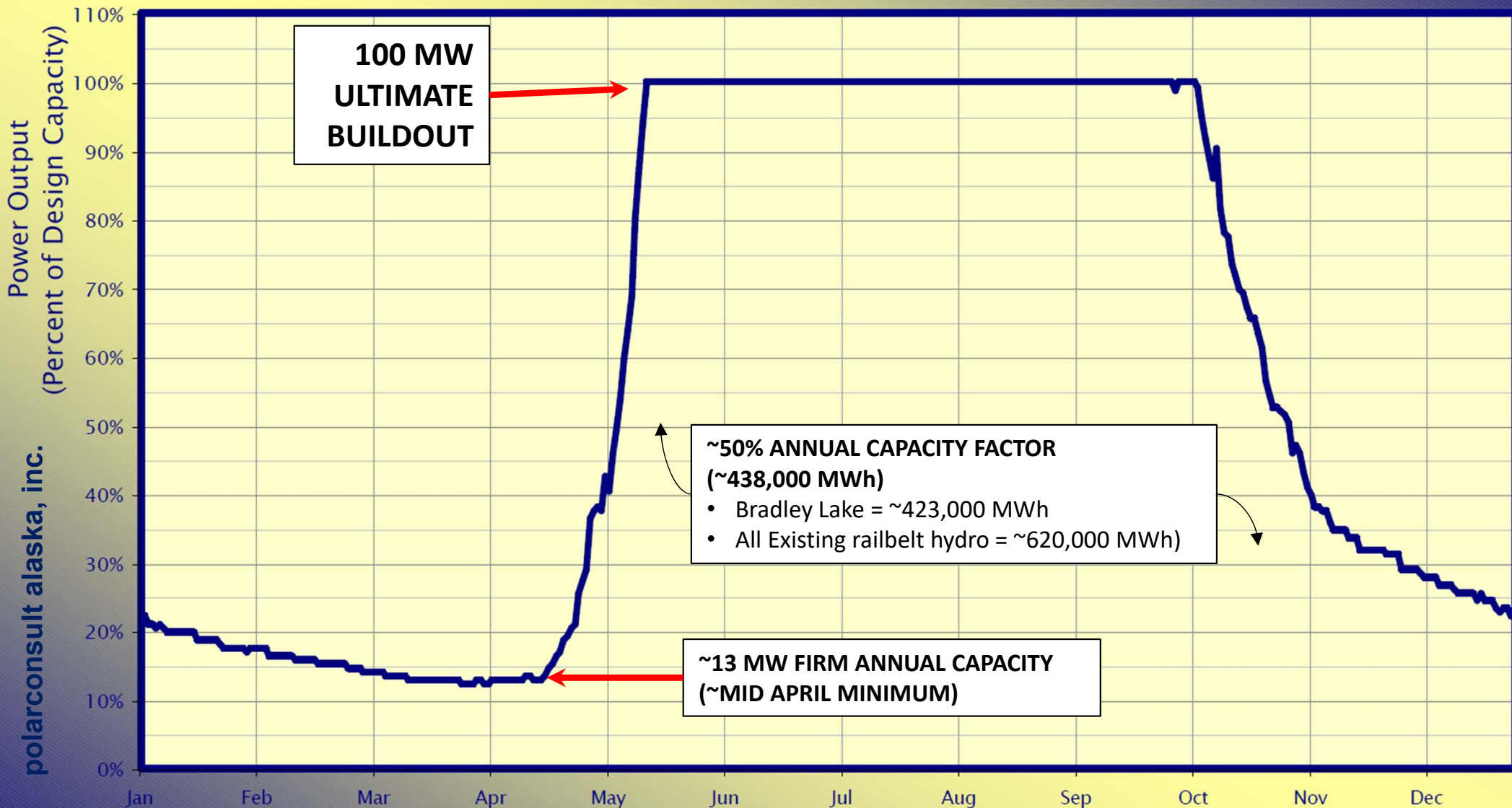
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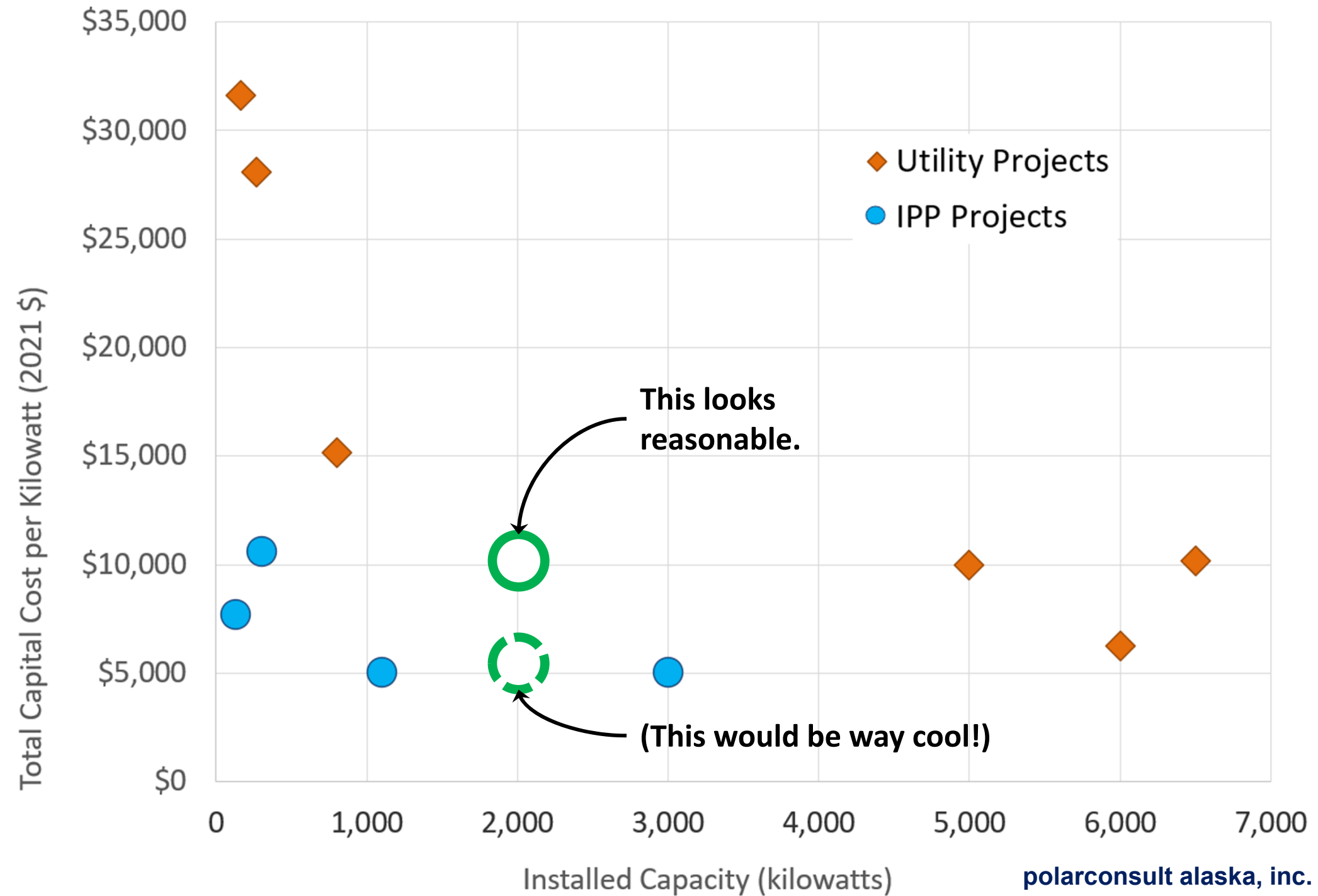
SOUTHCENTRAL SMALL HYDRO RESOURCE POTENTIAL

- 100 MW small hydro capacity is achievable
- Roughly equal to 2nd Bradley Lake Project
- Environmentally sustainable
- Distributed Generation (~40-60 projects)
- Recreational Enhancements
- Grid Resiliency Benefits
- Distributed Risk (development, operation, natural disaster, etc.)

RUN-OF-RIVER HYDROPOWER GENERATION



COST?



What's the Bottom Line?

- \$500M to \$1B Capex over many years
 - 40 to 60 individual, independent Projects
 - Project commissioning 2-5 years after commitment
 - 100 MW Cumulative Capacity
 - 438,000 MWh annually (~10% Railbelt Demand)
 - ~25 MW firm capacity at peak load (Dec / Jan)
 - ~15 MW minimum firm capacity (April / May)
- 100 MW capacity is probably conservative
- More progress needed before fine-tuning



4. Barriers to Small Hydro on the Railbelt

*Three new projects totaling 1.5
MW in 30 years is not a
solution.*

Small Hydro Barriers

The background image shows a close-up of a small hydro turbine or generator. It features a central shaft with a series of blades or vanes, surrounded by a complex metal housing. The components are painted in bright colors, including orange, blue, and red, which are typical for industrial machinery. The image is slightly blurred, giving it a sense of motion or a candid shot.

- **Regulatory Reform**

- Permit Agencies need binding, uniformly applied decision deadlines
- Reform to state land authorization processes

- **Market Reform**

- Utilities recognize full value of hydro projects
- De-monopolize (monopsonize) energy market

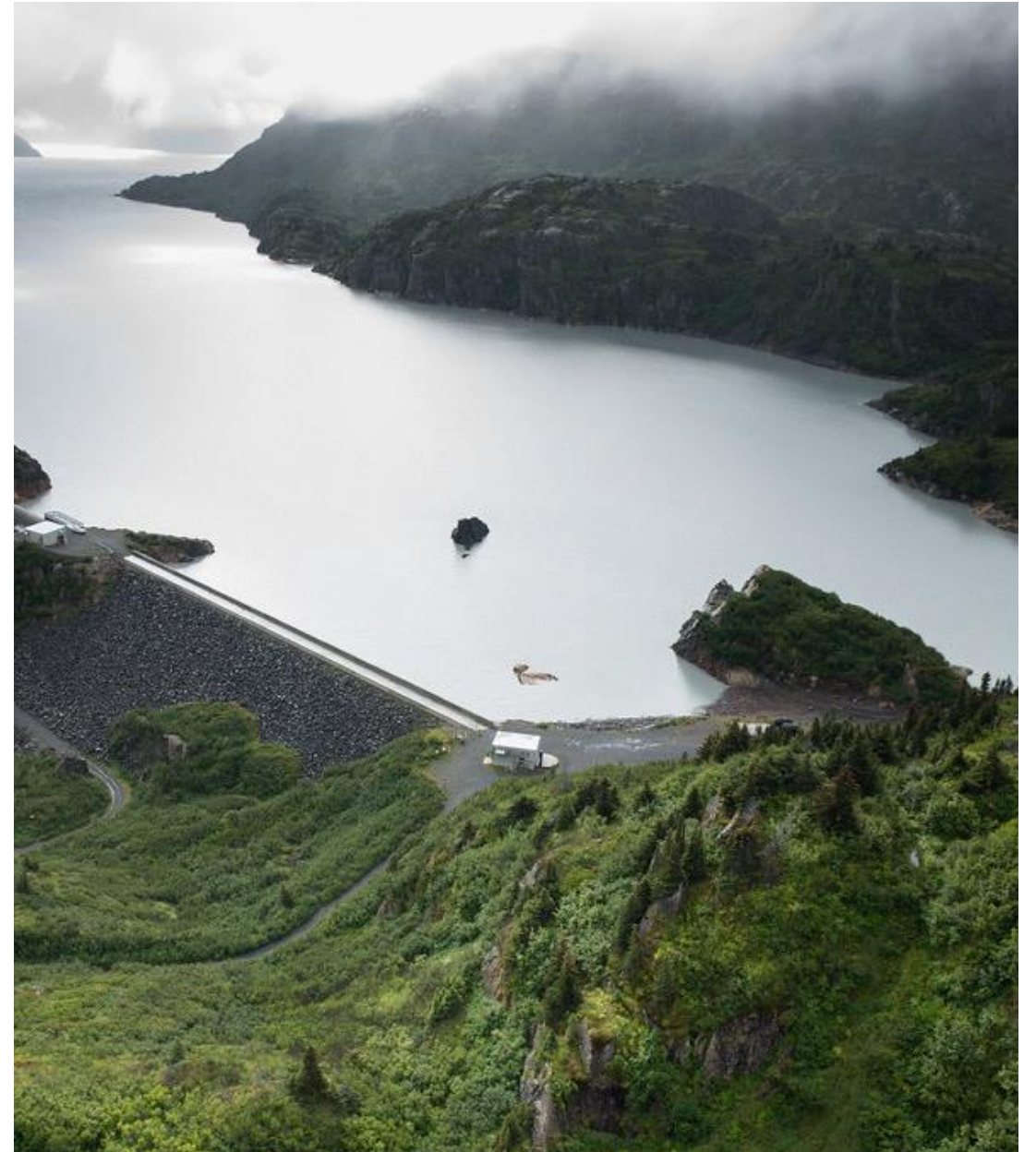
Thanks for Listening!

Questions?



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Bradley Lake Operations and Governance



The Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Project

- Net 120 MVA hydroelectric project
 - Limited to 90MW during normal operation due to transmission constraints
- Vertical shaft high-head Pelton Turbine
 - 1100 feet of head pressure
- Lake and Penstock
 - 125-foot dam
 - 3.5 Mile tunnel mostly rock and in some cases steel lined
 - 11 feet in diameter
 - ~ 400 GWH annual energy
- Transmission assets
 - Static VAR Compensators- Soldotna and Cooper Landing
 - Transmission lines -Bradley to Bradley Junction and Soldotna to Quartz Creek,
 - Batteries- Southern, Central, and Northern Regions
- Due to tunnel pressure constraints, the project exhibits a very slow response rate to underfrequency events
 - Zero to full output; theoretical response is 90 sec, but is more typically measured in minutes
- However, when considering divider performance (excluding batteries), it is the fastest responding machine in the Railbelt to overfrequency events
 - Full out put to zero in ~2 seconds

Contractual Framework

The Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Project (the Project) is organized through a single primary agreement

- The Agreement for the Sale and Purchase of Electric Power (Power Sales Agreement (PSA))
- Includes Power revenue bond resolutions
The Project was 50% State funded and 50 % Bond funded, with a mechanism to pay the State back for its funding after paying off the Projects bonds at zero interest

Two secondary agreements forming “a paper intertie”

- The Amendment to Agreement for Sale of Transmission Capability (the Capability Agreement)
 - Terms and conditions for the pledge of the Homer transmission system for Project use
- The Agreement for the Wheeling of Electric Power and for Related Services (the Services Agreement)
 - Terms and conditions for the pledge of the Chugach transmission system for Project use

And several sub-agreements governing system operations, field operations, maintenance, and control

Key stakeholders include utilities, and the State via AEA (Alaska Energy Authority)

- The Project and the related transmission agreements are exempt from RCA regulation under AS 42.05.431 (c) (1)

The PSA requires the creation of the Project Management Committee (BPMC) and tasks the committee with

- creating rules of procedure (bylaws)
- And, subject to AEA approval, delegates operations and maintenance responsibility to the BPMC

Roles and Responsibilities

Utilities: known as the “Participants” and are power purchasers via a “take or pay” contract (the PSA) and are members of the BPMC

State via AEA: As owner of the Project provides oversight and support for the Project's operations and is a member of the BPMC

The BPMC is made up of the participants and AEA

- Responsible for Improvement, Operations and Maintenance of the Project
- Decisions are made based on majority plus 50% of load voting mechanism
- AEA has a unique role, most topics require the affirmative vote of AEA

Public: Project meetings are open to the public and subject to AS 44.62.310 - AS 44.62.312.meetings act.

Power Delivery and Transmission

- The Services and Capability agreements formed a back stop “paper intertie” to deliver Project power to the participants
 - It became apparent that lack of funding for interties might delay or kill the project
- The Capability Agreement outlines the performance and operational aspects of the Project's utilization of the HEA system to transmit Project power from Bradley Junction to Quartz Creek (formerly Soldotna).
 - This includes the capacity purchase terms for the Bradley Junction to Soldotna 115 Line, which was constructed and is owned by HEA. The participants contributed funds based on their Project shares, and in return, they obtained proportional capability rights.
- The Services Agreement outlines the performance and operational aspects of the Project's utilization of the HEA system to transmit Project power from Quartz Creek (formerly Soldotna) to various delivery points north of Quartz creek.
 - Includes calculation of firm and non firm wheeling with a 15 year phase in, capped at 90% of the Chugach fully allocated rate less the Beluga Point Mackenzie costs
 - Names Chugach as the Project dispatcher subject to review of performance by the BPMC
- AEA is not signatory to either of these agreements

Energy Pricing

- The Project's energy is priced based on cost and energy generated during the year
 - Budgeted in advance with a true-up mechanism

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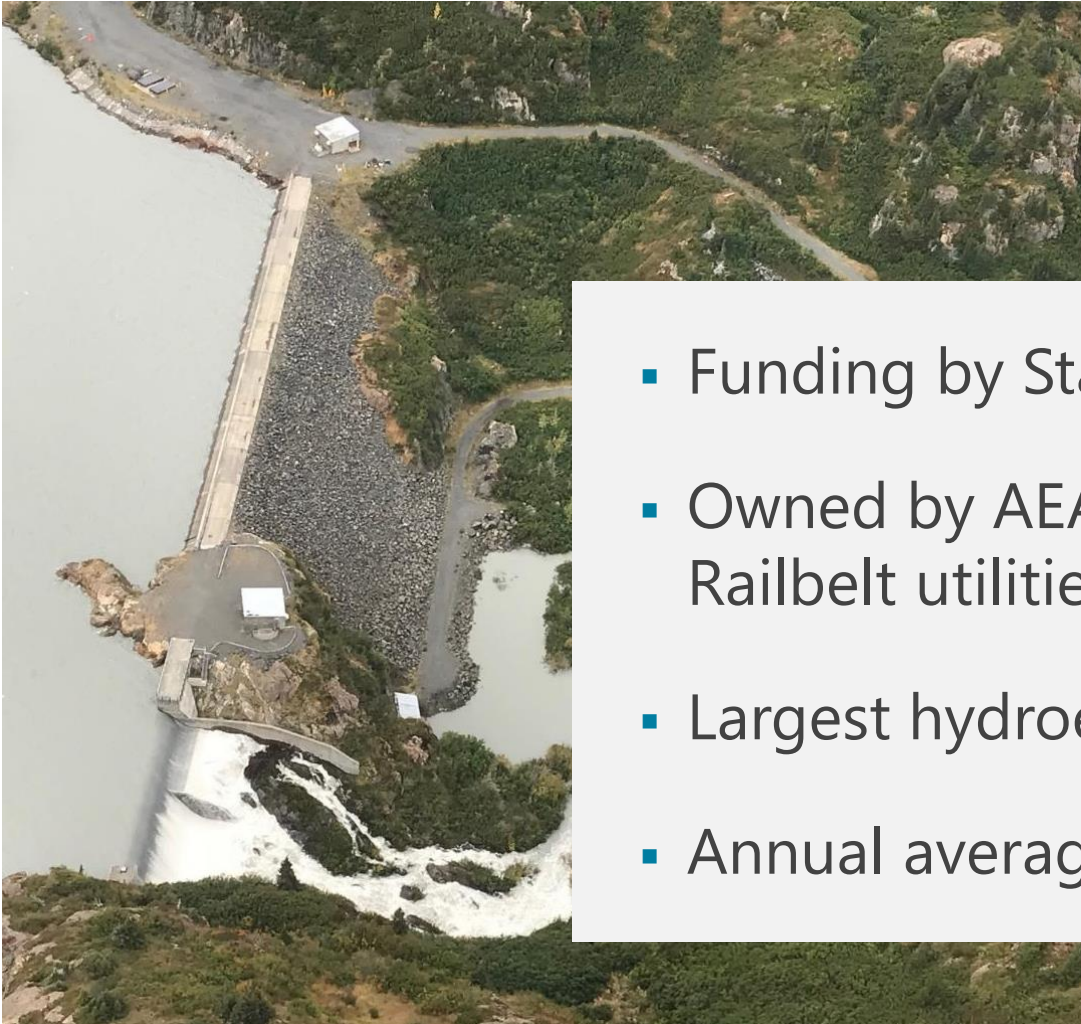
RAILBELT HYDROPOWER: CURRENT & UPCOMING PROJECTS

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Director, Owned Assets

Alaska Energy Task Force
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Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Project



Alaska's largest source of renewable energy, the 120-megawatt facility generates about 10% of the total annual power used by Railbelt electric utilities at some of the lowest-cost to more than 550,000 Alaskans.

- Funding by State of Alaska and Railbelt utilities
- Owned by AEA and managed to maximum extent by Railbelt utilities
- Largest hydroelectric Project in Alaska
- Annual average energy 400,000 MWh — and increasing

Battle Creek Project



- Located 2 miles southwest of Bradley Lake and serves Railbelt
- Completed in 2020
- Funding by State of Alaska and Railbelt utilities
- Diversion of upper Battle Creek to Bradley Lake by two-mile pipe
- Annual energy ~37,000 MWh
- Low-cost energy



Battle Creek Project Schedule

- 2010-2013: Studies
- 2015: Submit license amendment to Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)
- 2016: Environmental Assessment
- 2016: Receive license amendment
- 2017: Financing and bid project
- 2018-2020: Construction

Dixon Glacier



Dixon Diversion Project

- AEA is investigating generating energy from the outflow of Dixon Glacier five miles southwest of the Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Project.
- The Dixon Diversion Project would be largest renewable energy project in Alaska since Bradley Lake was completed in 1991.





Dixon Diversion Project

- Drainage area is ~20 square miles.
- Watershed receives more than 100 inches precipitation per year (106,000 ac-ft/yr).
- Ice melt average 94,500 ac-ft/yr.
- ~200,000 ac-ft/yr.

Diversion to Bradley Lake

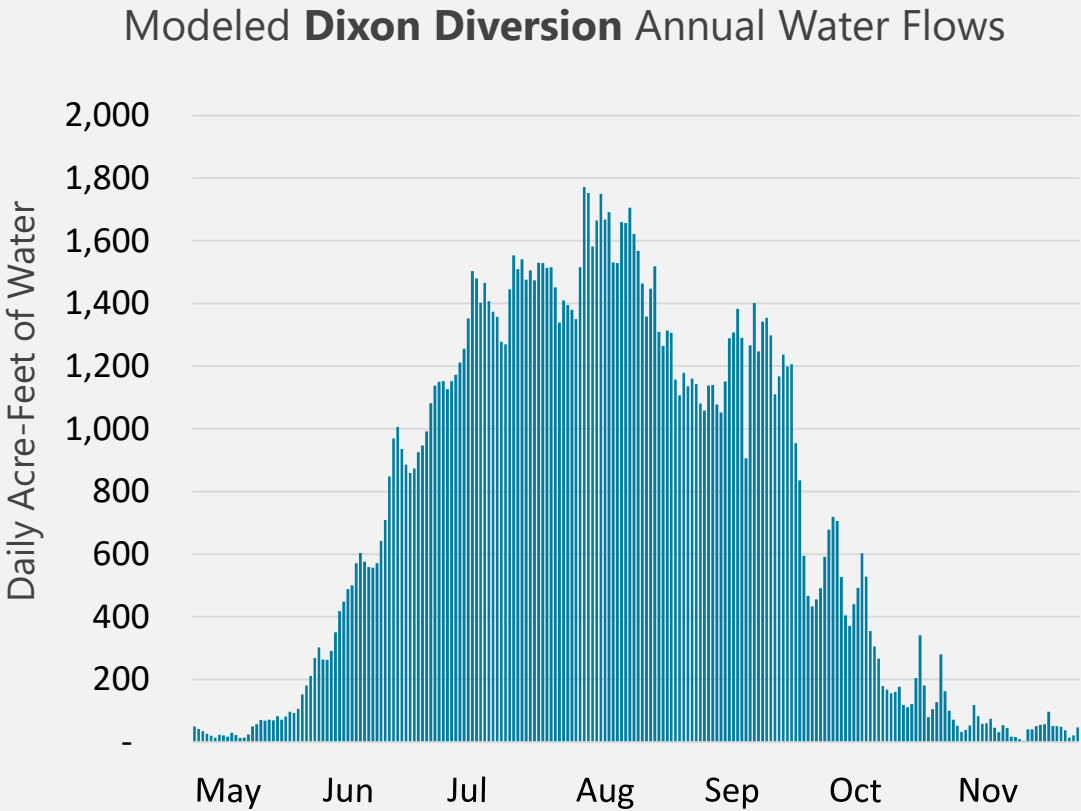
- 4.7 mile tunnel from intake to Bradley Lake
- Water goes through Bradley Lake powerhouse
- Raise Bradley spillway/dam to capture seasonal flow and allow for additional water storage for winter
- Entire project on State land



Energy Generation Comparison

<u>Project</u>	<u>MWh/yr</u>
Bradley Lake Hydro	~400,000 MWh/yr
<i>Dixon Diversion</i>	<i>~160,000 MWh/yr</i>
Fire Island Wind	~49,000 MWh/yr
Battle Creek Diversion	~37,000 MWh/yr
Net Metered Solar	~3,500 MWh/yr

Source: This comparison slide is courtesy of Chugach Electric Association.





Dixon Diversion Value

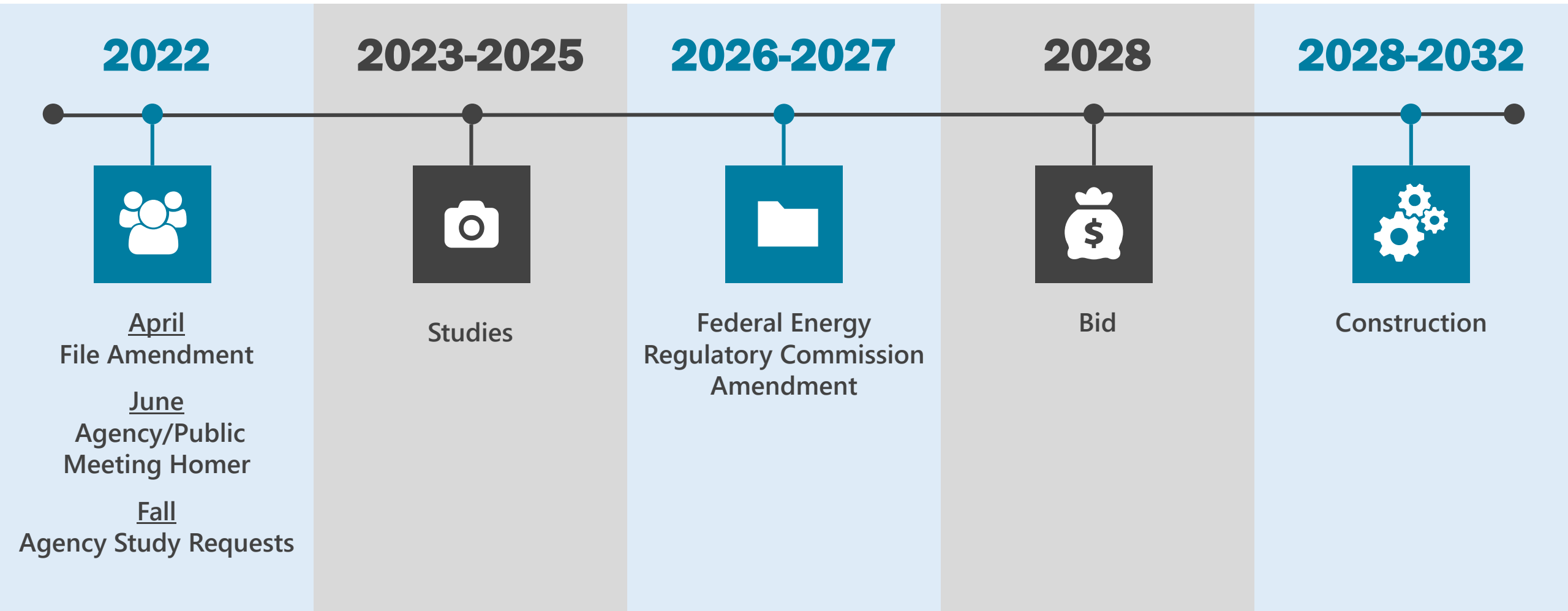
- Dixon Diversion provides:
 - Energy (more water)
 - Higher capacity factor (from 37% to 53%), but no increase of maximum capacity (no new turbine)
 - Increased long-duration energy storage (higher dam)
 - Low-cost, long-duration energy storage
- A new turbine/generator could be added at Bradley Lake power plant in the future

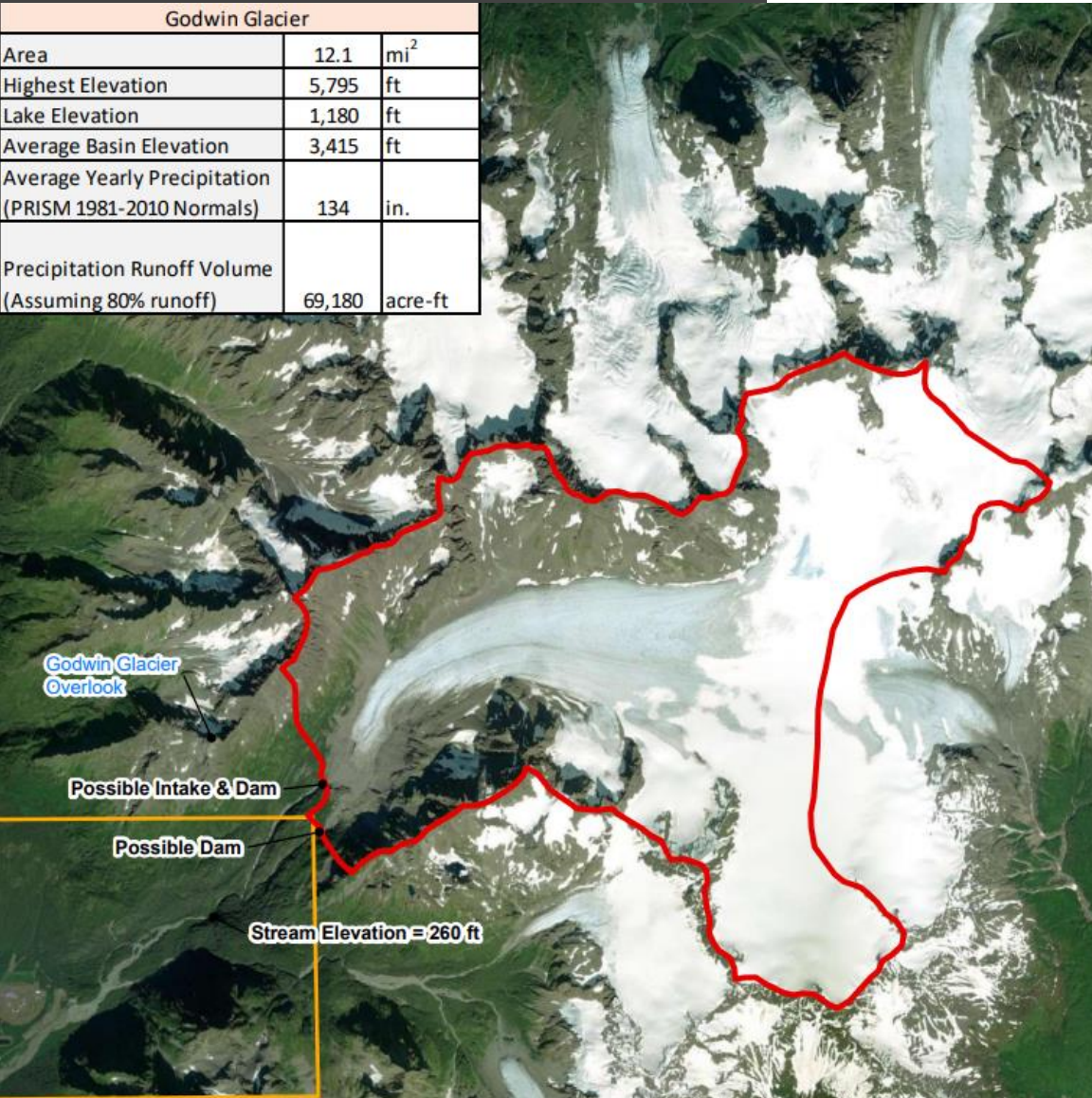
Dixon Diversion Next Steps

- Verify energy (2023)
 - Discharge measurements
 - Water Quality measures
- Optimism facilities and revise cost (2023)
 - Need for road
 - Geologic Site Review
- Consultation (2024)
- Studies (2024)



Dixon Diversion Schedule

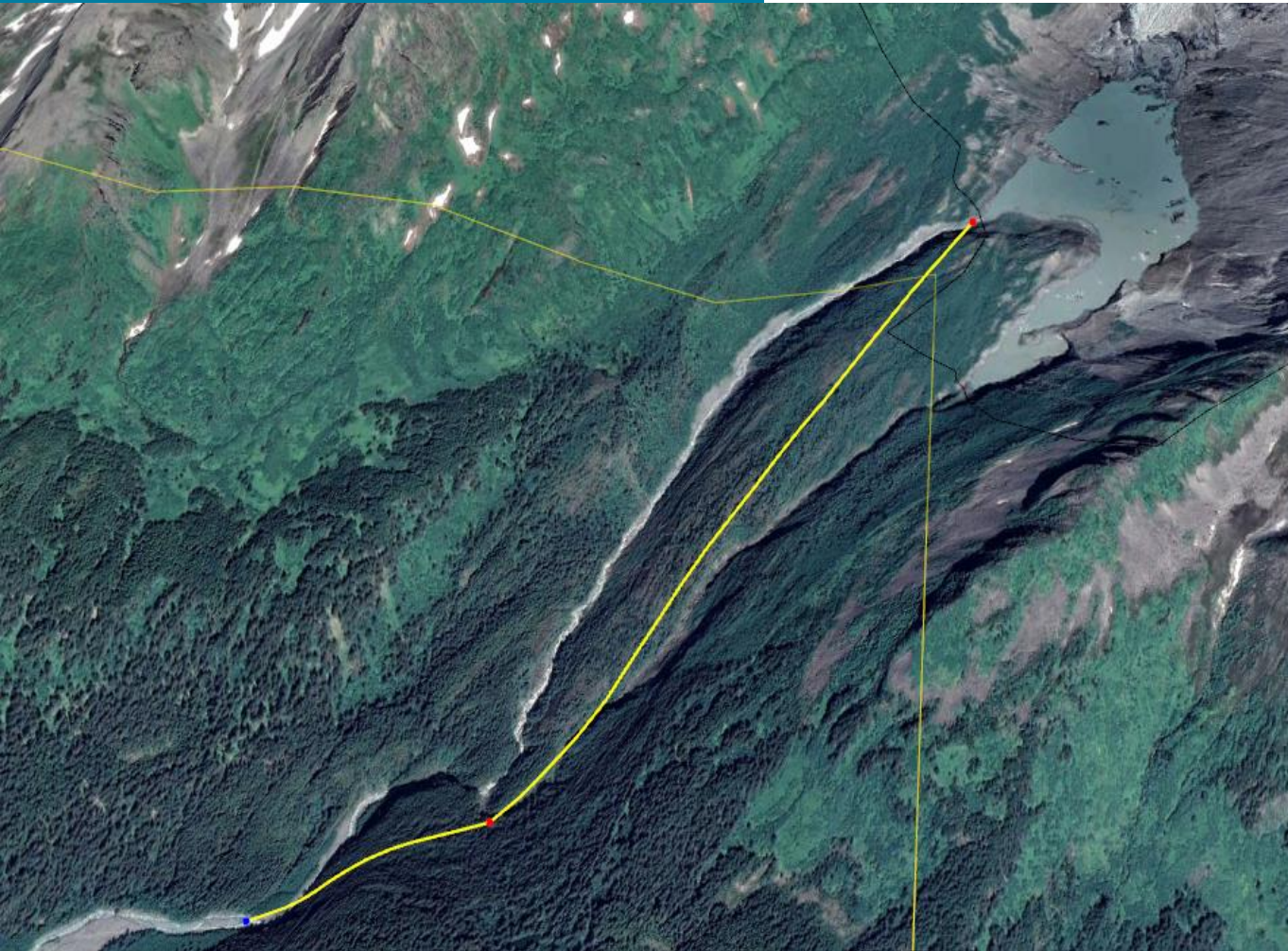





Godwin Hydropower Project

- If average ice melt 10 feet/year then an additional 77,000 ac-ft above annual precipitation for coming decades
- Power plant less than 2 miles from roads and 115 kVA lines
- Port to bring in equipment and materials

Godwin Hydropower Project



- River drop ~920 feet over 1.5 miles.
- Intake downstream of lake has entire project on State land (likely non-FERC). Intake at lake provides regulating ability.
- Chugach Electric Association performing feasibility work.
- Could be online ~ 10 years.



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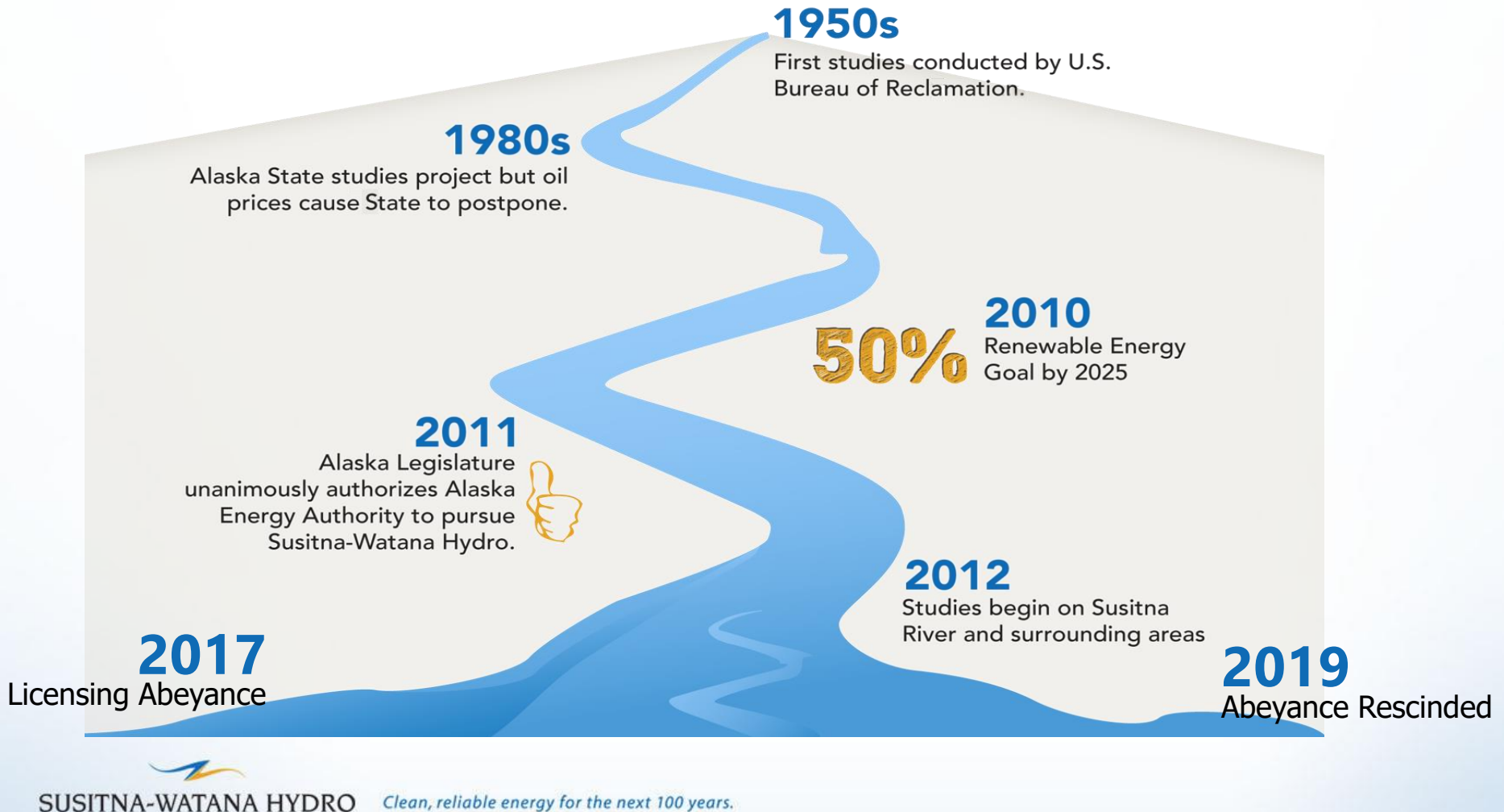
Clean, reliable energy for the next 100 years.

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Susitna Hydro: History



Why Susitna-Watana Hydro

- Serves ~80% of state's population
- 1,000 jobs during peak construction
- Stable electricity rates for 100+ years
- Long-term diversification
- Clean, reliable energy source
- Promotes integration of variable power sources
- Reduce CO2 emissions by more than 100 million tons annually (equivalent to 250,000 cars)

Project Highlights

- Susitna-River Mile 184
- 87 River Miles from Talkeetna
- 22-32 River Miles upstream from Devils Canyon
- ~50 percent of Railbelt's Energy Demand

Project Highlights

Location:
River mile 184, above
Devils Canyon

Size:
735-foot high dam

Cost:
\$5.19 billion (\$2014)

Reservoir:
About 42-miles long, average width of one mile

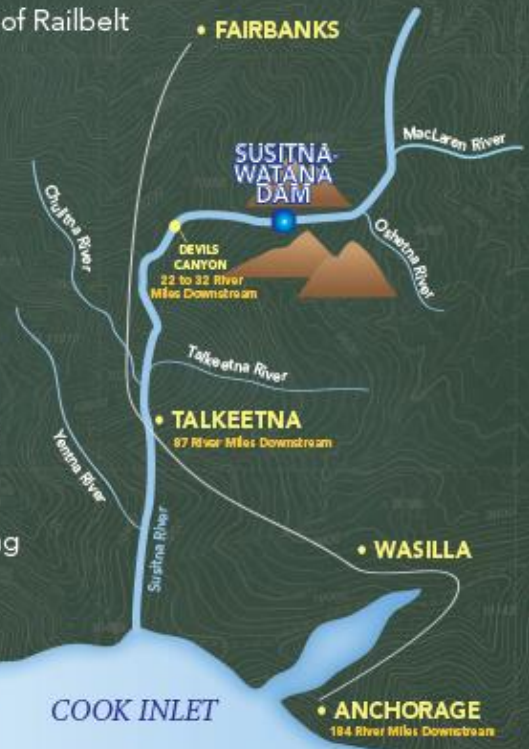
Estimated Supply:
Roughly 50 percent of Railbelt
electrical demand

Installed Capacity:
600 MW

Annual Energy
2,800,000 MWh

Licensing:
Federal Energy
Regulatory
Commission (FERC)

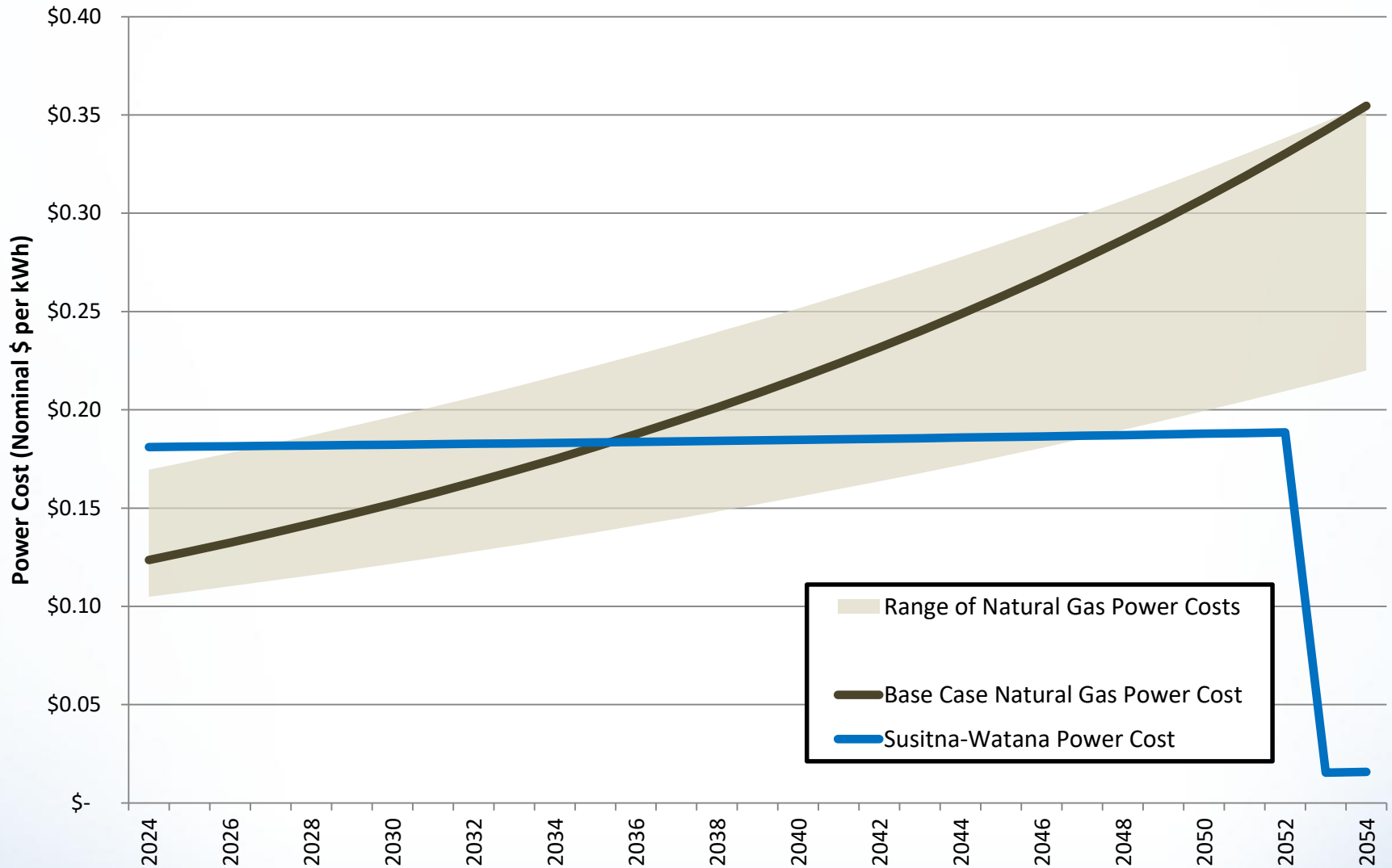
Project Life:
100+ years, providing
long-term,
stable rates



Next Steps

- Governor and legislature would need to re-initiate FERC licensing process, restart process with FERC
- Collaborate with Alaska Native land owners and utilities
- Update construction cost and financing approach
- Conduct public engagement
- File license application

Susitna-Watana vs. Natural Gas Power Costs



Key Takeaways

- Susitna-Watana Hydroelectric Project can significantly reduce future power cost uncertainty
- Potential to be competitive with natural gas in the early years, lower cost over long term
- More than doubles Alaska's renewable energy
- Enhances Alaska energy security
- Allows for other renewables generation sources

ALASKA ENERGY STATISTICS & ECONOMICS

Thursday, August 17, 2023, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

- *Alaska Energy Data: The Good, the Bad, the Missing*
- *Alaska Comprehensive Economic Development (CEDS) Strategy*
- *CEDS Energy-Specific Goals and Objectives*

Alaska Energy Data:

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Summary Tables

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Source: Aggregated from Table 2.1a

ACEP Energy Symposium

August 17, 2023

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Outline

- Focus on “meso-scale” data corresponding to our day-to-day economic realities
 - Building, utility, community, regional scales
 - Monthly, annual time periods
- *Alaska Energy Statistics* – views from the trenches
- What about Heat?
- What about Transport?
- A few final thoughts

Prepare to be bored....or fascinated

AK Energy Statistics: A View from the Trenches

Mini Case Study 1: Southeast Diesel Generation

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Net Generation by Fuel Type by Operators/Utilities (MWh) by AEA Energy Regions, 2014						
AEA Energy Region	Oil	Gas	Coal	Hydro	Wind	Solar
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Bering Straits	48,287	0	0	0	3,205	0
Bristol Bay	52,816	0	0	3,908	14	0
Copper River/Chugach	42,095	0	0	74,580	0	0
Kodiak	2,019	0	0	134,174	23,323	0
Lower Yukon-Kuskokwim	59,020	0	0	0	3,912	0
North Slope	29,378	130,548	0	0	0	0
Northwest Arctic	31,297	0	0	0	4,673	0
Railbelt	325,635	3,213,640	558,292	547,735	124,092	0
Southeast	-243,316	0	0	774,201	0	0
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Energy Stats T2.3c

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						MWh
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Metlakatla Power & Light	Centennial	Metlakatla_grid	Southeast	DFO	IC	-30
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EIA 923 data:

		Electricity Net Generation (MWh)											
Plant Name	Operator Name	Netgen Januar	Netgen Februa	Netgen March	Netgen April	Netgen May	Netgen June	Netgen July	Netgen August	Netgen Septemt	Netgen Octobe	Netgen Novemb	Netgen Decemb
Swan Lake	Ketchikan Public Utilities	6,081	5,488	4,965	5,322	4,653	4,321	4,086	5,081	7,857	5,721	5,891	6,723
Ketchikan	Ketchikan Public Utilities	2,245	2,026	1,832	1,964	1,717	1,595	1,508	1,875	2,900	2,112	2,174	2,481
S W Bailey	Ketchikan Public Utilities	-27,254	-25,859	-25,243	-23,718	-20,026	-11,936	-21,102	-16,978	-19,975	-26,406	-19,301	-25,105
Beaver Falls	Ketchikan Public Utilities	4,181	3,774	3,414	3,659	3,199	2,971	2,809	3,493	5,402	3,934	4,050	4,622
Silvis	Ketchikan Public Utilities	1,261	1,138	1,029	1,103	965	896	847	1,053	1,629	1,186	1,221	1,394

EIA 923 instructions



Independent Statistics & Analysis
U.S. Energy Information Administration

Form EIA-923-1
POWER-PLANT OPERATIONS
REPORT INSTRUCTIONS

Year: 2013
Form Approval: 10/1/13
Approval Expires: 10/1/16
Burden: 2.7

Net Generation: Enter the net generation (gross generation minus the parasitic station load, i.e. station use). If the monthly station service load exceeded the monthly gross electrical generation, report negative net generation with a minus sign. Do not use parentheses. For each month, enter that amount in MWh.

EIA 923 form

Generation Table		
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Another View from the Trenches

Mini Case Study 2: Northwest Arctic Renewables

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Hint



Photo:
USDOE

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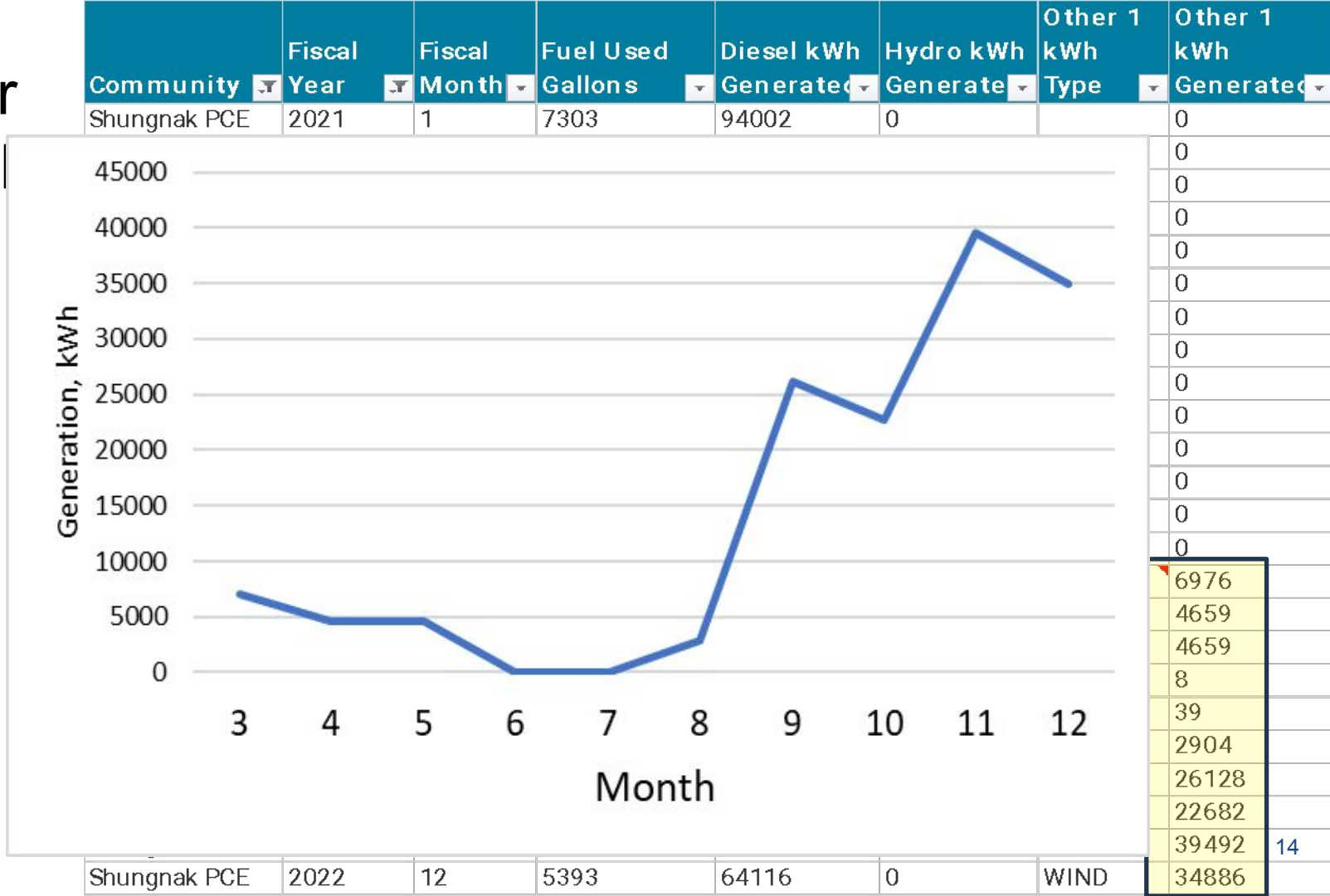
Look at installed capacity

Installed Capacity by Prime Mover by Plant (MW), 2021						
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Buckland	1.675	0	1.152	0	0.2	0.046
Deering	0.7955	0	0.37	0	0.1	0.0485
Kiana	1.2	0	1.2	0	0	0
Kivalina	1.1	0	1.1	0	0	0
Kotzebue	17.1	0	11.8	0	3.3	0.8
Noatak	1.252	0	1.252	0	0	0
Noorvik	1.649	0	1.626	0	0	0.023
Selawik	2.51	0	2.25	0	0.26	0
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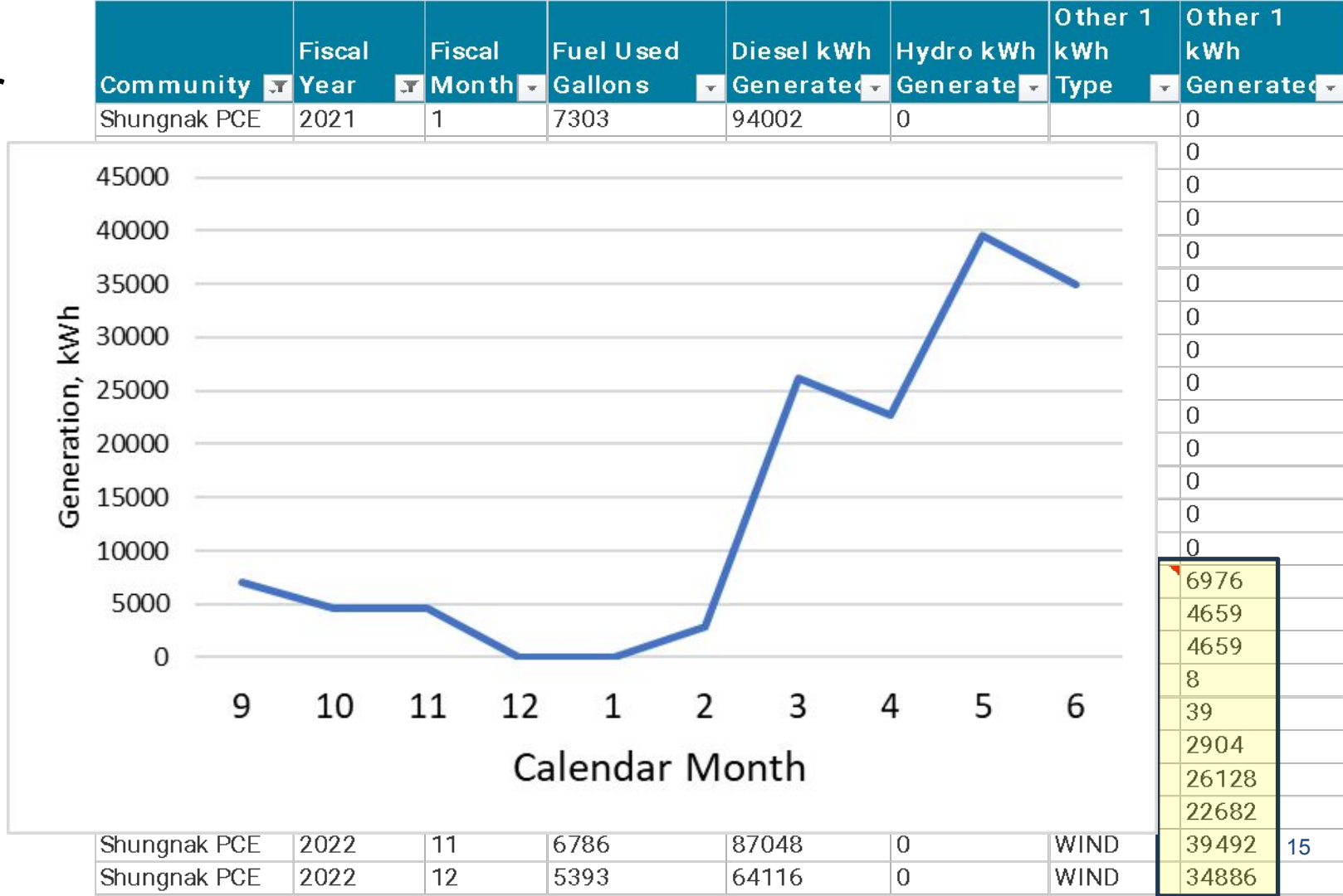
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monthly
from AEA

Community	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Month	Fuel Used Gallons	Diesel kWh Generated	Hydro kWh Generate	Other 1 kWh Type	Other 1 kWh Generated
Shungnak PCE	2021	1	7303	94002	0		0
Shungnak PCE	2021	2	8330	112699	0		0
Shungnak PCE	2021	3	9035	124409	0		0
Shungnak PCE	2021	4	9839	138106	0		0
Shungnak PCE	2021	5	12696	157918	0		0
Shungnak PCE	2021	6	12641	151974	0		0
Shungnak PCE	2021	7	12819	160909	0		0
Shungnak PCE	2021	8	13648	176437	0		0
Shungnak PCE	2021	9	12484	166480	0		0
Shungnak PCE	2021	10	11732	146645	0		0
Shungnak PCE	2021	11	8049	108751	0		0
Shungnak PCE	2021	12	9075	97146	0		0
Shungnak PCE	2022	1	7444	108869	0		0
Shungnak PCE	2022	2	9691	118978	0		0
Shungnak PCE	2022	3	8968	111507	0	WIND	6976
Shungnak PCE	2022	4	9481	125223	0	WIND	4659
Shungnak PCE	2022	5	14523	125223	0	WIND	4659
Shungnak PCE	2022	6	27862	187520	0	WIND	8
Shungnak PCE	2022	7	12088	166939	0	WIND	39
Shungnak PCE	2022	8	14448	205579	0	WIND	2904
Shungnak PCE	2022	9	11006	136300	0	WIND	26128
Shungnak PCE	2022	10	9565	118552	0	WIND	22682
Shungnak PCE	2022	11	6786	87048	0	WIND	39492
Shungnak PCE	2022	12	5393	64116	0	WIND	34886

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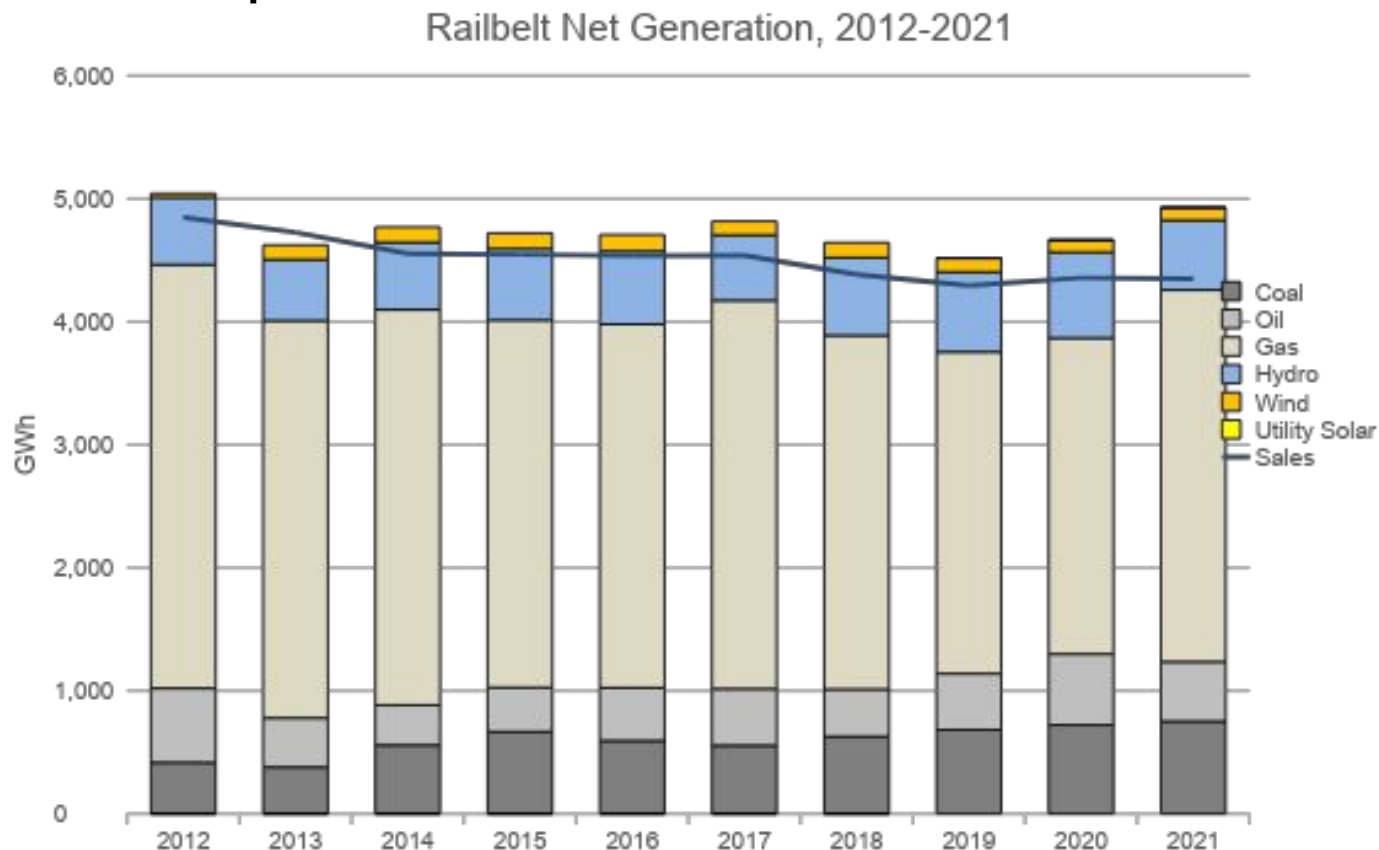
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View from the Trenches

Trends vs snapshots

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Net Generation by Fuel Type by Operators/Utilities (MWh) by AEA Energy Regions, 2014			

AEA Energy Region	Net Generation by Fuel Type by Operators/Utilities (MWh) by AEA Energy Regions - 2015	Gas	Coal	Nuclear	Wind	Solar	Hydro	Other	Region Total
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Aleutians	
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Bristol Bay	AKA Energy Region	Oil	Gas	Coal	Hydro	Wind	Solar	Storage	Other					
Copper River	Aleutians	42,383	94,916	0	0	74,580	0	3,133	1,449	0	0	0	0	4,761

Kodiak	Bering Straits	2,508	49,394	0	0	134,917	0	23,323	0	3,924	0	0	0	0	160,94
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Lower Yukon	Bristol Bay	61,179	53,431	0	0	0	4,209	7	0	0	65,918
	Kuskokwim										
	Conner River/Chukchee		43,426	0	0	0	36,811	0	0	0	0

North Slope	Copper River/Chugach	29,378	130,548	0	0	0	0	70,844	0	0	0	0	0	0	159,926
Northwest Alaska	Kodiak	31,287	1,672	0	0	0	0	129,779	29,107	0	0	0	0	0	35,075

Region	Oil	Gas	Coal	Hydro
Lower Yukon-Kuskokwim	325,635	3,213,840	558,292	547,735

Southeast	North Slope	Aleutians	0.139	137.082	774.201	0	107.653	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Kuskokwim	Bering Sea	0.140	Net Generation by Fuel Type by Operators/Utilities (MWh)	by								

Yukon-Koyukuk/Upper Tanana	35,631	0	0	0	0	87,698	5,498	0	0	0	0	35,631
Billing & Sub												
Bristol	150,597	2,985,702	667,549	580,873	327,346	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,100

Southwest	19,800	0	0	778,433	0	0	0	83,600
Southeast	19,800	0	0	778,433	0	0	0	83,600

Yukon-Koyukuk/Upper Tanana	35,026	AEA Energy Region	0	Oil	17	Gas	0	Coal	123,158
Kodiak		Alaska	Net Generation by Fuel Type by Energy Region						

Lower Yukon-Kuskokwim	94,272	0	0	0
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North Slope	Bering Sea	29,864	114,633	0	0
	Bristol Bay		37,823		

Northwest Arctic	Copper River/Chugach	AEA Eastern Region	32,361	0	Oil	0
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Railbelt	Kodiak	Aleutians	2,875,953	28,564	692,420
Southwest

Southeast	Lower Yukon-Kuskokwim	3,818	AE Technology Region	0.29,08
Yukon-Koyukuk	North Star	1,043	Aleutians	100.042
	Bristol Bay	1		53.162

	Northwest Arctic	Copper River/Chukotka Straits	0	50,845
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Railbelt	Kodiak	Bristol Bay	2,614,833	1,841,685
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Southwest	Lower Yukon-Kuskokwim River/Chugach	14,165
Southwest	Chugach	11,892
Northwest	North Star	22,005

Yukon-Koyukuk/Upper Tanana	North Slope	Kodiak	44,749	0	29,205
	Northwest Arctic	Lower Yukon, Kuskokwim	32,572		

Railbelt	North Slope	576,868
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Southeast	Northwest Arctic	19,620
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Yukon-Koyukuk/Upper Tanana	36,969
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					Southeast
Year	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010
Population	1,000,000	1,200,000	1,400,000	1,600,000	1,800,000
GDP	\$100 billion	\$120 billion	\$140 billion	\$160 billion	\$180 billion
Unemployment	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%
Inflation	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%
Interest Rate	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%
Exchange Rate	1:1	1:1.1	1:1.2	1:1.3	1:1.4
Trade Balance	\$10 billion	\$12 billion	\$14 billion	\$16 billion	\$18 billion
Government Spending	\$20 billion	\$22 billion	\$24 billion	\$26 billion	\$28 billion
Tax Revenue	\$15 billion	\$17 billion	\$19 billion	\$21 billion	\$23 billion
Public Debt	\$5 billion	\$6 billion	\$7 billion	\$8 billion	\$9 billion
Healthcare Spending	\$5 billion	\$6 billion	\$7 billion	\$8 billion	\$9 billion
Education Spending	\$3 billion	\$3.5 billion	\$4 billion	\$4.5 billion	\$5 billion
Infrastructure Spending	\$2 billion	\$2.5 billion	\$3 billion	\$3.5 billion	\$4 billion
Research & Development	\$1 billion	\$1.5 billion	\$2 billion	\$2.5 billion	\$3 billion
Defense Spending	\$1 billion	\$1.2 billion	\$1.4 billion	\$1.6 billion	\$1.8 billion
Environmental Spending	\$0.5 billion	\$0.6 billion	\$0.7 billion	\$0.8 billion	\$0.9 billion
Space Program	\$0.5 billion	\$0.6 billion	\$0.7 billion	\$0.8 billion	\$0.9 billion
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2018	Rainbelt	333	2,379	629	632
2019	Railbelt	456	2,615	683	651

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2020	Railbelt	577	2,560	723	608

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2021	Railbert	483	2,033	753	563

2021	Railbelt	483	3,022	753	567
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Year	ACEP Energy Region	Net Generation, GWh (compiled from above, divided by 1000, pasted as values)								Total	Sales
		Oil	Gas	Coal	Hydro	Wind	Utility Solar	Storage	Other		
2012	Railbelt	603	3,444	417	546	32	0	0	0	5,043	4,848
2013	Railbelt	400	3,230	379	498	117	0	0	0	4,624	4,726
2014	Railbelt	326	3,214	558	548	124	0	0	0	4,769	4,554
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2018	Railbelt	485	2,876	629	632	122	0	(2)	0	4,641	4,384
2019	Railbelt	456	2,615	683	651	112	0	(3)	0	4,514	4,294
2020	Railbelt	577	2,569	722	698	97	2	(3)	0	4,662	4,356
2021	Railbelt	483	3,022	753	567	102	2	(3)	0	4,925	4,349



The Alaska Energy Data Gateway automates this process...at least somewhat. (AEDG is not maintained.)



Data Search

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Alaska Energy Statistics Table 2.3b - Certified Utilities Net Generation by Fuel Type (MWh)

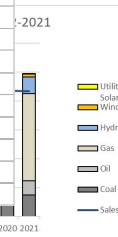
Information about electric net generation by fuel source and fuel use of c

[Alaska Energy Statistics 1960-2011 Final Report \(PDF\)](#) Dataset revised A

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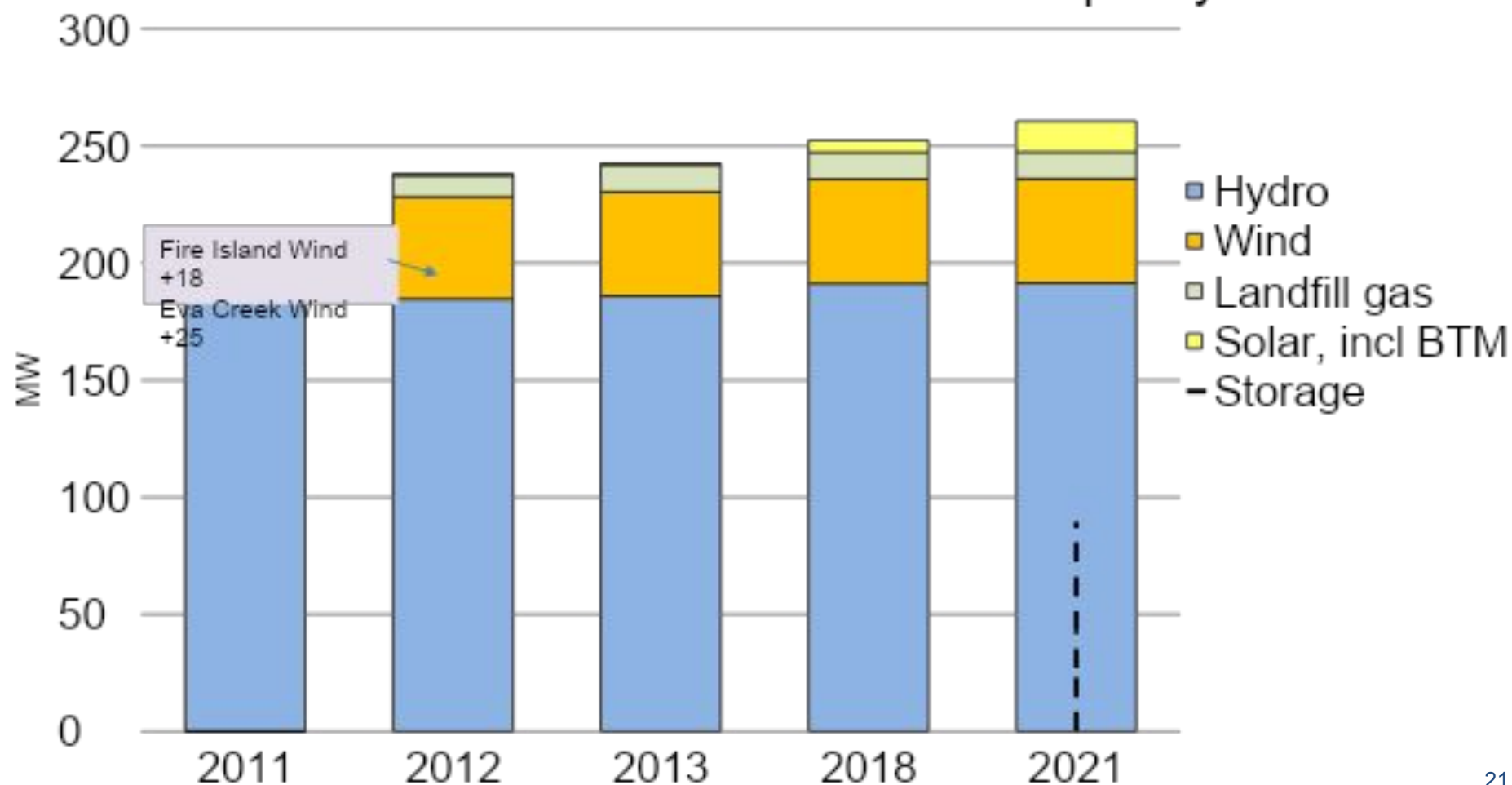
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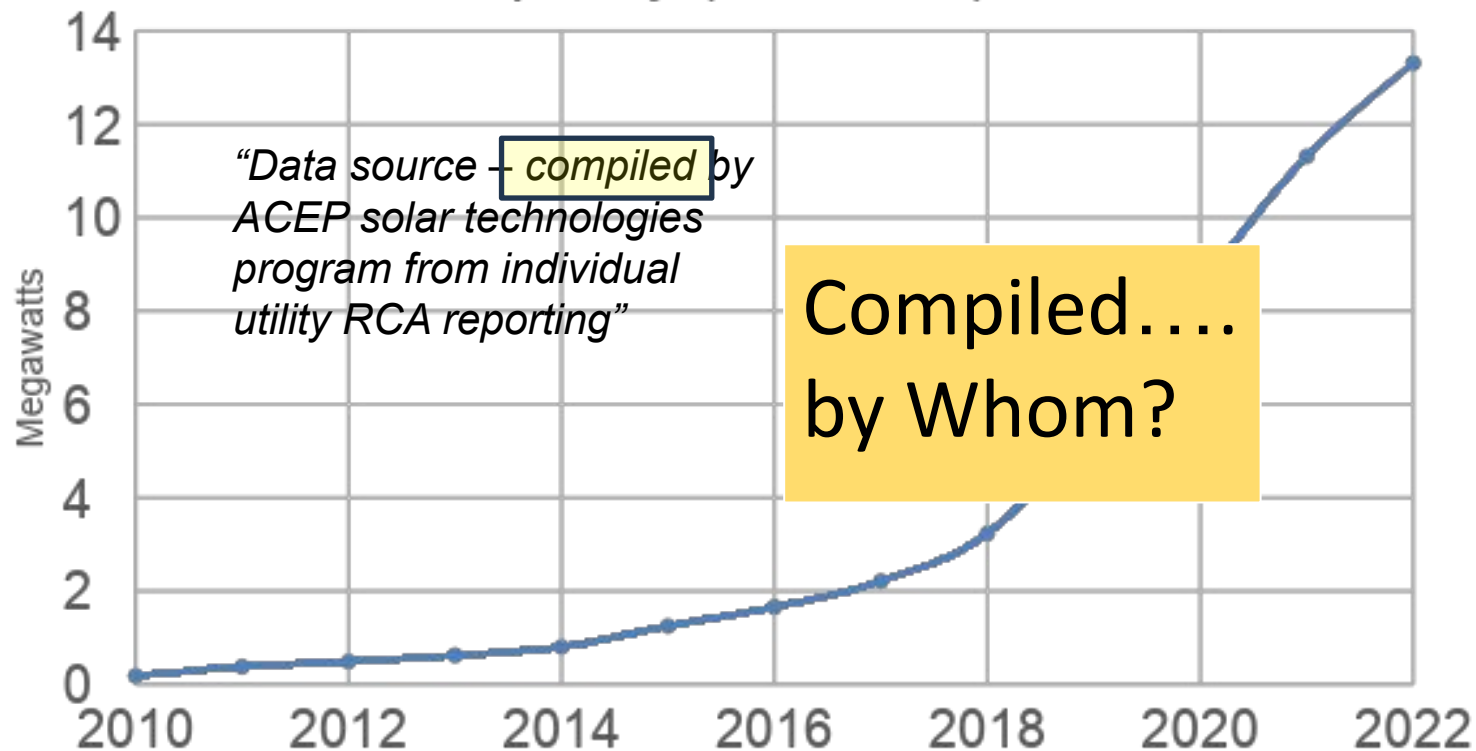
Bonus view from the Trenches

Where's Rooftop Solar?

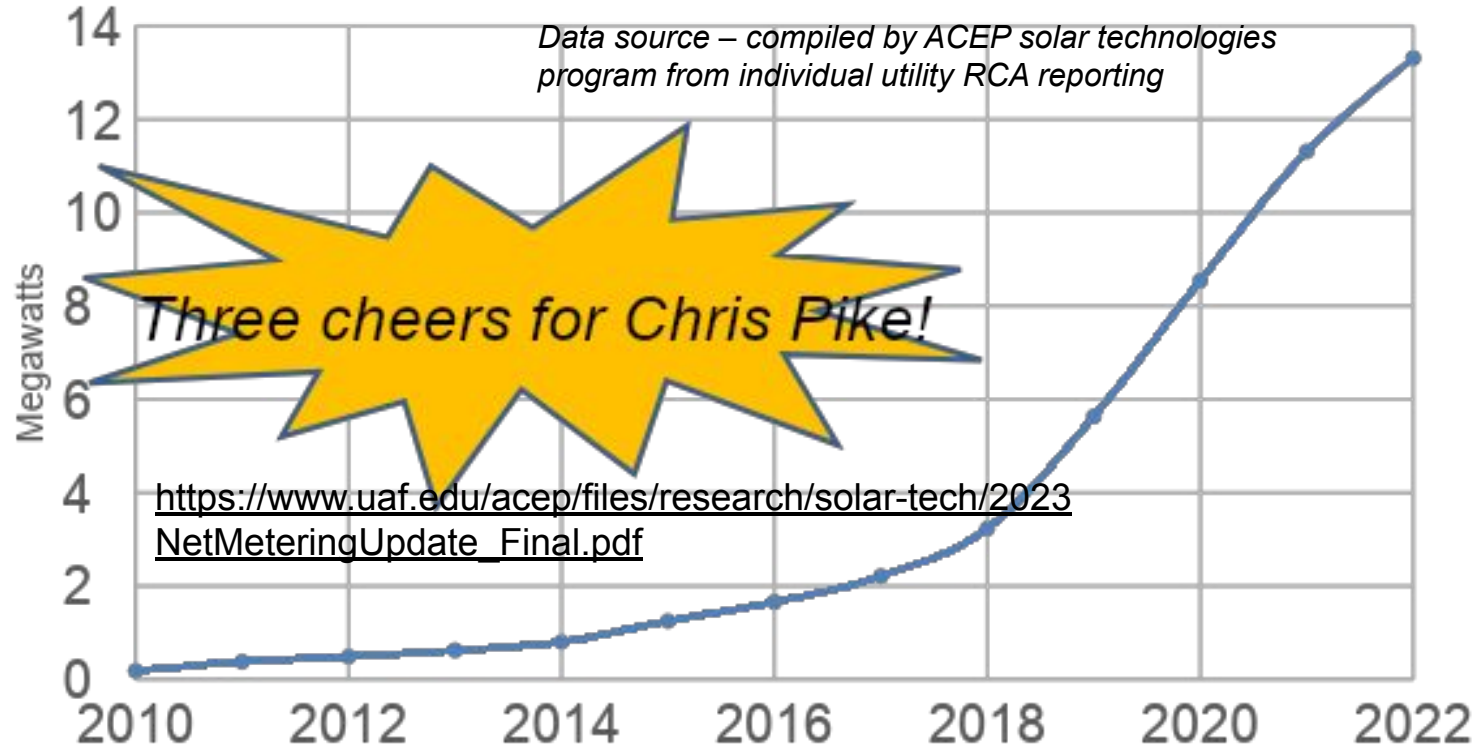
Railbelt Renewables Installed Capacity



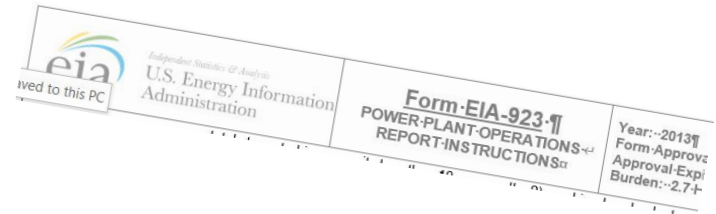
Railbelt Net Metered (ie, BTM) Installed Capacity (Solar PV)



Railbelt Net Metered Installed Capacity (Solar PV)



Possible Takeaways



- Much potentially useful energy data comes from fallible people.
- Unreliable/uncleaned data is worse than no data. GIGO.
- Clean, timely, consistent data requires sustained human effort.
- Who is / should be accountable for spotting glitches and cleaning data?
 - Not obvious – recall that the mighty EIA did not catch SW Bailey Plant kWh vs MWh – a 1000-fold error
 - How can “peer review” be used to ensure data quality
- No good substitute for people developing and sustaining relationships with key energy data sources and the raw data therefrom. (Three cheers for P. Haldane!)

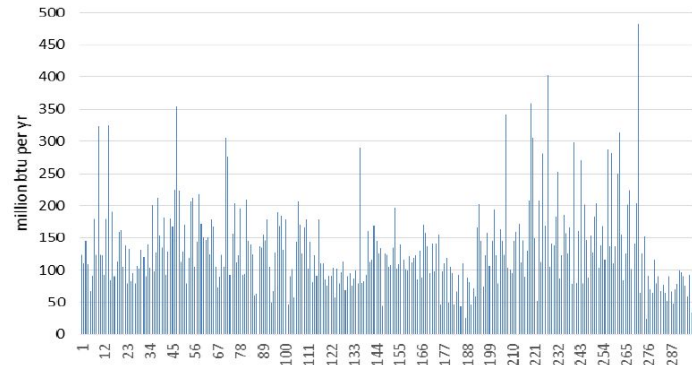
WHAT ABOUT
HEAT?

Heat: *The Good*.....

- ARIS* data is now publicly available!

*Three cheers
for AHFC!*

- Big sample, data at individual building level
 - *There is no “typical house”
or “typical household”*

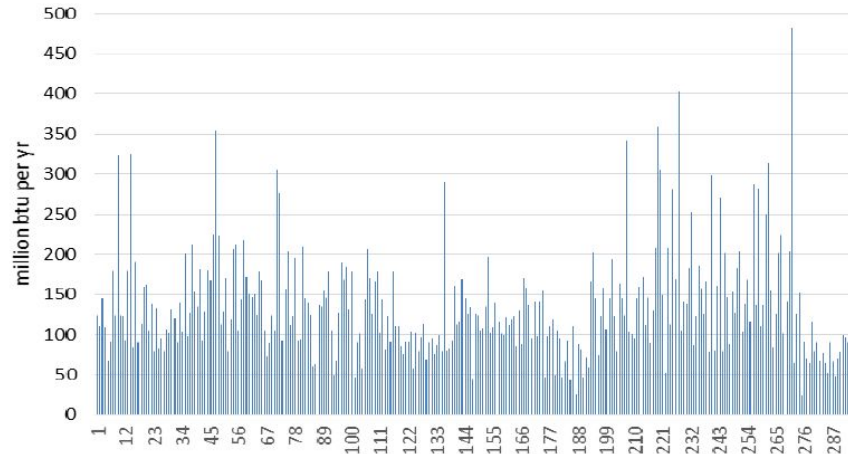


source: Alaska Retrofit Information System; Alaska Energy Authority & WH Pacific, Alaska End Use Study (2012)

Heat: *The “Bad”...*

- ARIS energy consumption “data” is mostly modeled estimates
 - *There has been little to zero groundtruthing of these estimates*

Figure 6. Variation in modeled heating fuel usage among 297 individual houses in the study area



source: Alaska Retrofit Information System; Alaska Energy Authority & WH Pacific, Alaska
End Use Study (2012)

Heat: *The Missing*

We have almost zero measured fuel oil consumption data.

“we’re working on it!” at ACEP, but it is slow going

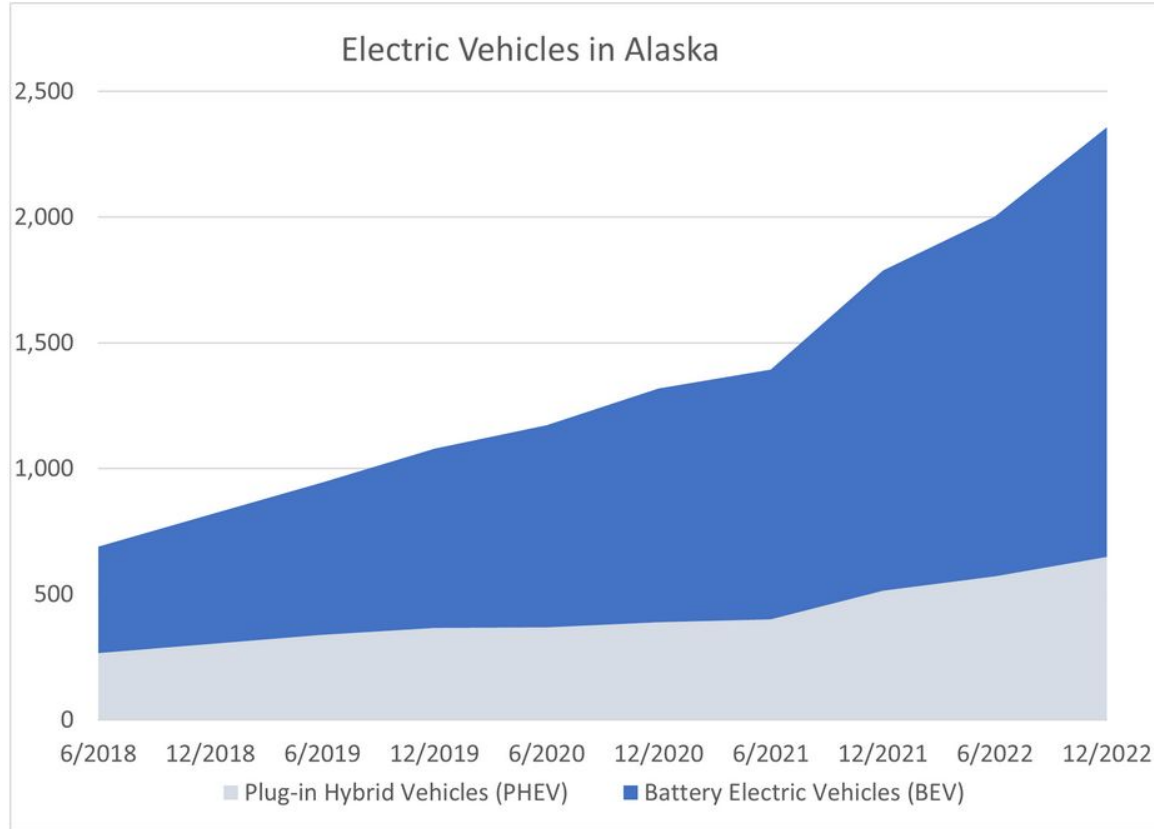
We have almost zero publicly available fuel use data from fuel tax (exemption) data collected by DOR

For decades, we had no publicly available demographic data from the PFD application dataset....but now we do!

WHAT ABOUT TRANSPORTATION?



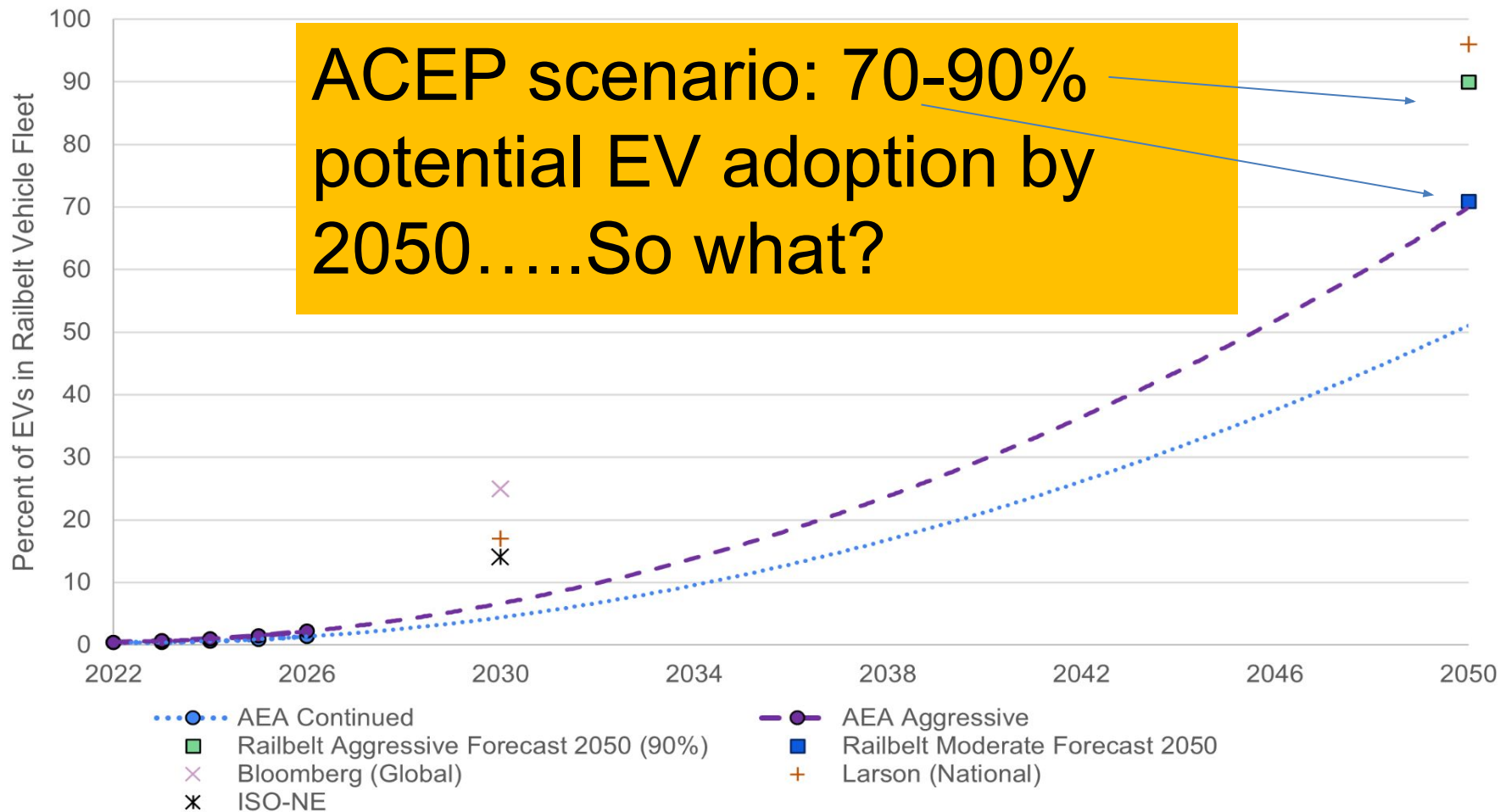
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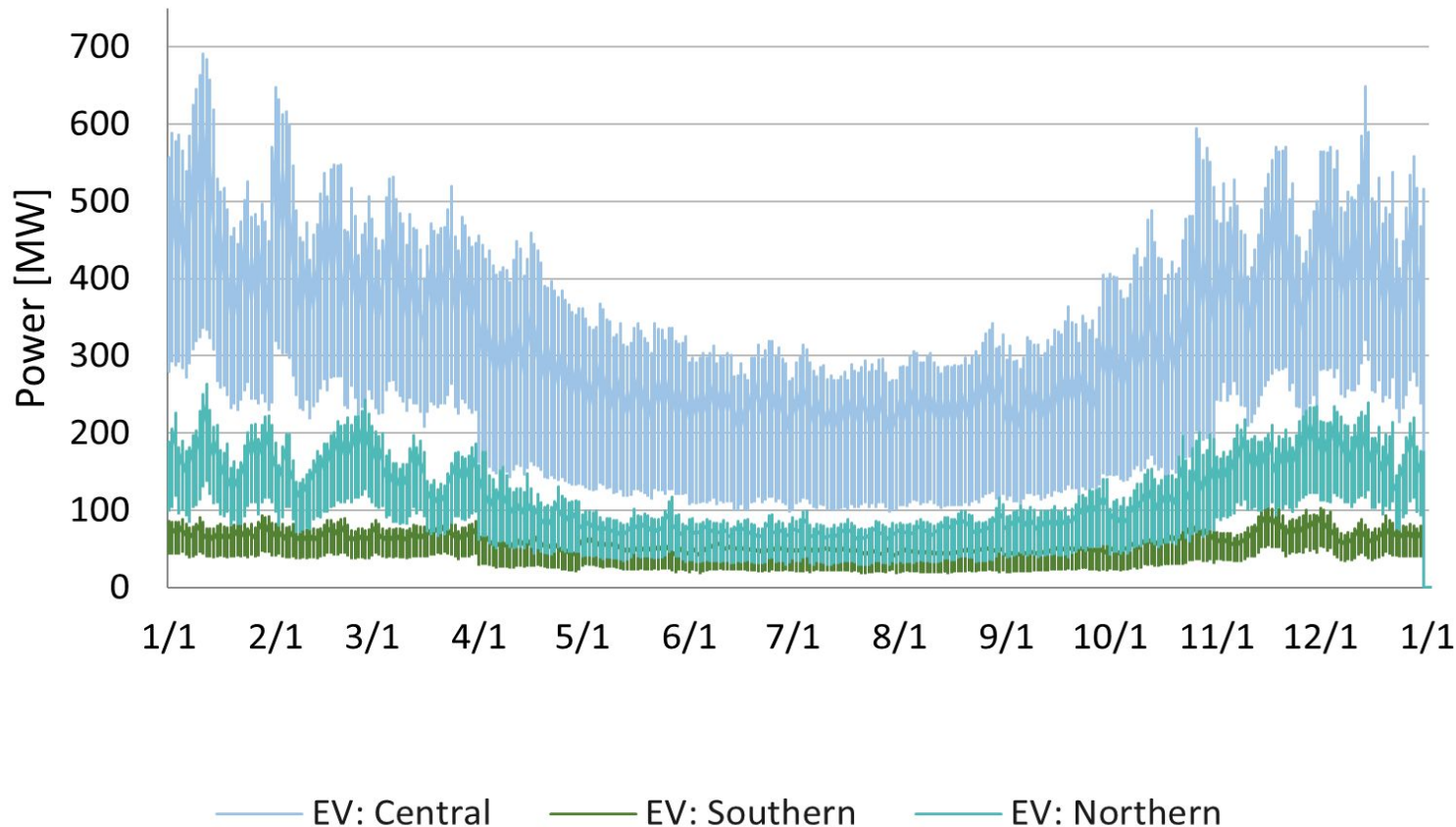
A: The good folks at Chugach Electric³⁰

Final view from the Trenches

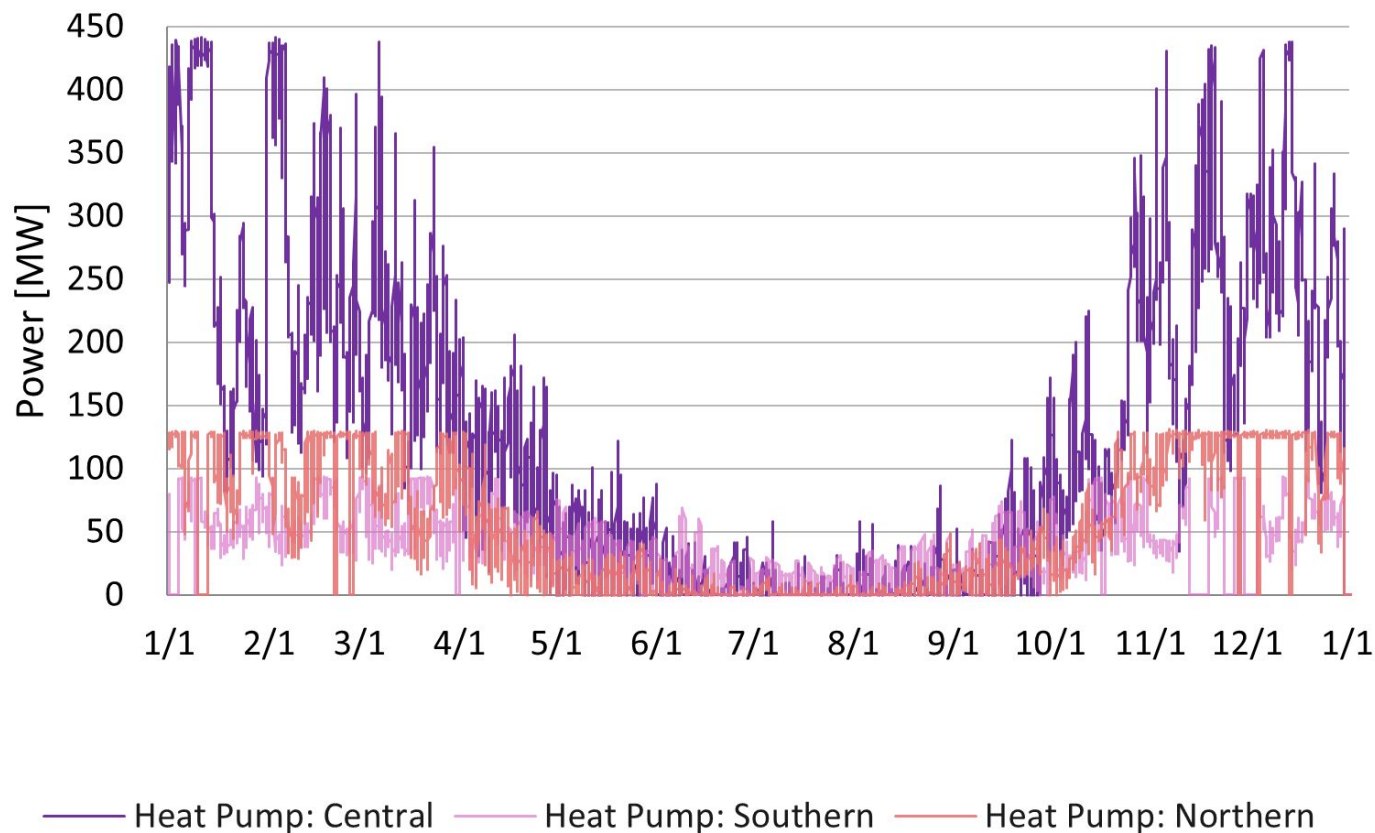
How might EV and Heat Pump load increase total Railbelt electricity demand?



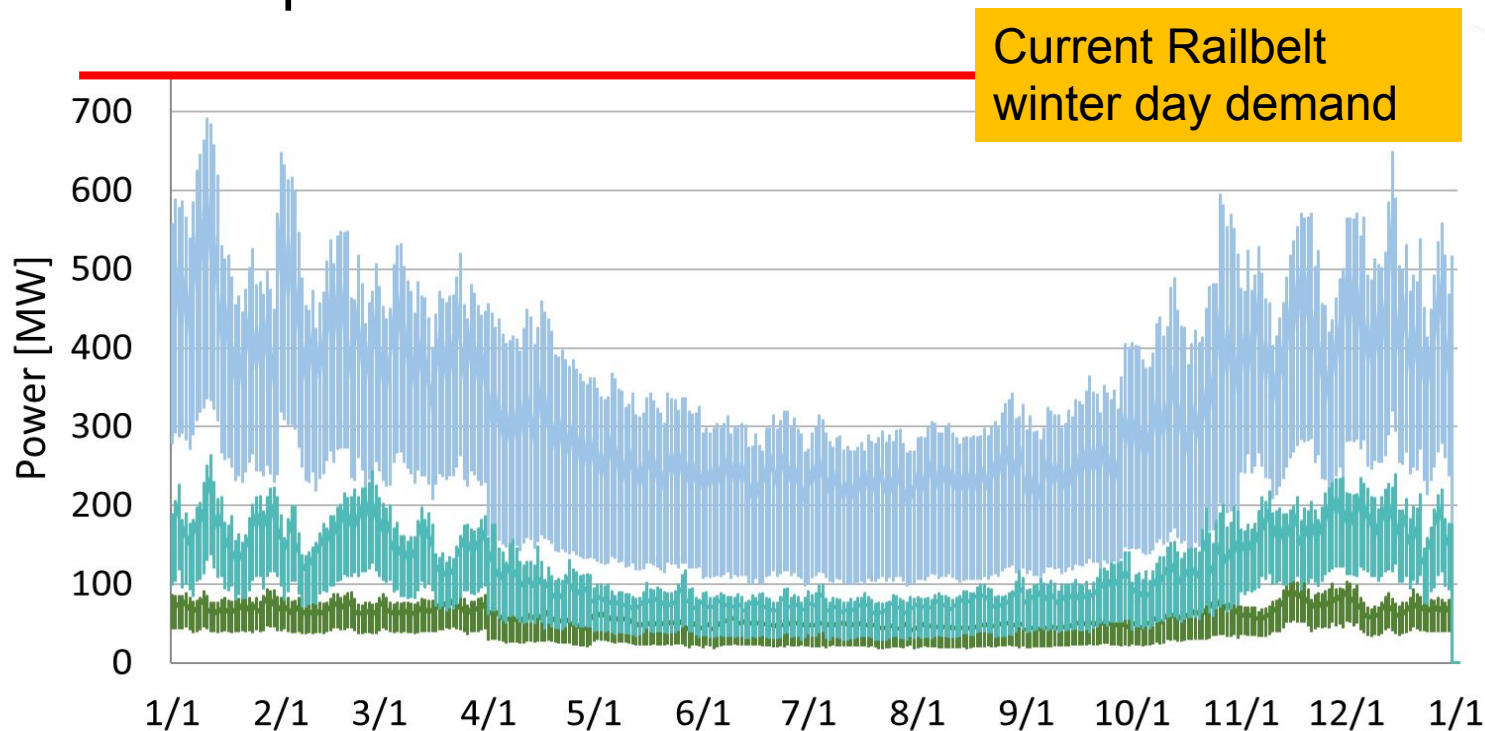
With 90% EV adoption in 2050.....



With 90% Heat Pump adoption in 2050.....



With 90% EV adoption in 2050.....



“You do the math...”

Load may double, or triple.

The Path to Cheap Power?

EV: Northern

Final thoughts and a question

- This slide deck was messy because energy data is inherently messy
 - *Only people, applying sustained effort, can clean up messy energy data and make it accessible in useful formats*
- Our understanding of Alaska's energy picture is messy because much data is not collected
 - *Only people, working together and trusting one another, can collect, compile, and clean the heat and transportation data that will dominate policy choices during the next 20 years*
- GIGO
 - Bad raw data in ☐ [cleaning?] ☐ ??bad ??better ??good data out
 - Bad data in ☐ bad policy out
 - No data in ☐ ???
 - Bad policy in ☐ ???
- Is energy data a **useful byproduct** of program admin, or a **primary outcome**?
 - Can we live with data served up one pdf at a time?

**Thank you for caring
about energy data!**

Questions/Discussion



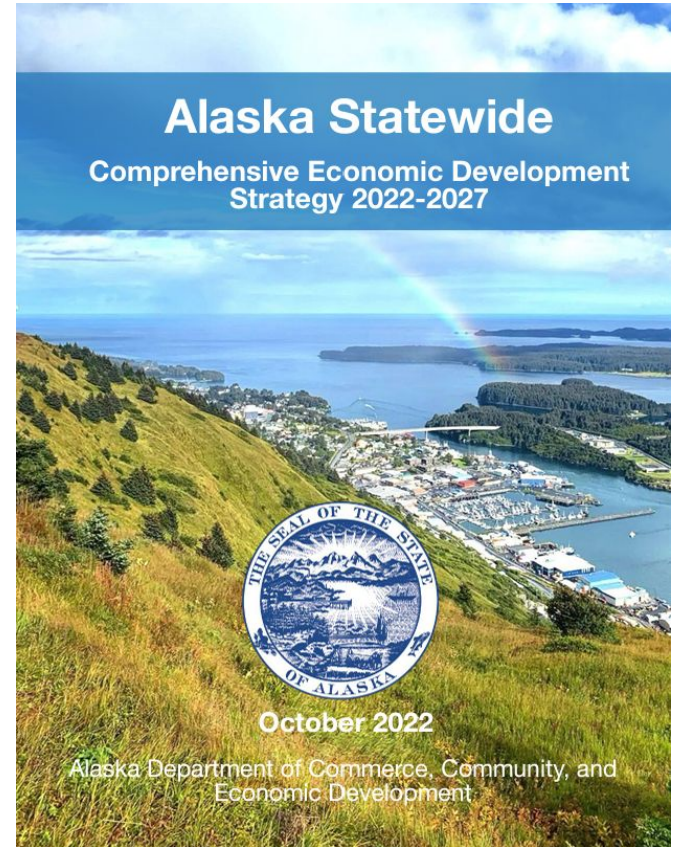
Alaska Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)

University of Alaska Center for Economic Development
for
Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development



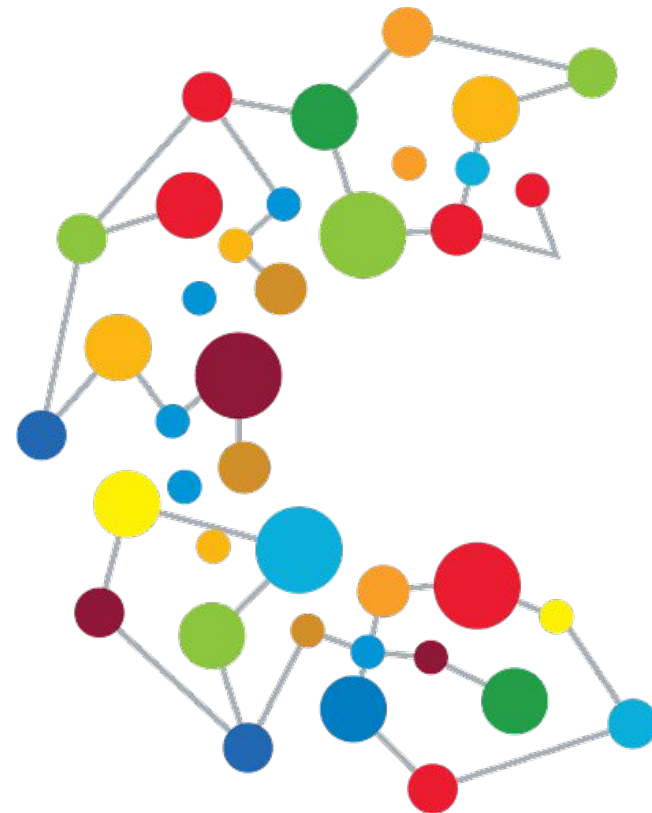
What is a CEDS?

- A **strategic plan** for economic development of a locality, region, or state
- Requires a **public process**
- Necessary for some **federal funds**
- Valid for **5 years**, updated annually (2022-2027)
- Must be approved by the **Economic Development Administration (EDA)**

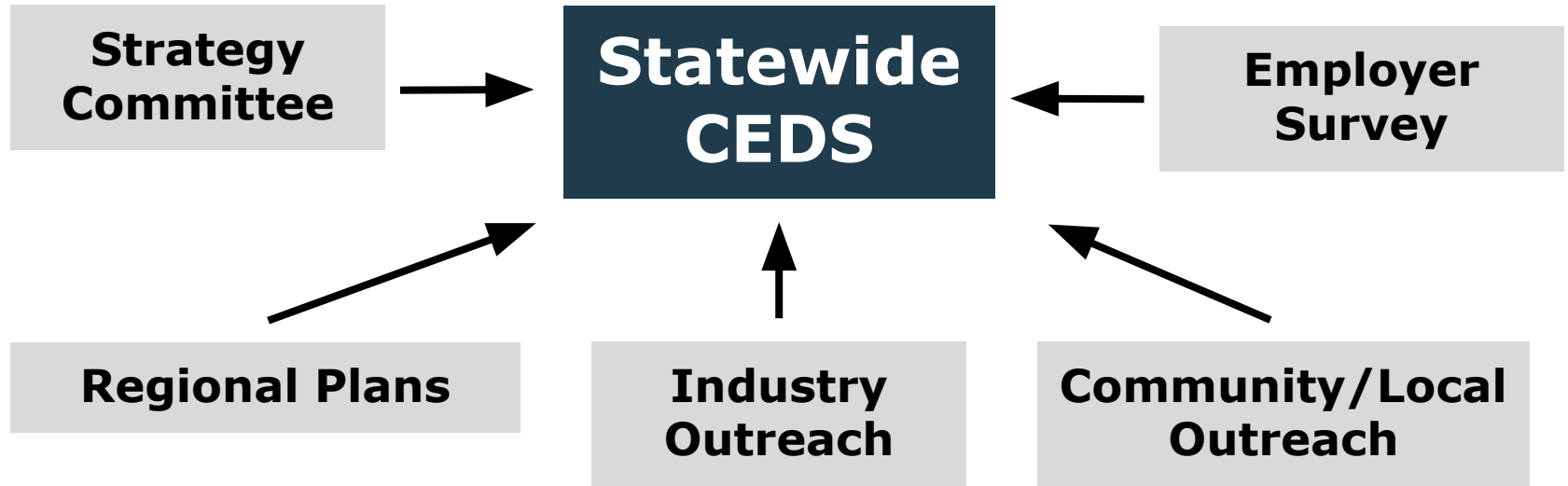


Why have a statewide CEDS?

- Most industries **span multiple regions**
- Many **infrastructure needs are statewide** (i.e. broadband)
- Serve **regions without a CEDS**
- Promote **statewide growth and recovery**
- Attract **strategic federal investments**

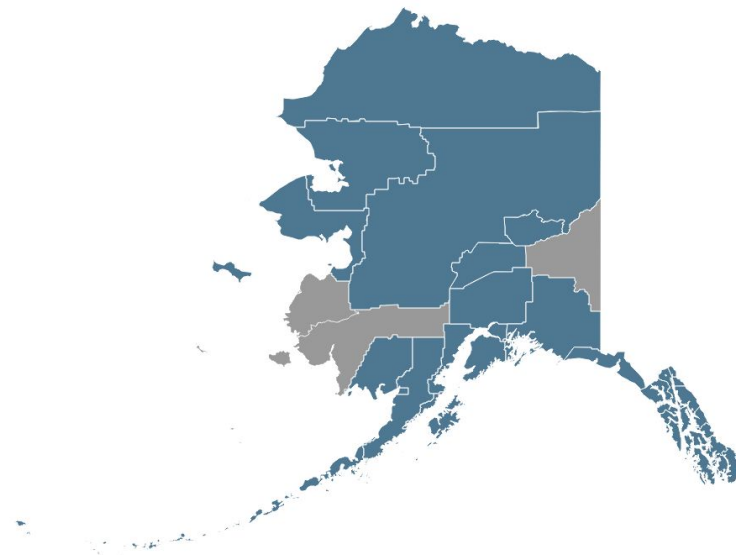


A robust public process



CEDS outreach included

- **Strategy Committee** meetings (50+ members)
- **32 listening sessions:** all parts of Alaska
- **25 key informant interviews**
 - Industry associations
 - Government leaders
- **Employer survey:** 200+ responses



Alaska's economic position, condensed

Challenges

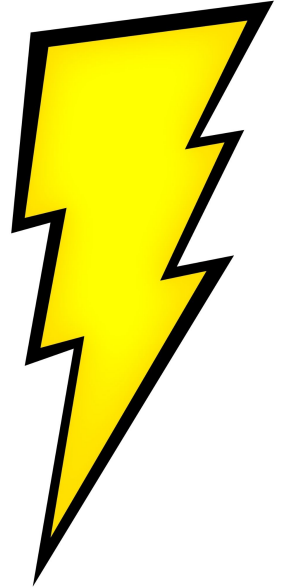
- Recession, stagnation, slow recovery
- Declining oil and gas production
- Workforce shortages
- High operating costs
- Regulatory hurdles to development

Opportunities

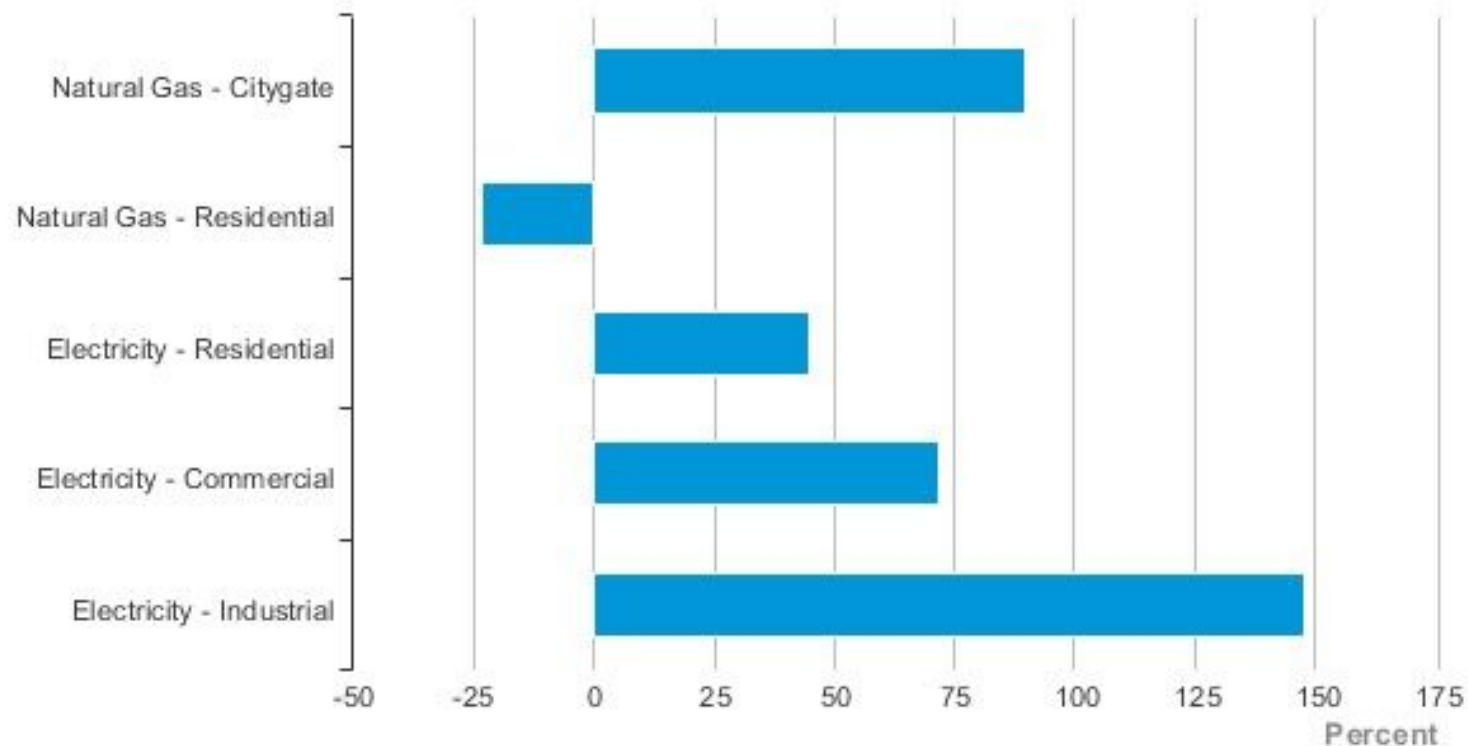
- Resource development opportunities
- Emerging sectors: energy, mariculture, aerospace, marine services, etc
- Geographic position: Arctic and Pacific Rim
- Federal infrastructure investment

Energy's multifaceted role in Alaska's economy

1. We are a major **producer** of energy, via oil and gas
2. High energy **costs** are a significant economic constraint
3. Energy **innovation** is a potential source of economic opportunity
4. Supply of energy is a **resilience challenge**



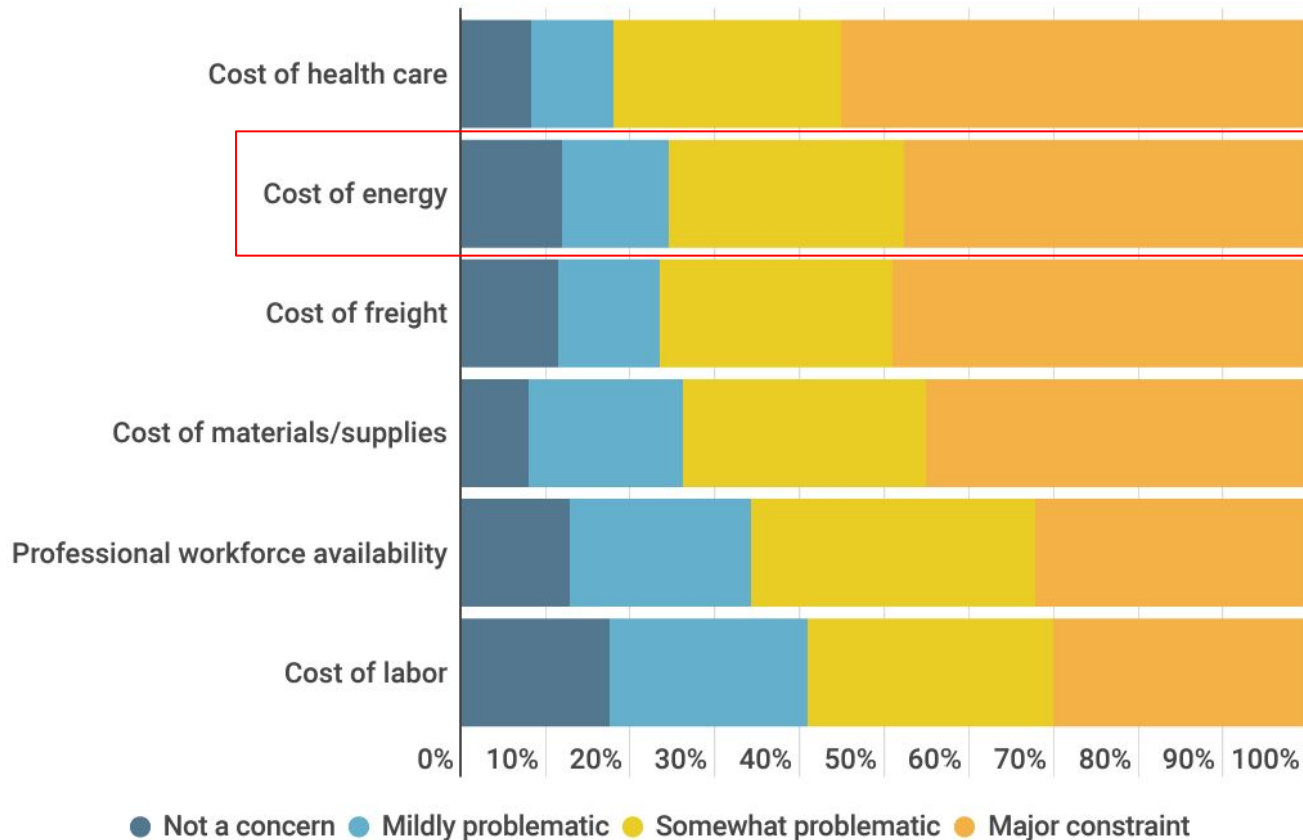
Alaska Price Differences from U.S. Average, Most Recent Monthly



Source: Energy Information Administration, Petroleum Marketing Monthly; Natural Gas Monthly; Electric Power Monthly

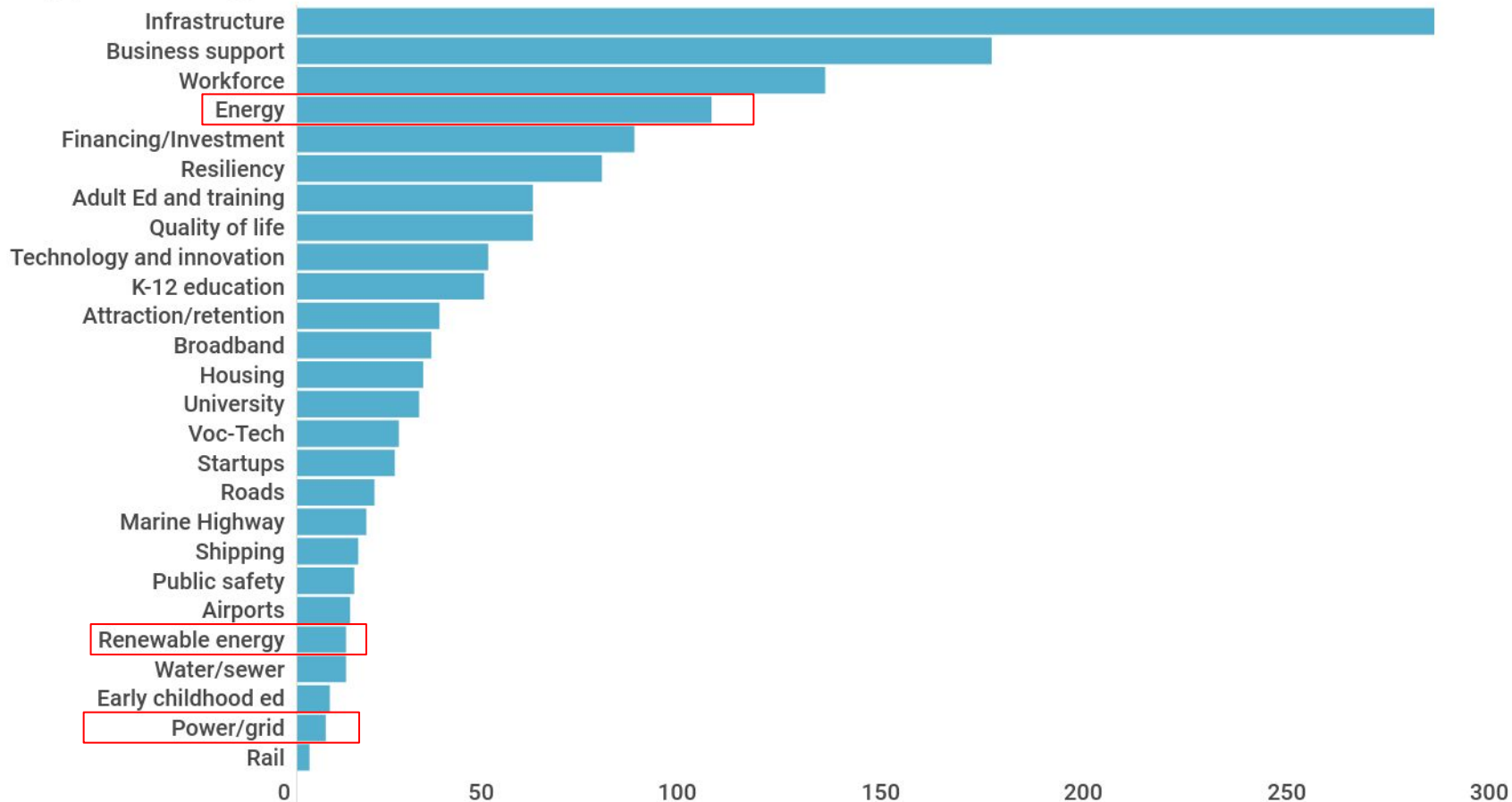
What Barriers do Respondents See for their Organizations?

All Organizations Responses



All types of organizations found the cost of doing business (healthcare, energy, freight, materials/supplies, and labor) to be a constraint for their organization.

Types of goals mentioned in AK CEDS documents



Most frequently mentioned in listening sessions

- Workforce shortages and gaps
- Housing availability and affordability
- Energy costs
- Availability of child care

Major CEDS Goals

1. Strengthen Alaska's **Economic Engines**
2. Cultivate and Grow **Emerging Sectors**
3. Support Alaska **Businesses** and the **Entrepreneurial** Ecosystem
4. Build and Update **Economic Foundations**
5. Develop Alaska's **Workforce** and Human Capital
6. Build a **Resilient** State Economy



Goal 1: Strengthen Alaska's Economic Engines



Goal 2: Cultivate and Grow Emerging Sectors



Goal 3: A Strong Business Climate & Entrepreneurial Ecosystem



Goal 4: Build & Update Economic Foundations

Valdez

Photo by Jeremy Talbott



Goal 5: Develop Alaska's Workforce & Human Capital



Goal 6: Build a Resilient Economy

Resiliency refers to the ability of an economy to avoid, withstand, or mitigate the effects of negative external events such as natural disasters, commodity price instability, or downturns. Recent years in Alaska have witnessed oil price swings, fisheries disasters, floods, earthquakes, severe storms, wildfires, food supply chain interruptions, power outages, coastal and riverine erosion, cyber-attacks, and the COVID-19 pandemic. Some of these are associated with climate change. The CEDS includes both proactive and responsive measures to plan for and reduce negative impacts.





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Background

- Alaska Statewide CEDS 5-year update was funded by an Economic Development Administration (EDA) Statewide Planning Grant, one-time American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding intended to fund economic development initiatives to help states recover from the pandemic.
- Existing 2017-2022 CEDS was due to expire in September 2022.



Project Team



The State of Alaska was ultimately responsible for the CEDS creation and adoption.



Contracted by the State of Alaska, UACED led research, meeting facilitation, and CEDS development.



Approximately 50 community and industry leaders critiqued, vetted, and contributed ideas to steer the CEDS.



Regional economic development organizations and partners guided outreach sessions in their regions.



Roles & Responsibilities

State of Alaska – DCCED and Governor's Office

- Managed grant that funded this effort. Ensured compliance with project scope.
- Composed CEDS Strategy Committee.
- Coordinated with economic development organizations to conduct regional outreach.
- Identified communities and industries critical for inclusion in engagement sessions.
- Reviewed, approved, and published final Statewide CEDS Report.

University of Alaska Center for Economic Development

- Compiled regional CEDS information.
- Researched and updated economic, demographic, and geographic data.
- Facilitated Strategy Committee meetings and regional and industry engagement sessions.
- Processed and refined objectives and action items identified through public engagement.
- Prepared draft Report. Incorporated public comment and graphic design into final Statewide CEDS Report.

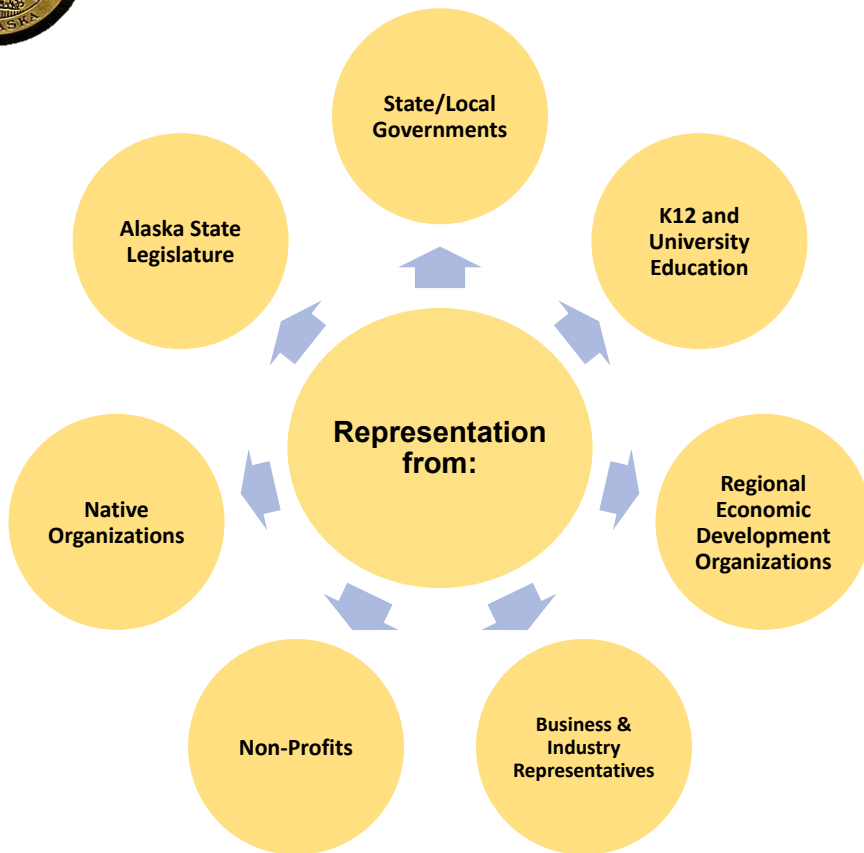


Timeline of 2022 CEDS Update Process





CEDS Strategy Committee



Areas of Expertise:

Aerospace
Agriculture
Banking
Business Development
Energy
Housing
Intellectual Property
Manufacturing
Resource Development
Seafood
Telecommunications
Tourism
Transportation
Workforce



Regional Outreach

Alaska Regional Development Organizations (ARDORs)

- Anchorage Economic Development Corporation
- Copper Valley Development Association
- Fairbanks North Star Borough Economic Development Commission
- Kawerak, Inc.
- Kenai Peninsula Economic Development District
- Northwest Arctic Borough Economic Development Council
- Prince William Sound Economic Development District
- Southeast Conference
- Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference





CEDS Goals



Goal 1: Strengthen Alaska's Economic Engines

Goal 2: Cultivate and Grow Emerging Sectors



Goal 3: A Strong Business Climate & Entrepreneurial Ecosystem

Goal 4: Build & Update Economic Foundations



Goal 5: Develop Alaska's Workforce & Human Capital

Goal 6: Build a Resilient Economy





CEDS Objectives

Strengthen Economic Engines

- ☒ 1.1: Regulatory
- ☒ 1.2: Oil & Gas
- ☐ 1.3: Stranded Resources
- ☐ 1.4: Mining
- ☒ 1.5: Alternative Energy
- ☐ 1.6: Military
- ☒ 1.7: Timber
- ☐ 1.8: Air Cargo
- ☐ 1.9: Seafood
- ☐ 1.10: Tourism

Cultivate and Grow Emerging Sectors

- ☐ 2.1: Mariculture
- ☐ 2.2: Aerospace
- ☐ 2.3: Agriculture
- ☐ 2.4: Maritime
- ☐ 2.5: Manufacturing
- ☐ 2.6: Minerals
- ☒ 2.7: Sustainable Energy

A Strong Business Climate & Entrepreneurial Ecosystem

- ☒ 3.1: University
- ☐ 3.2: Training
- ☐ 3.3: Start-Ups
- ☐ 3.4: Access to Capital
- ☐ 3.5: Technical Expertise
- ☐ 3.6: Inclusivity
- ☐ 3.7: Regulatory
- ☐ 3.8: Entrepreneurs
- ☐ 3.9: Promote Alaska

Build and Update Economic Foundations

- ☐ 4.1: Broadband
- ☐ 4.2: Ferries
- ☐ 4.3: Air
- ☐ 4.4: Housing
- ☐ 4.5: Marine Infrastructure
- ☒ 4.6: Affordable Energy
- ☐ 4.7: Affordable Health Care
- ☐ 4.8: Transportation Infrastructure
- ☐ 4.9: Recreation

Develop Alaska's Workforce and Human Capital

- ☐ 5.1: Workforce Coordination
- ☐ 5.2: Education
- ☐ 5.3: Workforce Attraction
- ☐ 5.4: Remote Workers
- ☐ 5.5: Childcare
- ☐ 5.6: WIOA
- ☐ 5.7: Infrastructure Bill Preparedness
- ☐ 5.8: Planning
- ☒ 5.9: Alternative Energy Workforce
- ☐ 5.10: Regulatory

Build a Resilient Economy

- ☒ 6.1: Resiliency Planning
- ☒ 6.2: Resilience Capacity
- ☒ 6.3: Resilient Infrastructure
- ☐ 6.4: Rural Resilience



Objective 1.2: Develop Alaska's North Slope natural gas and heavy oil for in-state and export markets.



Action Item

Attract private co-investment to build a natural gas pipeline and liquefaction facilities for export to the Lower 48 and abroad.

Potential Lead Entity:

AGDC

Potential Partners:

Governor's Office

Action Item

Where economically feasible, build infrastructure to supply natural gas to Alaska communities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and energy costs.

Potential Partners:

AGDC

Gas utilities

Local governments

Action Item

Support research, pilot testing, development, and production of North Slope heavy oil using existing infrastructure.

Potential Lead Entity:

Governor's Office

Potential Partners:

Oil and gas producers

University of Alaska

Department of Natural Resources



Objective 1.5: Develop alternative, low emission uses for existing natural resources.



Action Item

Pursue public and private investment to utilize North Slope natural gas to produce hydrogen fuel.

Potential Partners:

Governor's Office
AGDC

Action Item

Continue R&D in the utilization of natural gas to produce hydrogen for world markets.

Potential Lead

Entity:
UAF

Potential Partners:

Governor's Office
AGDC

Action Item

Explore alternative uses for coal, such as gasification and hydrogen production.

Potential Partners:

University of Alaska
Mining companies

Action Item

Pursue carbon capture and sequestration to make existing resources cleaner.

Action Item

Develop and implement Hydrogen Roadmap for Alaska.

Potential Lead

Entity:
UAF

Potential Partners:

Governor's Office
AGDC
University of Alaska Center for Economic Development
ACEP



Objective 1.7: Revitalize Alaska's forest products industry.



Action Item

Support access to other resources and uses in National Forests, such as hydroelectric development.

Potential Partners:

Southeast Conference
Division of Forestry
National Forest Service
DCCED
Governor's Office

Action Item

Encourage utilization of local timber to meet in-state lumber and biomass needs, including from beetle-killed spruce.

Potential Partners:

Division of Forestry
ARDORs
Economic Development
Organizations
DCCED
Governor's Office



Objective 2.7: Develop Alaska as a global center of clean, sustainable energy innovation to attract and grow innovative firms.



Action Item

Adopt a clean energy portfolio standard that targets 80% clean energy while simultaneously reducing energy costs for users in the Railbelt by 2040.

Potential Lead Entity:

Governor's Office

Potential Partners:

REAP

Action Item

Deploy next generation renewable energy solutions throughout rural Alaska as legacy systems reach end of useful life, accounting for maintenance and training costs.

Potential Lead Entity:

AEA

Potential Partners:

ACEP
Launch Alaska
Alaska Power Association

Action Item

Execute pilot and demonstration projects for energy technology through entities such as AEA, Launch Alaska, and the National Laboratories.

Potential Lead Entity:

AEA

Potential Partners:

ACEP
Launch Alaska

Action Item

Deploy clean energy sources such as geothermal, tidal, and microreactors.

Potential Lead Entity:

AEA

Potential Partners:

ACEP
Launch Alaska

Action Item

Conduct and implement a statewide strategic plan for energy development.

Potential Lead Entity:

AEA

Potential Partners:

ACEP
Launch Alaska
REAP
Alaska Power Association

Action Item

Conduct a study on state level energy incentives programs across the U.S. with a goal of expanding energy incentive programs in Alaska.

Potential Lead Entity:

AEA

Potential Partners:

State of Alaska
Launch Alaska

Action Item

Support the establishment of an Alaska Hydrogen Hub and an Alaska Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage (CCUS) Hub.

Potential Lead Entity:

Governor's Office

Potential Partners:

AEA
Governor's Office
Congressional delegation



Objective 3.1: Utilize the assets of the University of Alaska System to grow knowledge-economy firms in Alaska.



Action Item

Align university research with the R&D needs of Economic Engines and Emerging Sectors, especially in energy, Arctic technologies, resource development, ocean sciences, health care technologies, biosciences, and aerospace.

Potential Lead Entity:

University of Alaska

Potential Partners:

UAA Business Enterprise
Institute

UAF Center ICE

UA intellectual property offices

Alaska Blue Economy Center

UAF ACUASI



Objective 4.6: Reduce the cost of energy for industrial and residential use through any realistic means throughout the state.



Action Item

Build natural gas infrastructure to increase the supply of natural gas to the Interior, leveraging public and private investment.

Potential Lead Entity:
AGDC

Potential Partners:
FNSB
Interior Gas Utility
AIDEA

Action Item

Where feasible, install renewable energy systems such as wind, tidal, geothermal, and solar to reduce power costs in rural areas.

Potential Lead Entity:
AEA

Potential Partners:
Electric utilities
Local governments
Tribal governments
ACEP

Action Item

Use industrial access roads and bulk purchasing power to supply low-cost fuel to rural communities located near natural resource development sites.

Potential Lead Entity:
AIDEA

Potential Partners:
Local governments
Tribal governments
Alaska Native Corporations

Action Item

Expand transmission lines to connect outlying communities to the Railbelt (or other regional) grids wherever a cost-benefit analysis indicates a positive value.

Potential Lead Entity:
AEA

Potential Partners:
Local governments
Tribal governments
Electric utilities

Action Item

Utilize federal infrastructure funds to retrofit commercial and industrial buildings for greater efficiency.

Potential Partners:
AEA
AHFC
DCCED

Action Item

Build new, and upgrade existing hydroelectric facilities to provide low cost, low emissions power.

Potential Partners:
AEA
Electric utilities
Local governments
Tribal governments

Action Item

Fully implement Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (CPACE) financing to help commercial building owners increase energy efficiency and reduce costs at the local government level.

Potential Partners:
AEA
Local governments
Commercial lenders

Action Item

Establish a green bank to finance energy efficiency projects in partnership with the private sector.

Potential Partners:
AEA
AIDEA
Commercial lenders
Local governments
REAP

Action Item

Increase the reimbursement for Power Cost Equalization (PCE) from 500 kWh to 750 kWh.

Potential Lead Entity:
AEA

Potential Partners:
Governor's Office
State Legislature

Action Item

Upgrade Railbelt transmission lines to increase transmission capacity, per announced \$200 million capital plan.

Potential Lead Entity:
AEA

Potential Partners:
Electric utilities



Objective 5.9: Prepare the Alaska workforce for job opportunities in low and no emissions energy technologies, such as electric vehicles, renewable energy systems, and other



Action Item

Obtain federal grants under the IIJA to train mechanics and maintenance workers on electric and hydrogen vehicles.

Potential Partners:

University of Alaska
Training providers
Unions
Employers
K-12 system
Industry associations



Objective 6.2: Leverage Economic Engines and Emerging Sectors to promote the resiliency to supply chain disruptions, natural disasters, and external shocks.



Action Item

Develop in-state timber resources for construction lumber and biomass energy.

Potential Partners:

Division of Forestry
Southeast Conference
Southeast Sustainable Partnership
Private sawmills

Action Item

Utilize natural gas resources for power and heating needs.

Potential Partners:

AIDEA
Electric utilities
Gas utilities

Action Item

Incorporate decarbonization, climate change, and the energy transition into economic development efforts.

Potential Partners:

ARDORs
Economic Development Organizations
DCCED
Governor's Office
Tribal governments
Local governments



Objective 6.3: Build new, and upgrade existing, infrastructure capable of withstanding resiliency shocks such as natural disasters.



Action Item

Ensure power reliability for certain forms of infrastructure, such as ports and airports, which require an uninterrupted supply.

Potential Partners:

Local governments
Electric utilities
AEA

Action Item

Invest in redundancy for transmission lines and broadband fiber when feasible to continue service during interruption.

Potential Partners:

Alaska Broadband Office
AEA
Electric utilities
Telecommunication s companies

Action Item

Upgrade rural energy infrastructure such as power houses and bulk fuel farms.

Potential Lead Entity:
AEA

Potential Partners:

Denali Commission
Rural electric utilities

Action Item

Deploy clean energy systems to reduce dependence on diesel fuel, including renewable and micronuclear sources.

Potential Lead Entity:
AEA


Potential Partners:

U.S. Department of Energy
Electric utilities



Find the Statewide CEDS Online

DCCED homepage – www.commerce.alaska.gov



DCCED COVID-19 Relief Information & Programs

DCCED's COVID-19 Business Relief Programs website is intended to provide information on COVID-19 economic relief programs available to businesses at the State and Federal levels.

The AK-ARPA Business Relief Program application period is closed.

The Alaska Seafood Processors Pandemic Response Relief Program application period is closed and awards have been made.

Highlights

Governor's Food Security & Independence Task Force

Approximately 95% of the food Alaskans purchase is imported. Governor Dunleavy has put together this task force to address Alaska's food security and independence. Visit our [Food Security & Independence Task Force](#) page for more information.

Alaska SBIR/STTR Grant Program

State grant funds are available for businesses with a currently active Federal Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) or Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) award. For more information, visit our [Alaska SBIR/STTR Grant Program](#) page.

Community Development Quota (CDQ) Program

The CDQ Program is administered through NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service. For more information on the State of Alaska's 2022 CDQ Decennial Review, visit our [Community Development Quota \(CDQ\) Program](#) page.

2022-2027 Statewide CEDS

The Final 2022-2027 Statewide Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) is now available.

Alaska SBIR/STTR Grant

PROJECTS

Food Security Task Force

2022-2027 Statewide CEDS

DIVISION LINKS

Commissioner's Office

Administrative Services

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Investments

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Alaska Railroad Corporation

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Alaska Broadband Office

Regulatory Commission of Alaska

State of Alaska / Commerce / Statewide Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy

STATEWIDE COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 2022-2027

The Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (DCCED) published a 5-year Statewide Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) in October 2022. Funded by the Economic Development Administration, this economic development strategy leveraged a locally based, regionally driven, state connected planning process. The 2022-2027 Statewide CEDS identifies the current state of the economy, addresses strategies to improve Alaska's economic resilience, and provides a roadmap for future economic growth.

DCCED partnered with the University of Alaska Center for Economic Development (UACED) to perform the background research, facilitate the public process, and draft the document, with the Alaska Development Team within the Governor's Office providing high-level direction and guidance. Public outreach for the CEDS took place between January and June 2022 and involved a wide range of stakeholders - local and regional leadership, industry and business representation, Tribal representation, learning institutions, and regional economic development organizations, including Alaska Regional Development Organizations (ARDORs). A Strategy Committee made up of state leaders from business, government, and the nonprofit sector provided strategic guidance throughout the CEDS development.

Many regions throughout Alaska have a CEDS or some version of a regional economic development strategy. The Statewide CEDS is not meant to replace any regional strategies. Instead, it provides a coordinated, high-level economic strategy for the entire state. Most of the state's industries span more than one region, as do its foundational gaps like affordable housing. In these cases, collaborative statewide strategies are necessary to make progress. Although developed by state government, the Alaska Statewide CEDS is designed to be used broadly by anyone working to strengthen the Alaska economy.

Click each link below for access to the 2022-2027 Statewide CEDS Report as well as supplemental Appendices A-H:

- 2022-2027 Alaska Statewide CEDS Report
- Appendix A: Goals and Objectives Matrix
- Appendix B: Economic Summary Background
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TRANSMISSION AND SHORTAGE: BUILDING A MORE RESILIENT GRID

Thursday, August 24, 2023, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

- *Energy Storage Options and Selection Considerations*
- *Beneficial and Equitable Electrification*
- *Tidal Power in Alaska*



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Energy Storage Options & Selection Considerations

Sandia National Laboratories

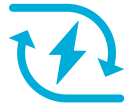


AESTF Energy Symposium

Presenter: Luke McLaughlin, Ph.D.



OUTLINE



Energy Storage

- Importance
- Promising Technologies
- Modeling
- Influence of Key System Parameters



Summary





Energy Storage

Importance

Promising Technologies

Modeling



Energy Storage

Energy Storage (LDES) needed to achieve full decarbonization

"...energy storage is not a luxury, but a necessity..." – Jeremy Twitchell of PPNL

Long Duration Energy Storage (LDES)

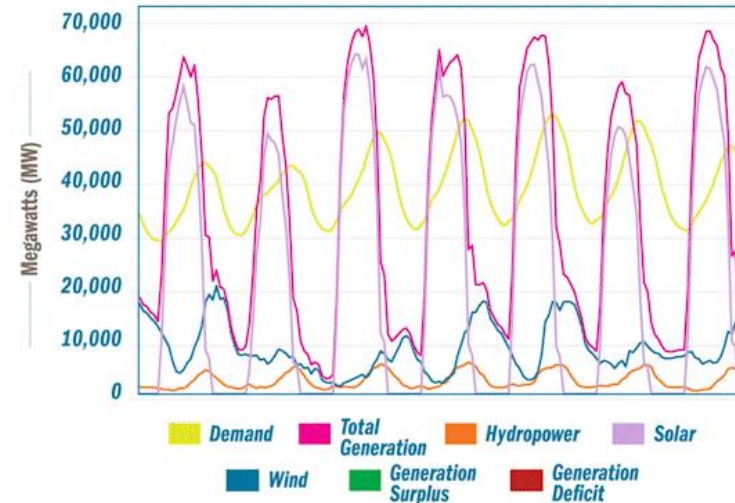
- 8+ hrs (approximate duration)
- Dispatchable at maximum deficit

85-140 TWh LDES needed by 2040 to enable global net zero goals

- LDES Council Report: A path towards full grid decarbonization with 24/7 clean Power Purchase Agreements

Cost Reduction of LDES systems necessary

Importance



Courtesy of PNNL



Long Duration Storage Shot



Reduce storage costs
by **90%***...

*From a 2020 Li-ion baseline



...in storage systems
that deliver **10+** hours
of duration



...in **1** decade

Clean power anytime, anywhere.

Courtesy of DOE



Energy Storage

Commercially Available Technologies

- Lithium-ion (Li-ion) Iron Phosphate (LFP)
- Lithium-ion Nickel Manganese Cobalt (NMC)
- Lead Acid
- Vanadium Redox Flow (VRF)
- Zinc-based
- Compressed Air Energy Storage (CAES)
- Pumped Storage Hydropower (PSH)
- Thermal Energy Storage (TES)
- Gravity Energy Storage
- Hydrogen

Technology solutions are scenario specific

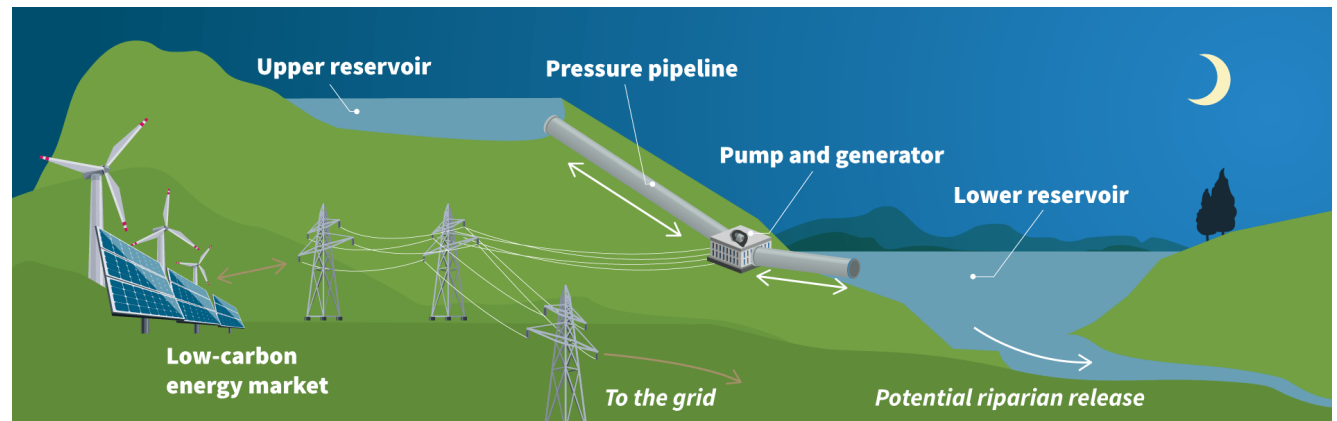
Promising Technologies



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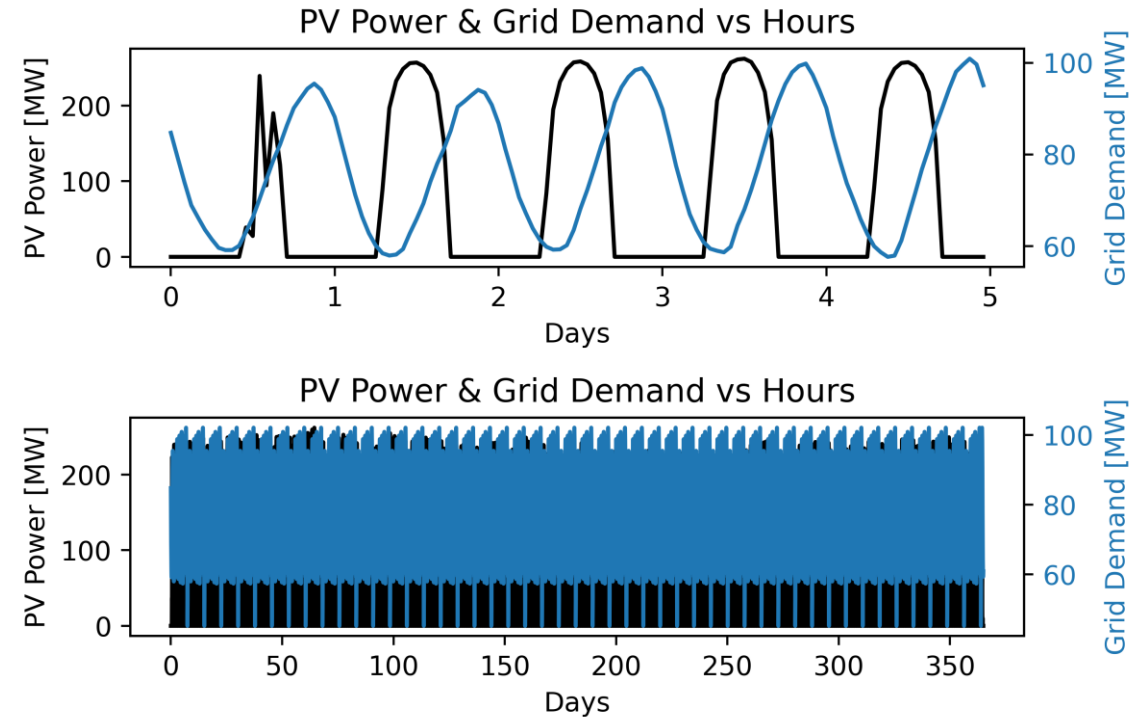
8760 Modeling

- Models energy storage system (ESS) using hourly data over a year
- Utilizes hourly grid demand and energy availability data
- Assesses system performance in dynamic environment

SNL 8760 Modeling

- Compare ESS within the same setting
- Assesses Impacts of:
 - Power purchase agreement
 - Energy available for charging
 - System efficiency

Modeling



Fixed Parameter	Value	Units
Peak grid demand/discharge	100	MW
Operational life	30	Years
Loan percentage	50	%
Interest rate	8	%
Base Electricity Price	0.05	\$/kWh



Energy Storage

Model assesses standalone ESS

Excess PV energy for charging

Varied Model Parameters

▪ Electricity Pricing

- Flat
- Hypothetical "100% RE" Scenario

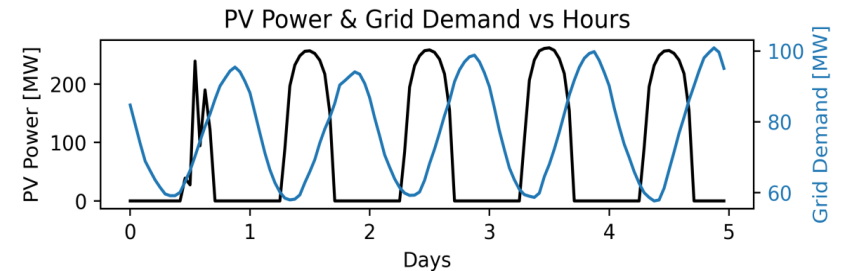
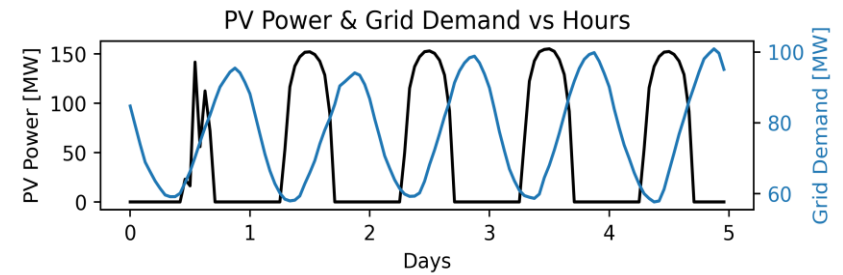
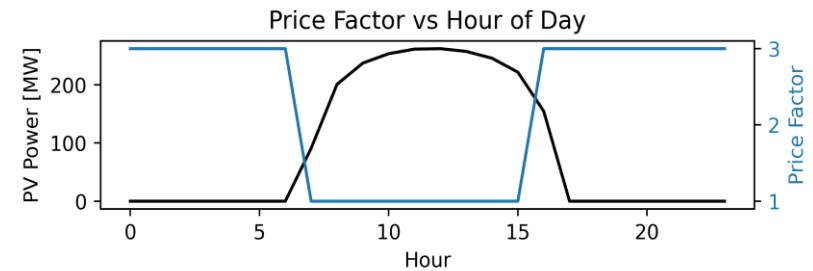
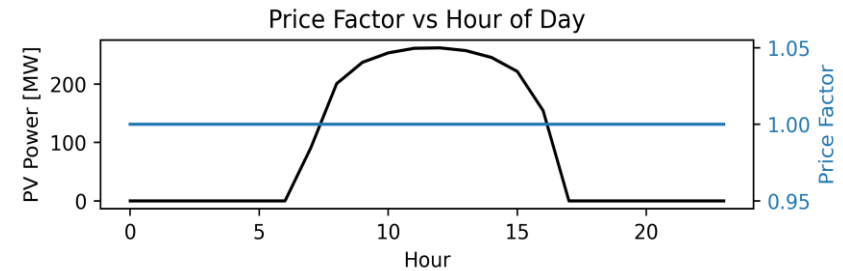
▪ Power available for charging

- 100 MW max charge
- 200 MW max charge

▪ System Efficiency

- TES system RTE
- 35-60 %

Modeling





Energy Storage

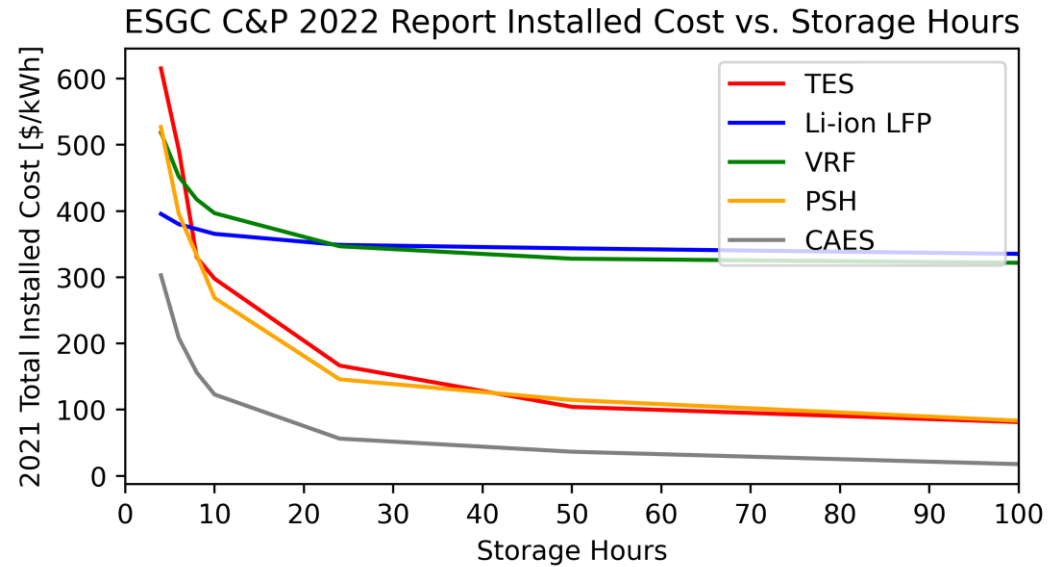
Systems Analyzed

- Li-ion LFP
- Vanadium Redox Flow (VRF)
- Pumped Storage Hydropower (PSH)
- Compressed Air Energy Storage – Caverns (CAES)
- Thermal Energy Storage (TES)

ESGC Cost & Performance 2022 Report used as basis for analysis

- Installed Cost
- RTE
- Lifespan
- O&M Cost

Modeling



ESS	Life Time [years]	RTE [%]	O&M [\$/kW-yr]
PSH	59.9	79.9	28.19
Vanadium Redox Flow	11.9	65.5	12.08
Li-ion LFP	16.0	82.5	9.87
CAES	59.9	51.9	16.11
Thermal	33.9	51.7	32.31



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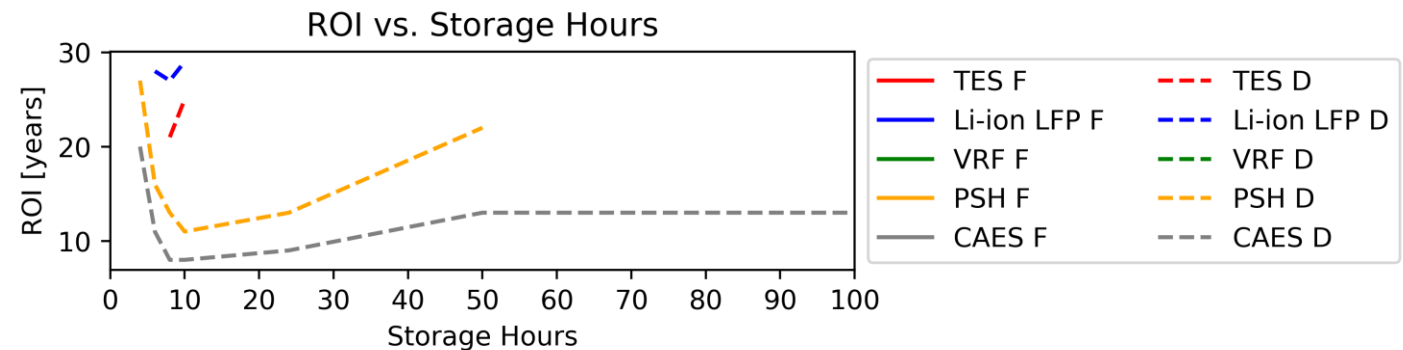
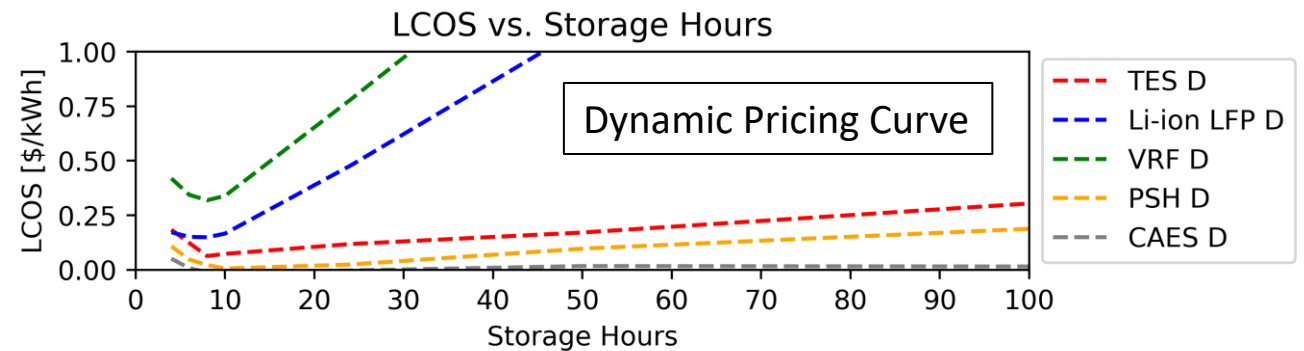
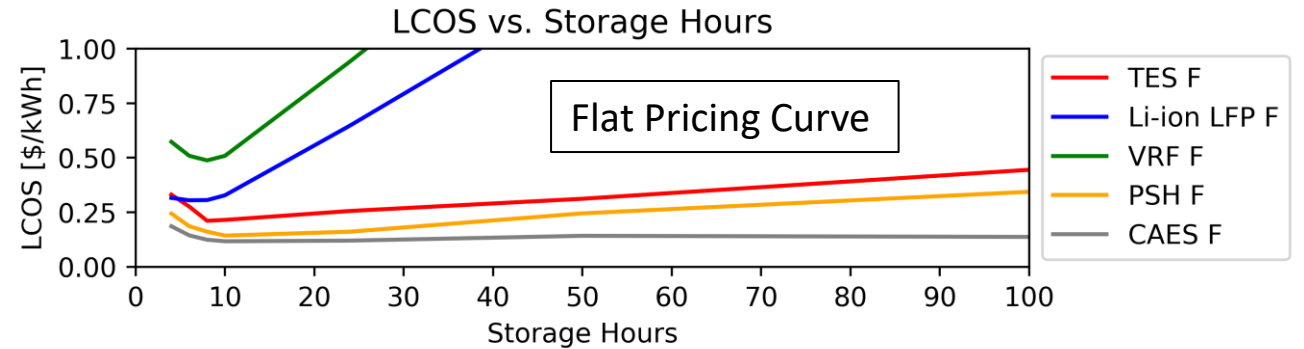
$$LCOS = \frac{\sum_1^n (CAPEX + O\&M + I - Net\ Profit)}{\sum_1^n E_{out}}$$

200 MW Charge General Trends

- CAES & PSH lowest LCOS
- TES lowest LCOS 8+ hours without geographical constraint
- Li-ion LFP lowest LCOS 4 hours without geographical constraint

Influence of Electricity Pricing

- Buying “low” and selling “high” reduces system cost via increased Net Profit of electricity sold
- Enables return on investment (ROI)





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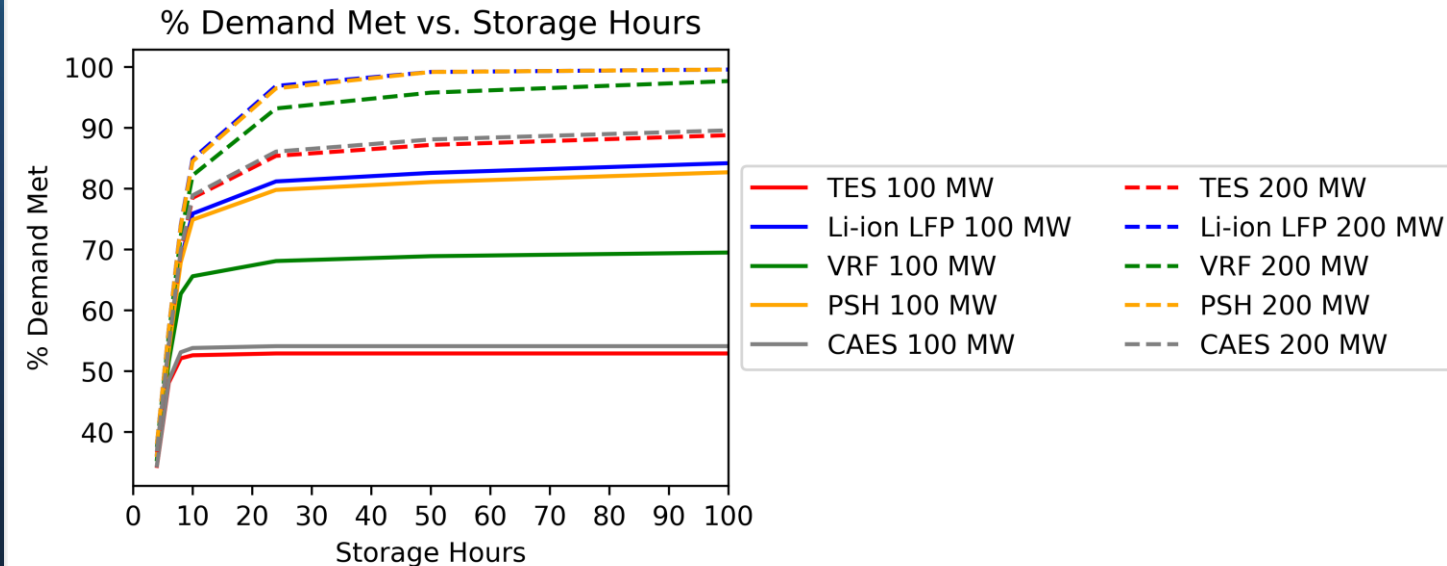
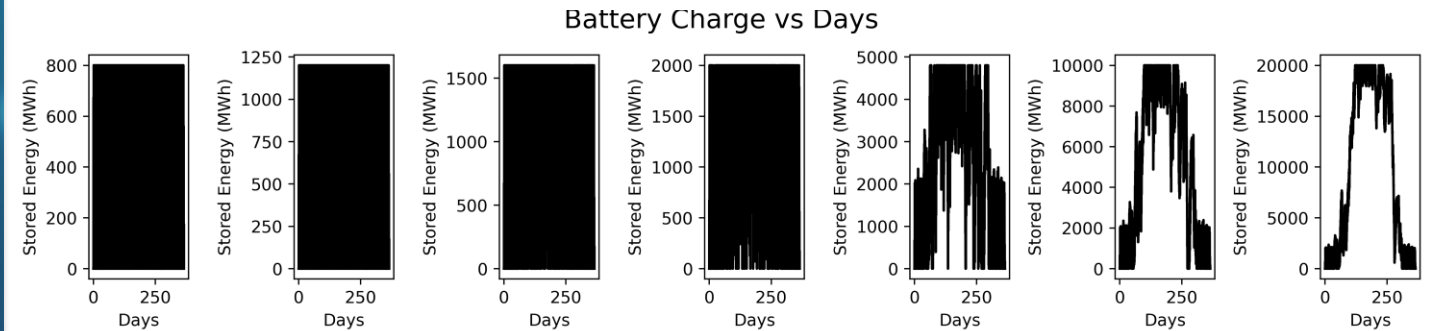
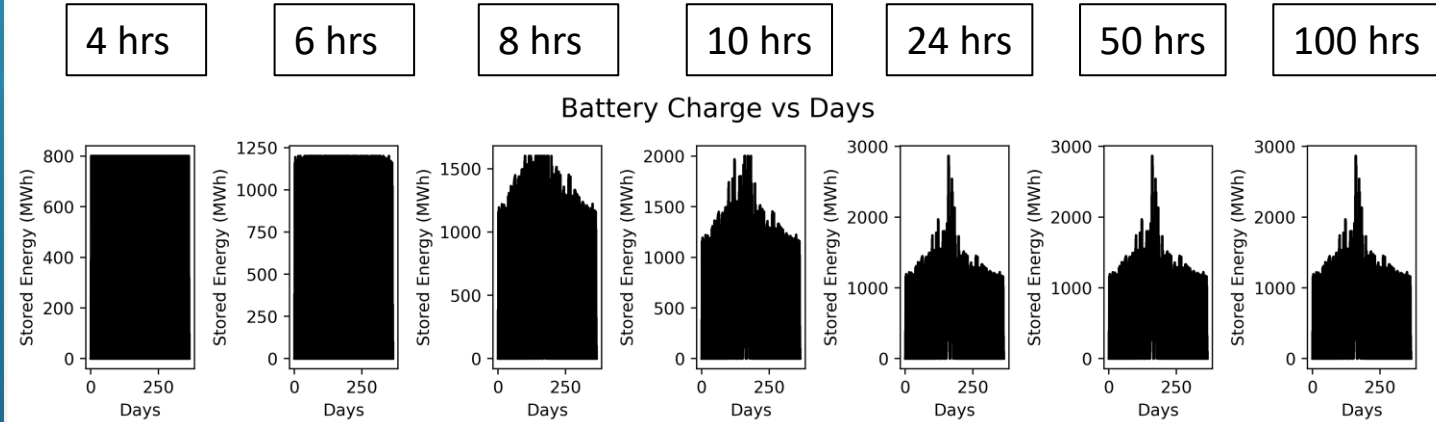
Influence of Available Charging Energy

- Increased storage duration requires sufficient power to charge
- Increased charging power increases % demand met by system

$$\%_{demand} = \frac{E_{out,ESS}}{E_{grid\ demand}}$$

100 MW
Charge

200 MW
Charge

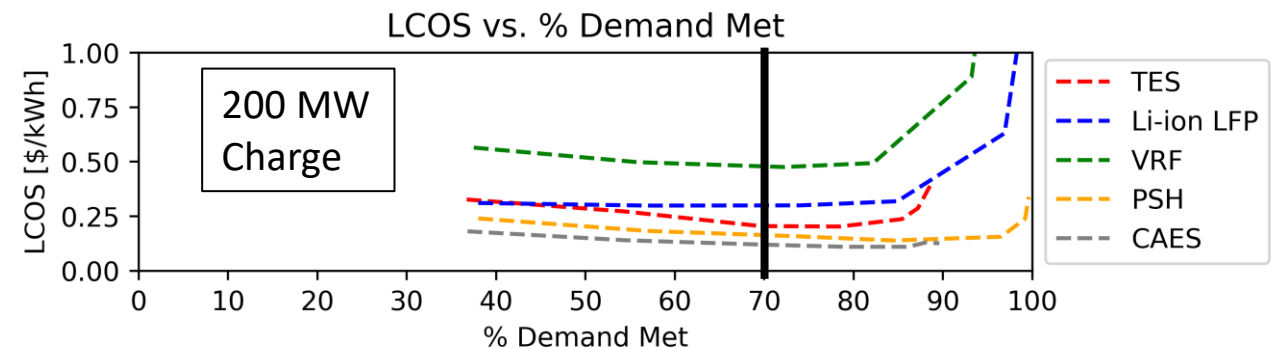
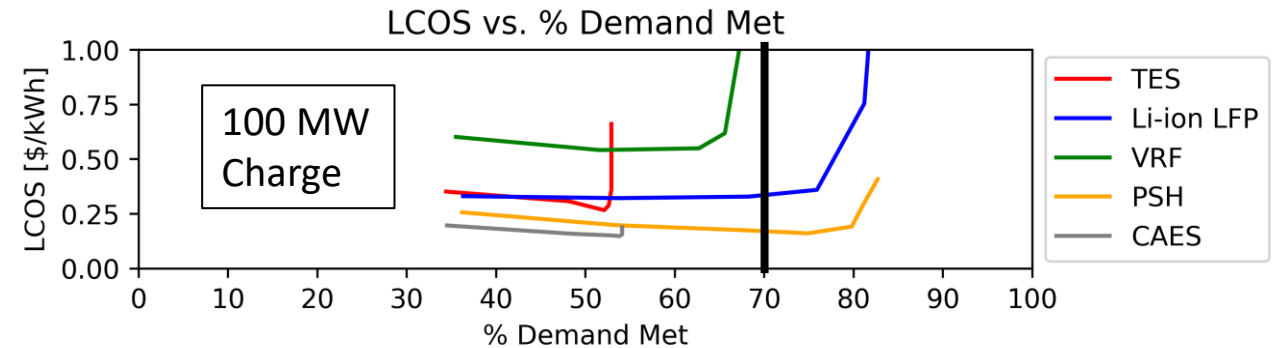
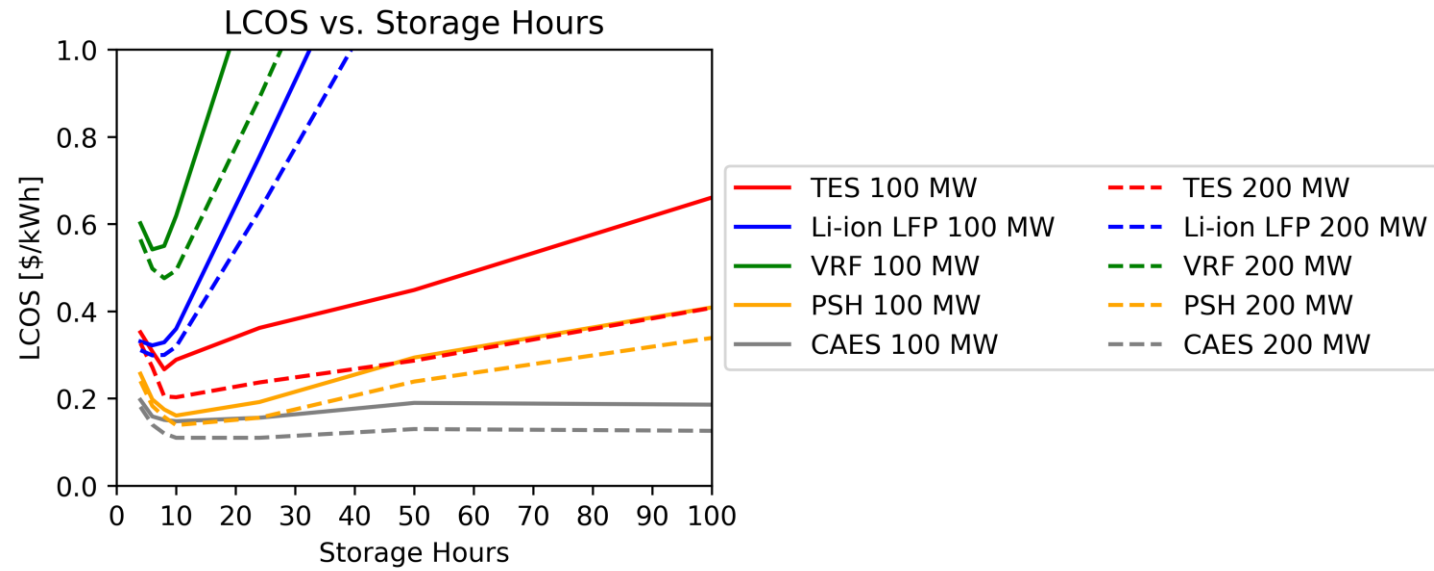




Energy Storage

Influence of Available Charging Energy

- Increased battery utilization decreases system cost
- Lowest cost solution may not meet % met demand requirement

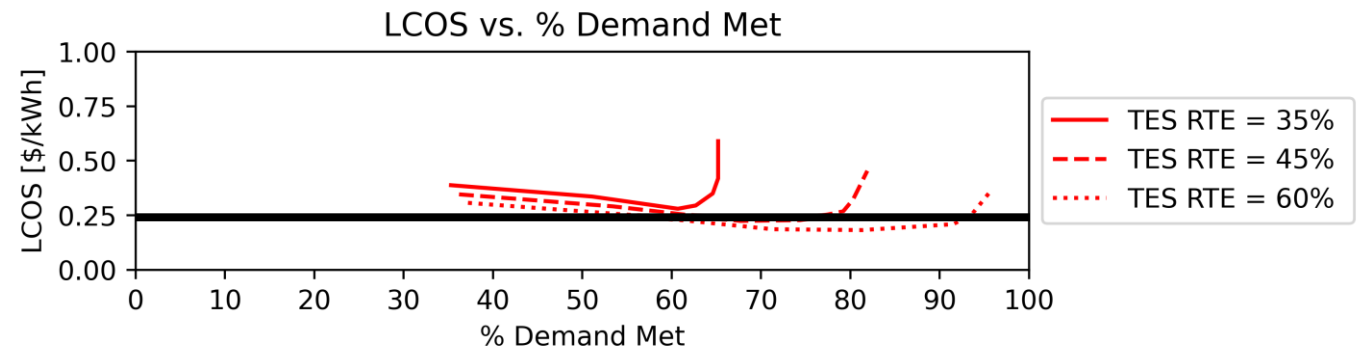
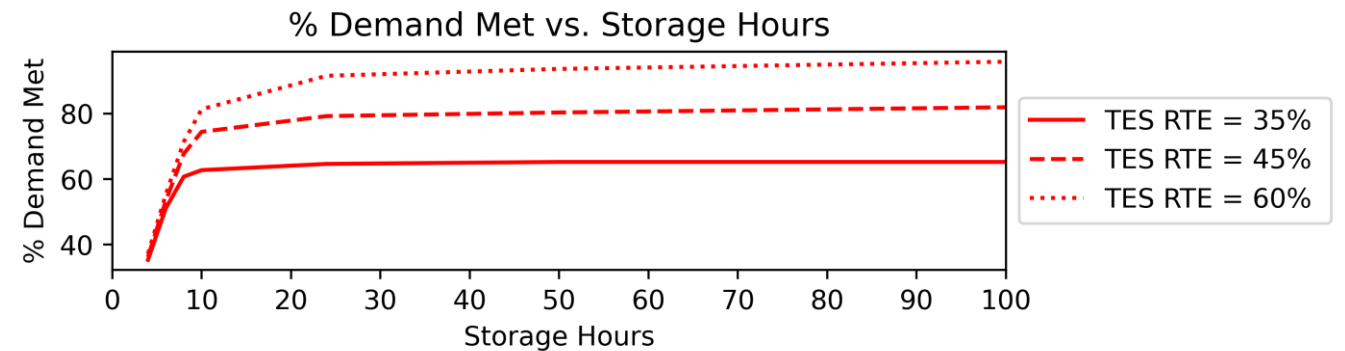
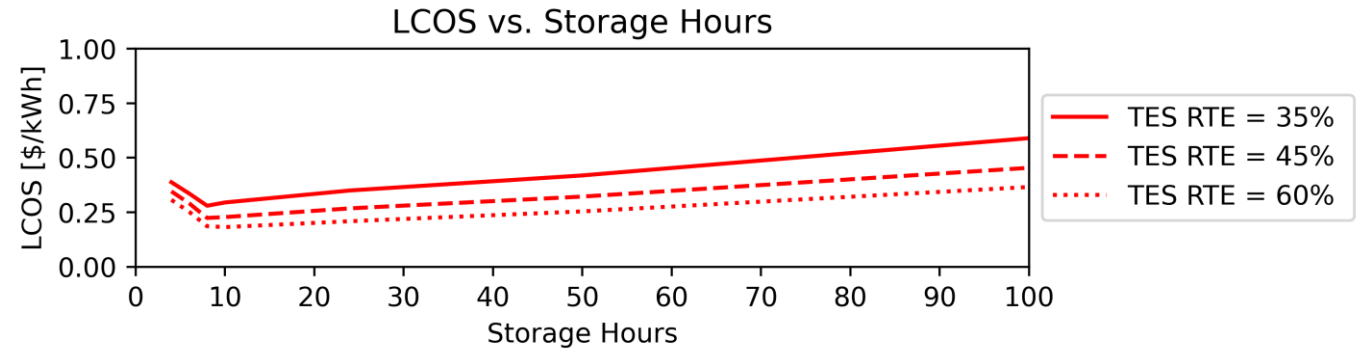




Energy Storage

Influence of Round Trip Efficiency

- Increased ESS RTE reduces LCOS
- Increased ESS RTE increases % demand met for specific scenario
- Higher % demand met for same LCOS





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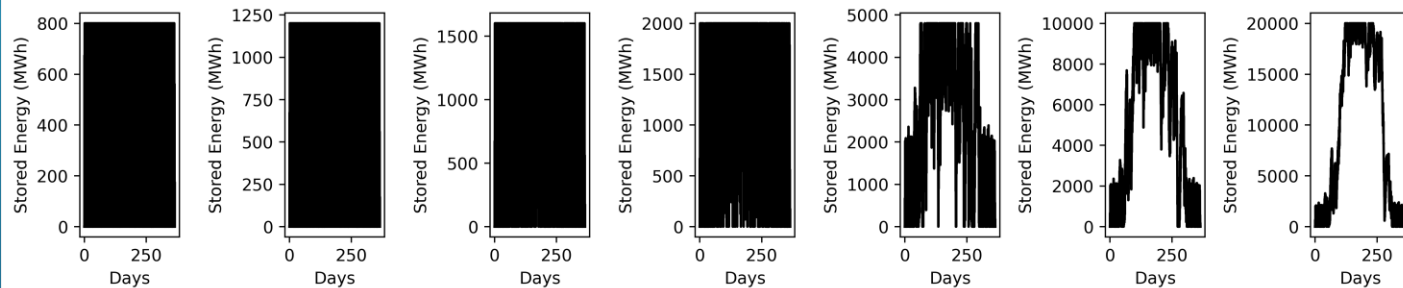
Summary

ESS selection is scenario specific

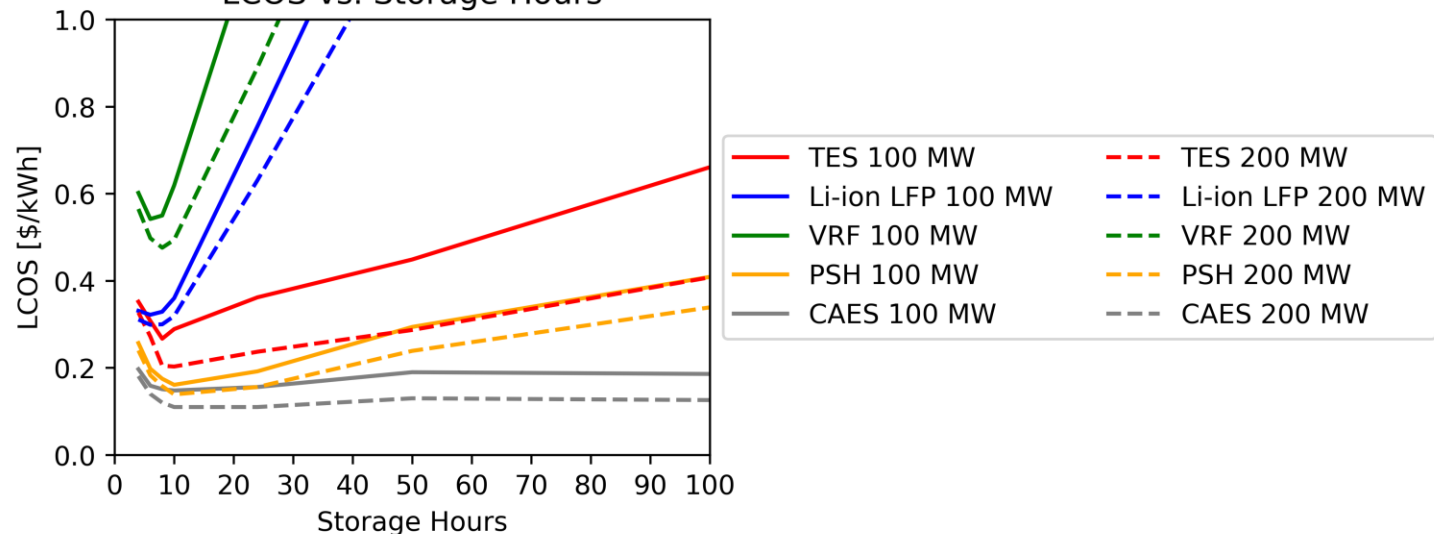
Key ESS selection considerations:

- Power purchase agreement
- Grid demand
- Available energy for charging
- System RTE
- % demand met requirement
- LCOS requirement/ROI requirement

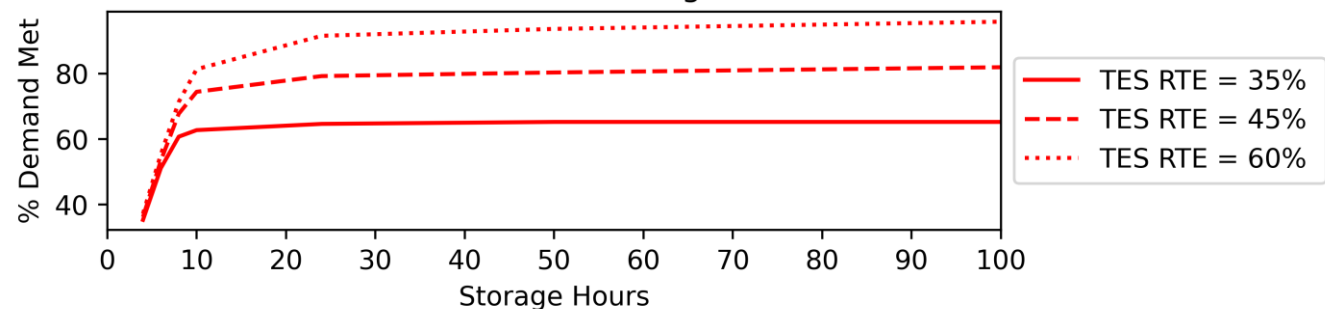
Battery Charge vs Days



LCOS vs. Storage Hours



% Demand Met vs. Storage Hours



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Questions?

BENEFICIAL AND **EQUITABLE** ELECTRIFICATION



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Harnessing local, sustainable, and cost-effective energy resources to electrify energy loads such as transportation and heating.

Behavioral and Socio-Economic Adoption Factors

Microgrids and Cold Regions

Outreach and Engagement

Costs and Performance

projects and reports at:

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User Input

- Community
- Vehicle type
- Daily mileage
- Price of gas

Advanced:

- Utility info (rate/emissions)
- Vehicle efficiency
- Home solar
- Block heater use and idling for gas vehicle
- Garage/temperature
- Weekend mileage

Alaska Electric Vehicle Calculator

This is a calculator to find out how much it would cost to charge an EV at home in Alaska, and what the carbon emissions would be.

A comparison is also made to an internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicle.

Select your community (start typing to jump down the list):

Kotzebue



Select your vehicle type:

truck



How many miles do you drive each day, on average?

4



0

100

How many dollars do you pay per gallon of gas?

8.00



0.00

20.00



I would like to check and adjust other factors in this calculation.

Output

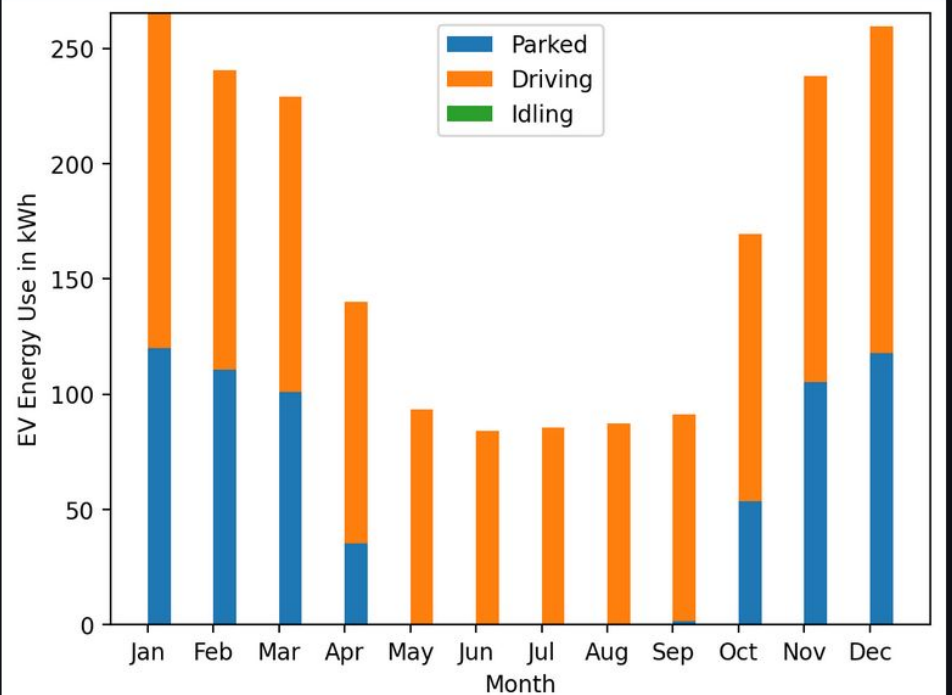
Total cost of Electric Vehicle fuel per year = \$ 397.0

Total cost of Internal Combustion Engine (gas) fuel per year = \$ 646.0

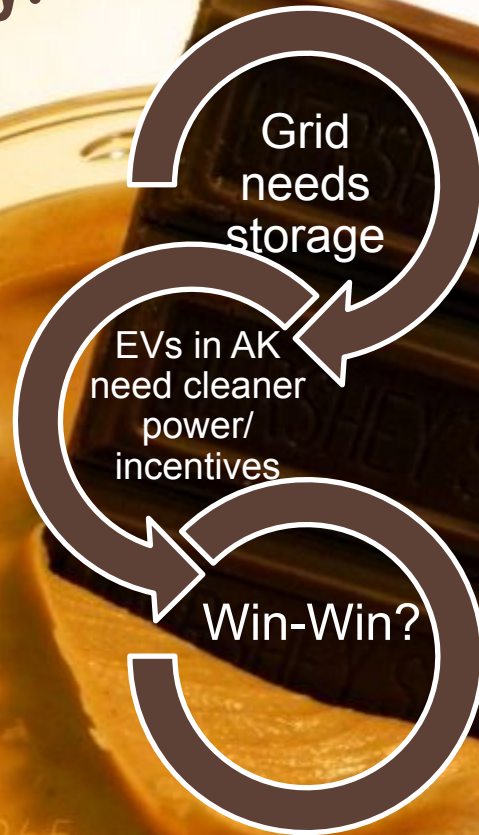
Total kg CO2 emissions of Electric Vehicle per year = 683.0

Total kg CO2 emissions of Internal Combustion Engine per year = 1428.0

- Cost comparison
- Climate emissions comparison
- Monthly electricity use for EV

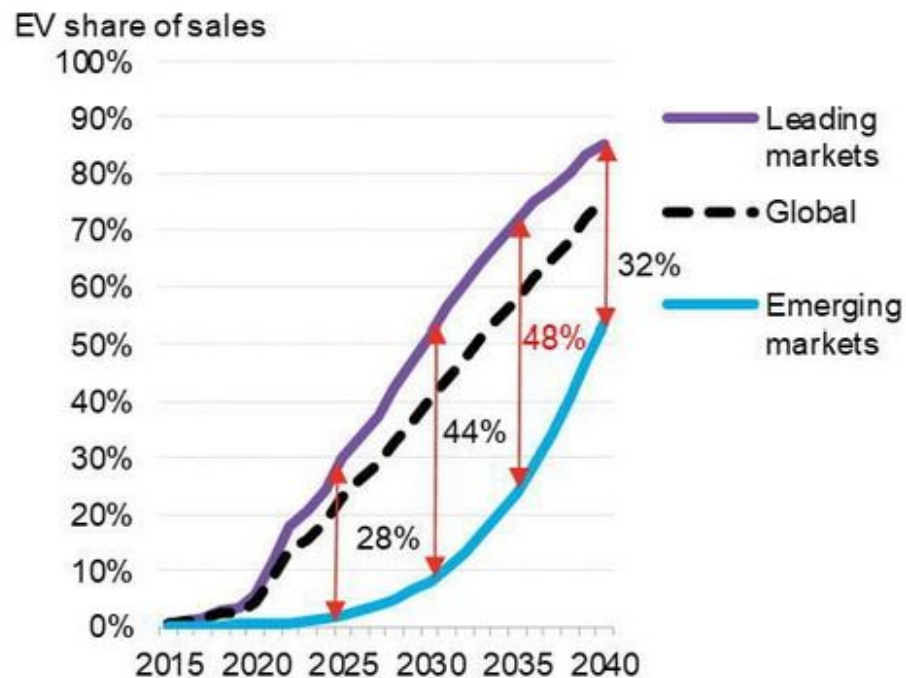


Opportunity?

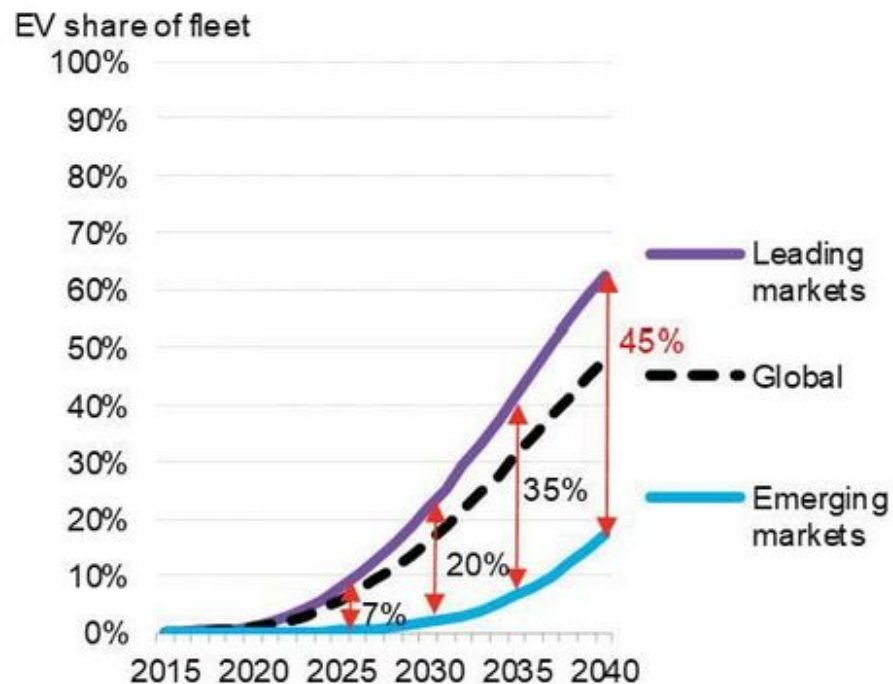


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Passenger EV share of sales - Economic Transition Scenario



Passenger EV share of fleet - Economic Transition Scenario



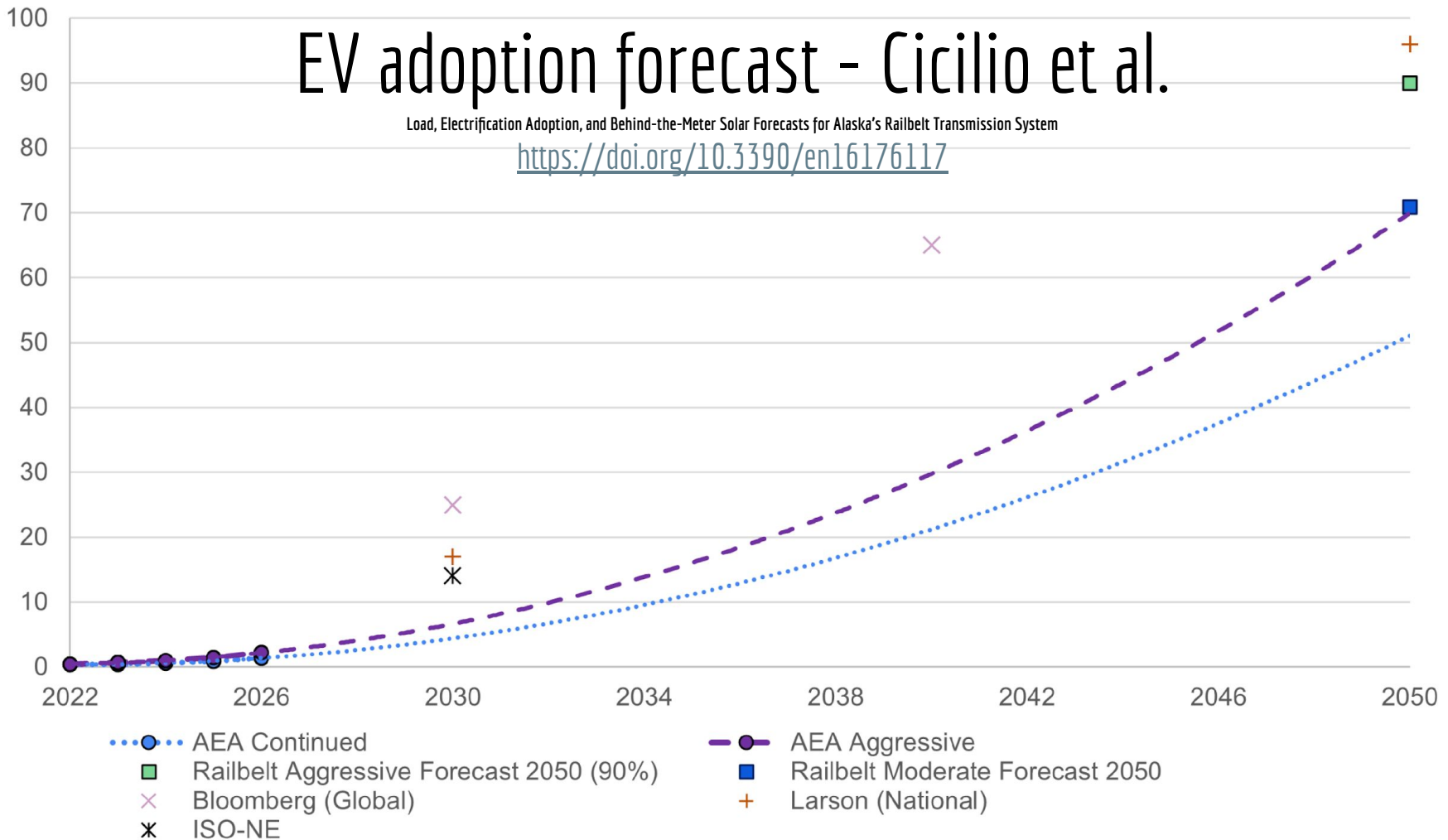
Source: BNEF. Note: EV includes battery electric, plug-in hybrid and fuel cell vehicles.

EV adoption forecast - Cicilio et al.

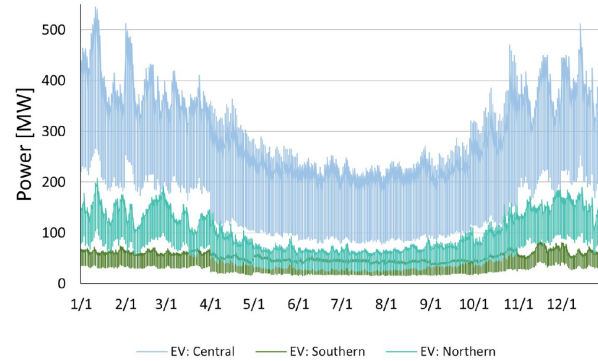
Load, Electrification Adoption, and Behind-the-Meter Solar Forecasts for Alaska's Railbelt Transmission System

<https://doi.org/10.3390/en16176117>

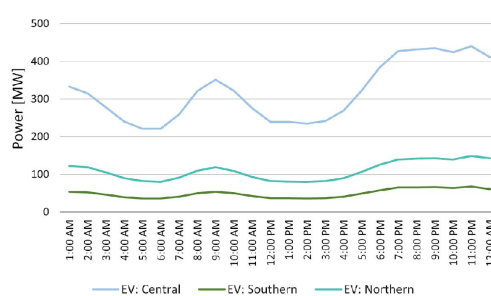
Percent of EVs in Railbelt Vehicle Fleet



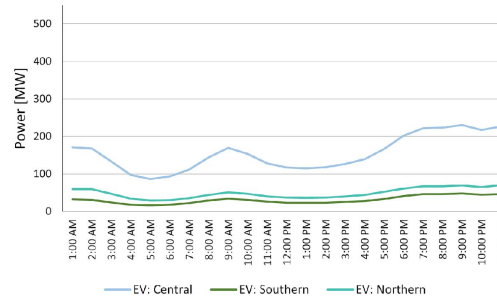
2050 EV load forecast - Cicilio et al.



(a) Year 2050.

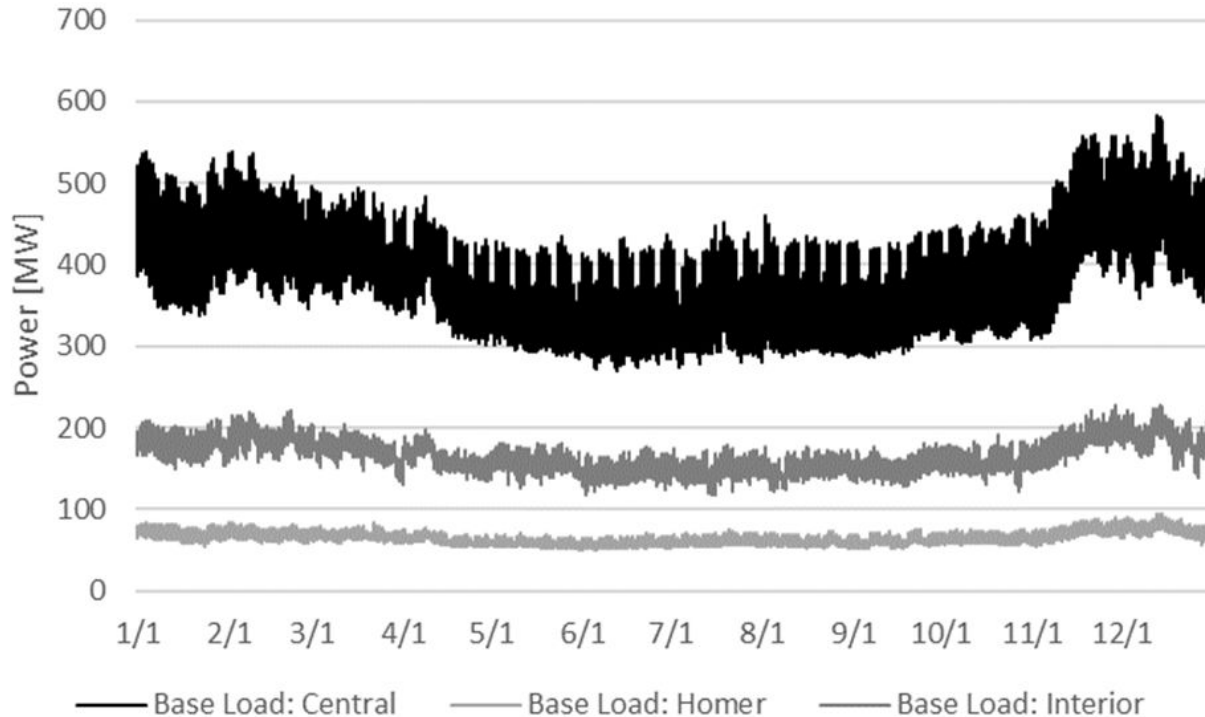


(b) 1 January 2050.



(c) 1 June 2050.

2050 Baseline Load Forecast - Cicilio et al.



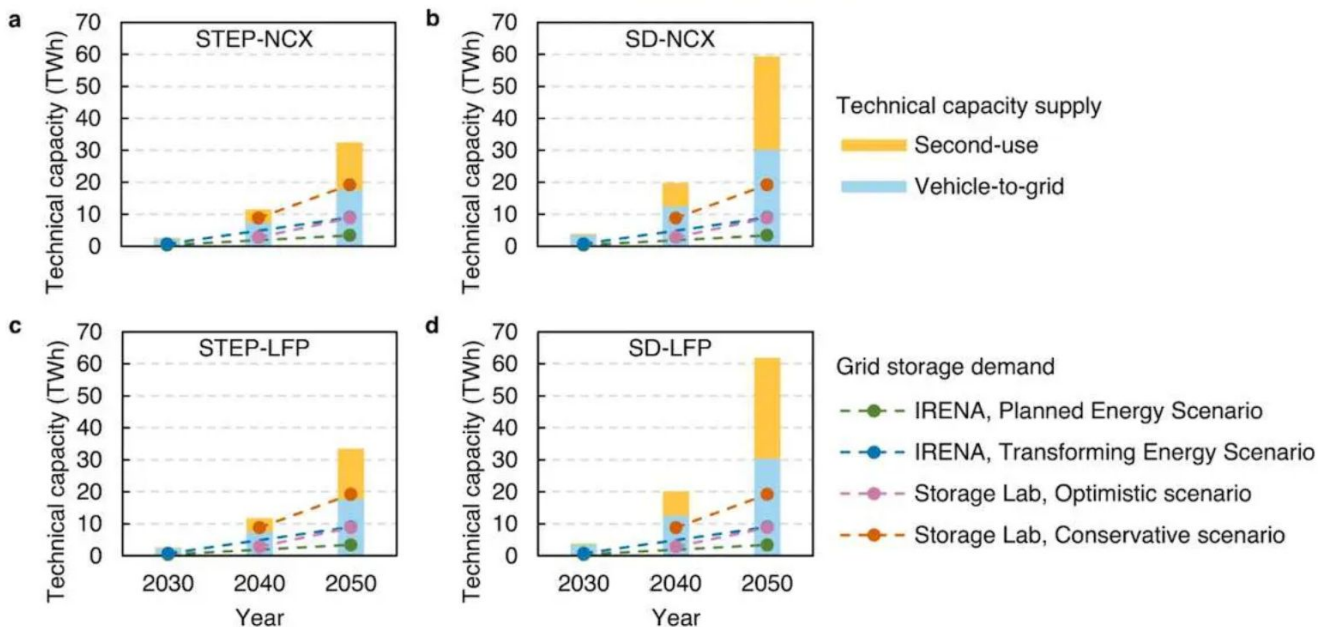
EVs could
satisfy global
short-term
grid storage by
2030

Xu et al – Nature

Communications 1/17/23

Fig. 2: Total technical capacity for EV batteries and comparison to grid storage demand.

From: [Electric vehicle batteries alone could satisfy short-term grid storage demand by as early as 2030](#)



a STEP-NCX scenario. **b** SD-NCX scenario. **c** STEP-LFP scenario. **d** SD-LFP scenario (see details in Supplementary Table 1). IRENA = International Renewable Energy Agency.



CEC EV Use Case

Grid BESS vs. EVs

- CEC BESS COST: \$2,000,000
- 1MW, 1 MWh Storage
- Equivalent 52 '20 Nissan Leaf Cost
- 52 Nissan Leafs = 3.2 MWh Storage
- Can Balance CEC Grid with 16 Leafs
- Can Balance localized microgrids
- Substantial Customer Benefits:
 - Free Car
 - Free Electricity
 - Energy Security
 - Reduces other's electric bills
 - Portability (take your microgrid anywhere)

The path to get there:



Vehicle to Everything programs

Enroll in the Vehicle to Everything pilot.

GET

Keep your lights on using your EV

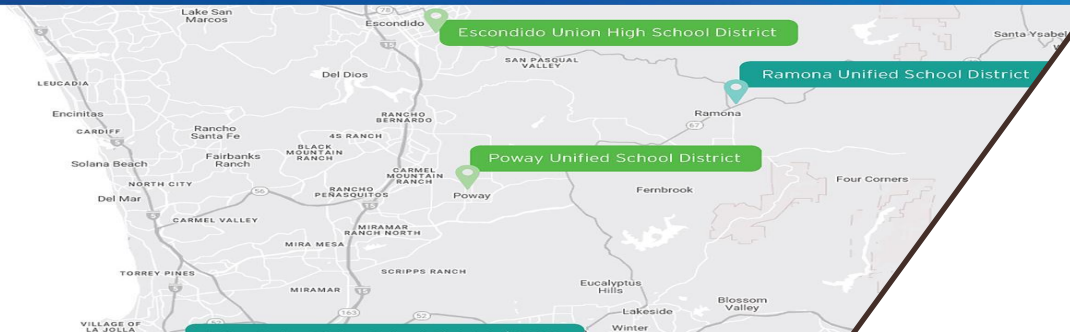
New **bidirectional charger technology** allows you to use the power in your electric vehicle's battery. PG&E's Vehicle to Everything (V2X) pilots offer incentives to help customers access this technology.

- Power your property temporarily when there is an electrical outage
- Charge your vehicle when electricity is less expensive and use vehicle power when it's more expensive (4 p.m. - 9 p.m.)

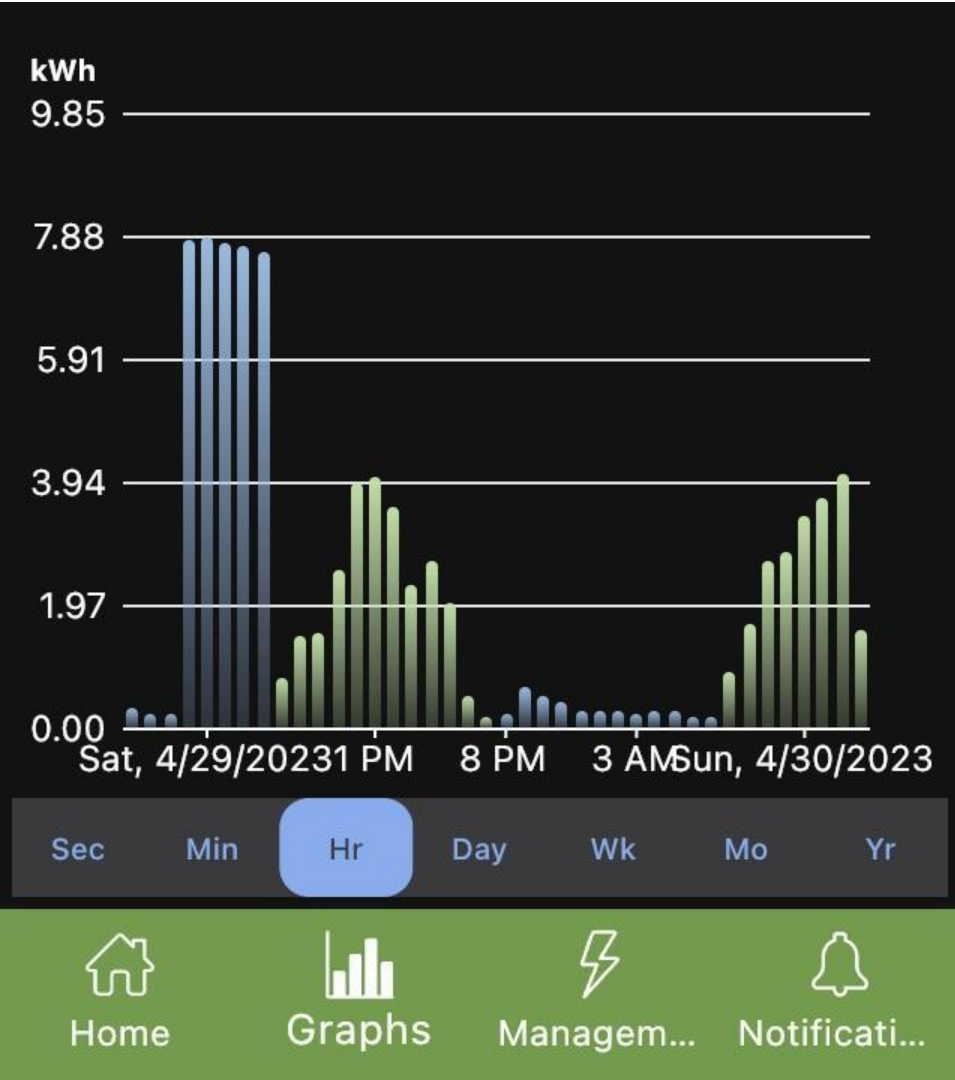
BUILDING A NET ZERO FUTURE

Local Electric School Bus and Vehicle-to-Grid (V2G) Projects

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even managed
charging could
produce a lot of the
benefits of storage...



NEW! EV Charging Rates

Charge up and save with a rate just for EV drivers! Call us to sign up and start charging for less.

Rate 72

GMP partners with you and manages the charging for you during peaks. We alert you to energy peaks (about 5-7 per month, they last a few hours and usually start around 5pm or 6pm). By not charging during peaks, you will save money. You can opt out, and still charge during a peak, and you will pay more. Off peak charging is \$0.14274/kWh, which on average is like paying \$1.03 per gallon. If you charge during a peak, it is \$0.73388/kWh.

Twitter: The US Census musing on the load-balancing benefits of timed EV charging - in 1912.

station circuits. It is only natural, therefore, that throughout the country an effort has been made to develop this new class of business and build up the vehicle "load." The opportunity thus offered is enormous. At the meeting of the Illinois Electrical Association in 1912 it was stated by Mr. George Jones that if half the horses in use in Chicago were replaced by electric vehicles, the central station load created would amount to 94,000,000 kilowatt hours per annum. As such vehicles are usually charged late at night, when the ordinary demand for current is small, no additional investment in central station apparatus would be necessary, and this "off peak" business would improve the general load factor about 13 per cent.



National Museum of American History



Heat Pumps in



GitHub

📄 Motivation

📄 Statewide Adoption

📄 Borough Potential



🔍 Frequently Asked Questions

An Interactive Visualization Tool to Explore Heat Pump Adoption in Alaska

Why Study Heat Pumps?

Navigating the Dashboard

Projected Heat Pump Adoption Rates

Toggle between current heat pump estimates, moderate projections (5% of households), and aggressive projections (15% of households)

Current

5%

15%

Show absolute or relative numbers?

Absolute

Relative

97.1 %

of Heat Days Covered



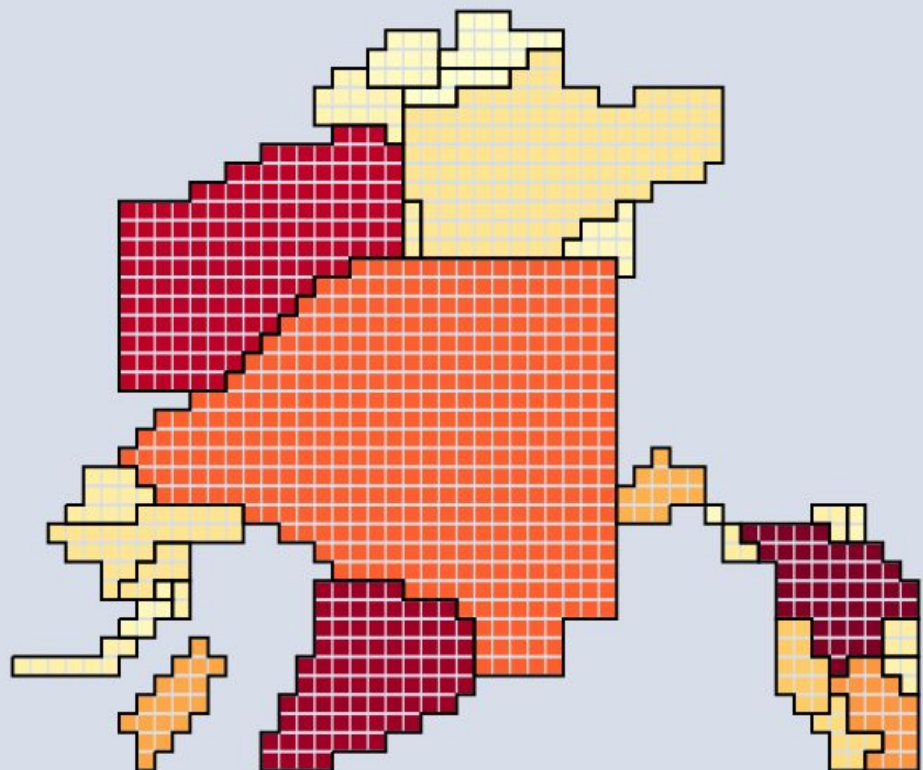
169.8

Millions of \$ Saved

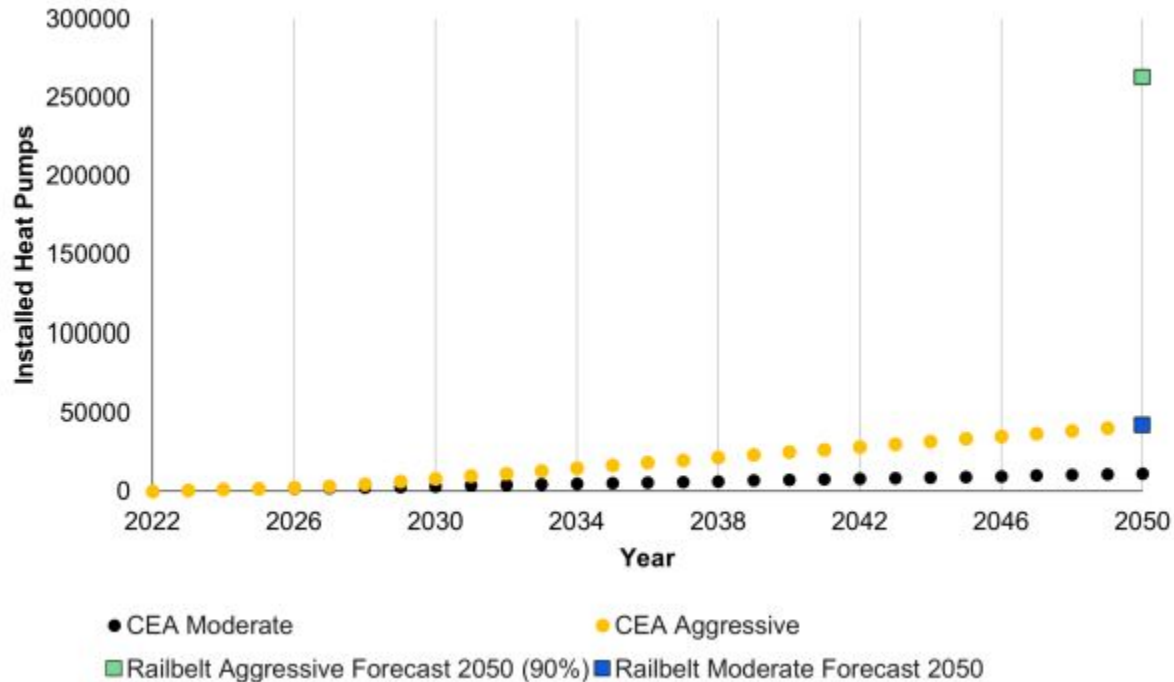


Number of Heat Pumps Installed by Borough

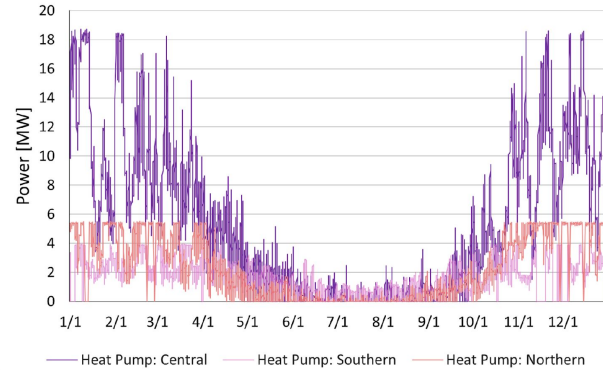
No. of Heat Pumps



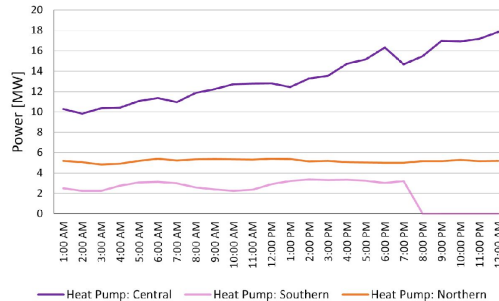
Heat pump adoption forecast - Cicilio et al.



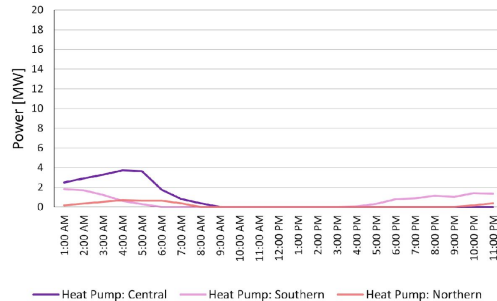
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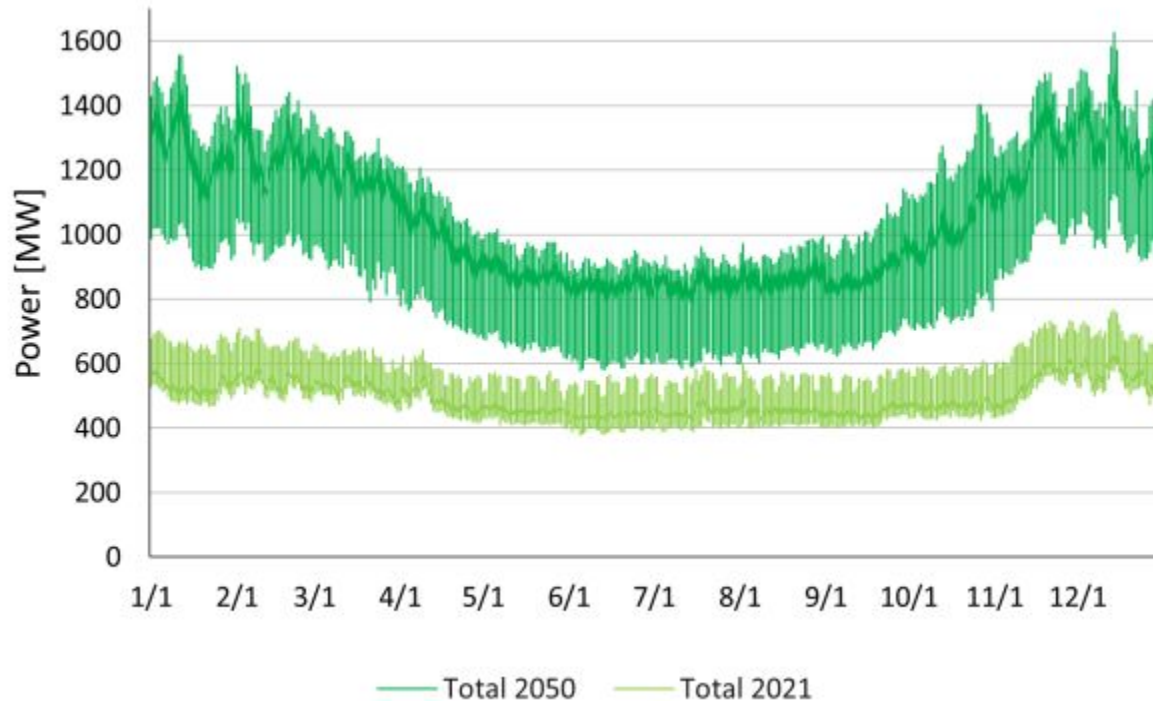


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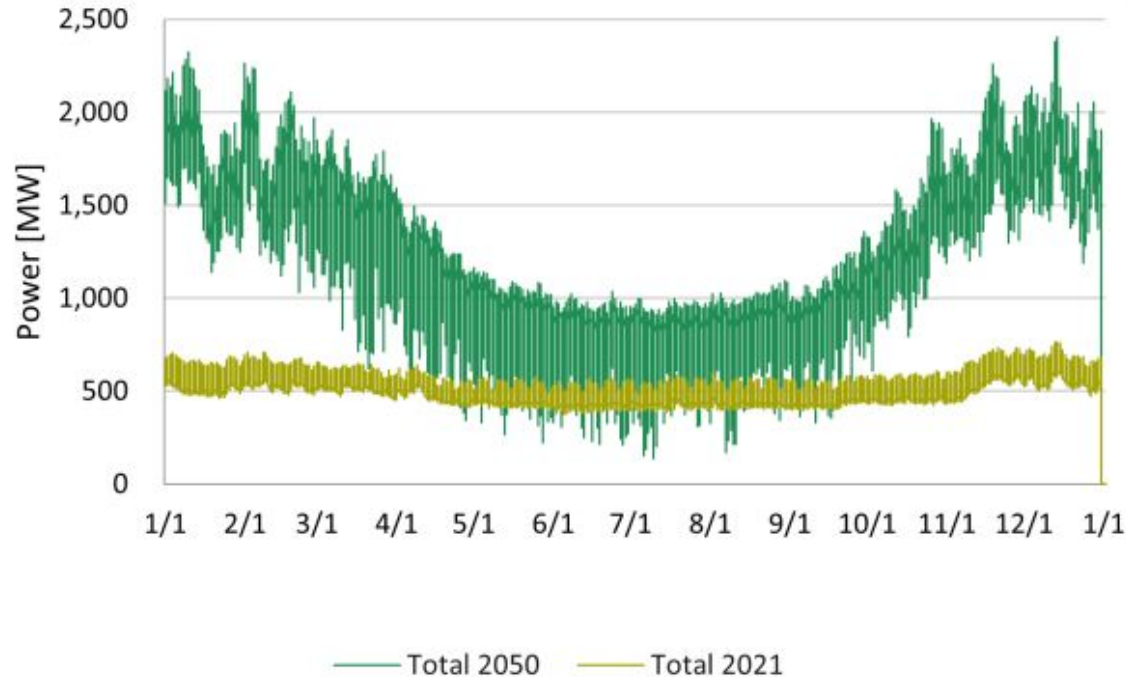


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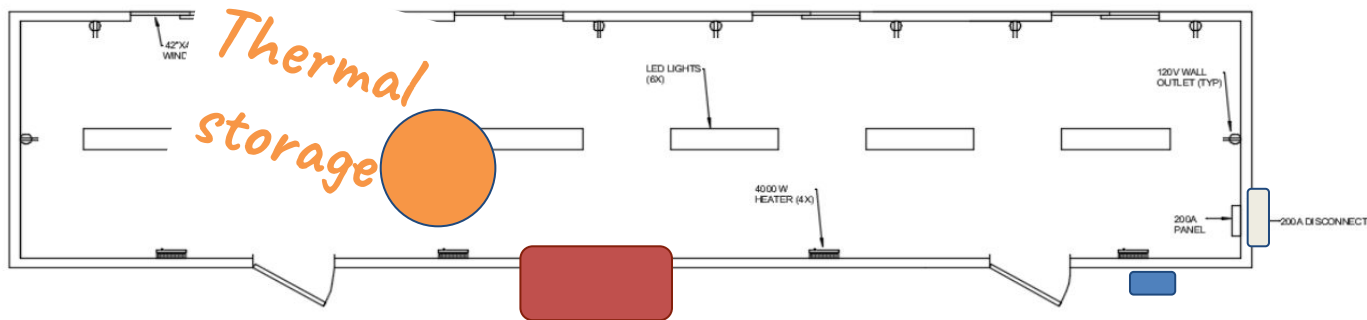
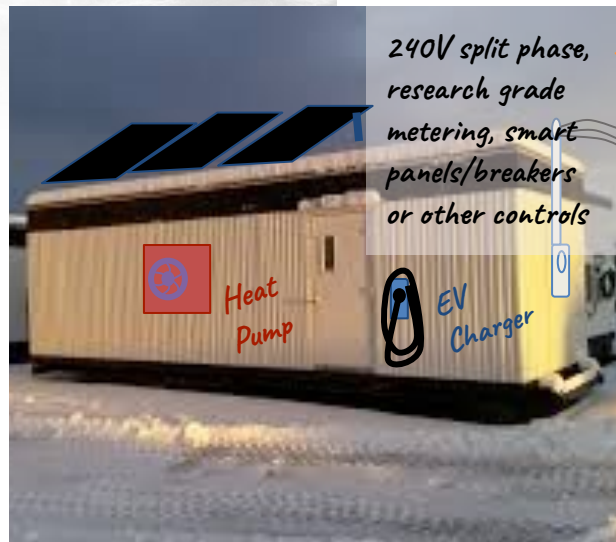
2050 load forecast (moderate) - Cicilio et al.



2050 load forecast (High adoption) - Cicilio et al.



Beneficial and Equitable Electrification Home InnoVation Experiment (BEEHIVE)



Questions?



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Tidal Power in Alaska

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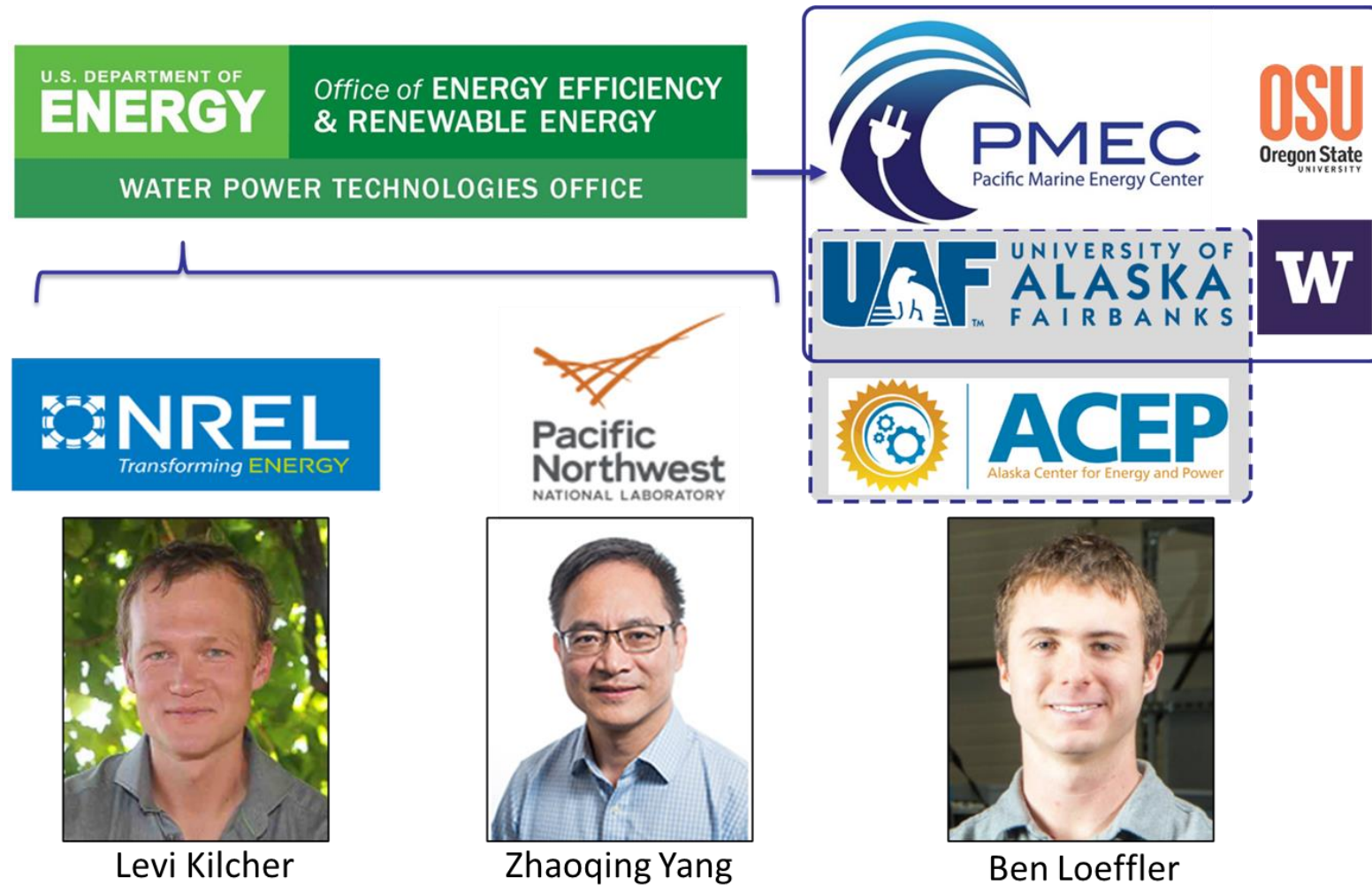
Oregon State
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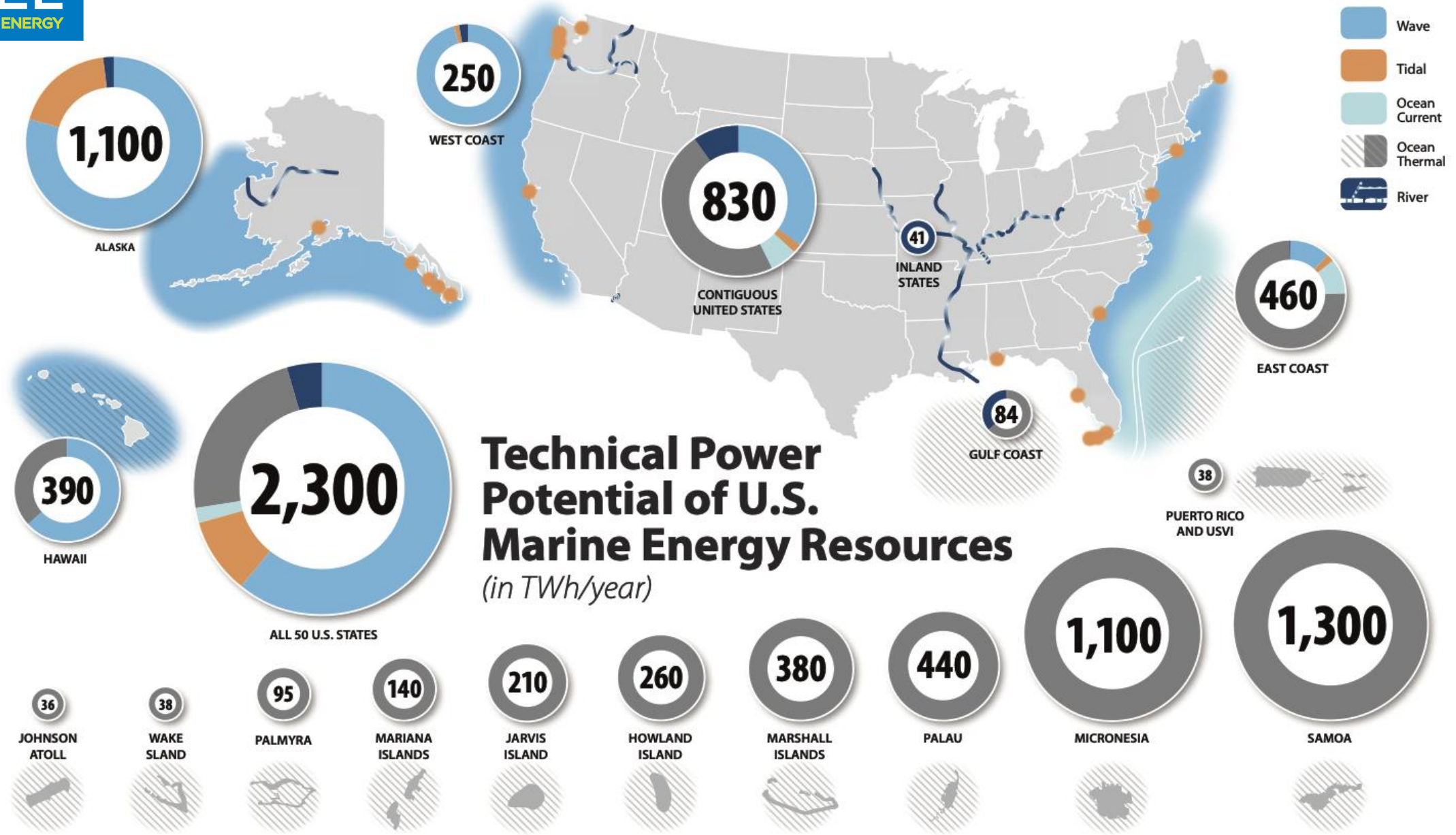
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Outline

- Alaska Marine Energy Overview
- Cook Inlet Tidal Focus
- Tidal technology overview
- NREL and PNNL Work
- ACEP/UAF Work (PMEC)
- Cook Inlet Tidal Energy Working Group
- Activities/opportunities

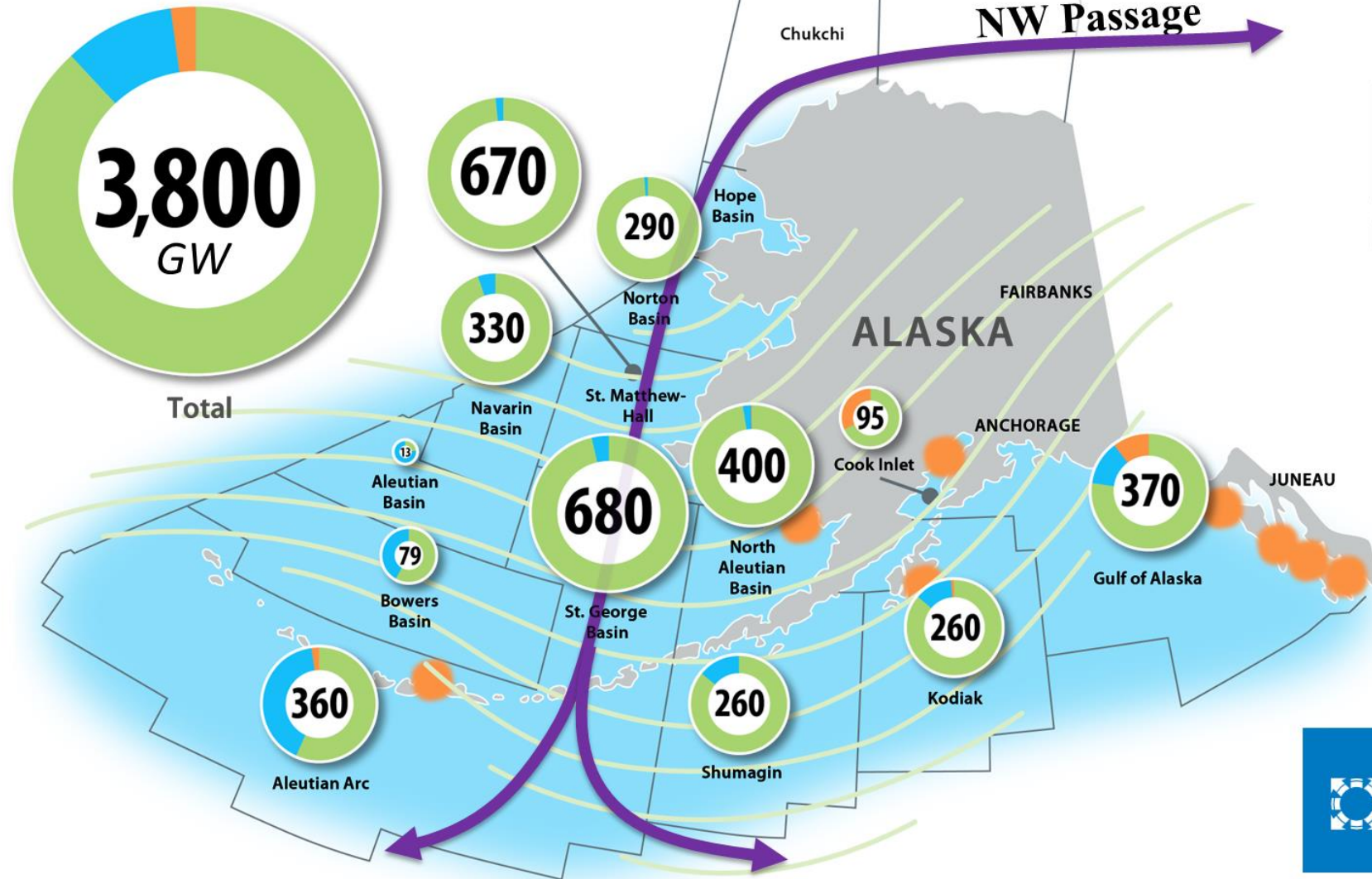
Tidal Space – DOE Research Efforts Intro





Technical Power Potential of Alaska Marine Energy Resources

(in GW)



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NREL
Transforming ENERGY

Cook Inlet Tidal Energy

- 18 GW Resource: ~30x Railbelt load
- Infrastructure – platforms, shoreside
- ‘Blue Economy’ expected to double to \$3T by 2030
- What will Alaska’s role be?

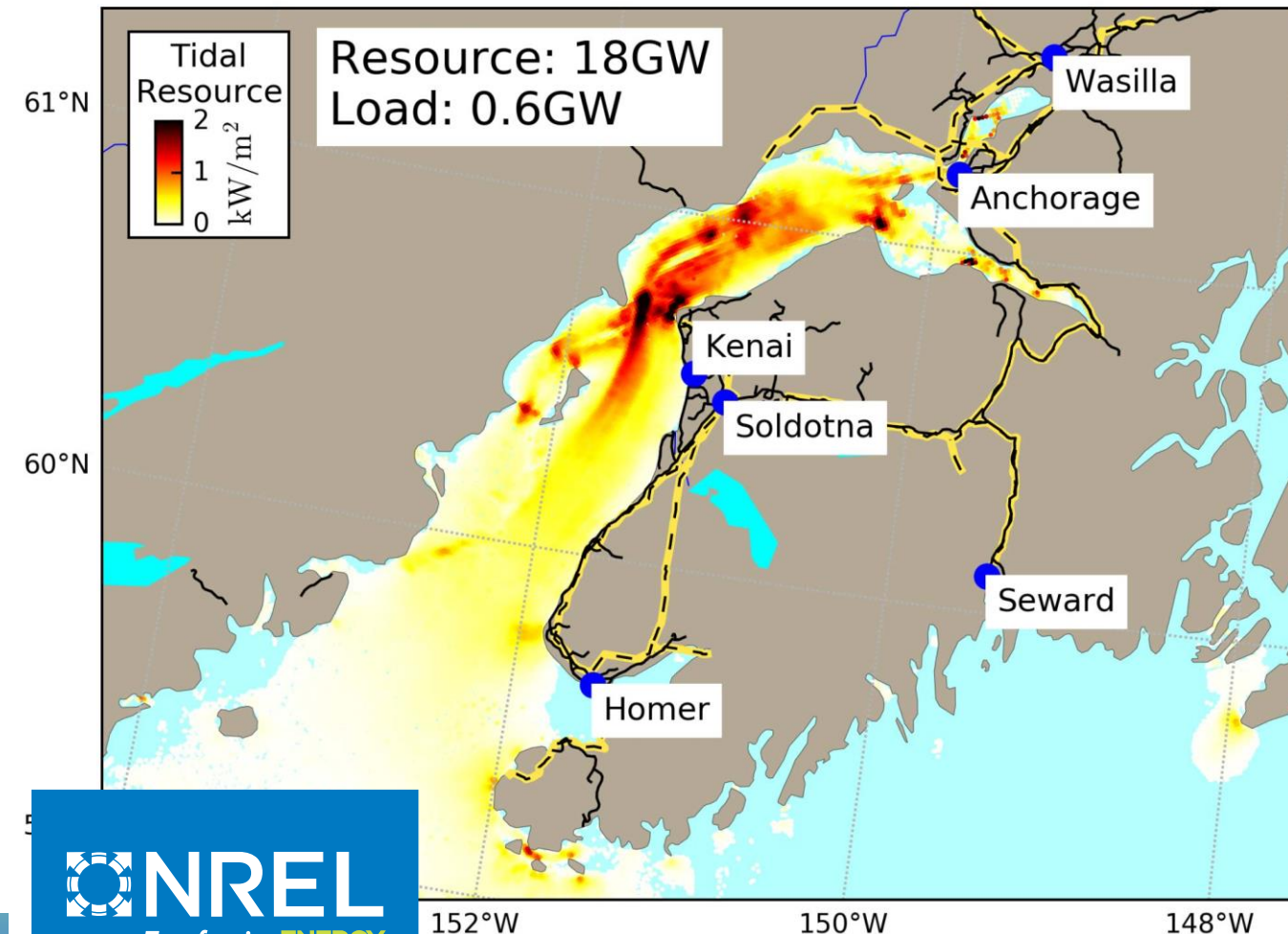
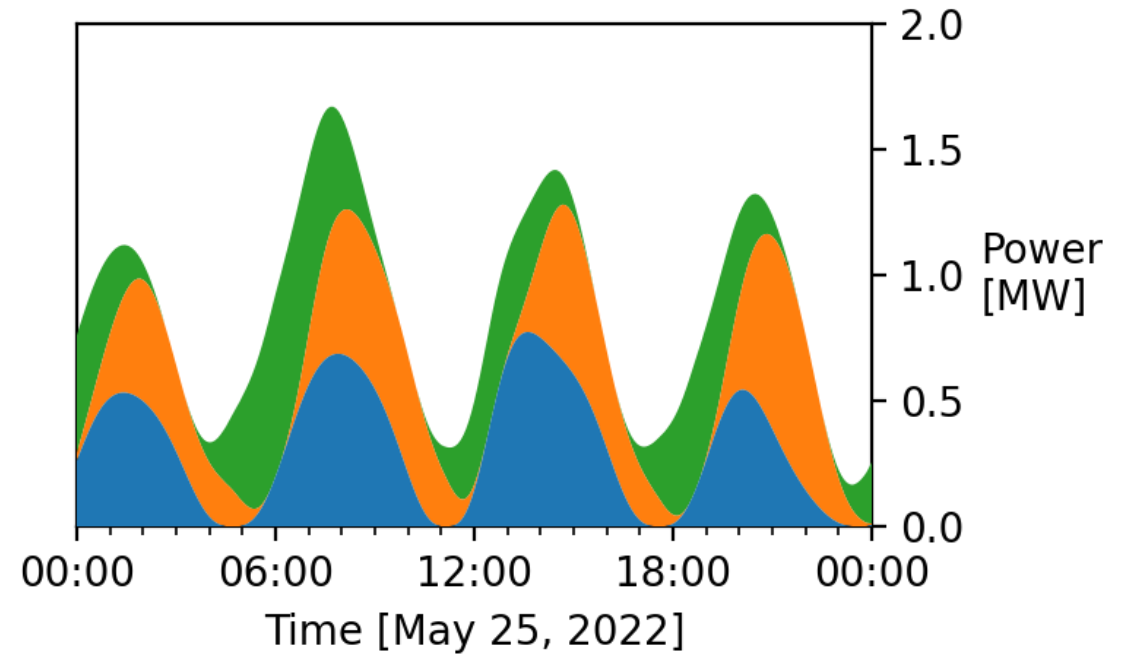
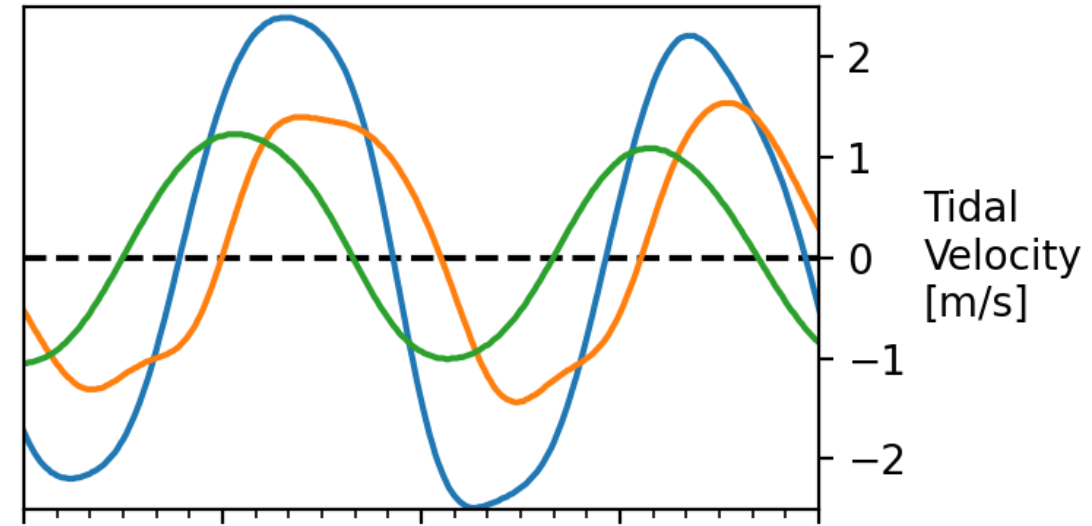
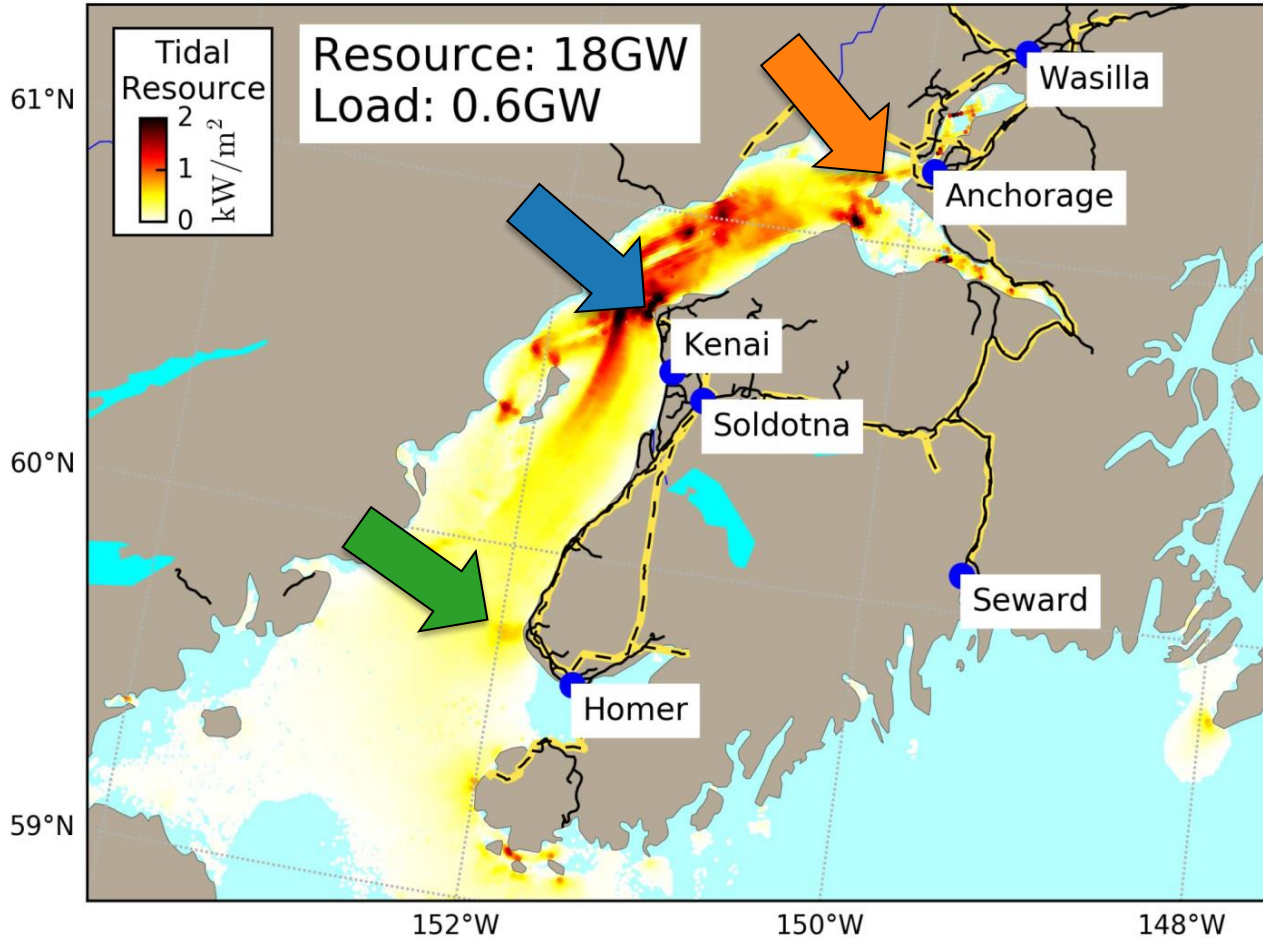
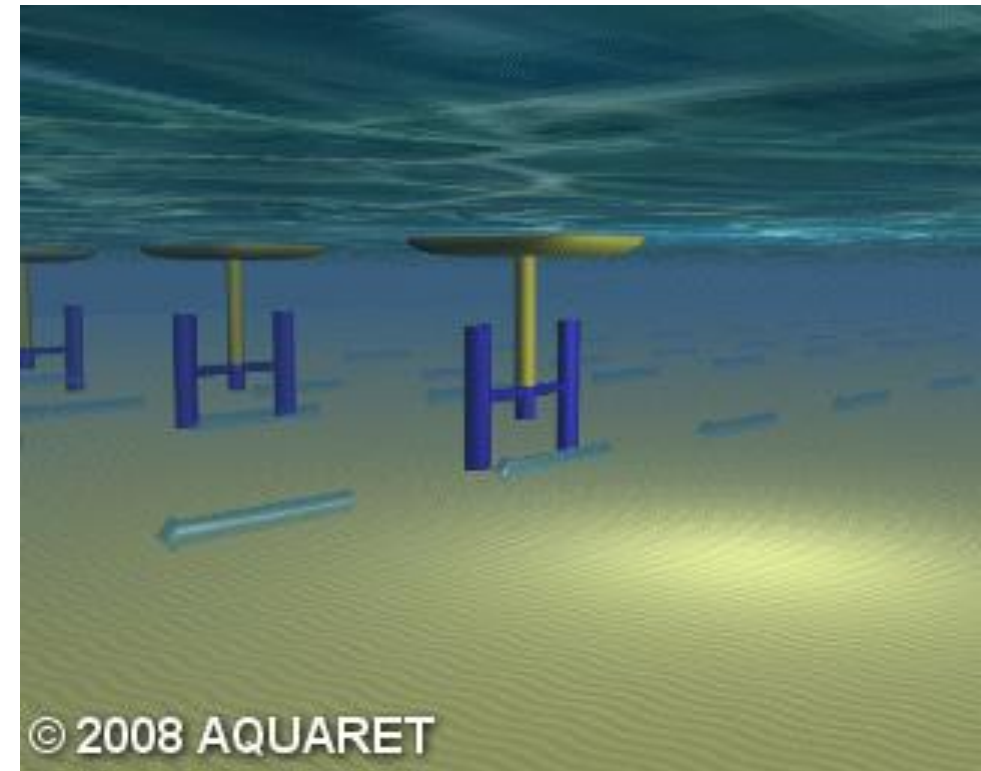
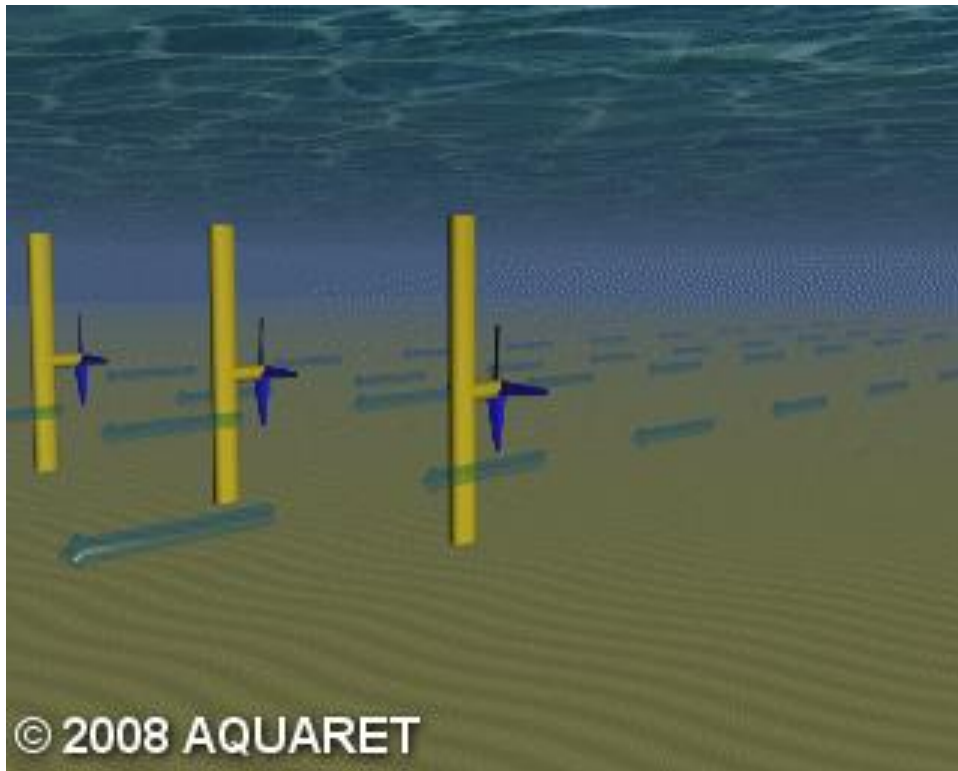


Photo by Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement

Tidal Energy is Predictable

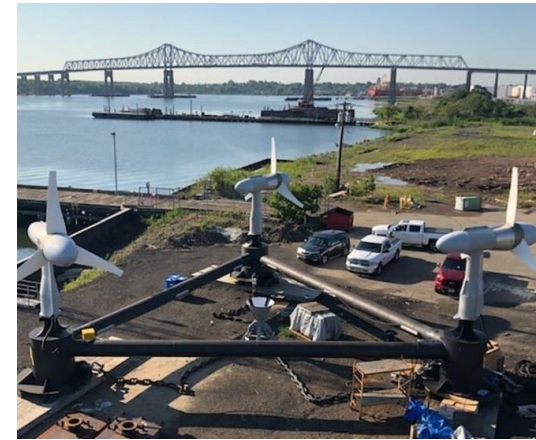


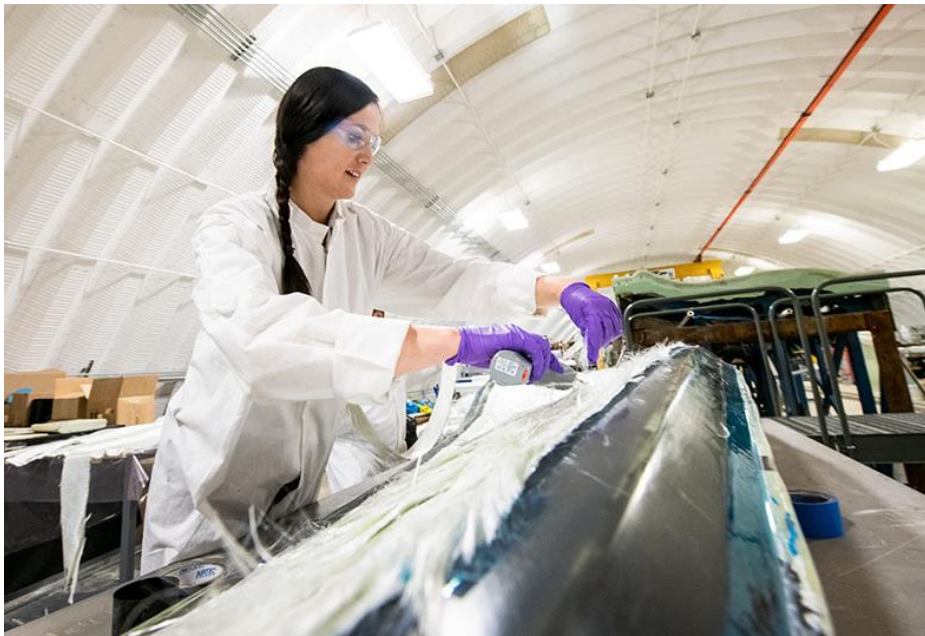
Current Energy Converter Types (Tidal or Riverine)



Tidal Energy Technology

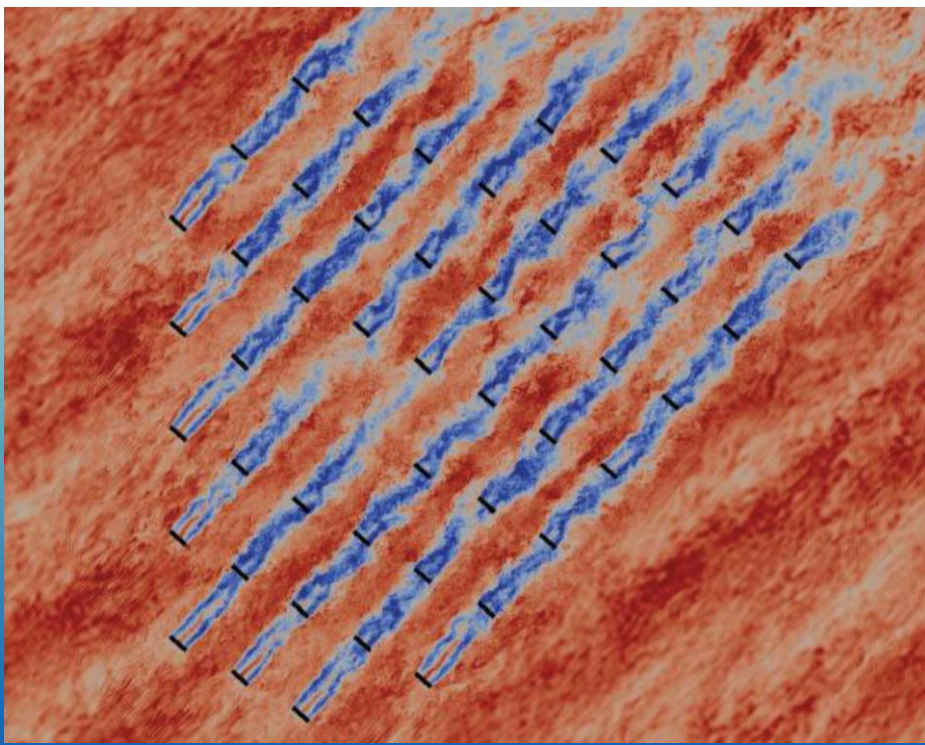
- Utility MW-scale technology convergence on axial flow
- MW-scale demonstration projects in EU: e.g. Meygen - Scotland, 8 MW in 2017
- Many kW-scale demonstration projects in the US and around the world
- Commercial pilot projects needed to prove viability of technologies

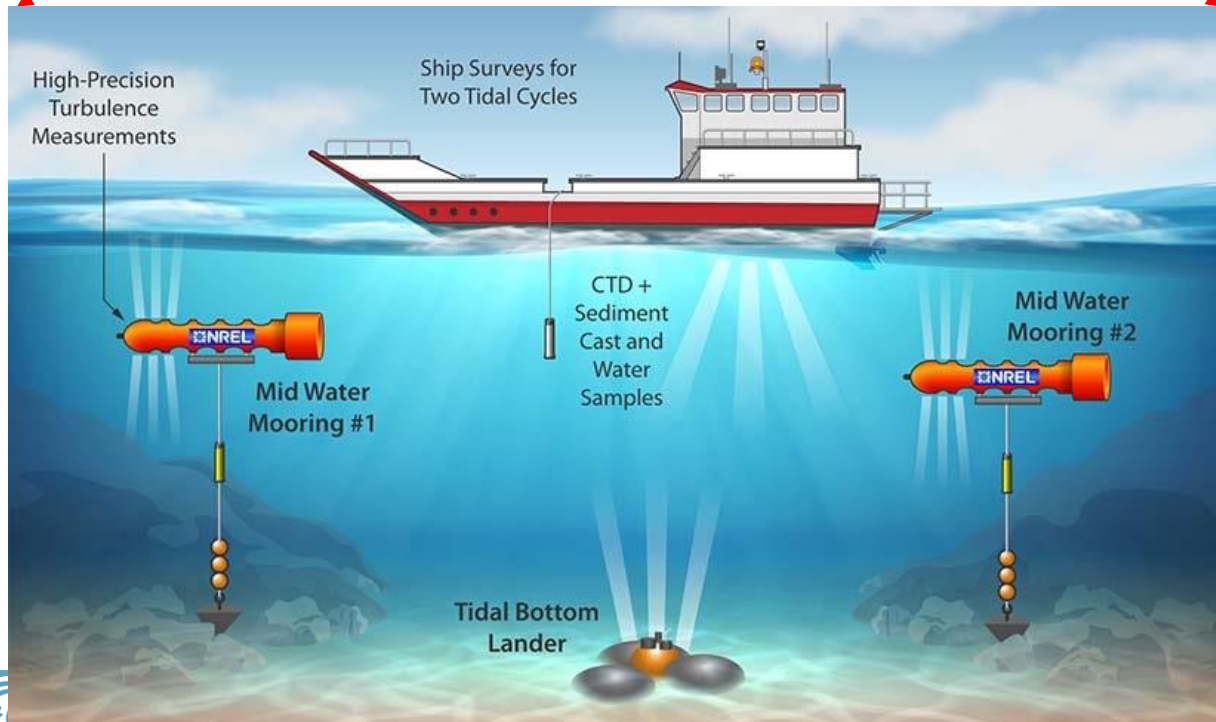
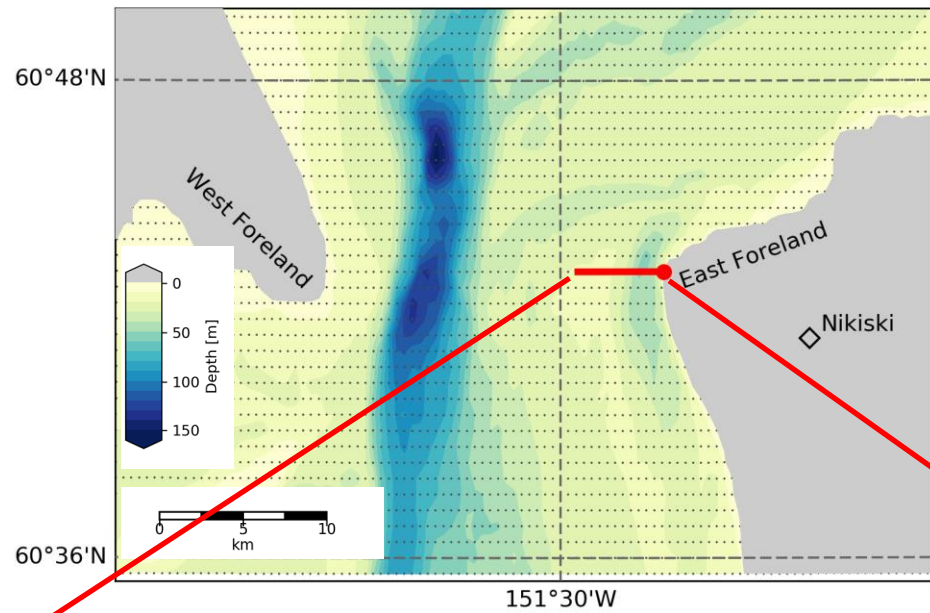




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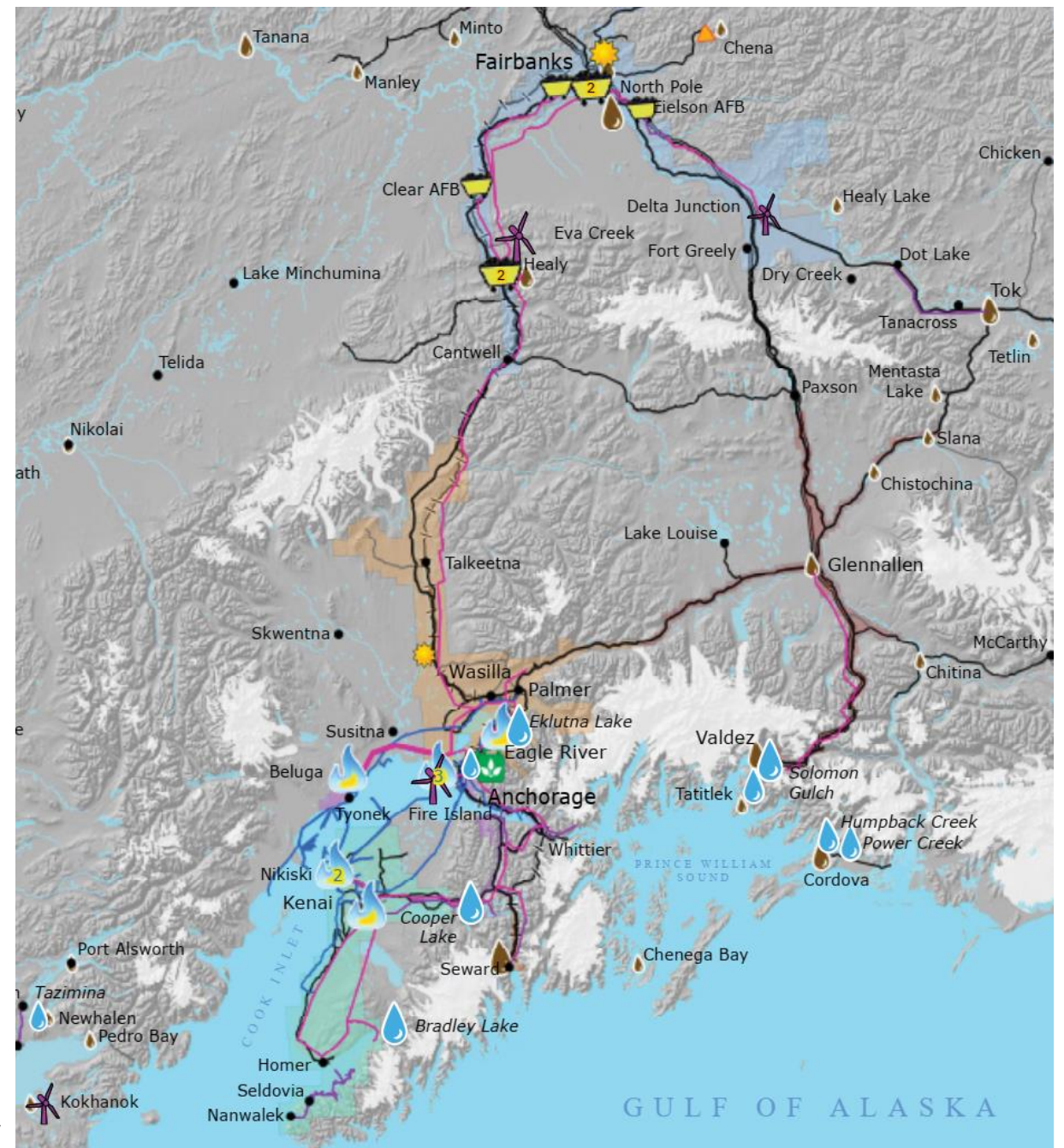
Energy Efficiency &
Renewable Energy

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Alaska “Railbelt”

- Homer to Fairbanks
- 70% of AK population
- ~600MW average load
 - **42% natural gas**
 - 28% hydro
 - 27% coal & petroleum
 - 3% renewables
- Space heating
 - Fuel Oil
 - Wood
 - Natural Gas
 - ASHP (coastal)

<https://alaskarenewableenergy.org/initiatives/renewable-energy-atlas/>



Cook Inlet Tidal Energy - Context

Motivations

- Declining gas reserves
- Immense and predictable tidal resource
 - Tech reaching MW scale
 - FERC permits being issued
- RPS scenarios
 - “it’s time for Alaskans to consider where we want to be 20 years from now”
- Global interest in Hydrogen, carbon-free fuels



Cook Inlet Tidal Energy - Context

- Alternatives
 - North Slope Gas Pipeline
 - LNG import terminal
 - Traditional Hydroelectric
 - Advanced Nuclear
- Factors
 - Economics
 - Integration and Storage
 - Environmental Impact

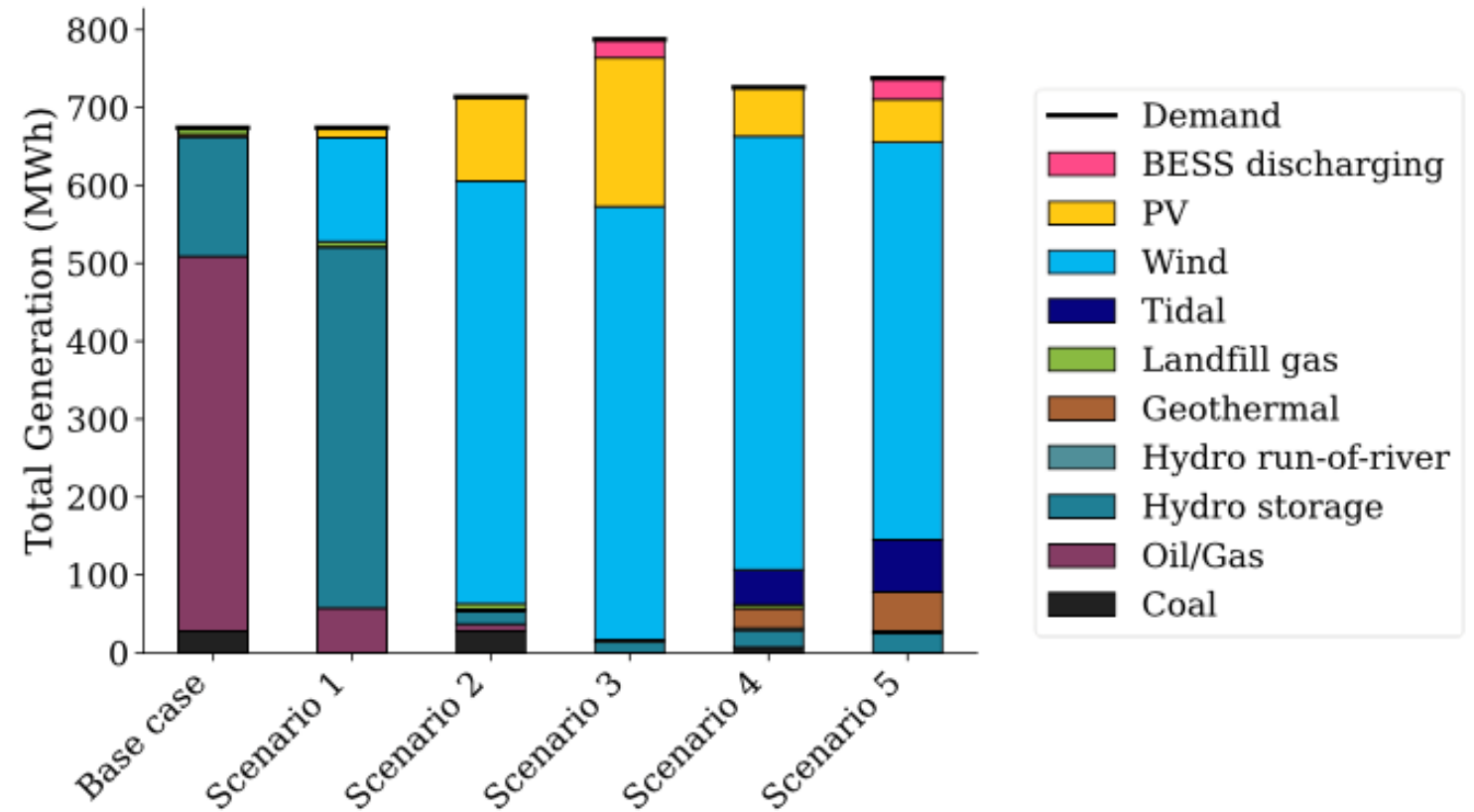


Renewable Portfolio Standard Assessment for Alaska's Railbelt

Multiple pathways to
achieving an 80% RPS

Balancing supply and
demand under major outage
conditions with appropriate
system engineering

**UAF working with OSU on
Grid Integration Modeling**



<https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy22osti/81698.pdf>

Tidal Energy Progression

1. Tidal R&D, platform power
2. Tidal to electric utilities (RPS)
3. Tidal to synthetic fuels (export market)
 1. “Hydrogen Hub”
 2. Ammonia, Methanol, etc to export markets and rural Alaska
 3. AK heating and transportation
4. Tidal, synthetic fuels and carbon sequestration
 1. Natural gas export, CO2 import
 2. Synthetic fuel decarb and sequester



Renewable Portfolio Standard Assessment for Alaska's Railbelt

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Sherry Stout, and Nathan Wiltse

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Cook Inlet Tidal - Roadmap Development

Topic Area	Date	Presenters	Participants
Working Group Intro	December 5	Levi Kilcher, NREL	30
Data Needs & Gaps	January 23	Katie Petersen, NREL	31
Permitting & Regulatory	February 13	Julianna Potter, Aleut Jonathan Colby, Streamwise	45
Global Tidal Energy Projects	March 27	Jonathan Colby, Streamwise	29
Tidal Array Modeling	April 12	Zhaoqing Yang, PNNL	18
Project Costs & Economics	May 18	Elena Baca, NREL	28

Participants include tidal tech developers, tidal project developers, electric utilities, user groups, state and federal regulatory agencies, university researchers, national lab researchers

Data Needs & Gaps - Feedback

WORKING GROUP HIGHLIGHT

Multiple development phases require different kinds of data and level of resolution. Key data needs now are for pre-demonstration phase

Resource data:

- Still need to validate data
- Have most of the resource data for pre-demo phase

Site data:

- Data gaps are bathy/sediment/ice/seafloor
- Private data on bathy, seafloor comp may exist

Environmental data:

- Salmon & belugas – major concerns; check with recreational & subsistence fishers too
- Review FERC dockets for enviro assessments

Socioeconomic data:

- Social license data thru lit review
- Funding for sustained stakeholder engagement?

Workforce development & engagement:

- NREL workforce dev program, engage with SeaGrant fellows
- Classroom outreach w/ STEM educators

Device design & performance:

- Would it be possible to have a generic testing facility? Single site presents some challenges wrt timing & suitability to different types of tech.

Economics:

- Cost of integration should be included.
- 2nd Phase Renewable Portfolio Standard for the Railbelt is underway.

Key Regulatory Agencies

FEDERAL

Lead Agency dependent on scope and location

FERC

- Federal Power Act
- Energy Policy Act

USACE

- Rivers and Harbors Act Section 10
- Clean Water Act Section 404

BOEM

- OCS Lands Act
- Energy Policy Act

EPA

- Clean Water Act
- APDES/NPDES

FAA

- Determination of No Hazard to Air Navigation

NMFS

- Endangered Species Act
- Marine Mammal Protection Act
- Magnuson-Stevens Act

USCBP

- Jones Act (Merchant Marine Act of 1920)

USCG

- Notice to Mariners
- Movement Regulations
- Private Aids to Navigation

USFWS

- ESA
- MMPA
- Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act
- Migratory Bird Treaty Act

STATE

ADNR, DMLW/DOG

- Land Use Authorization
- Right of Way/Easement
- Tidelands Lease

ADEC, DOW

- Clean Water Act
- Section 401 Cert.
- APDES/NPDES
- Domestic wastewater / Drinking water

ADNR, SHPO

- National Historic Preservation Act Section 106

ADFG

- Title 16, Fish Habitat
- Public Safety
- Title 5, Special Area Permit

LOCAL

Native Corp.

- Land Use Authorization
- Letter of Non-Objection

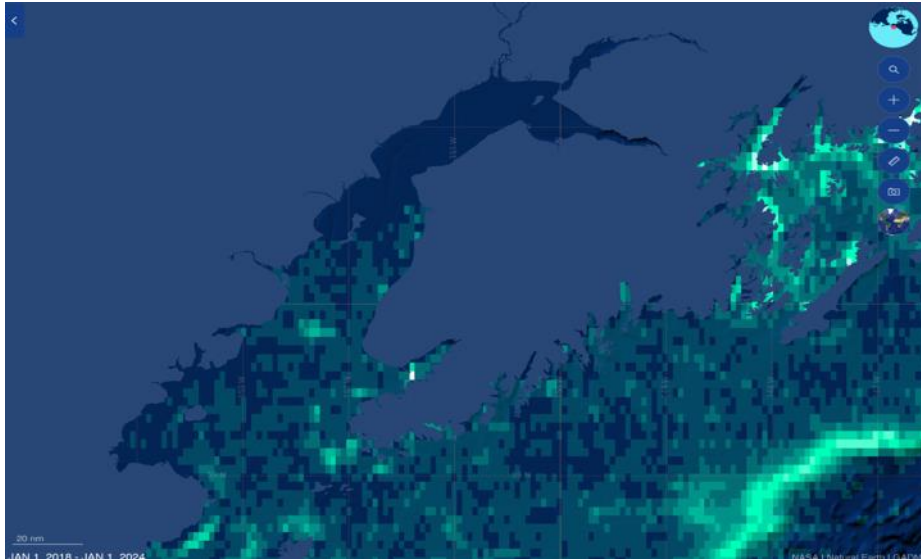
KPB/KRC

- Multi-Agency Permit
- Floodplain Permit
- Vegetation Management

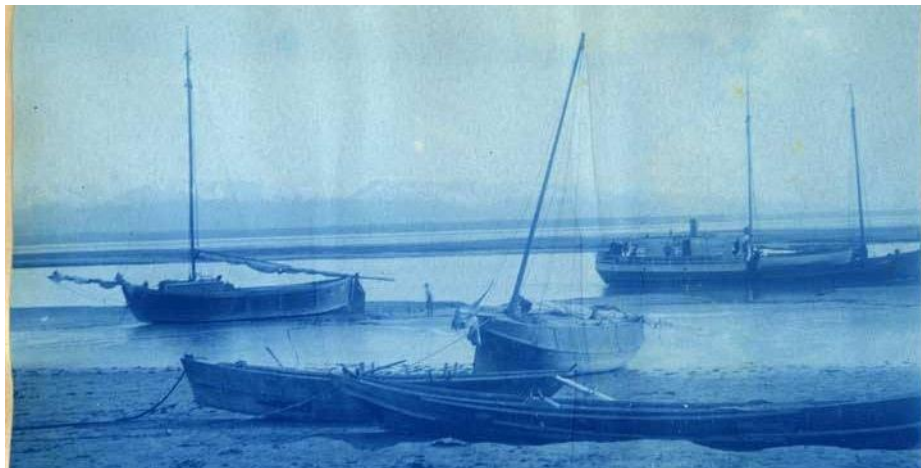
- Pre-Application Meetings are critical
- Engage with agencies early and often

Group Discussion:

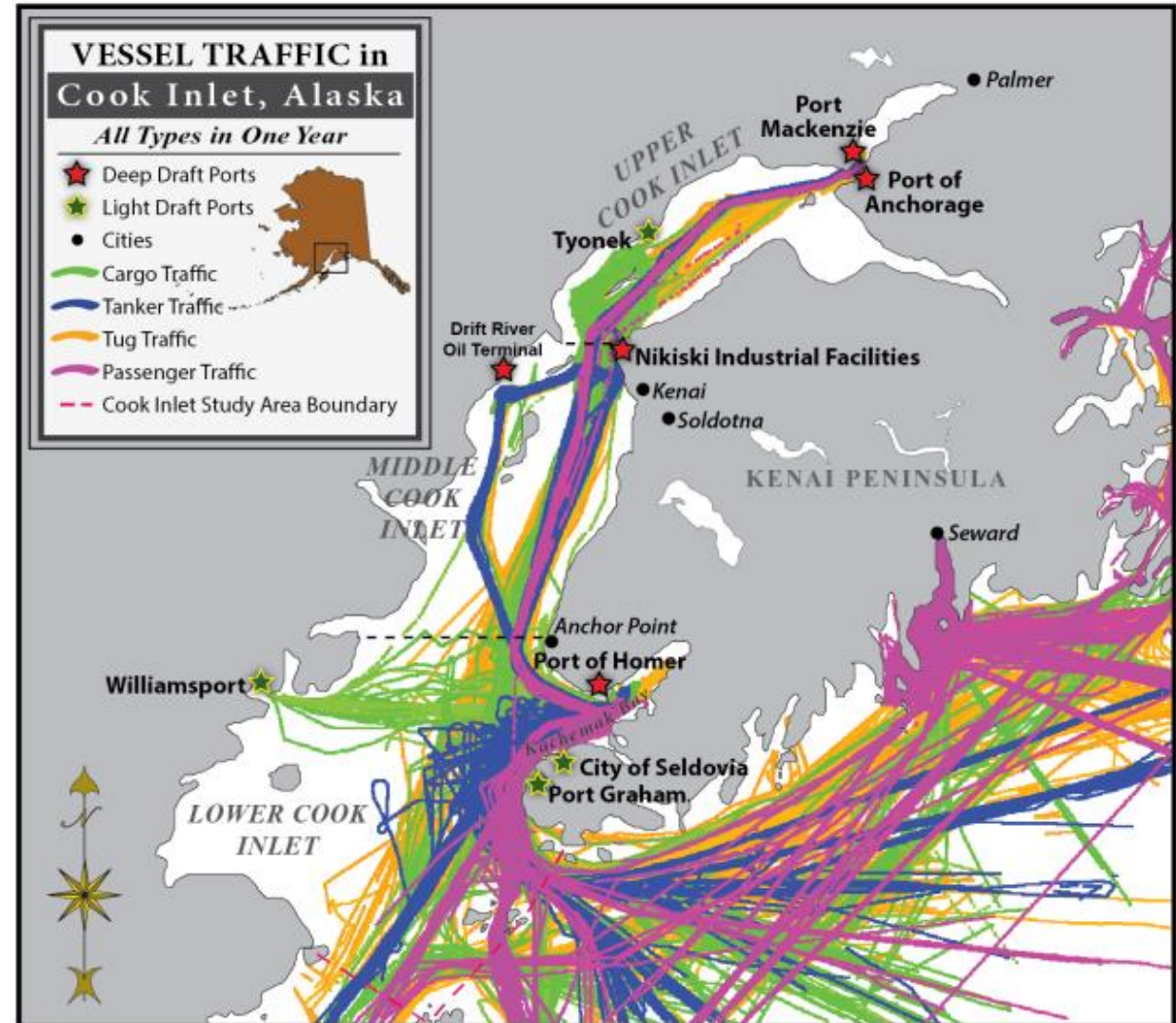
- 1) What other Agencies should be included?
→ PLEASE PROVIDE THESE IN THE CHAT.
- 2) What strategies have been successful in your experience?



Global Fishing Watch



Boats on Cook Inlet, 1898 – Alaska Digital Archives



Cape International, 2012

Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA)

- 13 species in middle Cook Inlet

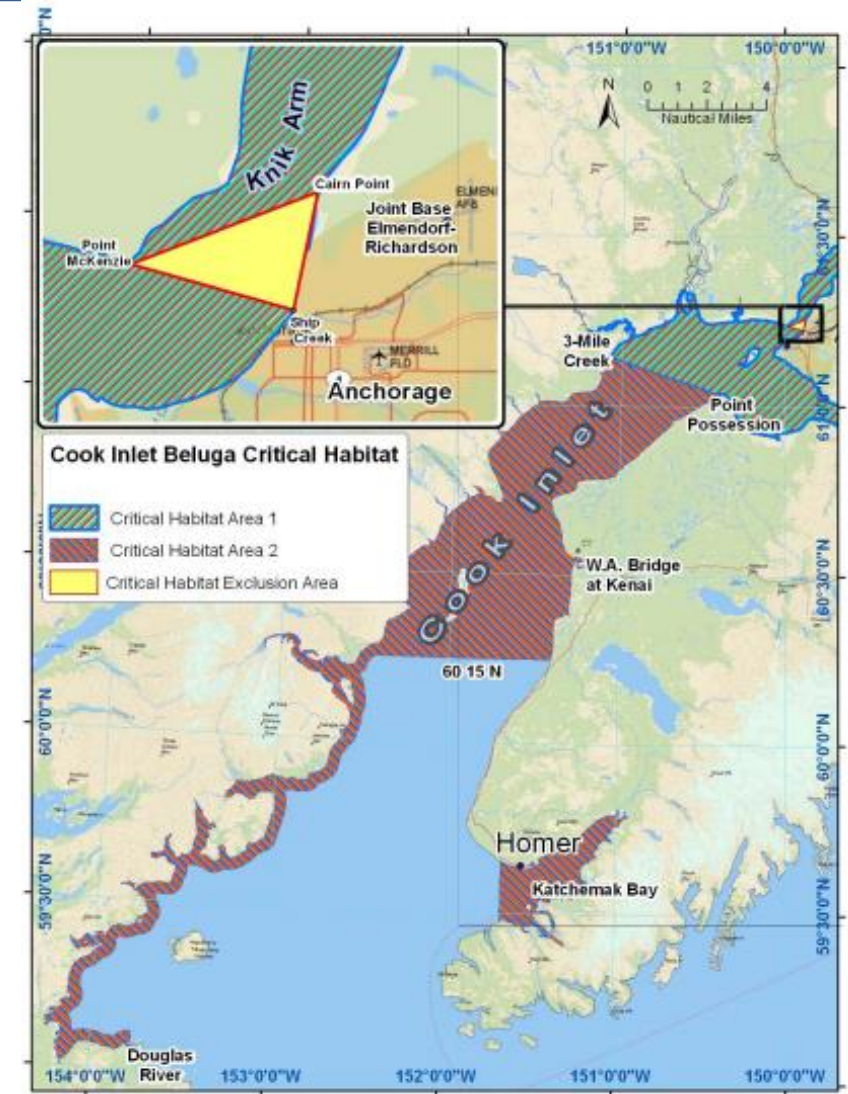
Endangered Species Act (ESA)

- 5 species in Cook Inlet
- Cook Inlet DPS Beluga Whales are the most endangered population in the U.S.
- Population estimates of Beluga Whales in Cook Inlet have declined since the 1970s



Marine Mammals	Injury (Level A) Threshold		Disturbance (Level B) Threshold	
	Impulsive	Non-Impulsive	Impulsive	Non-Impulsive
Low-Frequency (LF) Cetaceans	219 dB L _{pk} 183 dB SEL	199 dB SEL	160 dB rms	120 dB rms
Mid-Frequency (MF) Cetaceans	230 dB L _{pk} 185 dB SEL	198 dB SEL	160 dB rms	120 dB rms
High-Frequency (HF) Cetaceans	202 dB L _{pk} 155 dB SEL	173 dB SEL	160 dB rms	120 dB rms
Phocid Pinnipeds	218 dB L _{pk} 185 dB SEL	201 dB SEL	160 dB rms	120 dB rms
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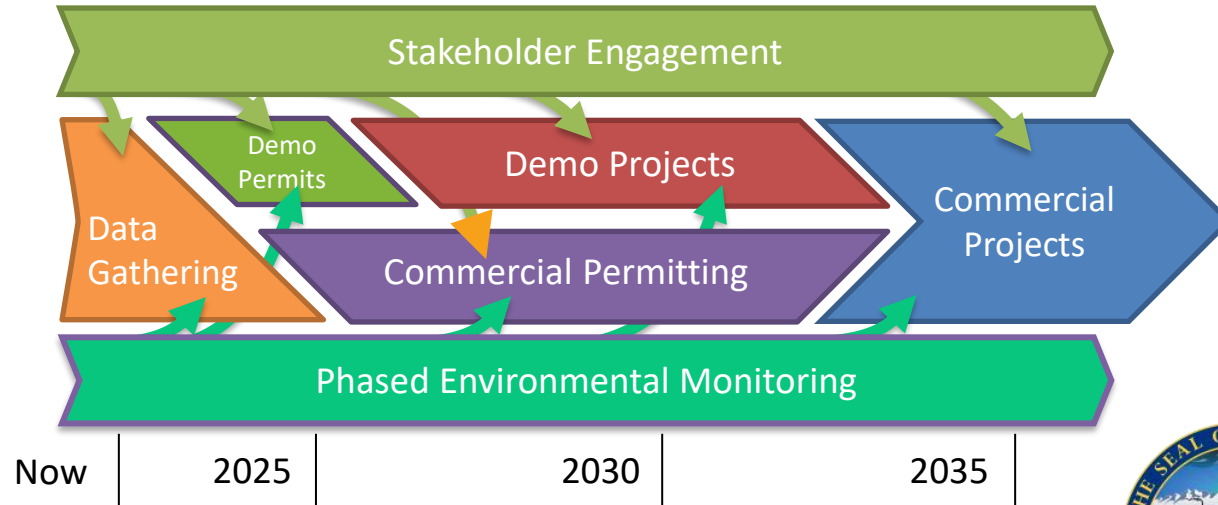
NOAA Technical Guidance, 2018



NOAA Fisheries Website

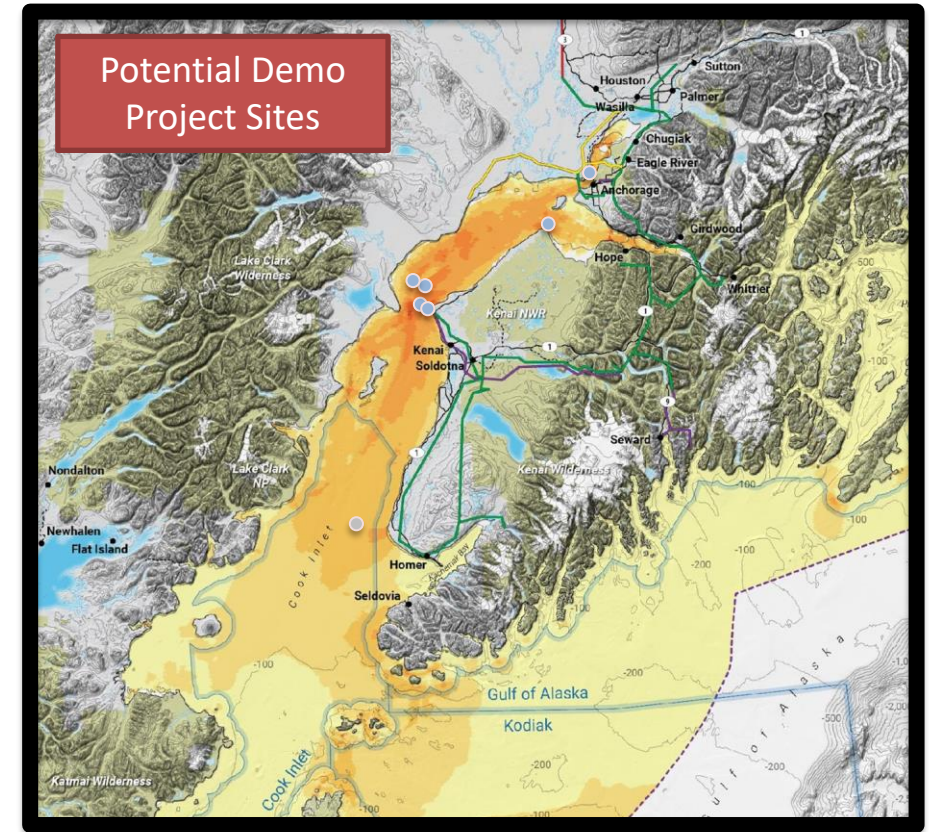
Cook Inlet Tidal Energy Roadmap

100MW by 2035



Demonstration projects are critical to proving technology, reducing cost, environmental monitoring, scaling up, and technology down-select.

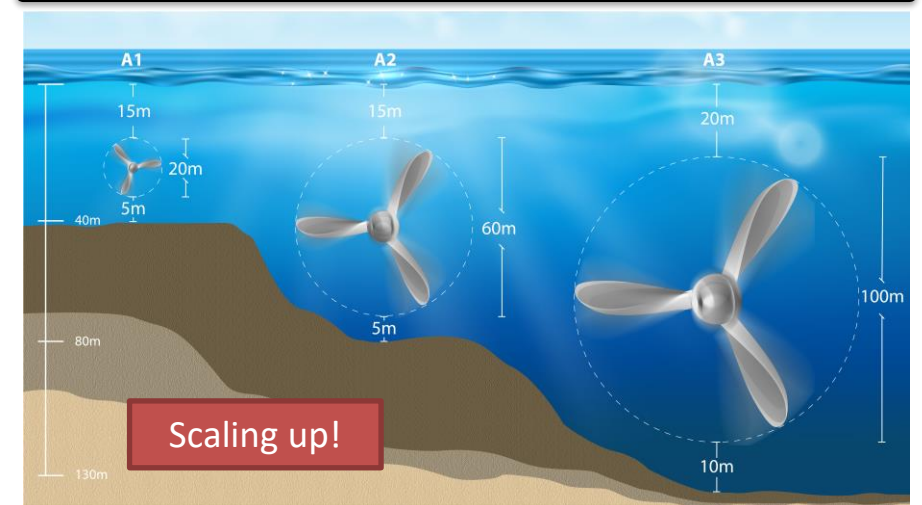
Research & development is critical to meeting these objectives and making informed decisions.



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Policy & Permitting Recommendations

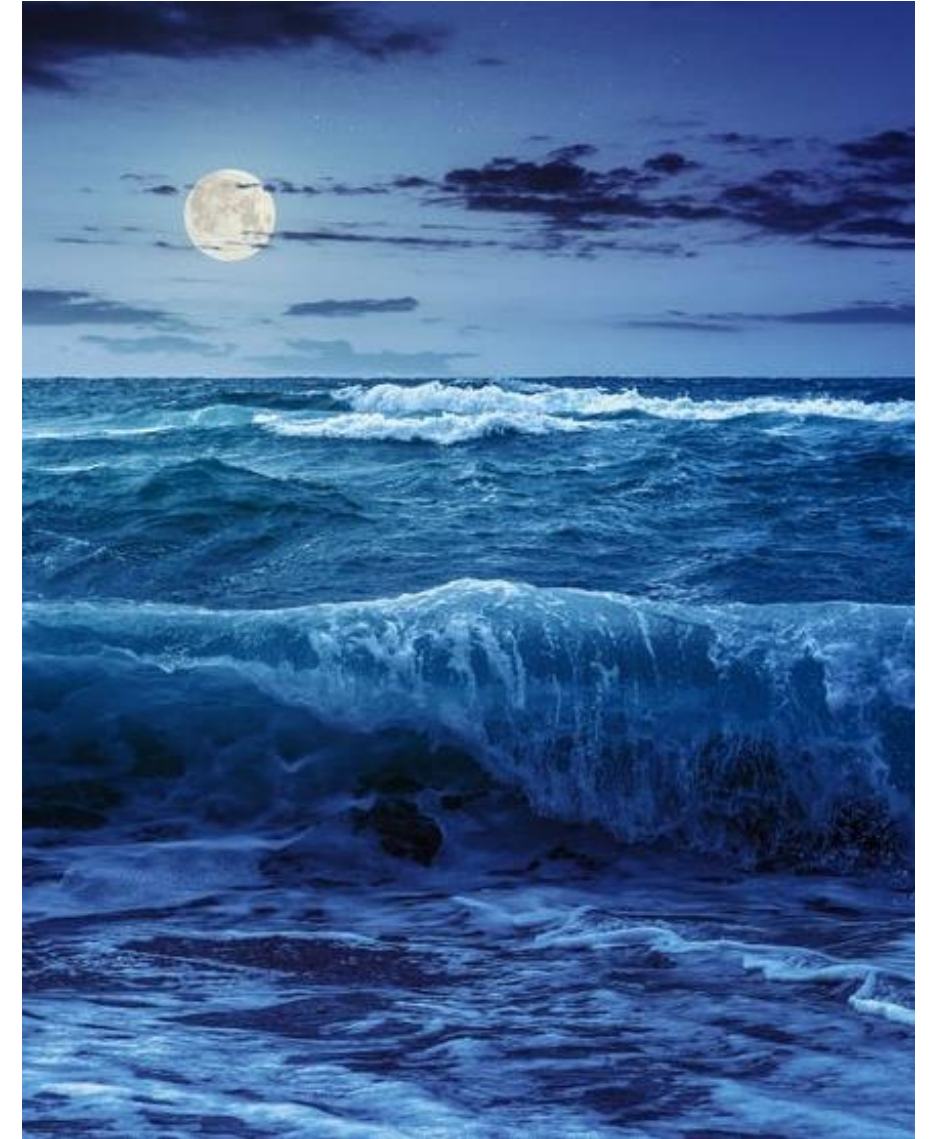
- Identify and Fill Regulatory Data Gaps
- Support Adaptive Management Approaches
- R&D Investment
 - Direct technology development
 - Skilled workforce development

\$35M for Tidal and Current Energy Systems

DOE's WPTO - \$35M funding from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

FOA Objectives and Goals

- Goal – 1-5MW pre-commercial tidal demonstration site
 - Build upon state clean energy strategies with local partners.
 - Attract competitive tidal and current energy developers for technology site integration.
 - Improve tidal and current energy research and development.
 - Build site infrastructure and supply chains with increased participation at the state level, including local agency, tribal, and university research involvement.
 - Establish a working business model covering site development to commercial scale.
- Multiple proposals included Cook Inlet
- Award decisions expected this November



Summary

- Resource is immense and predictable (storage requirements reduced)
- Alaska waters are challenging
- Technology is pre-commercial
- Environmental impacts not fully understood
- Variety of potential offtakes (electricity, hydrogen, ammonia, etc)

Alaska MHK History

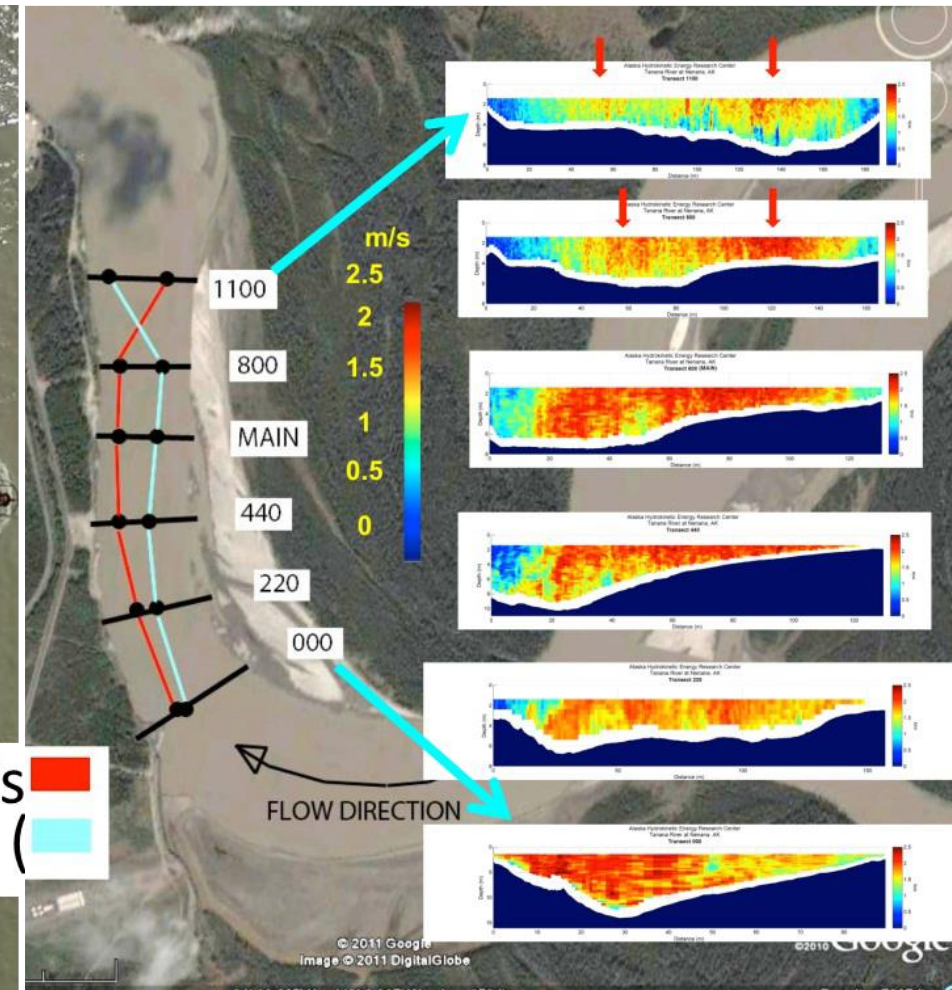
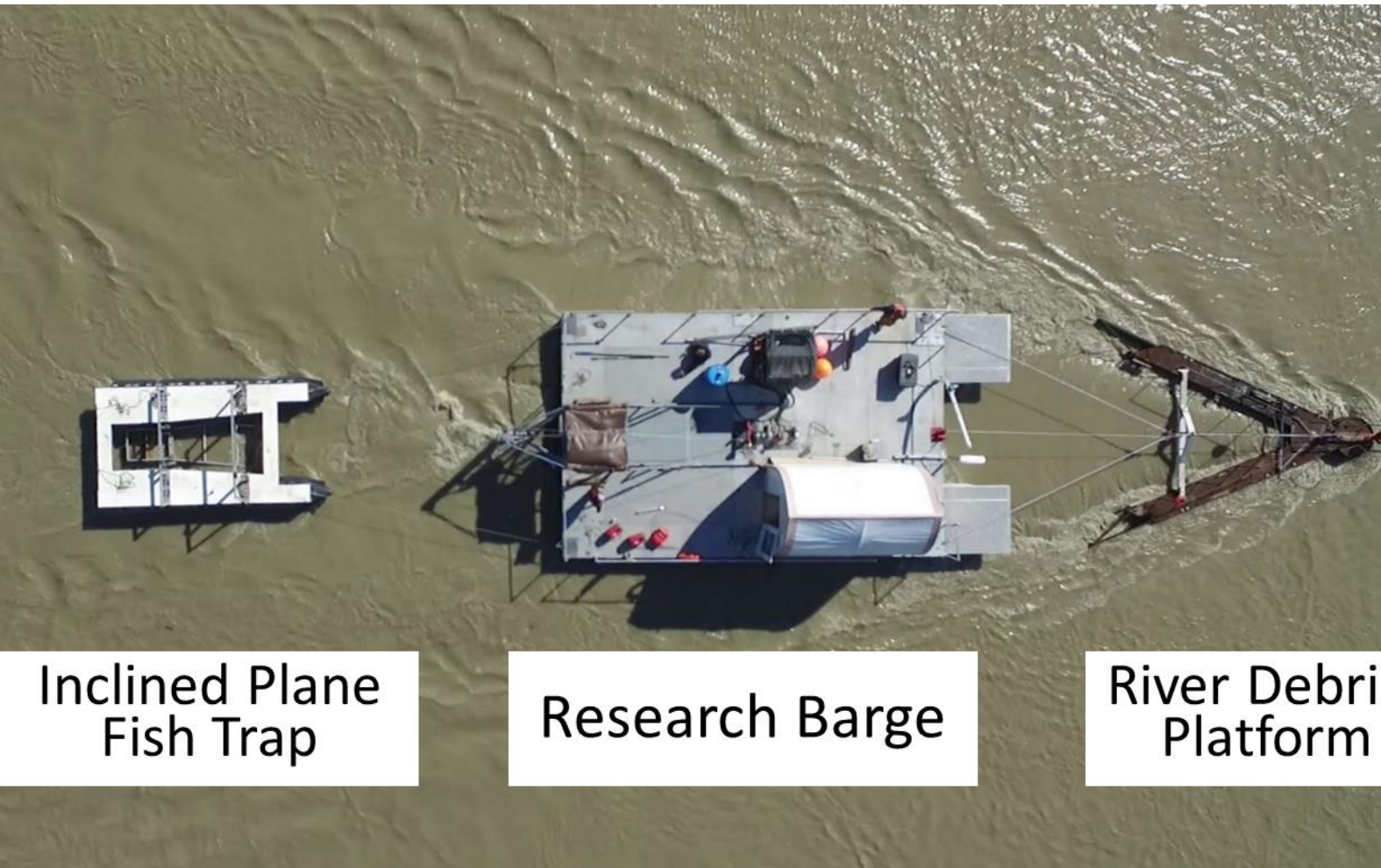


Debris accumulation on surface turbine. Ruby, AK 2013



ORPC RivGen, prior to submersion. Igiugig, AK 2020

Tanana River Test Site



Data Collection

- Simrad EK60 Split Beam Sonar
- Reson 7125 Multibeam Sonar
- Trimble GPS
- ADCP and ADV – 3D velocity
- Campbell Scientific Dataloggers
 - CR1000
 - CR6
- DC voltage and current transducers
- Load Cells



Hydrokinetic Experience



Hydrokinetic Experience



Alaska Energy Leadership

- State Level
 - Office of Energy Innovation
 - Alaska Energy Security Task Force
 - Alaska Energy Independence Fund (proposed)
 - Alaska Sustainable Energy Conference
- Federal Level
 - DOE Arctic Energy Office
 - National Lab Research Programs focused on Arctic
 - DOE Water Power Technologies Office
 - R&D in Alaska
 - National Marine Energy Centers

Alaska Energy Infrastructure

- 730,000 residents
- Railbelt Grid
- Remote Microgrids



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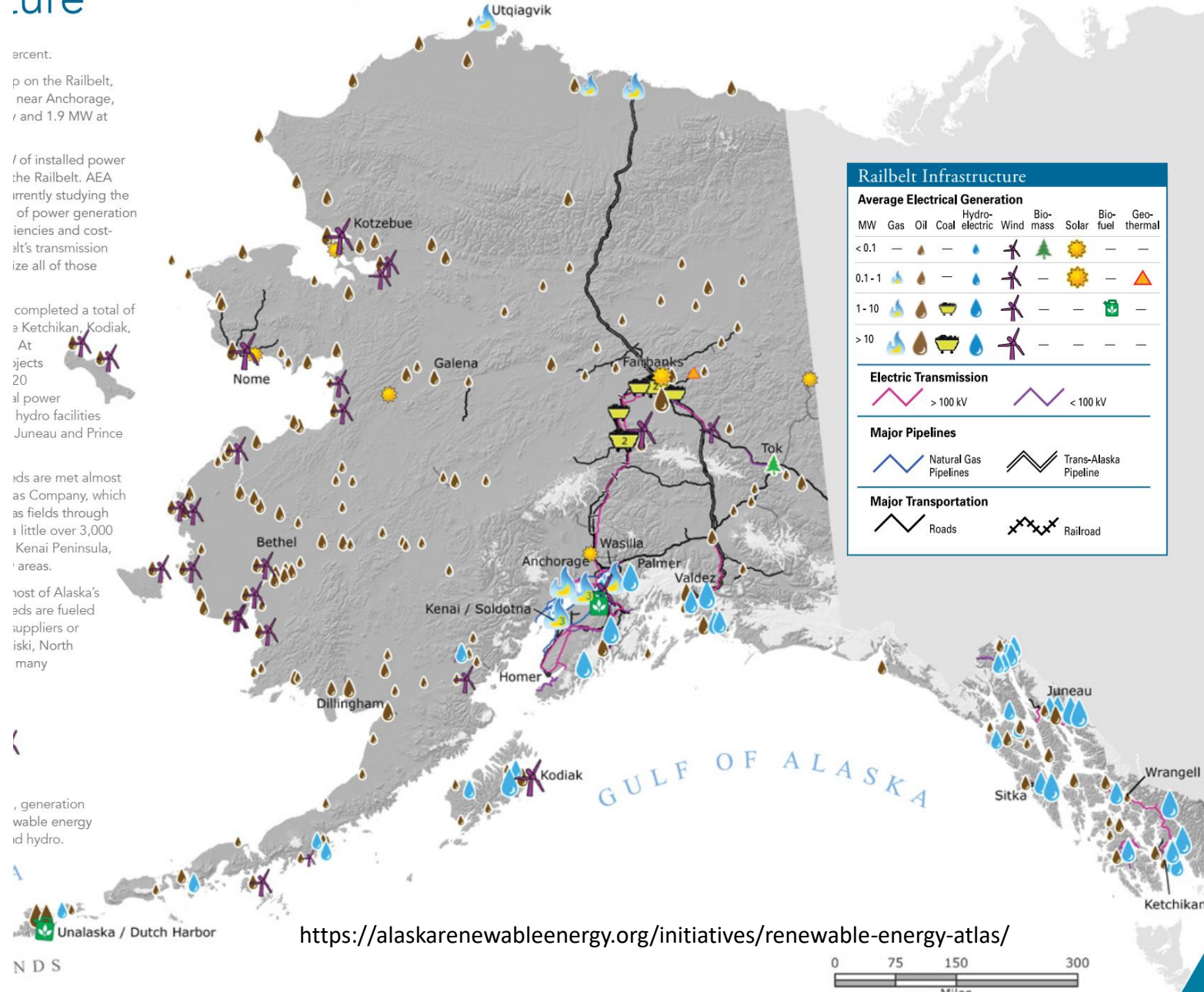
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EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALASKA: SMALL SCALE NUCLEAR

Thursday, August 31, 2023, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

- *Copper Valley Electric Association*
- *Nuclear Energy: State of Micro Reactors*
- *Small Nuclear Power: An Option for Alaska?*

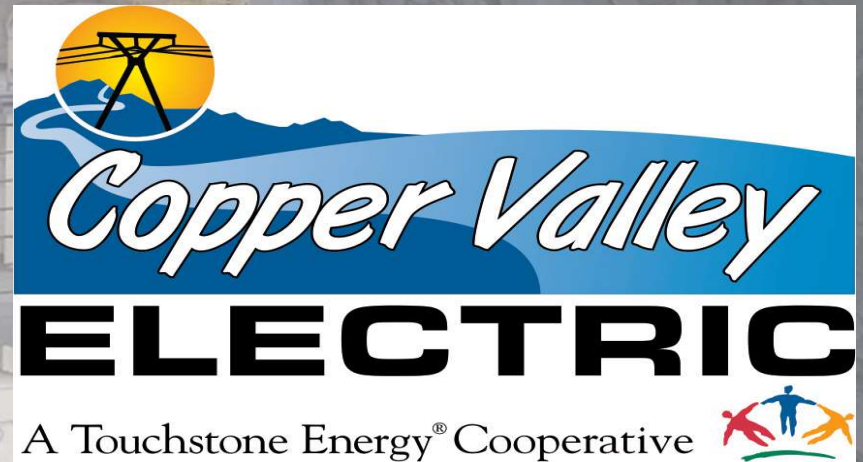


ULTRA SAFE NUCLEAR



September 23

RELIABLE ZERO-CARBON ENERGY ANYWHERE



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Agenda



Overview



Feasibility Study Results

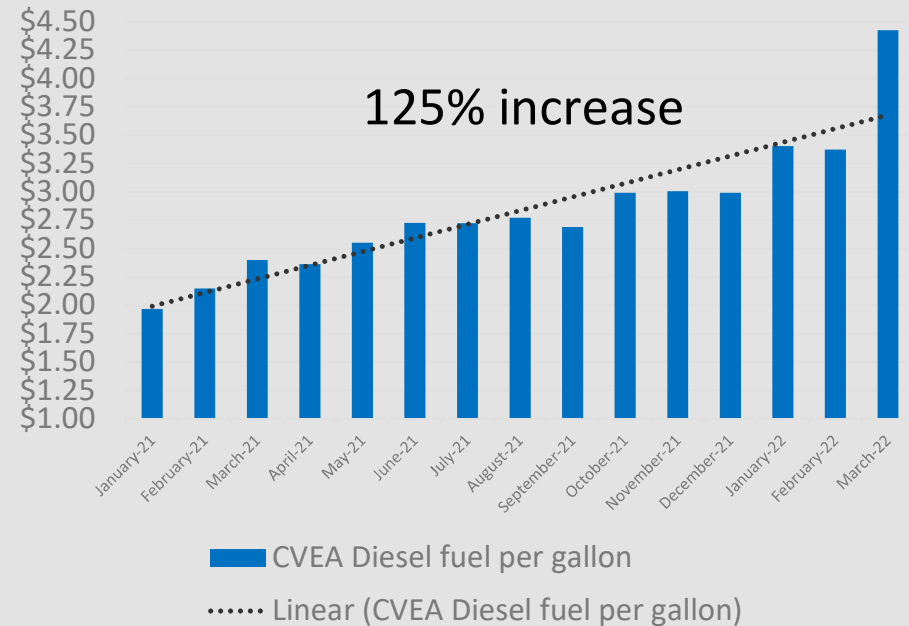


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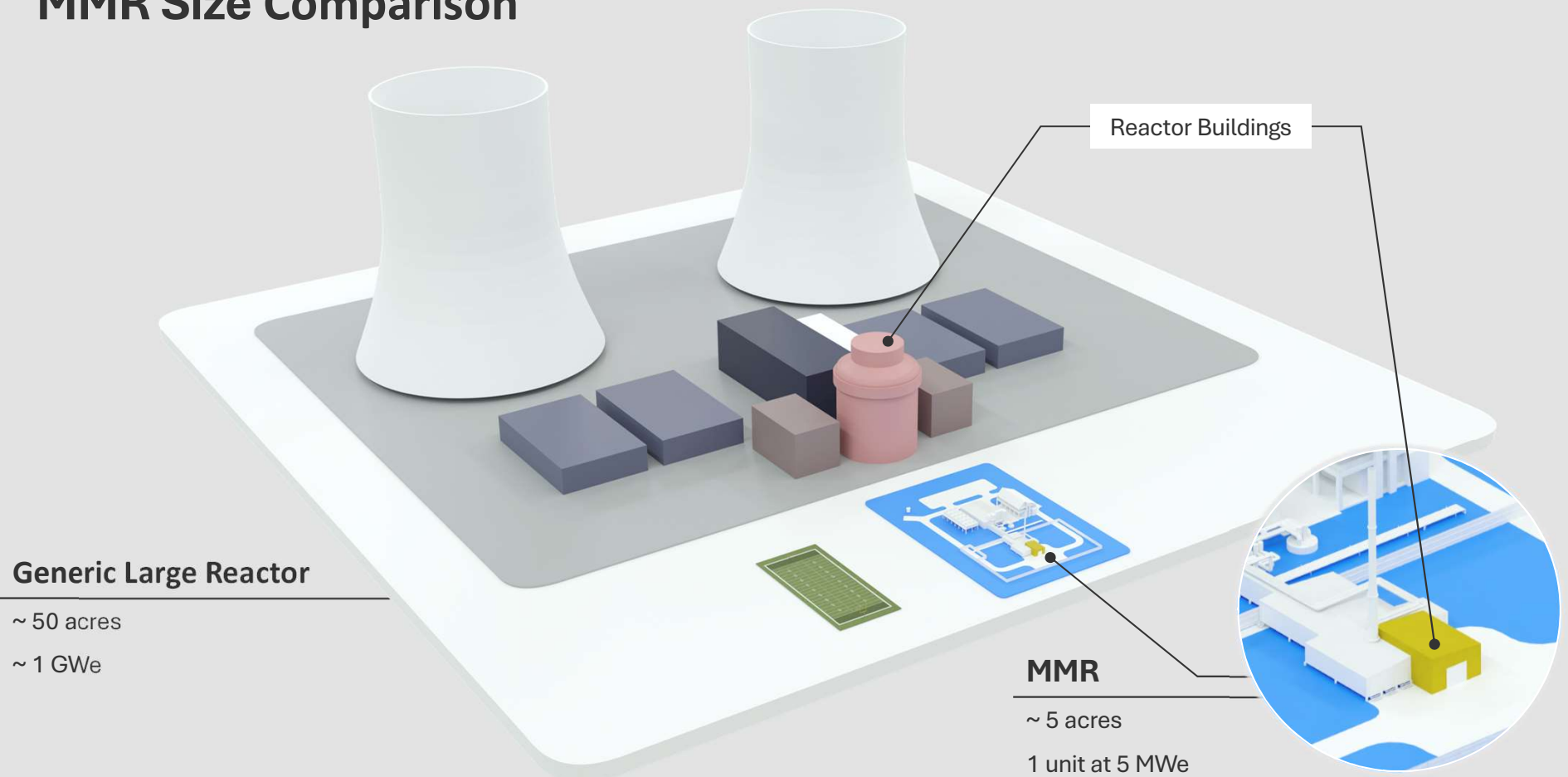
Why Nuclear for Copper Valley

- Board Strategic Plan
 - Develop a plan to reduce use of diesel fuel
- Increasing, fluctuating winter energy costs
- Reduction in emissions from fossil fuel power plants
- Lack of solutions for winter energy
 - Wind, Solar, Geothermal, Biomass, Hydro, Intertie, etc.

Diesel Fuel Costs January 1, 2021 - March 28, 2022



MMR Size Comparison



Generic Large Reactor

~ 50 acres

~ 1 GWe

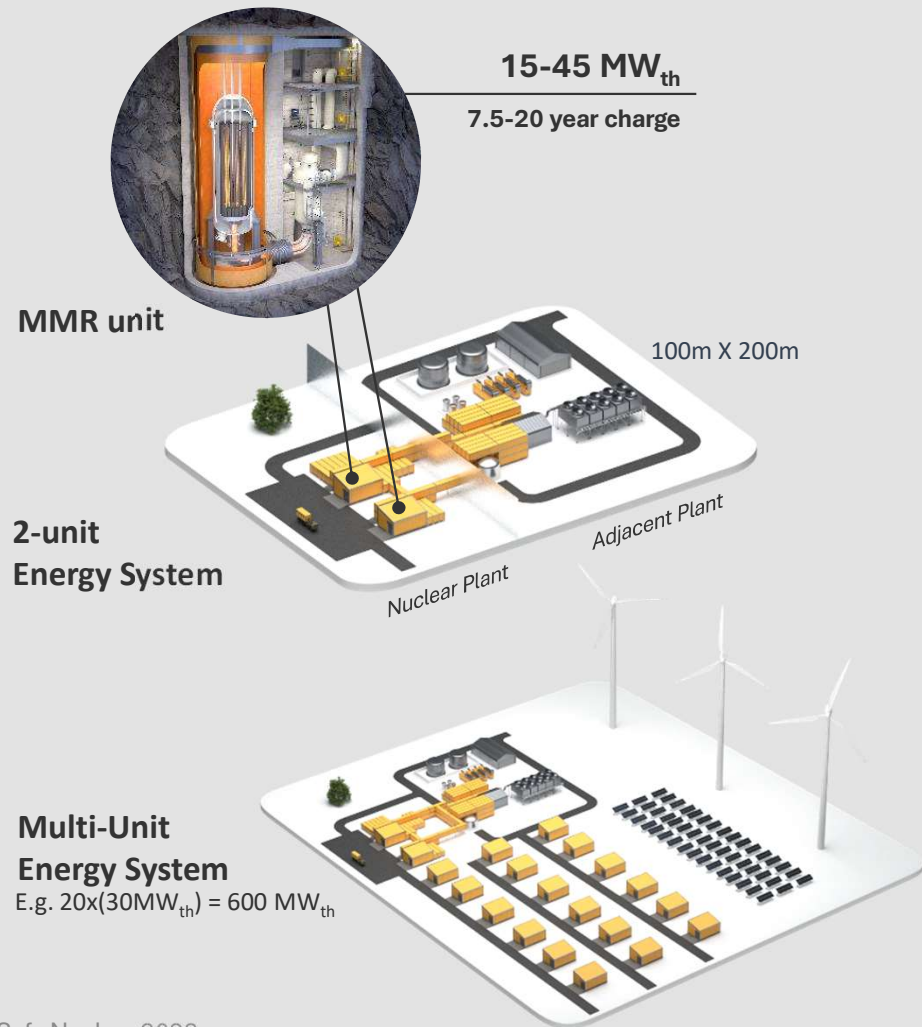
MMR

~ 5 acres

1 unit at 5 MWe

Micro Modular Reactor MMR™ Energy Systems Overview

- **Scalable and Flexible**
 - Standardized factory-produced units – commercial off-the-shelf parts (COTS)
 - Mass-production drives steep cost reductions
 - Projects scalable with multiple units
 - Flexible configurations to serve any customer
 - Energy cost visibility
- **Easy to Assemble**
 - 85% of construction costs in factory
 - Units are tested in approved factory before delivery
 - Modules are transported and assembled on site
 - Walk away AND walk back safe
- **Easy to decommission**
 - No environmental contamination
 - No fuel storage on site
 - Site is returned to green field after operations
 - Waste forever contained in FCM
- **Competitive Advantage**
 - Proprietary patented MMR and FCM technology
 - Vertical integration with strong regulatory barriers



Pre-Feasibility Study Scope & Purpose

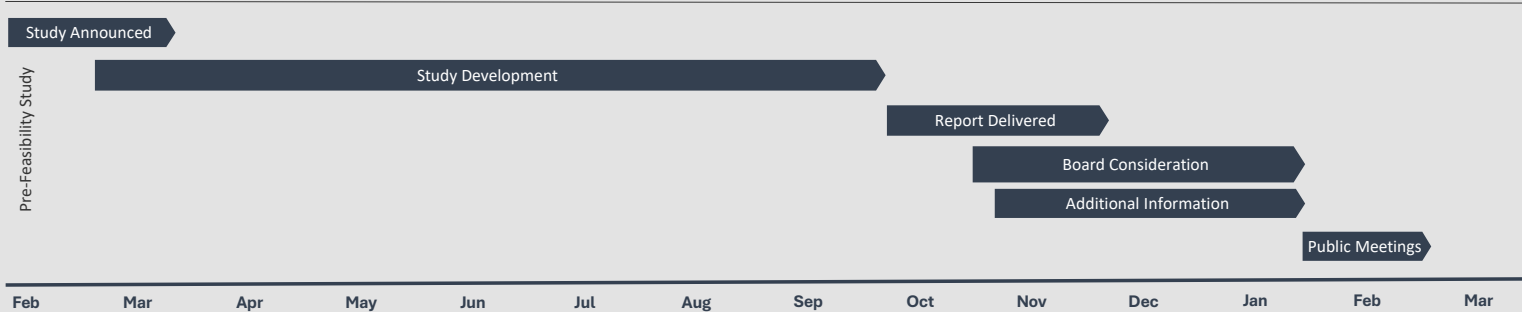
Questions the pre-feasibility study is intended to answer

- Is there anything that would prevent siting an MMR here?
- What are the preferred sites and their characteristics?
- What are the cost parameters and decision points?
- What are the benefits, concerns, and issues for the community?
- What operating specifics might apply in locating an MMR here?

CVEA, Ultra Safe Nuclear, contracted a local engineering firm for the study that knows the area utilities, power grid, customers and community factors well.

Pre-Feasibility Study Process Overview

Pre-Feasibility Study Timetable

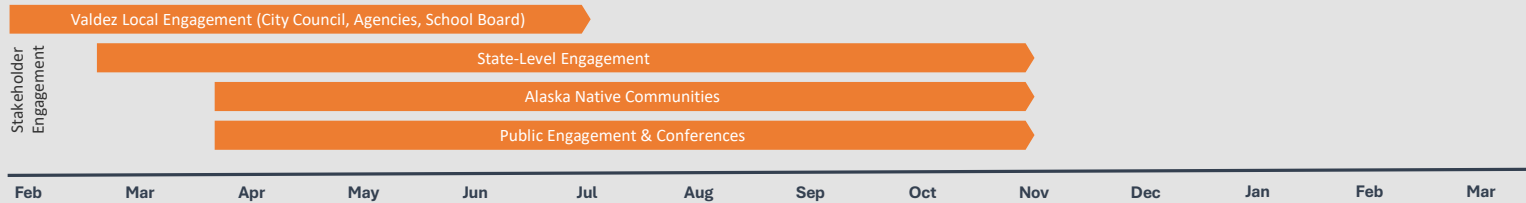


Milestones

- Collaboration on Pre-Feasibility Study announced February 2, 2022
- Contracted with Alaska engineering firm (EPS) familiar with generation and power grid
- Study delivered to CVEA October 2022
- Internal economic analysis performed December 2022
- Board review and consideration October 2022 & January 2023

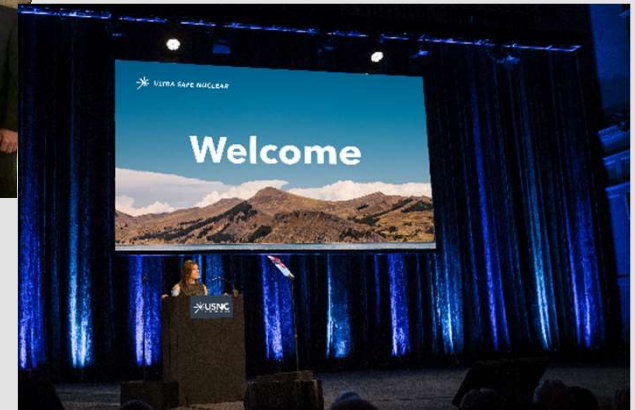
Stakeholder Engagement

Engagement Timetable



Beyond Public Acceptance

- Participatory approach and space
- Diverse perspectives and values
- Opportunity for creative solutions



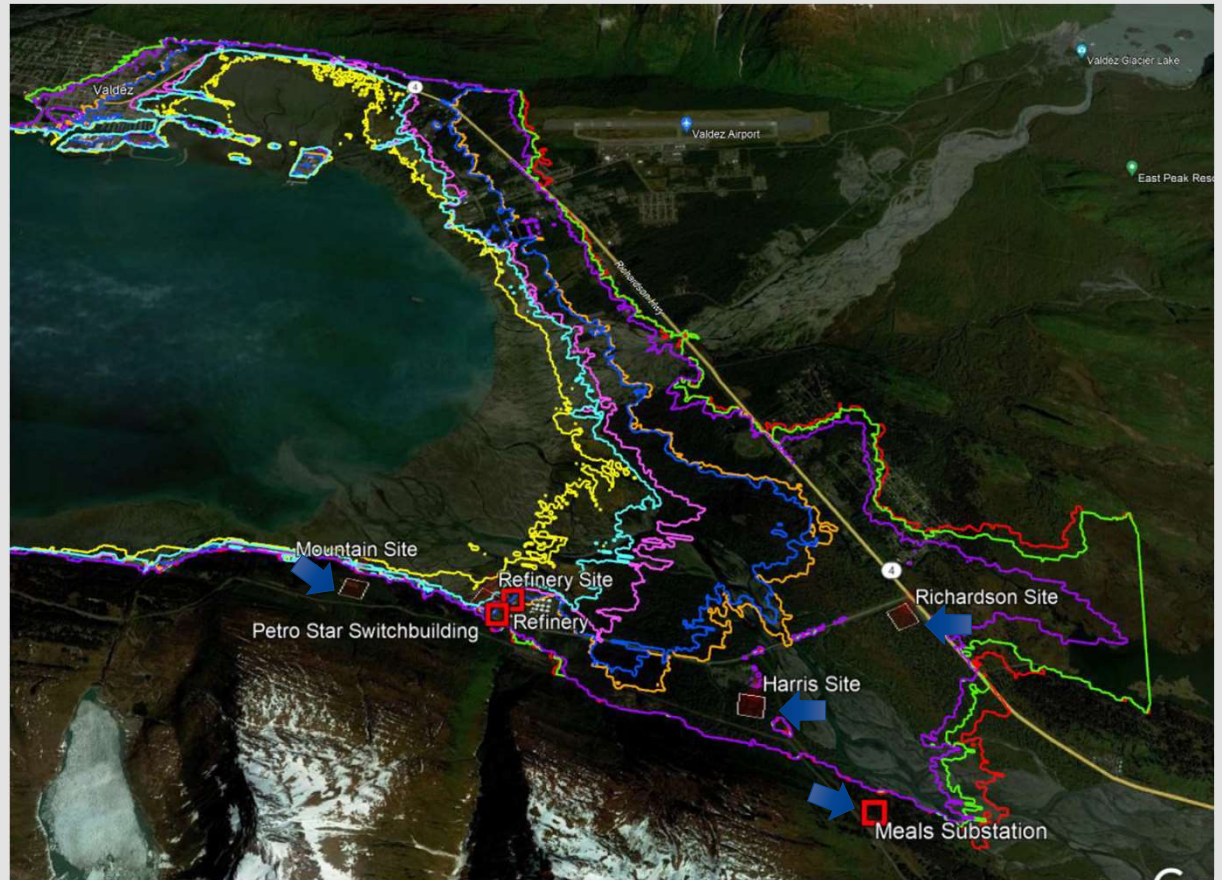
Stakeholder Engagement



- Outreach conducted primarily in Copper Valley basin and Valdez with local elected officials, Native Alaskan Communities, NGO's, industry and any interested public
- Preliminary conversations didn't show any significant opposition to siting an MMR in the CVEA service territory and generally very supportive
- Concerns expressed were primarily on issues of safety, environmental impacts and waste disposal
- Strong desire expressed by all to remain engaged in these conversations as the feasibility study progresses to a decision

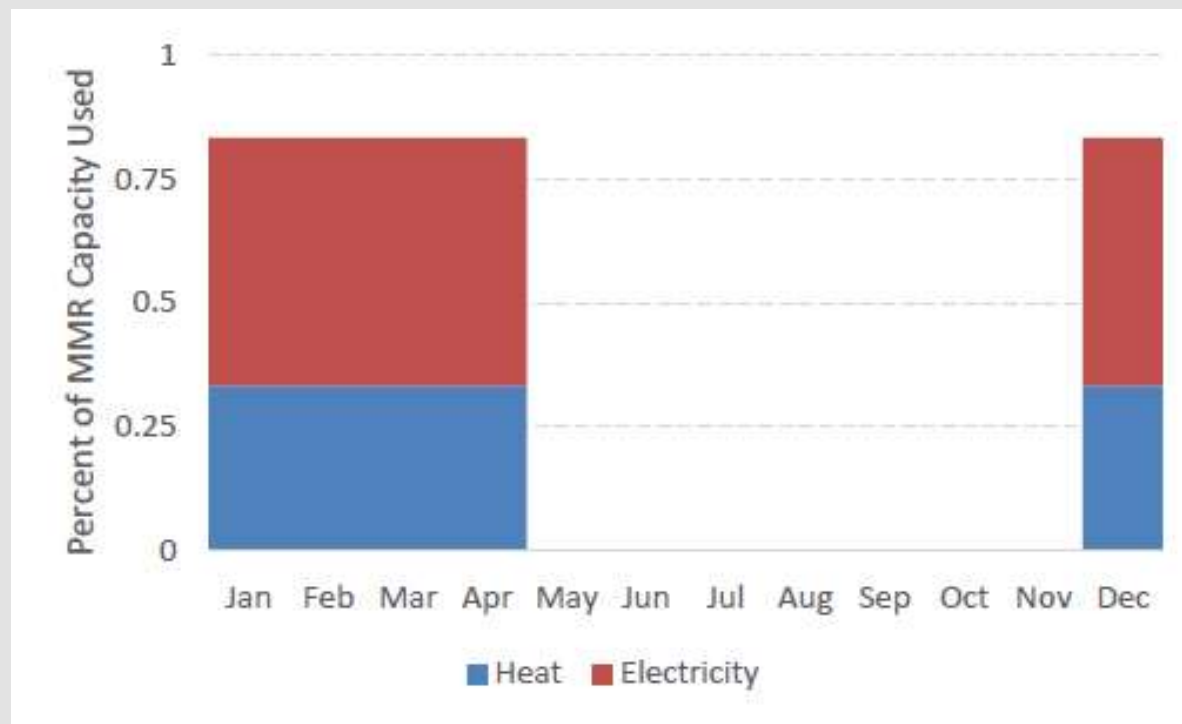
Locations

- Valdez
 - Richardson
 - Harris
 - Mountain
 - Meals
- Glennallen
 - Near existing transmission substation



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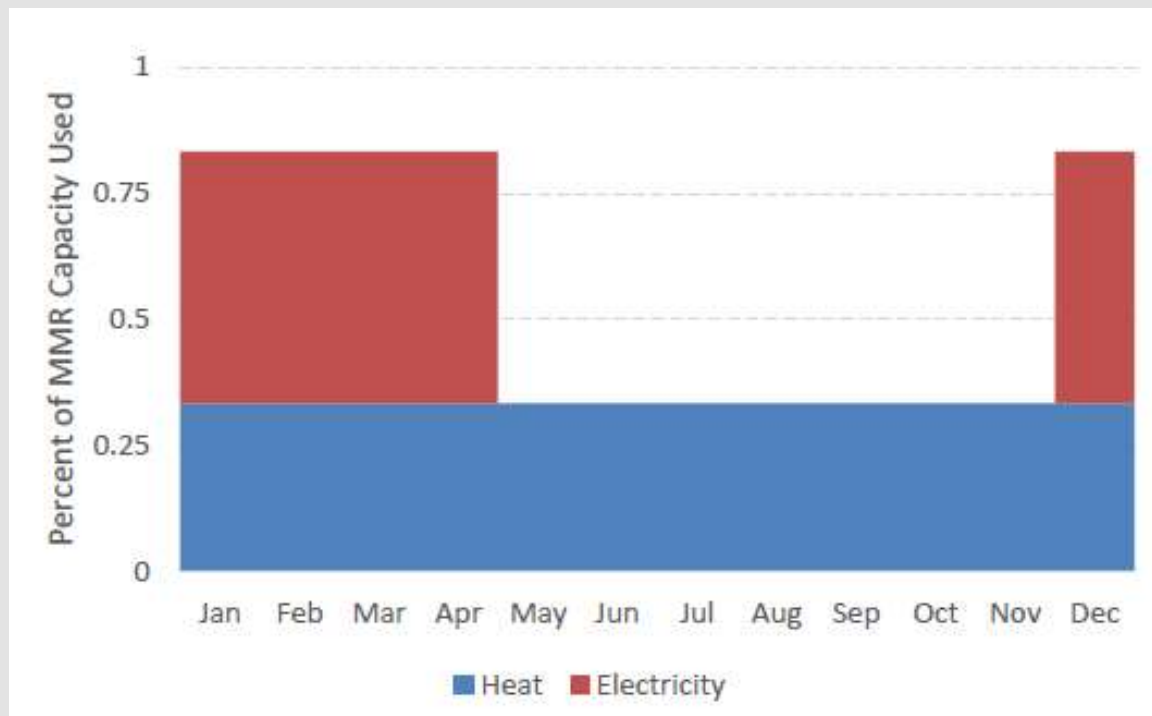
Electric only doesn't work economically



Current

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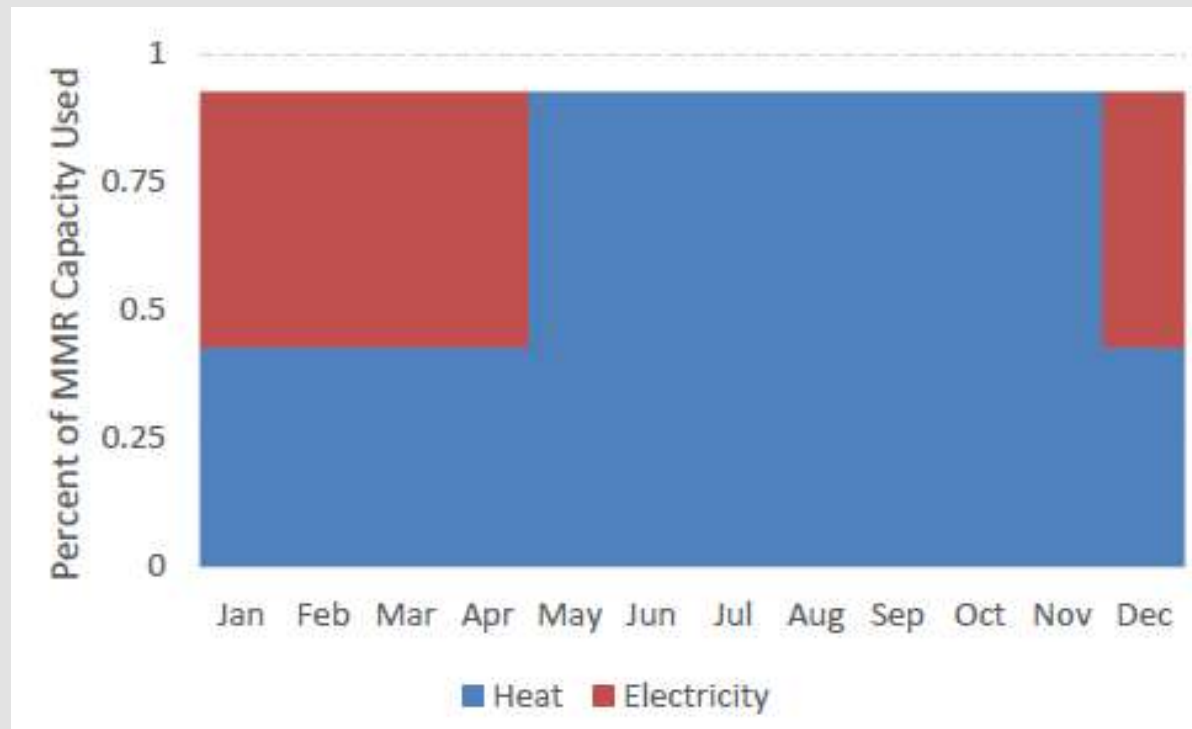
Using MMR to replace Cogen as it is currently operating is difficult economically



Year-round current rate

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Year-round heat sales used in economic analysis



Maximized

Conclusions

Suitable site locations

Easily integrated into current system

Public acceptance appears positive and will continue to engage broadly

Potentially economically viable

- High risk for CVEA members to own
- Evaluated PPA with USNC

Conclusions

- With proper education many are supportive
- MMR could work in many Alaskan communities
- Could be economical
 - High-capacity factor
 - Heat off taker
 - Economy of scale

QUESTIONS



Nuclear Energy: State of Micro Reactors

Alaska Energy Security Task Force
August 31, 2023

Marc Nichol
Executive Director, New Nuclear



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Micro Reactor Technology

Designed to replace Diesel Generators



Oklo Aurora
1.5 MWe



**Ultra Safe Nuclear
Corporation**
5 MWe



Westinghouse eVinci
5 MWe



BWXT BANR
17 MWe

- Very small size
 - Site as small as 0.1 acres, building ~size of a house
 - Reactor is road shippable, minimal site work
- Resilience – withstand, mitigate or quickly recover from
 - Extreme natural events
 - Man-made physical and cyber threats
- Operations
 - Automatic operations, island mode and black-start
 - Flexible – hybrid energy and renewables integration

Other Designs (not all inclusive)

- General Atomics
- HolosGen
- Hydromine
- NuGen
- NuScale
- Radiant
- X-energy

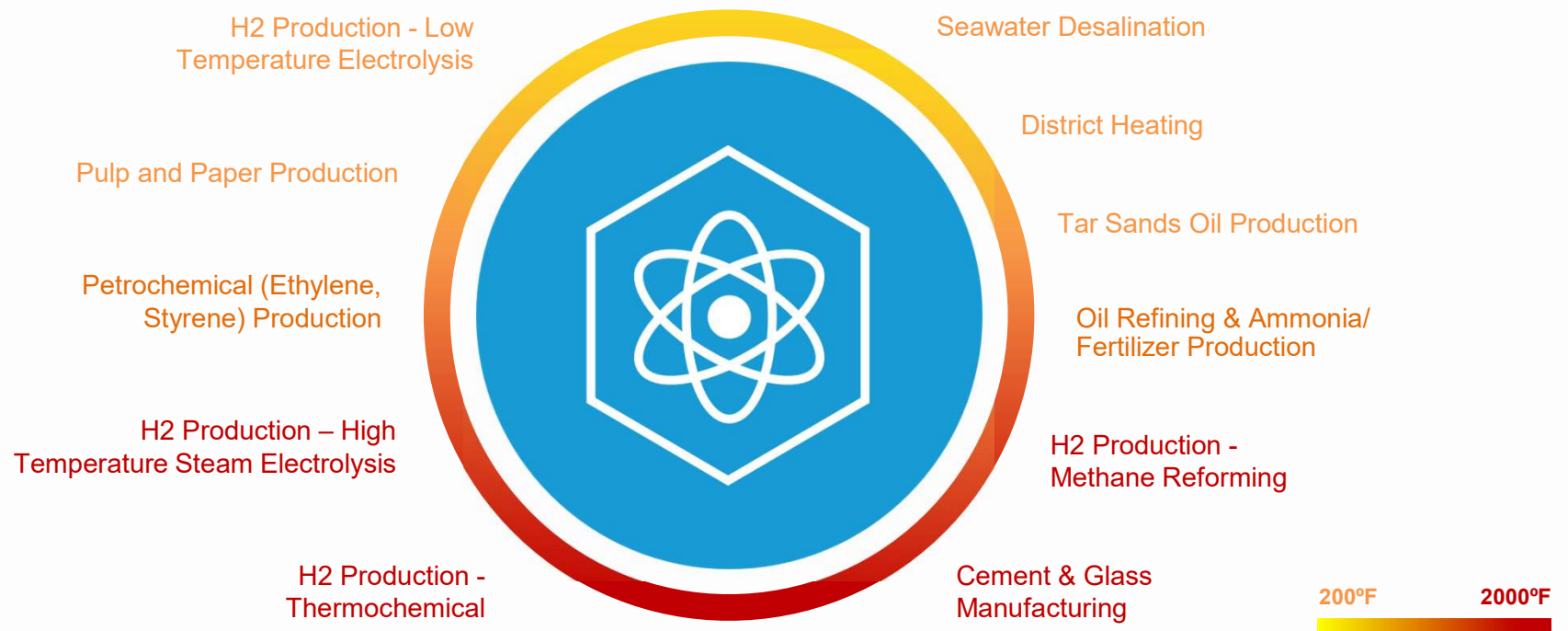
System Benefits of Advanced Reactors

Long term price stability	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Low fuel and operating costs
Reliable dispatchable generation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 24/7, 365 days per year, years between refueling (Capacity factors >92%)
Integration with renewables and storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paired with heat storage and able to quickly change power
Efficient use of transmission	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Land utilization <0.1 acre/TWh (Wind =1,125 acre/TWh; Solar 144 acre/TWh)
Environmentally friendly	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Zero-carbon emissions, one of lowest total carbon footprints• Many SMRs are being designed with ability for dry air cooling
Black-start and operate independent from the grid	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Resilience for mission critical activities• Protect against natural phenomena, cyber threats and EMP

Source: SMR Start, [*SMRs in Integrated Resource Planning*](#)

Gateway to Heat Markets

Process Heat Temperature Needs



Source: Nuclear Cogeneration, civil nuclear energy in a low-carbon future, The Royal Society, October 2020

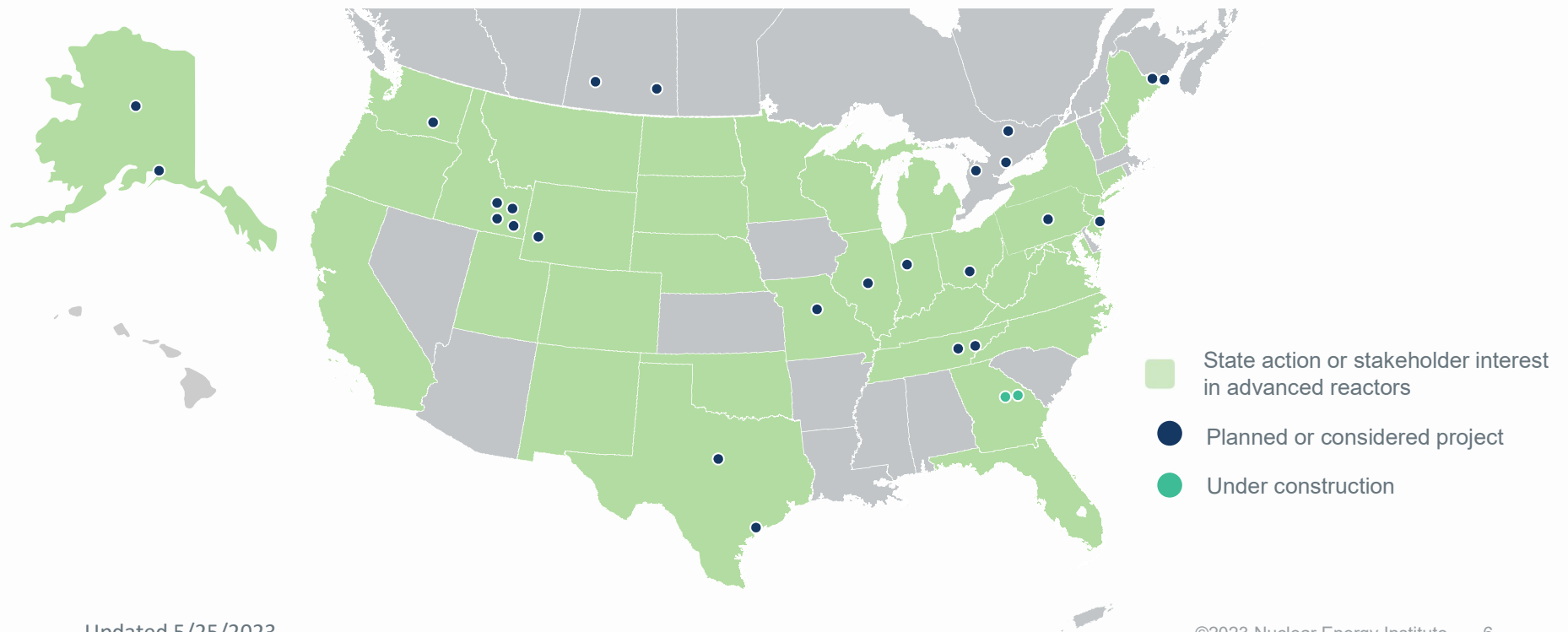
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Market Opportunities



Advanced Nuclear Deployment Plans

Projects in planning or under consideration in U.S. and Canada >20; Globally >30



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Advanced Reactor Deployment Plans

Micro-reactors and low scale test reactors

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Developer	Utility / User	Location	Size	Target Online
Oklo	Oklo	Idaho, USA	15 MWe	2026
	Oklo	Ohio, USA	2 @ 15 MWe	2028
	Compass Mining	TBD	TBD (150 MWe total)	TBD
Ultra Safe Nuclear	Global First / OPG	CRL, Canada	5 MWe	2025
	University of Illinois	Illinois, USA	5 MWe	2027
	Copper Valley (CVEA)	Alaska, USA	5 MWe	TBD
Westinghouse	Sask Research Council	West Canada	5 MWe	2027
	Bruce Power	ON, Canada	5 MWe	2027
	Penn State University	USA	5 MWe	2027
Radiant	TBA	Idaho, USA	1.2 MWe	2026
TBD	Eielson AFB	Alaska, USA	1 – 10 MWe	2027
BWXT	DoD SCO	Idaho, USA	1.5 MWe	2024
Kairos Power	Kairos	TN, USA	35 MWth	2026
Natura	Abilene Christian University	TX, USA	1 MWth	2025
TBD	Univ. of Missouri	MO, USA	TBD	TBD

Advanced Reactor Licensing Progress

Approved

1. NuScale Power

Under Review

1. Abilene Christian University
2. Kairos Power
3. NuScale (power uprate)

Pre-Application

1. GEH BWR X-300
2. General Atomics
3. Holtec SMR-160
4. Kairos Power
5. Oklo
6. TerraPower Sodium
7. TerraPower MCFR
8. Terrestrial
9. Univ. of Illinois U-C
10. X-energy
11. Westinghouse

Resource Planning

Benefits

- Fuel diversity
- Carbon-free
- Flexible/dispatchable
- Resilience/reliability
- Renewables integration
- Repower retired fossil sites

Considerations

- Schedule
- Cost
- Risks
- Environmental
- Economic benefits

Planning Options

- Monitoring
- Planning
- Evaluating sites
- Licensing
- Project initiation

Cost Comparison

Full cost of micro-reactor vs only diesel fuel cost

- Diesel generator costs
 - Primarily fuel costs
 - Fuel from \$2.86/gallon to \$4.89/gallon
- Micro-reactor costs
 - Include used fuel disposal and decommissioning
 - 10 year fuel life
 - 40 year plant life
 - 95% capacity factor

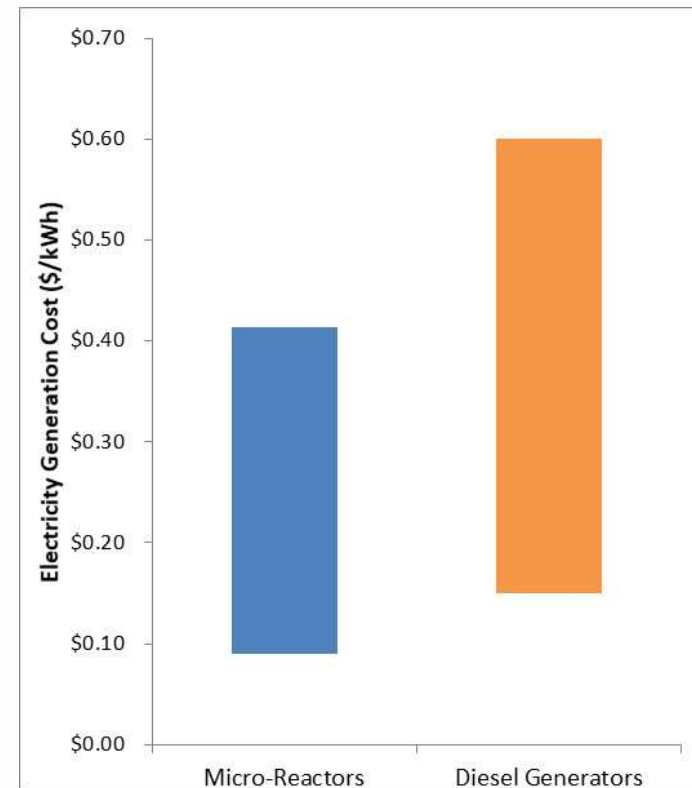


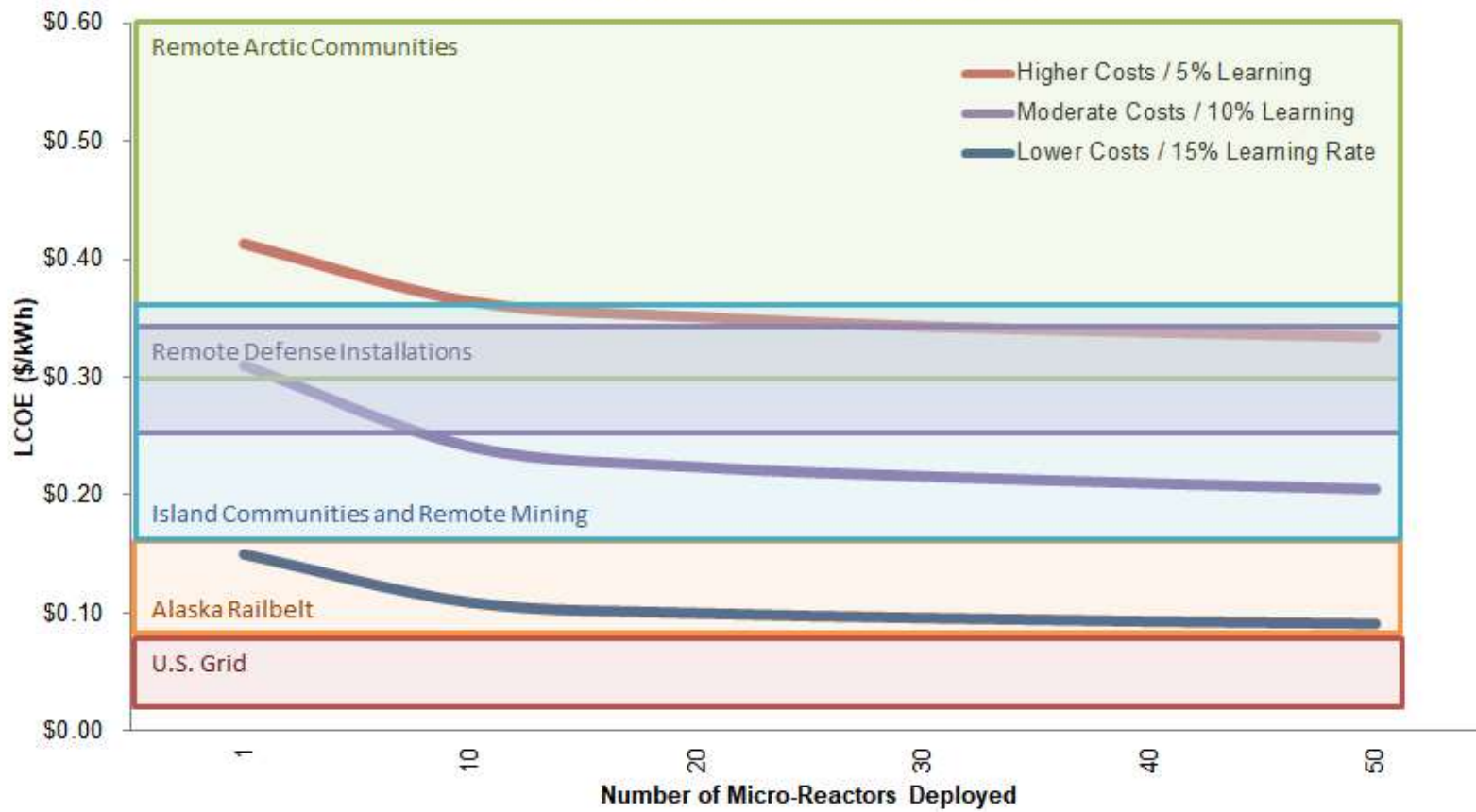
Figure 6: Micro-Reactor Cost Competitiveness

Figure 1: Estimated Levelized Cost of Electricity Generation for the First Micro-Reactor

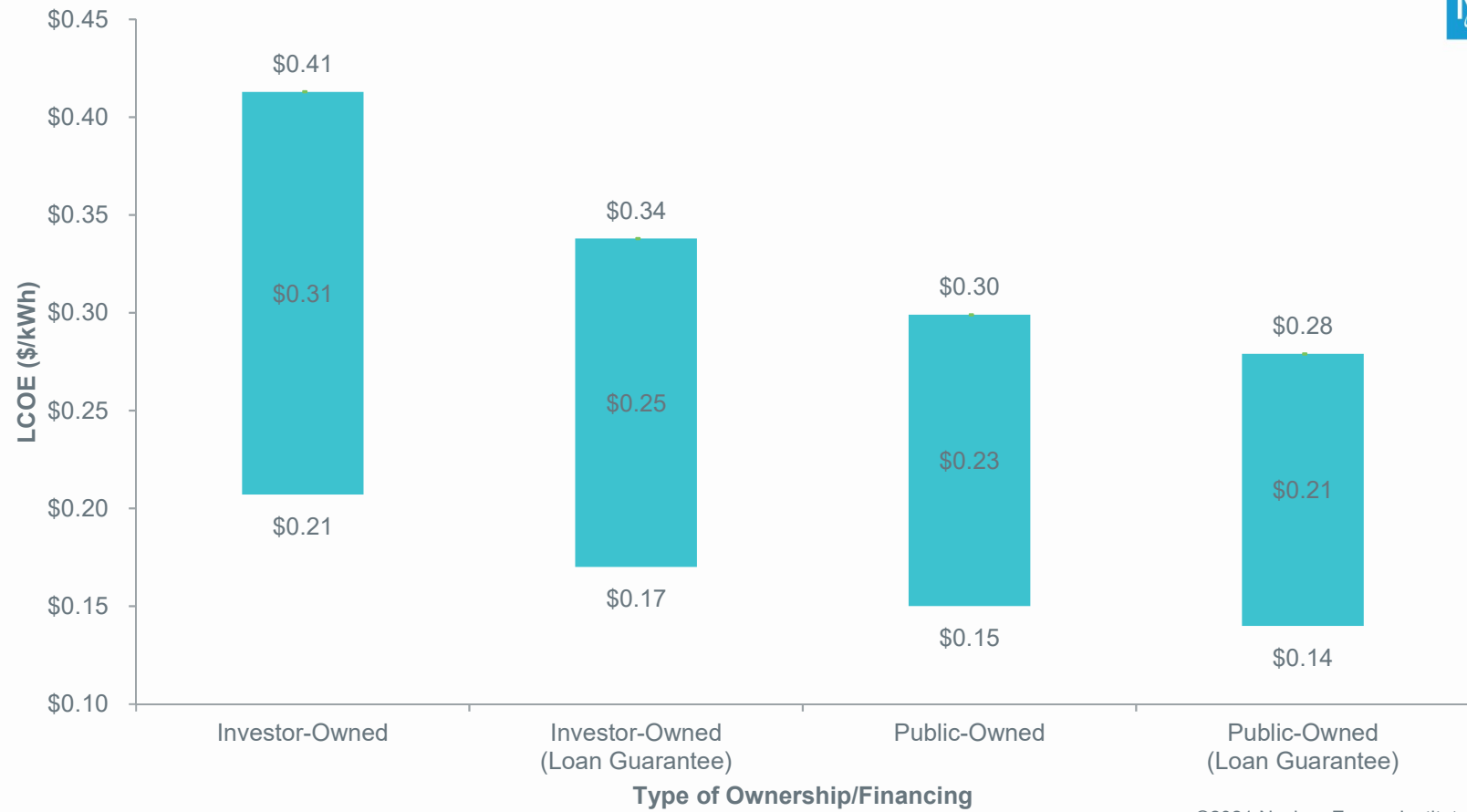
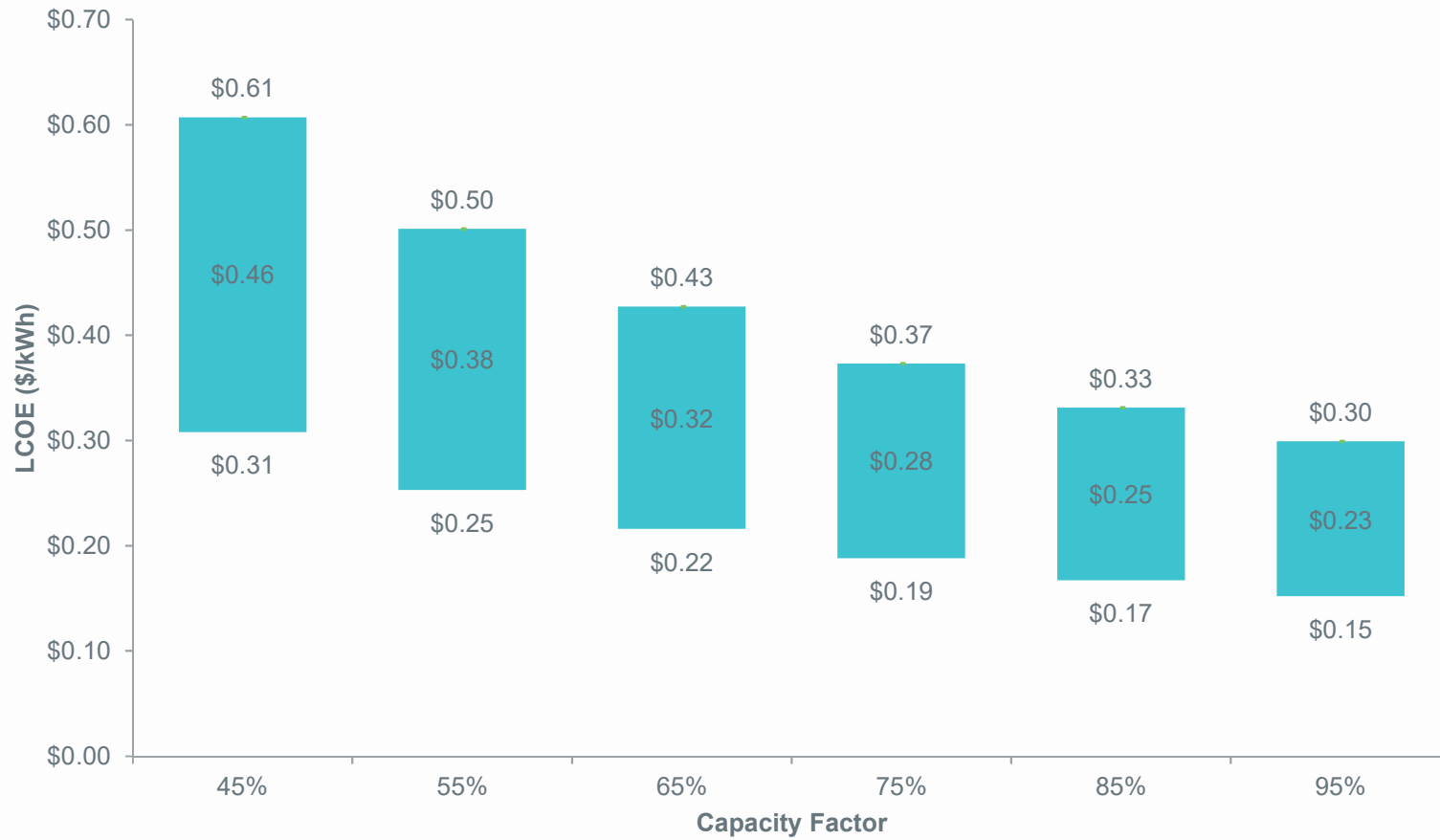


Figure 4: Sensitivity of Micro-Reactor LCOE on Capacity Factor



Financing Micro-Reactors

Capital Costs of 5 MWe plant = \$50M to \$100M*

- Conventional business model
 - Local utility finances capital costs
 - Financing typically by debt at low rates, amortized
- New business models
 - Developer owns and operates plant, uses a Power Purchase Agreement
 - Local utility does not finance capital costs, only pays for power
- Similarities and differences
 - In both: customers only pay as levelized cost of capital
 - New business model: developer bears bulk of financial risk of project

*Derived from NEI *Cost Competitiveness of Micro-Reactors for Remote Markets*, April 2019
<https://nei.org/resources/reports-briefs/cost-competitiveness-micro-reactors-remote-markets>

Micro-Reactor Workforce

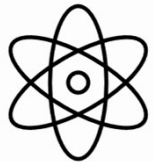
Target <10 employees to power rural areas

Technology enablers	NRC considering for micro-reactors
Safety and simplicity in design	Minimal worker training and qualifications
Automatic operations	Operators allowed additional duties (e.g., maintenance, administrative)
Remote operations	No operator needed on site
Security by design	No armed security guards needed

- Hub areas: population sizes that can supply workers
 - Direct use of electricity and heat with existing grid and district heating
- Spoke areas: population sizes that cannot supply workers
 - Electric transmission from hub region (if close by); OR
 - Use hydrogen or ammonia from hub region (low-cost due to economics of micro-reactors and short transport distances)

Lowest System Cost Achieved by Enabling Large Scale New Nuclear Deployment

Lowest Cost System

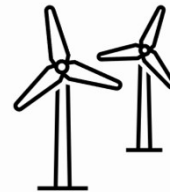


Nuclear is 43% of generation (>300 GW of new nuclear)

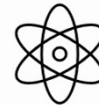


Wind and solar are 50%

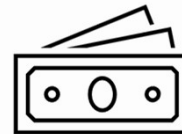
Energy System with Nuclear Constrained



Wind and Solar are 77% of generation



Nuclear is 13% (>60 GW of new nuclear)



Increased cost to customers of \$449 Billion

Both scenarios are successful in reducing electricity grid GHG emissions by over 95% by 2050 and reducing the economy-wide GHG emissions by over 60%

Strong Federal Support for Advanced Reactors

- DOE funding 12 different designs, >\$5B over 7 years
- Infrastructure Bill
 - \$2.5B funding for two demonstration projects
- Inflation Reduction Act
 - PTC: At least \$30/MWh for 10 years
 - ITC: 30% of investment
 - Both can be monetized, include 10% bonus for siting in certain energy communities
 - Loan Guarantees – up to \$40B in expanded authority
 - HALEU Fuel - \$700M
- CHIPS Act
 - Financial assistance to States, Tribes, local governments and Universities

September 2022

Current Federal Policy Tools to Support New Nuclear

The following is a list of current policy tools that could directly support the deployment of new nuclear, could potentially indirectly support the deployment or planning for new nuclear, and that currently support the deployment of new nuclear.

Programs that Could Directly Support Deployment of New Nuclear

Clean Electricity Production Credit – 45V

The Inflation Reduction Act created a new technology-neutral tax credit for all clean electricity technologies, including advanced nuclear and power upgrades that are placed into service in 2023 or after. The bill does not change the existing Advanced Nuclear Production Tax Credit but precludes credits from being claimed under both programs. The value of the credit will be at least \$30 per megawatt-hour, depending on inflation, for the first ten years of plant operation. The credit phases out when carbon emissions from electricity production are 75 percent below the 2022 level. The following is a link to the statutory language.

<https://uscode.house.gov/view.xhtml?req=granuleid%3AUSC-prelim-title26-section45v&granuleid=USC-prelim-title26-section45v>

Clean Electricity Investment Credit – 45E

As an alternative to the clean electricity PTC, the Inflation Reduction Act provided the option of claiming a clean electricity investment credit for zero-emissions facilities that is placed into service in 2023 or thereafter. This provides a credit of 30 percent of the investment in a new zero-carbon electricity facility, including nuclear plants. Like the other credits, this investment tax credit can be monetized. The ITC phases out under the same provisions as the clean electricity PTC.

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Both the clean electricity PTC and ITC include a 10-percentage point bonus for facilities sited in certain energy communities such as those that have hosted coal plants. The following is a link to the statutory language.

Credit for Production from Advanced Nuclear Power Facilities – 45J

The nuclear production tax credit 26 USC 45J provides a credit of 1.8 cents per kilowatt-hour up to a maximum of \$125 million per tax year for 8 years. Only the first 6000 MW of new capacity initiated after 2005 for a design approved after 1989 are eligible for the tax credit. The credit does not include a direct pay provision, so the owner will need to have offsetting taxable income to claim the credit or transfer the credit to an eligible project partner. The following is a link to the statutory language.

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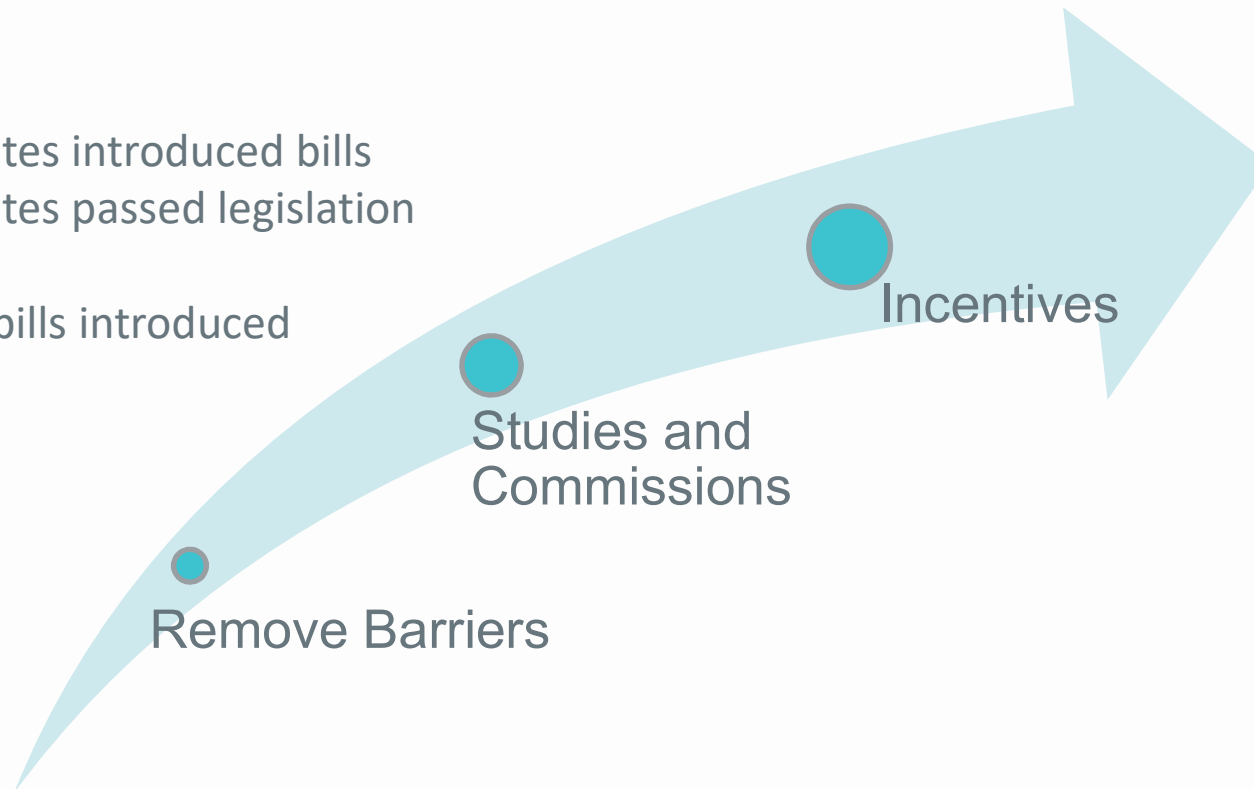
State Action for Advance Reactors

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- 19 States introduced bills
- 11 States passed legislation

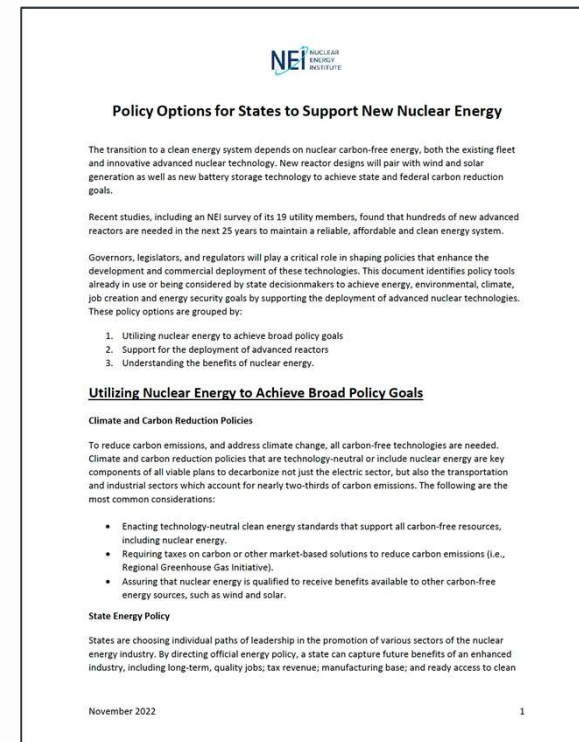
2023

- 100+ bills introduced



State Options to Support Advanced Reactors

- Feasibility Studies
- Reducing Barriers
- Tax incentives (e.g., property)
- Advanced cost recovery
- Workforce and infrastructure



QUESTIONS?



Small Scale Nuclear Power *an option for Alaska?*

Gwen Holdmann,

Alaska Center for Energy and Power, University of Alaska Fairbanks



Presentation Agenda

PART 1: Context/intro

PART 2: Alaska Perceptions

PART 3: Alaska “Strategy” around nuclear energy



Reports

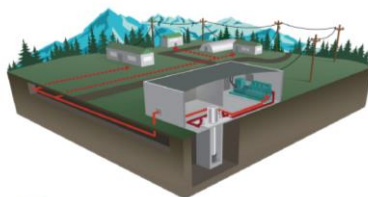
Small Scale Modular Nuclear Power: an option for Alaska?

2011

Prepared by the University of Alaska, Alaska Center for Energy and Power and the Institute for Social and Economic Research with funding through the Alaska Energy Authority

Small Scale Nuclear Power: an option for Alaska?

Update October 20, 2020



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Outreach



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY Environmental Justice and Equity Framework for Siting Nuclear Energy in America's Arctic

Nuclear Energy

OVERVIEW

Purpose: Create a community-centric framework and decision matrix for considering small nuclear reactors as an energy option for rural Alaska communities and similar, historically underserved populations in the United States.

Objectives:
Gather community perspectives: Establish new community engagement strategies that address historical misperceptions related to environmental contaminants in the Arctic associated with historic testing of radioactive materials;
Community empowerment through citizen science Build student- and community-led environmental monitoring and data analytical capabilities that will empower local citizens;

Exploring pathways to community resilient energy futures: Develop a road map for understanding the opportunity space for micro-nuclear reactors (MNRs) in rural Alaska communities and similar remote areas, as part of a broader landscape of other resilient, cost effective and low-carbon energy options.

IMPACT

Logical Path:
Connecting and scaling the project research and community partners as part of building an Alaska Innovation Network, with specific community partners including the hub communities of Kotzebue and Nome.



Outcomes:

- Creation of a model for addressing the local community impacts of environmental contamination.
- Capacity building within rural and tribal communities
- A toolkit for communities to use for energy planning.
- Developed Teaching Through Technology curriculum which focuses on environmental monitoring and deployed throughout the NW Arctic Borough.

DETAILS

Principal Investigator: Gwen Holdmann
Institution: University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF)
Collaborators: Diane Hirschberg (UAA); Haruko Wainwright (MIT); Ali Hanks (UC-Berkeley); Adam Low (UAF); Bruce McDowell (PNNL); Matt Bergan (KEA); Inesmar Mathiassen (NWAB); Chad Nordlum (NVK)
Duration: 3 years

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RESULTS

Results:
Early project planning and collaboration underway between project partners.

Accomplishments:
Curriculum drafting for Task 2: Community empowerment through citizen science. Site identification for T3 hub underway. Focal geographies have been identified.

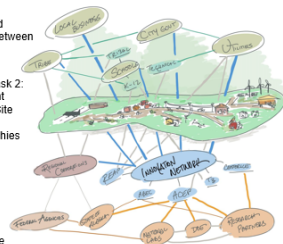
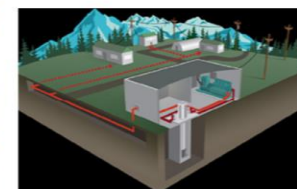


Image: example of our community innovation hub network for Kotzebue

Research

Nuclear Energy Working Group



With rapidly evolving technology, shifts in energy policy and the regulatory framework, and more favorable economics we're aiming to understand how small-scale nuclear power could fit into the energy landscape for Alaska, and whether the time is right.

The Alaska Nuclear Energy Working Group is an informal group of stakeholders interested in following developments related to small nuclear energy technologies, and in providing input related to any proposed future deployment in the state. ACEP plans to host regular meetings of the working group, which will include presentations from industry and other stakeholder groups. The working group will also be called upon to provide input on future studies, as well as the development of a state roadmap.

Interested in learning more? [Register to join](#) the Alaska Nuclear Working Group.

[Alaska Nuclear Energy Working Group Charter](#)

Project Details

Lead Researcher(s)

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- Richelle Johnson (rjohnson6@alaska.edu)

Reports

Connecting



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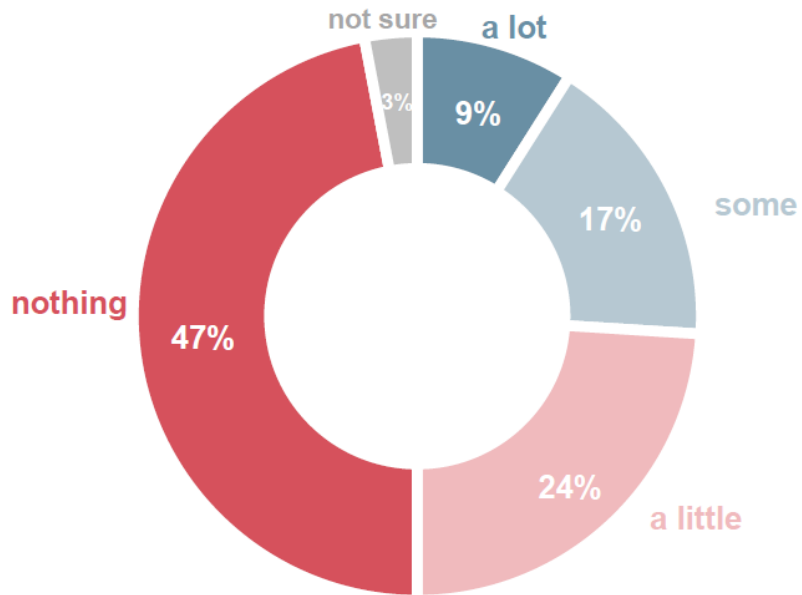
S360 Poll (Perception on Nuclear)

- Multi-modal survey 700 registered voters, oversample Fairbanks (172)
- Weighted to accurately represent Alaska's electorate
- Completed by phone May 23-June 4th
- Margin of error 4% (7.5% for Fairbanks)



When it comes to microreactors, there is a large information gap across subgroups.

Amount heard about nuclear microreactors*



	total heard a lot/some
Anchorage	29
Fairbanks	32
Kenai	21
Matsu	23
Southeast	16
Rural*	23
Age 18-49	27
Age 50+	24
Democrat	28
Independent	28
Republican	24
Live comfortably	33
Struggling to get by	21

*Small sample size

*How much, if anything, have you heard about a new type of nuclear technology called advanced microreactors?

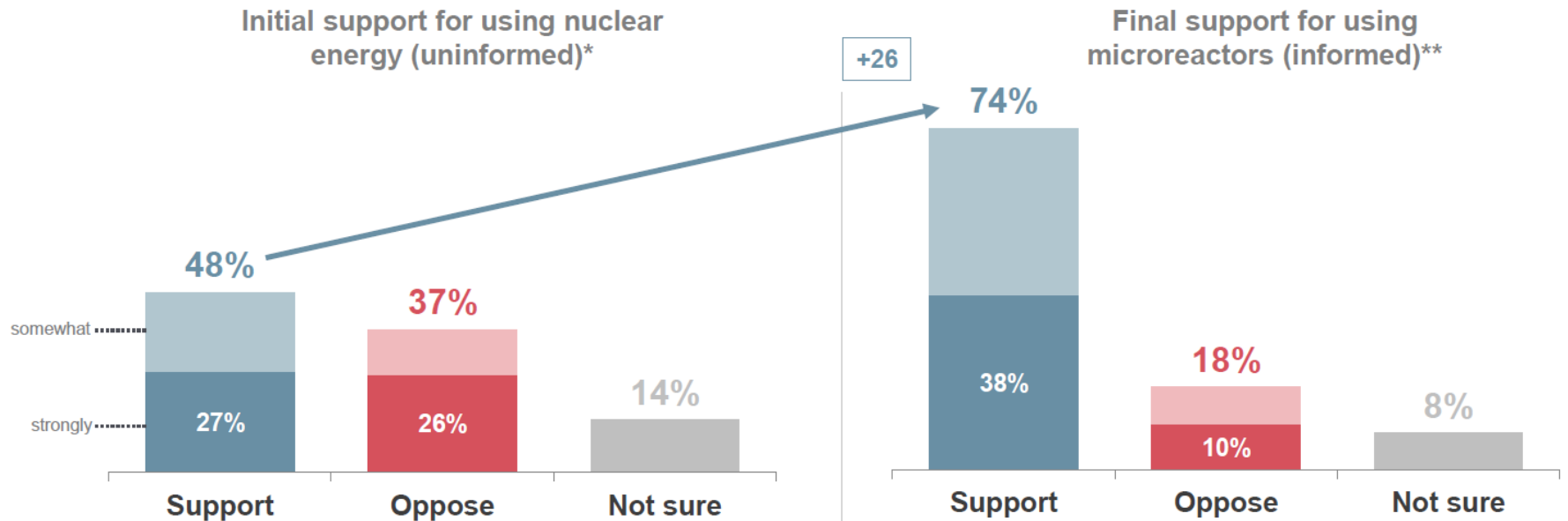
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ACEP
Alaska Center for Energy and Power

With little to go on, support for nuclear is tepid ... after more information is provided, support grows considerably

Change in support for using nuclear energy and microreactors in Alaska



*Based on what you know right now, do you support or oppose the idea of using nuclear energy in Alaska?

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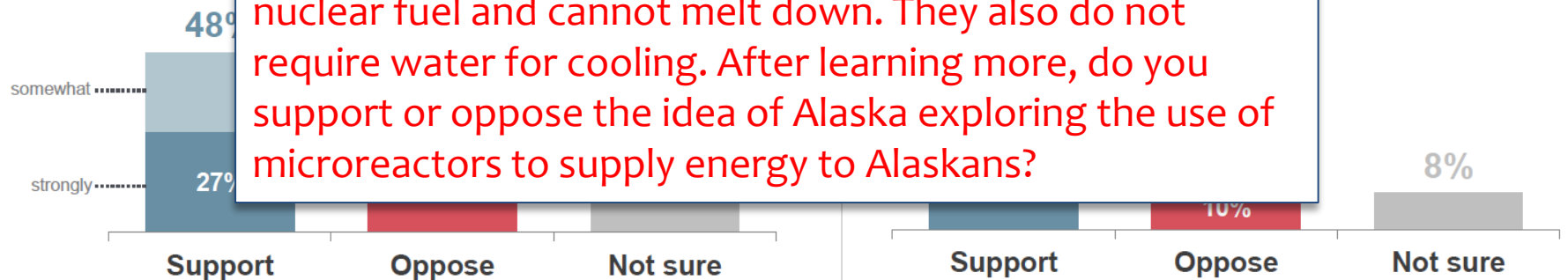
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With little to go on, support for nuclear is tepid ... after more information is provided, support grows considerably

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Information changes perceptions

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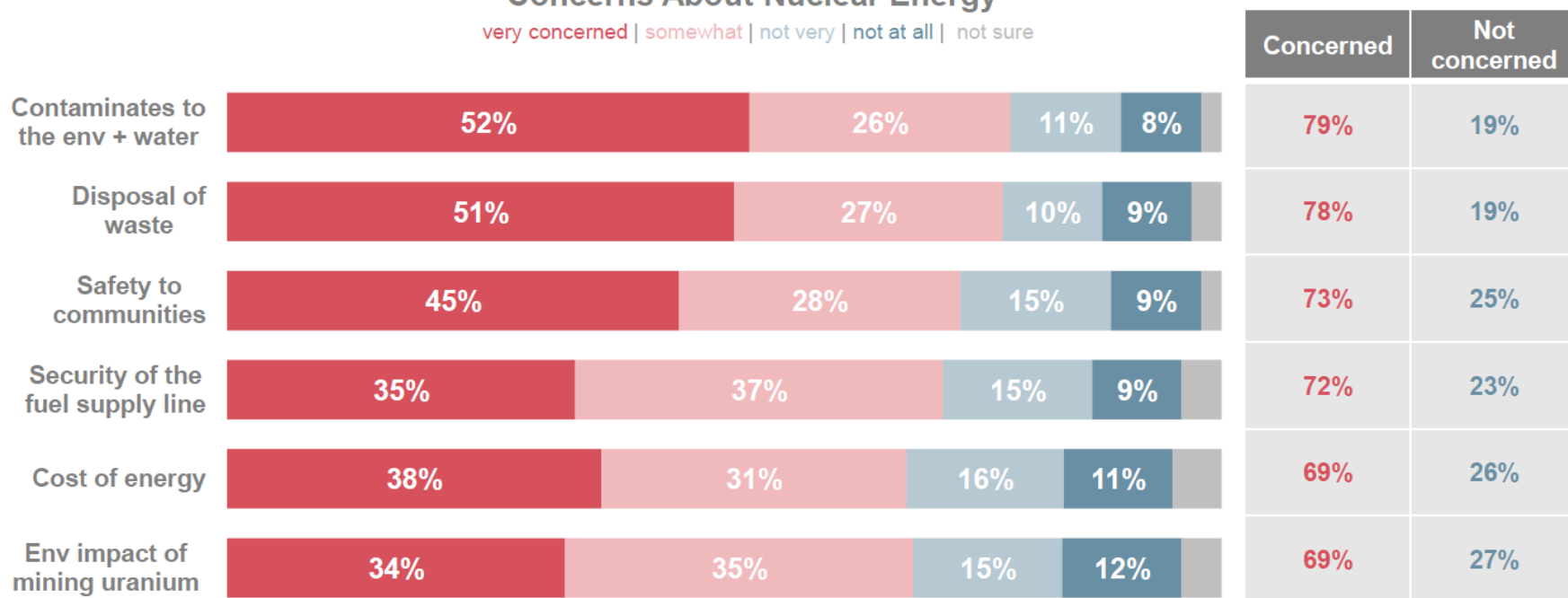
Support	Initial	Final	Δ
Total	48	74	+26
Anchorage	50	76	+26
Fairbanks	59	76	+17
Kenai	54	75	+21
Matsu	49	77	+28
Southeast	36	62	+26
Rural*	29	61	+32
Age 18-49	53	78	+25
Age 50+	42	68	+26
Democrat	42	76	+34
Independent	51	80	+29
Republican	56	72	+16

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Total	48	74	+26
White	53	77	+24
POC	39	68	+29
Live comfortably	57	79	+22
Struggling to get by	43	72	+29
Affordable energy bills	52	74	+22
Unaffordable energy bills	41	72	+31
Heard of microreactors	71	80	+9
Haven't heard	41	72	+31

Voter concerns center on environmental contaminants and waste disposal

Concerns About Nuclear Energy*

very concerned | somewhat | not very | not at all | not sure



*How concerned are you about the following things when it comes to nuclear energy?

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Messaging

Messaging on microreactors as a safe, reliable piece of Alaska's approach to clean energy and addressing climate change stands up well to criticisms of the technology.

Alaska should explore developing nuclear microreactors as a diversified part of the state's energy supply mix. Nuclear energy is a clean energy option that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and mitigate climate change. Technological advancements have made it possible to use safe microreactors that can provide a consistent and steady supply of cleaner, lower-cost energy to Alaskans.

57%

39%

Much more

18%

Nuclear power plants are an unproven technology that poses safety risks to the people and environment around them. Additionally, nuclear power plants are expensive to build and operate. Nuclear energy is not an efficient use of the state's resources, which are better spent on the other issues facing Alaska right now.

30%

15%

15%

Much more

*Please indicate which statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right.

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Perceptions are largely non-partisan

Top statement by key subgroup

	Alaska should explore developing microreactors...	Nuclear power plants are an unproven technology	Net "Should explore"
Total	57	30	+27
Heard of microreactors	73	18	+55
Haven't heard	53	33	+20
Always supportive	87	10	+77
Move to support	47	37	+10
Always opposed	14	73	-59
Democrat	58	22	+36
Independent	61	31	+30
Republican	56	36	+20



Alaska Strategy: *factors to consider*

- SB 194 – local control of siting authority for small reactors (<50 MW)
- Alaska is a near-ideal early adopter market (high cost of energy, heat + power)
- Interest from vendors
- Risk associated with being an early adopter (economic, technological, public perception, etc)
- Opportunity for state/federal partnership
- Passive or active decision making



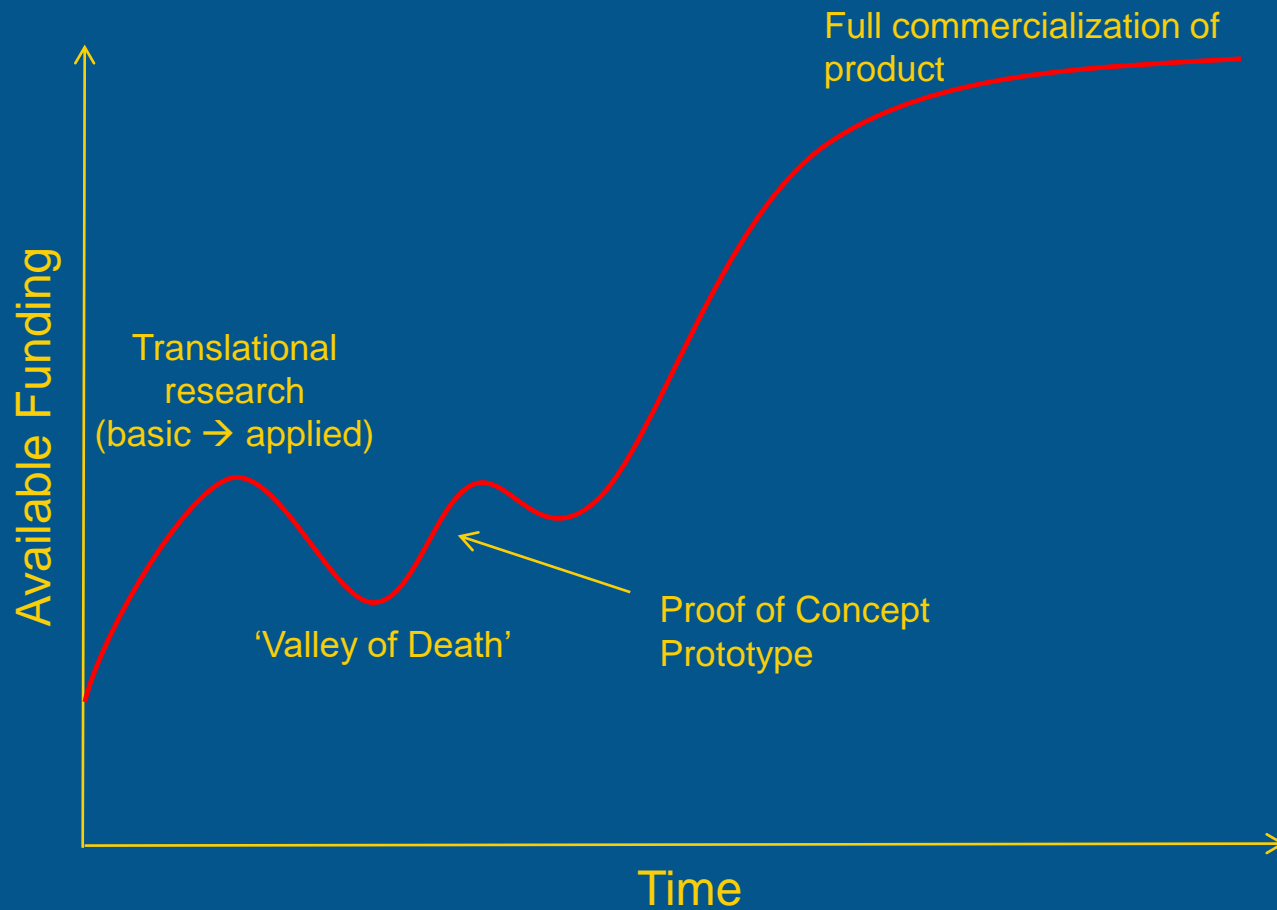
Weighing Risk versus Reward for Pilot Projects



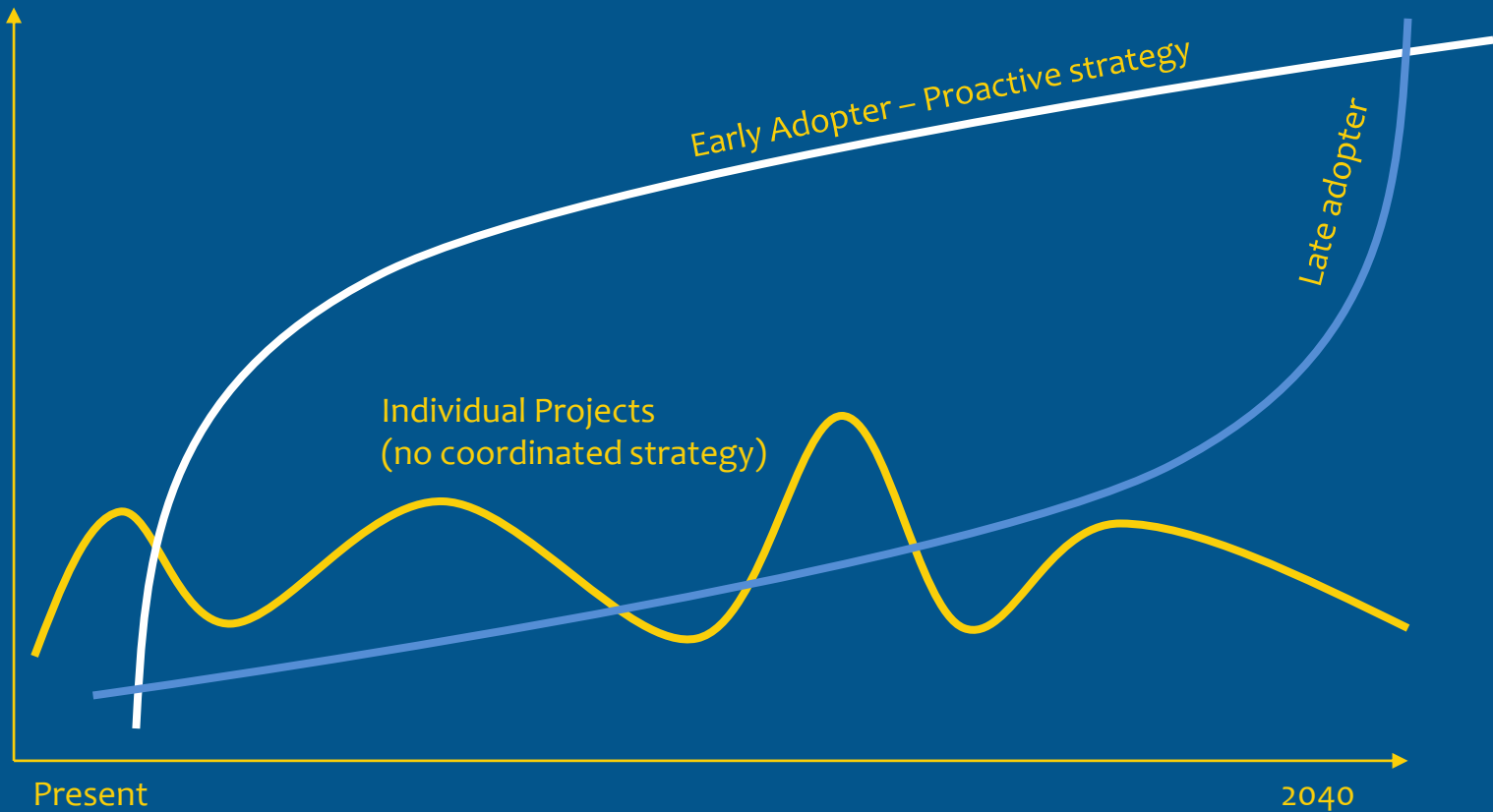
GVEA BESS (above);
Healy Clean Coal Project (right)



Valley of Death Bridge to Financeability



Alaska Pathways



Issues/considerations

- Public is not well informed
- Utilities (most) are taking a passive approach
- Traditional approaches to procurement and project development may not be optimal for early projects (RFS versus RFP)
- Announcement TODAY! Re: Eielson AFB reactor
- Lack of coordination – opportunity for Task Force



Why I am interested in small reactors:

- *Baseload heat and power*
- *Compliment to variable renewables*
- *Carbon free*
- *Safer, Reduced risk of environmental contamination*
- *Competitive Pricing?*
- *Better long-term certainty of energy costs*
- *Possible complement to existing AK resource mix*



Thank you!

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RPS AND CLEAN ENERGY STANDARDS: NATIONAL POLICY COMPARISONS

Thursday, September 7, 2023, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

- *Renewable Energy Standards and Clean Energy Standard Overview*



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RPS and CES Overview



Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) Overview

- An RPS is a public policy tool requiring a certain amount of renewable electricity relative to the entire electricity supply.
- RPSs are an enforceable form of renewable energy targets (vs. a renewable “goal”)
- RPS policies are all unique: different motivations, target types, and technology approaches exist
- An RPS can set a share of energy demand (e.g. 20% of electricity supply) or a fixed amount of energy production or consumption (e.g. GW or GWh)

Source: Jenny Heeter, Bethany Speer, and Mark B. Glick. International Best Practices for Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) Policies. 2019. Golden, CO: National Renewable Energy Laboratory. NREL/TP-6A20-72798. <https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy19osti72798.pdf>.

Key RPS Design Elements

- Typically set as a production target (in MWh)
- Typically established on an annual basis with an end-year target
- Provide a list of eligible technologies
- Determine whether renewable imports are eligible
- Establish a compliance and enforcement structure

Table 2. Examples of Key Components of an RPS

Key Component	Example
Target	20% renewable electricity by 2050
Interim schedule	5% renewable electricity by 2020, 10% by 2030, 15% by 2040
Eligible resources	All solar photovoltaics, wind, biomass, and hydropower facilities less than 10 MW that began commercial operation on or after July 1, 2019
Compliance entities	All load-serving electricity companies with more than 50,000 customers
Regulatory entity	Public Utilities Commission
Penalties for noncompliance	\$50/MWh

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Clean Electricity Standards (CES) Overview

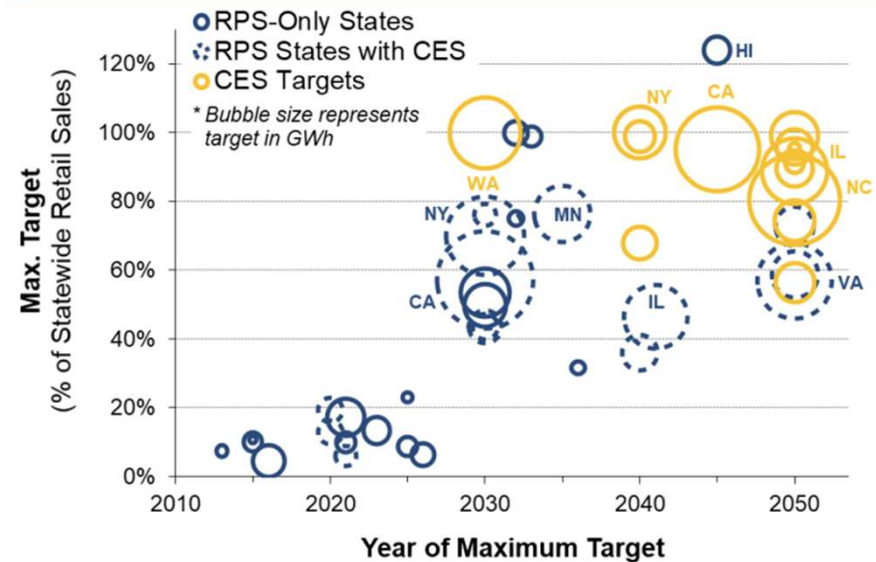
- A CES is similar to an RPS, but the includes a broader set of eligible resources
- Many states have not yet defined the implementation or enforcement mechanism for their CES policy
- CES adoption has accelerated in recent years, and states typically adopt a “100%” CES

Key CES Design Elements

- CES adoption is typically in combination with an RPS
- CESs typically focus on longer-term (2040-2050) targets
- CESs include higher percentage targets (80-100%) than RPSs

Source: https://eta-publications.lbl.gov/sites/default/files/lbnl_rps_ces_status_report_2023_edition.pdf

Max. RPS & CES Targets and Target Years



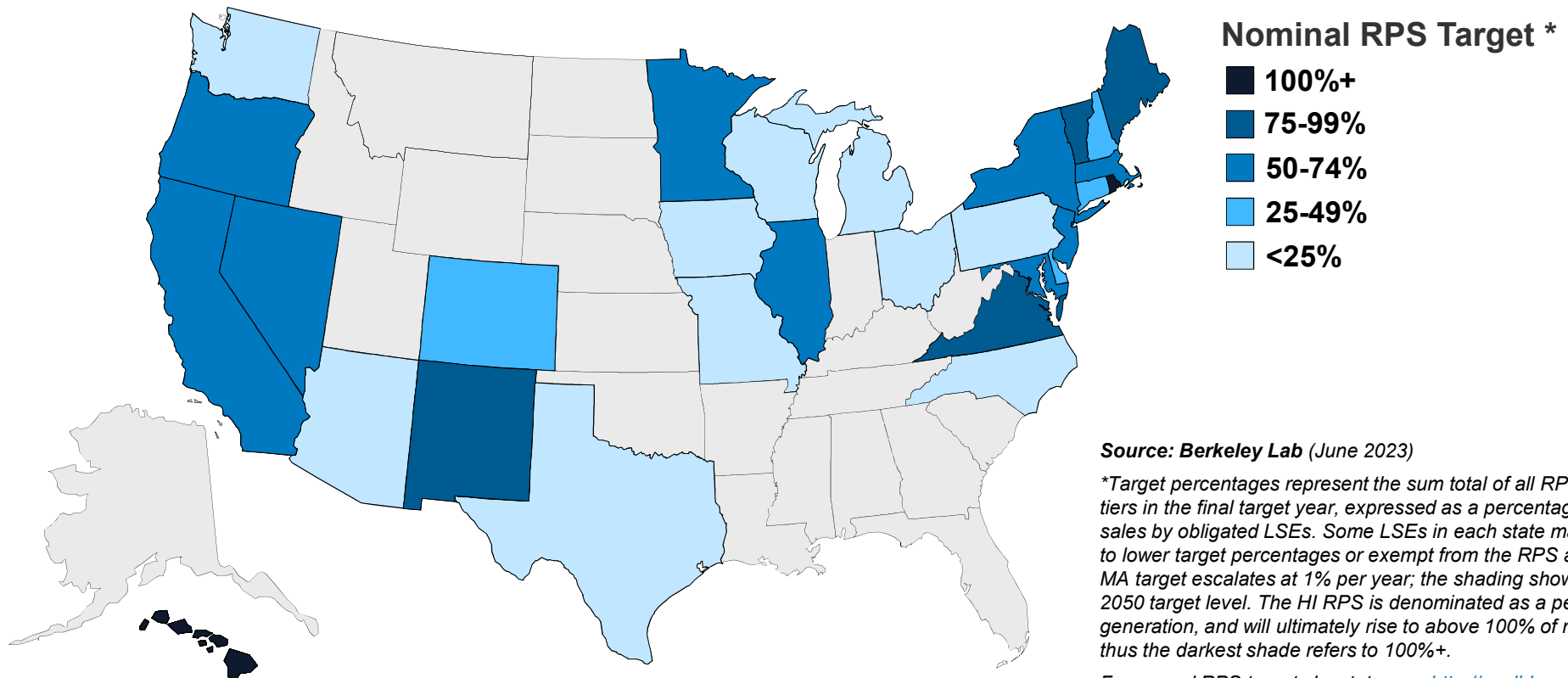
Notes: The figure shows each state's maximum RPS and CES percentage target and the associated year when that target must be reached. Targets are shown here as the percentage of total statewide retail sales, which may differ from nominal targets if those apply to only a subset of LSEs in a state. The RPS target for HI is denominated as a percent of total statewide generation, and thus is greater than 100% of retail sales. Bubble sizes represents the target in GWh terms; in the case of the CES targets, bubble sizes reflects only the incremental GWh above and beyond the RPS.

RPS and CES Policy Adoption



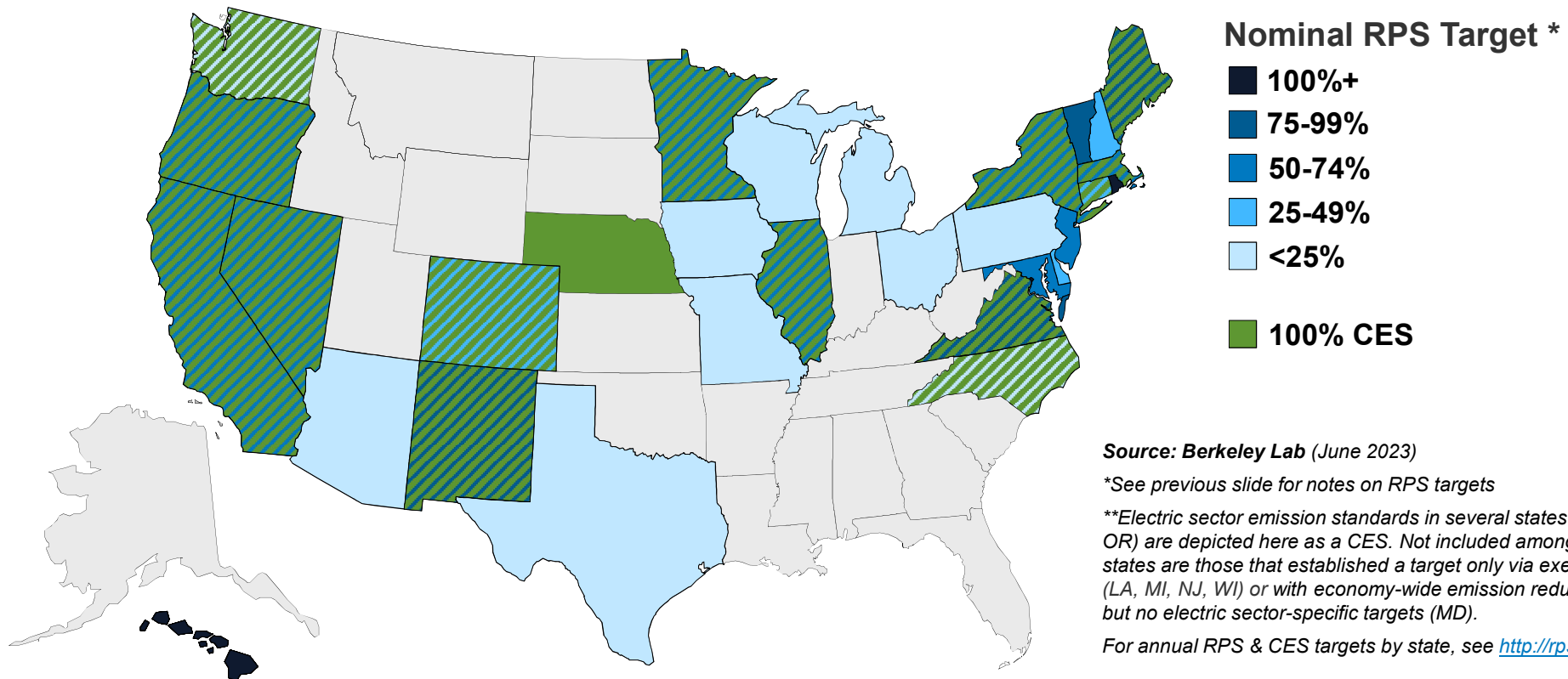
RPS Policies Exist in 29 States and DC

Apply to 58% of total U.S. retail electricity sales

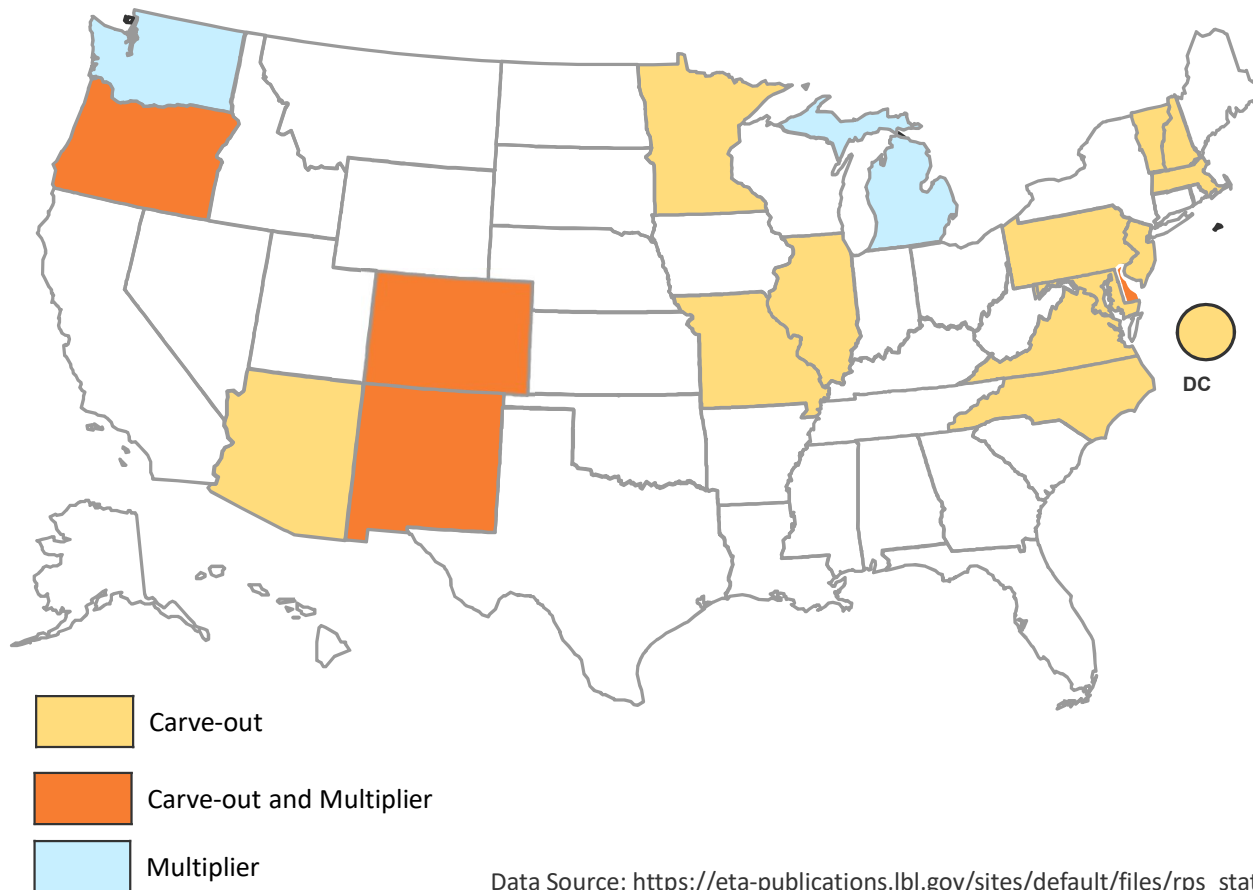


15 States Have Established a Broader 100% CES **

Typically in combination with an RPS



Solar or Distributed Generation (DG) Carve-outs and Credit Multipliers



- 16 states + D.C. have solar or DG carve-outs, sometimes combined with credit multipliers
- 3 other states only have credit multipliers

Data Source: https://eta-publications.lbl.gov/sites/default/files/rps_status_update-2021_early_release.pdf

RPS and CES Resources

- NREL RPS basics: <https://www.nrel.gov/analysis/rps.html>
- LBNL Status and Trends in RPSs and CESs: <https://emp.lbl.gov/projects/renewables-portfolio/>
- Clean Energy States Alliance 100% Clean Energy Collaborative: <https://www.cesa.org/projects/100-clean-energy-collaborative/>

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