

Renewable Systems Integration at NREL

CNLS Smart Grid Seminar Series

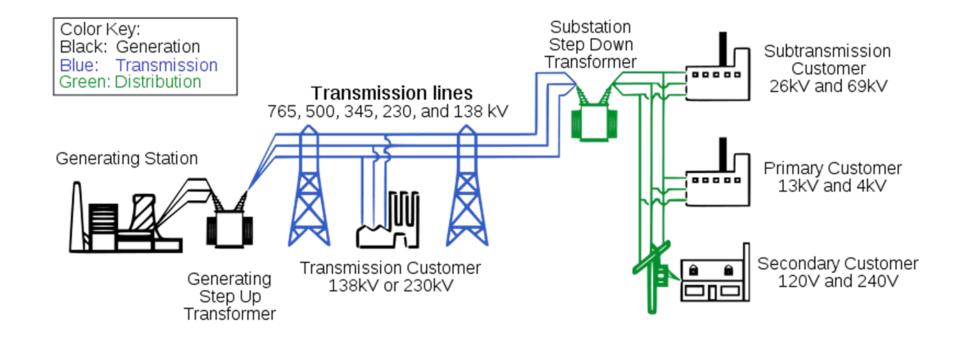
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Outline

- Overview of the Electricity System
- Renewable Energy Options and Where they Interconnect
- Why We Need to Address Integration
- Modeled and Observed Impacts of Integration
- The Energy Systems Integration Facility

Overview of the Conventional Electricity System



Characteristics of the Conventional System



Generation is controllable, follows load.

- Effectively no storage
- Generation matches load in real time



Transmission system is actively operated

- Two-way power flow possible
- Three major interconnections with control areas



Distribution system not actively operated

- Power flow unidirectional
- Little communication technology in distribution

Integration and Interconnection Issues

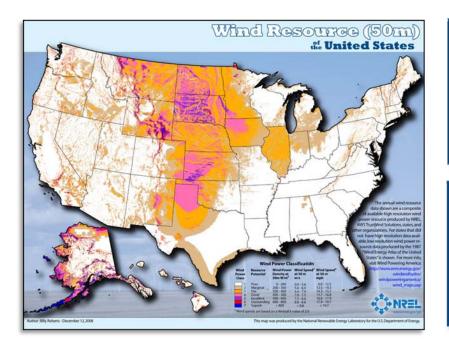


Renewable Generation

- Wind Energy
- Concentrating Solar Power
- Photovoltaics
- Geothermal
- Direct Fire Biomass
- ✓ Water Energy (tidal, wave, thermal)



Wind Energy

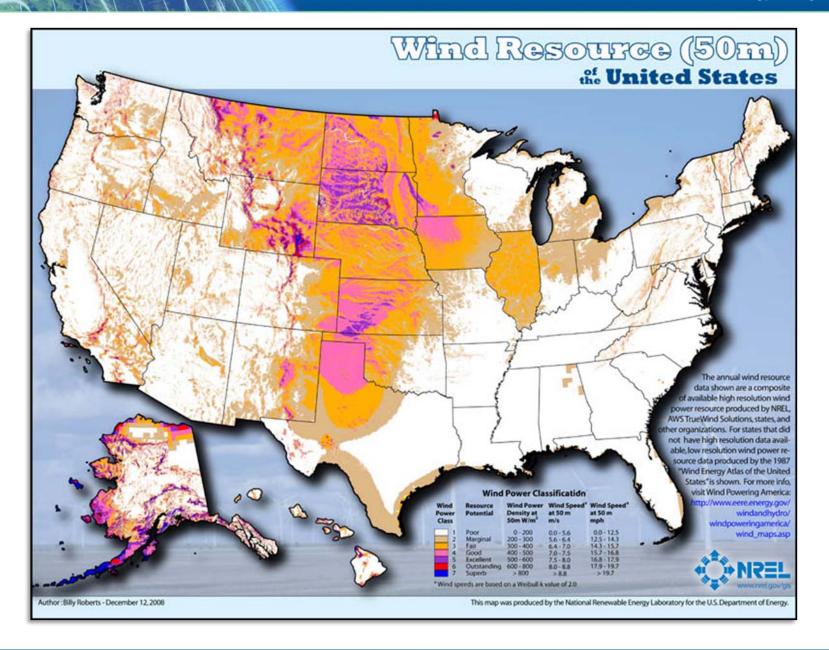


Interconnection

- Transmission
- Distribution

Integration Issues

- Access
- Variability



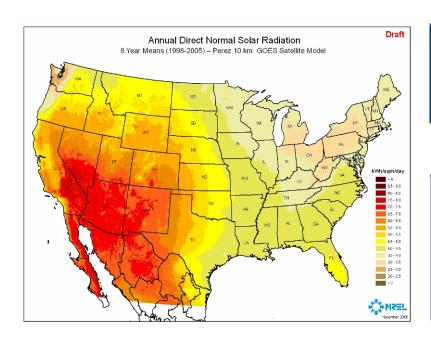








Concentrating Solar Power

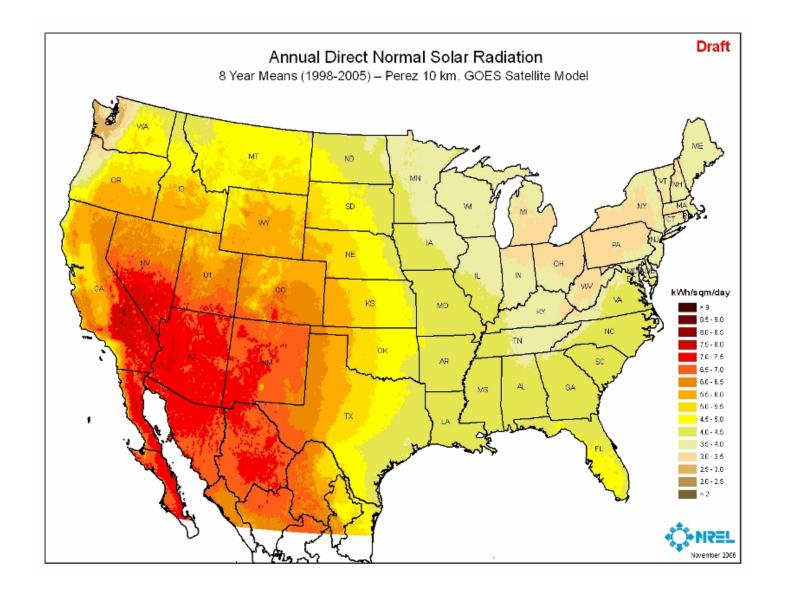


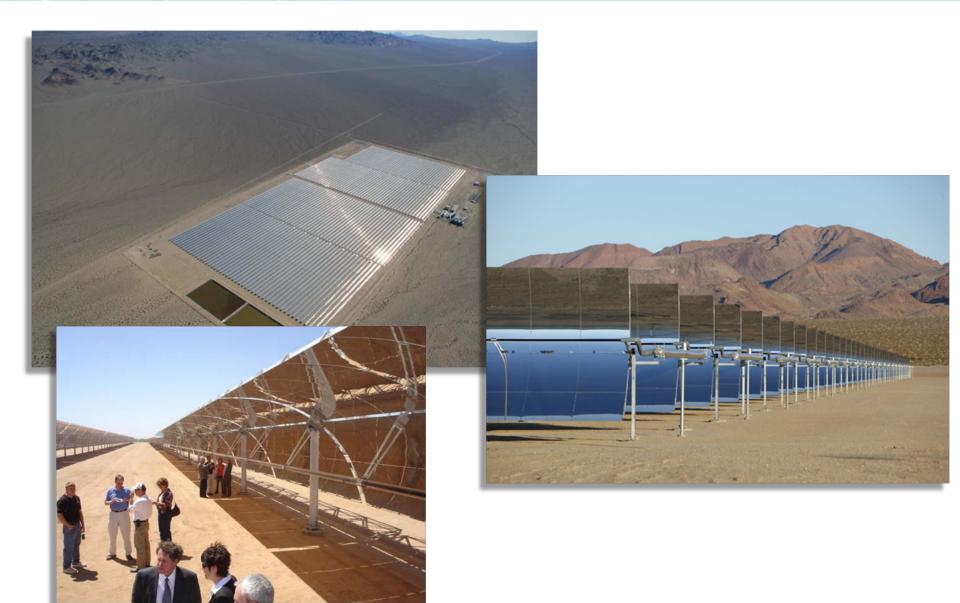
Interconnects

Transmission

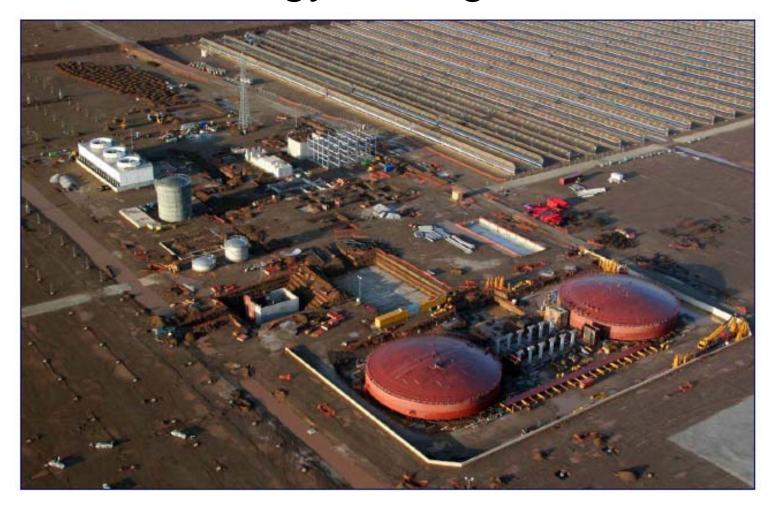
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Thermal Energy Storage



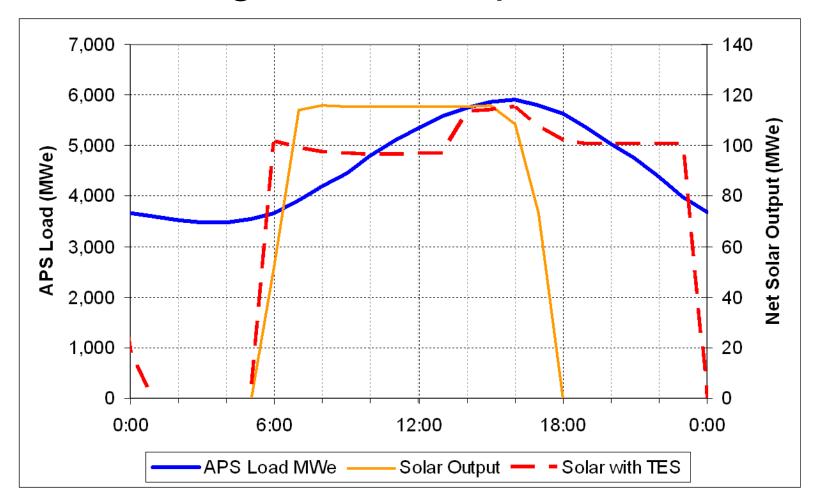
Planned 280 MW Solana Plant with 6 hrs Storage





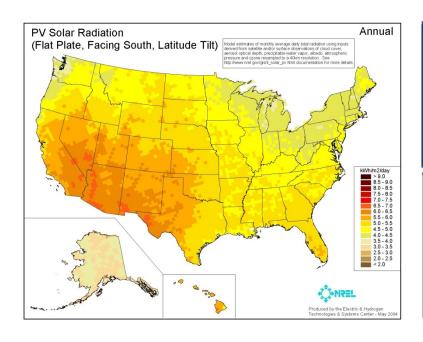
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CSP Trough Plant Output





Photovoltaics



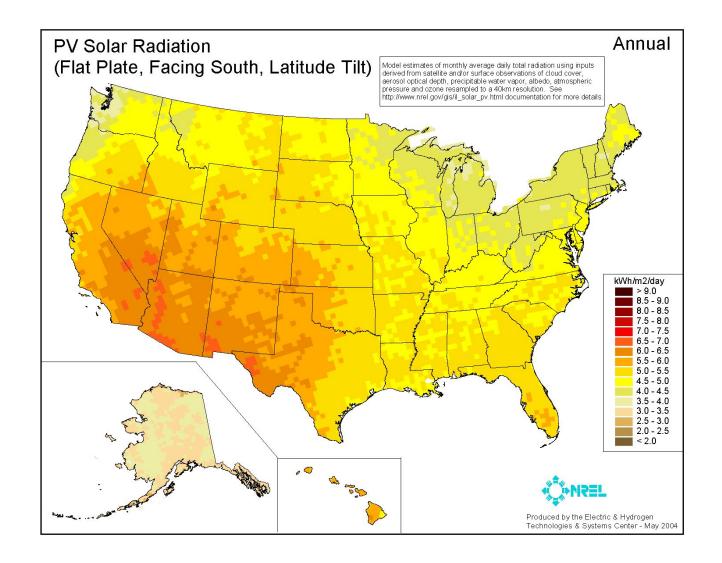
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- Distribution

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^{*}None currently connected at transmission voltages



Xcel Energy 8 MW Plant

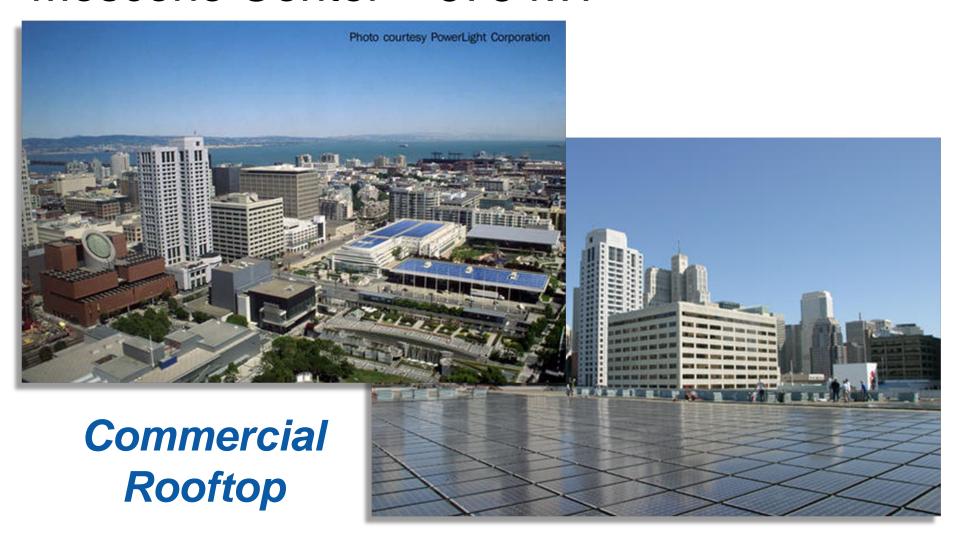


Utility Scale

Nellis AFB 15 MW Plant



Moscone Center – 675 kW



Building Integrated PV



Residential PV



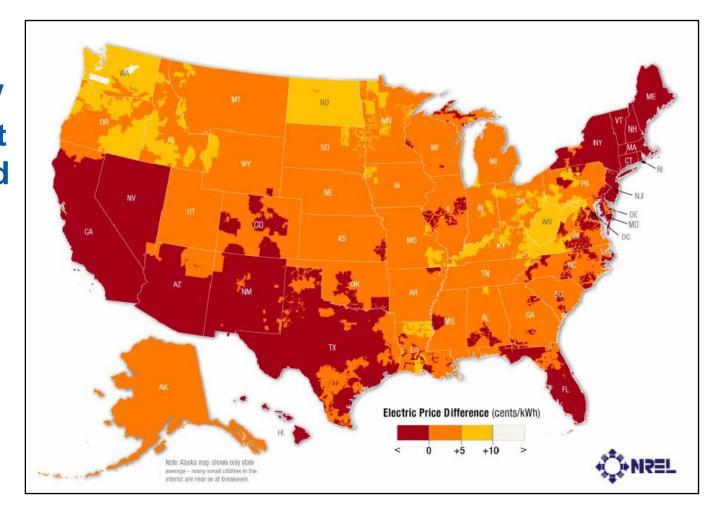
Residential PV



Why Worry About Integration?

2015 Price Targets

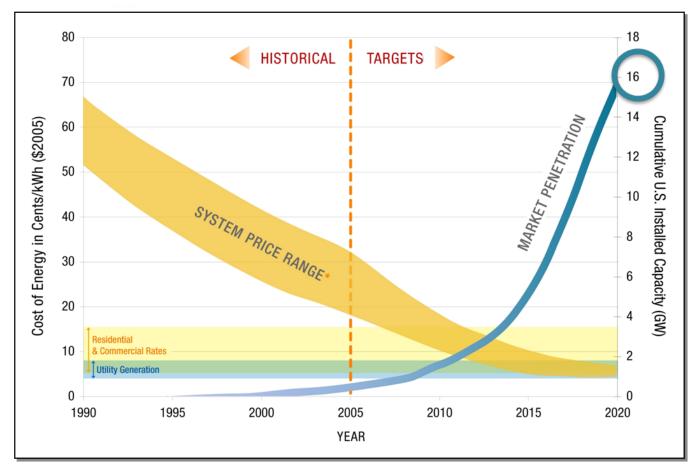
2015 residential PV prices without incentives and moderate increase in **electricity** prices



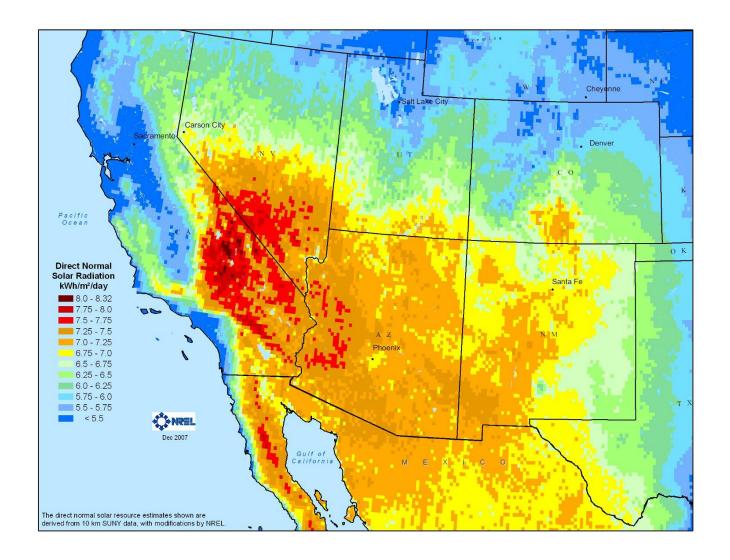


2015 Goals

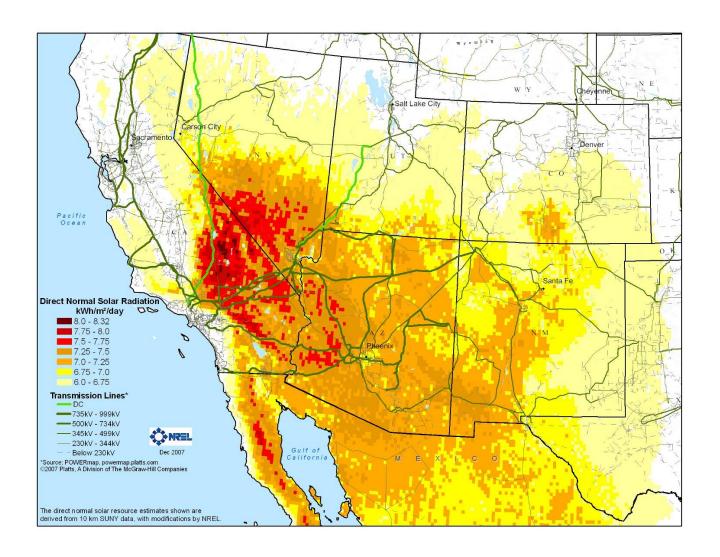
Residential 8-10 ¢/kWh Commercial 6-8 ¢/kWh Utility 5-7 ¢/kWh



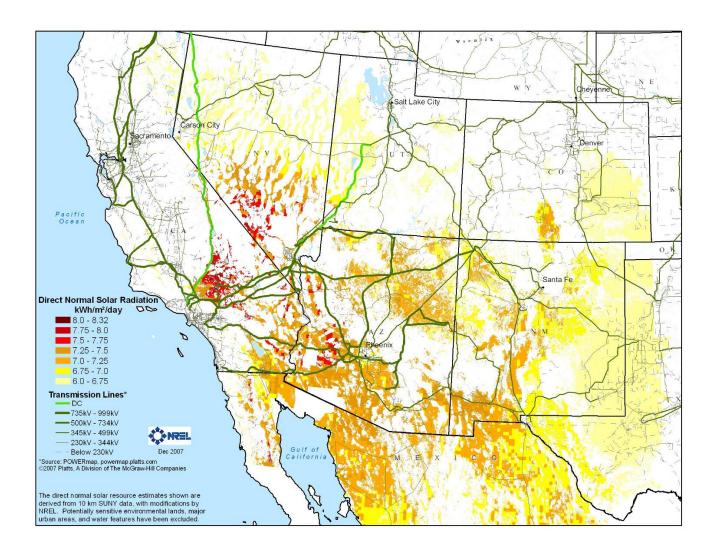
Southwest Solar Resources - Unfiltered Data



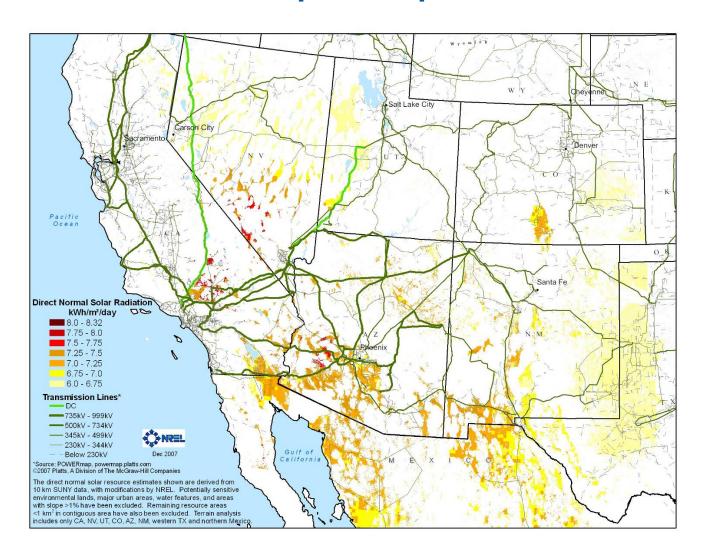
Southwest Solar Resources > 6.0 kWh/m²/day



Environmental and Land Use Exclusions



Previous plus slope < 1%

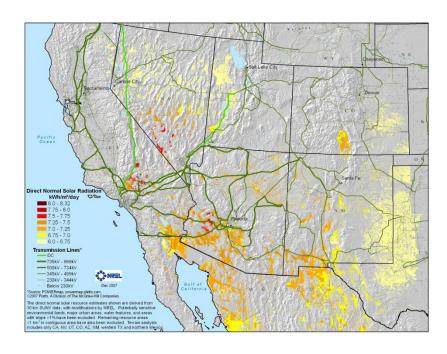


Resulting CSP Resource Potential

	Land Area	Solar Capacity	Solar Generation Capacity
State	(mi²)	(MW)	GWh
AZ	13,613	1,742,461	4,121,268
CA	6,278	803,647	1,900,786
CO	6,232	797,758	1,886,858
NV	11,090	1,419,480	3,357,355
NM	20,356	2,605,585	6,162,729
TX	6,374	815,880	1,929,719
UT	23,288	2,980,823	7,050,242
Total	87,232	11,165,633	26,408,956

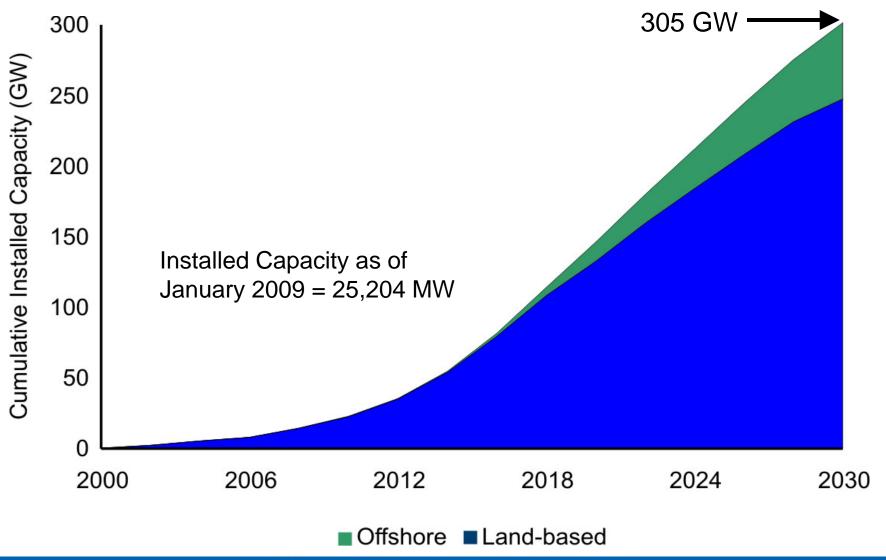
The table and map represent land that has no primary use today, exclude land with slope > 1%, and do not count sensitive lands.

Solar Energy Resource ≥ 6.0 Capacity assumes 5 acres/MW Generation assumes 27% annual capacity factor

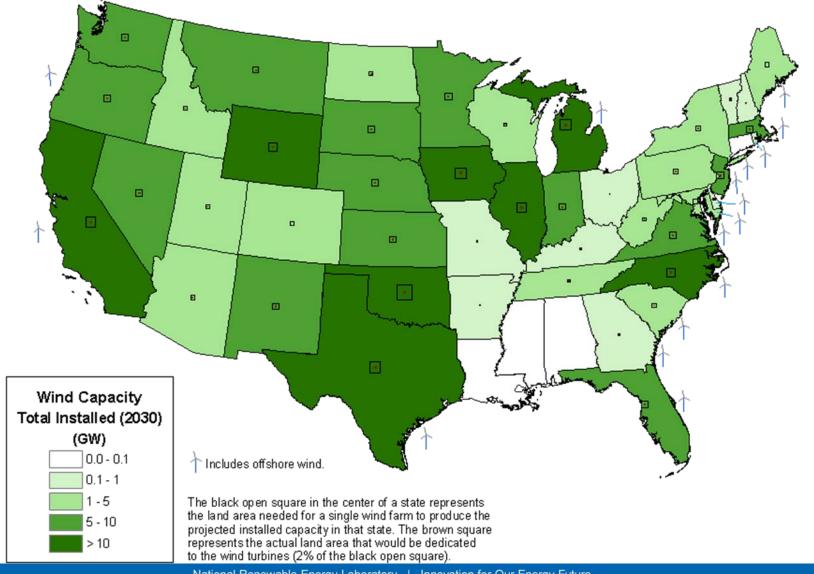


Current total nameplate capacity in the U.S. is ~1,000GW w/ resulting annual generation of 4,000,000 GWh

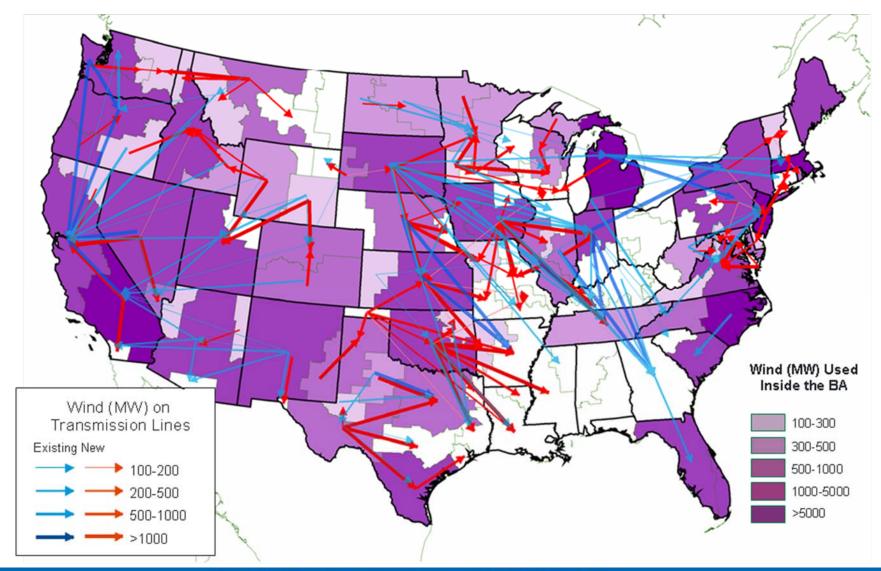
20% Wind Scenario



20% Wind Scenario – Wind in 46 States



Transmission Requirements in 2030



Example Issue High Penetration PV

Current Situation – Low Penetration

PV viewed as demand reduction Power flow unidirectional from substation to end use Limited active operations at distribution level

Limited communications

Future Grid

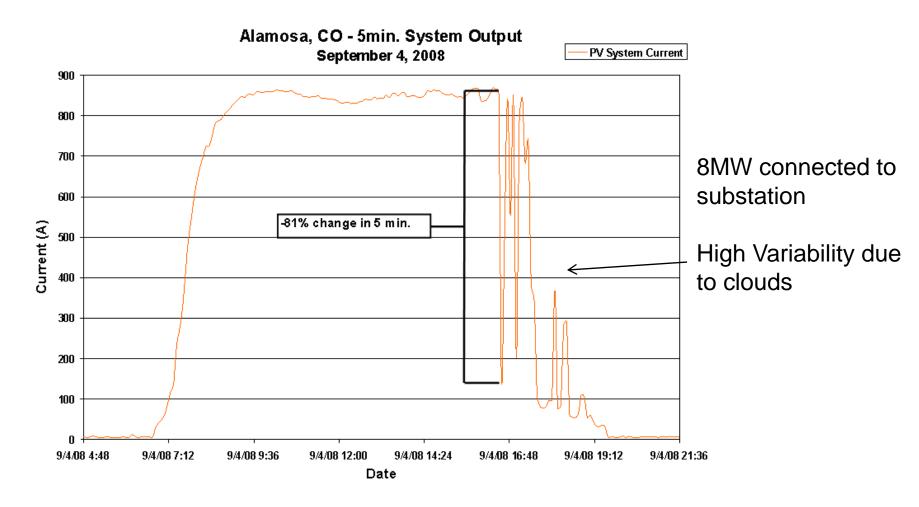
PV at high penetration – power production technology

Two-way power flow

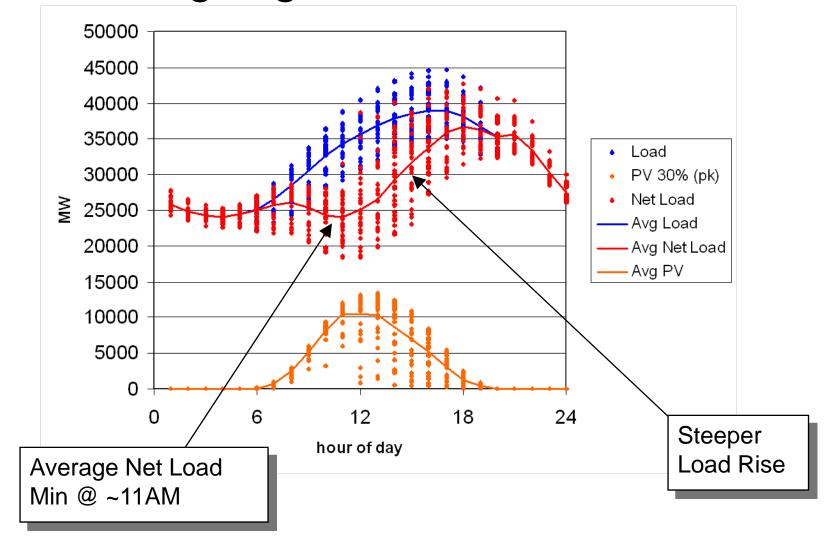
Smart grid with active operations

Broadband, two-way communications

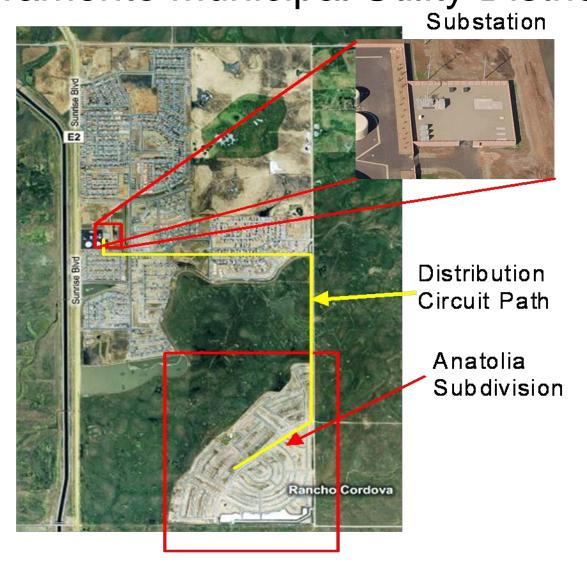
Xcel Energy – Alamosa System



Evaluating High Penetration of PV



Sacramento Municipal Utility District



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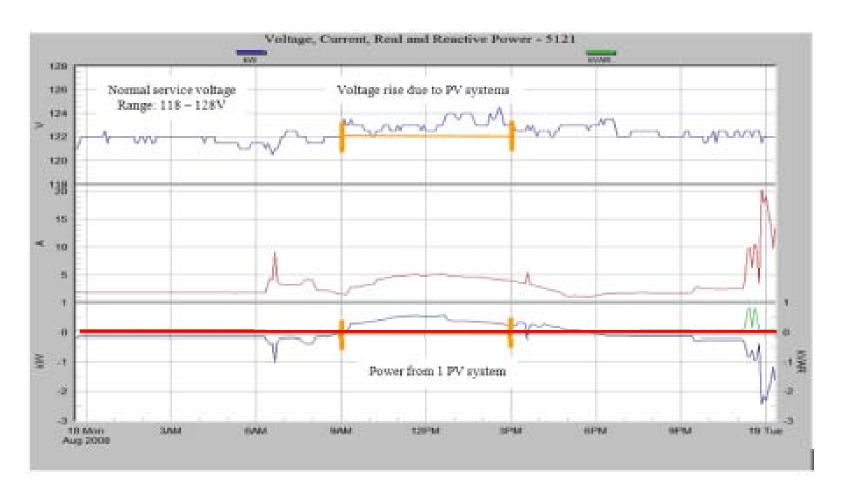




Monitoring on Distribution Transformer

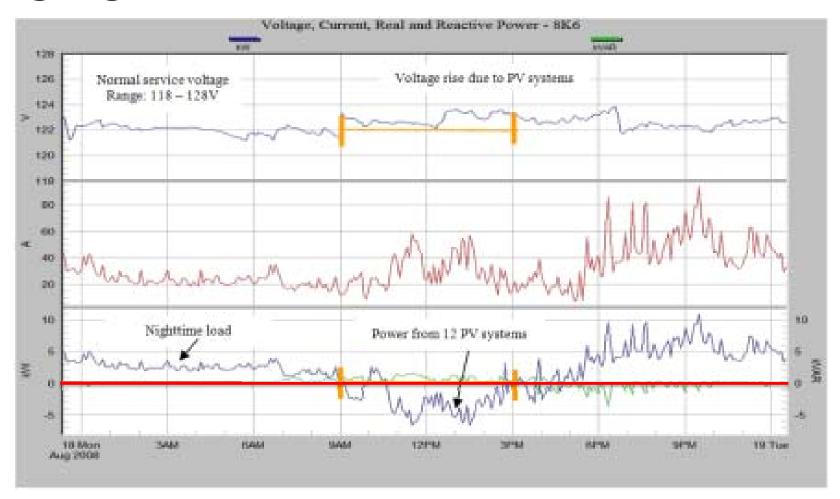


SMUD



Individual Home

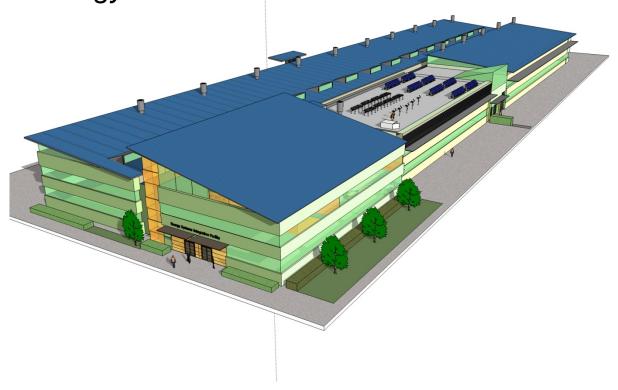
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Distribution Transformer

Energy Systems Integration Facility

Enable complex systems research and development that fully integrates the most advanced simulation, data analysis, engineering, and evaluation techniques to transform the nation's energy infrastructure.



Capability Gap to Address Challenges

Fully assess the **performance and reliability** impacts of large-scale RE and EE deployment on the nation's energy delivery infrastructure.

Reduce uncertainties for utilities by conducting analysis of RE and EE technologies under different operating and geographic conditions.



Develop performance models for integrated **RE** generation systems for a combination of resources/geographies and demand control technologies.

Optimize integrated RE and demand side systems configurations under various load and storage configurations.

Validate benefits of **storage solutions** for distributed and bulk RE and EE technologies.

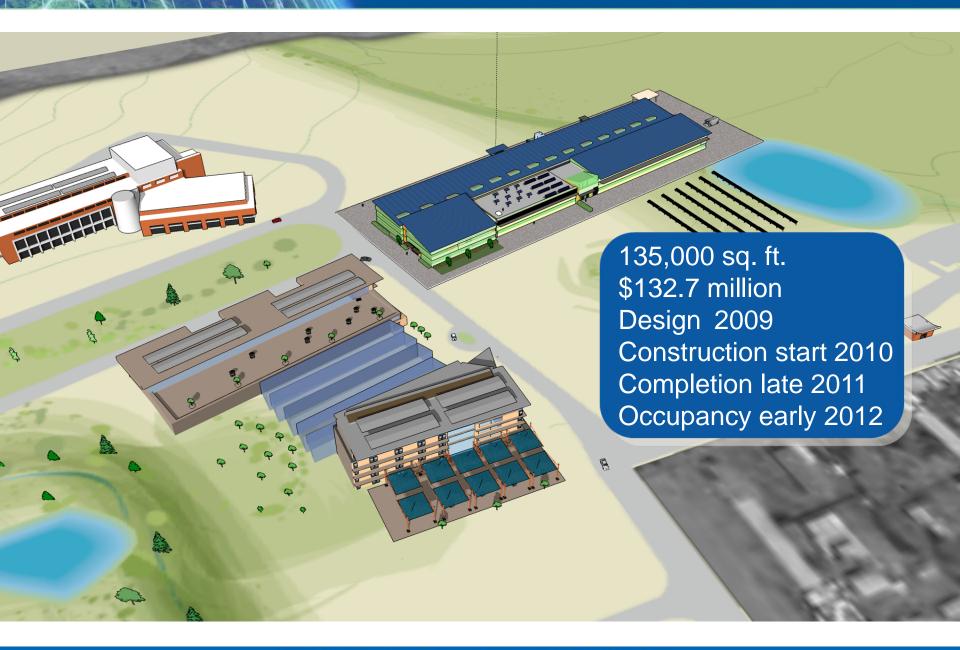


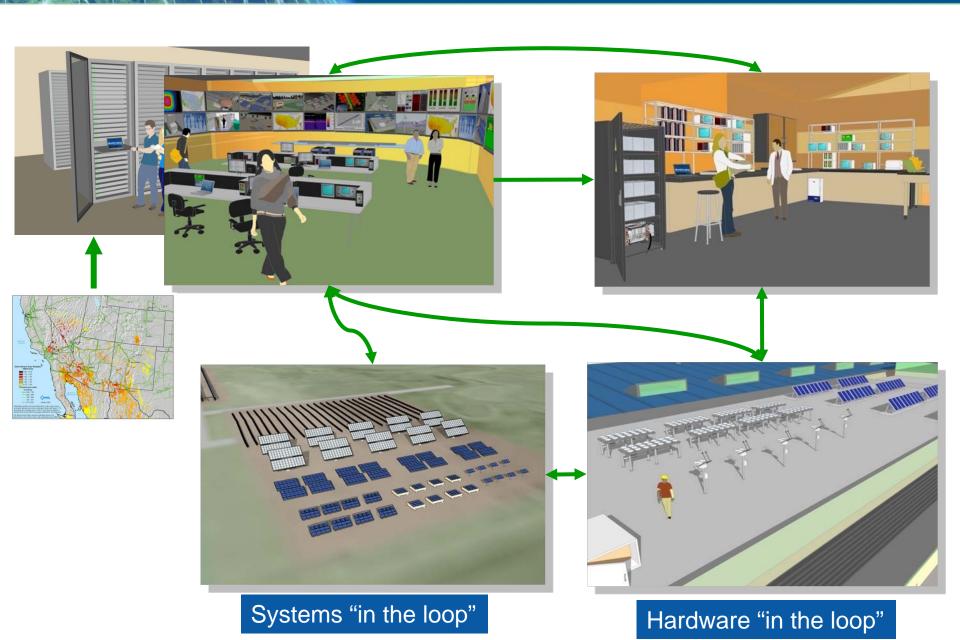












ESIF System Integration Capabilities

System Testing, Data Analysis, Modeling, and Visualization Across Technologies

High-Performance Computing, Data Storage, and Networking



Solar





Hydrogen



Wind



 Advanced **Vehicles**



Storage

- Interconnection
- Power electronics
- Building integration
- Thermal and PV system optimization

- Sensors and controls
- PV design and integration
- Modeling and simulation
- System integration

- H₂/electric interfaces
- RE electrolyzers
- Storage systems
- Standards
- Fuel cell integration
- Fueling systems

- Models, methods for wind-grid integration
- Transmission
- Operations modeling
- Plug-inhybrids and vehicle-to-grid
- Battery thermal management
- Power electronics

- CSP Thermal Storage
- Utility scale batteries
- Distributed storage.

Full systems interface evaluation for integration of electricity, fuels, thermal, storage, and end-use technologies

ESIF Capabilities

- Completed User Requirement Spreadsheets based on 13 initial competencies from Mission Needs Statement
 - 1. Renewable resource characterization
 - 2. Renewable systems operations and analysis support
 - 3. Integrated testing and field validation of components
 - 4. Simulation and development of system controls
 - 5. Analyzing storage systems
 - Advanced energy computing capability 6.
 - 7. Renewable electricity production and hydrogen synergies
 - **Buildings System Integration** 8.
 - Market and integration analysis 9.
 - 10. **Economic validation**
 - 11. Market competitiveness of zero energy buildings
 - Codes and Standards 12
 - 13. Combined heat and power

Requirements Worksheet Example

PC.2 Renewable Systems Operations and Analysis Support Coordinate with renewable energy manufacturers to acquire information on fielded system performance characteristics and work with them and their vendors to assist in design and modeling of advanced systems. Organization A ctivity Inputs Outputs Staff Space E quipment Performance Comments 2.1 Analyze P - ESC: Performance Data C alibrated 1 Engineer 9 Offices: 2 Distributed and S - NWTC; from Fielded Instrumentation -Principal; Cubes; Secure Renewable Energy S - NCPV Systems 2.1: 1 Engineer Sr. II; Data Center S ys te ms Models of DE and 4 Engineer Sr.1; (1,500 sqft), 48 Activities Organization Performance 「ask Inputs Comments 2.1.1 Collect Performa TB) Collect data -P - ESC: Renewable S - NCPV: from Field continuous ly S ys te ms S - NWTC Systems Report data -117 Tasks Performance Data Quarterly 2.1.2 Collect P-ESC: Data from 2TB) Collect data -Renewable S - NWTC; systems th continuous ly S vs tems /G rid S - NCPV shows impa Report data -Integration Data Renewables on store by Quarterly Grid customer (proprietary) Data from fielded 2 Offices Collect data -2.1.3 Optimize P-ESC; Models - 2.1.3; Analysist Sr. I; Data storage (2TB) R enewable S - NWTC; systems that Reports - 2.1.3 Engineer Sr. I with backup continuous ly S - NCPV shows impacts of Report data -5 ystem Techno-Renewables on economic Need to store by Quarterly operation Grid customer (proprietary)

Worksheet Rollup

- Approximately 135,000 sq. ft.
 - 20+ Laboratories
 - 5 Test Facilities (Outdoor, Roof, etc.)
 - ~200 person Office area
 - Specialty Areas
 - Insight Center including Visualization Rooms and Collaboration areas
 - Virtual Control Room for RE Integration and Infrastructure Visualization
 - Common Areas (Building support, maintenance, conference) rooms, security, ES&H, building management)
 - 15,000+ sq. ft. Data Center

Energy Systems Integration Facility

- Total Estimated Cost: \$132.7 Million
 - \$89.2 Million Design and Construction
 - \$4 Million Infrastructure
 - \$5 Million Other Costs
 - \$34.5 Million Equipment
 - \$12 Million High Performance Computer
 - \$22 Million in Equipment Capital

ESIF Schedule

•	CD-0 (MNS) – Approved	May 2007
•	Received Funding (\$55M)	October 2007
•	Define Internal User Requirements	July 2008
•	Define External user Requirements	October 2008
•	RFQ to Potential Bidders	September 2008
•	RFP Preparation	Dec 08 – April 09
•	RFP to Potential Bidders	May 2009
•	RFP to Potential Bidders CD-1 Package	May 2009 July 2009
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•	CD-1 Package	July 2009
•	CD-1 Package Select Design Build Contractor	July 2009 August 2009

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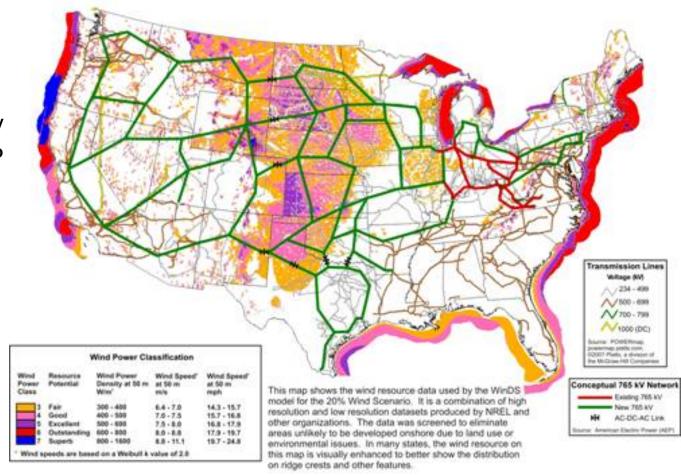
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Backup Slides

20% of electric energy from Wind

- Over 300 GW of new wind plants
- Existing transmission system is inadequate
- Conceptual 765 kV EHV overlay examined by AEP
- \$60 billion over 20 yrs
- 19,000 mi of line
- Delivers additional 200-400 GW
- Current transmission investment \$7 billion/yr and growing



Integration and Resource Planning

- Modeling and Methods
 - Generator Dynamics Validation and grid monitoring
 - Production Cost and Grid **Simulators**
 - Wind Farm Data
 - WinDS (econometric expansion planning)

Load flow modeling, meso profile integration, and 20%snsitivity studies



