Prineville Distribution System Planning Community Workshop #1 April 17th, 2023

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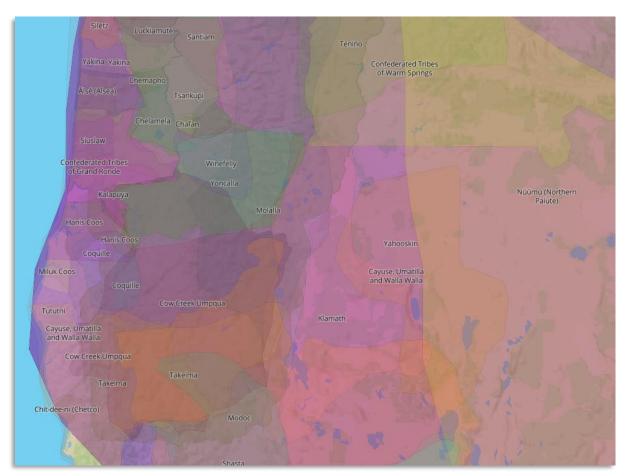
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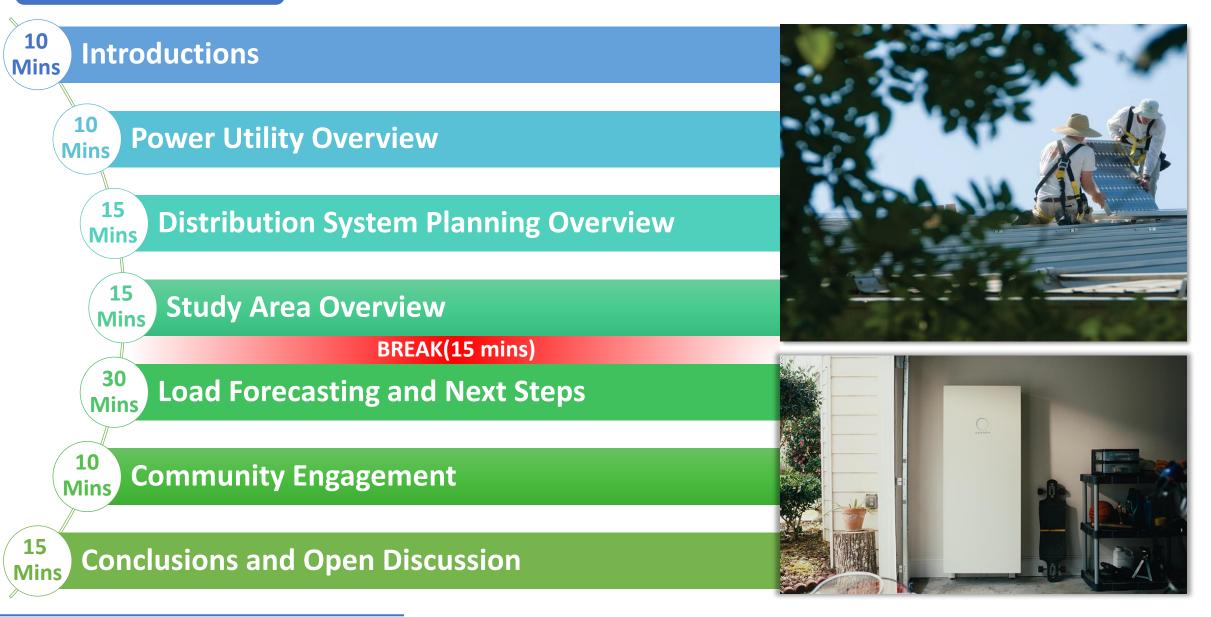


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By acknowledging Indigenous peoples and tribes, their traditional homeland ties are renewed and reaffirmed.





Introductions – Pacific Power Team Members

Distribution System Planning

- Jon Connelly* Director T&D Asset Management
- Ian Hoogendam* Manager
- Shauna Thomas* Program Specialist
- Daniel Talbot* Engineer
- Daniel Morgan Engineer
- John Rush* Project Manager

Local Bend/Prineville

- Steve Cook Field Engineer
- Matthew Chancellor* Regional Business Manager
- Ian Treadway Area Operations Manager

*Planned to attend

Please share with us:

- Name
- Organization and role
- What you hope to get out of today's discussion
- Steve Forrester, Prineville City Manager
- > Caroline Ervin, Capital Project Manager City of Prineville
- Matt Smith, Fire Chief City of Prineville
- Russ Deboodt, Fire Marshall City of Prineville
- Steve Uffelman, Prineville City Councilor
- Josh Smith, City Engineer City of Prineville
- Kelsey Lucas, Prineville/Crook County Director Economic Development for Central Oregon
- ➢ Kim Daniels, Executive Director Prineville/ Crook County Chamber of Commerce
- Will Van Vactor, Community Development Director -Crook County
- ➢ Kira Buresh, Manager of Support Services − St. Charles Health
- NewSun Energy

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Interactive Live Poll:

What do you love about the Prineville community?

Workshop Objectives

Success is a transparent, robust, and holistic distribution system planning framework.

Education

- Explaining distribution planning, and how it is changing
- Forecasting:
 - Process evolution
 - Drivers of load growth
 - Preliminary forecast results

Engagement

- Gathering input from participants
- Understanding the demographics, needs, values, and awareness of the community

Transparency

- Involving the community throughout the process
- Sharing of processes, analysis results, decisions, and learnings



Power Utility Overview



Electric Grid Overview

Generation

Produces power

Transmission System

- Transmits power from generation plants to distribution substations
- Interstate highway of the electric grid
- High voltage
- High redundancy

Distribution System

- Starts at distribution substation and ends at customer meter
- Distribution **substations:** interstate highway exits
- Distribution **circuits:** roads that connect the exit to the homes and businesses of the community
- Delivers power to consumers via poles and wires (overhead and underground)
- Medium voltage





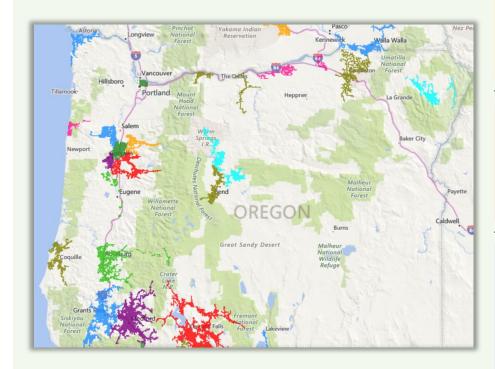
Distribution

Substation

Overview of Pacific Power - Oregon

Oregon Service Area

Distribution Substations: 197 Distribution Circuits: 535 Distribution Line Miles: 19,000 Customers: 629,000



North Region		Central Region			South Region		
Portland	Walla Walla	Bend	Albany	Roseburg	Klamath Falls	Medford	
Operating Areas / Districts							
Astoria Portland	Hermiston Pendleton Enterprise	Prineville Madras Hood River Bend Redmond	Albany Corvallis Dallas Independence Cottage Grove Stayton Lebanon Lincoln City	Coos Bay Roseburg	Lakeview Klamath Falls	Grants Pass Medford	
Distribution System Stats							
Circuits: 102 Line Miles: 1,200 Customers: 112,000	Circuits: 40 Line Miles: 1,700 Customers: 26,000	Circuits: 67 Line Miles: 2,800 Customers: 99,000	Circuits: 89 Line Miles: 3,700 Customers: 139,000	Circuits: 69 Line Miles: 2,300 Customers: 69,000	Circuits: 47 Line Miles: 2,300 Customers: 40,000	Circuits: 122 Line Miles: 5,200 Customers: 144,000	
Unique Attributes ———							
*Distribution Automation Pilot *Portland Underground Mesh Network	*Fire High Consequence Area	*High Growth Rate	*Distribution Automation Pilot	*Fire High Consequence Area	*Fire High Consequence Area *Energy Storage Pilot	*Distribution Automation Pilot *Fire High Consequence Area	



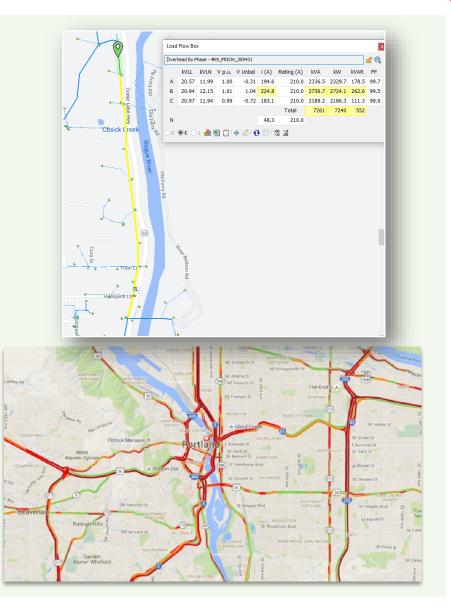
Distribution System Planning Overview



Distribution Planning Overview

What is Distribution System Planning?

- Like roads, wires have limited capacity and can become congested.
- The distribution system is designed to accommodate the power demand (load) of a community for the foreseeable future.
- If equipment loading guidelines are exceeded solutions are required to accommodate the anticipated load.
- Distribution system planning assesses future needs by forecasting load on distribution circuits and running simulations on models.
- Traditionally, distribution system planning studies have been conducted by a local field engineer on a 5-year cycle.



5-Year Cycle vs. Ad-Hoc Studies

5-Year Cycle Distribution Planning Studies

- Scheduled to be completed on a 5-year cycle
- 5-year planning horizon
- Schedule may shift depending on several factors (high load growth activity, large load additions, etc.)
- 99 planning studies are on 5-year cycle in Pacific Power service area
- Study process takes 2-3 months

Ad-hoc Studies (Generation Interconnect or System Impact Study)

- Initiated by load, generation interconnection, or transmission service requests
- Focused on a limited area, and the immediate effects of the request on reliability and load service
- Shorter timeframes to meet customer needs (~ 3-4 weeks for initial study)
- Customer shares in solution costs and influences what solutions are implemented

Load Forecasting

Tasks Required:

- Review historical summer/winter peak load SCADA data at circuit breaker level
- Adjust for large load additions and planned system changes
- ✓ Adjust for large Distributed Generation additions

Load Flow Model Verification/Updates

Tasks Required:

 Review equipment and line data in load flow model

✓ Field verification and updating of load flow model Identify Grid Needs

Tasks Required:

- ✓ Load flow analysis based on load forecast
- ✓ Identify and analyze grid need
- ✓ Identify timing requirements

Example Grid Needs:

- Voltage above/below acceptable limits
- Loading exceeds equipment rating
- ✓ Apply each solution to model and re-analyze
 - / Iterate until solutions have addressed issues

Identify Potential Solutions

Tasks Required:

 ✓ Identify primary solutions and alternatives to resolve grid needs

Solution Examples:

- Load transfer
- Phase balancing
- Capacitor bank
- Upgrade equipment

Develop Project Proposals

Tasks Required:

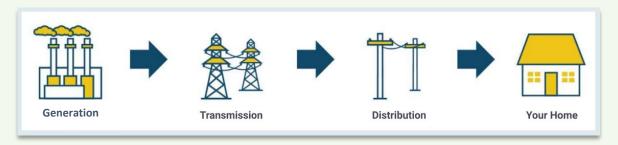
- Develop proposal for each project that includes:
 - Description of work to be performed
 - Purpose and Necessity
 - Risk Assessment
 - Alternatives
 Considered
 - Preliminary Cost Estimate

What is Oregon DSP?

- Based on guidelines proposed by Oregon PUC staff
- Increased transparency and modernization of traditional DSP to meet the needs and leverage the capabilities of the modern grid

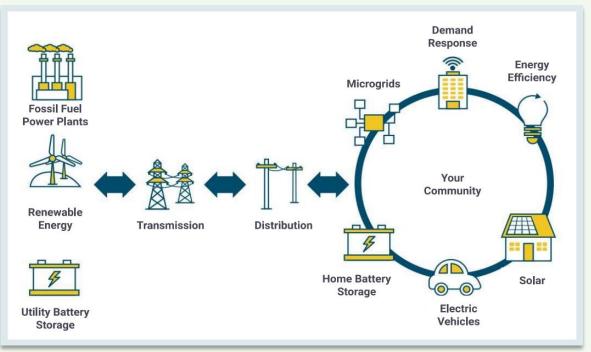
Key changes to traditional DSP:

- Consideration of non-traditional solutions to meet grid needs
- Increased community engagement
- Enhanced forecasting
 - 24-hour load profiles
 - Inclusion of incremental electric vehicle (EV) and solar adoption rates



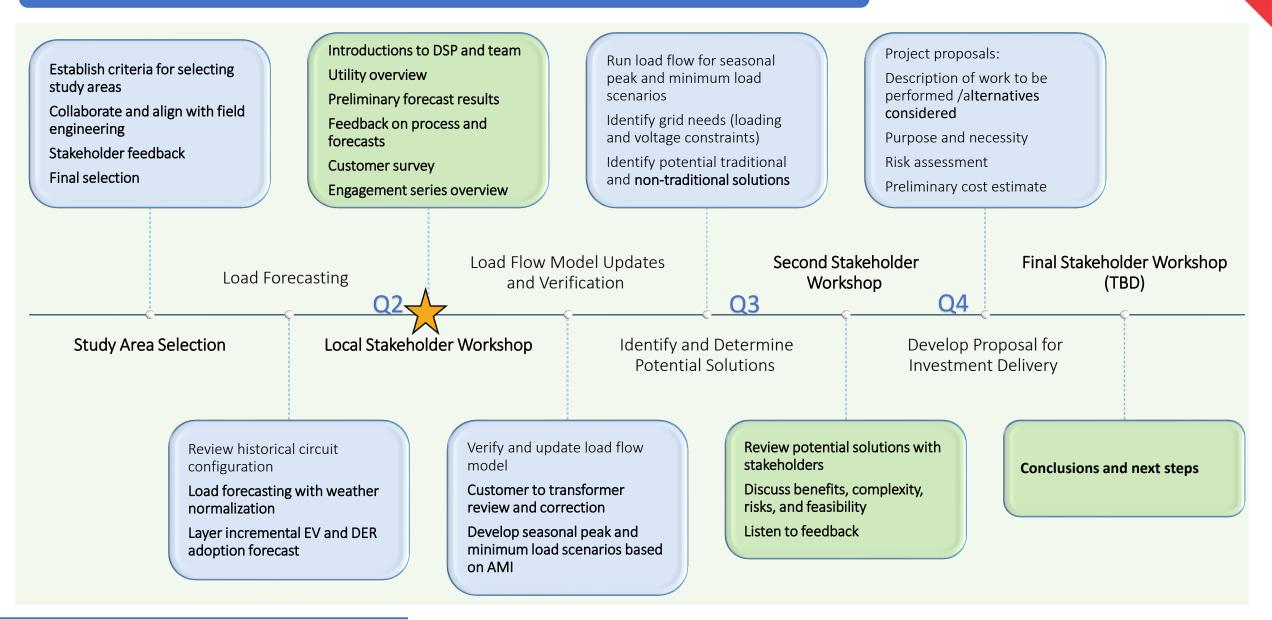
Modern Grid

Past Grid



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2023 DSP Study Process and Local Engagement Plan





Study Area Overview



5D167(Northville) Summary

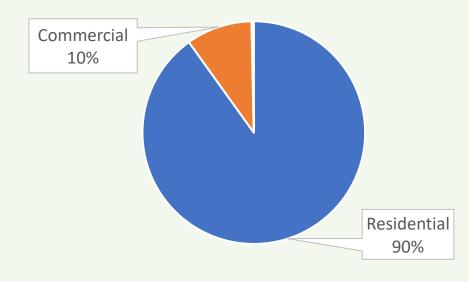


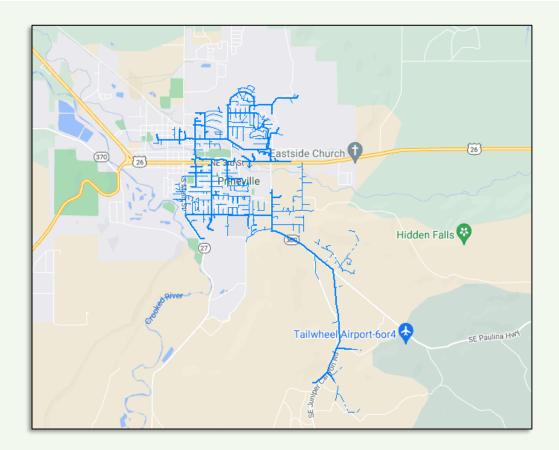
Selection Criteria

- High distributed generation growth predicted
- 35.6% of household incomes on this circuit have median incomes below 200% of Federal Poverty Limit

Other Considerations

• Approximately half of customers on this circuit have electric-source heating





Circuits

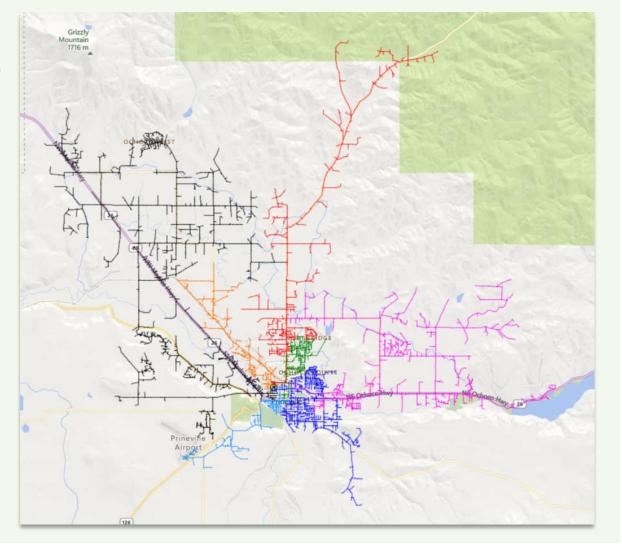
- Count: 7
- Line miles: 347 (sum of pole-to-pole distance)

Customers

- Residential: 7,490
- Commercial: 1,199
- Irrigation: 387
- Industrial: 37

Other Characteristics

- Limited SCADA history
- New substation transformer planned to be in-service by Fall 2023
- All large datacenters served from transmission substations
- Higher loads in winter, but equipment closer to capacity in summer



What else should we understand/consider about the Prineville community?

What are your concerns about energy?





Break (10ish Mins)

Ti Start Timer

TIME TO RESUME





Load Forecasting and Next Steps



New Forecasting Methods



Traditional

Inputs

- Manual Reads
- SCADA where available
- Load Loggers
- Planned Spot Loads

Analysis

Linear Regression of Seasonal Peaks

Outputs

- 5-year Planning Horizon
- Seasonal Scenarios

Enhanced

- Automatic SCADA
- Advanced Metering Infrastructure
- Planned Spot Loads
- Daily Weather Logs
- Local Stakeholder Engagement
- EV and Distributed Generation Forecasts

Analysis

Inputs

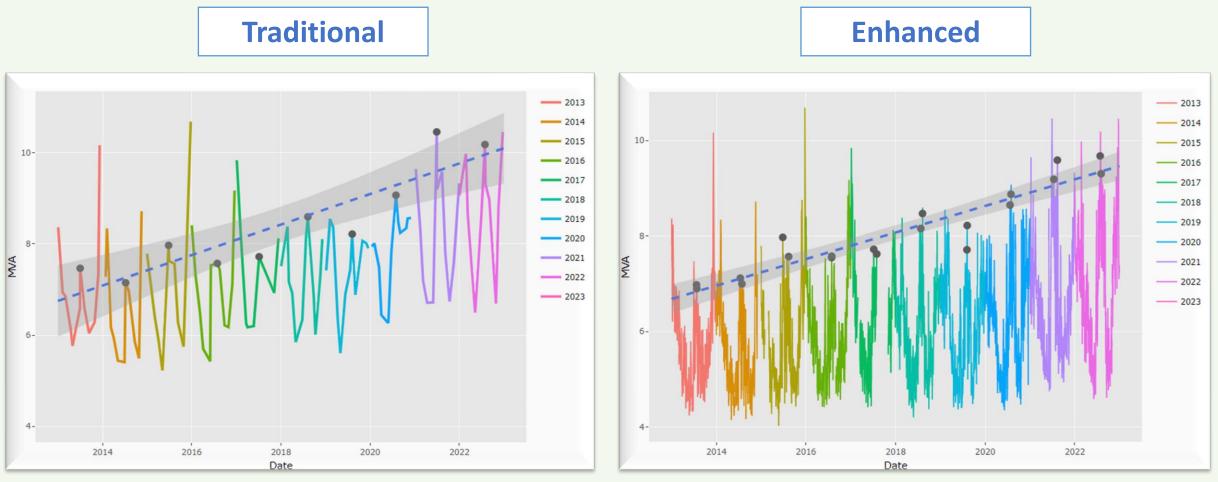
- Weather-Normalized Datasets
- Exponential Regression of Seasonal Peaks
- Multiple Scenario Analysis

Outputs

- 10-year Planning Horizon
- Multiple Seasonal and Load Growth Scenarios

Forecasting Example





*Temperature outlier days excluded

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Drivers for Load Growth

What drivers of load growth have you seen in your community and where are they occurring?



Natural Gas/Diesel Prices

Policy

Economic Output (Gross County Product)

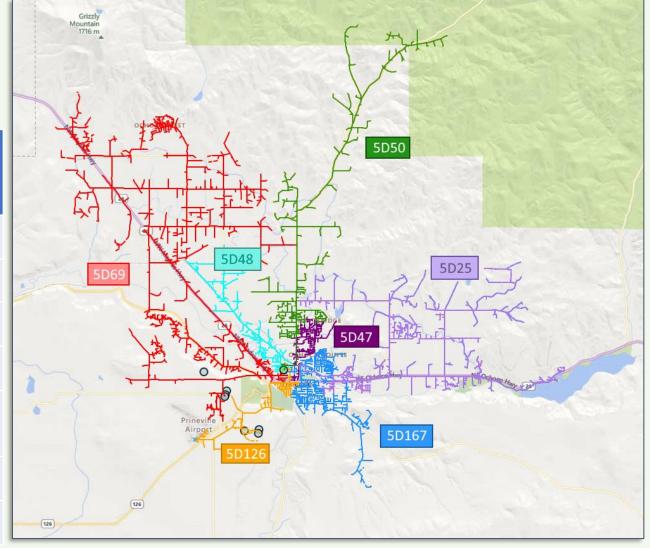


Area Load Forecast Summary (Summer)

Summer is typically the time of year when equipment is closest to capacity

Temperatures have seen significantly higher peaks in the past two years, stressing some equipment more than anticipated.

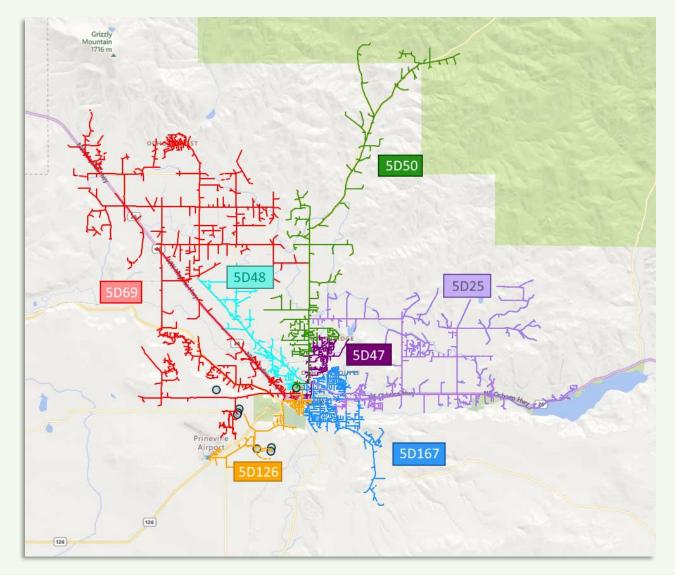
Circuit	Customer Mix	Projected Summer Load Growth	2022 Load (MVA)	Projected 2032 Load (MVA)	Capacity Utilized (2032)	
5D25	Residential/					
Ochoco Mill	Irrigation	3.0%*	4.7	6.3	48%	
5D47	Residential/					
МсКау	Industrial	3.0%*	4.5	6.1	64%	
5D48	Industrial/					
Lamonta	Mixed	3.0%*	4.2	5.8	51%	
<mark>5D50</mark>	Residential/					
<mark>Pine Cone</mark>	Irrigation	3.0%*	7.4	<mark>10.0</mark>	<mark>88%</mark>	
5D69 Grimes Flat	Residential/ Commercial/ Irrigation	3.0%*	7.8	10.6	44%	
5D126	Residential/					
Rimrock	Commercial	5.0%	4.2	6.9	61%	
5D167 Northville	Residential	3.4%	<mark>10.5</mark>	<mark>14.9</mark>	<mark>132%</mark>	
*Limited historical data, growth rate is conservative approximation						



Cooler temperatures allow higher capacity on most equipment

But heat electrification may be driving load growth in some areas that may cause concern

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5D47	Residential/					
McKay	Industrial	3.0%	4.5	7.1	55%	
5D48	Industrial/					
Lamonta	Mixed	3.0%	4.4	6.0	46%	
<mark>5D50</mark>	Residential/					
<mark>Pine Cone</mark>	Irrigation	3.0%	8.5	<mark>11.5</mark>	<mark>88%</mark>	
5D69 Grimes Flat	Residential/ Commercial/ Irrigation	3.0%	9.2	12.3	51%	
	U	5.070	5.2	12.5	51/0	
5D126	Residential/	F 00/	4.0	7.0	C00/	
Rimrock	Commercial	5.0%	4.8	7.8	60%	
5D167 Northville	Residential	1.0%	10.6	<mark>11.7</mark>	<mark>90%</mark>	
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Load Flow Model Updates and Verification

- Verify an update load flow model
- Customer to transformer mapping review and correction
- Develop seasonal peak and minimum load scenarios based on AMI

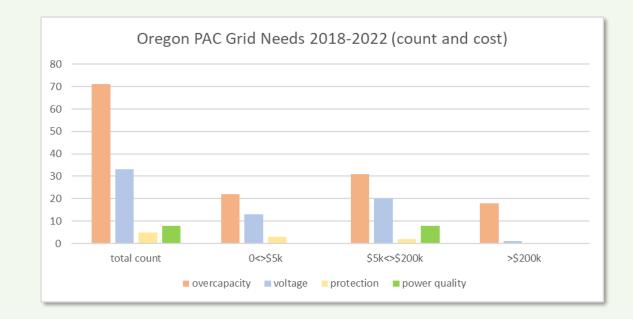
Identify and Determine Potential Solutions

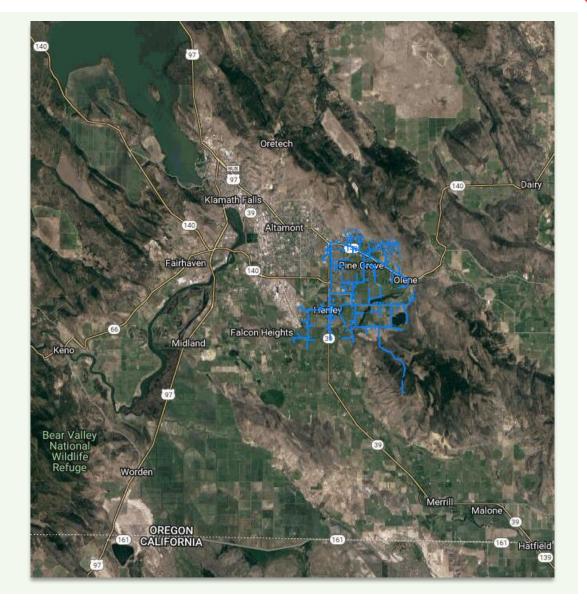
- Run load flow for seasonal peak and minimum load scenarios
- Identify grid needs (loading and voltage constraints)
- Identify potential traditional and non-traditional solutions

Take input from this workshop and develop follow up actions/ ideas about benefits to community

Klamath Falls Study Overview

- Klamath Falls was selected for a DSP study
- The area was examined thoroughly for an appropriate grid need
- Local feedback was incorporated into potential nontraditional solutions
- Model results were translated into estimated costs and compared for the most optimal and feasible outcome

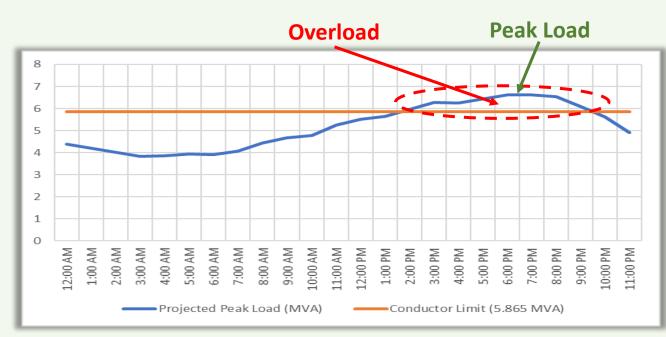


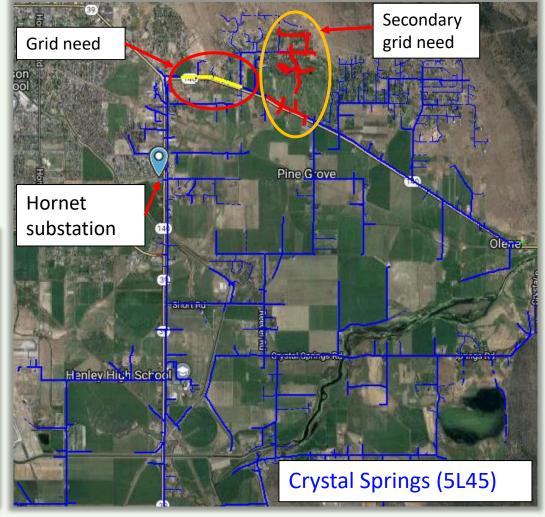


Klamath Falls Grid Need Analysis

Grid Needs:

- Study identified an overcapacity at peak load, causing conductor overload
- Also causes low voltage downstream
- Needed to be addressed in 2-3 years
- Peak load occurs during the summer in the evening

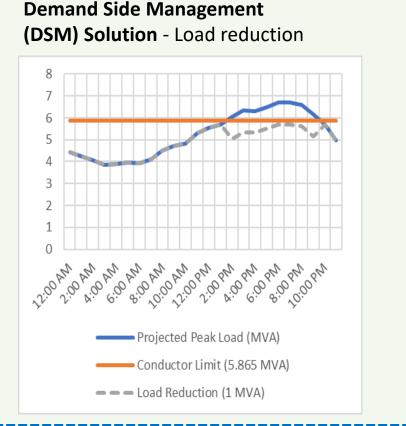


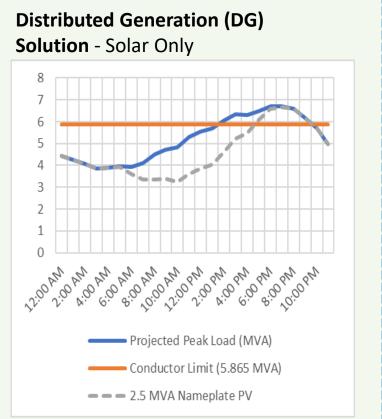


Klamath Falls Traditional and Non-Traditional Solutions

Non-traditional solution examples

Traditional Solution – Reconductor overloaded conductor 8 6 3 12:00 AM 6.0 8.0 00 00 10 00 00 00 00 00 00 2:00 AM 4:00 AN. Projected Peak Load (MVA) Conductor Limit (5.865 MVA) - - New Conductor Limit (7.491 MVA)





Klamath Falls – Solution Evaluations and Final Conclusions

Traditional Solution:

Reconductor overloaded wire

Non-traditional solution concepts considered:

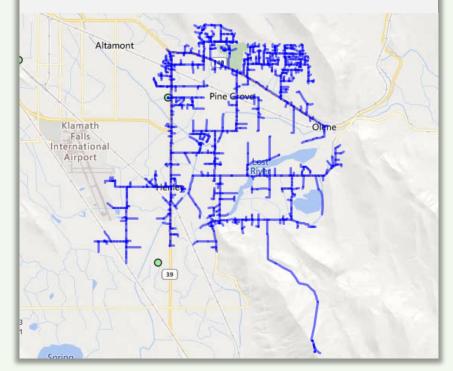
- Solar + Battery Storage (Evaluation #1)
- Targeted Energy Efficiency (Evaluation #2)
- Demand Response, Curtailment, other Renewables

Conclusions:

- Reconductoring was chosen due to several constraints
 - Amount of Solar + Battery Storage was too costly
 - Energy Efficiency would have taken too long
- Future studies need to evaluate a longer study horizon
- Futures studies will consider a hybrid approach of methods (ex: solar + storage and energy efficiency)

Klamath Falls – Crystal Springs – 5L45

- Overloaded conductor during peak summer load
- Low voltages downstream of overload
- Needed to be addressed in 2-3 years



What kind of benefits could non-traditional solutions offer?





Society Benefits



Benefits to Utility



- Reduce energy bills (for customer resources, e.g., rooftop solar)
- Greater Reliability/Resilience- expect lower likelihood of outages
- Tax incentives programs to help with energy efficiency or other programs
- Greater energy independence (with certain solutions)
- Improved Comfort especially with energy efficiency solutions

- Reduce Green House Gas (GHG) and
- Particulate Emissions- cleaner air
- Potential for greater community resilience
- Potential for greater energy independence

- Fuel savings
- Reduce volatility / increased flexibility
- Deferral of infrastructure
- investments

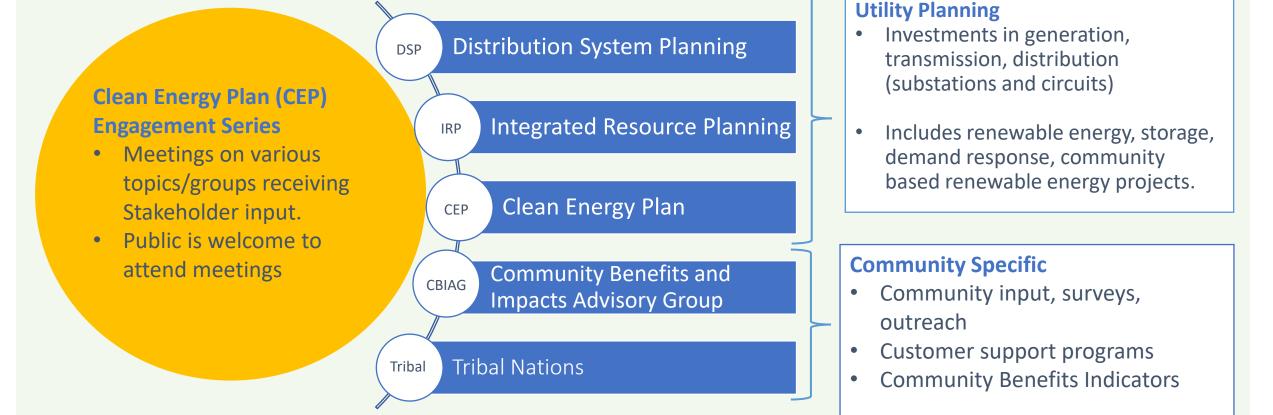


Stakeholder Engagement



Where Does DSP Fit in with Other Engagement Initiatives?

Transitioning to a clean energy future benefits from diverse stakeholder input



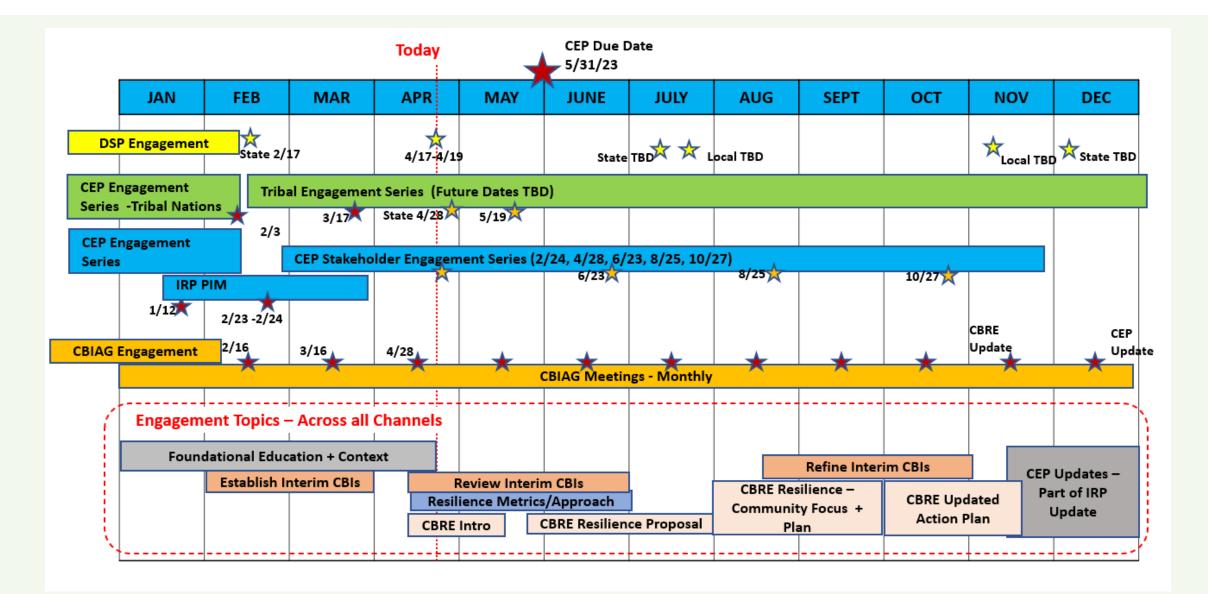
Continued Engagement - Utility Planning

Integrated Resource Plan (IRP)	Oregon Clean Energy Plan (CEP) Stakeholder Group	Integrated Resource Plan	ENERGY TRANSMISSION ENVIRONMENT COMMUNITY Clean Energy Plan Engagement Series - April 2023 Meeting April 20, 2023, 1 p.m 4 p.m. Pacific Time American Sign Language and Spanish live translations available
To file twenty-year strategic plan that focuses on ten-year planning and two-to-four-year actionable plans with utility commission.	CEP goal is to develop an actionable strategy to provide emission free electricity for Oregon customers by 2040. CEP includes requirements for small-scale and Community Based Renewable Energy.	Hydro WW Thermal cov Storage in Orid modernization 28 Private generation gas Oregon Clean Energy Plan • Washington CEIP •	<text><text><text><text></text></text></text></text>
Intensive data forecasting, modeling, and portfolio analysis, to ensure PacifiCorp balances system needs, regulatory requirements and stakeholder input.	Works closely with IRP group to plan system needs, regulatory requirements, and stakeholder input.	Integrated Resource Plan but Public input process lai Stakeholder feedback en IRP support & studies nu Wind & solar State Hydro 20 Thermal CI Storage pr Grid modernization At	ean, reliable, resilient: The power and omise of a connected West PacifiCorp, we share a vision with our customers d communities in which clean energy from across
Next meeting TBD- Online feedback form available Integrated Resource Plan	Next meeting April 28 th Oregon Clean Energy Plan	Oregon Clean Energy Plan ha mu Washington CEIP RE	West powers jobs and innovation. This bold vision guided our work for years and we've already de substantial progress. AD OUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF THE WEST TCH THE VIDEO: CONNECTING THE WEST

Continued Engagement - Group Specific

Engagement for Oregon Tribal	Oregon Community Benefits and	PACIFICORP.	
Nations	Impacts Advisory Group (CBIAG)	Energy Integrated Resource Plan Wind & solar Hydro Thermal	Clean Energy Plan Engagement Series Tribal Nations
Increase feedback from communities that have not traditionally participated in utility planning process.	CBIAG composed of stakeholders that do not usually participate in utility planning processes to ensure community voices are heard. Primary topics: community benefits, concerns, guidance to utility on approach & engagement.	Storage Grid modernization Private generation Oregon Clean Energy Plan Washington CEIP	<text><text><list-item><list-item><list-item><list-item><list-item><list-item></list-item></list-item></list-item></list-item></list-item></list-item></text></text>
Provide us with better understanding of community needs, perspectives, barriers to participations, assisting with community outreach.	CBI indicators- using feedback/indicators from community to drive utility planning and actions.	Energy Integrated Resource Plan Wind & solar Hydro Thermal Storage Grid modernization Private generation	BIAG April 2023 Meeting April 20, 2023, 1 p.m 4 p.m. Pacific Time American Sign Language and Spanish live translations available Join Zoom Meeting Oregon Community Benefits and Impact Advisory Group We have convened the Community Benefits and Impacts Advisory Group (CBIAG) to focus on equity and a clean energy future in the state of Oregon In accordance with Oregon House Bill 2021. Through the CBIAG, we plan to continue seeking direct
Next meeting April 28 th Tribal Nations	Next meeting April 20 th Oregon Community Benefits and Impacts Advisory Group	Privace generation Oregon Clean Exergy Plan Washington CEIP	stakeholder feedback to build an inclusive and accessible process for consultation and collaboration. This includes: • Increasing participation from communities that have not traditionally participated in utility planning processes; • Providing uswith a better understanding of community needs and perspectives; • Identifying barriers to participation and input on how to address these barriers;

Stakeholder Engagement Timeline



Final Survey/Discussion

<u>What did you learn today?</u> <u>What resonated with you today?</u> <u>What are the benefits of moving to a clean energy future?</u> <u>What comes to mind when you think of community resilience?</u> <u>What special topics would you like to hear about at the next workshop?</u> <u>Next workshop format: in-person or online only?</u>





Conclusion:

After forecasting the load out of the Prineville substation with enhanced forecasting methods, we have higher confidence of growth rates for summer and winter peaks. We hope you have gained a better understanding of Distribution System Planning and want to continue to engage with us throughout this process. Thank you for attending and improving our understanding of Prineville's community needs and values.











DSP Email / Distribution List Contact Information

• <u>DSP@pacificorp.com</u>

DSP Webpages

- <u>Pacific Power Oregon DSP Website</u>
- Planificación del Sistema de Distribución de Oregón (pacificorp.com)

Additional Resources

- PacifiCorp's DSP Part 1 Report
- PacifiCorp's DSP Part 2 Report
- DSP Pilot Project Suggestion Form



Thank you!





Back up Slides





Customer Benefit Indicator Category	Interim Customer Benefit Indicators	Interim Customer Benefit Indicator Metrics	Purpose		
Rulemaking Language	Outcomes	How we Measure Outcomes	Why		
Resiliency (System and Community)	duration of energy outages Improve resiliency of	SAIDI, SAIFI, and CAIDI at area level	SAIDI, SAIFI and CAIDI scores show how reliable and resilient areas of PacifiCorp's system are. Producing these metrics for Census Tracts will demonstrate how reliable and resilient our system at the community level.		
	vulnerable communities during electricity outages	including major events			
Community Well-			Access to energy affects the provision and sustainability of basic human needs. Disconnections could be the result of a customer's decision whether to pay utility bills or pay for other basic needs like paying rent, buying food, or purchasing prescription drugs. Tracking disconnections by Census Tract provides an indicator of how communities may be struggling with their basic needs.		
Environmental Impacts	Increase energy from non- emitting resources and reduce CO2 emissions to meet HB 2021 targets		Reduce fossil fuel resources and increase renewable and non-emitting resources that currently power Oregon's grid, thereby leading to increased environmental benefits, while maintaining system reliability and on-demand service to customers.		
(Distributional and	Decrease number of households experiencing high energy burden	Energy burden by census tract Energy burden for low-income customers, bill assistance participants and Tribal members	Energy equity is concept that all member of society should be able to afford and have access to a necessary and basic amount of energy. Energy burdened households spend a disproportionate amount of their income on home energy costs. Tracking energy burden by Census Tract provides an indicator of energy equity for communities in PacifiCorp's Oregon service territory.		
Economic Impacts	Increase community-focused efforts and investments	TBD	The purpose of this CBI is to focus investments so that communities more equitably receive benefits. Impacts from these investments will have positive implications on communities.		

2023 DSP Study Area Selection Process



Calculate Selection Metrics for all Oregon Circuits

Select 12 Circuits Based on Criteria Preliminary Grid Needs Analysis on Selected Circuits

Share with Stakeholders and Get Feedback

Final DSP Study Area Selection

Selection methodology: Criteria and Metrics



Selection Methodology: Results

	High Solar Generation	High Electric Vehicle	Low Reliability	Larger Potential	High Potential for Reverse	SCADA	Median Income	High Amount of Households Below 200%
Circuit	Growth	Growth	Score	Solar Sizing	Power Flow	Available	≤ \$50k	Poverty Level
4R9	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
5D22	✓	\checkmark		\checkmark		\checkmark		
5D167	✓	\checkmark				\checkmark		✓
5P395	✓	~				\checkmark		
5L45	✓	~	\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark		
5D261		\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark		
5D227		\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark		
5L27				\checkmark		\checkmark	✓	
5D50			\checkmark	\checkmark		\checkmark		✓
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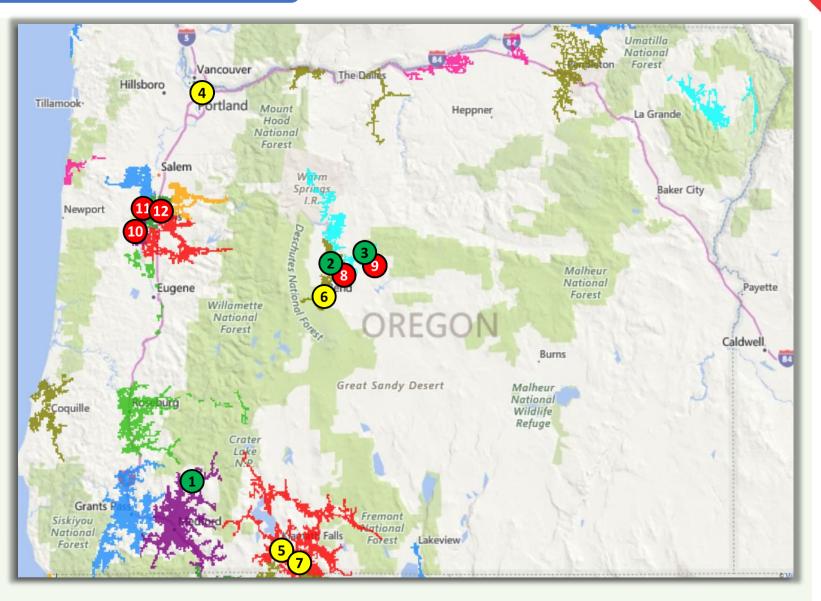
Selection Methodology: Preliminary Grid Needs Analysis

Identify significant planned changes to the circuits Basic 10-year peak load forecast based on 10 years of circuit load (if available)

CYME load flow analysis for grid needs using peak projected load CYME load flow for worst case reverse power flow (if applicable) Discuss findings and models with local field engineers and incorporate feedback

Preliminary Selection for Full Area DSP Study

#	Circuit	Evaluation Likelihood: High Low Disqualified
1	4R9	Grid needs identified
2	5D22	Grid needs identified
3	5D167	Grid needs identified
4	5P395	No grid needs identified
5	5L45	No grid needs identified
6	5D261	No grid needs identified
7	5L27	No grid needs identified
8	5D227	New substation
		Large planned load
9	5D50	transfer
10	4M182	New substation
11	4M16	New substation
12	4M15	New substation



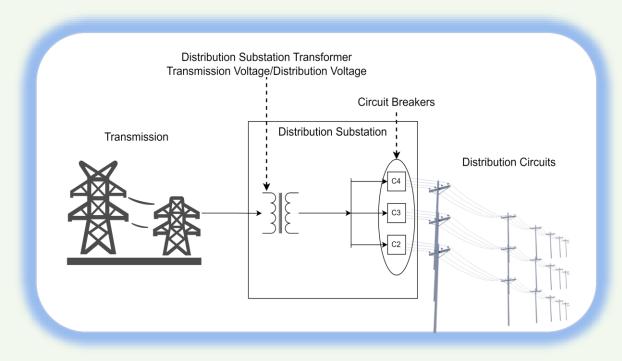
Distribution Substation Overview

Distribution substation transformer

- Lowers voltage from transmission levels to distribution levels
- Manages distribution voltage levels
- Load measurements
- Sized to accommodate loading levels for the foreseeable future

Distribution circuit breakers

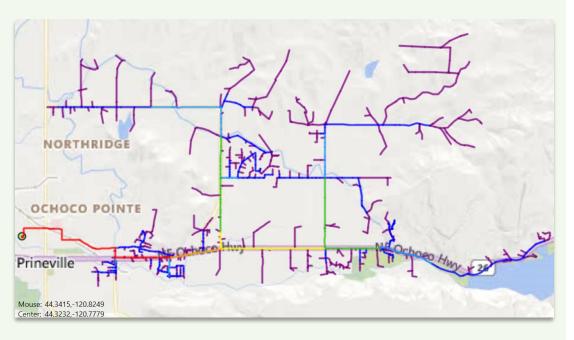
- Starting point for distribution circuits
- System protection
- Load measurements



Distribution Circuit Overview

What is a distribution circuit?

- Starts at the distribution circuit breaker, ends at the customer meter
- Distribution circuit components:
 - Poles
 - Wires (overhead and underground): load capacity starts out large from the substation and decreases as the amount of load downstream decreases
 - System protection: public safety, protects system, minimizes customer outages
 - Switches: maintenance, circuit reconfiguration, outage restoration
 - Voltage management devices: maintain acceptable voltage levels along the circuit
 - Service transformers (pole mounted and pad mounted): lowers primary distribution voltage to service levels
 - Customer meters: Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) captures power usage at hourly intervals. Used for billing and load research.
- Circuit designed to accommodate anticipated load for the foreseeable future





Why Is Weather Normalization Important?

What we have observed:

- Load in summer has a strong correlation with max temperature and an even stronger correlation with Cooling Degree Days (CDD)
- Load in winter has a strong correlation with min temperature. Heating Degree Days (HDD) can have a strong correlation as well.
- Large yearly variations of extreme heat and cold
- 2021 and 2022 had exceptional heat waves

Why does this matter?

- Peak load has strong correlation to yearly weather extremes. Load growth is masked by yearly variations in temperature extremes.
- Purpose of weather normalization is to remove this yearly variation.

