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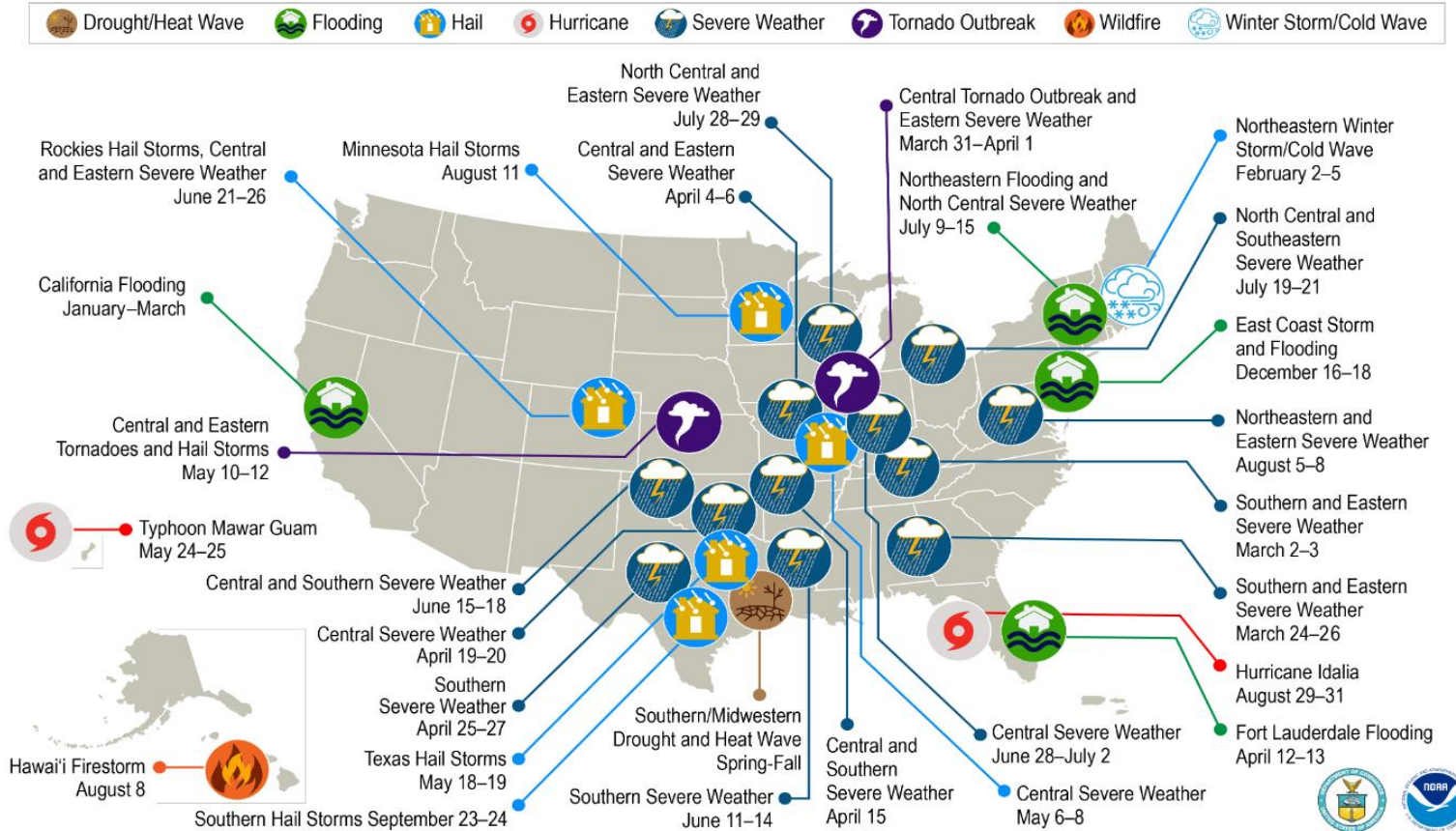
Grid Resilience and Climate Risk

Silvia Valerio

March 27, 2024

As we move toward electrification to decarbonize the power sector, grid resilience is growing in importance

U.S. 2023 Billion-Dollar Weather and Climate Disasters



This map denotes the approximate location for each of the 28 separate billion-dollar weather and climate disasters that impacted the United States in 2023.

Emission reductions in the energy sector are mainly being achieved through deployment of renewable energy, energy efficiency and a move towards electrification

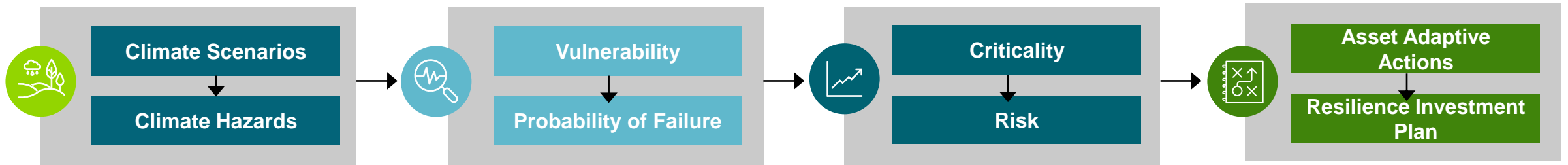
Extreme weather events can threaten the reliability of electrification and are costing utility companies billions of dollars to ensure grid resilience

Access to more downscaled climate data, grid data, and data analytics tools is allowing utility companies to predict where grid assets are most vulnerable

Today we will discuss one approach utilities are using to proactively “harden” the grid

Data that was not available years ago, can now be used to predict which assets are most vulnerable....down to the pole!

Infrastructure Resilience Methodology



100-Yr Wind Speed (mph), (2050)

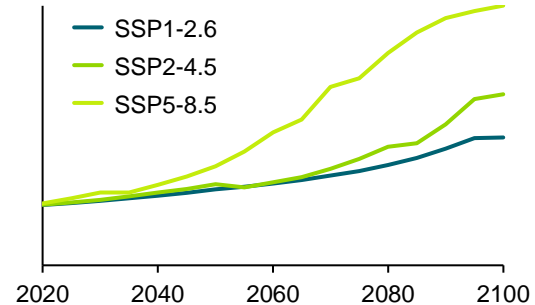


Low High

Climate forecast for a broad range of climate hazards and scenarios (SSPs) for screening of assets.

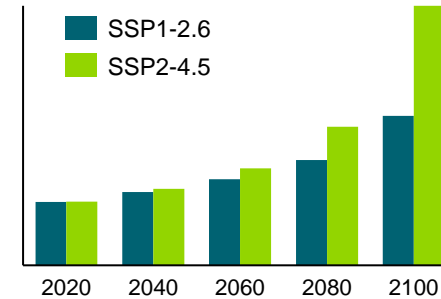
Shared Socio-economic Pathways (SSPs): Climate Change scenarios

Average Probability of Failure (%)



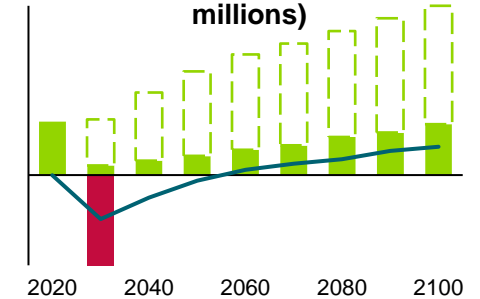
The vulnerability assessment defines the level at which an asset would fail due to a climate hazard and per climate scenario.

Cumulative Risk (\$ million)



The risk forecast combines the probability of failure with the cost of the asset's failure.

Resilience Investment Plan Cash Flow (\$, millions)

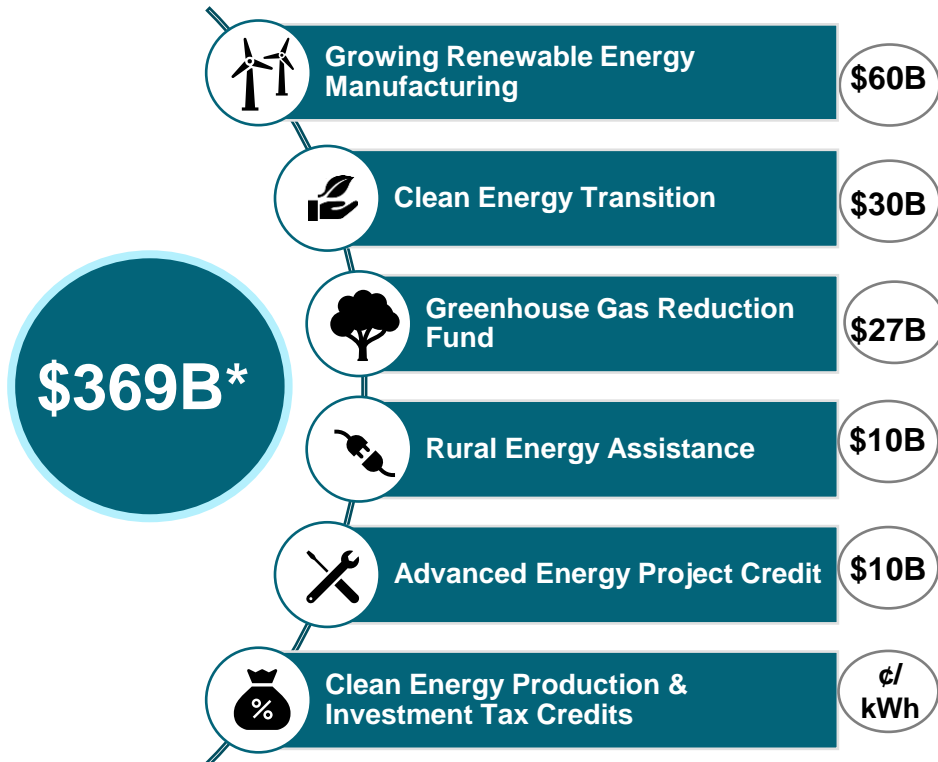


Implement adaptive actions by assessing programmatic investments to mitigate the risk from climate hazards.

█ Resilience Savings █ Investments
█ Cumulative Risk — Net Cash Flow

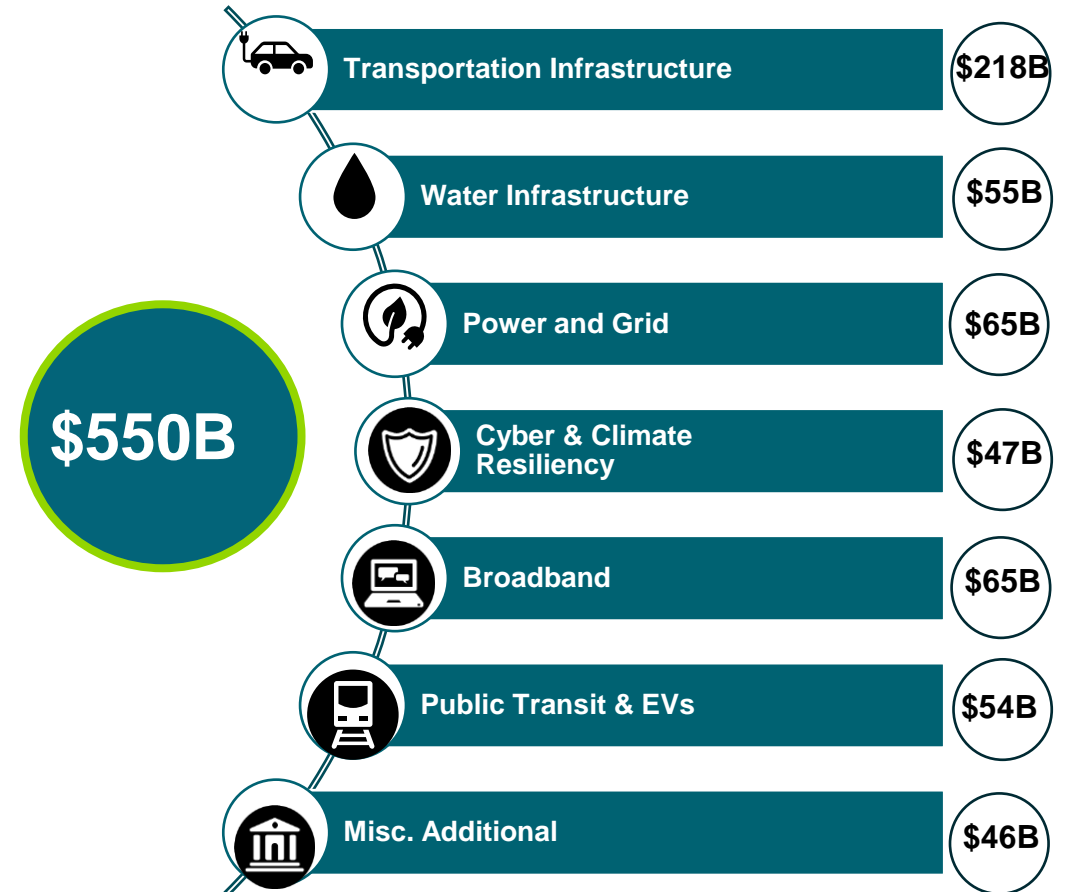
To support the implementation of grid hardening, billions of Federal dollars are now being accessed across the U.S.

Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)



*Estimated total investment in Energy Security and Climate Change as of August 11, 2022 by Joint Committee on Taxation

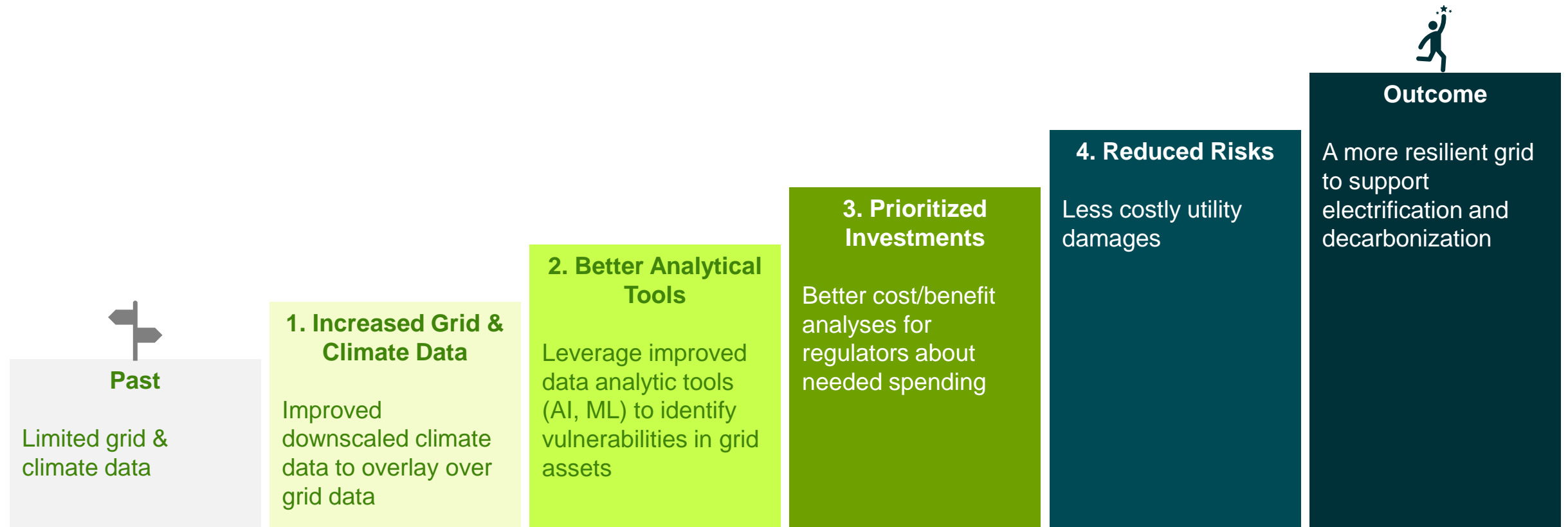
Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)



New Spend Areas- BIL, \$550B total

Data, along with improved analytics and tools are helping provide more cost-effective solutions to grid resiliency

Building on these tools and analytics provides directional clarity for policymakers and investments



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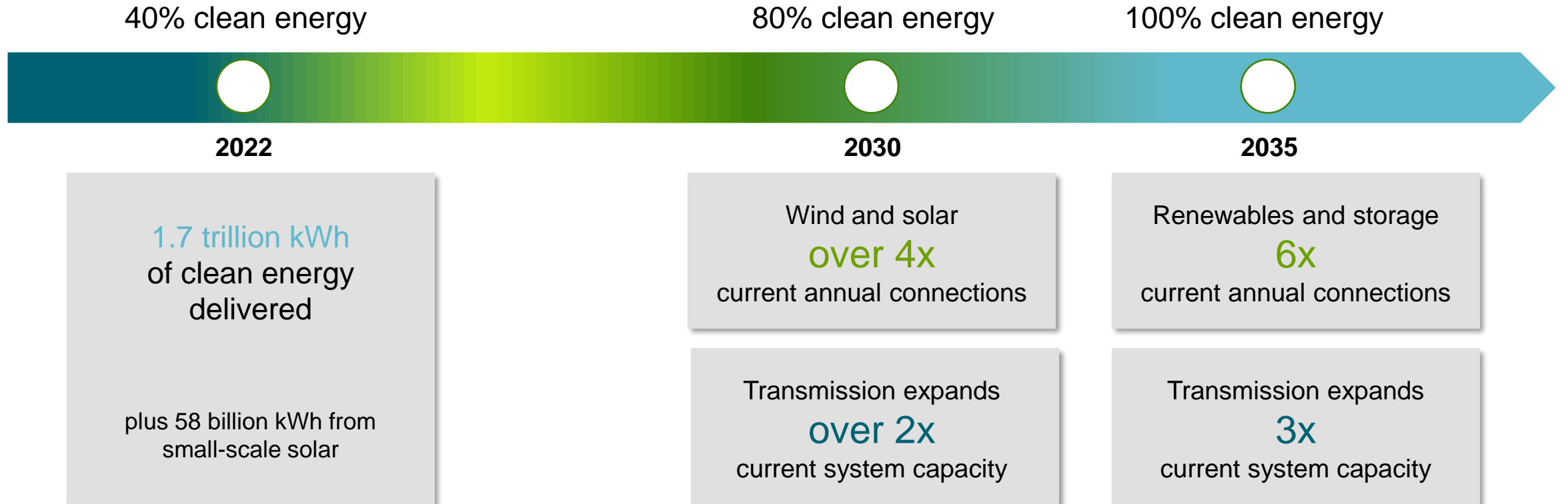
Transforming the Grid

An electrical network that is digital, distributed, and dynamic



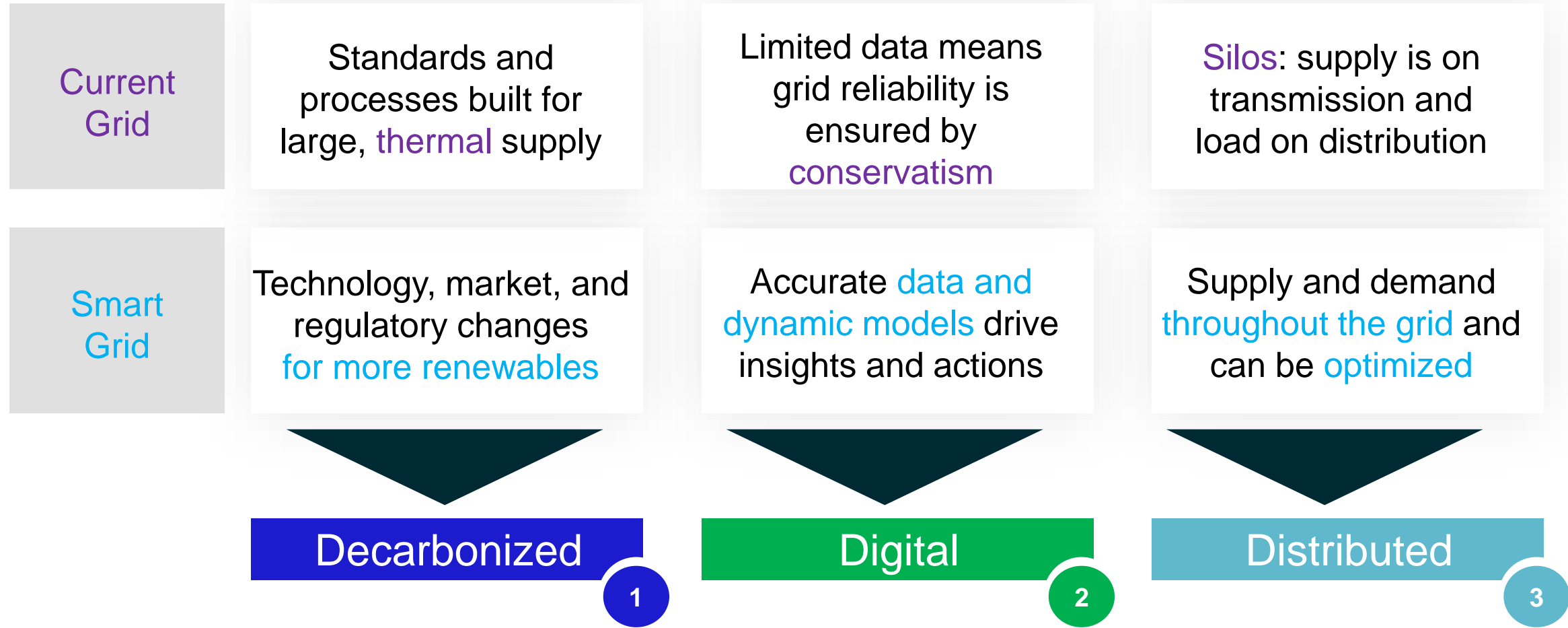
Decarbonization requires us to go faster, build more

U.S. stated decarbonization targets



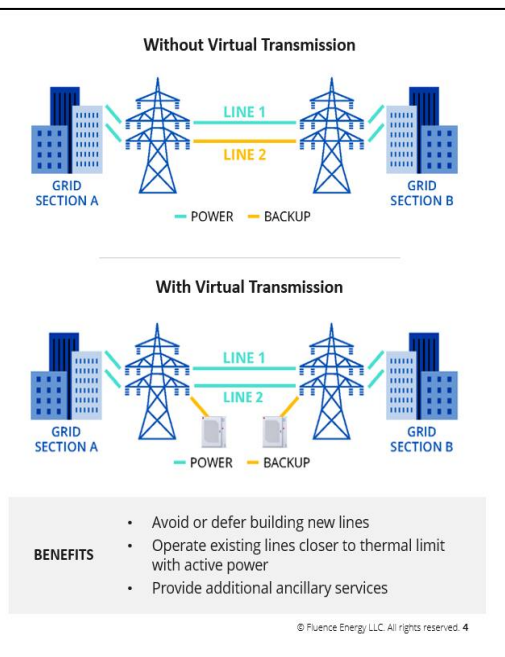
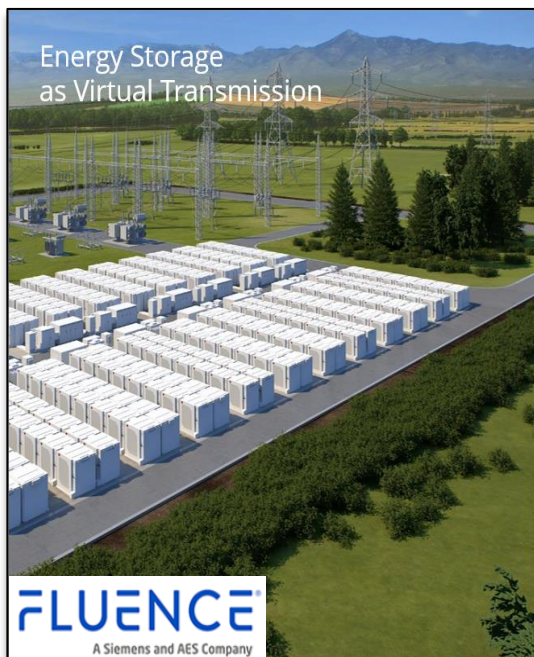
Source: On the Path to 100% Clean Electricity, Department of Energy (May 2023). Examining Supply-Side Options to Achieve 100% Clean Electricity by 2035, NREL (2022). Queued Up...But in Need of Transmission, Department of Energy (April 2022). EIA.gov

To decarbonize the grid needs to become “smarter”

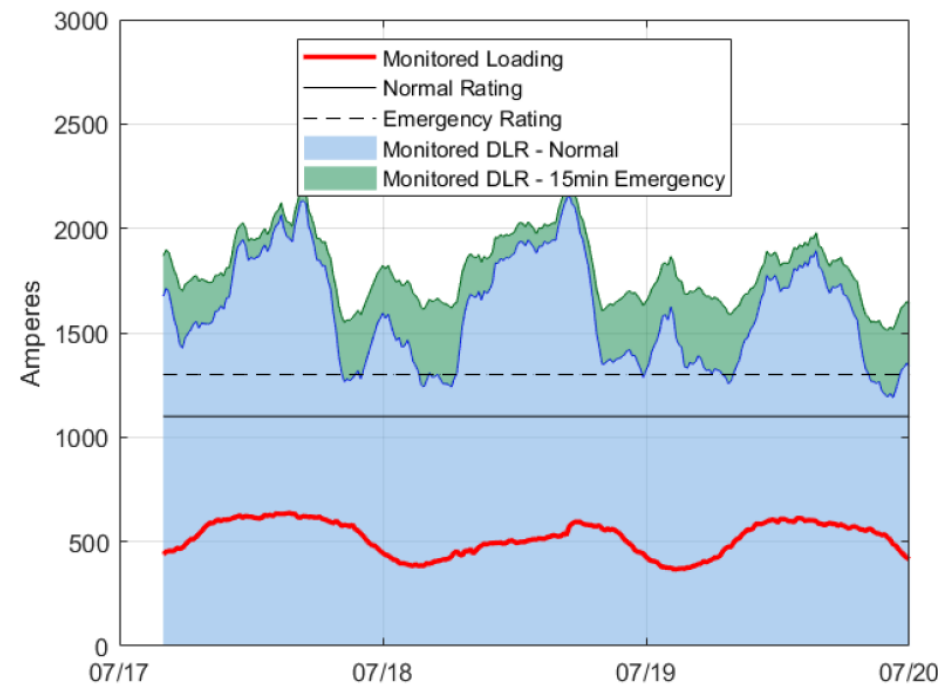


Transmission capacity unlocked at speed, affordably

Storage as Transmission



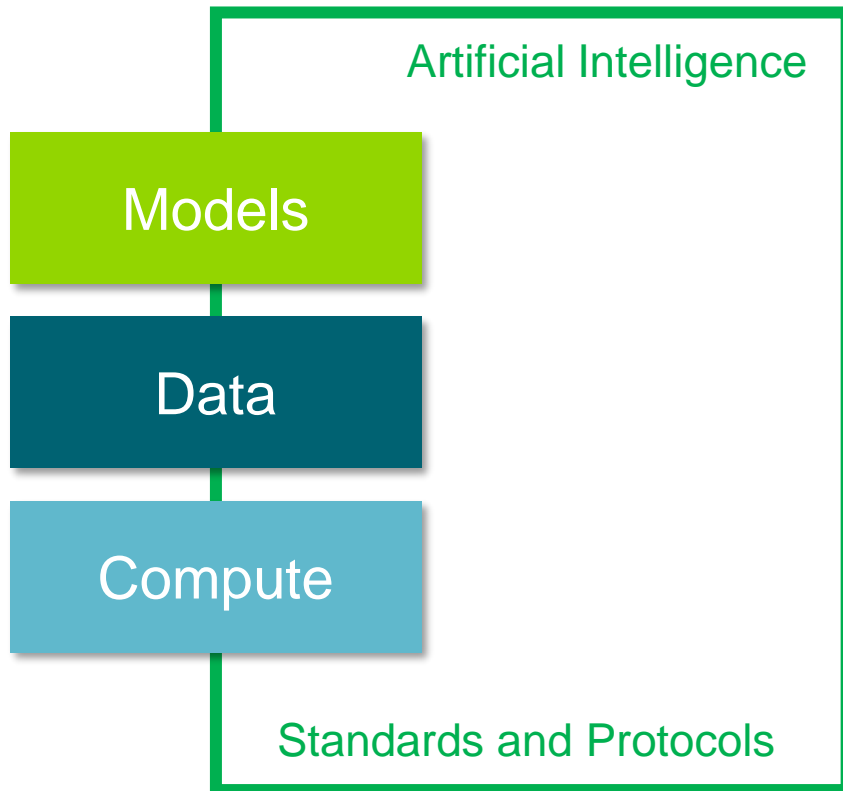
Dynamic Line Rating



Source: LineVision presentation to PJM. URL: [20201113-item-03a-linevision-presentation.ashx](https://www.pjm.com/~/media/committees-and-panels/linevision/20201113-item-03a-linevision-presentation.ashx) (pjm.com)

Better data and models enable orderly, reliable change

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- **Faster reliable interconnection**
Current process improved by a shared, accurate model capable of quick results
- **Operations and planning converge**
High fidelity data from operations allow continuous evaluation of current and future grid needs
- **Fluid, open, optimal grid**
Insights from data and models drive optimization of flexible resources and demand across the grid

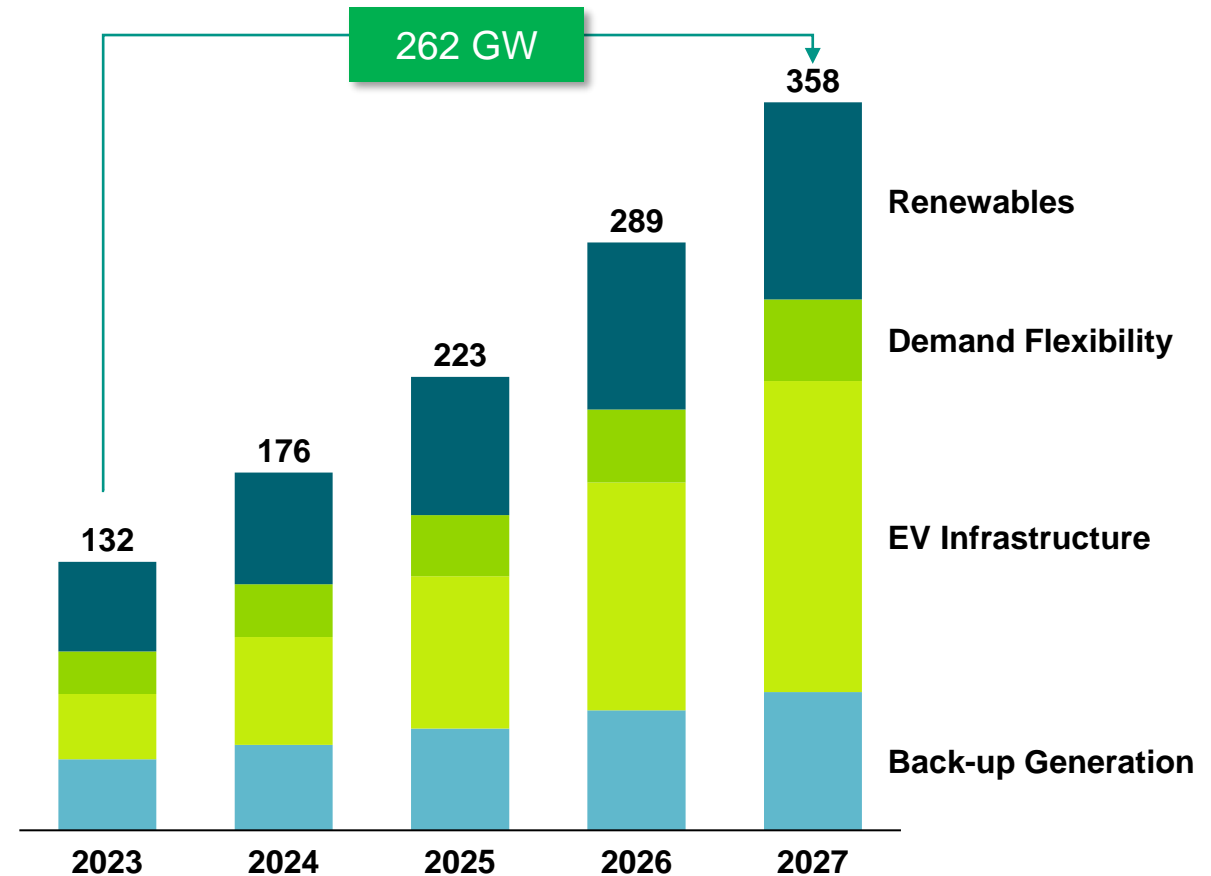
Note: For example, this information process would allow sharing of real-time Dynamic Line Rating data to establish predictable line capacity and allow efficient and dynamic use of the grid

End-consumer assets enable flexibility and resilience

Coordinated DERs:

- Address system peak demand, help resolve resource adequacy
- Avoid interconnection backlogs, reduce peaks to bulk power
- Save utilities 40% to 60% on energy purchase and delivery

DER Cumulative Installed Capacity (GW)



Note: DERs are Distributed Energy Resources

Source: Real Reliability: The Value of Virtual Power, The Brattle Group (May 2023).
Pathways to Commercial Liftoff: Virtual Power Plants, Department of Energy (September 2023).
US Distributed Energy Resource (DER) Outlook 2023, Wood Mackenzie (June 2023)



Advanced Technology in the Clean Energy Transition

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President and Chief Executive Officer, Portland General Electric

Accelerating the Clean Energy Transition

Policy



Clean

Reliable,
Resilient,
Secure

Accessible,
Affordable



Resource Utilization



Technological Advancement



Funding, Investment, Partnership



Increasing utilization of resources and infrastructure

Serving all customer clean energy needs requires orchestrating all resources through a bidirectional, automation-enhanced grid



Traditional Generation Plants

- Wind
- Solar
- Hydro
- Nuclear
- Battery Storage

Regional Transmission Grid

Integrated Operations Center

- Grid Operations
- Power Operations
- VPP Operations

Two-way Distribution Grid

Virtual Power Plant

- Transportation
- Heating Systems
- Industrial Processes
- Solar
- Battery Storage
- Smart Devices

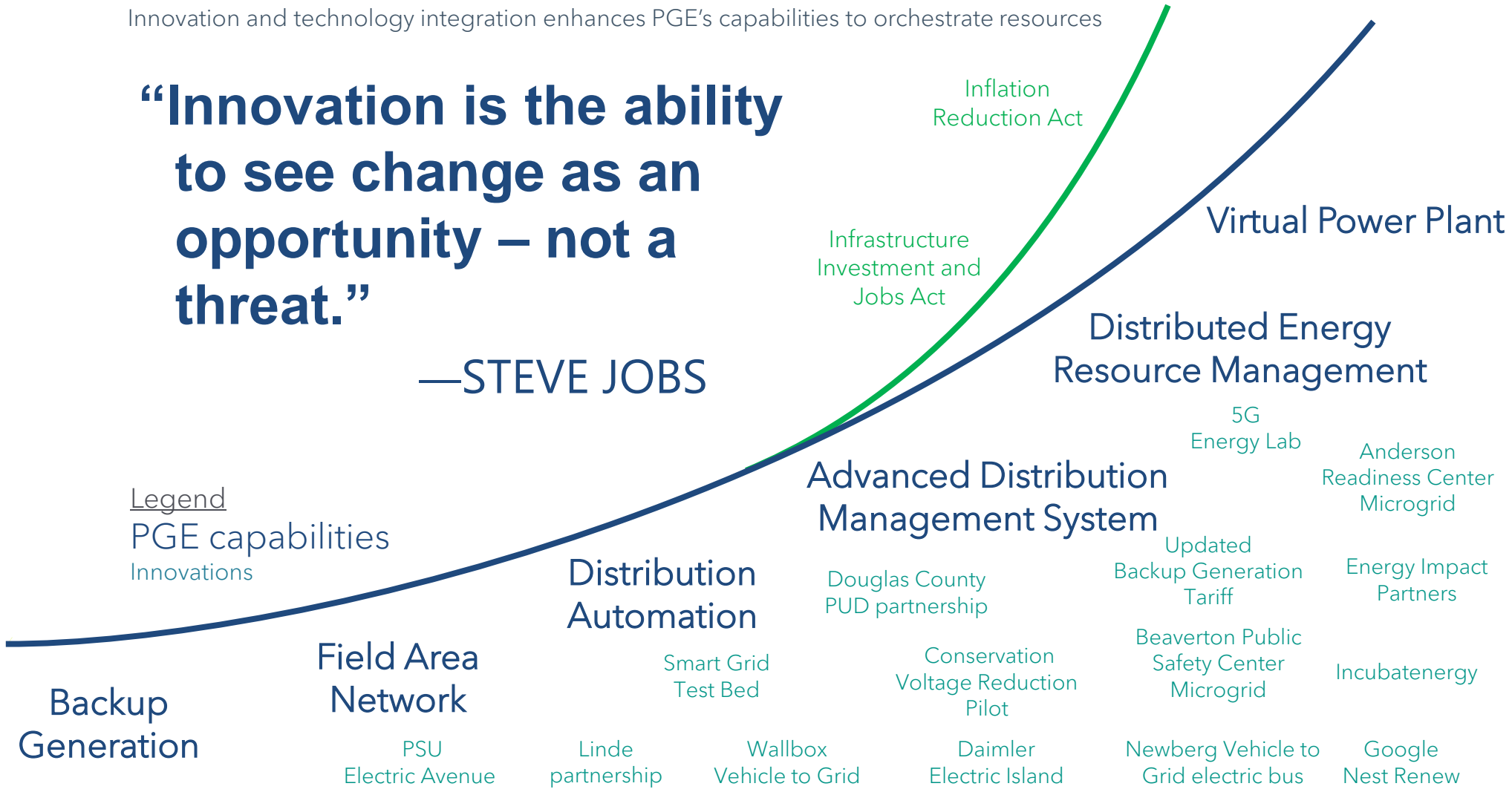


Technology Advancement

Innovation and technology integration enhances PGE’s capabilities to orchestrate resources

“Innovation is the ability to see change as an opportunity – not a threat.”

—STEVE JOBS



Reliable, Resilient, Secure



Resiliency and security

Cyber, physical security and resilience in the face of extreme weather, wildfires and climate change

- Electricity Subsector Coordinating Council (ESCC)
- State and Local Emergency Response



Infrastructure growth and system reinvestment

Streamlining transmission permitting and siting

- Nine federal agencies, including DOE, signed a MOU to expedite transmission infrastructure
- DOE National Transmission Study and \$300M to boost transmission siting and permitting
- Congress passed reforms to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

Evolving Customer Relationships and the Grid

By 2030, PGE estimates that as much as 25% of flexibility could come from customers and distributed energy resources (DERs)

**Electric Vehicles and
Building
Electrification**

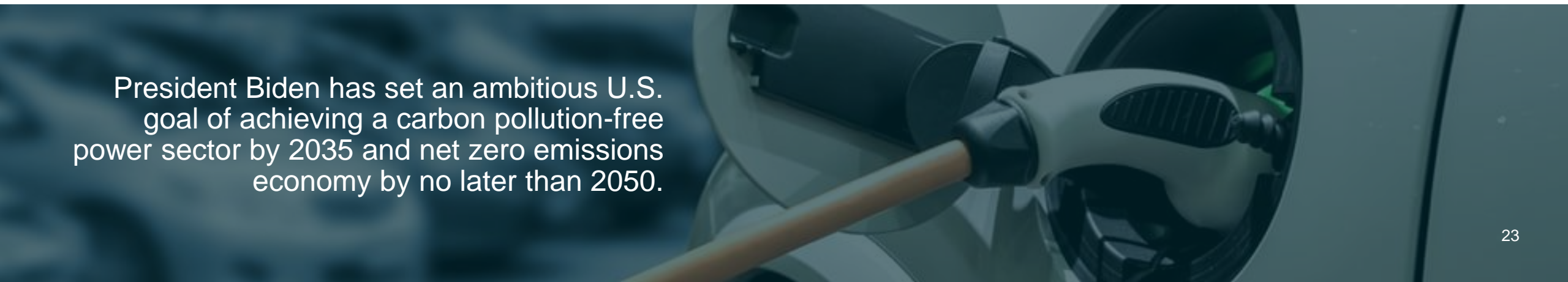
**15 to 18% growth
through 2030**

**Data Centers and
Generative Artificial
Intelligence**

**8% to 10% growth
through 2030**

**Reestablishing U.S.
Manufacturing**

**5% to 7% growth
through 2030**

A close-up photograph of an electric vehicle charging station. The charging cable is plugged into the car's charging port. The background is slightly blurred, showing the car's body panels.

President Biden has set an ambitious U.S. goal of achieving a carbon pollution-free power sector by 2035 and net zero emissions economy by no later than 2050.

Tapestry

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Making the grid visible by weaving together the technologies, information, and partners needed for clean, reliable, and affordable electricity.

Creating the world's best, most complete and precise, model of the grid through multiple data inputs



Plane Imagery



Satellite Imagery



Drone Imagery



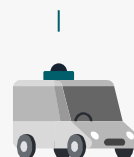
Proprietary Cameras on Utilities' Vehicles



Transmission Lines



Cell Phone Imagery



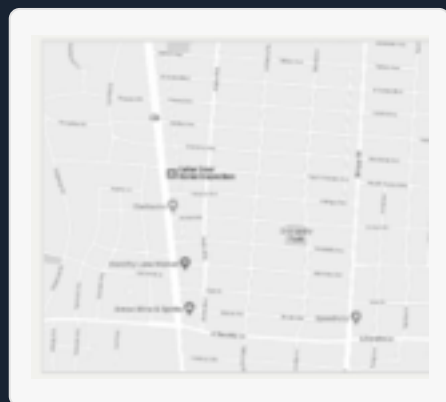
Google Street View



Underground Power



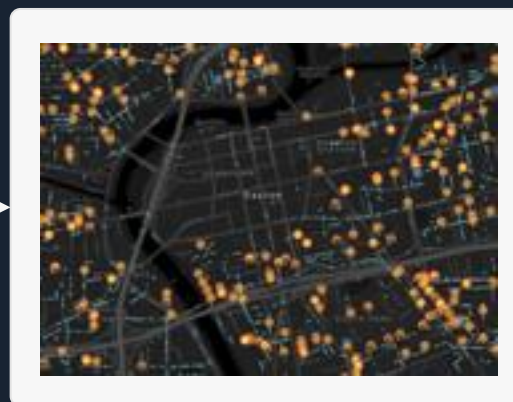
ArcGIS Data



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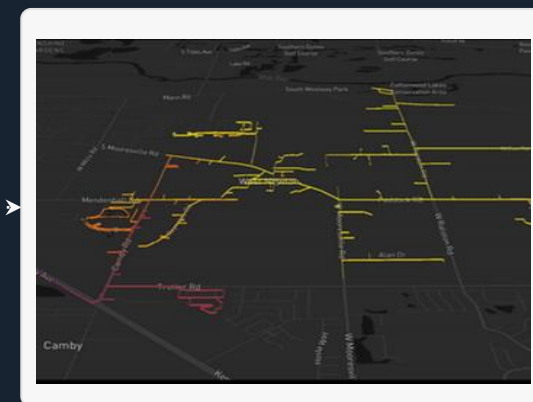
Identified assets & states



Auto-topology turned grid model

$$\begin{aligned}V_1 - I_1 R_1 &= 0 \\V_2 - L_2 \frac{d}{dt} I_2 &= 0 \\I_3 - C_3 \frac{d}{dt} V_3 &= 0 \\V_5 - a V_6 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Circuit level electricity solvers for power flow over time



Large-scale simulatable grid

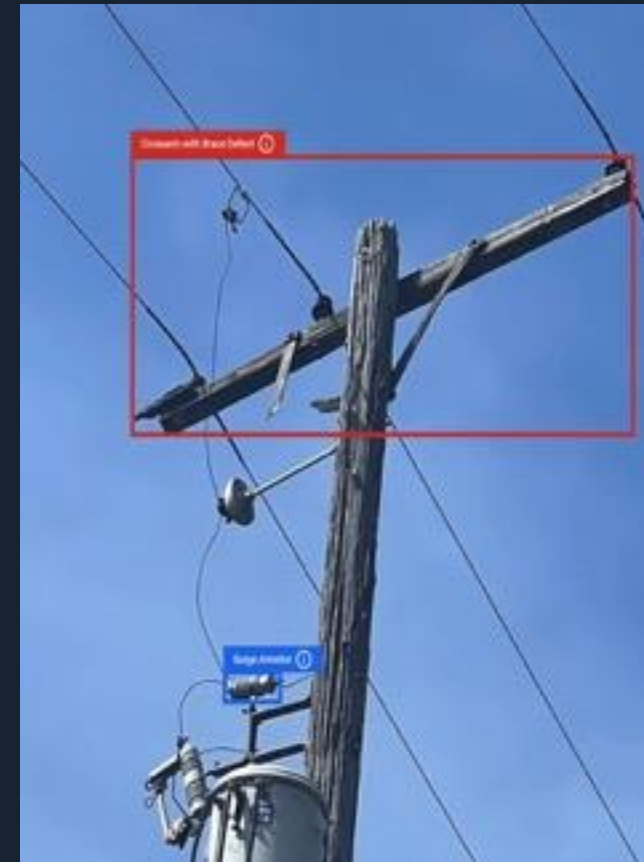
Products for a greener and more reliable grid

Grid Planning Tool: A crystal ball for the grid.



30x speedup of simulations. Integrated workflow.
Single-click analysis.

GridAware: Google Maps for the grid.



4M real-time assets. 51K overhead lines,
500K images.

Enhanced insights with AI + ML

We're harnessing the power of AI and ML to analyze hundreds of thousands of data points – faster and more accurately than ever before

Tapestry x GraphCast

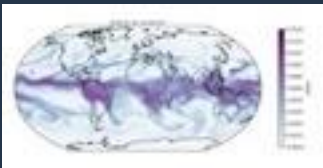
Wind generation

Predict wind magnitude, direction and the resultant power generation at individual wind farm locations.



Severe event forecasting

Predict the occurrence of severe events – including tropical cyclones, atmospheric rivers and extreme temperatures.



Economic models

Continuously configure wind generator dispatch and curtailment to create improved generator economic models.

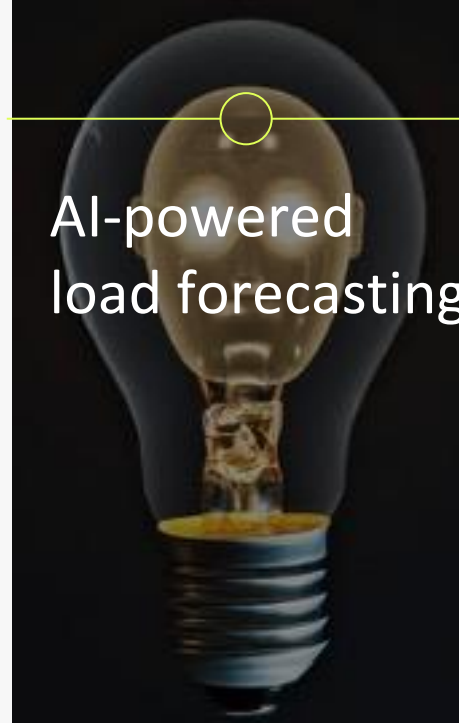


Small defect asset detection



The future (grid) is bright

In the face of a seemingly intractable problem, we're seeing promising early results that are a cause for optimism.



AI-powered
load forecasting

- Tapestry applies practical AI/ML technology in products and incubates academic collaboration.
- Tapestry and Google DeepMind's GraphCast AI model outperformed HRES' model by 15%.



100x
grid planning

- Tapestry's Grid Planning tool empowers large-scale, long-term grid simulation at hourly resolution that unlocks more efficient planning and reliable interconnection of renewables.
- Our tool transforms a process that takes days into just minutes.



ML for grid
reliability

- Smart, automated asset inspection to detect defects and prevent outages.
- 92% average asset detection accuracy.

Questions and Answers

