



# Locational Net Benefits Assessment

## Background, Summary & Next Steps

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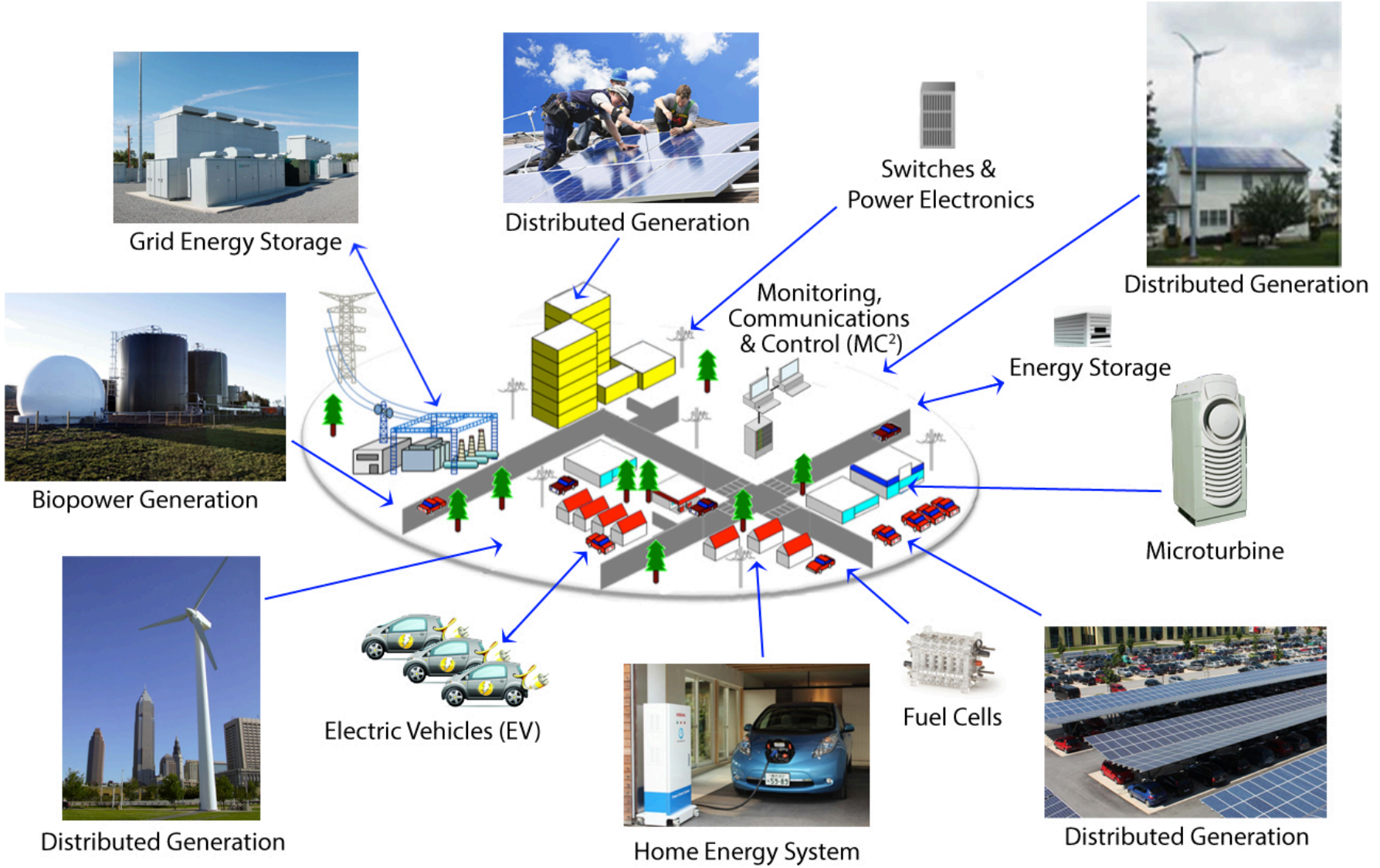
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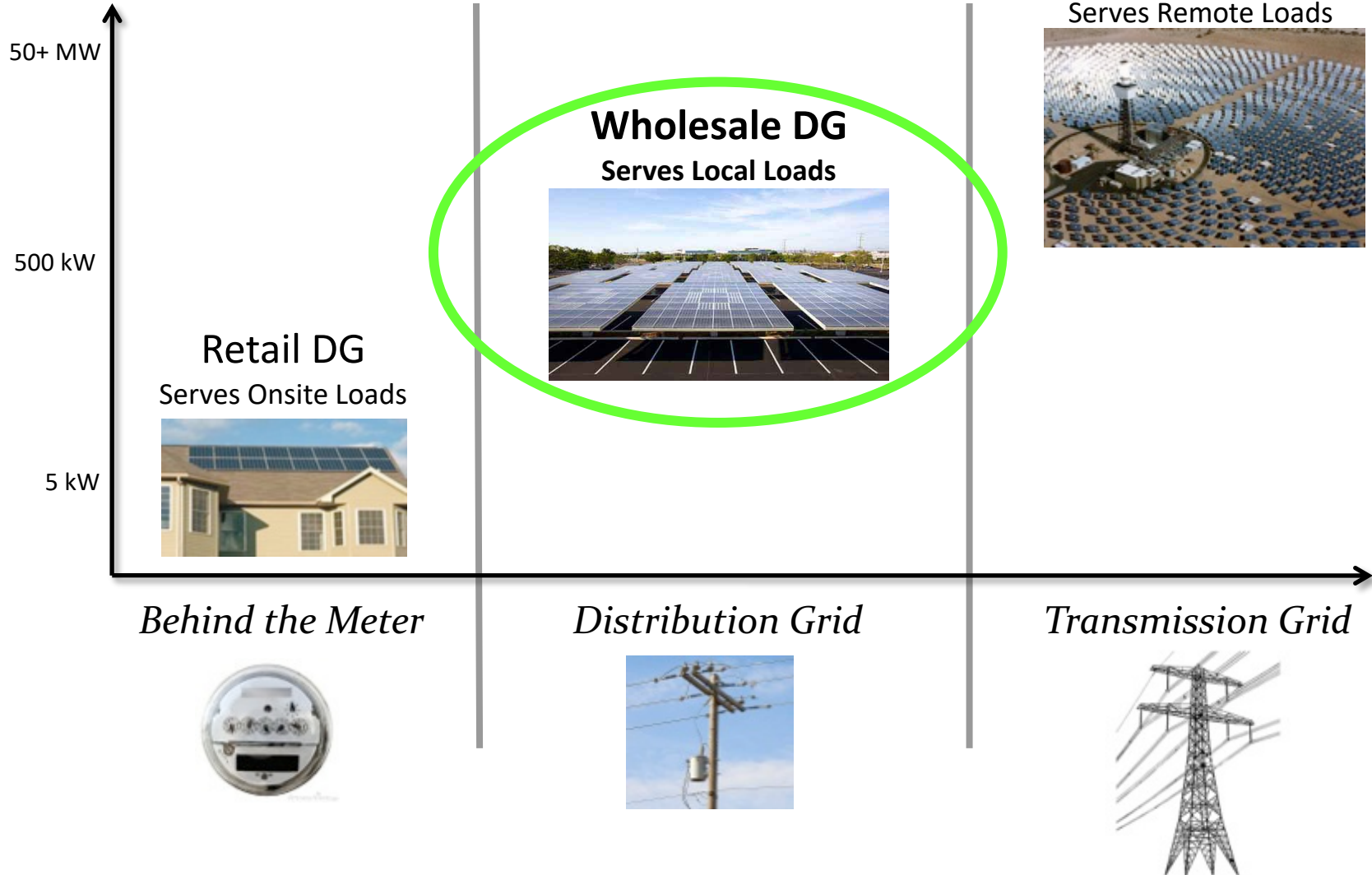
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# Distributed energy resources (DER)



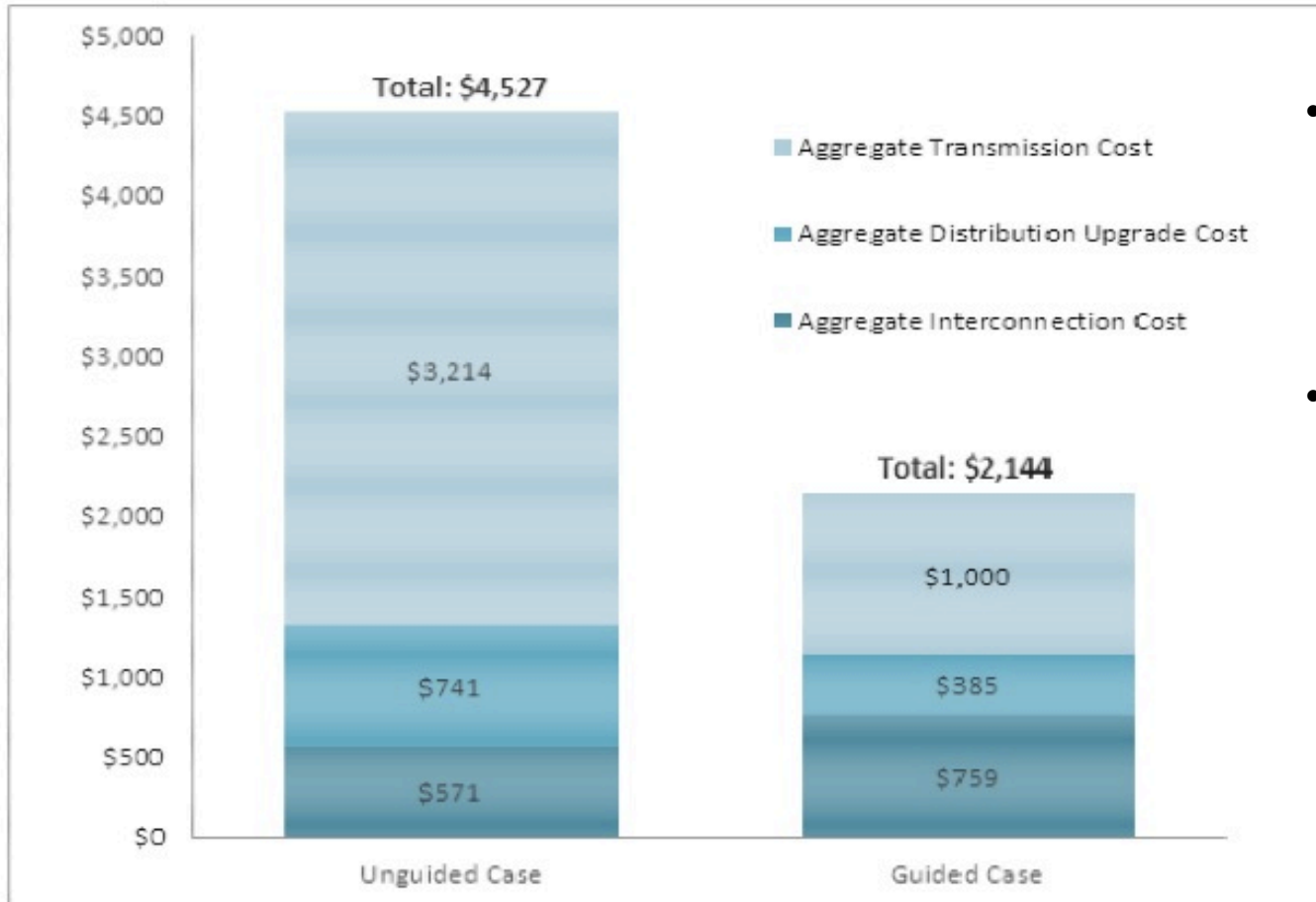
# Wholesale DG is a critical segment

*Project Size*



# Guided siting benefits (locational value)

## SCE Share of 12,000 MW Goal



**Figure 8: Total SCE System Costs of LER Proposal (Million USD)**

**Guided Siting Saves Ratepayers 50%**

- **Locational value** methodology should include transmission costs.
- **Interconnection** policies should favor high value locations, and reduce cost uncertainty for developers.

Source: SCE Report May 2012

## ▸ Analytical Frameworks

- Grid Integration Capacity Analysis (ICA)
- **Quantification of Distributed Energy Resources' (DER) locational value (aka locational net benefits analysis or LNBA)**
- Growth scenarios forecast

## ▸ Demonstration Projects

- ICA maps
- **LNBA Calculator**
- Field demos to test and verify DER value

## ▸ Policy issues

## Optimal Location Benefit Analysis Requirements:

- Unified IOU Locational Net Benefits methodology
- Build upon E3's Distributed Energy Resources Avoided Cost Model (DERAC)

#	<b>Minimum Value Components to include in Locational Net Benefit Methodology</b>
1	Avoided Sub-Transmission, Substation and Feeder Capital and Operating Expenditures
2	Avoided Distribution Voltage and Power Quality Capital and Operating Expenditures
3	Avoided Distribution Reliability and Resiliency Capital and Operating Expenditures
4	Avoided Transmission Capital and Operating Expenditures
5	Avoided Flexible Resource Adequacy (RA) Procurement
6	Avoided Renewables Integration Costs
7	Any societal avoided costs which can be clearly linked to the deployment of DERs
8	Any avoided public safety costs which can be clearly linked to the deployment of DERs

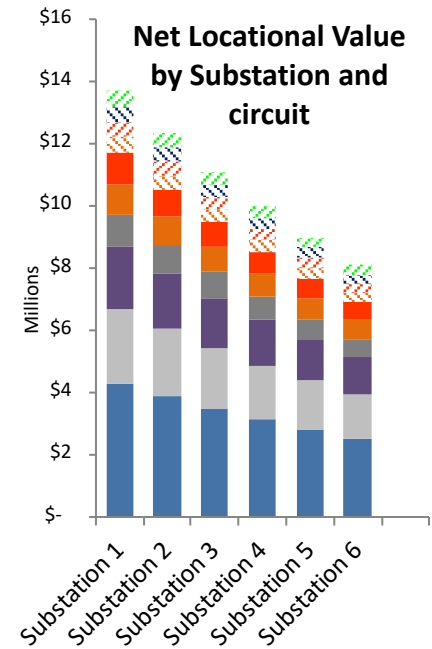
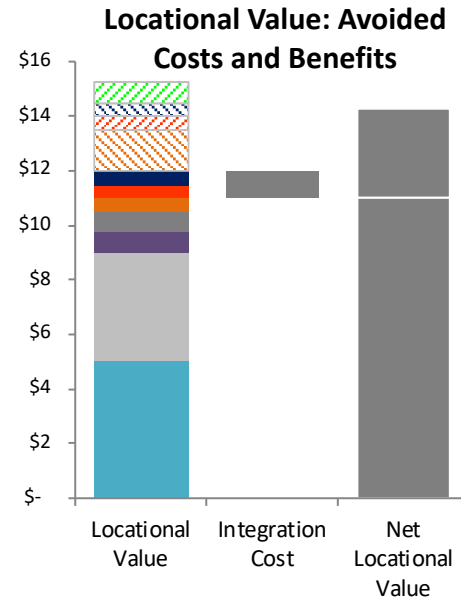
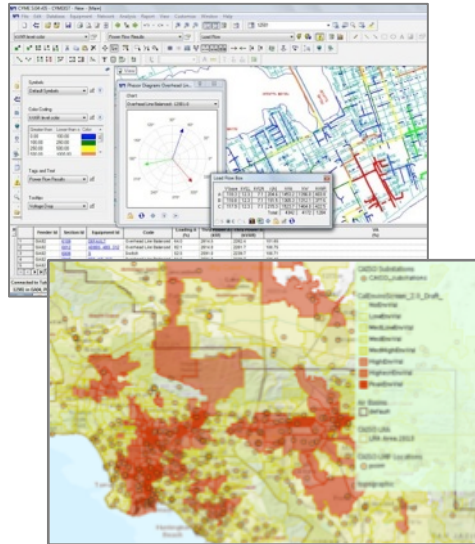
# DRP analysis process

Identify DPA & Substations

Perform Planning Analyses

Calculate Locational Value

Rank Locations by Value



# Stages of DRP optimal location implementation



Analysis & Planning

Full cost and value accounting methods for DER



Grid Modeling & Optimization

Siting analysis; powerflow modeling; DER optimization



Distribution Resource Plan Design

Design and approval



Distributed Energy Resource Deployment

Implementation: procurement and interconnection programs

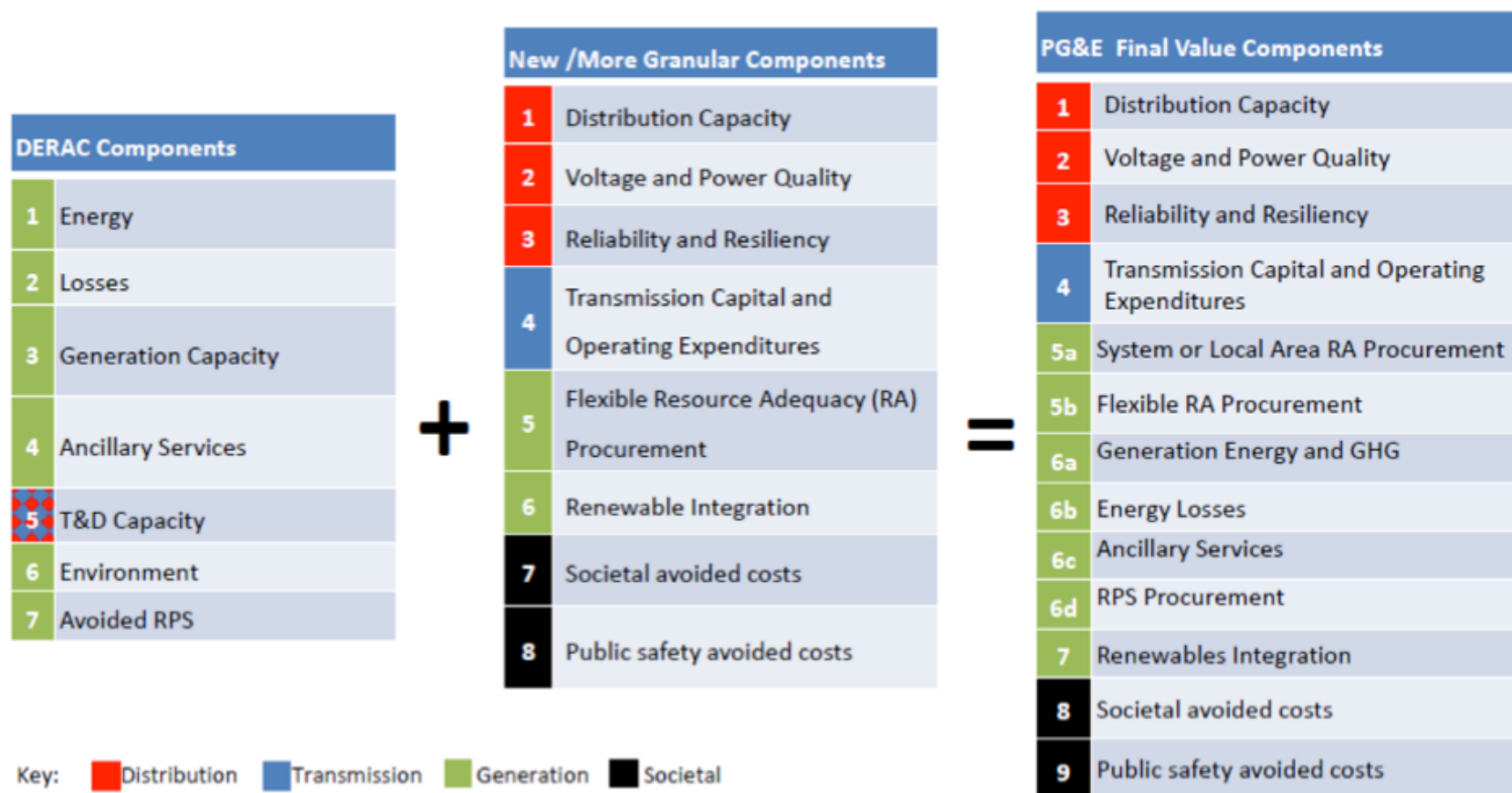
(LNBA for value)



## **Optimal location for DERs = available hosting capacity + locational benefits greater than costs**

- ▶ **LNBA Tool calculates locational benefits**
  - Distribution investment deferral value + locational avoided costs
  - Indicative or confidential market values
- ▶ **Distribution investment deferral value identified based on DER services**
- ▶ **Distribution capacity services**
  - Voltage support services
  - Reliability (back-tie) services
  - Resiliency (microgrid) services
- ▶ **Comparison with costs occurs outside of LNBA calculator**
  - DER deployment, interconnection, integration costs

*Value categories are refined and adjusted for local variation  
Starting with DERAC model and adding granularity and additional components*



# LNBA Value Components

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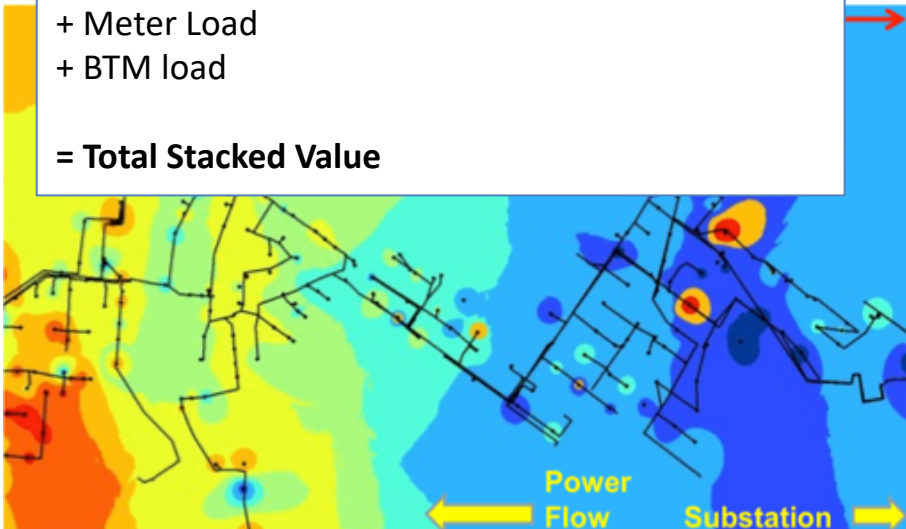
**System-wide Average or Location Specific Benefit Value layers**  
(Assessed as applicable to each layer)

- HV System Transmission
- + LV Transmission Territory
- + Sub-transmission Area
- + Distribution Planning Area
- + Distribution substation
- + Circuit
- + Line section
- + Transformer
- + Meter Load
- + BTM load

**= Total Stacked Value**

*Values accrue at various defined levels*

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



## Heat Map of Potential Optimal Locations

- **Public/Indicative values**
- **Generic OR DER Specific**
- **No DER Costs Included**
- Visual heat map to inform DER providers and stakeholder of locations where DERs may be most valuable.

## Prioritization for DER Deferral Opportunities

- **Confidential values**
- **Generic OR DER Specific**
- **DER Costs May Be Included**
- Use LNBA to identify & prioritize locations for deploying DERs

## Future Planning Use Cases?

### **Policy Planning**

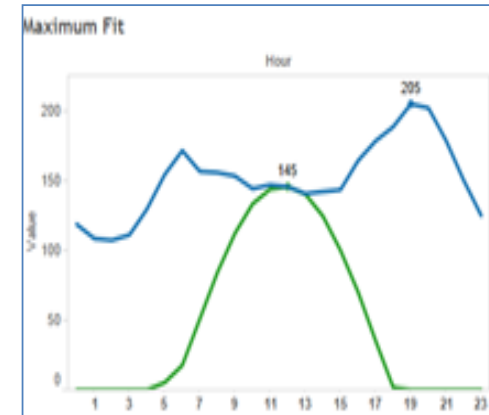
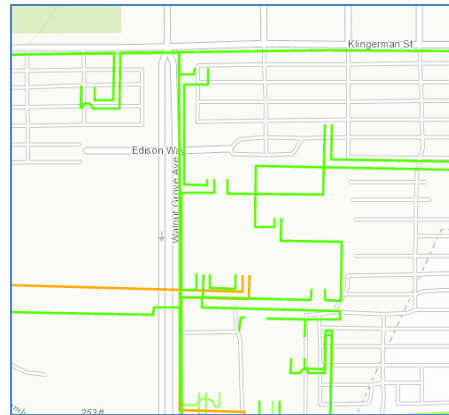
Heat map to inform policy makers of locations where DERs may be more valuable for targeted programs or incentives.

### **Utility Planning**

- Combined with ICA Hosting Capacity map to evaluate and forecast potential DER grid impacts and net costs or savings.

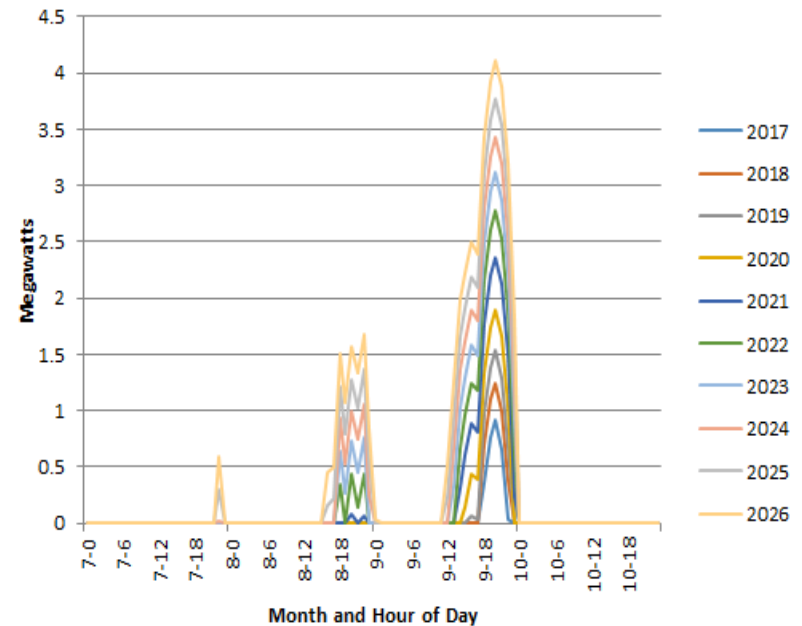
# LNBA Process Flow

1. Access the LNBA mapping layer that identifies deferral opportunity locations
2. Select a project location to view its description and download distribution deferral datasets
3. Compile a DER profile that meets the required deferral electric characteristics
4. Upload DER profile in LNBA Tool to estimate avoided costs



Heatmap of DER shape																								
	Hour of the Year (hour starting PST)																							
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Jan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.08	3.02	7.17	9.19	11.4	12	12.4	11.4	8.78	2.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feb	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.81	4.21	7.61	9.77	11.7	11.6	11.6	8.37	6.8	5.17	0.39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mar	0	0	0	0	0	0.21	3.83	9.57	15	17.7	19.5	20.1	19.6	16.9	14	8.73	1.91	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Apr	0	0	0	0	0.01	1.67	5.99	11.3	15.1	17.9	19.7	20.9	20.1	17.9	13.6	9.02	4.45	0.13	0	0	0	0	0	0
May	0	0	0	0	0.4	3.19	8.45	13.5	17.8	21.3	22.5	22.2	22	19.3	15.3	9.9	5.47	0.82	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jun	0	0	0	0	0.51	2.89	7.05	11.5	15.7	18.8	21	22.2	21.9	19.9	16.2	11.1	6.03	2.35	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jul	0	0	0	0	0.29	2.3	6.11	11.8	17.1	21.6	23.8	24.2	23.5	20.6	17.1	12	6.54	2.44	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aug	0	0	0	0	0.02	1.61	5.71	10.3	16.1	20.6	23.2	23.9	23.4	20.7	16.3	10.9	4.99	0.21	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep	0	0	0	0	0	0.91	4.94	9.72	13.5	18.3	21.3	22	21	18.1	13.7	8.22	1.88	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct	0	0	0	0	0	0.19	3.84	9.13	14	17.9	19.5	19.6	18.8	15.3	10.6	4.17	0.14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov	0	0	0	0	0	1.62	5.93	9.41	11.4	13.5	13.3	12.2	9.71	6.47	0.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec	0	0	0	0	0	0.26	3.85	7	9.5	11.2	12	11.4	8.04	5.67	0.86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Required DER Electrical Characteristics



# LNBA Tool: Project Deferral Value Calculation

First load forecast year (e.g.: 2016)	2017	
Discount Rate (%/yr)	7.00%	<i>disc</i>
Generic default inflation rate (%/yr)	2.00%	<i>inf</i>
Case to use for allocated hourly costs (Base, Low, High):	Base	
Deferral Yrs indicated by DER Dashboard	2	

User input:  
Tool wide  
financial data

## Project cost and need information

Equipment Information	Item 1			
Location Identifier (user text)	DPA 1			
Location Mapping info (User text)	Location 1234			
Equipment type	Primary Feeder			
Equipment Inflation (%/yr)	2.0%			
Revenue Requirement Multiplier	165.0%			
O&M Inflation Rate (%/yr)	2.0%			
Book life (yrs)	25			
O&M Factor (Annual O&M\$/Project Cost \$)	12.0%	0.12	0.12	
Cost Information	Base	Low	High	
Capital Cost (\$000)	\$2,000.0	\$1,800.0	\$3,000.0	
Incremental O&M Cost (\$000)	\$240.0	\$216.0	\$360.0	
Cost yr basis	2015			
Project install/commitment year	2017			
Cumulative MW reduction needed for deferral	Base			
1 2017	0.26			
2 2018	0.38			
3 2019	0.51			
4 2020	0.64			

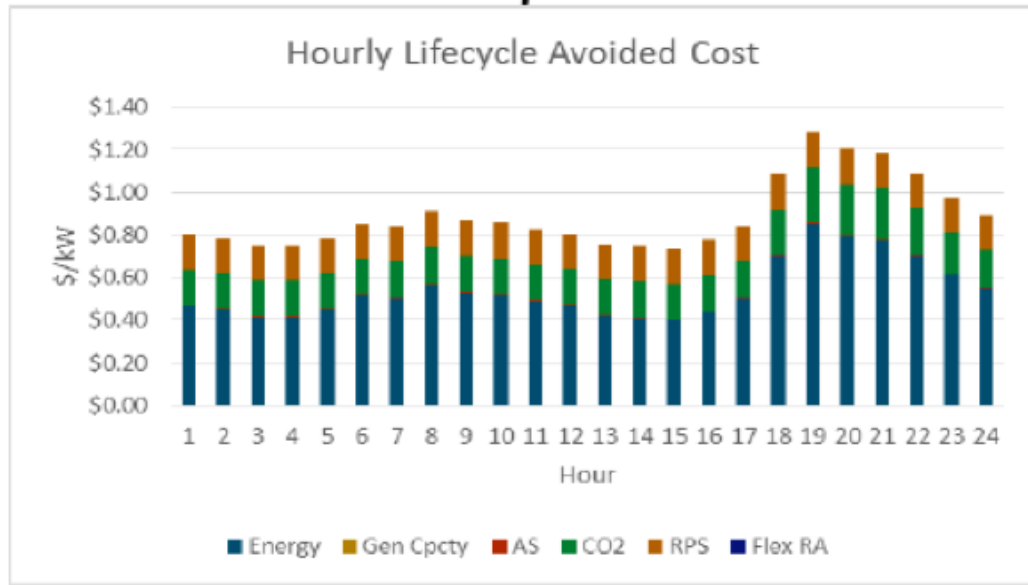
User input:  
Project  
specific  
details

# LNBA Tool: Additional Avoided Cost Calculation

User inputted hourly DER solution profile

Calculated lifetime hourly avoided cost values

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



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

- Deferral Value = (Full Cost of Asset \* RECC) +  $\Delta$  O&M
  - RECC Calculation
    - $i = 2.5\%$ ,  $r = 7\%$ , book life = 40 yrs.
    - $RECC = 4.5\% / 1.07 * 1.07^{40} / (1.07^{40} - 1.025^{40}) = 5.12\%$
  - Full Cost = (Direct Capital \* RRScaler) = (\$8M \* 150%) = \$12M
- Deferral Value = (\$12M \* 5.12%) + \$0.20M = \$0.81M

Source: E3, [http://drpwwg.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/LNBA-Working-Group-072616\\_FINALVERSION.pptx](http://drpwwg.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/LNBA-Working-Group-072616_FINALVERSION.pptx)

## Deferral Value for one year

Item	Variable	Low
Investment Cost	TDCapital (\$M)	\$ 8.00
	RECC	5.12%
	RRScaler	150%
Incremental O&M	$\Delta$ O&M (\$M/yr)	\$ 0.20
One year Deferral	SavingsOne (\$M)	\$ 0.81

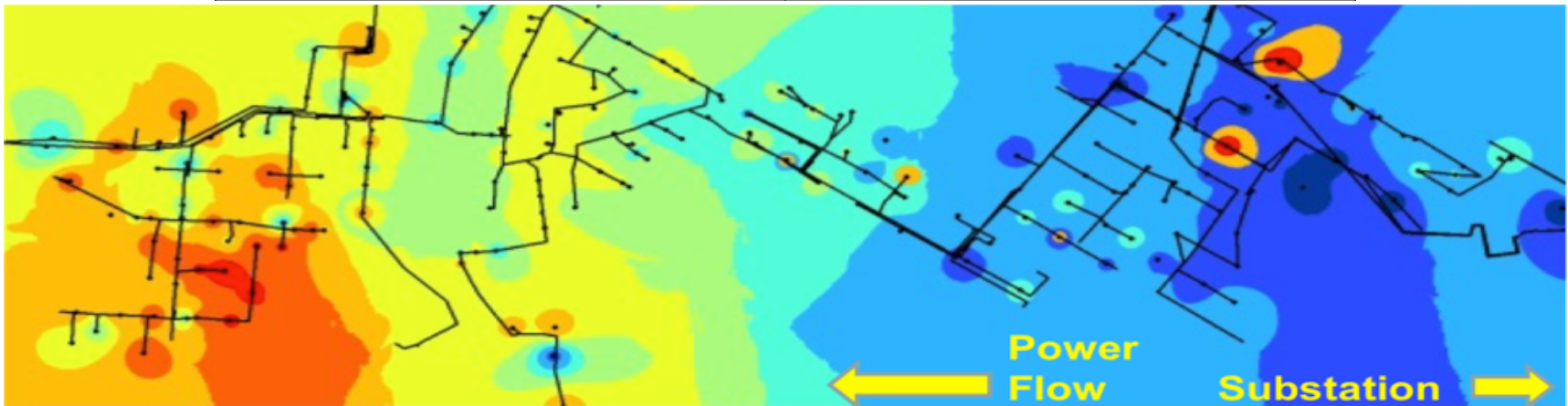
## Value expressed in alternate metrics

Value	Variable	Low
Two year Deferral	SavingsTotal (\$M)	\$ 1.60
MW Need (Hi, Med, Lo)	MW Need (2 yr)	8
Discrete savings per kW	DiscreteperkW	\$ 199

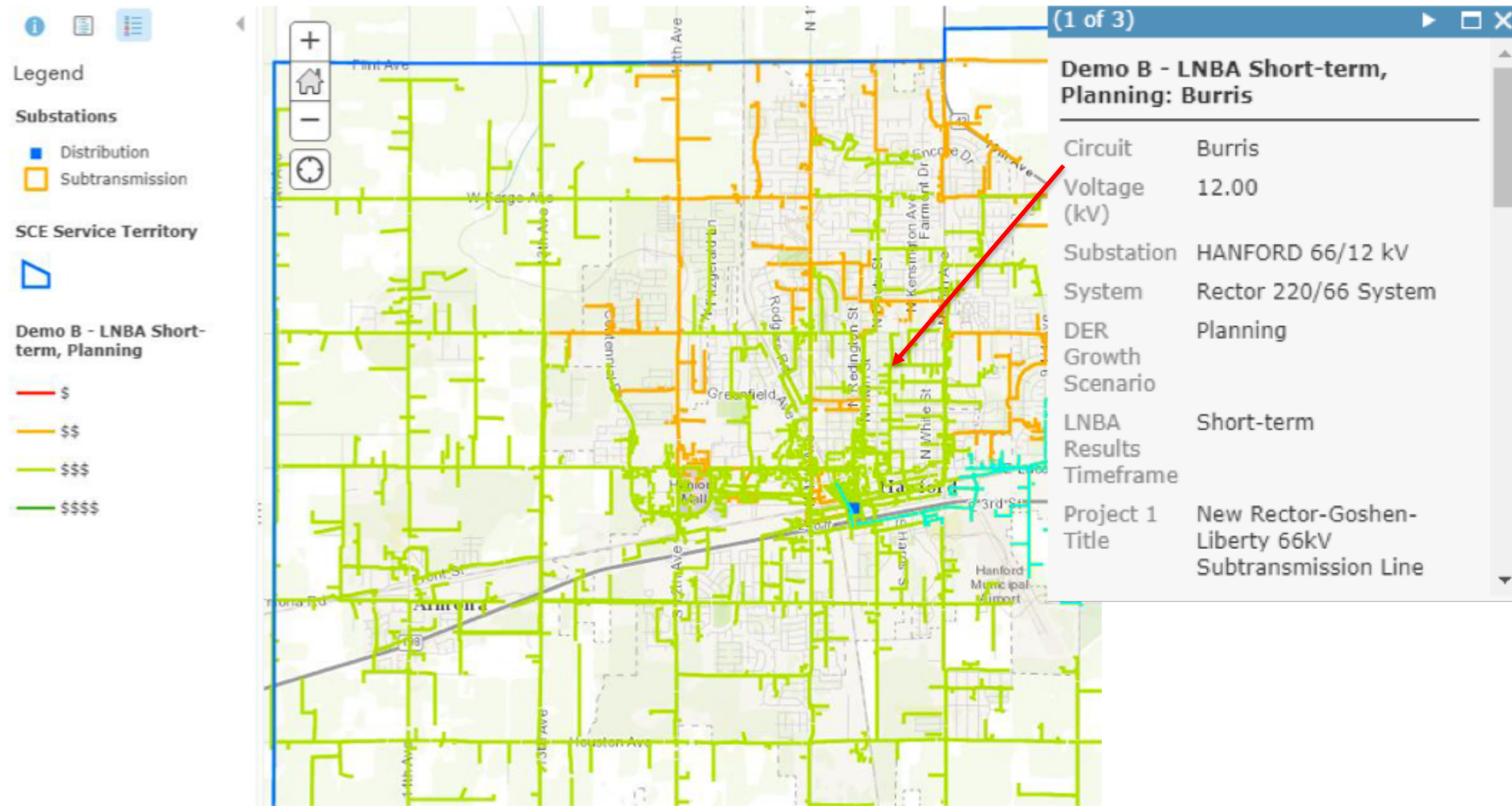


# LNBA - Distribution Marginal Cost Impacts

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



# Heatmap of LNBA Results

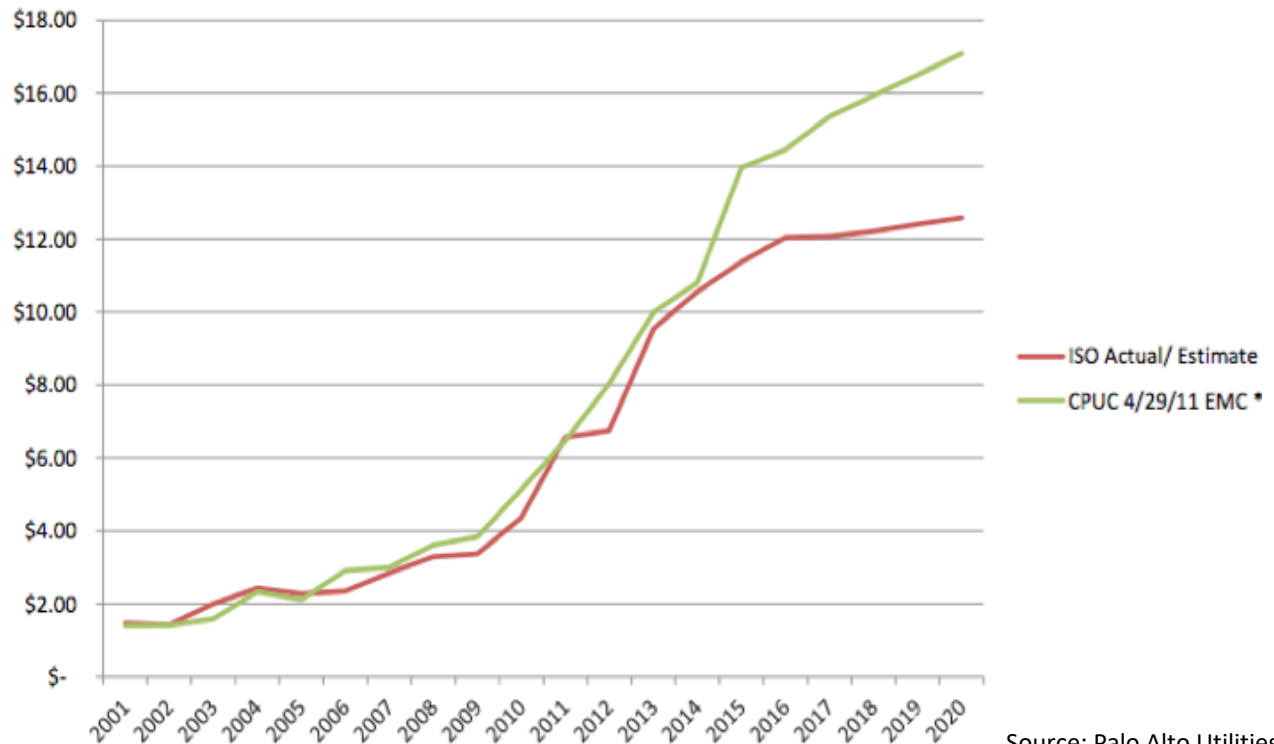


# Shift transmission investments into the distribution grid

- Under a business as usual scenario, new incremental transmission investments are likely to reach **\$80 billion** over the next 20 years for California ratepayers
- Levelized over 20 years, this approaches **3 cents/kWh** – or roughly 50% of the wholesale cost of electricity
- Avoiding half of these costs would **free up roughly \$40 billion** for ratepayers or modernizing the distribution grid, including local renewables, storage, etc.

**Historical and Projected High Voltage Transmission Access Charges (\$/MWh).**

**Does not include Low Voltage Transmission Access Charges.**



Source: Palo Alto Utilities

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