



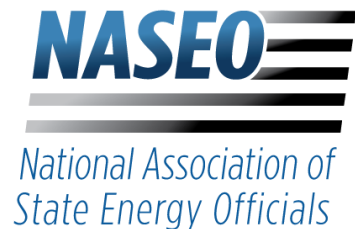
# Virtual Workshop: Enhancing Community Energy Resilience through FEMA BRIC

August 24-26, 2021  
12:30-4:30 PM ET

Hosted by the National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO), National Emergency Management Association (NEMA), and Business Council for Sustainable Energy (BCSE)

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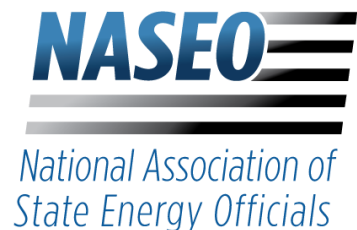
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# Welcome, Opening Remarks, and Keynote for Day Three

*Speakers:*

*Moderator* – **Scott Glenn**, Director, Hawaii Energy Office

**Kelly Speakes-Backman**, Acting Assistant Secretary and Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy (US DOE EERE)



# Hazard-Specific Solutions: Hurricanes, Extreme Wind, and Flooding

*Speakers:*

*Moderator* – **Kristofor Anderson**, Director of Energy Resources, Georgia Environmental Finance Authority

**Brenna Mahoney**, Sustainability Specialist, Climate Resilience Team, PG&E

**Darin Painter**, VP of Sales, Stationary Power, Plug Power



# Success\*! Public-private partnership to protect communities and infrastructure from climate change

PG&E and FEMA BRIC 2021

\*proposal identified for further review from FEMA



Brenna Mahoney, PhD  
Sustainability Specialist, PG&E Climate Resilience Team



# Climate Resilience at PG&E

Focused on integrating forward-looking climate change data into PG&E decision-making.

PG&E is safer and more reliable, costs are contained.

PG&E's climate adaptation is in line with and directly supports adaptation planning throughout our territory.

## Today's talk – FEMA BRIC proposal

- PG&E brought together the stakeholders to:
  - Protect a critical regional substation from current and future flooding
  - Implement necessary flood protection for disadvantaged and vulnerable communities
- How did this project come to be?
- Lessons learned: working with local and state municipalities and agencies on building resilience to climate change?





# PG&E territory

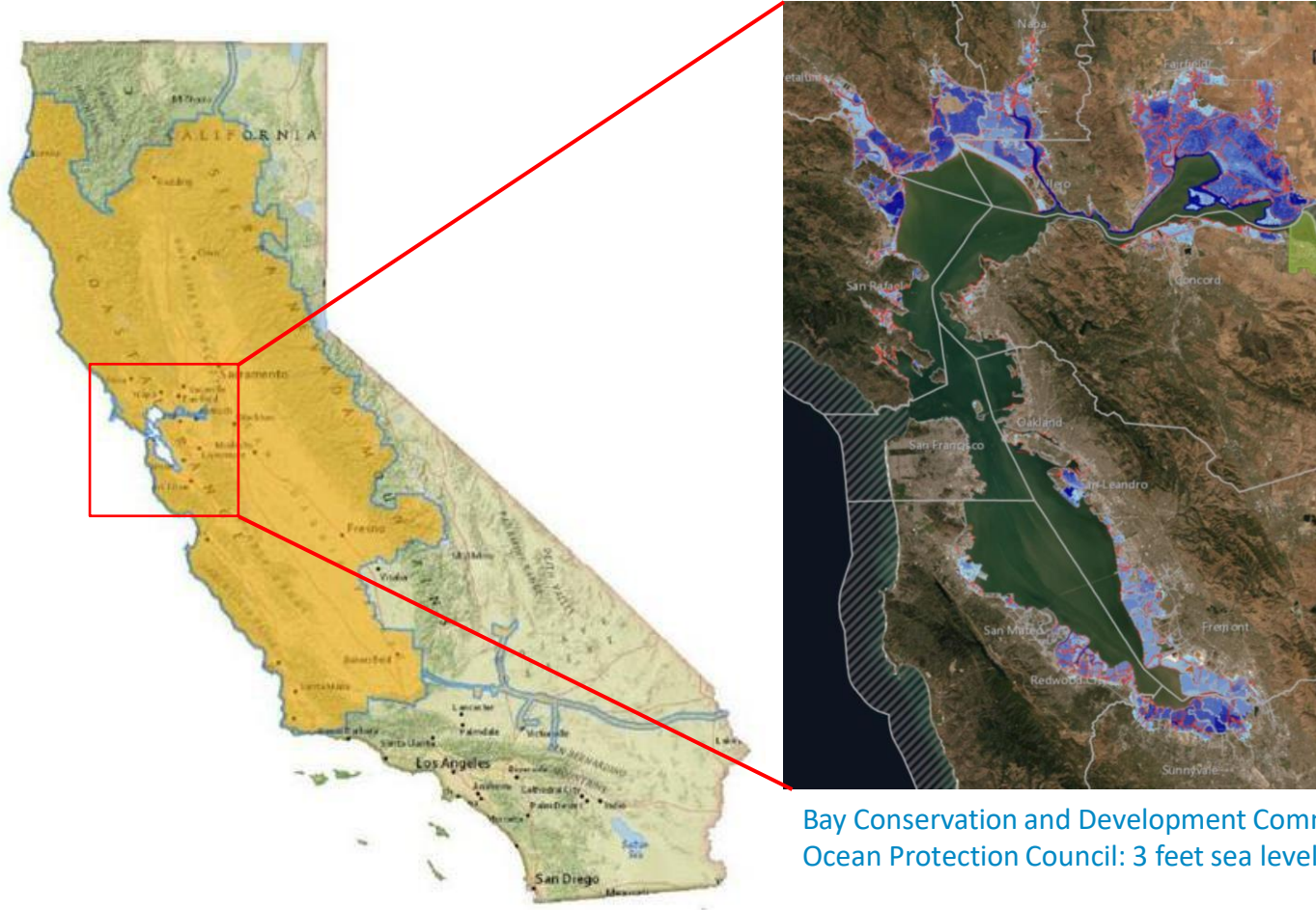


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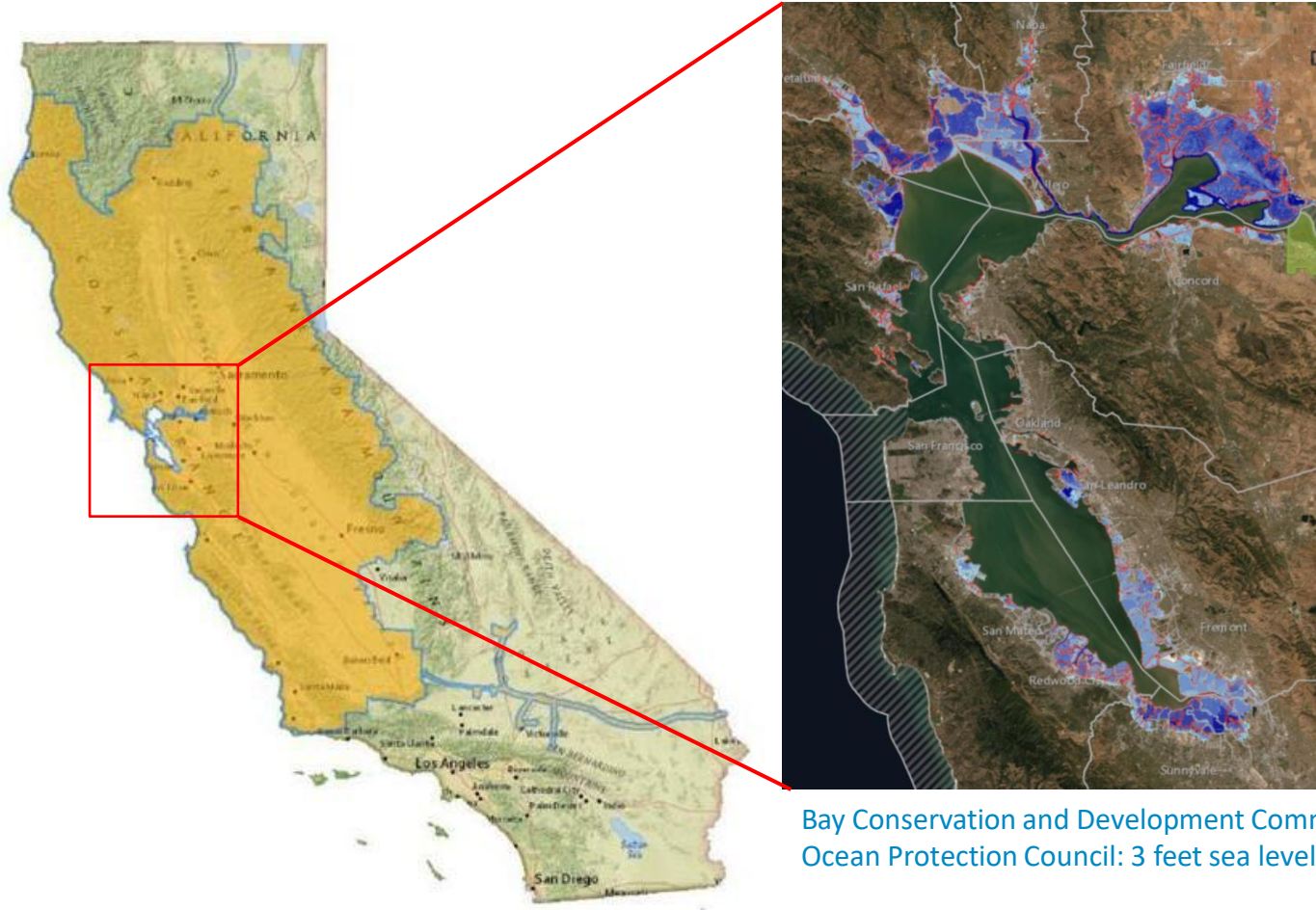


# Coastal flooding is a current and future concern



Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC)  
Ocean Protection Council: 3 feet sea level rise by 2050

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## A plethora of concerns

- Communities
- Jobs
- Recreation
- Transportation
- Infrastructure
- Ecosystems

## Vulnerable energy infrastructure

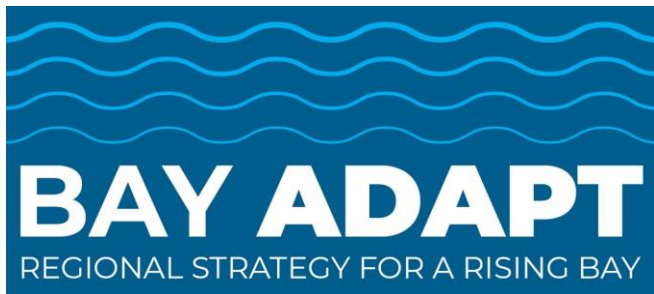
- Substations
- Transmission towers
- Facilities
- Electric and gas assets and operations

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# The Bay is rising. The time to come together to act is now

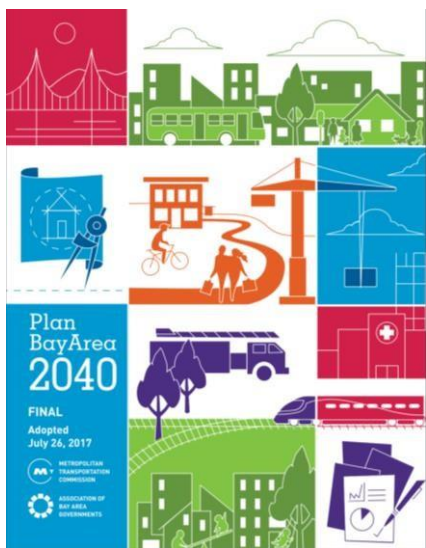


## Regional shoreline protection

- Protect disadvantaged and vulnerable communities
- Prioritize nature-based solutions and restoration of critical habitat
- Protect critical infrastructure for communities

Need: funding for planning and implementation

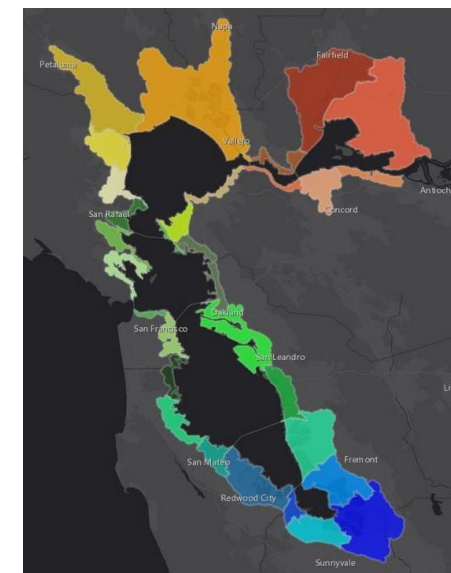
How can PG&E participate as a stakeholder and as a leader for regional efforts?



Equitable community planning



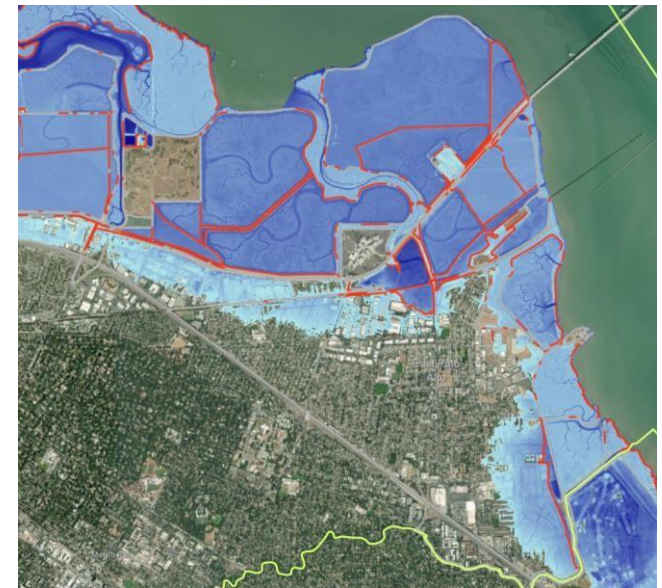
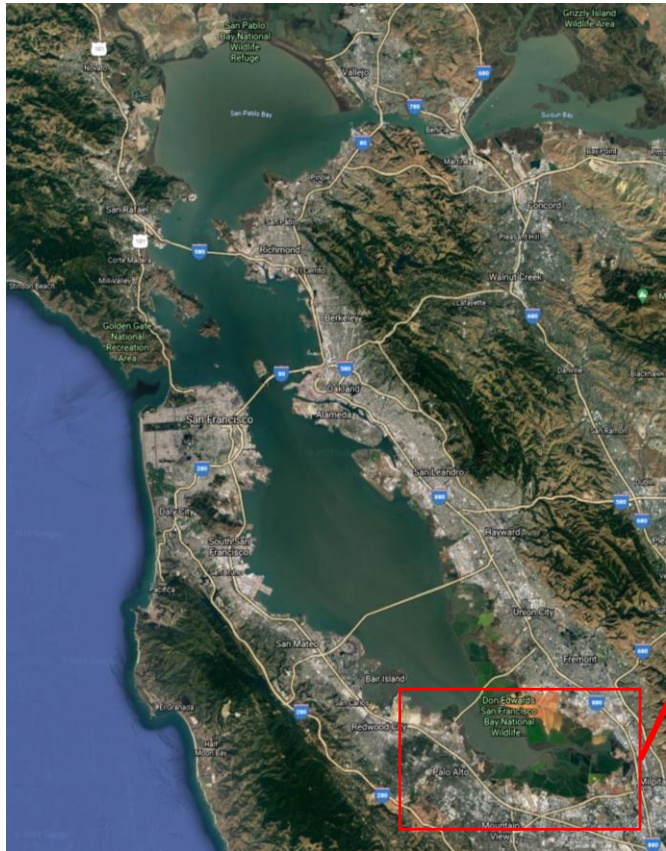
Restore tidal marshes and ecosystem services



Adaptation options for shoreline protection are grounded in best available science

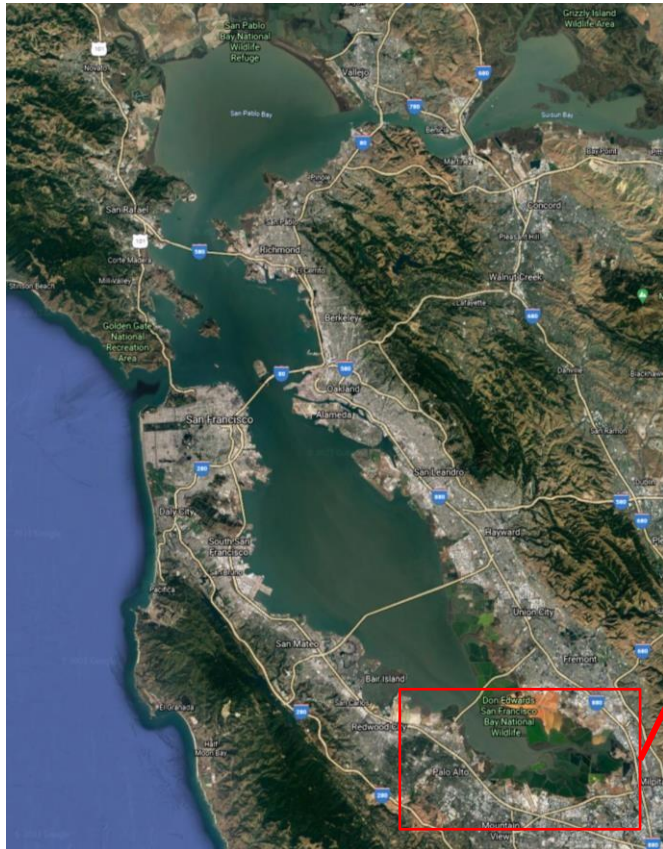


# Project Area



3 feet SLR ~2050



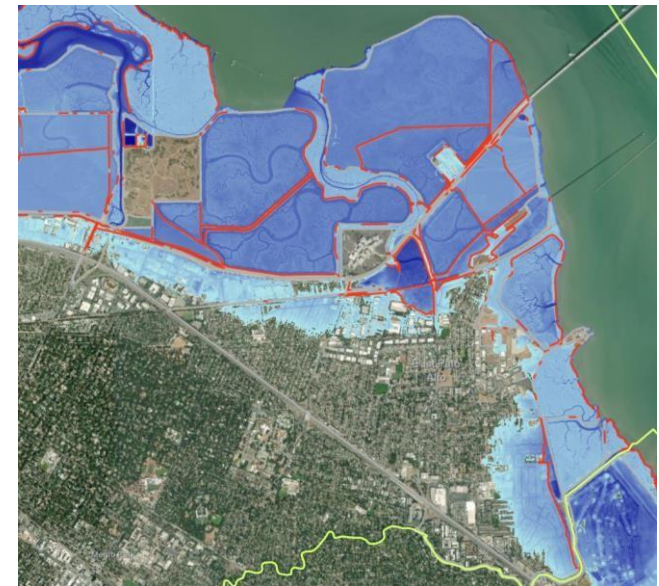


## Disadvantaged communities:

- City of East Palo Alto
- Bell Haven Neighborhood (Menlo Park)
- Parts of Redwood City

## Critical regional infrastructure

- CalTrans Highway 84
- PG&E Substation



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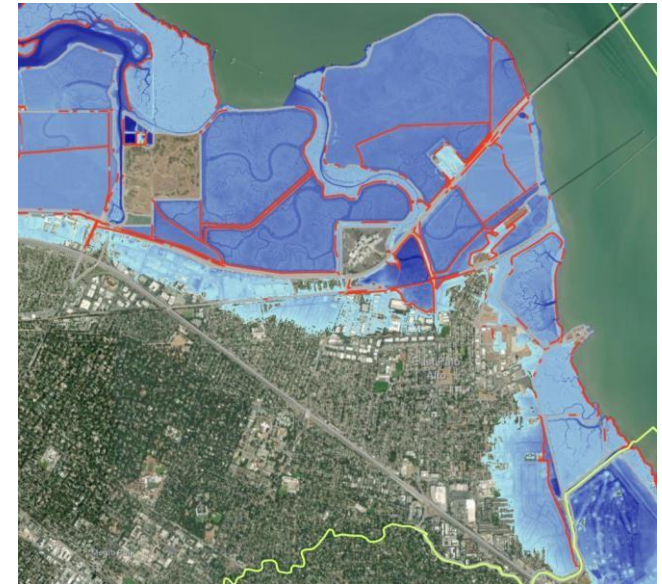




# Ravenswood Substation

230kV transmission substation that directly connects to distribution substations

Extensive flooding: de-energization of substation



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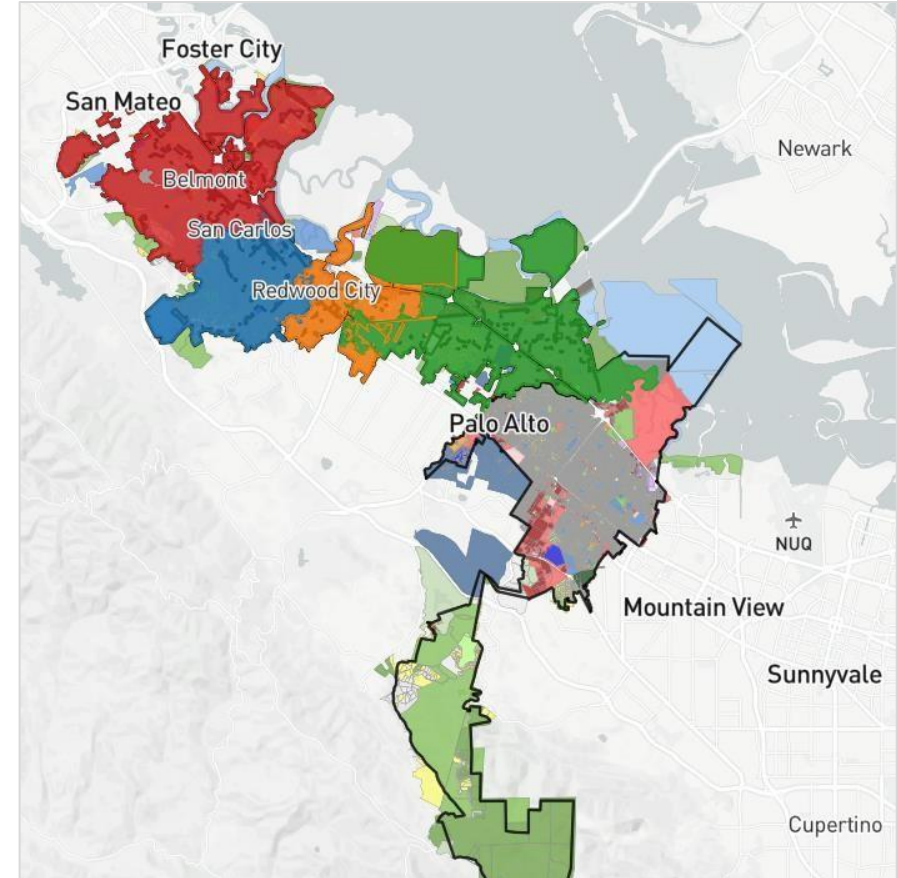




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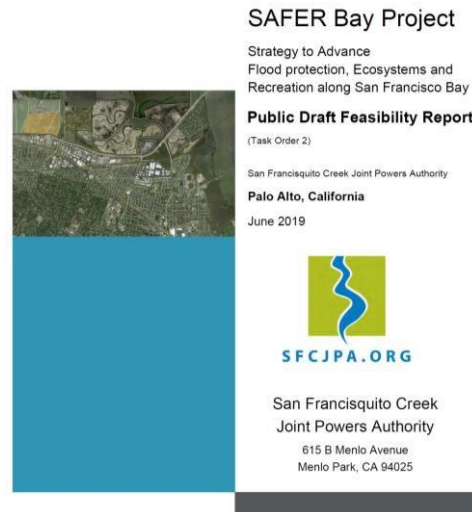
Extensive flooding: de-energization of substation



296,183 PG&E Customers would lose power in 2050 in a 1–100-year storm

# Laying the groundwork for the BRIC application

- Planning, stakeholder and public engagement, and development of options for this shoreline has been ongoing since 2016 and led by the San Francisquito Creek Joint Powers Authority and other regional entities



June 2019



June 2020

- Result: Regional agreement on options to mitigate flooding, protect communities, and implement wetland restoration (restoration of over 550 acres of former salt ponds to tidal marsh)
- Need: Funding for implementation

PG&E has been an active and engaged stakeholder throughout

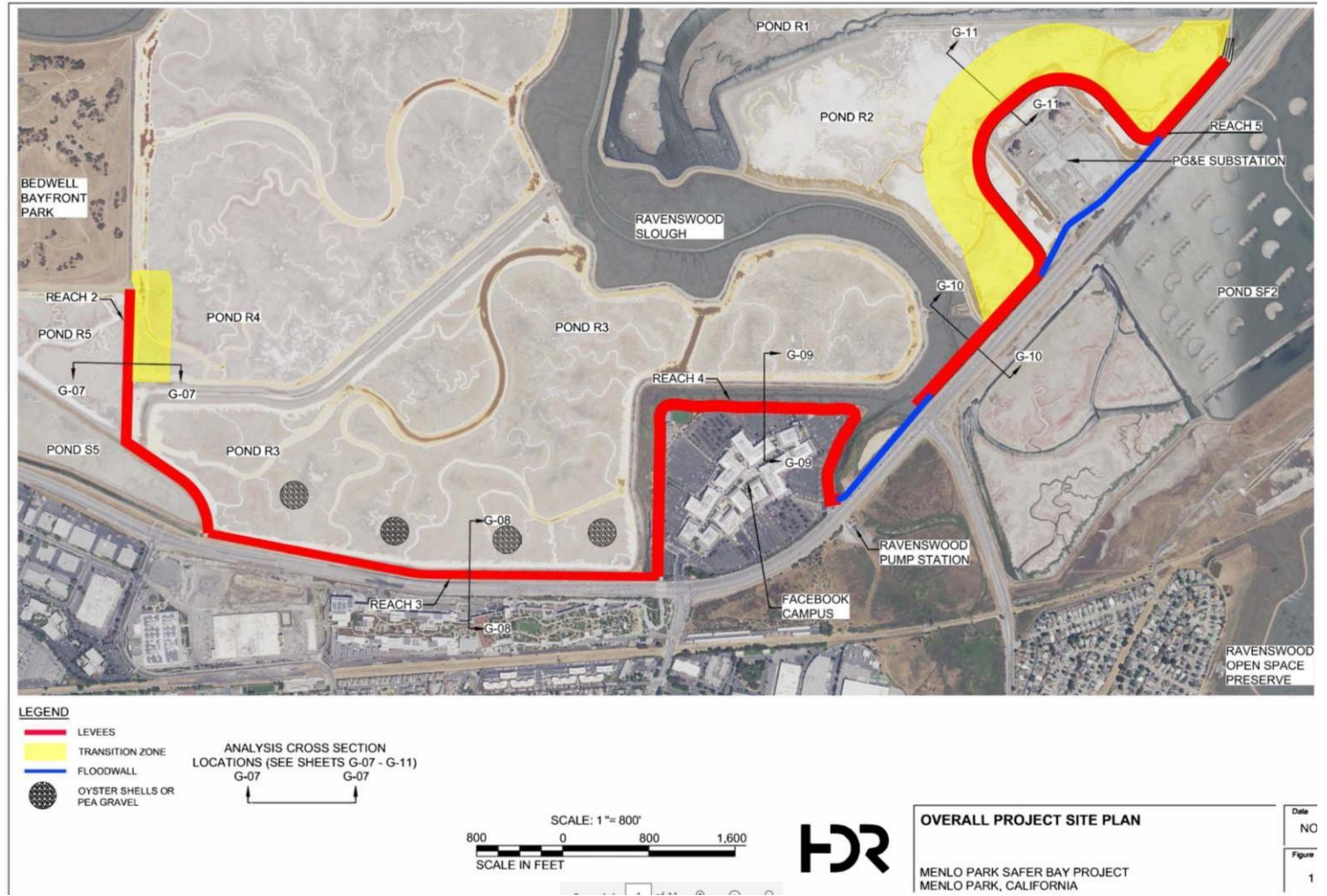
## PG&E lead start and coordination of FEMA BRIC proposal

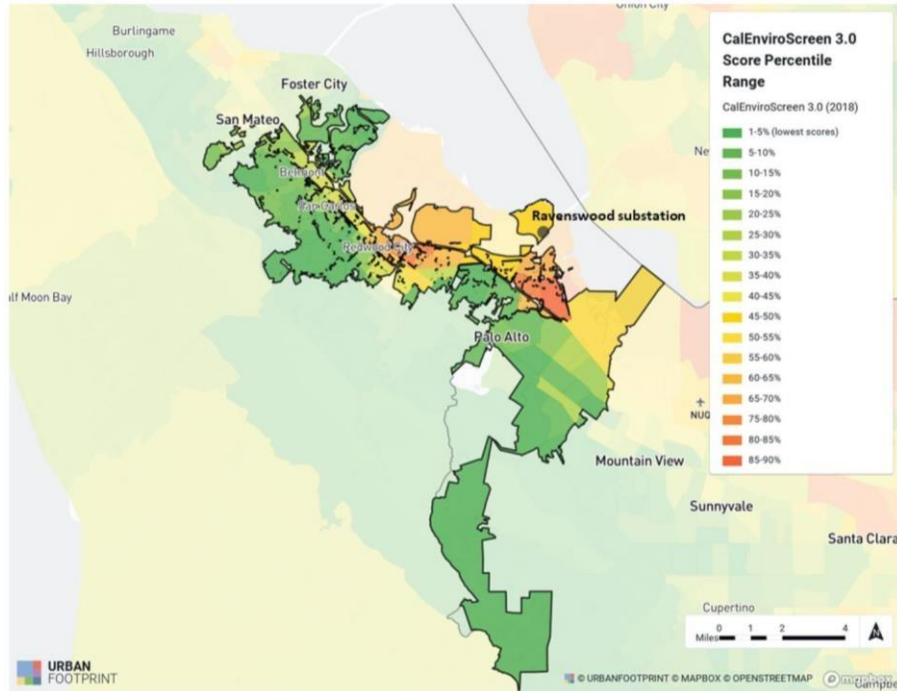
- Summer 2020 PG&E informed by US Fish Wildlife Service about berm damaged and short-term repair
- Fall 2020 PG&E Brings together stakeholders to apply for BRIC funds





# Menlo Park SAFER Bay BRIC Proposal





Population low-income*	6.5% (19,338 persons)
Population below the Federal poverty line	9% (26,842 persons)
Population qualified as Disadvantaged Vulnerable Community residents per CPUC for purposes of adaptation planning	8% (23,416 persons)
Population with high CalEnviroScreen score**	17% (50,013 persons)
Population with Healthy Places Index scores below California average***	19% (57,295 person) are in areas in the bottom half of the Healthy Places Index.

## Project impact:

- 296,183 people
- Disadvantaged communities
- 213,000 jobs
- 1632 medical baseline customers

Benefit-cost ratio of 9 to 1

Uses nature-based solutions

## 26 Letters of support:

- 6 elected officials
- 2 municipalities
- 6 regulatory and governmental agencies
- 12 non-governmental agencies

## Total project cost: \$67 million

- Matching funds:
  - PG&E share: \$10 million
  - Facebook share: \$7.8 million
- Requested FEMA share: \$50 million





# Lessons learned

- Local communities are the leaders in climate adaptation
- Partnership is key and private companies can be great partners!
- BRIC proposal was a win-win
- PG&E
  - California's climate hazards are our climate hazards
  - Work with local communities to identified shared vulnerabilities and adaptation options for the resilience of our customers and communities
  - Work with state energy and emergency services offices for a more resilient California
  - We encourage other private companies / energy companies to do the same

Thank you!



# Appendix



# Menlo Park SAFER Bayproject

Working together to protect critical infrastructure

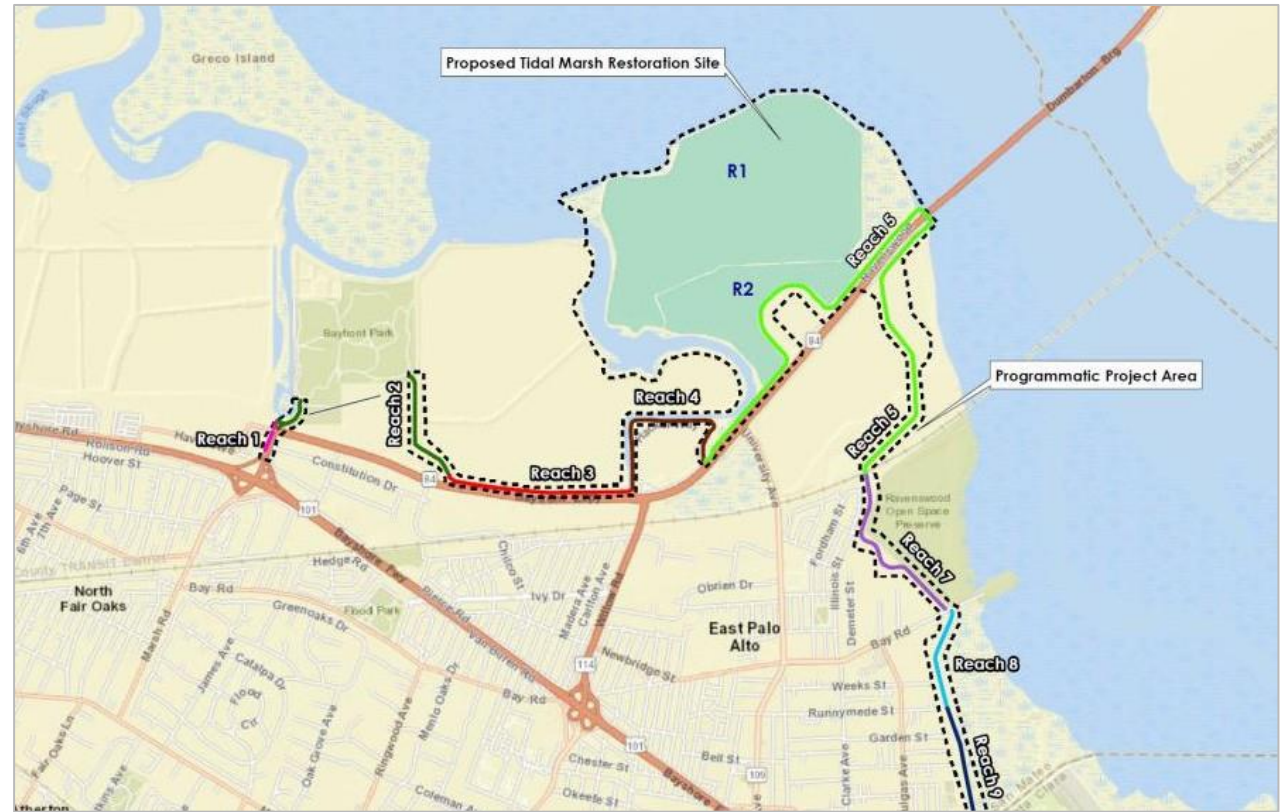
FEMA announced the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program in summer 2020.

We identified an opportunity to partner with Menlo Park and other local and regional stakeholders on a BRIC application.

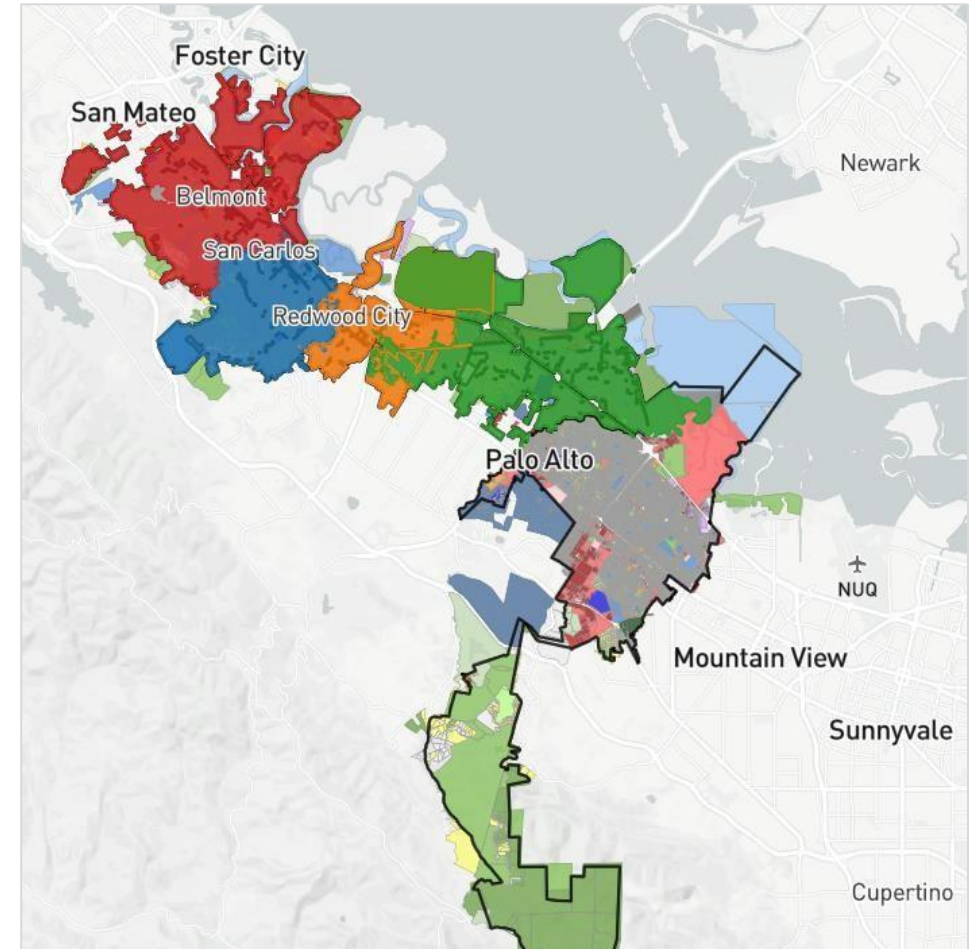
Working together, PG&E and the project partners developed the Menlo Park SAFER (Strategy to Advance Flood protection, Ecosystems, and Recreation) BayProject.

If funded, the project will protect infrastructure and communities along more than nine miles of Bay Area shoreline from projected sea-level rise.

Using nature-based solutions, the levee will allow for habitat restoration of over 550 acres of former salt ponds, and it will increase public recreational access. Construction of the project will create jobs and engage local communities at every step.



Future conditions w/ 3.5ft. Sea Level Rise (SLR)						
Recurrence interval scenario	Substation Inundation depth, ft.	Impact to Substation	Flood Event duration, days	Drainage duration, days	Repair time, days	Total loss of service time, days
Scenario 5 10-year + 3.5 ft SLR (10% ACE)	2	SPCC system overwhelmed by water: De-energization required Battery charger and DC system destroyed.	1	5	2	8
Scenario 6 50-year + 3.5 ft SLR (2% ACE)	2	SPCC system overwhelmed by water: De-energization required Battery charger and DC system destroyed.	2	5	2	9
Scenario 7 100-year + 3.5 ft SLR (1% ACE)	2	SPCC system overwhelmed by water: De-energization required Battery charger and DC system destroyed.	3	5	2	10
Scenario 8 500-year + 3.5 ft SLR (0.2% ACE)	2	SPCC system overwhelmed by water: De-energization required Battery charger and DC system destroyed.	3	5	2	10







# California's climate hazards are PG&E's hazards

PG&E Climate Vulnerability Assessment: In 2020, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) ordered all California IOUs to conduct a detailed climate change vulnerability assessment of their assets, operations, and services







Data: Cal-Adapt, CA Ocean Protection Council, USGS, NOAA, and best available science and practices.

Community engagement plan: better understand the needs of our customers in disadvantaged and vulnerable communities. Allow us to co-create adaptation strategies with local governments and community groups.

Managed by the Climate Resilience Team

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-  Temperature
-  Coastal flooding
-  Precipitation
-  Wildfire
-  Drought-driven subsidence
-  Cascading impacts

# *BRIC Workshop*

# The Global Leader in the Green Hydrogen Economy

## Key Performance Characteristics



1<sup>st</sup> to create a market for HFC technology



Strong patent portfolio and proprietary know-how



43 trademarks and trademark applications



~70% blue chip customer base



~700MM operating hours (1Bn+ miles)



Significant runway available in core forklift market



Future applications represent tremendous addressable markets



40 MM fuelings



Installed base creates foundation for recurring revenue

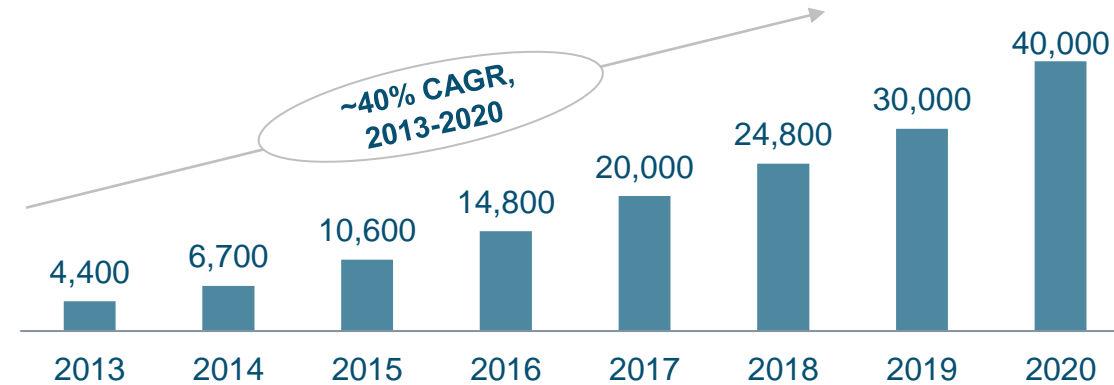
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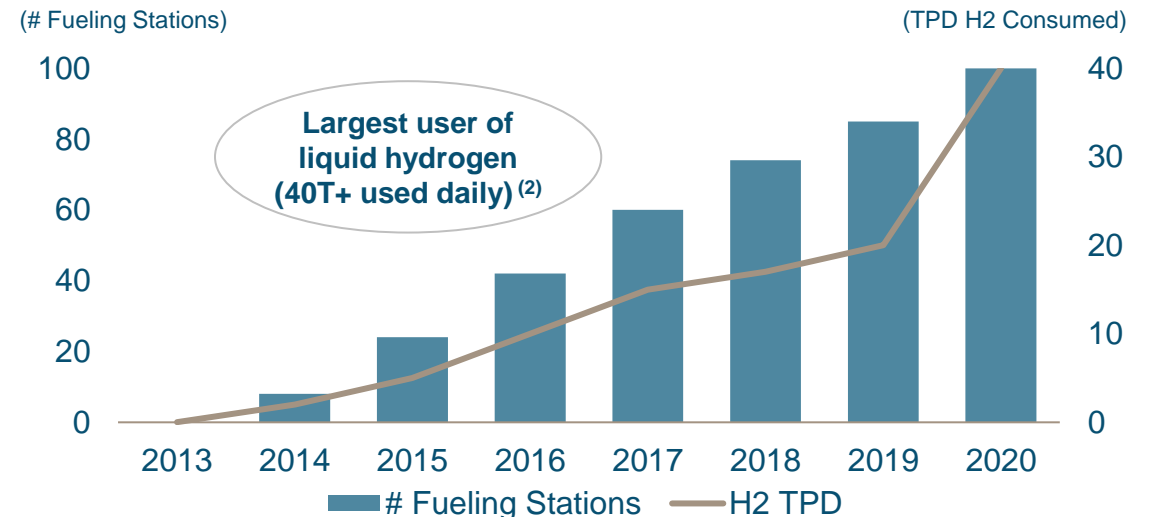
1. Rounded figures, excludes stationary units

2. Reflects liquid hydrogen required to fuel 40,000 installed base of forklifts, assuming each requires 0.9kg hydrogen per day

## Cumulative Hybrid Fuel Cell Units Installed <sup>(1)</sup>



## Hydrogen Infrastructure and Fuel Consumption <sup>(2)</sup>



Source: Internal Data Collected via SiteView

Fuel Cells For Stationary Power

## The Push To Eliminate Diesel

Microsoft, one of the world's largest data-center operators, announced they will eliminate diesel fuel by 2030

Amazon pledged to make the largest U.S. e-commerce company net carbon neutral by 2040

Walmart announced it is targeting zero emissions across the company's global operations by 2040

Google has made a commitment to operate on 24/7 carbon-free energy in all its datacenters and campuses worldwide by 2030

"We're announcing that we're aiming to eliminate diesel fuel by 2030. While diesel fuel accounts for less than 1% of our emissions, we believe it's important to help accelerate the global transition away from fossil fuels and we are charting a new course using low-carbon fuel sources including hydrogen."

**Lucas Joppa** | Microsoft  
Chief Environmental Officer





GenSure

# Stationary Power Applications

## Critical Backup

Hyperscale Data Centers  
Retail Backup  
**Critical facilities**

## Distributed Generation

Delivery Fleet EV Charging  
Remote Operations (Mining/Drilling)  
Event Rental Fleet Power  
Prime Power Generation

## Microgrid/Energy Storage

**Remote Microgrids**  
**Utility Microgrids**  
**Community Microgrids**  
ESS Renewable Firming

## Port Electrification

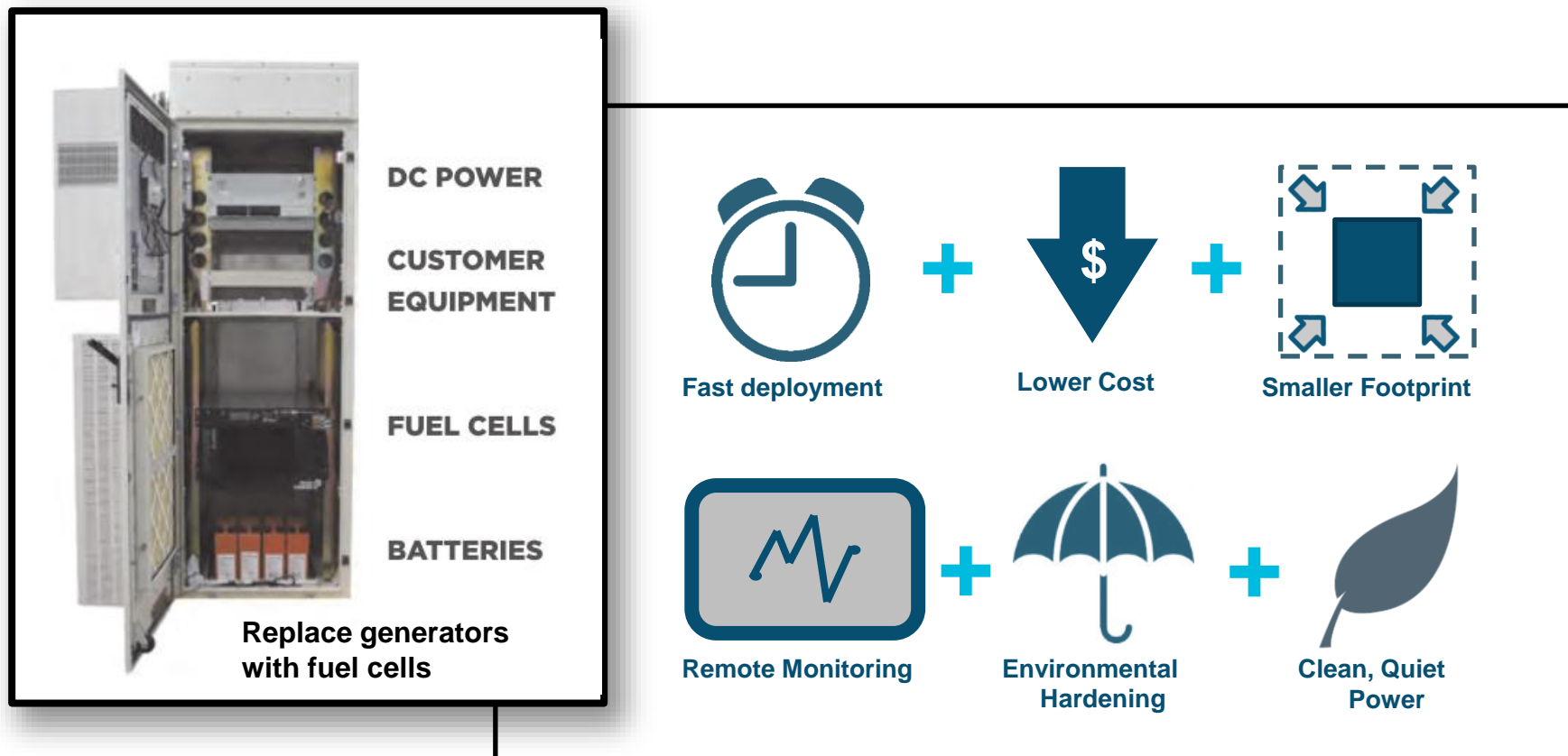
Cold Ironing  
TRU Electrification  
Port Vehicle Charging

## Transportation

**Rail Crossings**  
**Rail Signals and Comms**  
**Roadway Signals**  
**Roadway Signage**

## Telecom Networks

**4G/5G Networks**  
**Rural Broadband**  
CPUC Resiliency Upgrades  
5G Telecom Expansion



Simplicity through integration provides savings

## Critical Power Backup: Value Proposition

- Smaller Footprint
- Higher Power Density
- Low TCO for Wireless Base Stations & Wireline Nodes
- Noise Reduction

Demonstrated with the Southern Company – ~500 sites deployed



## High Power Fuel Cell Generator: Value Proposition

- Reduces Noise Pollution
- Reduces Air Pollution
- Improves Reliability
- Improves Response Time
- Zero-emission Power – Scalable in 1 MW Increments

Diesel Engine Replacement



# Typical Installations

- Multiple applications across industries
- Critical facilities and networks
- Zero emissions



## Fuel Cells vs. Generators

- Fuel Cells - Fewer mechanical parts / increased availability
- Fuel Cells - Lower cost of ownership / reduced maintenance
- Fuel Cells - Hydrogen has unlimited shelf life / greater reliability
- Fuel Cells - Zero emission technology
- Fuel Cells - Lower incidence of theft
- Fuel Cells - Remote management capable



## Fueling Solutions Overview



## Economic Value, Environmental Sustainability

Realizing the multi-faceted benefits our H2 strategy delivers.

### Green Hydrogen Network

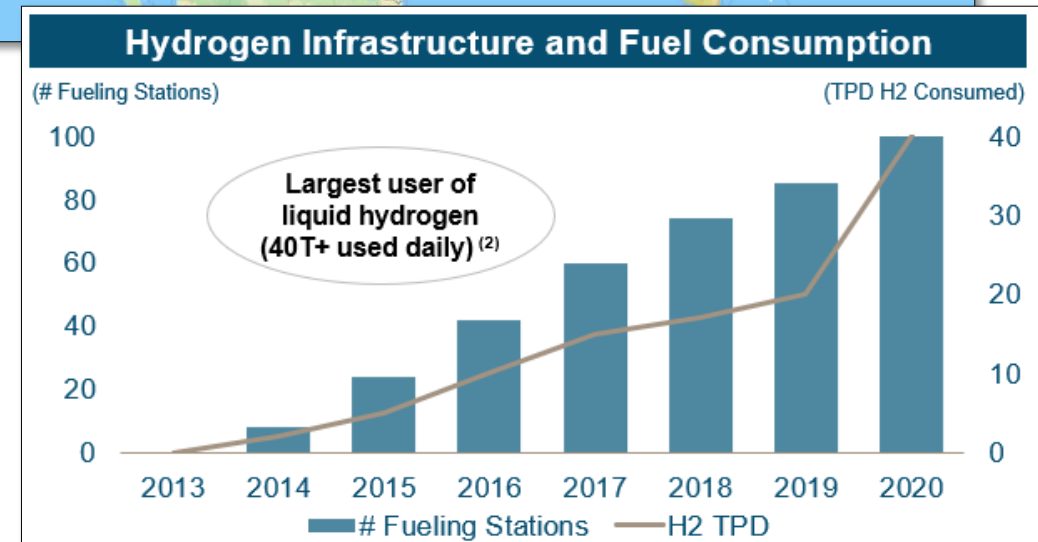
Our green hydrogen network will accelerate many fuel cell applications. The first successful one being the materials handling industry.

### Cost Roadmap

Turn low-cost and declining renewable power into high-value hydrogen fuel. Domestic energy resources strengthen energy and national security while providing tremendous environmental benefit.

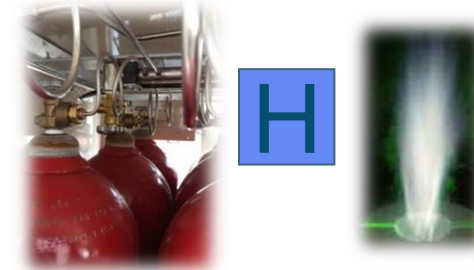
### Investment Returns

Investments in green hydrogen provide attractive returns as well as immediate cost savings and strengthened customer relationships.



## Hydrogen Properties

- Rapidly disperses - the lightest element
- Colorless, odorless, tasteless, & non-toxic
- Flammable from 4% - 75% in air



## Energy Content Comparison



6 Cylinders of H2

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3 Gallons of Diesel

=



4.7 Gallons of Propane

Hydrogen Volume	Propane BTUs (1 Gallon = 91,600 Btu's)	Diesel BTUs (1 Gallon 139,000)
1 Cubic Foot = 275 Btu	Equivalent Gallons	Equivalent Gallons
1 Cylinder = 260 Cu Ft	0.8	0.5
Fuel Wing = 6 Cylinders	4.7	3.1



## GENFUEL

### Complete Fuel Service Offering

- Complete support services
  - Initial fueling
  - Refueling
  - Disaster recovery
  - Preventive maintenance
  - Live call center 24x7x365
  - All fuel logistics handled for customer
- Disaster recovery support
  - Partnerships with service companies for delivery
  - Agreements in place for fuel sourcing
    - Leverage Plug Power assets where available
- Remote monitoring is available or Customer NOC dispatched
- Services offered driven by project commitment



## Hurricane Performance Overview

- Plug Power fuel cells provided critical backup power at 191 sites during Michael & Zeta
- Impacted sites spread across three states and multiple Operations regions
- Outages averaged just under two days with some outages exceeding 13 days
- Total outage time supported of over 7,500 hours

## Michael strengthens into Category 4 hurricane

Michael has intensified into an extremely dangerous Category 4 hurricane and is expected to strengthen further before making landfall in the Florida Panhandle or the Florida Big Bend area, the U.S. National Hurricane Center (NHC) said on Wednesday.

### SUSTAINED WINDS — MILES PER HOUR

● Tropical depression: < 39    ● Tropical storm: 39-73    ● Hurricane: 74-110    ● Major hurricane: > 110

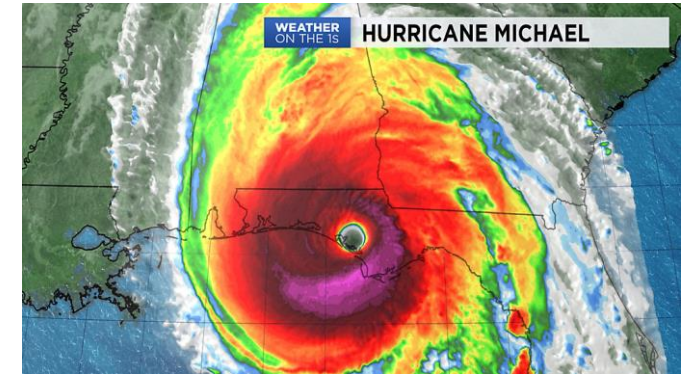


Sources: NOAA National Hurricane Center; U.S. Census Bureau

W. Feb. 10/10/2018

REUTERS

- Pre-storm preparation is critical
  - Fuel source availability / alternatives
  - Personnel / asset prep
- Successful fueling response throughout recovery
  - Highly mobile fueling assets - limited access issues experienced
  - Multiple Plug Power-managed fuel sources improve response time
  - No competition with diesel / propane fuel sources
- Intelligent asset management improves efficiency
  - Near real-time automated fuel level monitoring & dispatching
  - Close communication between Plug Power Services & Customer Operations teams





## Tax Credit Information

The fuel cell tax credit applies to a percentage of fuel cell system costs, up to a maximum of \$3,000 per kilowatt of fuel cell rated power.

- 2017, 2018, 2019: 30%
- 2020, 2021, 2022: 26%
- 2023: 22%



Wrap-up

## GENSURE

### **Industry Leading Design**

- Redundancy, Reliability, Scalability

### **Field Proven**

- Successfully deployed in networks worldwide

### **Extensive Support Capabilities**

- Experienced and proven global support capabilities

### **Deployment Ready**

- Mature product design and immediate deployment capabilities





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# Hazard-Specific Solutions: Wildfires, Droughts, Earthquakes

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# Sustainability Efficiency Resilience

Don Wingate – Schneider Electric

*Hazard-Specific Solutions: Wildfires, Droughts, Earthquakes*



Aug 26, 2021



Life Is On



Schneider  
Electric

# Schneider Electric. How most may know us

An Energy Management and Industrial Automation company

<b>\$35B Global Sales</b> (\$7B in US)	<b>140,000 Employees</b> (19,000 in US)	<b>\$2B R&amp;D Investment</b> (5% of Annual Sales)
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Serving five key end markets

 Buildings	 Datacenters	 Infrastructure	 Industry	 Residential
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Enabled by our powerful brands

<b>MV/LV Protection &amp; Control</b>	<b>Critical Power</b>	<b>Building Products</b>	<b>Industrial &amp; Process Automation</b>
 by Schneider Electric	 by Schneider Electric	 by Schneider Electric	 i n v e n t e n t s
<b>Leader Position</b>	<b>Leader Position</b>	<b>Top 5</b>	<b>Top 5</b>

  
Digital IOT Solutions



# Weather events create an Energy Crisis for People, Communities, Commerce

We need to mitigate before it breaks & embrace an Energy Transition – FEMA BRIC to the rescue!



# The Energy Transition is Creating Challenges and Opportunities

Organizations must navigate a complex and rapidly-evolving energy landscape



Costs

**50%**

**Increase in U.S. utility transmission & distribution costs in the past decade**



Sustainability

**100% by 2035**

Federal: **new ambition for 100% clean power by 2035**

State: **30+ states have enacted established Renewable Portfolio Standards**

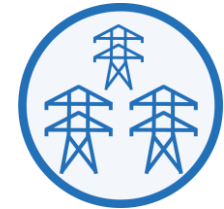
Corporate: **Accelerating ESG commitments including Scope 1 and 2 emissions reductions targets**



Resilience

**\$600B**

**Economic damage in the U.S. from large-scale climate and weather disasters between 2016-2020**



Reliability

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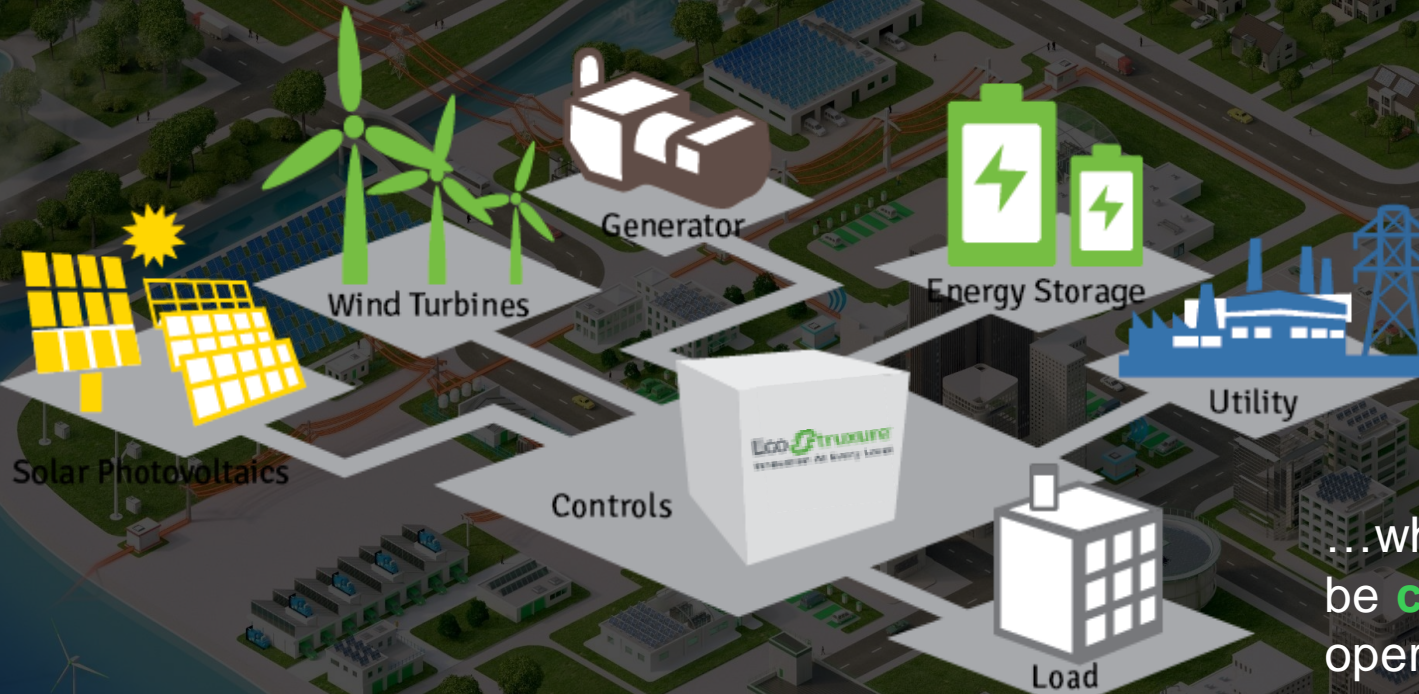
**Major “electric disturbance events” took place in 2020, up from 150 in 2017**

Challenges are interrelated and create feedback loops



# What is an Advanced Microgrid?

An **integrated energy system** consisting of **interconnected loads** and **distributed energy resources** (DER) within a defined electrical boundary...

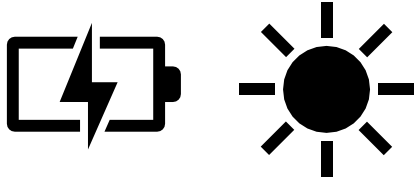
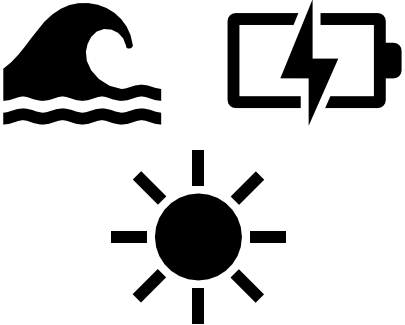
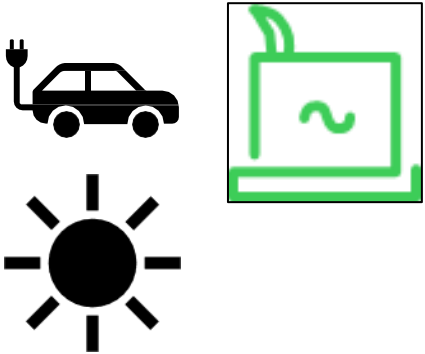


...which as an integrated system can be **controlled as a single entity** and operate in **parallel with the grid** or in an intentional **islanded** mode.



# A Distributed Grid – One Practical & Proven Solution

Sample Projects – Proactive Actions





**However, customer self-deployment of microgrids entail..**



**Capital**



**Complexity**



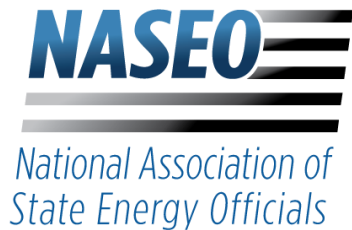
**Risk**

# Points to Consider:

- **Embrace Microgrid for a distributed Grid**
- **Streamline Grant Application Process**
- **Simplify grid interconnection agreements**
- **Embrace Public Private Partnerships and EaaS business models**
- **Don't wait for the next disaster**

# BREAK

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# Hazard-Specific Solutions: Extreme Heat and Cold

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# Case Study: Town of Cohasset Hazard-Specific Solutions: Heat and Cold

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**Objective:** Summarize the energy supply reliability and resiliency challenges tied to adverse weather events and how the Town of Cohasset is pursuing microgrids as a solution.

**Agenda:**

- Challenge
- Conceptual Framework
- FEMA BRIC Grant Opportunity

The Town has looked at the options and is pursuing a microgrid



# Challenge

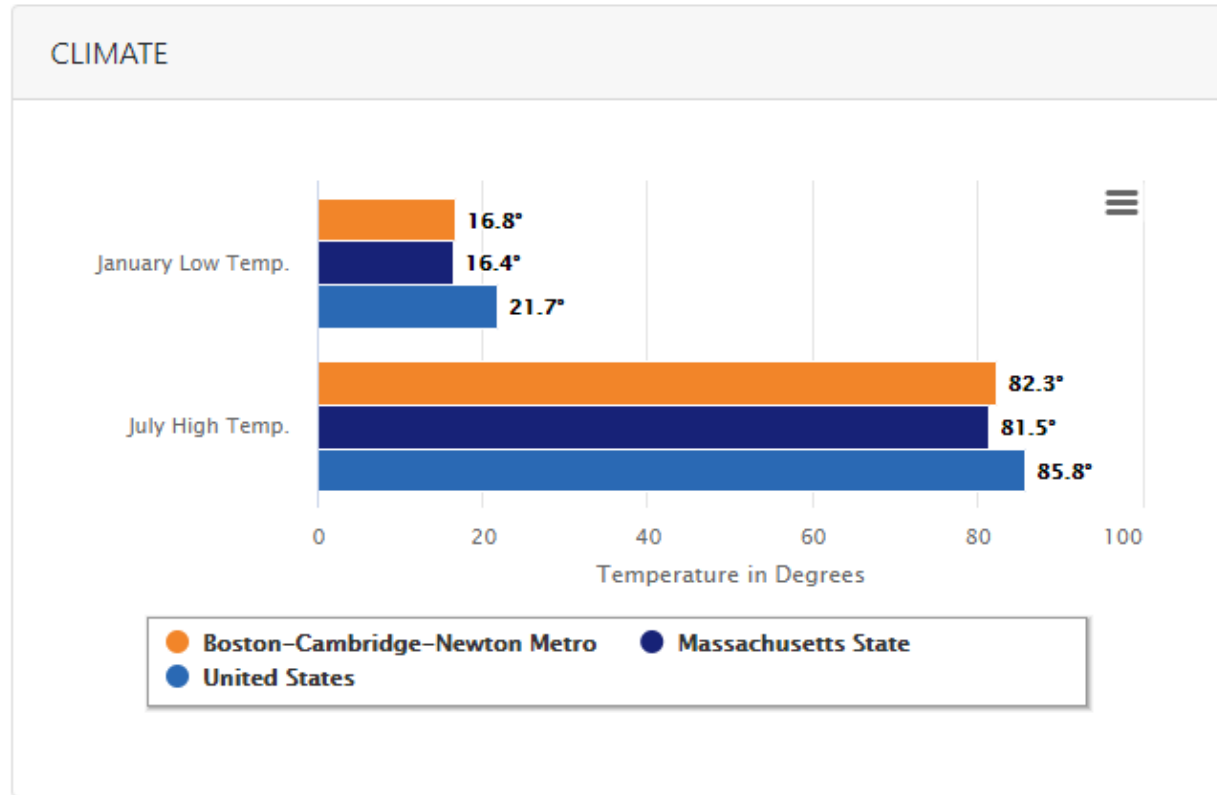
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Cohasset, MA is a lovely place to live . . .



. . .until extreme weather conditions occur



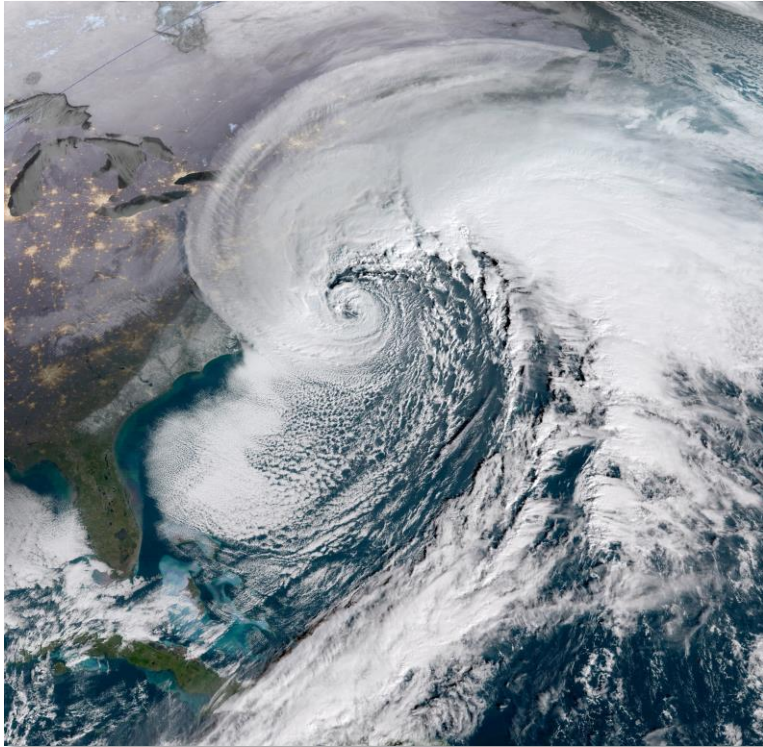
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# Living by the ocean with trees creates challenges

January 2018 Cold Snap



Extreme weather challenges the Town's reliability and resiliency

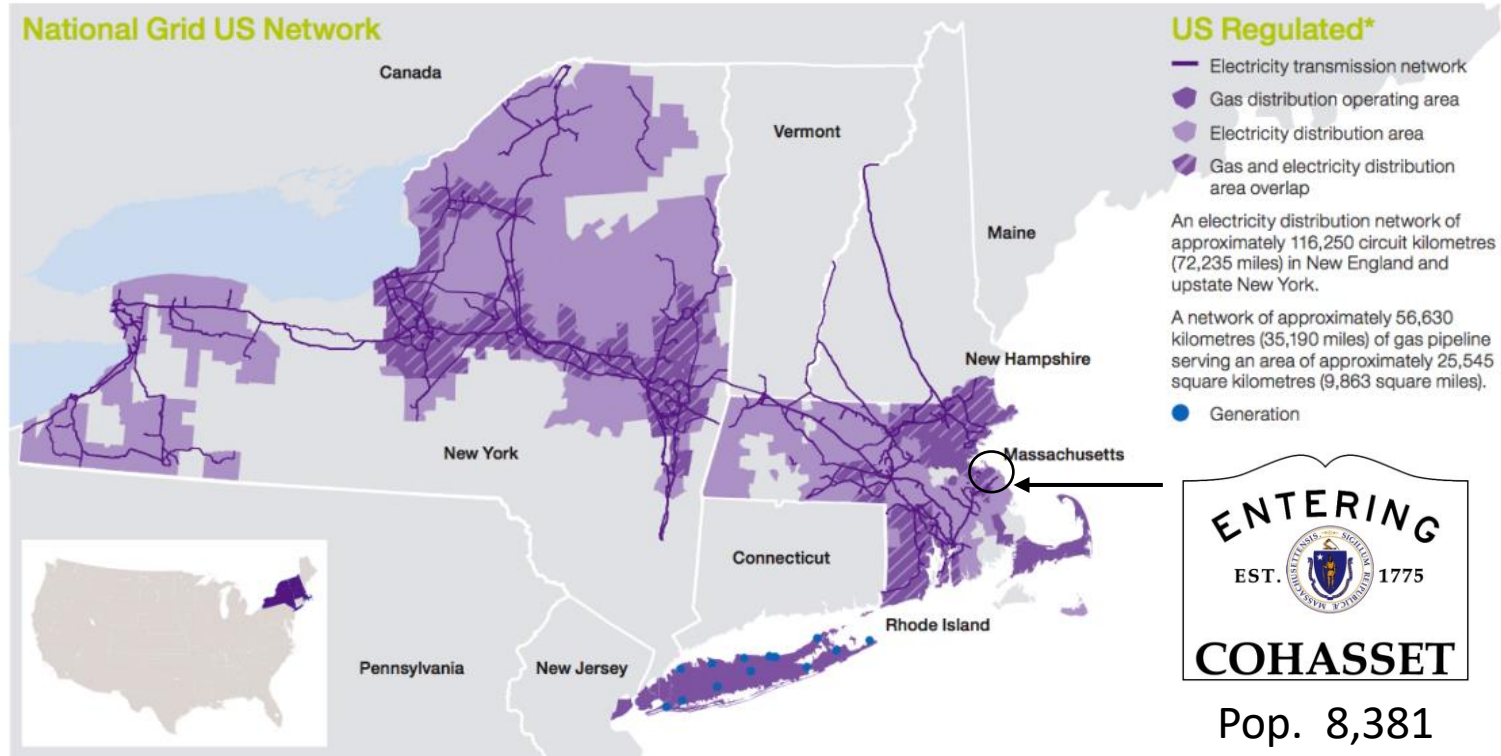


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# We are literally at the end of the line

## National Grid Service Territory and Transmission Network



Source: National Grid, [http://ngrid-ftp.s3.amazonaws.com/MASysDataPortal/MA-DPU\\_ARR2018\\_2018-04-17\\_REDACTED.pdf](http://ngrid-ftp.s3.amazonaws.com/MASysDataPortal/MA-DPU_ARR2018_2018-04-17_REDACTED.pdf)

**National Grid delivers gas and manages the transmission and distribution wires**



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Peak load in Summer ~17.5 MW  
Peak load in Winter ~10 MW  
Annual Load ~ 55 GWh

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# The Town already has reliability and resiliency issues

## Different Measures of the Problem (2018 Data)

Measure of Impact	National Average	Cohasset Average	National Grid MWECC Ranking of Primary Substation and Feeder Line (Worst out of 1,162)
<b>Reliability:</b>			
Number of Outages	1.5	25	
Customer Interruptions	1.1	5	5 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Resiliency:</b>			
Outage Duration (hours)	1.36	5	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup>

Imagine an entire town without electricity for five days in the middle of winter

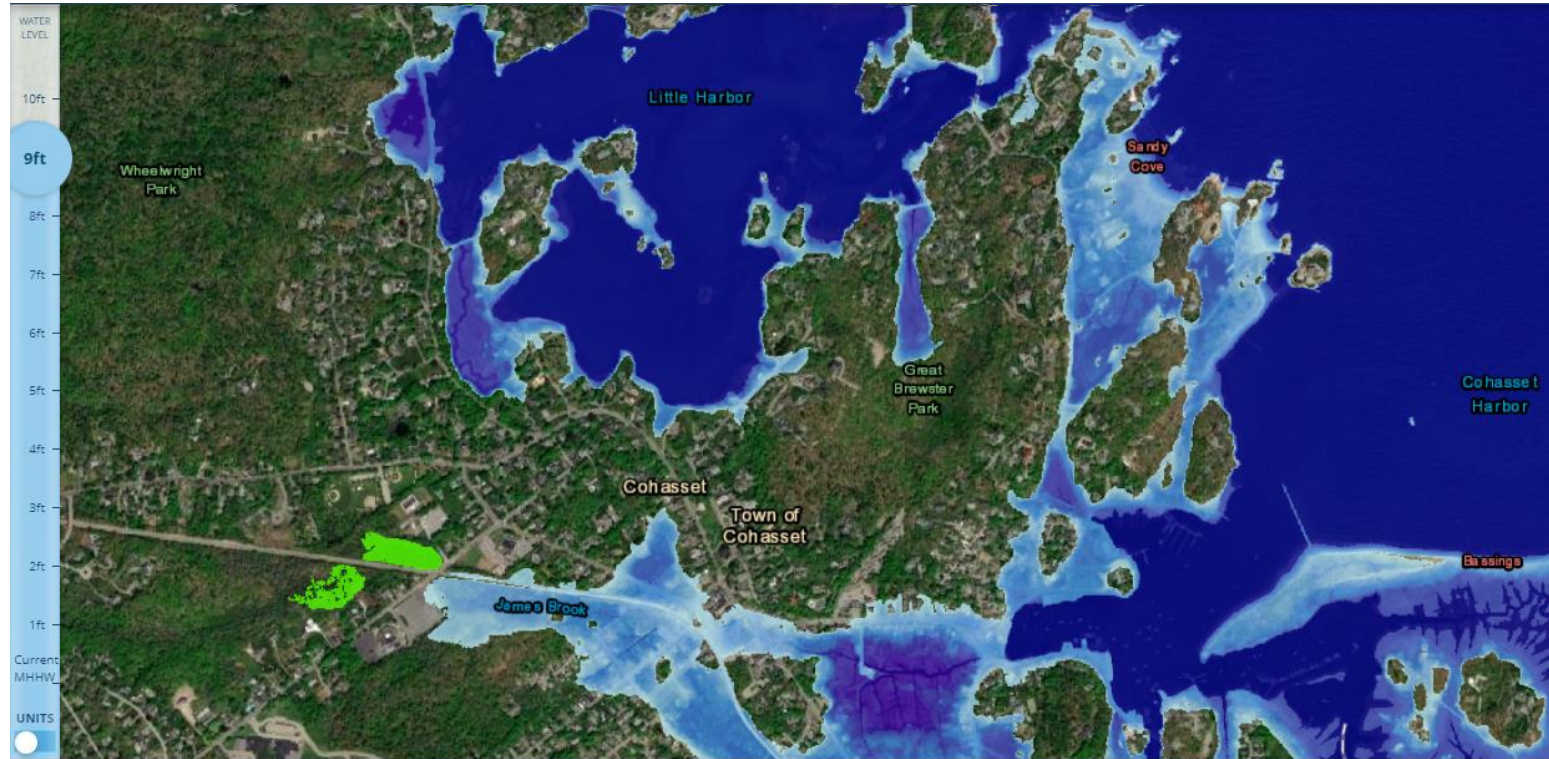




Challenge

# It is only going to get worse

## Downtown and Harbor Impact of Storm Surges and Sea Level Rise



Source: NOAA Sea Level Rise Viewer,  
<https://coast.noaa.gov/slr/#/layer/slr/7/-7881014.371877762/5197025.723513146/15/satellite/none/0.8/2050/interHigh/midAccretion>

**Storm surges and flooding already are occurring**



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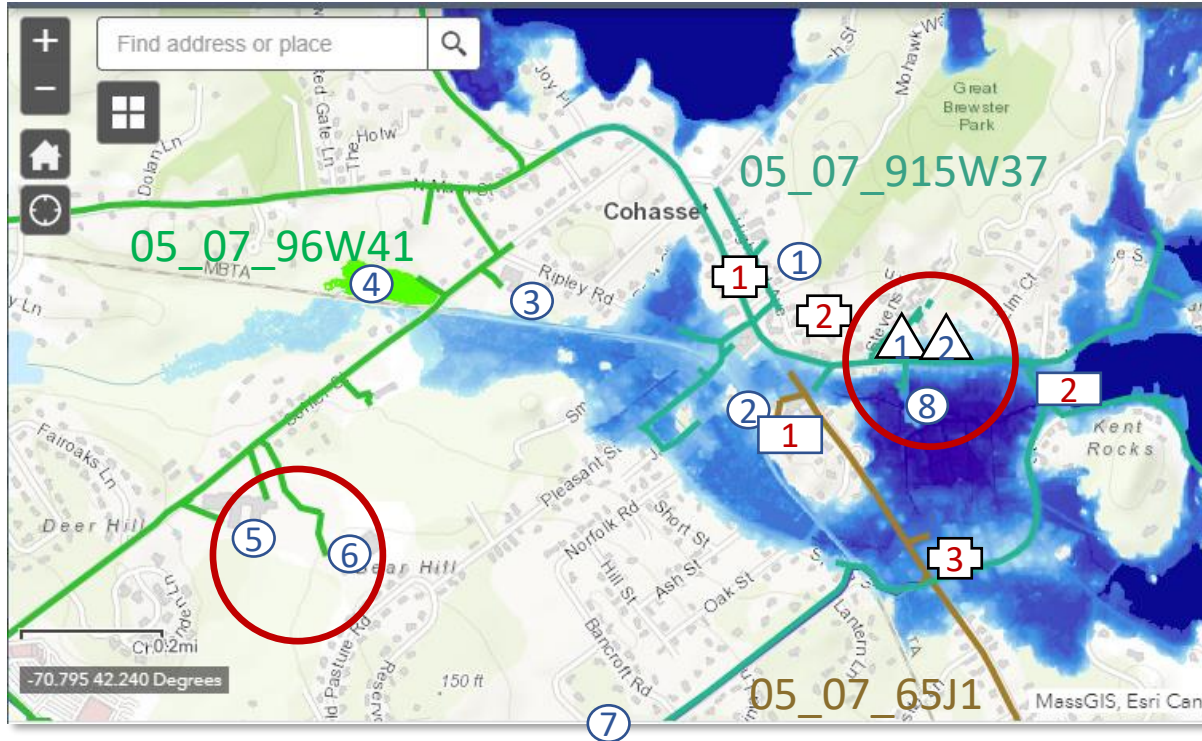
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# Flooding will only create bigger challenges

## Special Flood Hazard Areas and Potential Sea Level Rise



Source: National Grid, <https://ngrid.apps.esri.com/NGSysDataPortal/MA/index.html>

### Town Buildings at Risk

- ① Town Hall
- ② Recreation Center
- ③ Library/Rec
- ④ Senior Center
- ⑤ Deer Hill School
- ⑥ Osgood School
- ⑦ Cohasset High School
- ⑧ Waterworks Station
- △ Police Station
- △ Fire Station

### Churches

- ① Second Congregational
- ② St. Stephen's
- ③ St. Anthony's

### Hotels

- ① Red Lion Inn
- ② Cohasset Harbor Inn

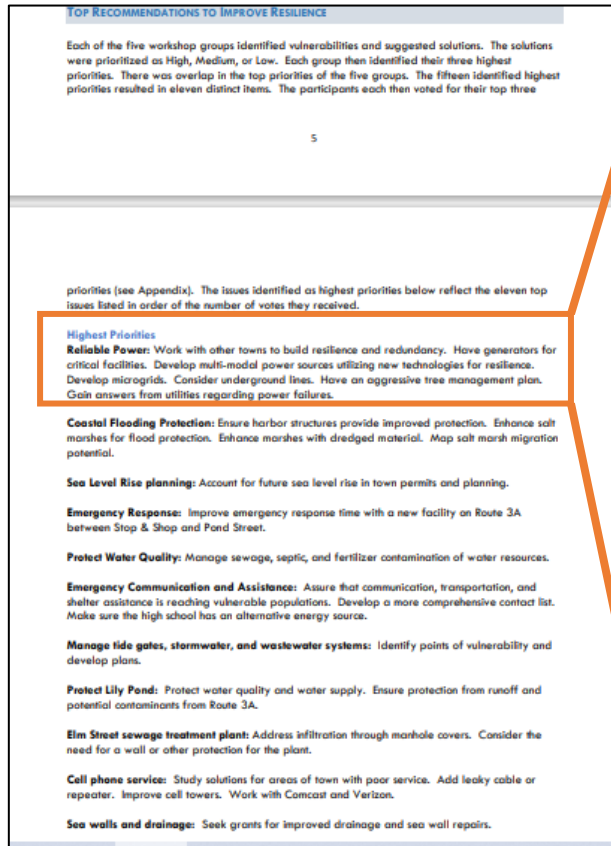
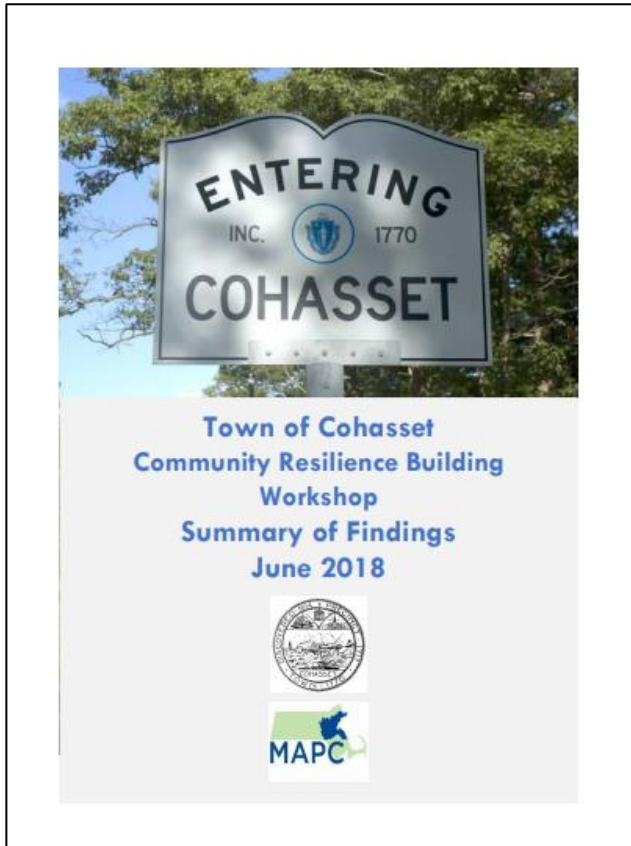
The good news is that we have managed so far with 13 backup generators



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## Challenge

# Our hazard assessment identifies energy supply as at risk



## Highest Priorities

### Reliable Power:

- Work with other towns to build resilience and redundancy.
- Have generators for critical facilities.
- Develop multi-modal power sources utilizing new technologies for resiliency.
- **Develop microgrids.**
- Consider underground lines.
- Have an aggressive tree management plan.
- Gain answers from utilities regarding power failures.

The resilience workshop identified microgrids as a potential power solution



# Conceptual Framework

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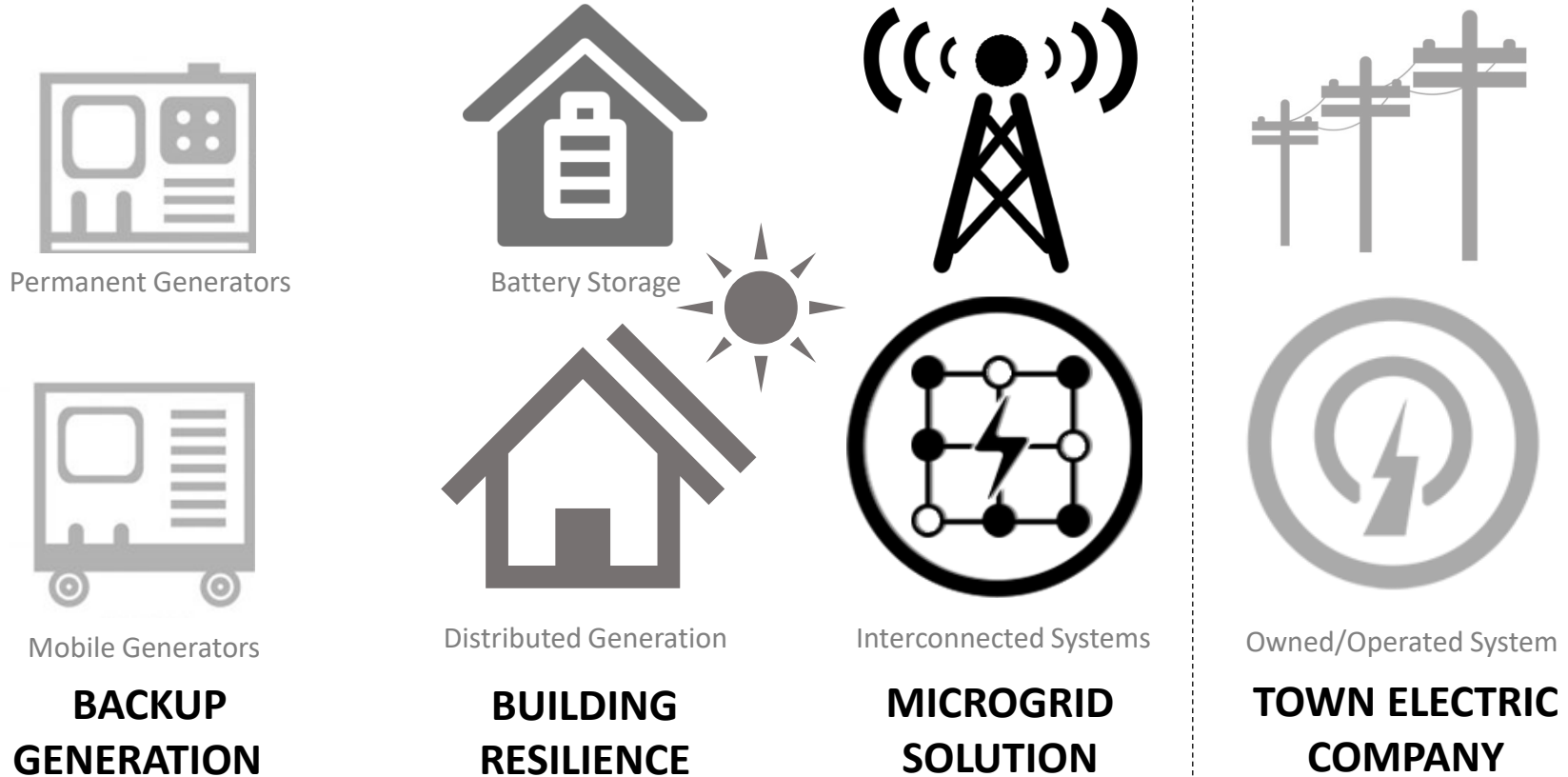


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Conceptual Framework

# There are many ways to mitigate reliability hazards



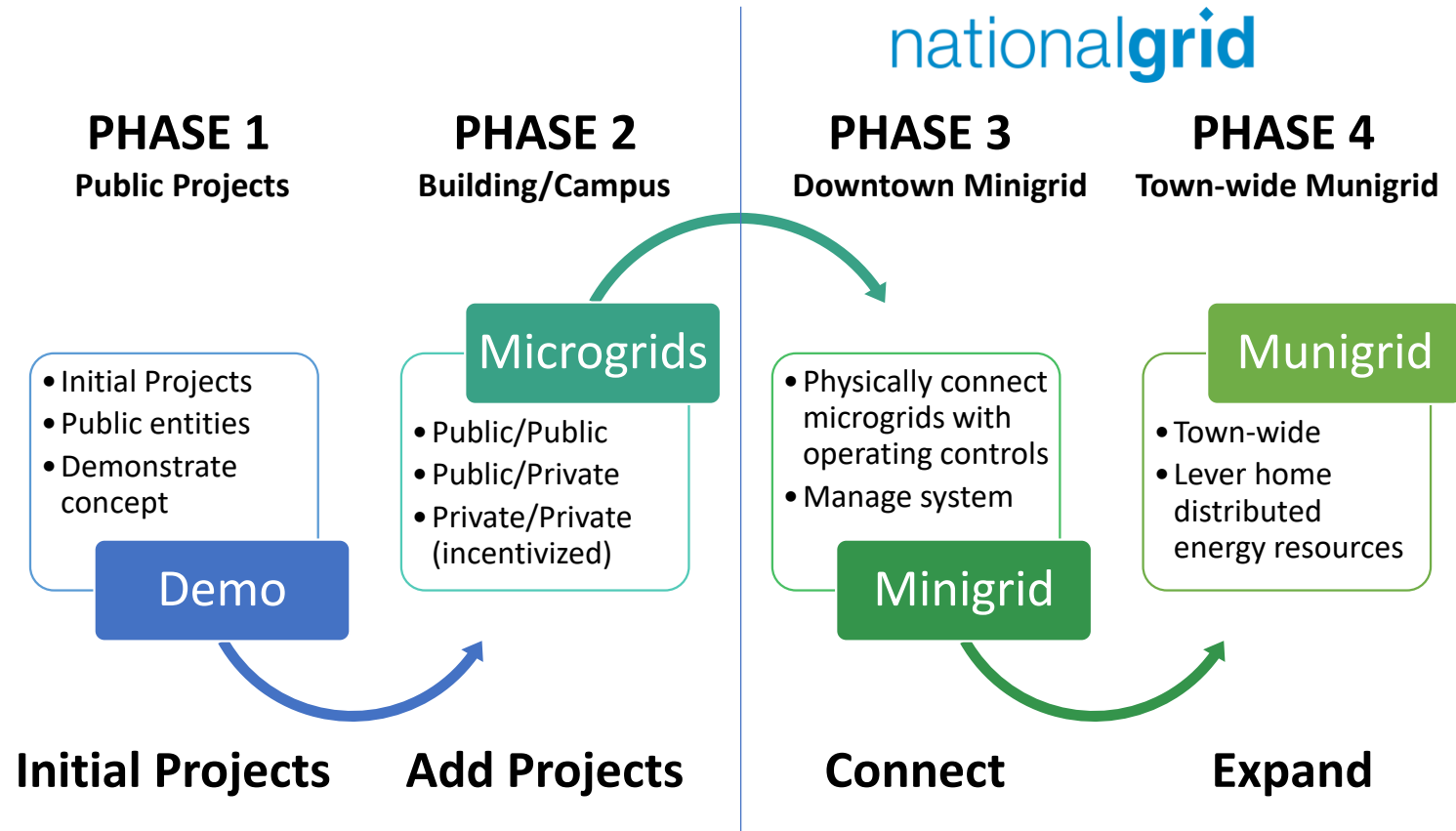
Microgrids can be incorporated into or an alternative to a town electric company





Conceptual Framework

# The Town initially contemplated a phased approach



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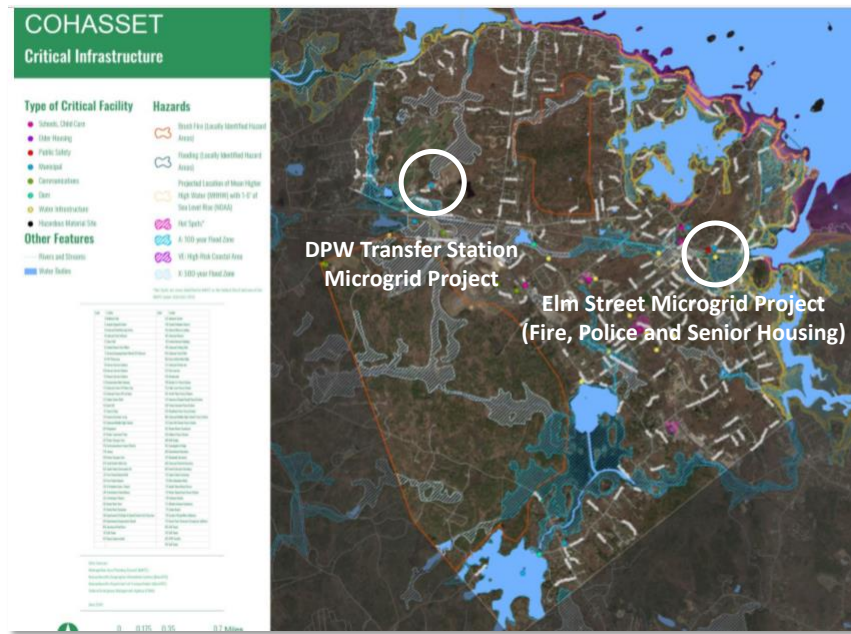
The problem with a phased approach is that it may not be efficient



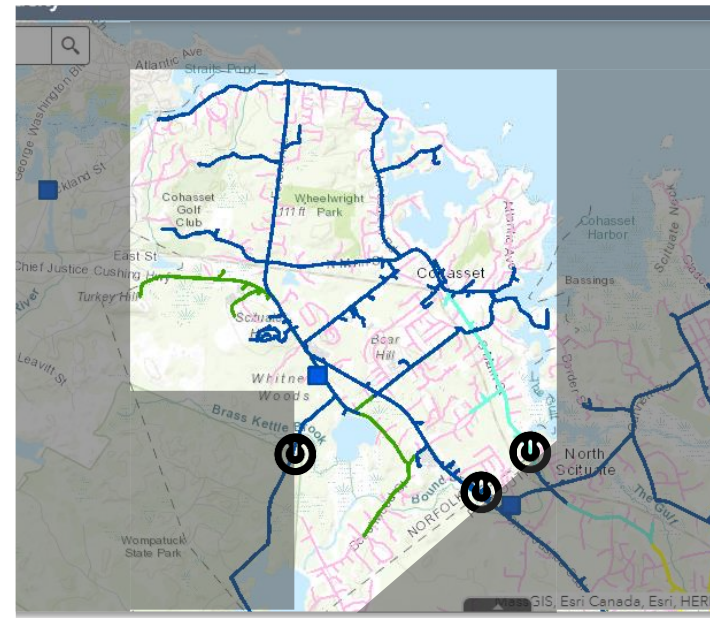
# Conceptual Framework

## Is it best to invest in multiple minigrids or the entire town?

### PHASE 1 Public Projects



### PHASE 4 Town-wide Munigrad



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It just may be easier to create a town-wide munigrad for reliability

# FEMA BRIC Grant Opportunity

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# Nearly \$1 billion for projects like Cohasset

## National Competition for Mitigation Projects

- \$919 million (est)
- Plus any funds not awarded to states or tribal territories
- 75% Federal contribution / 25% non-federal cost share
- \$50 million cap per sub-application

## Microgrids are Eligible Projects for Mitigation Grants

FEMA has funded microgrids under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) and is an eligible project for funding in the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program. In order to be eligible, all Hazard Mitigation Assistance program requirements must be met, including Mitigation Planning, Technical Feasibility and Effectiveness, Cost-Effectiveness, and Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation (EHP) considerations. A short description of these program requirements are below:

- Project Scoping – Depending on the program, project scoping funding may be an appropriate first step towards developing a fundable subapplication for the implementation of a microgrid project.
- Mitigation Planning – Subapplicants must have a FEMA-approved Hazard Mitigation Plan that identifies the risks, vulnerabilities, and proposed mitigation strategies that will be fulfilled by the implementation of a microgrid project. Private nonprofit organizations are not subject to the same requirements as subapplicants.
- Technical Feasibility and Effectiveness – A subapplication must demonstrate that the proposed microgrid is designed in accordance with relevant industry standards to accomplish the intended risk reduction. Examples include the Standard for Interconnection and Interoperability of Distributed Energy Resources with Associated Electric Power Systems Interfaces ([IEEE 1547](#)) and the Guide for Smart Grid Interoperability of Energy Technology and Information Technology Operation with the Electric Power System ([IEEE 2030](#)), End-Use Applications, and Loads.
  - The subapplicant must illustrate that the project is either a stand-alone solution (incorporating new control capability, load management systems, DERs, or storage solutions into an already resilient grid) or a component of an overall solution (new

[Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant Funding for Microgrid Projects | FEMA.gov](#)

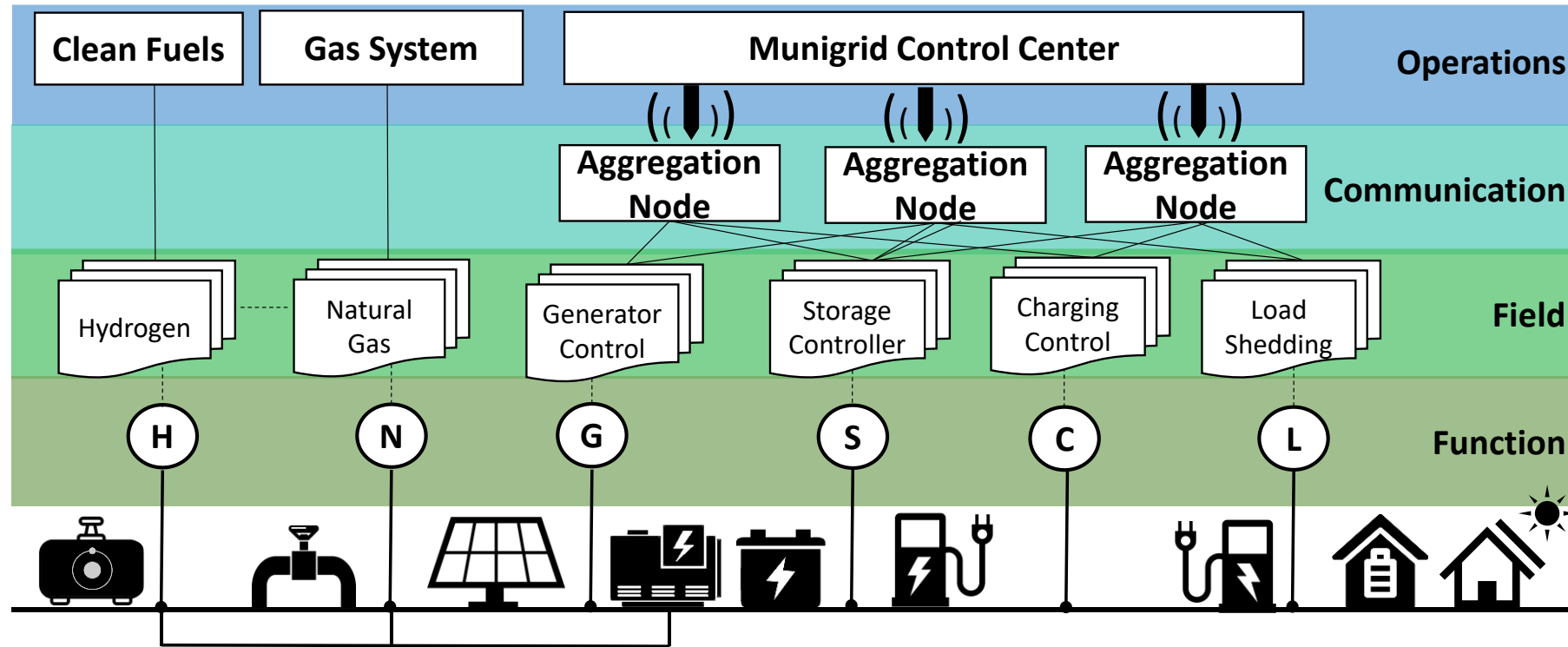
Cost sharing can include state grants, in-kind services and market revenues





# A munigrad would leverage multiple energy resources

## PHASE 4: General Microgrid Structure



National Grid has the opportunity to fuel switch and try hydrogen



# Generation, distribution upgrades and software required

## Key Pieces of the Microgrid Puzzle

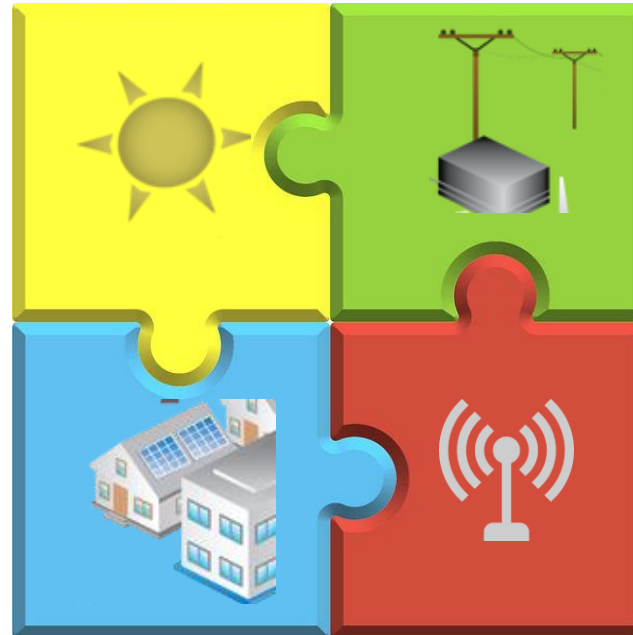
### GENERATION

- Existing 450 kW solar array
- Solar/batteries?
- Electric buses?
- Hydrogen plant?
- Hydrogen/natural gas blend?

### VIRTUAL POWER PLANT

- Identification of essential load
- > 271 homes with generators
- Town's 13 backup generators
- Solar switches/protection

MassSave and Green Communities have helped us to decrease load



### DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

- Technical design of system
- Upstream common costs/protection
- Upgrades to handle DERs
- Switches to island
- Automation

### MICROGRID MANAGEMENT

- Optimize microgrid operations
- Software to manage assets
- Utility or Outsourced
- Market-based revenues

Investment in infrastructure and information is required



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# A multi-disciplined team can answer complex questions



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Technical Advisors: \_\_\_\_\_



Microgrid Equipment/Managers: \_\_\_\_\_



Renewable Storage Developers: \_\_\_\_\_



## QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED:

- 1) Can a microgrid solve a small town's power supply, reliability and resiliency problems?
- 2) What is physically required to isolate and operate a community-wide microgrid?
- 3) How much generation does a community need to meet its critical energy needs?
- 4) Can residential backup generation be used as a Virtual Power Plant (VPP) with incentives for citizens who contribute?
- 5) Can solar and batteries suffice or is another generation solution required to manage the system?
- 6) Who benefits from a community-wide microgrid and by how much?
- 7) Who benefits and what could a microgrid tariff look?

**Lessons learned would benefit the entire energy ecosystem**



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## What could a cost-share look like?

### 1) TOWN OF COHASSET

- 25% salary of dedicated staff and 100% of in-kind support
- Accelerated replacement (roofs, buses, generators, etc.)
- Upfront capital investment, reimbursed by enterprise fund
  - Town power purchases and renewable credits
  - Residential “reliability” sales or property tax assessment
  - Market revenues (capacity, energy sales)

### 2) MASSACHUSETTS STATE CONTRIBUTION

- In-kind technical support
- State grants

### 3) NATIONAL GRID

- DPU Socialized Ratebase
- Investment covered by Microgrid Tariff

### 4) EPRI – Technical Advice and Study Grant funding

### 5) VENDORS – 10% to 25% cost reduction to be part of a leading community-wide microgrid project

**Total costs and cost sharing depend on project design and implementation costs**





# FEMA BRIC Grant Opportunity

## Timeline: The rest of 2021



The process will define final project scope, costs and sharing resources



# Questions

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## **NASEO Community Energy Resilience Workshop**

# **Considering the Energy-Resilience Nexus in Energy Codes**

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# DOE supports the advancement of Building Energy Codes

As part of its legislative mandate to advance model building energy codes, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is accelerating efforts to make American buildings more efficient, resilient, and clean



2018 International Building Code (IBC)



2018 International Residential Code (IRC)



2018 International Fire Code (IFC)



2018 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC)



2018 International Mechanical Code (IMC)



2018 International Plumbing Code (IPC)



2018 International Fuel Gas Code (IFGC)



2018 International Existing Building Code (IEBC)



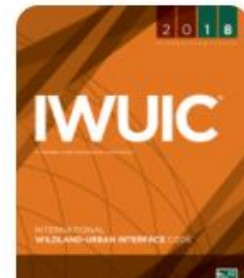
2018 International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC)



2018 International Green Construction Code (IgCC)



2018 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC)



2018 International Wildland Interface Code (IWUIC)



# Building Codes and FEMA BRIC



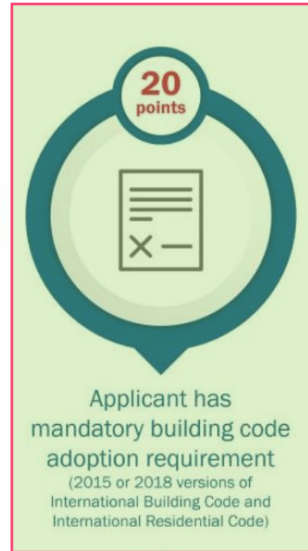
Infrastructure project



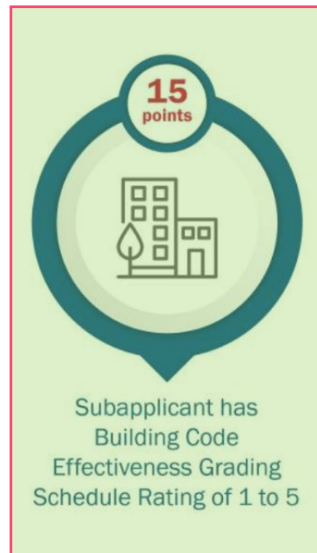
Mitigating risk to one or more lifelines



Incorporation of nature-based solutions



Applicant has mandatory building code adoption requirement (2015 or 2018 versions of International Building Code and International Residential Code)



Subapplicant has Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule Rating of 1 to 5



Application generated from a previous FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance Advance Assistance award



Increased non-federal cost share







Designation as a small impoverished community

35 of 100 points are related to Building Codes

BRIC National Competition Technical Criteria and Point Values

# The resilience benefits of adopting current building codes are well documented

- More lives saved; fewer people injured.
- Fewer people displaced and for shorter periods.
- More people can shelter in place while waiting for repairs.
- Wellness increases; mental trauma is reduced.
- Social and business disruption is reduced.
- Faster recovery from a disaster.
- Reduced loss of income.
- Continued public services, including to underserved communities.

National Benefit-Cost Ratio Per Peril <small>*BCR numbers in this study have been rounded</small>		Exceed common code requirements	Meet common code requirements	Utilities and transportation	Federally funded
<b>Overall Hazard Benefit-Cost Ratio</b>		<b>4:1</b>	<b>11:1</b>	<b>4:1</b>	<b>6:1</b>
 <b>Riverine Flood</b>		<b>5:1</b>	<b>6:1</b>	<b>8:1</b>	<b>7:1</b>
 <b>Hurricane Surge</b>		<b>7:1</b>	Not applicable	Not applicable	Too few grants
 <b>Wind</b>		<b>5:1</b>	<b>10:1</b>	<b>7:1</b>	<b>5:1</b>
 <b>Earthquake</b>		<b>4:1</b>	<b>12:1</b>	<b>3:1</b>	<b>3:1</b>
 <b>Wildland-Urban Interface Fire</b>		<b>4:1</b>	Not applicable	Not applicable	<b>3:1</b>

Source NIBS Natural Hazard Mitigation Saves: 2018 Interim Report

# The resilience benefits of adopting current building codes are well documented except for energy codes

- “Traditional” Building Codes are intended to address natural hazards that are short in duration, but impactful to building structures
- Energy Codes are intended to save energy and costs for the life of the building but can also improve **passive survivability** and **the ability to shelter in place**

# Energy code advancement efforts are starting to address the efficiency - resilience nexus

## Current purpose

- Minimum efficiency requirements of buildings for design, construction, and operation
- Utilization of on-site renewable energy resources

## Future additions

- Criteria for communication and controls to provide building demand flexibility in support of increased use of renewable energy resources

## New emerging features

- Passive survivability
- Net zero energy performance
- Demand flexibility
- Electrification
- Decarbonization

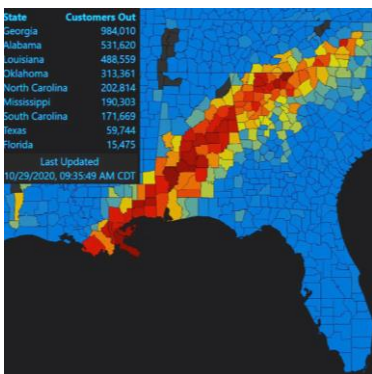


# Valuation of Energy Efficiency for Energy Resilience

## Collaboration between PNNL, NREL, and LBNL

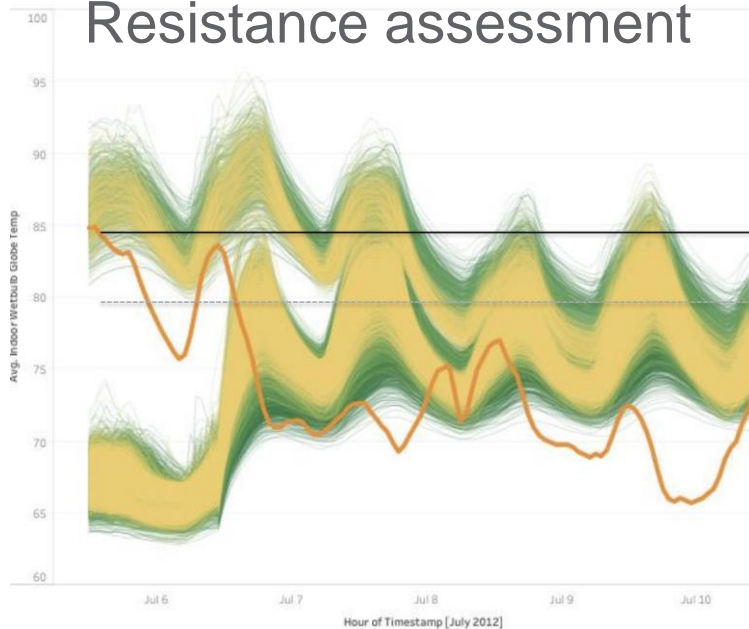
### Hazard Region Risk Assessment

Integrated risk assessment of power disruptions and extreme temperature events



### Building Simulation of Mitigation Measures

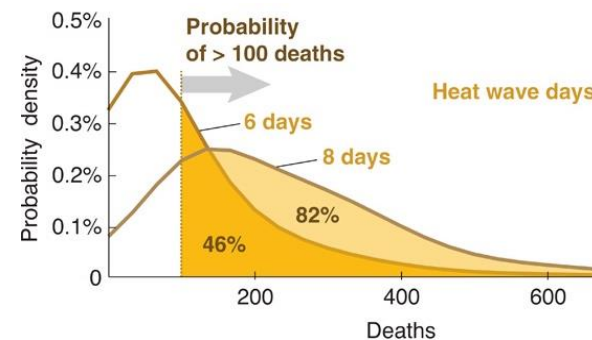
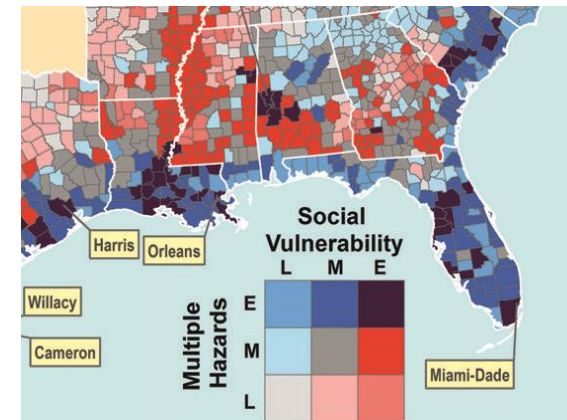
Resistance assessment



Building design and mitigation measures that compliment, conflict, or have no impact on resilience

### Vulnerability, Damage, and Loss Analysis

Assess vulnerability and value at risk



# Valuation of Energy Efficiency for Energy Resilience

## Project scope and work product

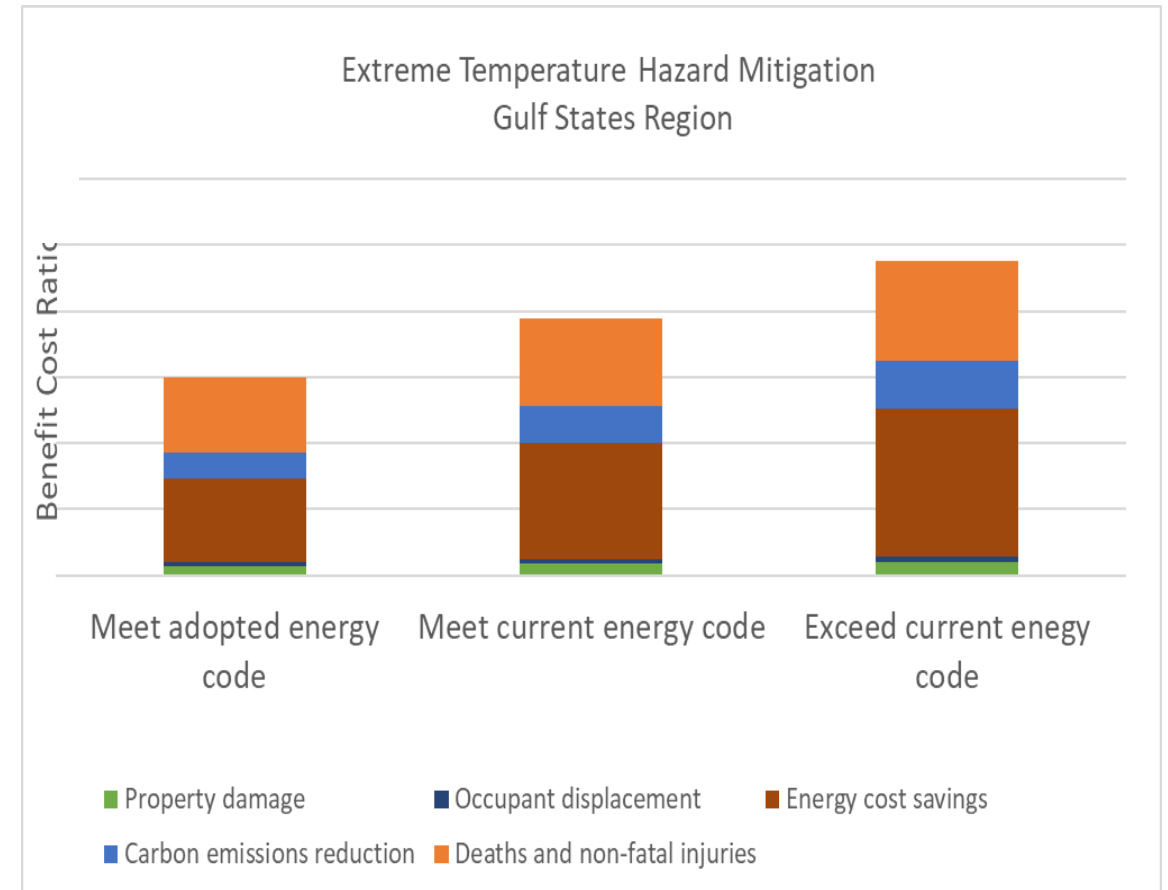
### Project Overview

- Extreme heat and cold event analysis
- Ability to shelter in place
- Development of standardized valuation methodology

### Efficiency, Energy Storage and Renewables Mitigation Measure Analysis

- Impact on occupant health and property damage during event
- Impact on annual energy, carbon, peak demand
- Benefit-cost analysis
- Value of current energy code adoption

### Example Work Product

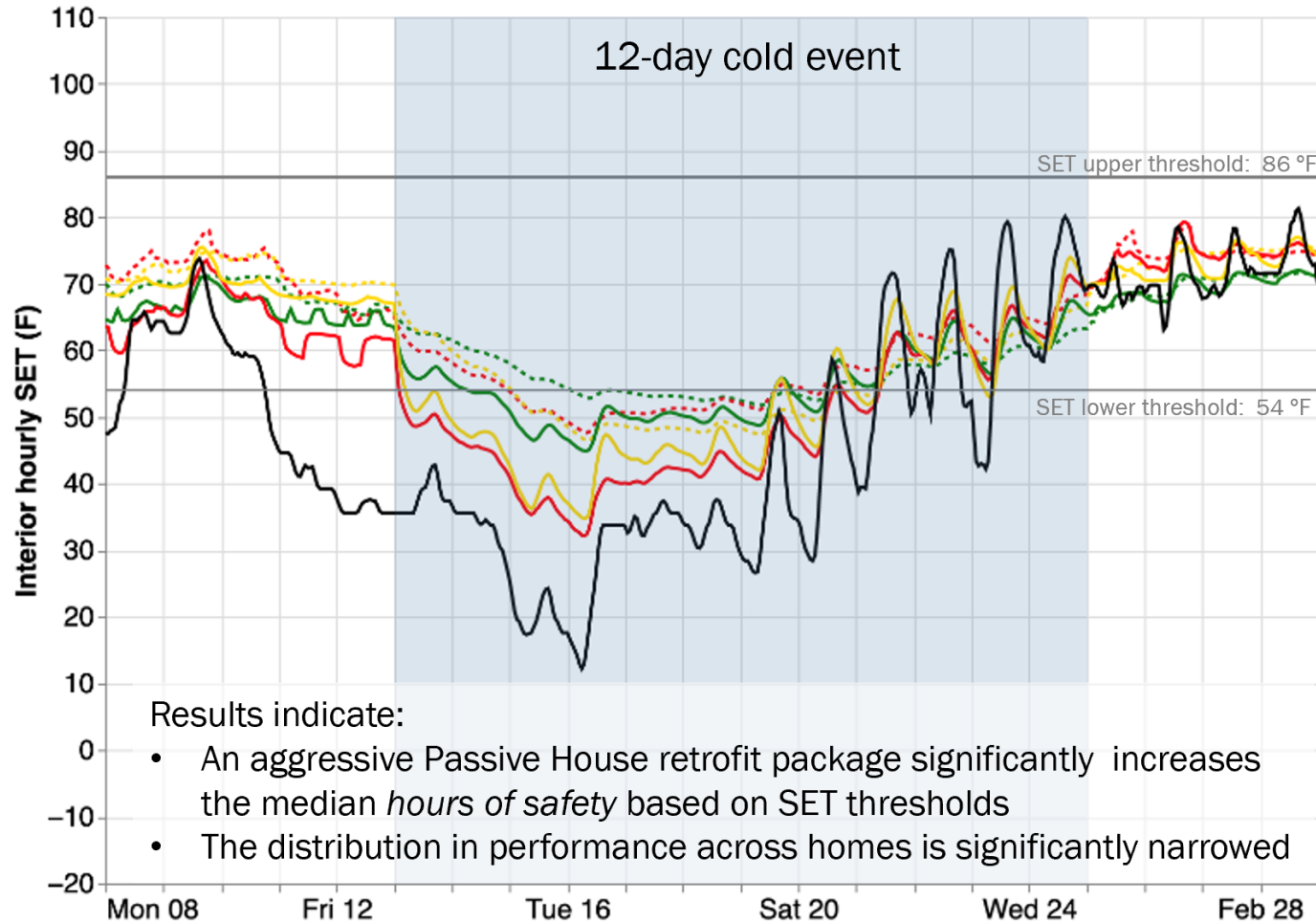


\*Example graphic, do not cite. Although reduced mortality provides a significant value, it is highly dependent on assumptions about probability of joint outage and weather event.

# Valuation of Energy Efficiency for Energy Resilience

## Mitigation impact on passive survivability metrics

### Houston - 2021 cold snap



- 95<sup>th</sup> %ile SET-hour home
- 50<sup>th</sup> %ile (median) SET-hour home
- 5<sup>th</sup> %ile SET-hour home
- 95<sup>th</sup> %ile home with PHIUS upgrade
- 50<sup>th</sup> %ile home with PHIUS upgrade
- 5<sup>th</sup> %ile home with PHIUS upgrade
- Outdoor dry bulb temperature (F)

#### PHIUS upgrade

- Attic insulation: R49
- Above-ground wall insulation: R25
- Below-ground wall insulation: R17
- Slab insulation: R20
- Windows: U = 0.29, SHGC = 0.26
- Infiltration: 0.5 ACH50
- Mechanical ventilation: ERV  
sensible efficiency = 60%

Note: Results are based on NREL ResStock modeling of representative single-family homes in Houston during the 2021 Winter Storm event



# Energy Codes Save

Please let us know how our work in energy code advancement can support your energy resilience projects.

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# Closing Remarks and Key Takeaways

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# End of Day 3 and the Workshop

Thank you!

