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# Workshop Discussion: California LNBA Update

September 20th, 2017



# Agenda

## + **Context for Distributed Resource Planning (DRP)**

- Locational Net Benefits Analysis (LNBA)

## + **Methodology for Distribution Avoided Costs**

- References, formulas, elements of the approach

## + **Implementation in Public LNBA Tool**

- Data and definitions
- Tool overview

## + **Discussion**

- Next steps in California



# History in California of Locational

## + **Doing non-wires studies since 1989...**

- California has a long history of looking at the local value of distributed energy resources

## + **In 2004, local value integrated into the avoided costs for utility DER programs**

- Local value differentiated by climate zone included in the avoided costs of energy efficiency, expanded to solar rooftop, demand response, storage, and other DERs

## + **Legislated in 2014 Assembly Bill (AB) 327**

- Requires each utility “to identify optimal locations for the deployment of distributed resources...” based on “locational benefits and costs of distributed resources”



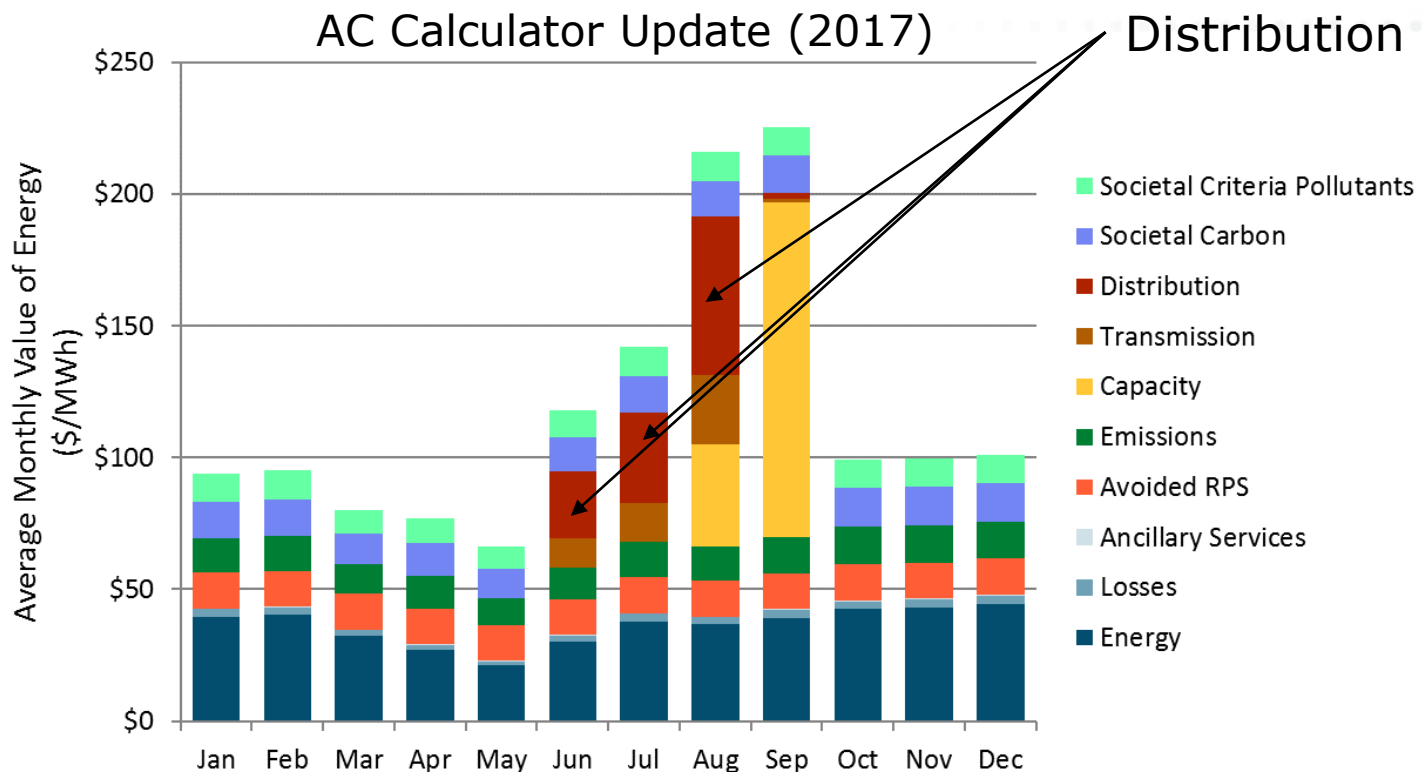
# E3 History of Targeted T&D Studies

Utility	Study Name	Year
PG&E	Kerman PV Study	1990
PG&E	EPRI Delta Study	1992
Ontario Hydro	Collingwood	1993
PG&E	Integrated Generation, Transmission, and Distribution (IGTD) Study	1994
CSW -CP&L	Laredo	1994-1995
Ontario Hydro	Toronto Integrated Electric Supply (TIES) Study	1995
WEPCO	Strategic Distribution Planning Study	1995
TVA	Nashville Electric Service	1996
Commonwealth Edison	Far Northwest Planning Area	1997
Orange and Rockland Utilities	Middletown Tap	1999
PG&E	Tri-Valley	1999
Consolidated Edison of New York	Rainey-E 75th	2000
PG&E	San Francisco Jefferson-Martin	2001
Consolidated Edison of New York	DG RFP	2002
PG&E	Delta 21kV	2003
BPA	Olympic Peninsula Non-wires Alternative	2003
BPA	Kangley-Echo Lake	2003
CEC Renewable DG Assessment	Sacramento Municipal Utility District, City of Palo Alto, Alameda Power and Telecom, SF Hetch-Hetchy	2004-2006
CEC PIER	San Francisco Distributed Energy Resources Testbed	2004-2007
Vermont PSC	Transmission deferral	2009
Orange and Rockland Utilities	Orangeburg Substation	2010
BPA	Hooper Springs	2011
BPA	I-5 Corridor	2011



# Integrated into the Avoided Costs for Efficiency and Other Programs

- + **Avoided Cost Calculator since 2004**
- + **Hourly avoided costs by component**
- + **16 climate zones (May 2018 will be ~500 zones)**





# Distribution Resource Planning (DRP)

## + Two Areas of Focus

- Demo A on interconnection, integrated capacity analysis (ICA) working group to develop common utility process
- Demo B on local capacity value,

## + Utility non-wires solutions solicitations (current)

## + Maps of targeted areas and LNBA tool development

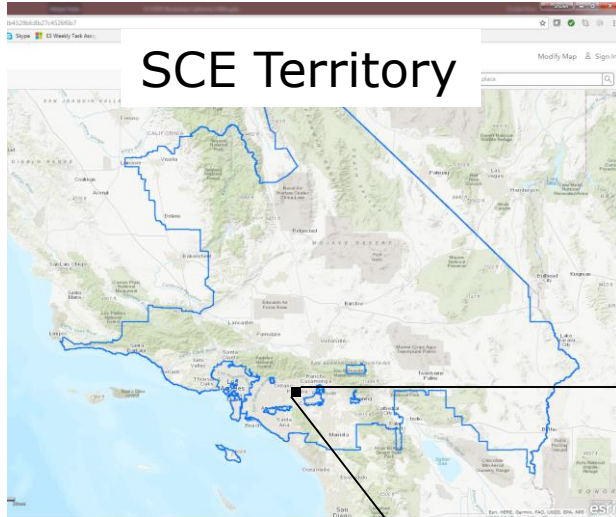
## + Website with materials and the publicly available LNBA tool (that E3 developed)



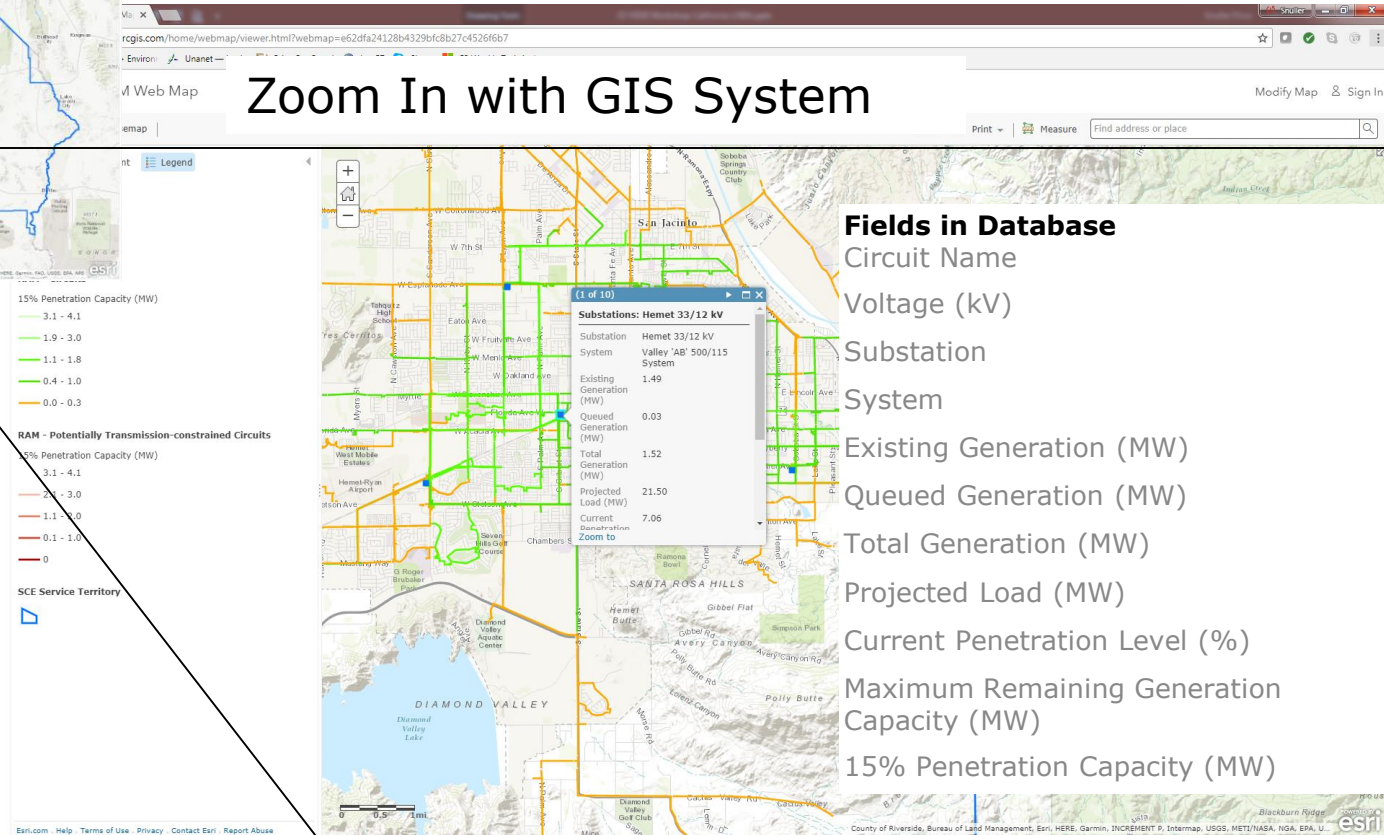


# Interconnection Maps, SCE Example

## SCE Territory



## Zoom In with GIS System





# California Emerging Applications Next Steps

- + Integrate local avoided cost in DER program cost-effectiveness, target date of May 31, 2018**
  - Up to 500 distribution planning areas are possible
- + Develop iDSM tool with particular focus on solar plus storage for targeted DER deployment.**
  - Optimal least cost portfolio versus the traditional solution
- + Grow offerings of targeted local demand response programs, both price- and utility control-based**





# New York Doing Local Studies Too...

## + NY Restructuring Agreement 20 Years Ago

4. The Company agrees to address certain restructuring-related issues raised by the Natural Resources Defense Council and others as follows:

Deferral of T&D  
Capital Projects:

The Company will continue to develop detailed annual forecasts of transmission and distribution (“T&D”) capital budget requirements and will identify for each major T&D project (i.e., projects of \$10 million or more), the location, reason for project, scope of project, projected capital costs, appropriate load and other data. The Company will also perform load monitoring consisting of monitors at a significant sample of the transmission and area substations scheduled for expansion/upgrade in the five-year T&D capital plan. The Company will evaluate and implement cost-effective measures as alternatives to major T&D projects that defer major T&D system projects through the use of technologies or services that could reduce peak T&D loads. For such cost-effective projects, consideration will be given to technologies or services that minimize the environmental impacts of electricity usage including demand side and other new technologies where practicable. Con Edison will continue to seek to minimize costs and environmental impacts for T&D projects that are not major T&D projects.



# METHODOLOGY FOR DISTRIBUTION VALUE



# Academic References

## + Select Publications of Local Area Distribution Marginal Capacity Cost

- R. Orans, "**Area-Specific Marginal Costing for Electric Utilities: A Case Study of Transmission and Distribution Costs**", Ph.D. Dissertation, Stanford University Dept. of Civil Engineering, 1989
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- G. Heffner, C.K. Woo, B. Horii, and D. Lloyd-Zannetti, "**Variations in Area- and Time-Specific Marginal Capacity Costs of Electricity Distribution**", IEEE Transactions on Power Systems, v13n2, May 1998, pp 560-565.



# Present Worth Method Formulas

- + Core valuation element is the “differential revenue requirement” or “present worth method”
- + Marginal distribution capacity avoided cost

$$PW \text{ Value } \left( \frac{\$}{\text{kW}} \right) = \frac{\text{Capital Cost}(\$) * RR \text{ Adj } \left( 1 - \left( \frac{1+i}{1+r} \right)^{\Delta t} \right)}{\text{Required Load Reduction (kW)}}$$

- + Levelized Value

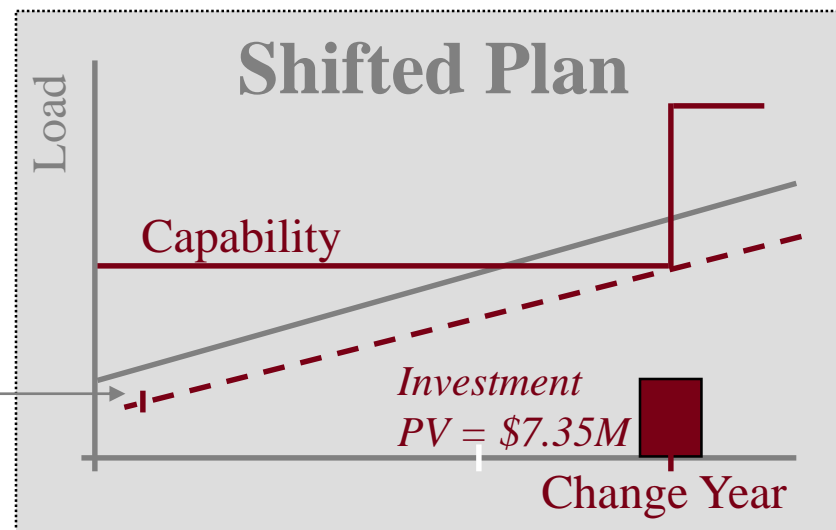
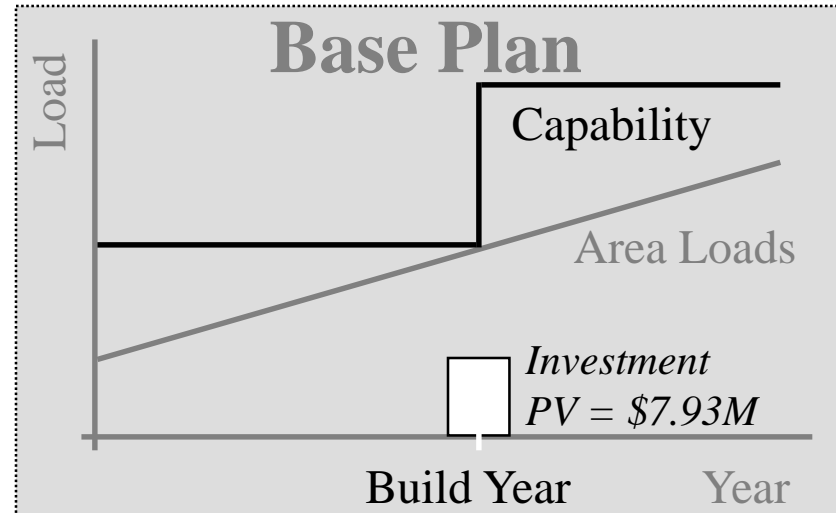
$$\text{Annual PW Value } \left( \frac{\$}{\text{kW} - \text{year}} \right) = \text{PW Value } \left( \frac{\$}{\text{kW}} \right) * RECC$$

$$RECC = \frac{(r-i)}{(1+r)} \frac{(1+r)^n}{[(1+r)^n - (1+i)^n]}$$



# Present Worth Method is Based on Deferral of Investments

- + Load decrease delays investment need
- + Present value of deferral is calculated as  $PV(\text{base plan}) - PV(\text{change plan})$



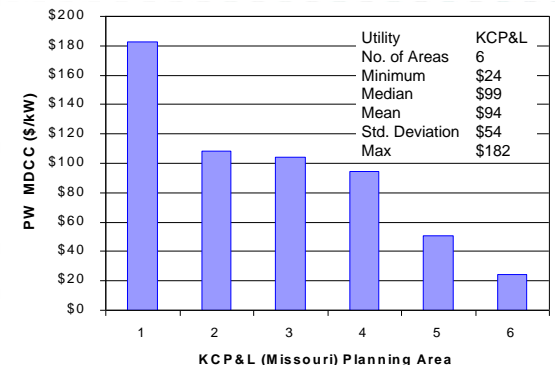
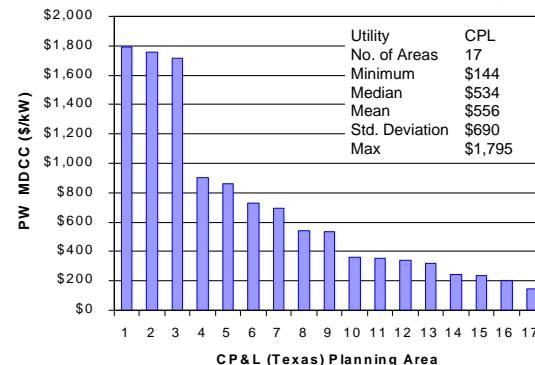
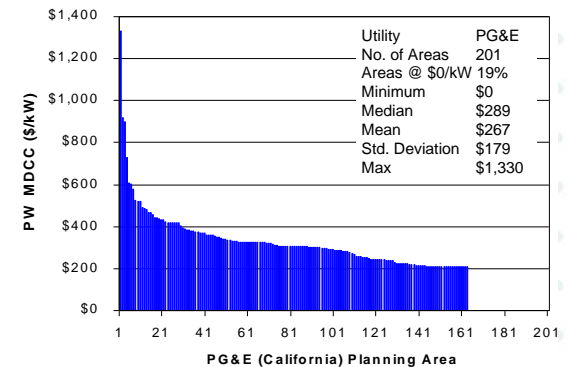
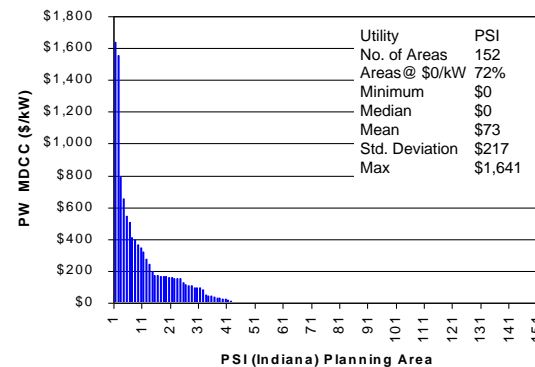




# Historical Examples of 4 Utilities

- + Differentiate plans/costs by geographic area.
- + Resolution set by circuit boundaries usually distribution planning area.
- + Reveals tremendous locational variation and high-value areas for DR.

## Survey of Distribution Costs System Wide



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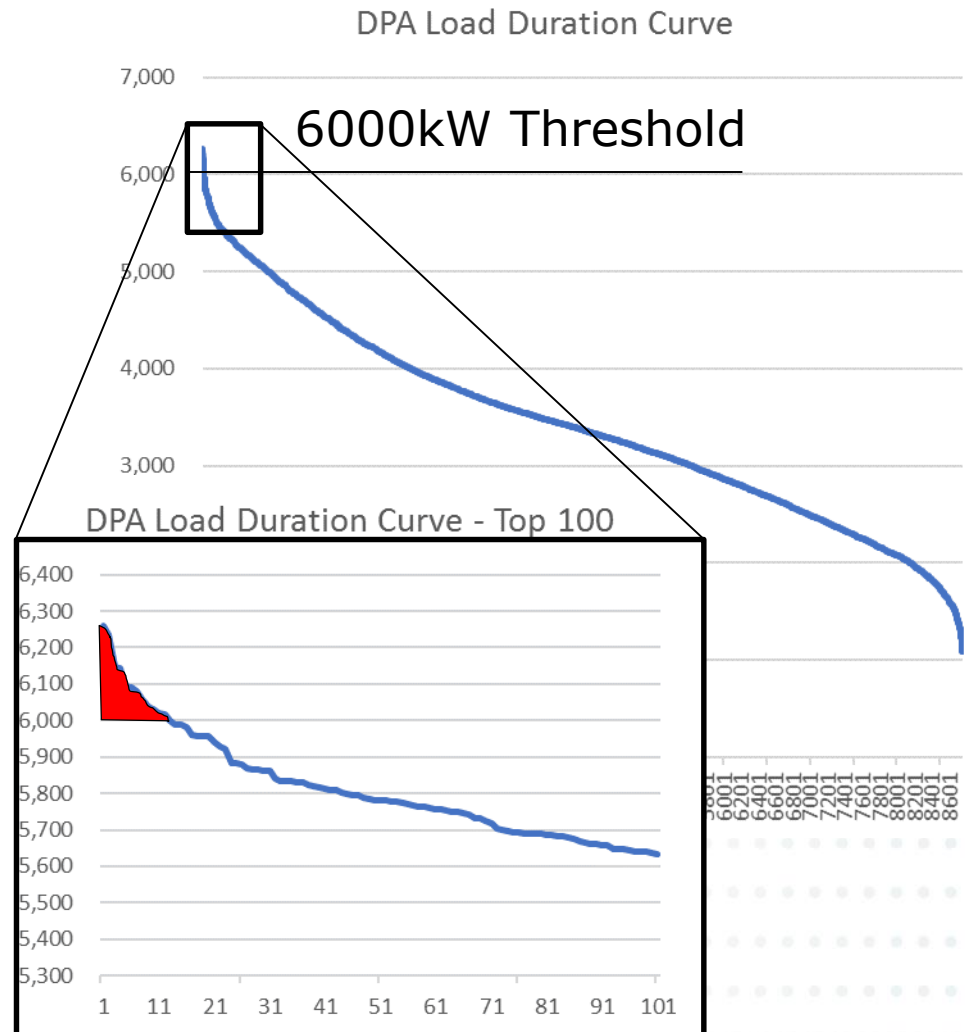


# Peak Capacity Allocation Factors

## + Allocation to hours for distribution similar to loss of load probability (LOLP)

- Allocate the full distribution capacity cost to hours based on the probability of exceeding peak

## + Formulation is used to evaluate probability in each hour based on historical load



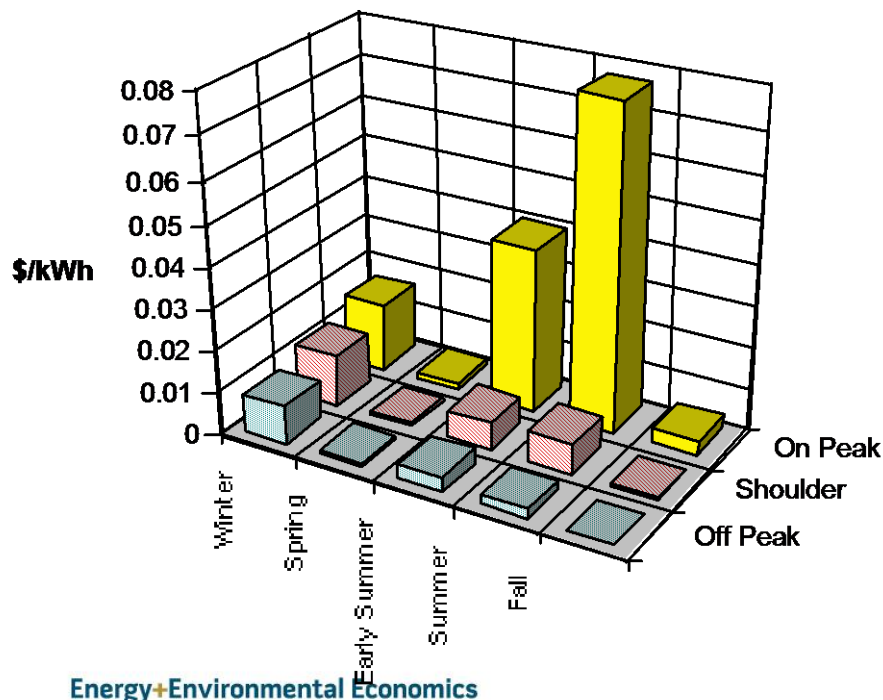


# Allocate costs to time based on timing of engineering need

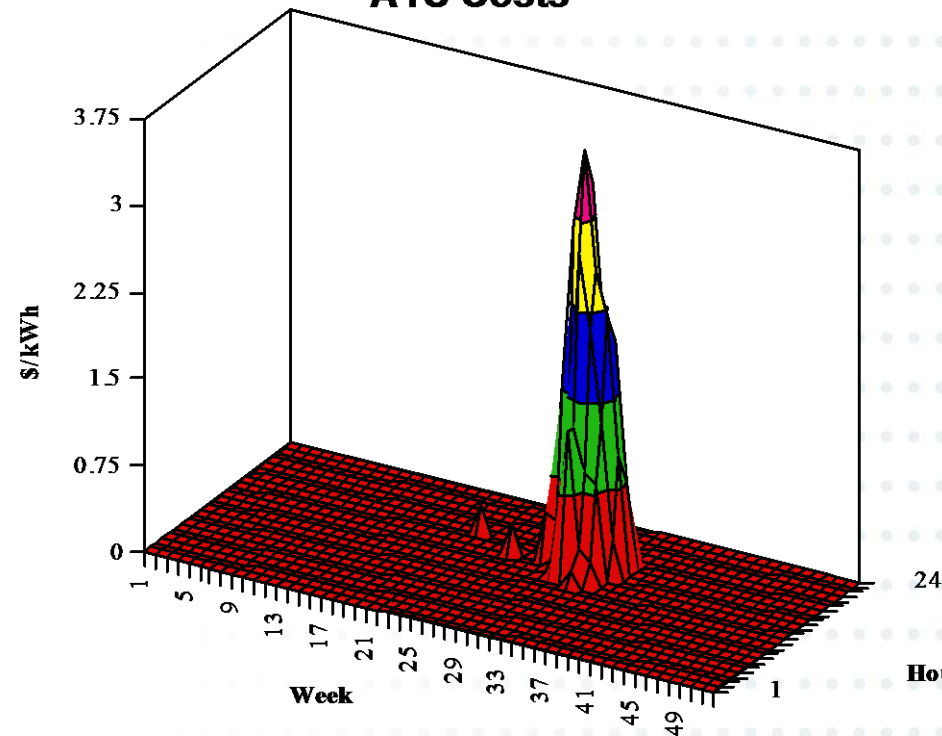
- + Many distribution investments are built for less than the top 50 load hours (planning based on single peak)

Comparison of Time-of-Use vs. Hourly

Average Costs



ATS Costs





# Distributional Marginal Costing Methods Comparisons

**+ Present Worth Method is the only method to isolate forward looking avoided cost at a particular location and time, area- and time-specific value**

*Table 10: Marginal Costing Methods*

Marginal Costing Method	Description	Comments
Total Investment Method - TIM	Discounted capital budget cash flow divided by additional peak demand.	Longer time horizon appears less expensive. Cannot compare areas with different timing.
Discounted Total Investment Method – DTIM	Discounted capital budget cash flow divided by discounted additional peak demand.	Equivalent to constant \$/kW payment needed to match cash flow. Does not capture avoided cost of a kW saved.
Present Worth – PW	Deferment value from shifting optimal capital plan in time due to change in peak demand from base case.	Captures avoided cost of a kW saved.
Regression Method (NERA) – RM	Slope of linear regression based on historical and forward-looking cost vs. demand.	Historical costs skew results. Does not capture avoided cost of a kW saved.
Replacement Cost New – RCN	Average cost based on cost to replace. Marginal cost based on "engineering elasticity" derived from simulation.	Does not reflect actual costs.



# **IMPLEMENTATION: DATA AND DEFINITIONS**





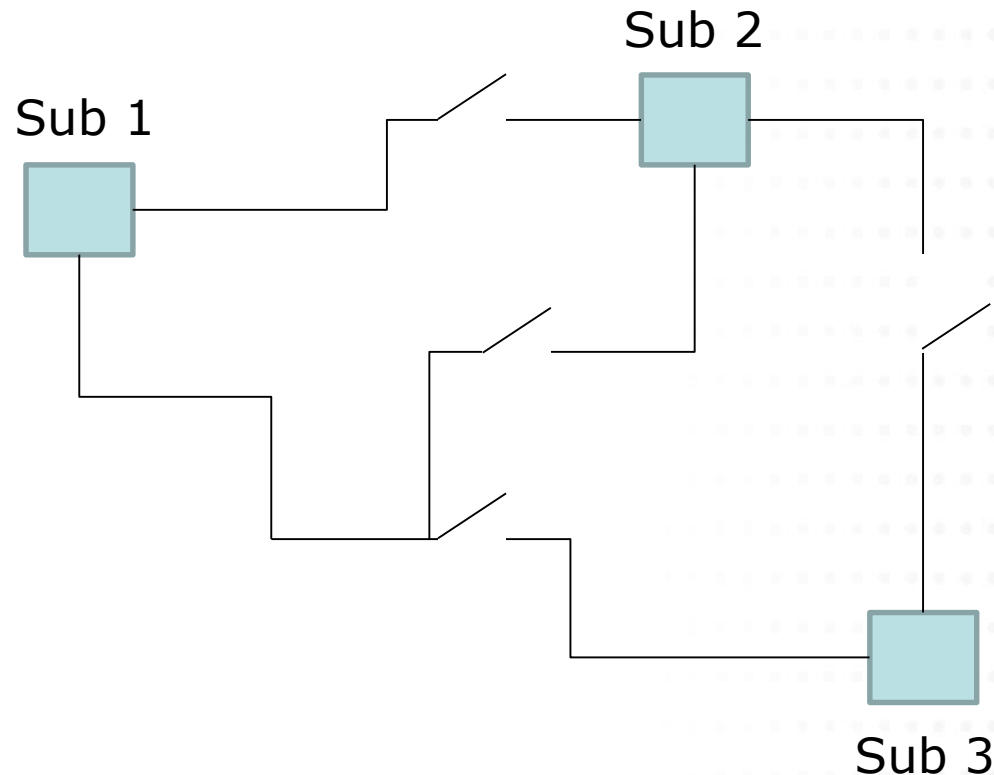
# Data Sources for Distribution Cost

- + Capital budget plans and load growth provided by each IOU in response to CPUC data request**
  - Capital budget plans isolated to load growth driven investments
  - Load growth by area provided in data request
- + Defining “Distribution Areas”**
  - SCE defined by SYS ID areas; broader than other IOUs
  - PG&E defined by DPAs
  - SDG&E by distribution substation
- + Local area load data**
  - Aggregated hourly bank loads for target DPAs
  - SCADA and hourly data not available for all areas



# Distribution Planning Area Definition for LNBA Purposes

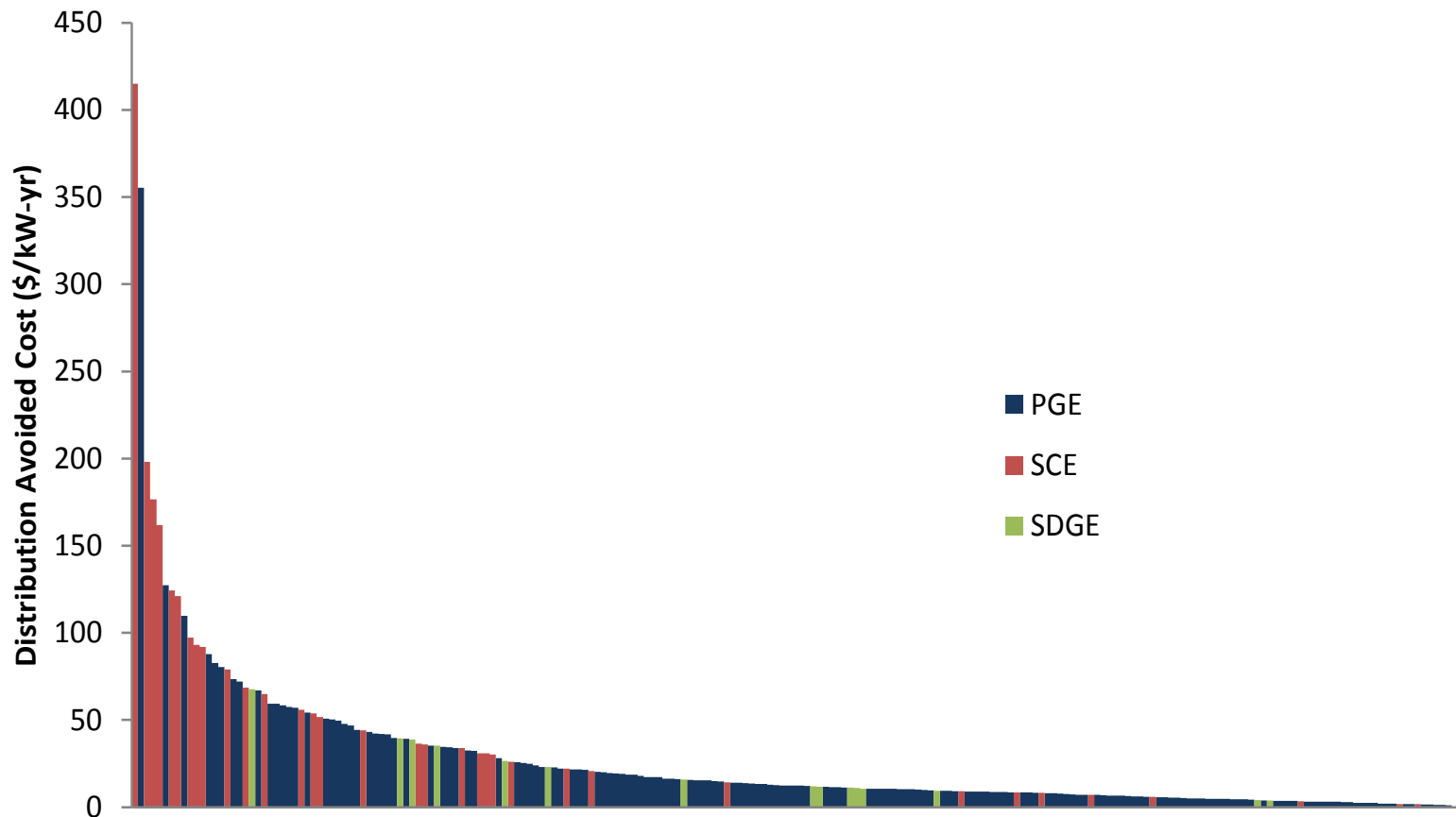
- + **Distribution Planning Area (DPA)** is an area where load cannot be easily switched outside of the area





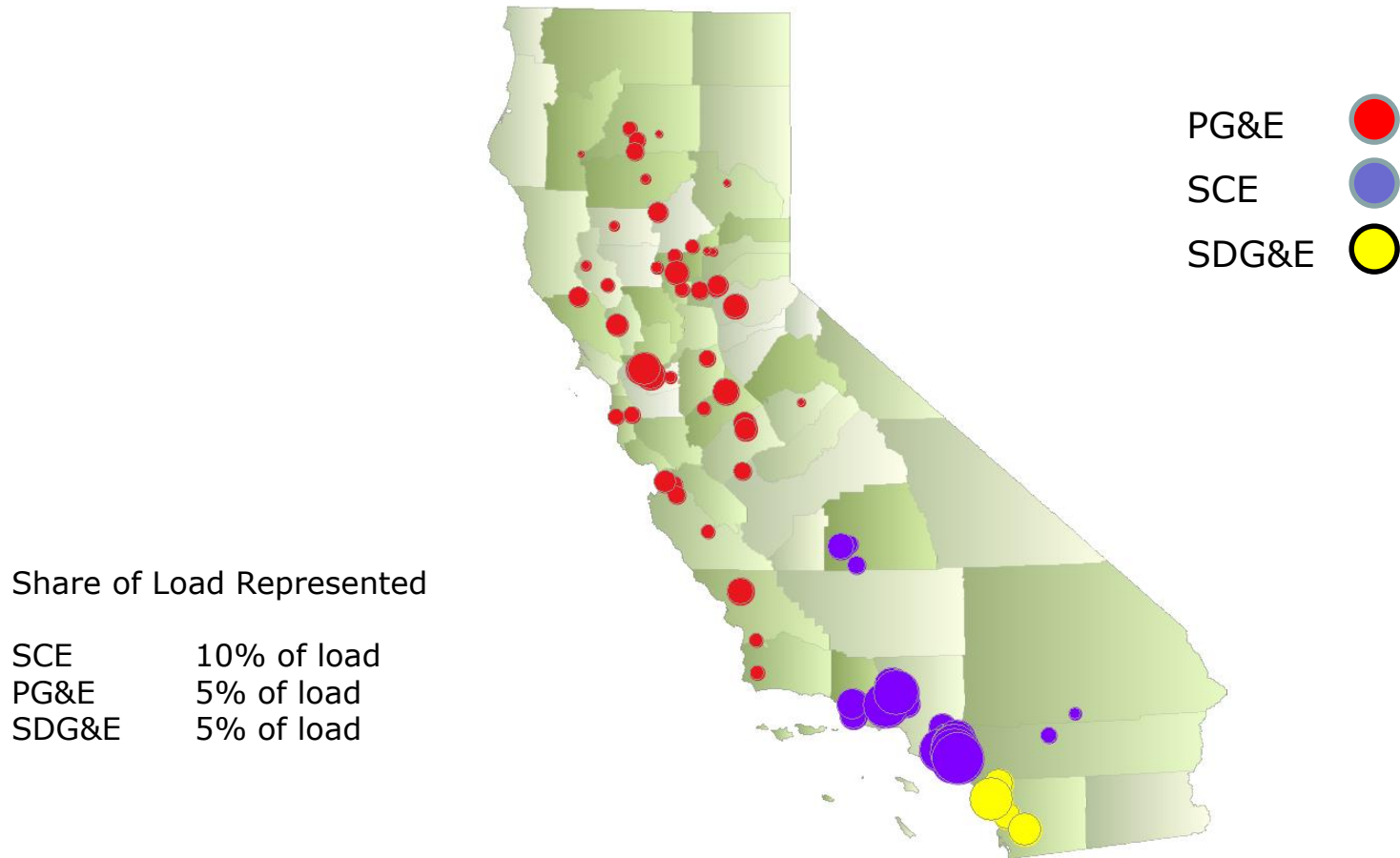
# Distribution Avoided Costs

Distribution Avoided Costs by Planning Area (\$/kW-year):





# Location of Hot Spots from Avoided Cost Data\*



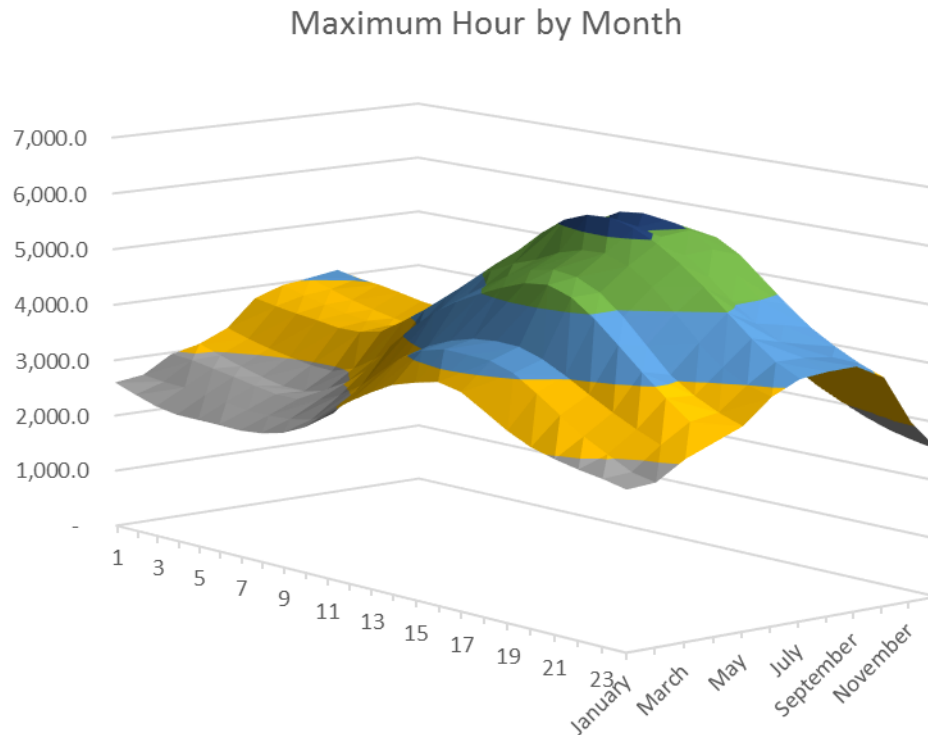
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\* Proposal is that each utility identify the 'hot spots' in their service territory

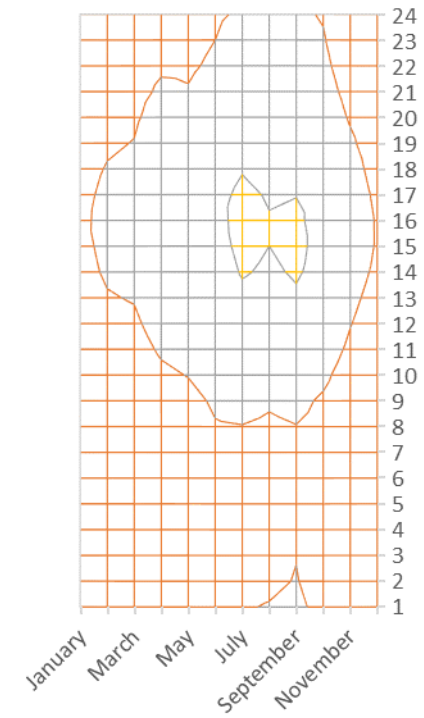


# Local Area Load Shape

## + Distribution Planning Area Load



Maximum Hour by Month

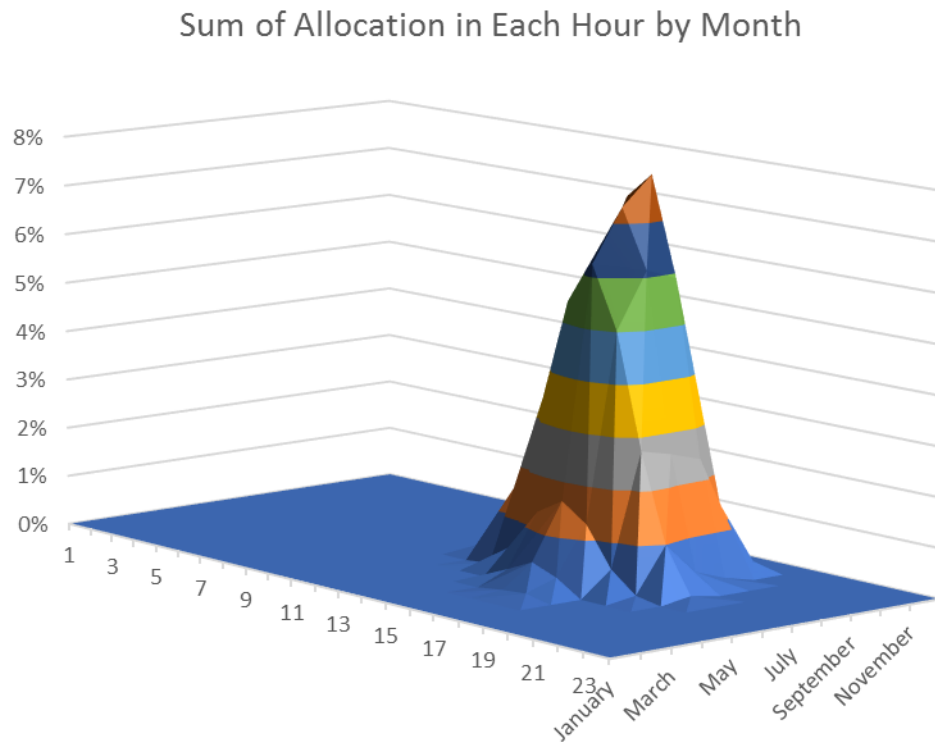




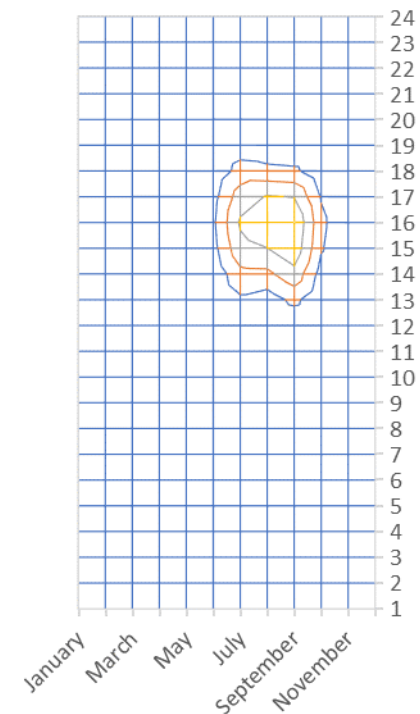


# Local Area Peak Allocation Factor

## + Allocation of Distribution Capacity Value



Maximum Hour by Month





# **IMPLEMENTATION: LNBA TOOL & NEXT STEPS**



# LNBA Tool

- + Joint California IOU standardized methodology for all components of the avoided cost**
- + Example publicly available on LNBA Working Group**
  - URL <http://drpwwg.org/sample-page/drp/>
- + Includes hourly costs and benefits for the life of the DER Resource up to 30 years, using standardized avoided cost calculator (ACC) method**
- + Designed for non-wires solution RFO submission**



# LNBA Interface

## + MS Excel, Multiple tabs

LNBA v2.11 - Excel

File Home Insert Draw Page Layout Formulas Data Review View Add-ins Tell me what you want to do

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DER Settings and Full Local T&D Avoided Cost Version 2.11

**DER Location and Annual Inputs**

DER Location	Circuit 1102	DER Type	SOLAR
Dependability in local area (eg.g: 90%)	90%	Integration cost adder (\$/MWh)	\$ 3.00
DER Useful Life (yrs)	20	Transmission Avoided Cost (\$/kW of DER)	\$0.00 (Default = 0)
DER install year	2018	Generation Capacity LCR Multiplier	1.0 (Default = 1.0)
Defer T&D to this year (Max 2026)	2020		

**DER impact on local T&D**

**T&D Value Basis:** Allocation-based average

"Requirement-based threshold" assigns value for the project area only if peak reduction is sufficient for deferral. For other affected areas, value is based on the percentage of the kW need that is met by the DER. The user can "exclude" other affected projects to force the attributed value to zero.

"Allocation-based average" is based on expected reductions and is not limited to discrete integer years of deferral.

"Allocation-based average" calculates value using peak capacity allocation factors (see below for a description of PCAFs)..

**DER Peak Reductions**

	kW Needed	Need after Dependable DER (kW)	Dependable DER Reduction (kW)	Sufficient for deferral?	Potential Deferral Value (\$)	Include or Exclude Deferral Value (?)	Attributed Deferral Value (\$)
Circuit 1102	2812	3189	-377	FALSE	\$396,370	Include	\$161,241
<b>Other affected T&amp;D Projects</b>							
Circuit 1107	512	0	512	TRUE	\$360,327	Include	\$1,058,438
Dist Infra 2	6211	5889	623	FALSE	\$0	Include	\$0
DPA 1	512	-109	621	TRUE	\$0	Include	\$0
0	0	0	0	TRUE	\$0	Include	\$0
0	0	0	0	TRUE	\$0	Include	\$0
0	0	0	0	TRUE	\$0	Include	\$0
0	0	0	0	TRUE	\$0	Include	\$0
0	0	0	0	TRUE	\$0	Include	\$0

**DER kW output statistics**

	Project Area	All Affected Areas	
<b>DER Max Output (kW)</b>		2,739	
Minimum	0	515	Min DER output during the peak period
5%	0	663	DER below this 5% of time
10%	0	729	DER below this 10% of time
25%	0	1,188	DER below this 25% of time
Simple Average	963	1,599	Average DER during peak period
PCAF Wtd Average	1,210	1,528	Wtd Avg DER during peak period

Peak capacity allocation factors (PCAF) weight each hourly output based on the amount of relative demand reduction needed in each hour.

Overview **DER Dashboard** Project Inputs & Avoided Costs AreaPeaks SystemAC Flex RA ReM ...

Ready



# LNBA Capital Expansion Plans

## + Distribution Capital Plan Inputs and MW Requirement

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A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
16	Project cost and need information									
17	Equipment Information									
18	Location Identifier (user text)									
19	Location Mapping info (User text)									
20	Equipment type									
21	Equipment Inflation (%/yr)									
22	Revenue Requirement Multiplier									
23	O&M Inflation Rate (%/yr)									
24	Book life (yrs)									
25	O&M Factor (Annual O&M\$/Project Cost \$)									
26	Cost Information									
27	Capital Cost (\$000)									
28	Incremental O&M Cost (\$000)									
29	Cost yr basis									
30	Project install/commitment year									
31										
32	Cumulative MW reduction needed for deferral									
33	1	2017								
34	2	2018								
35	3	2019								
36	4	2020								
37	5	2021								
38	6	2022								
39	7	2023								
40	8	2024								
41	9	2025								
42	10	2026								
43										
44										
45	Project Mapping and Flow Factors									
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Item 1			
DPA 1			
Location 1234			
Primary Feeder			
2.0%			
165.0%			
2.0%			
25			
12.0%	0.12	0.12	
Base	Low	High	
\$2,000.0	\$1,800.0	\$3,000.0	
\$240.0	\$216.0	\$360.0	
2015			
2017			
Base			
0.26			
0.38			
0.51			
0.64			
0.77			
0.91			
1.05			
1.19			
1.33			
1.48			

Item 2			
Circuit 1102			
Location 1235			
Substation			
2.0%			
155.0%			
2.0%			
30			
10.0%	0.1	0.1	
Base	Low	High	
\$1,000.0	\$800.0	\$1,200.0	
\$100.0	\$80.0	\$120.0	
2016			
2019			
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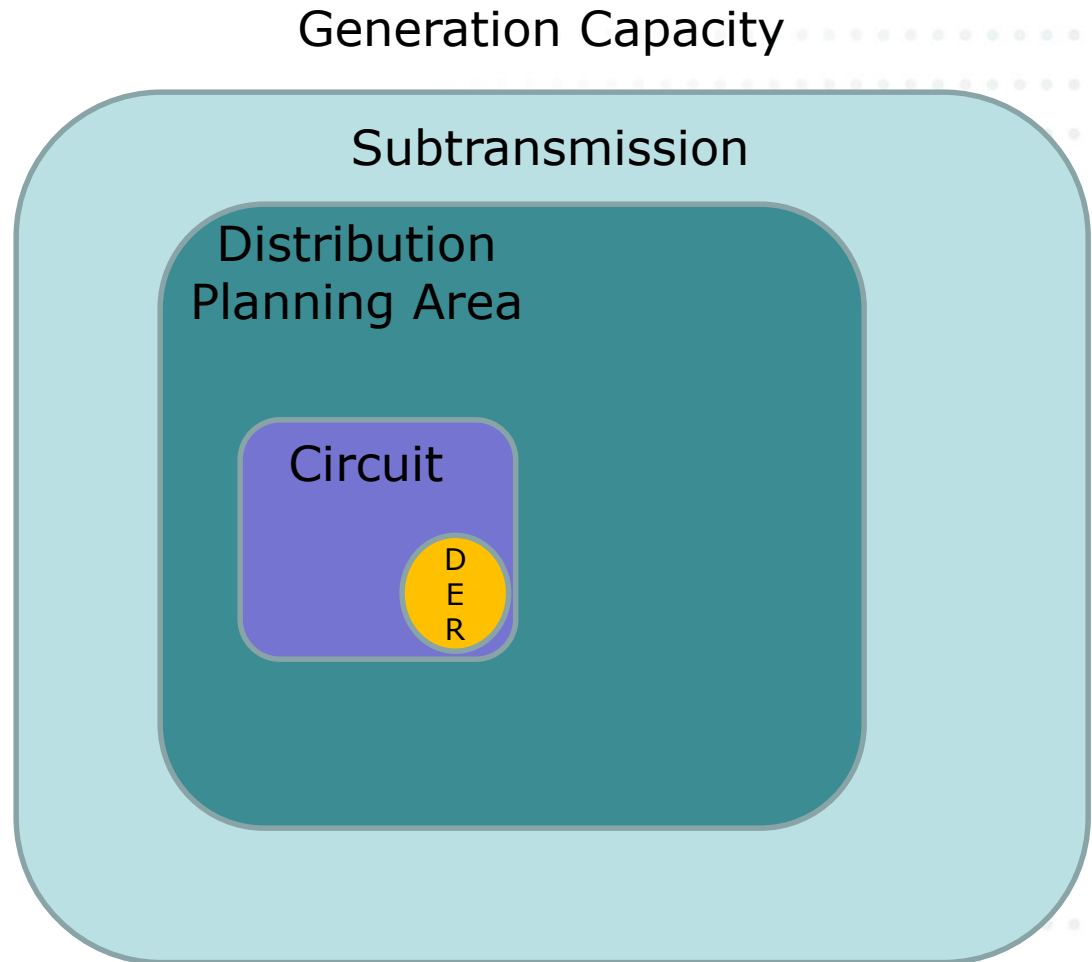


# Local Values 'Nest' Together

## + Local capacity values stack

- load shape and marginal costs can differ in each nest

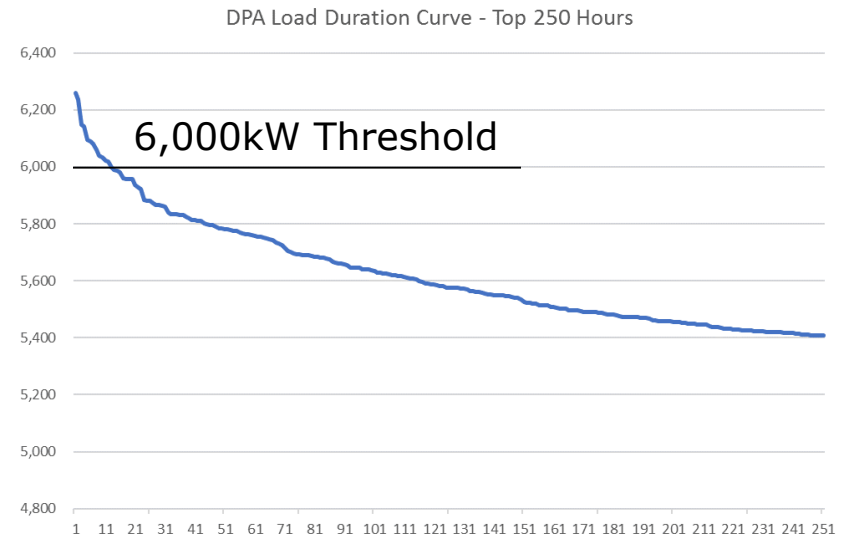
## + Marginal costs linked to capital investment plan for upgrades





# Peak Allocation Factors

- + Allocation of T&D Value in hours with peak loads
- + Define a threshold level of concern, can be defined by ratings or judgement level



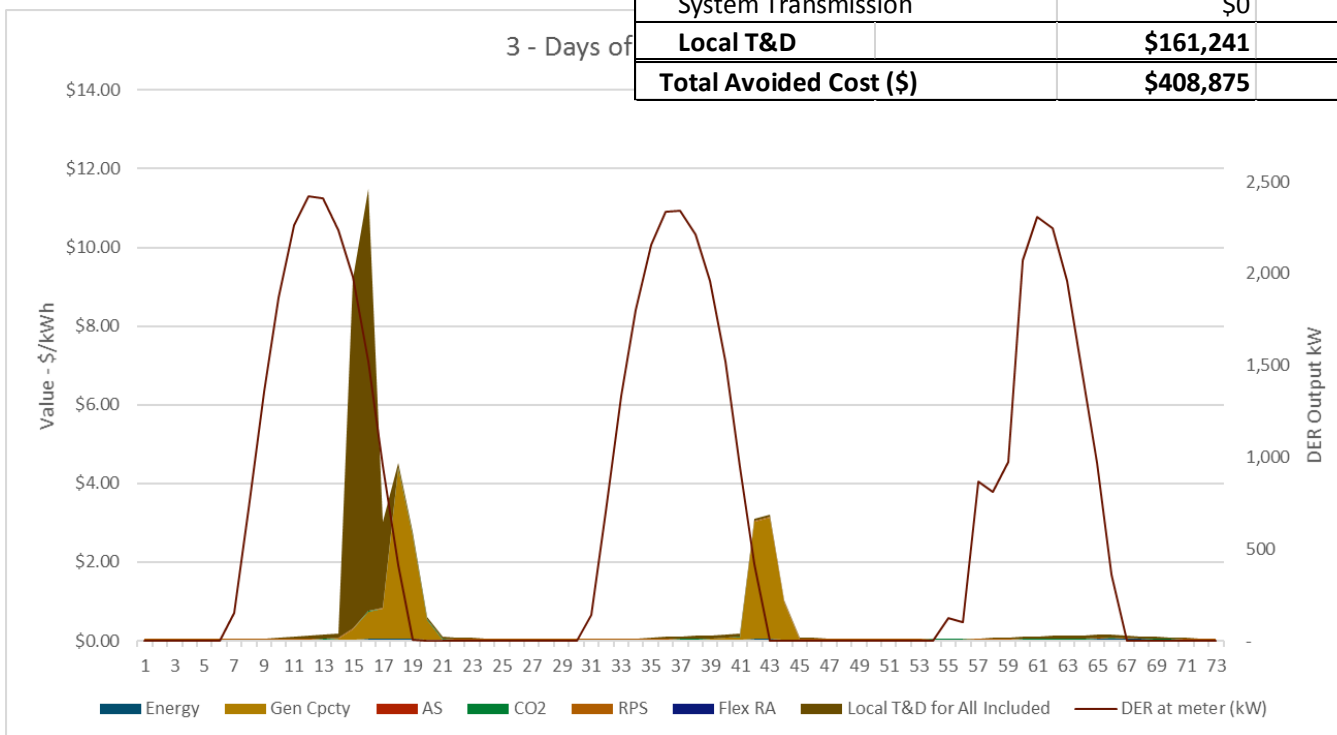
Heatmap of LNBA Local T&D Costs (Total \$/kW in each month/hour)																								
Individual	Hour of the Year (hour starting PST)																							
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Feb	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Apr	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
May	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Jun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	0
Jul	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	0
Aug	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	1	1	1	0
Sep	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	0
Oct	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	0
Nov	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



# Value Stack in LNBA Tool

**Lifecycle Value from DER by Component (\$)**

		<u>Circuit 1102</u>	<u>All Affected Areas</u>
Energy		\$129,098	\$129,098
Gen Capacity		\$43,793	\$43,793
Ancillary Services		\$1,054	\$1,054
CO2		\$31,462	\$31,462
RPS		\$67,385	\$67,385
Flex RA		-\$10,512	-\$10,512
Integration Cost		-\$14,647	-\$14,647
System Transmission		\$0	\$0
<b>Local T&amp;D</b>		<b>\$161,241</b>	<b>\$1,219,680</b>
<b>Total Avoided Cost (\$)</b>		<b>\$408,875</b>	<b>\$1,467,313</b>





# **COMPLEXITIES OF DELIVERING VALUE TO RATEPAYERS**



# Distribution Planning Process

## + Load forecast of growth in an area

- Local area load forecast shows need for capacity expansion, or upgrades to meet reliability criteria

## + Develop distribution upgrade

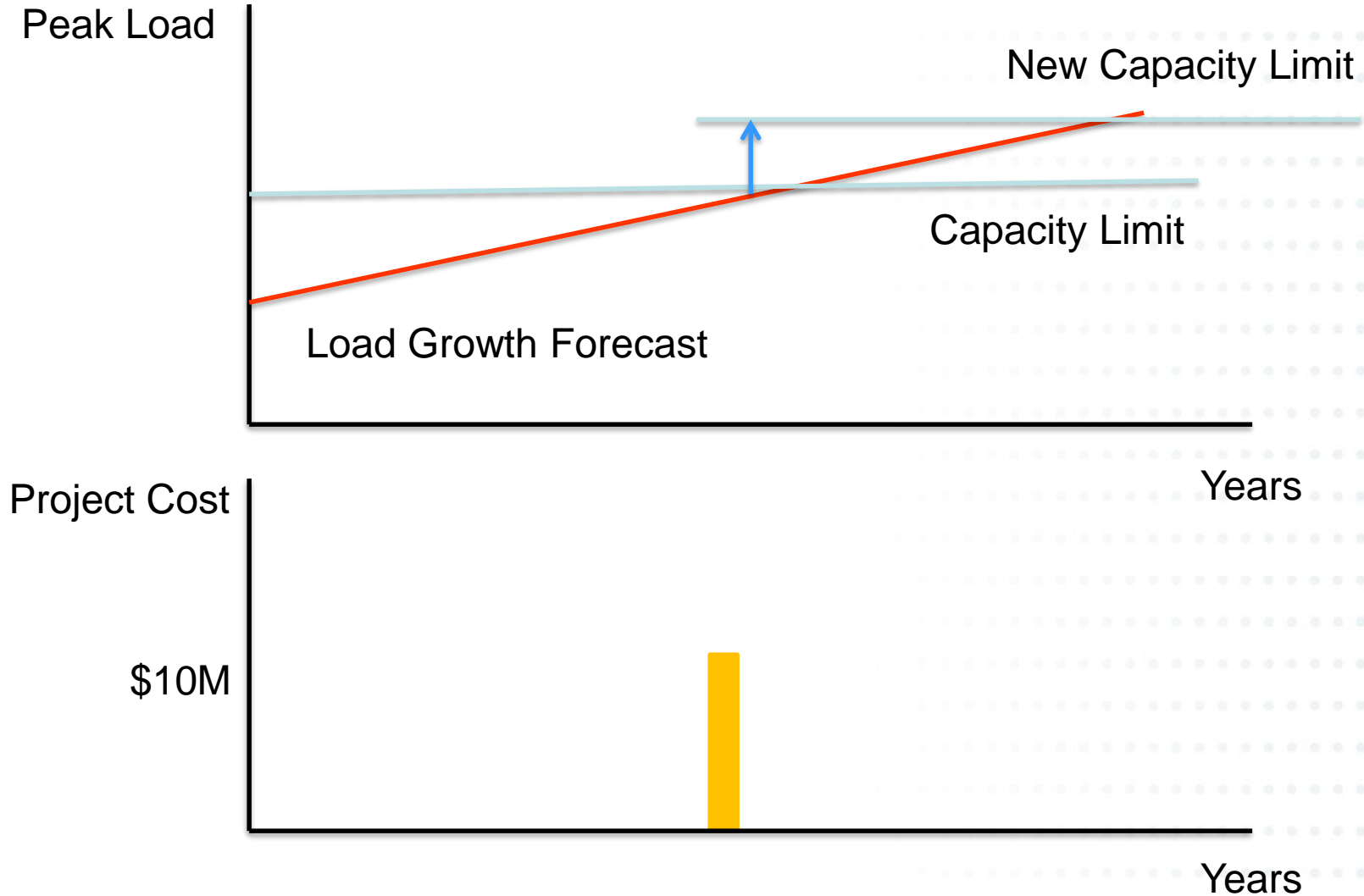
- Preferred alternative is developed to solve the problem, minimum lifecycle revenue requirement

## + Establish capital budgeting plan

- Expected projects are compiled into a capital budgeting plan. Period of the plan depends on the utility, typically 5 to 10 years



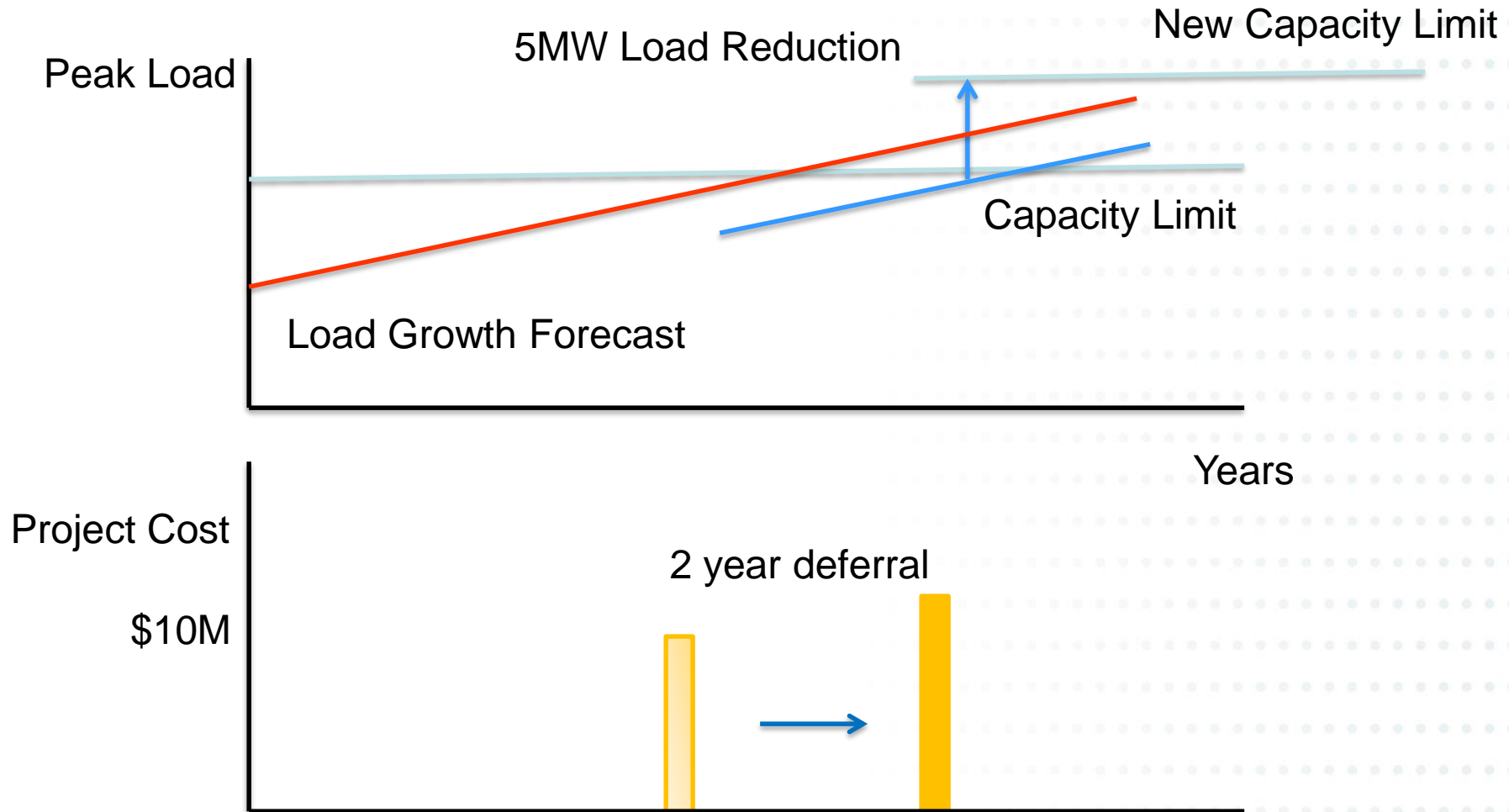
# Illustrative Project







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# What Was Saved?

## + Original PV of revenue requirement (PVRR)

- \$10 million

## + Deferred PV of revenue requirement (PVRR)

- \$9 million

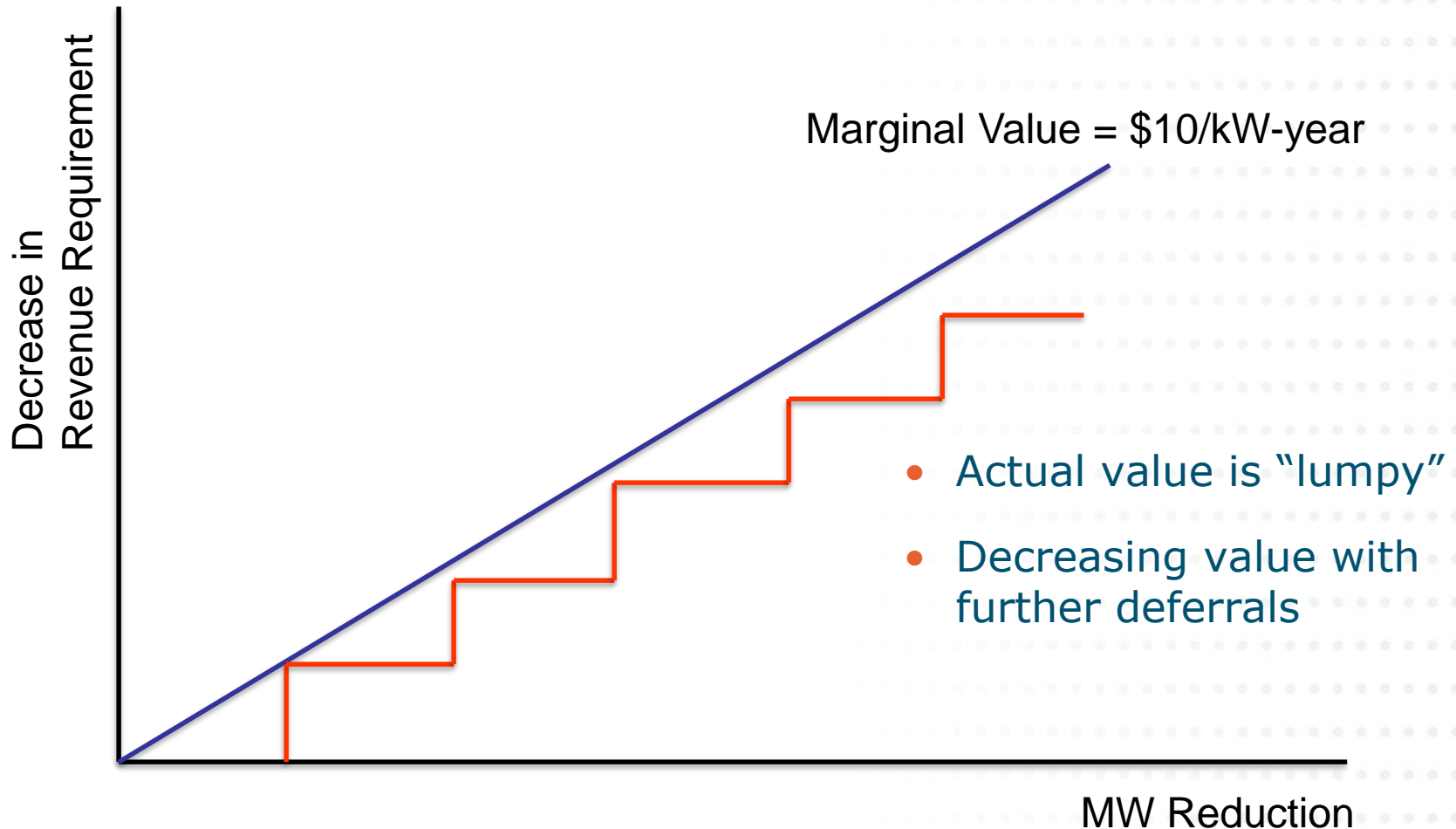
## + Savings of approximately

- \$1 million  $= \$10 \text{ million} * \frac{(1 + 2\%)^2}{(1 + 7.5\%)^2}$
- \$200/kW  $= \$1 \text{ million} / 5,000\text{kW}$
- \$20/kW-year for 20 years  $= \$200/\text{kW} \text{ amortized over 20 years}$

Assumptions: Inflation = 2%, WACC = 7.5%



# How does marginal compare with actual savings?





# What is Needed to Capture Value?

## + **Distribution engineer feels confident in reliability when they actually delay the investment decision**

- Sufficient peak load is reduced to defer the investment
- Utility planning process accommodates embedded load





# Implications for Contracting

- + There must be a minimum amount of load reduction must be achieved to defer an investment**
  - Non-wires solicitation, or pricing-based approaches that test marketplace for reduction strategies
- + Sufficient time to deploy non-wires solutions before distribution engineer implements alternative**
  - Extend the distribution planning horizon out to 5 to 10 years
- + Planned deferral is likely to be less time than the life of the renewable DG**
  - Make initial contract a fixed period, allow utility option to re-contract with DER
- + Early solicitations limit the near term flexibility and changing plans since contracts are entered earlier**



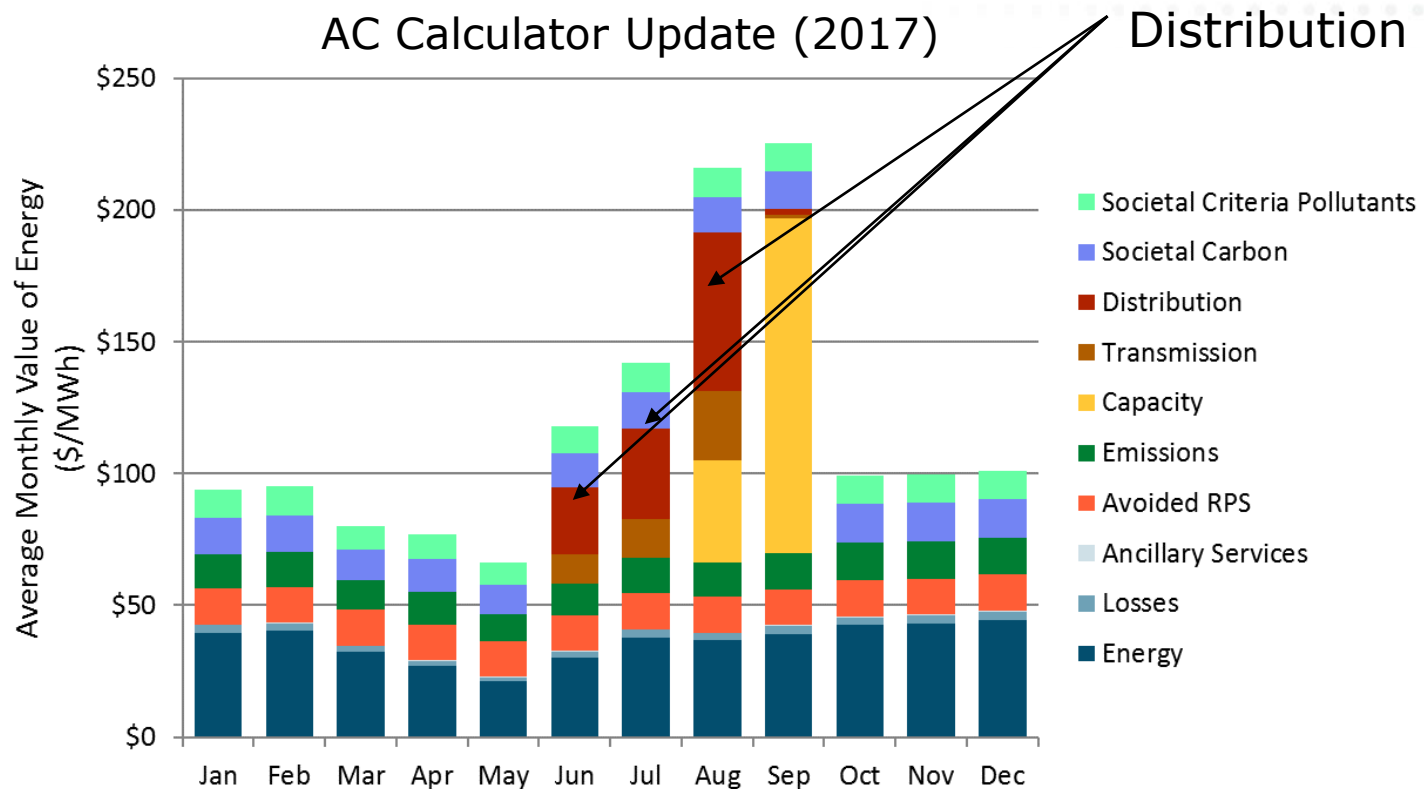
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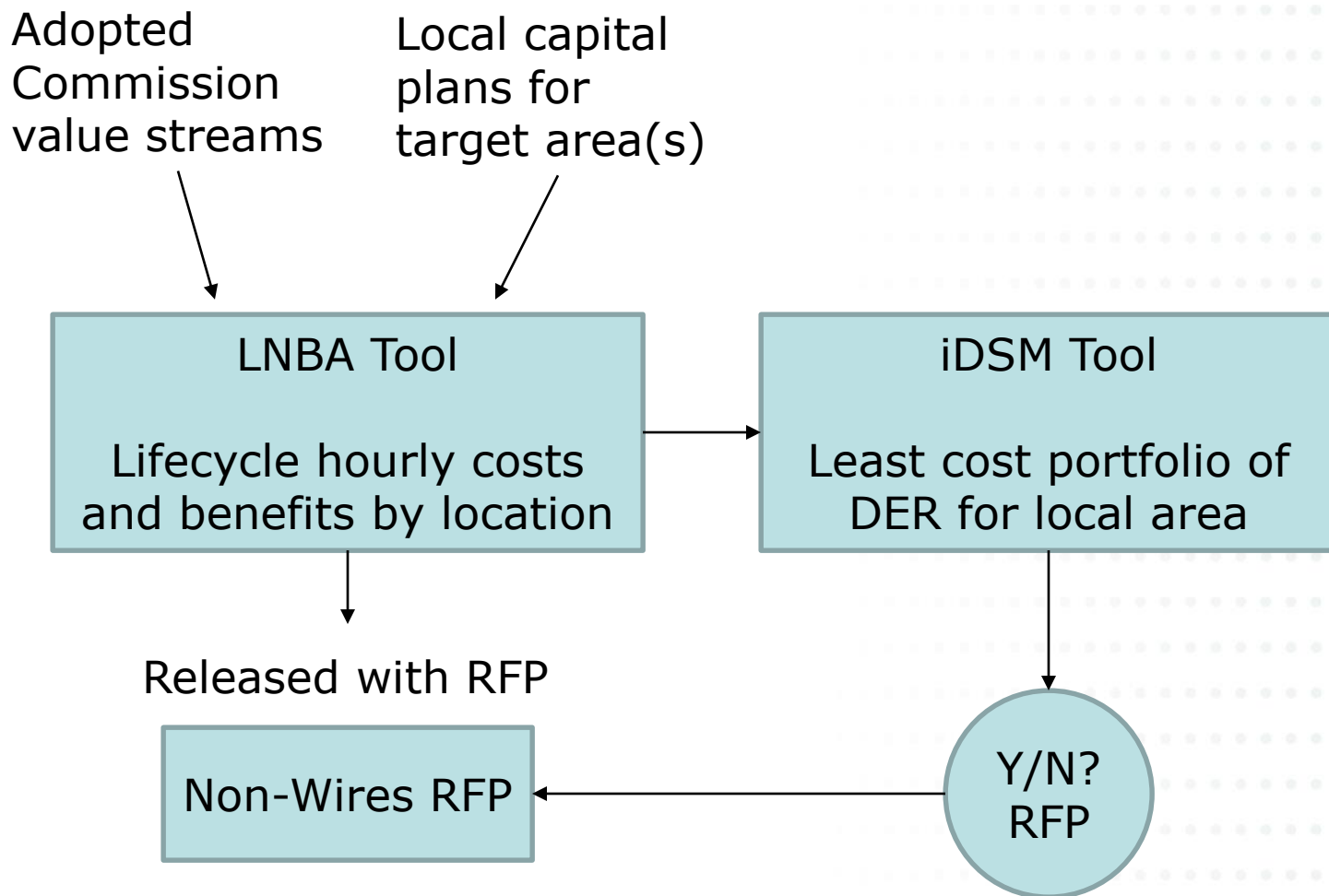
# Disaggregate Value by DPA in California Avoided Cost Update

- + Target Release May 31, 2018 will be ~500 Local Zones though those with no value may be grouped
- + Primary Uses are Demand Response, Storage, and the 2019 NEM 3.0 Analysis in California



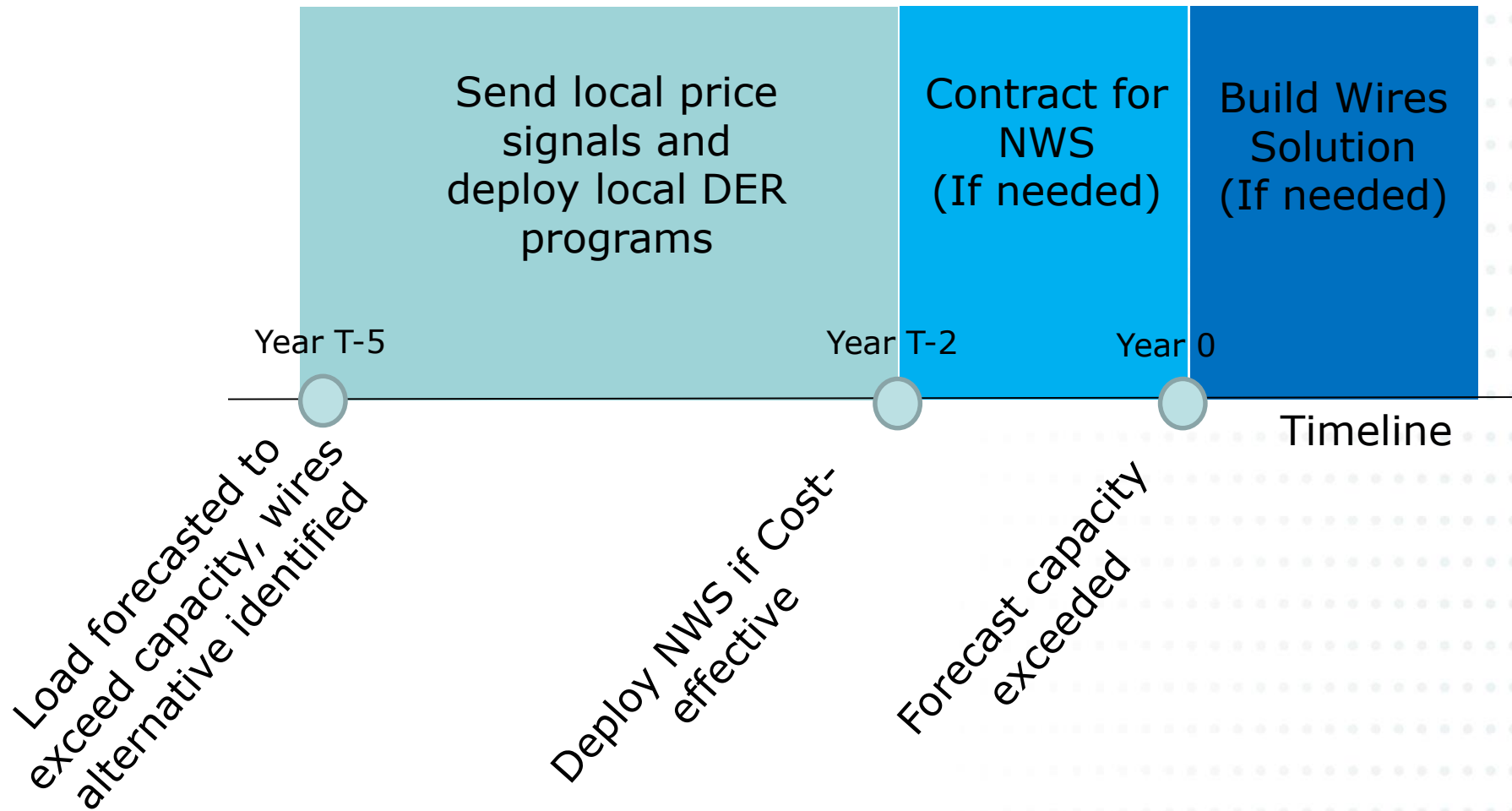


# Links to iDSM Tool Evaluation





# Pricing Platform with Backstop





# Thank You!

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