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**RE: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC's
Revised Presentation at ISOP Technical Conference
Docket No. E-100, Sub 165**

Dear Ms. Campbell:

I enclose for filing the revised presentation materials that Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC presented at the March 9, 2021 ISOP Technical Conference scheduled by the Commission in connection with the referenced matter.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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Presentation to NCUC Technical Conference on Comprehensive Electricity Planning

An Overview of Duke Energy's Integrated System & Operations Planning Development Efforts

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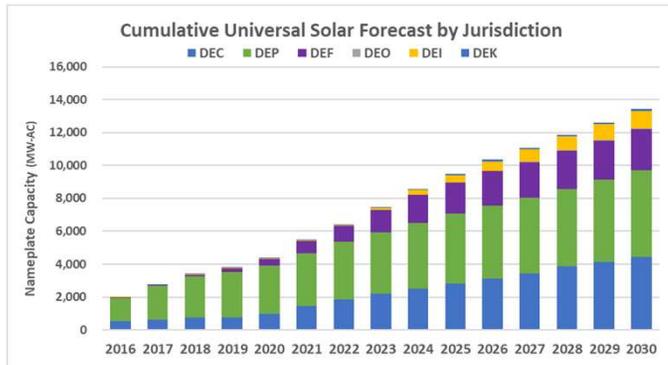
**Integrated System &
Operations Planning**



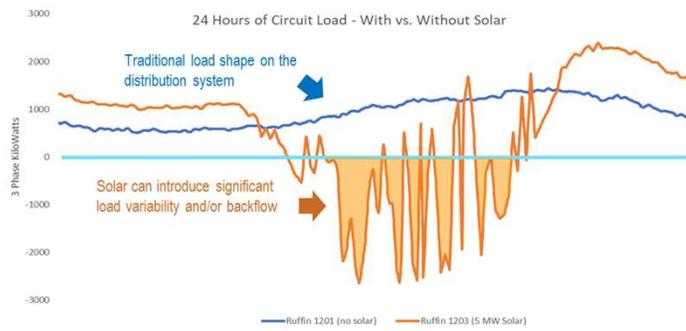


What are some of the challenges that we are addressing?

Rapid growth of renewables in our regions ...

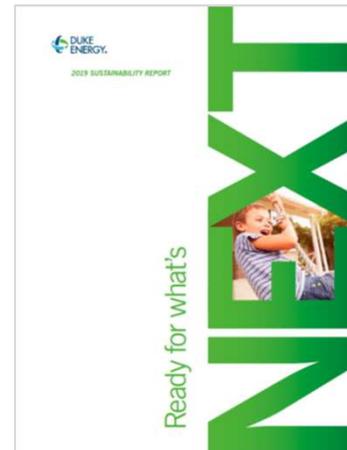


Addressing dynamic loading on the grid ...



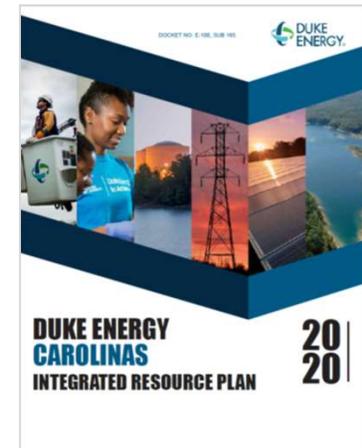
ISOP is leveraging IRP, ESG and sustainability efforts to frame the future for integrated planners ...

➔ Vision Statement ...
Net Zero Carbon by 2050



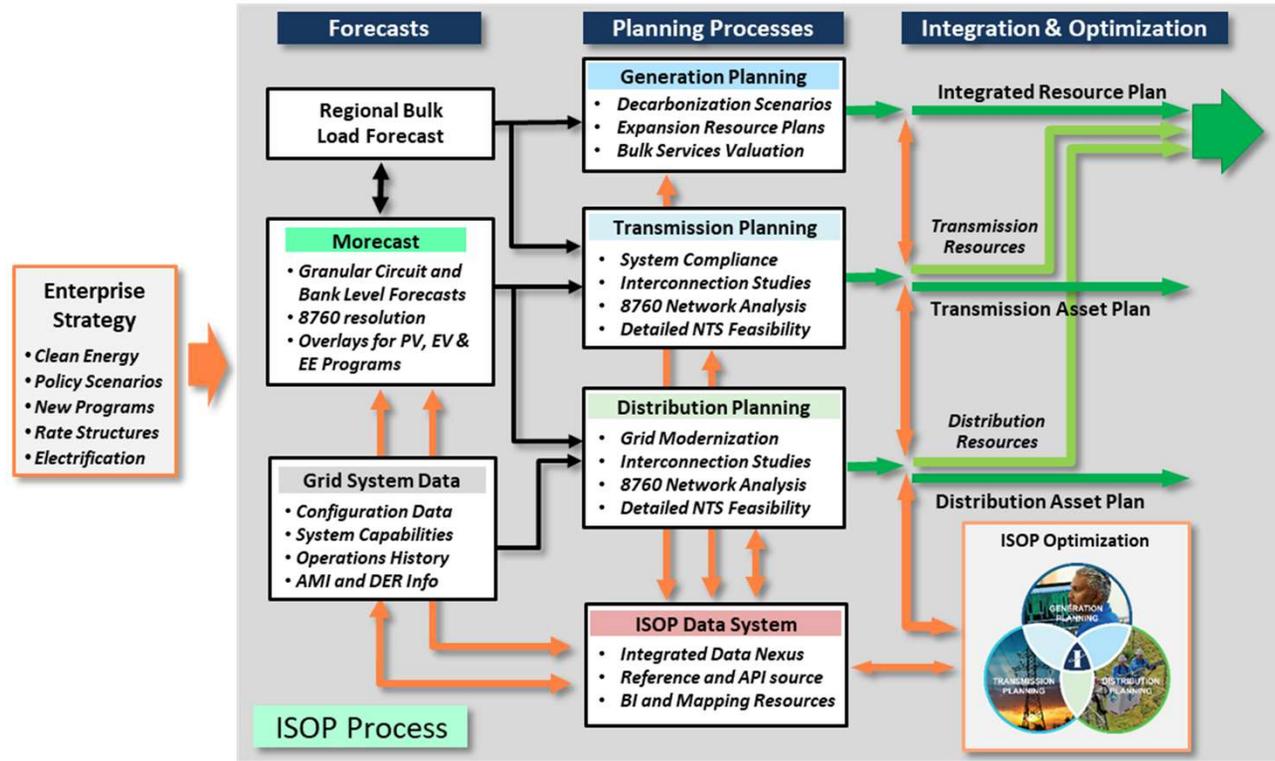
2019 Sustainability Report

➔ Integrated Planning ...
Pathways to Net Zero



2020 Integrated Resource Plan

Developing the ISOP integrated electricity planning process

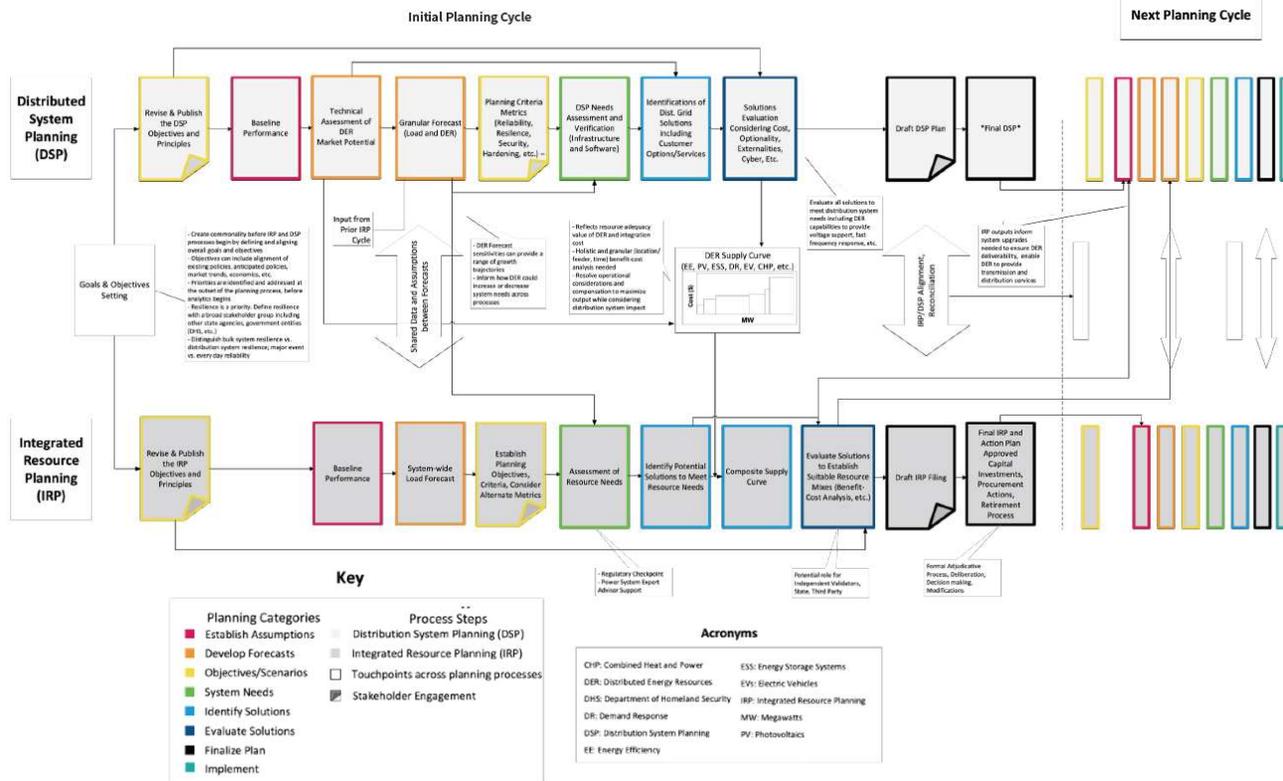


ISOP is supporting the development and integration of these new processes and methods in each of these planning areas.

Perspectives from the NARUC NASEO Task Force



Silver Cohort Flowchart of Idealized Comprehensive Electricity Planning Process (Feb'21)



Alignment of ISOP elements

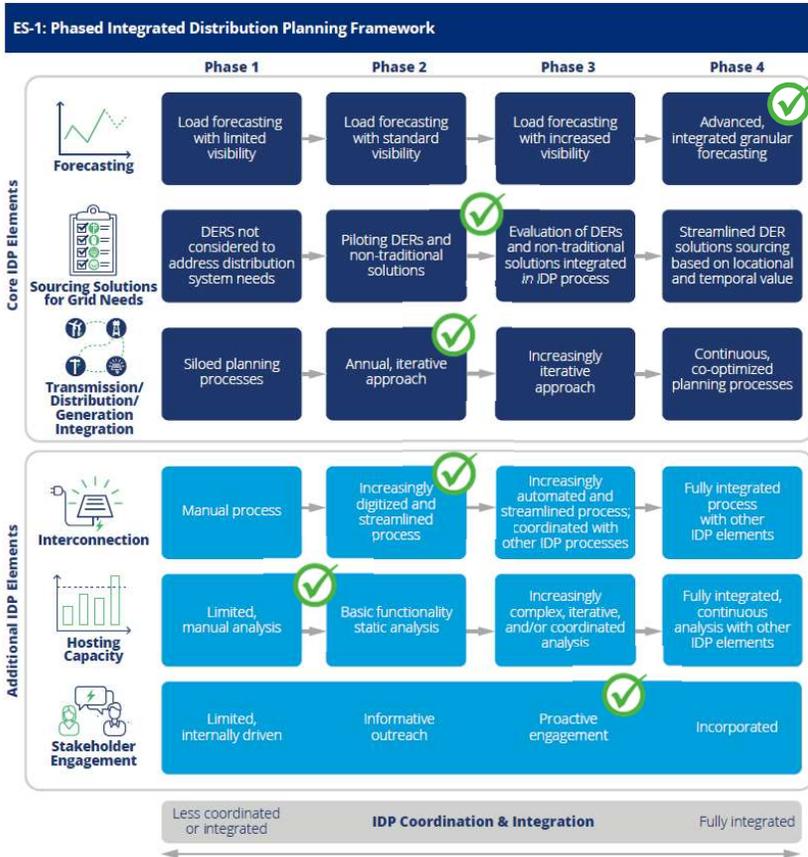
- Stakeholder engagement in the planning process
- Granular forecasting of load and DER
- Integrated needs analysis across D, T and G planning
- Integrating alternatives in the IRP process

Utility Collaboration

- Coordination on load and DER forecasting and DO / TO coordination with NCEMC, Electricities
- Investigating additional opportunities ...

Duke Energy - General Information for Illustration and Discussion

Progress in SEPA Integrated Distribution Planning Framework



Source: Smart Electric Power Alliance, 2020.

- Working to integrate granular load forecasting
- Developing process to evaluate non-traditional distribution solutions
- Developing coordinated planning timelines linking G, T, D
- Evaluating interconnection requirements for dynamic DER
- Evaluating process and requirements for hosting analysis
- Proactive stakeholder engagement



ISOP Development - Granular Load Forecasting



Weather

Historical and "normal" temperatures



Economic Variables

GDP, Business GDP, Population, Housing, Income, Employment



Load History

Metered Circuit data with adjustments for impacts from DR, EV & PV



Customer Demographics

Types of customers, number of customers, etc.



Energy Dynamics Segments

Customer's attitude towards energy

Morecast: New internal tool being developed to provide 10-year hourly (8760) forecasts at the circuit level

- *Morecast is a critical input to the advanced distribution planning tools being developed*
- Bottom-up feeder-level forecasts inclusive of DERs, EVs and customer programs (gross and net load)
- Load forecasters and distribution planners collaborating to produce informed forecasts
- Increasing availability of AMI data will influence and enhance the process



ISOP Development – Advanced Distribution Planning (ADP)



Integrating sophisticated granular load forecasts

- Current 3-5 year window evolving to 10 years
- New capabilities for multiple planning scenarios

New power flow resolution

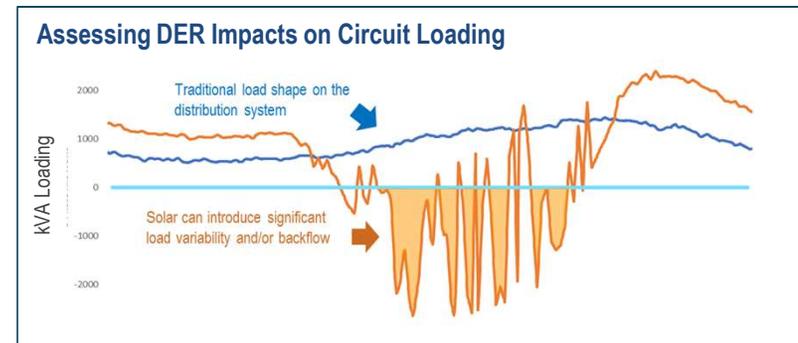
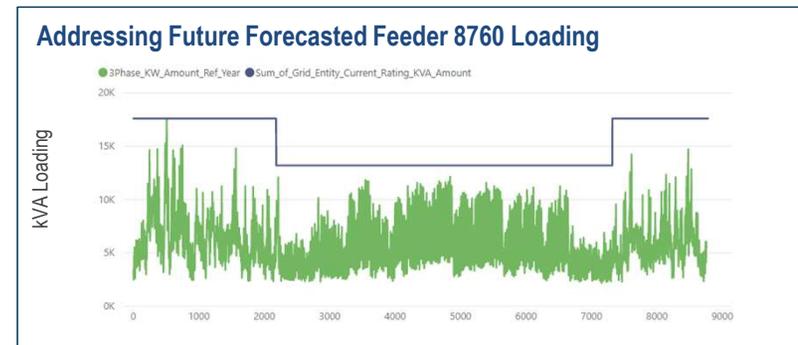
- From peak hour assessment to 8760 assessment

Assessment of new solutions

- DERs including battery storage systems
- Capture benefits of D-sited options for G and T

Integration and automation of new tools and data

- New server based power flow models and integration
- Supports more complex planning for a dynamic grid
- Tools and processes will evolve as planning needs change



ISOP Development – Advanced Distribution Planning (ADP)



Hybrid Solution

- Combines power flow software with advanced analytics capabilities
- Capable of engineering DERs as a Load Violation Solutions (non-wires alternative)

Introducing Automation

- Reduced engineering time spent resolving modeling issues and performing circuit analyses
- Time-saving analytics for identifying mitigation solutions to accommodate higher levels of DER
- Reduced engineering time when evaluating DER as a non-wires alternative
- Analysis of more solution alternatives and consistency in investment decisions

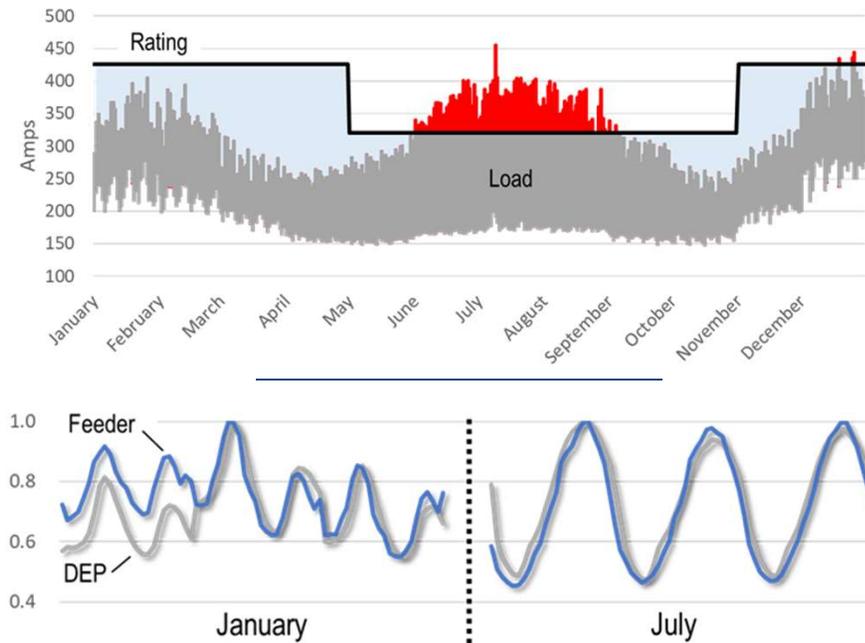
ADP Toolset – Carolinas System



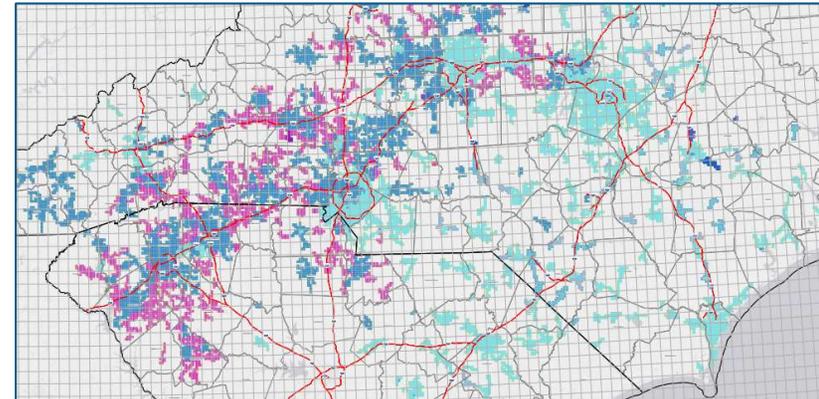
New Advanced Distribution System Planning Applications



ISOP Data System Application: NTS Screening



Distributed Generation (DG) Guidance Map



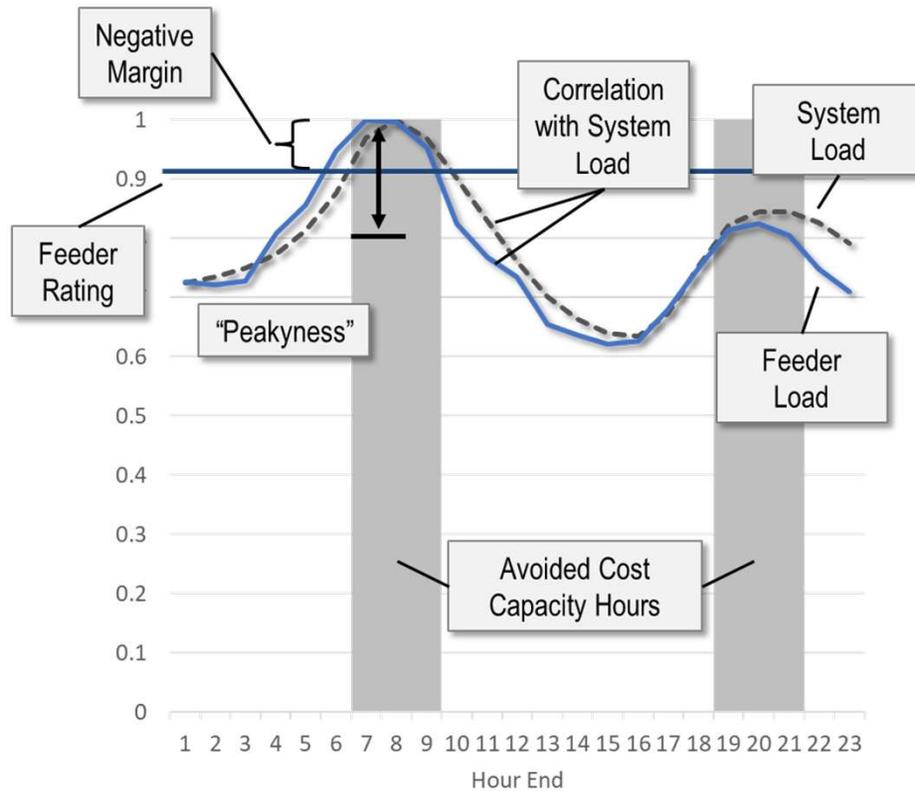
Map provides a geographical visualization of the distribution system in a manner consistent with the “Method of Service Guidelines” to inform siting of future distributed generation.

Advanced tools to assess non-traditional solution (NTS) deployment opportunities and increasing DER saturation

Top Down Screening for NTS Deployment Opportunities



Sample Normalized System and Feeder Load Shapes



Duke Energy - General Information for Illustration and Discussion

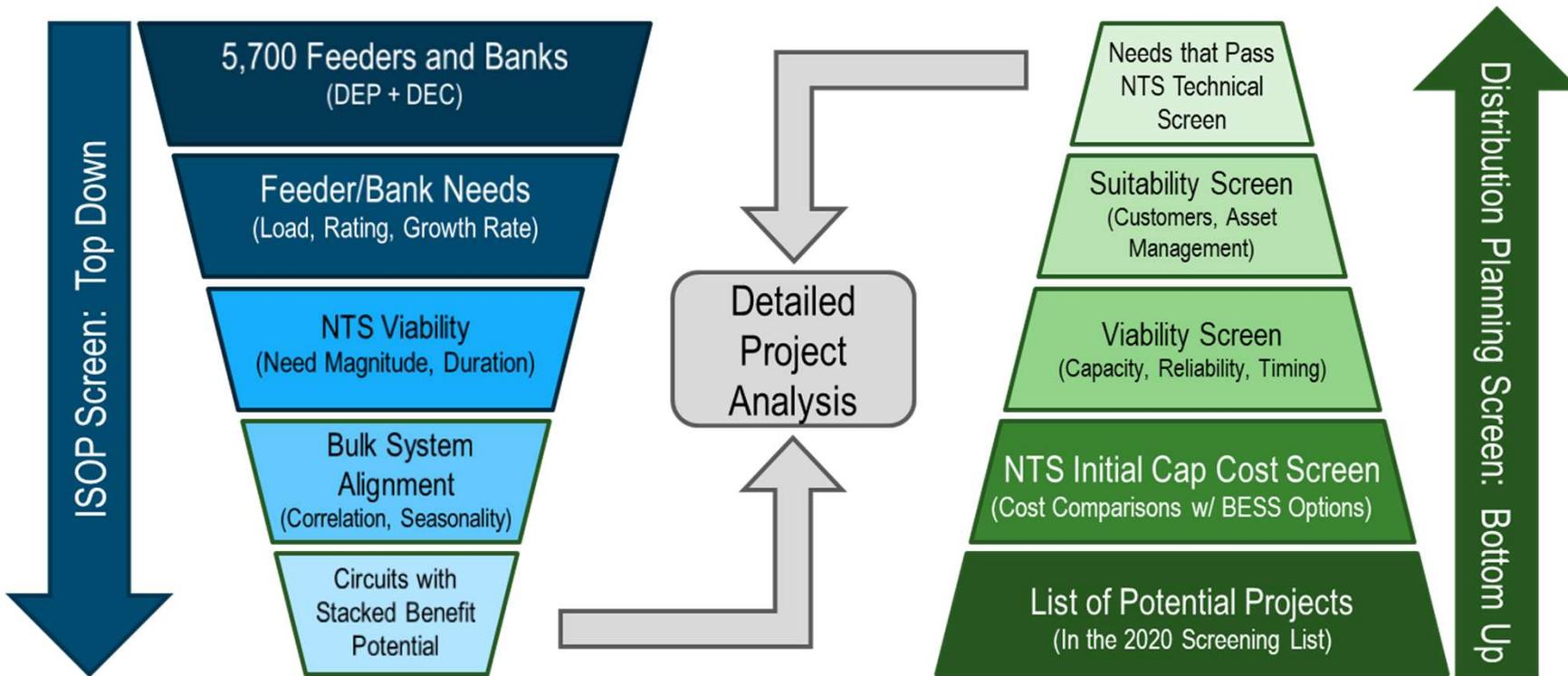
Additional Screening Criteria

- Load Growth
- Paired Feeder + Bank Overloads
- Connected PV

Initial Screening Results Using Straw-man Criteria

- 43 DEP feeders (~3%) at or close to overload in 2024
 - Load within 10% of rating, or
 - Load exceeds rating by not more than 5%
- Scored by:
 - Load “peakyness” (ratio of 99th percentile to mean)
 - Correlation with system load (hourly)
 - Alignment with capacity need (peaks during LOLE hours)
 - Load growth rate (magnitude of overload in 2028)

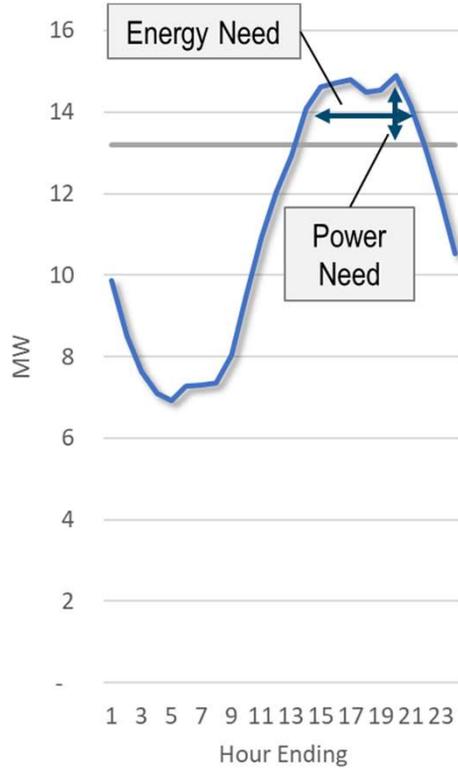
NTS Screening: Integrated Process



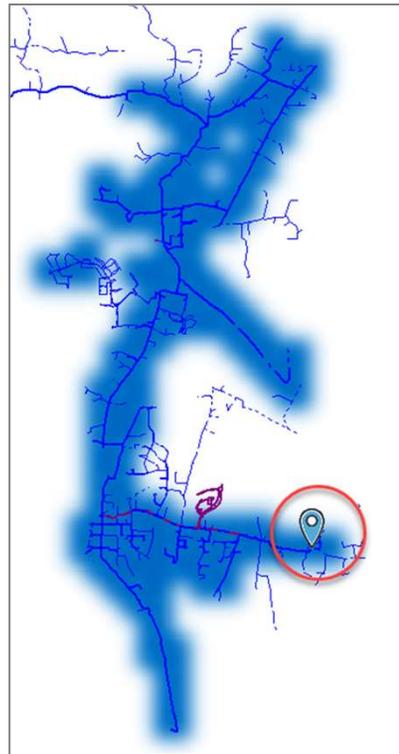
Case Study: Battery Sizing for Distribution Project Deferral



2028 Summer Peak



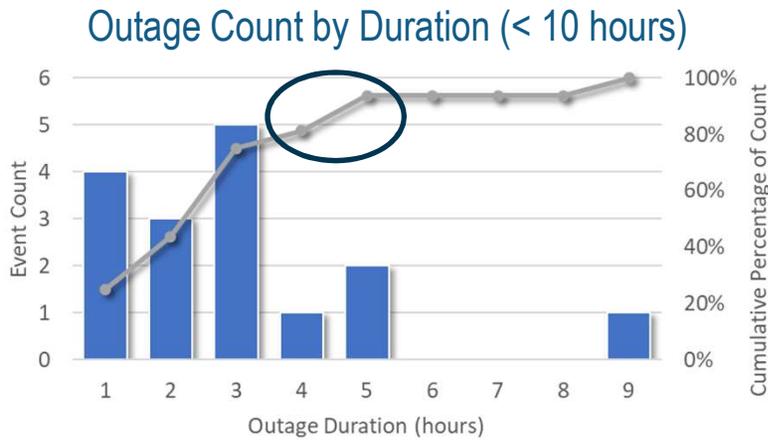
Location Analysis



Battery Characteristics

	Units	
Primary Use Case		6-year Deferral
In-Service Year		2023
Useful Life	Years	12
Base Power Need	MW	5.4
Power Upsize		1x
Total Power	MW	5.4
Energy Need (usable energy)	MWh	44.4
Depth of Discharge	%	90%
Annual Degradation	%	3.25%
Installed Energy	MWh	59.8

Case Study: Battery Sizing for Customer Reliability



Estimated Energy Need by Outage Duration

	3 Hours	4 Hours	5 Hours
99 th Percentile MWh	3.9	5.2	6.5
90 th Percentile MWh	3.1	4.1	5.0
75 th Percentile MWh	2.3	3.1	3.8

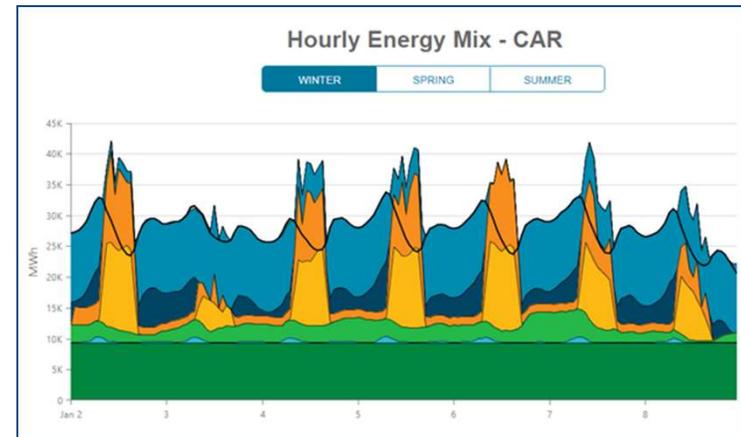
Battery Characteristics

	Units	
Primary Use Case		Reliability
In-Service Year		2023
Useful Life	Years	12
Base Power Need	MW	1.9
Power Upsize		1.8x
Total Power	MW	3.4
Energy Need (usable energy)	MWh	4.1
Depth of Discharge	%	90%
Annual Degradation	%	3.25%
Installed Energy	MWh	6.7

ISOP Development – Integrating Generation and Grid Planning



- Aligning and integrating generation resource planning with related planning functions
- Developing new tools for strategic transmission analysis to:
 - Reflect a system with significantly more distributed resources
 - Provide a more holistic view of future grid requirements associated with net-zero carbon operations
- Refinement of modeling to quantify ancillary services requirements associated with increasingly dynamic resource mix
- Transitioning to the EnCompass generation capacity expansion and system production cost modeling toolset
- Enhanced stakeholder engagement around generation resource planning, including the introduction of new tools like the Portfolio Screening Tool

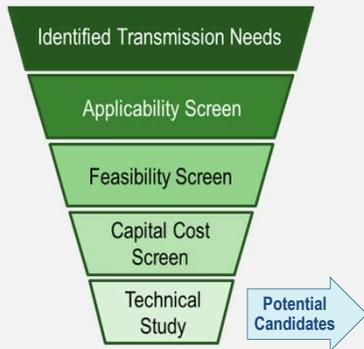


ISOP Development – Transmission NTS Evaluation



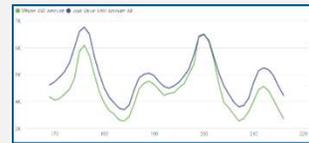
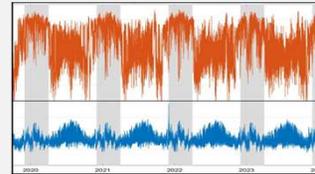
1 NTS Screening

Screen for potential NTS alternatives to traditional projects being considered



2 Technical Feasibility (Phase 1)

- Model power flows to identify alternatives, BESS requirements and potential locations
- Evaluate BESS opportunity for potential additional energy and ancillary service value
- Evaluate BESS application for system capacity value



3 Economics (Phase 1)

- Preliminary economic analysis of alternatives
- Transmission planning review of system needs and priorities

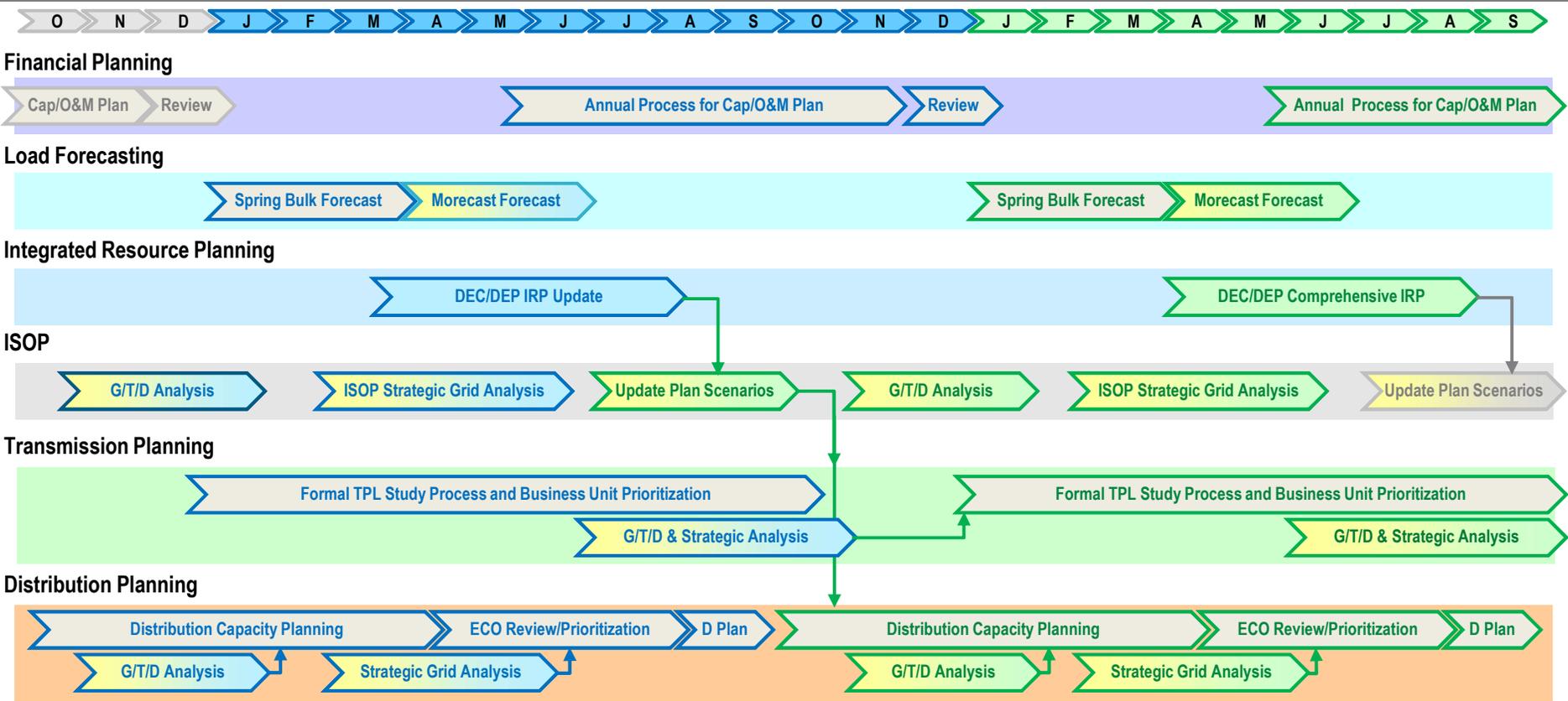
A screenshot of a spreadsheet with multiple columns and rows of data, likely representing economic analysis results.

4 Next Steps (Phase 2)

- Detailed feasibility review

Advanced applications for Transmission Planning to assess dynamic grid operations and storage potential

ISOP Integration and Timeline Development



ISOP Timeline for the Carolinas



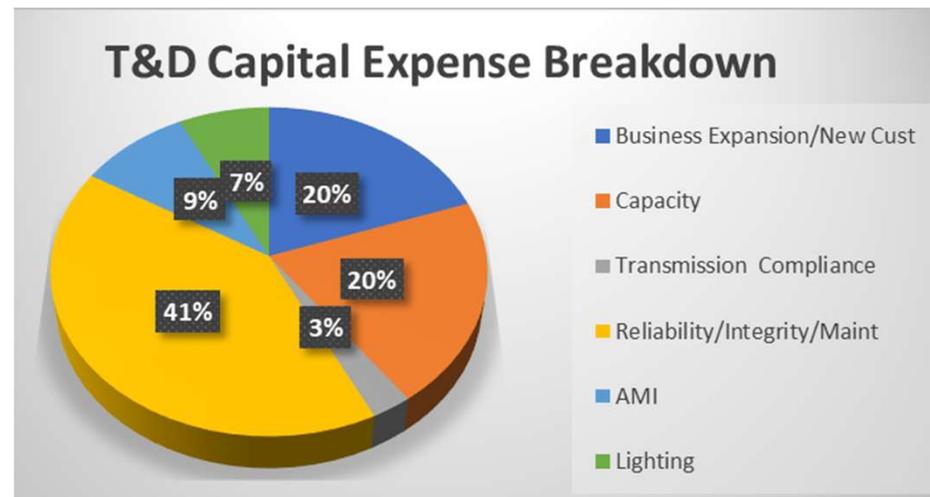
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ISOP Development Efforts		2020				2021				2022			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Data	Data Governance & Platform	Develop ISOP Data System		Add additional data and visualizations		Production Support and Refinement							
	Data Quality Initiatives	ADP integration				Data Quality Improvement Projects – DERs, T&D Connectivity, Distribution Backbone, CME							
Forecast	Morecast & Related Work	Pre-Scale with Dist Planning Validation			Full-scale DEC/DEP validation and rollout				Forecast System Upgrades				
Tools	Generation Modeling (EnCompass)	Transition to EnCompass Model											
	Transmission Modeling (PROMOD, PSSE)	Rollout PROMOD for CAR				Incorporation of NTS Screening		Business Integration & Process Refinement					
	Distribution Modeling (ADP)	Phase II Pre-Scale			Phase II Prod Deployment (CAR)			Phase III System Upgrades					
Optimization	Integrated Planning Optimization	Integrated Process Development.		T&D BESS Screening		Demo III		Integrated Process Testing		Integrated Process Execution			
External ISOP Communication		DG Guidance Map		Complete ISOP Stakeholder Process with 2 nd Workshop				IRP Update w/ initial ISOP Screening				2022 Full IRP	

Observations from ISOP and activity in other states



- Importance of “right-sized” approach:
 - Opportunities for capacity deferral are a relatively small part of T&D capital expense
 - Screening results show a small percentage of these projects are candidates for detailed study in next ~3-5 years
 - Only 16% of 321 potential NWA projects in the United States have come into operation, and 59% of potential NWAs were ultimately not pursued
 - Demand side resources serving reliability functions involve more complexity and risk
- Approach should respect utilities’ obligation to serve
- Walk → Jog → Run approach
- Protect customer data and grid security



Notes on ISOP's path forward



- ❖ Introduce ISOP elements to complement the 2022 IRP process in the Carolinas
- ❖ Continue to engage stakeholders in the Carolinas on development progress (<https://www.duke-energy.com/our-company/isop>)
- ❖ Continue to engage with industry peers and SMEs and benchmark against new practices in other regions
- ❖ Implement new components of the planning framework as capabilities mature
- ❖ Support regulatory policy initiatives





CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Revised ISOP Technical Conference Presentation, in Docket No. E-100, Sub 165, has been served by electronic mail, hand delivery or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, postage prepaid to the following parties of record

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