



# Analysis and Technology Needs for Getting to 100% Renewable Energy

*Puerto Rico Grid Resilience and Transitions to 100% Renewable Energy Study (PR100) Example*

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# Overview of the Storms

- Hurricane Irma hit the island on Sept. 6, knocking out power to almost a million customers.
- Two weeks later Hurricane Maria hit, crossing almost the entire island from southeast to northwest.
- Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA) was still restoring power to hundreds of thousands of customers knocked out by Irma when Maria hit and caused a systemwide collapse.
- The double punch knocked out 80% of Puerto Rico's electric grid.
- This resulted in the largest blackout in U.S. history and the second largest in the world.



# Path of Hurricane Maria



- Hurricane Path
- - - Transmission Lines
- ▲▲ Mountains



# Impact of Storms on Grid Assets

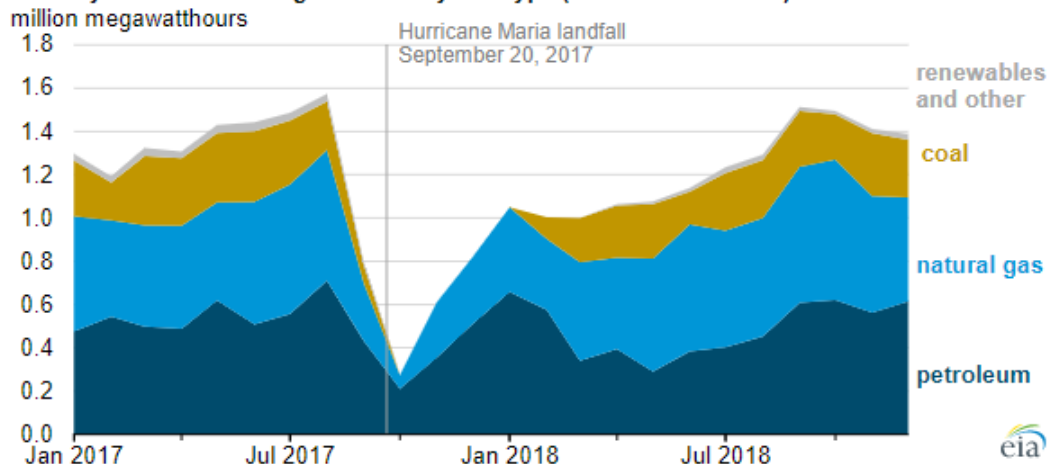
- The two hurricanes that hit Puerto Rico two weeks apart in 2017 resulted in a systemwide collapse and a U.S.- and global-record-setting blackout.
- Damage occurred to all elements (generation, distribution, and transmission) of Puerto Rico's already fragile energy system.
- FEMA allocated \$3.2 billion for direct assistance and coordinated electricity grid restoration.
- Making a bad situation worse, a 2020 earthquake damaged the island's largest generation plant.

# Generation Restoration

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## Puerto Rico electricity generation returned to pre-2017 hurricane levels one year later

Monthly Puerto Rico net generation by fuel type (Jan 2017-Dec 2018)

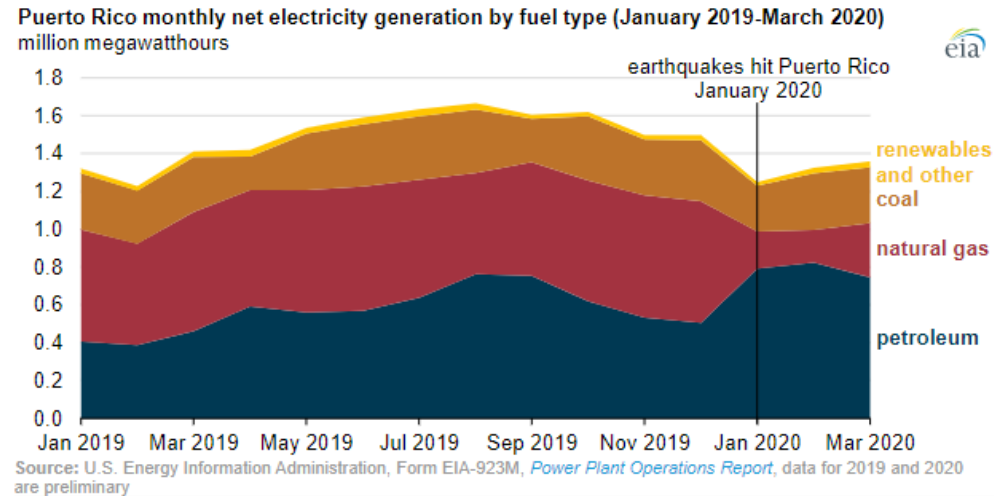


Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-923, *Power Plant Operations Report*

# Earthquake Aftermath

- **Costa Sur, the island's largest power plant, was severely damaged.**
- Costa Sur was producing roughly 40% of Puerto Rico's electricity.
- Power was restored to 99% of customers within a week, but the earthquake affected the energy mix of the entire island.

## Puerto Rico's electricity generation mix changed following early 2020 earthquakes





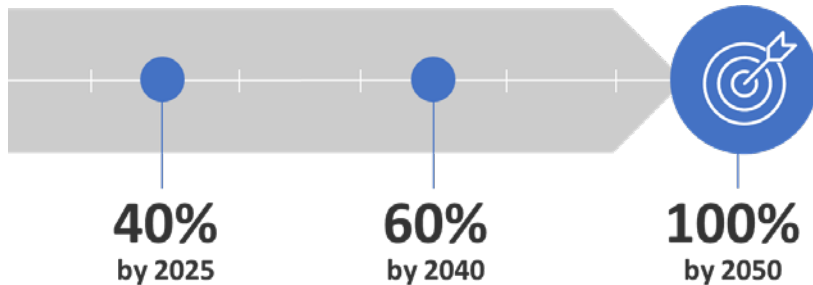
# Energy Sector Recovery: Funding Sources

FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program	FEMA Public Assistance	Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)-Disaster Recovery (DR): Electric Grid	Other HUD CDBG-DR and CDBG Mitigation disaster assistance programs
<p><b>Amount:</b> \$832.5 million</p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> Improve the resilience of disaster-damaged or undamaged facilities.</p> <p><b>Recipient:</b> Central Office for Recovery, Reconstruction and Resiliency (COR3)</p> <p><b>Subrecipient:</b> PREPA (and LUMA Energy as an agent)</p>	<p><b>Amount:</b> \$9.5 billion</p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> Restoration and hazard mitigation for disaster-damaged public utilities.</p> <p><b>Recipient:</b> COR3</p> <p><b>Subrecipient:</b> PREPA (and LUMA Energy as an agent)</p>	<p><b>Amount:</b> \$1.9 billion</p> <p><b>Purpose:</b> Unmet needs after FEMA funds, insurance, and other federal or private sources are accounted for. Mitigate risks and improve resilience, sustainability, and financial viability for electrical power systems.</p> <p><b>Recipient:</b> Puerto Rico Department of Housing (PRDOH)</p> <p><b>Subrecipients:</b> Grantees of PRDOH Grant Programs, including local agencies, authorities, trusts, and governing boards; municipalities and local governments; private, for-profit entities; nonprofits, and homeowners.</p>	<p><b>Community Energy and Water Resilience Installations (\$300 million):</b> Support resilient design and improvements that incorporate modern technology for life-sustaining purposes. R3 eligible.</p> <p><b>Community Energy and Water Resilience Installations (\$500 million):</b> Same as above, but from CDBG-MIT with broader eligibility</p> <p><b>City Revitalization Program (\$1.29 billion):</b> Funding directly to municipalities for repairs of urban centers</p>

# Changes in Puerto Rico's Energy Public Policy

## Act 17 of 2019

- Increase generation from renewable energy resources:



- Reduce energy use by 30% by 2040
- Replace 100% of public lighting with LED by 2030
- Eliminate coal-fired generation by 2028
- Comply with the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP)



## 2020 IRP

- Retire a significant number of oil-fired thermal units in the next 5 years
- Retire Aguirre diesel-fired combined cycle units 1 and 2 by 2030
- Limit the development of new gas turbine peaking units to 81 MW
- Integrate renewable generation projects to achieve the renewable portfolio standard in Act 17

# Puerto Rico Energy Prices

## Puerto Rico sets 7th electric rate increase in just a year

June 29, 2022

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SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) — Officials in Puerto Rico announced another electric rate increase Wednesday, the seventh in a year amid continuing power outages and the U.S. territory's economic crisis.

For a client that consumes 800 kilowatt hours, the new rate will be 33 cents per kwh, compared with the previous 29 cents. The average U.S. electric rate is 14 cents per kwh, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration.

# What is the PR100 Study?



- A comprehensive analysis of possible pathways for Puerto Rico to achieve its goal of 100% renewable energy by 2050, based on extensive stakeholder input.
- A coordinated effort led by FEMA, DOE and NREL, leveraging the unique tools and capabilities of five additional national laboratories.

# PR100 Scope

## In scope

### In this study, the project team will:

- Model pathways and analyze impacts
- Conduct analysis to inform potential investment decisions
- Produce a roadmap with recommended near- and long-term actions to transition to renewable resources
- Facilitate stakeholder interaction and information exchange to create foundation for future implementation
- Publish and disseminate results, including high-resolution datasets and open-source models.

## Out of scope

### The study will not:

- Make policy recommendations
- Develop a detailed implementation plan
- Make specific investment recommendations
- Replace regulatory mandated capital investment planning processes such as the Integrated Resource Plan.

# Activities in the Puerto Rico 100% Renewable Energy Study

## 1 Responsive Stakeholder Engagement and Energy Justice

- Stakeholder engagement inclusive of procedural justice
- Energy justice and climate risk assessment

## 2 Data Gathering and Generation

- Resource potential and demand projections (solar, wind, hydro)
- Demand projections and adoption of DER (considering load, EVs, energy efficiency, distributed PV and storage)

## 3 Scenario Generation and Capacity Evaluation

- Detailed scenario generation
- Distributed PV and storage grid capacity expansion
- Production cost and resource adequacy

## 4 Impacts Modeling and Analysis

- Bulk system analysis for enhanced resilience
- Distribution system analysis
- Economic impacts

## 5 Reports, Visualizations, and Outreach

- Scenarios for grid resilience and 100% renewable electricity for Puerto Rico
- Reports and outreach
- Implementation roadmap

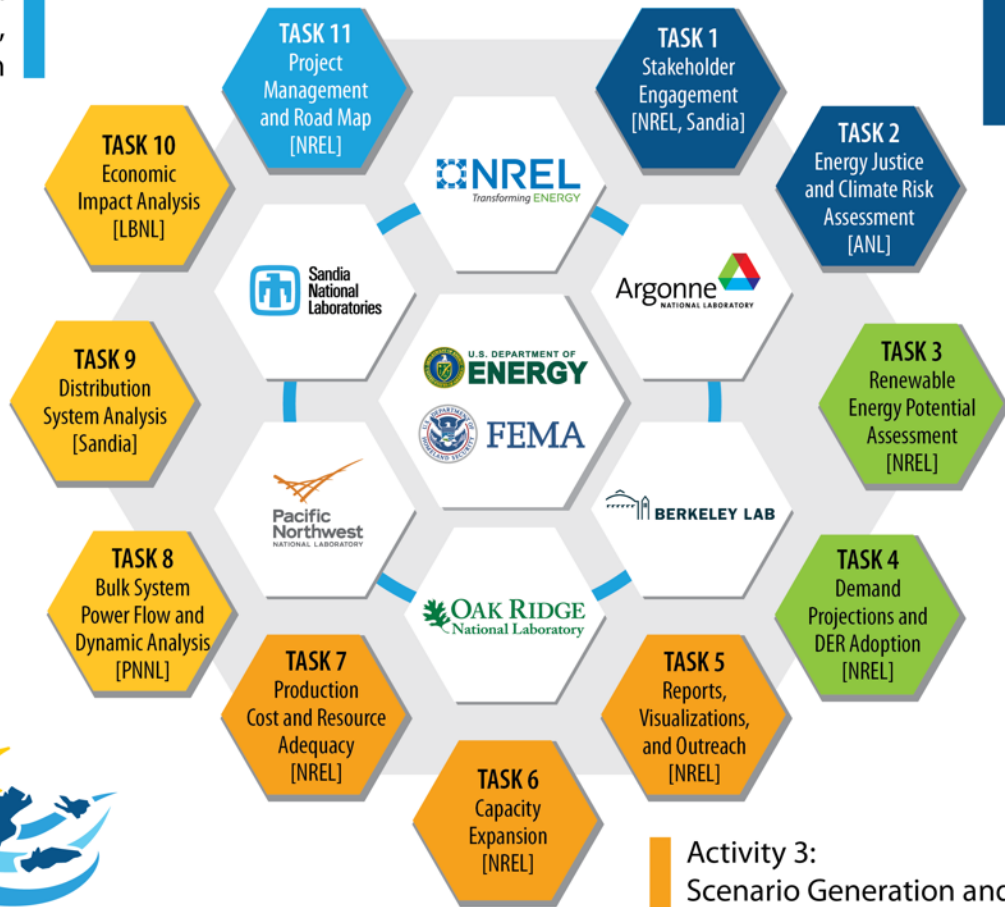
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# PR100 Timeline

## 6 Months (by June 2022):

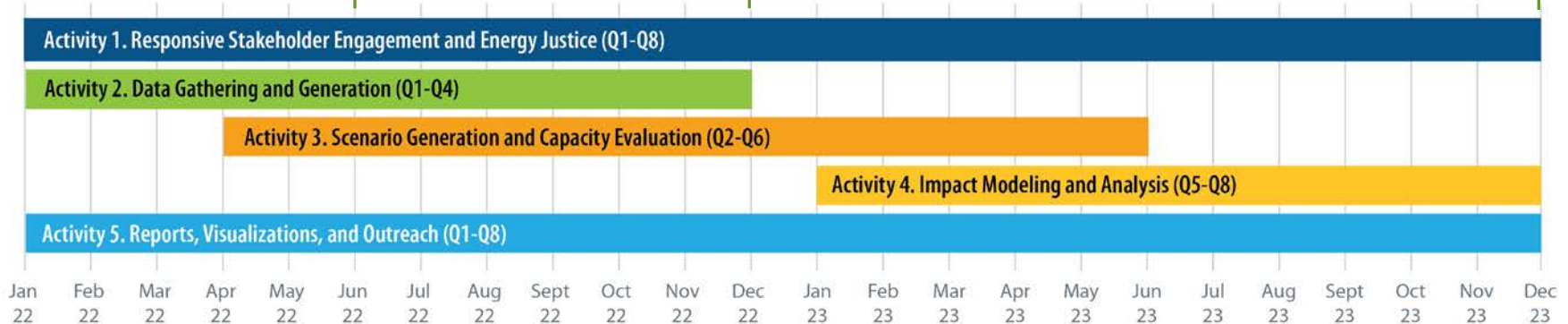
Established stakeholder group meets monthly to inform scenarios  
Defined four initial scenarios to achieve Puerto Rico's goals.

## Year One (by December 2022):

- High-resolution data sets for wind and solar resource for 10 years
- Three feasible scenarios with high-level pathways.

## Year Two (by December 2023):

- Comprehensive report and web-based visualizations
- Outreach and public engagement.







# TASK 1: Stakeholder Engagement

Task Leads: Robin Burton, NREL and Matt Lave, SNL

Lead Labs: NREL and SNL

Supporting: ANL, ORNL

# Advisory Group Formation and Engagement

- Convened Advisory Group of 80+ members from academia, public and private sectors, community-based and environmental organizations, and other sectors.
- Facilitated monthly Advisory Group meetings from February–June 2022 (four remote and one hybrid); bi-monthly or quarterly meetings to be held through December 2023.
- Received member input on the following topics and iterated on initial scenario framework generation for PR100:
  - Priorities for Puerto Rico’s energy future
  - Scenario frameworks and electricity demand levels
  - Energy justice priorities
  - Data inputs including land use and technology cost.



Presentation during hybrid Advisory Group meeting held in San Juan, Puerto Rico in May 2022. Photo by Robin Burton, NREL

# Advisory Group Formation and Engagement



- Partnered with Hispanic Federation in Puerto Rico for group facilitation and stakeholder engagement support, including:
  - Provide advice to the project team on additional stakeholders to include in the advisory group and general approach to conduct public outreach for dissemination of project deliverables;
  - Coordinate logistics for advisory group meetings;
  - Coordinate development and distribution of meeting materials in English and Spanish; and
  - Facilitate meetings and capture participant input.
- Enlisted the expertise of the University of Puerto Rico – Mayaguez (UPRM) to:
  - Advise the PR100 team on the development of methods, inputs, and assumptions to accurately represent rooftop solar resources across models;
  - Produce new data through a comprehensive survey to improve the PR100 team’s understanding of residential solar systems; and
  - Assist in the development of energy justice metrics based on outage restoration data from Hurricane Maria.



# Additional Stakeholder Input

- Multiple Advisory Group members have submitted additional feedback in the form of memos or letters, some undersigned by other members or community groups
- Topics have included:
  - Land use considerations
  - How resilience will be incorporated and modeled in the study
  - Various considerations regarding the study including:
    - Benefits of rooftop solar
    - Vulnerabilities of centralized transmission and distribution
    - Equitable access to solar and storage
    - Additional analyses to consider including
    - Energy efficiency and demand response



# TASK 2: Energy Justice and Climate Risk Assessment

Task Lead: Lawrence Paul Lewis, ANL

Lead Lab: ANL

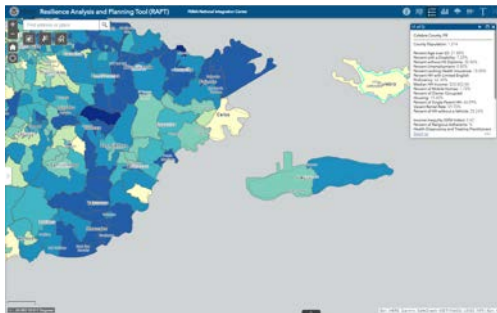
Supporting: NREL, SNL, ORNL

# Energy Justice in PR100

- **Metrics-based Energy Justice Analysis:**
  - Evaluate societal “cost” of long-duration outages and disparities in social burden
  - Evaluate energy justice impacts of modeled scenarios.
- **Infrastructure Interdependency Assessment:**
  - Identify and characterize electric power interdependencies of other critical infrastructure (i.e., communications, IT, transportation, water, and wastewater), community lifeline assets, etc.
  - Evaluate the extent to which energy injustices have resulted in other resource justice concerns.
- **Climate Risk Assessment and Adaptation Strategies:**
  - Project where changing climate conditions will present future risks to infrastructure and the communities it supports
  - Inform siting and operational needs of infrastructure to avoid premature obsolescence.

# Metrics-Based Energy Justice Analysis

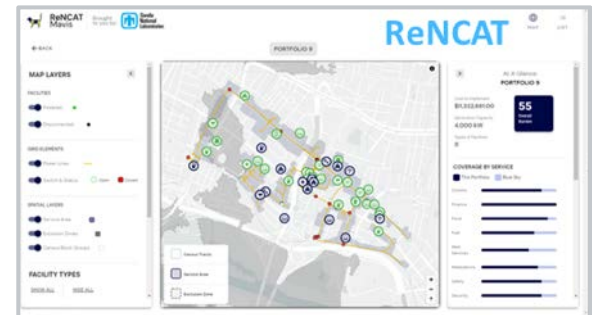
- Community resilience assessment (RAPT and Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis):
  - Capture municipal- and census tract-level demographic data related to overall community resilience as well as the proximity and availability of community lifelines to communities
  - Apply indicators derived through social statistics and best-in-class community resilience indicators to determine how underlying characteristics may influence energy justice concerns.
- Social burden analysis (ReNCAT):
  - Quantifying census block groups' ability to access critical services (fuel, food, other services) both historical and across future scenarios
  - Evaluating populations' relative ability to access such services during disasters, given natural hazard risk profiles that affect power systems.



Community resilience indicators in RAPT (graphic from Argonne)



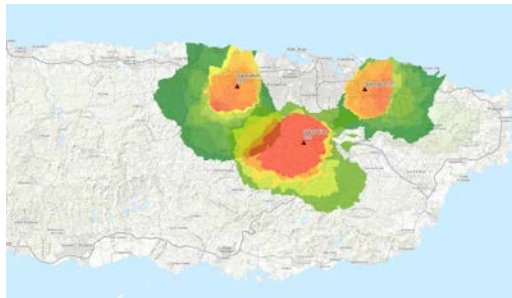
Identification of community lifelines in RAPT (graphic from Argonne)



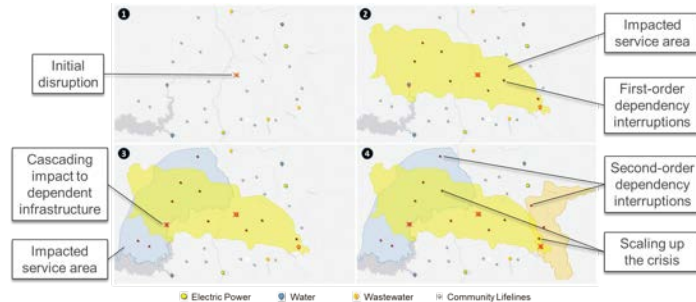
Social burden analysis in ReNCAT (graphic from Sandia)

# Infrastructure Interdependency Assessment

- Infrastructure interdependency assessment (PRIIA):
  - Identify and characterize electric power dependencies of other critical infrastructure through a network analysis of their overlapping and dependent service area connections
  - Assess the criticality of substations and loads (i.e., other critical infrastructure) throughout communities based on simulations of potential cascading failures across dependent assets that might scale up the consequences of disruption.
- Progress running the PRIIA model:
  - Completed modeling of service areas for electricity-dependent critical infrastructure across Puerto Rico (i.e., all 38-kv substations, cellular transmission towers, water treatment plants, and wastewater treatment plants)
  - Developed GIS dataset and visualization of critical infrastructure dependencies for each distribution substation
  - Finalizing dataset and GIS visualization widget for sharing across PR100 and with local stakeholders.



Service areas modeling results in PRIIA (graphic from Argonne)



Notional illustration of a cascading electricity failure impacting water and wastewater service in PRIIA (graphic from Argonne)

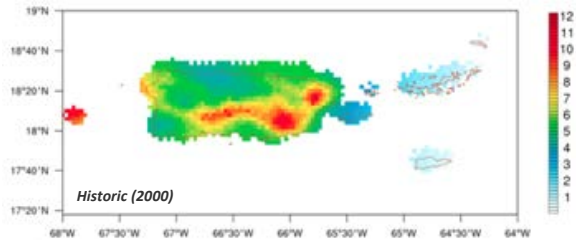


Result for modeled cascading failure in PRIIA (graphic from Argonne)

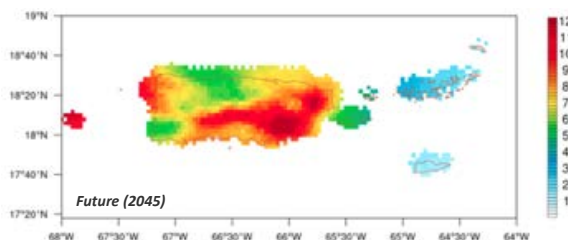


# Climate Risk Assessment

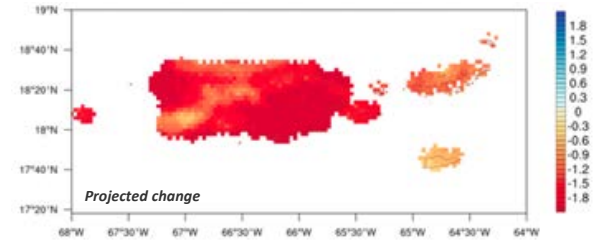
- Downscaled climate modeling:
  - Leveraged climate modeling capabilities to develop 4-km grid and dataset for a range of climate variables projected for mid-century and end-of-century, including:
    - Surface parameters (e.g., accumulated total precipitation, daily minimum and maximum temperatures, etc.)
    - Atmospheric parameters (e.g., wind speeds, cloud fraction, relative humidity, etc.)
    - Soil parameters (e.g., soil temperature, moisture, liquid water, etc.)
    - Hydrologic parameters (e.g., sea level rise, inland waterway level rise, etc.).
- Progress on downscaled climate modeling:
  - Completed first modeling decadal tranche of historic (2000-2010) and mid-century (2040-2045) variables
  - Currently processing second tranche of historic (2010-2020) and mid-century (2045-2050) variables, with end-of-century (2090-2100) up next.



Preliminary downscaled modeling of historic annual daily average precipitation amount (mm/day) (graphic from Argonne)



Preliminary downscaled modeling of future annual daily average precipitation amount (mm/day) (graphic from Argonne)



Preliminary downscaled modeling of projected climate-driven change to annual daily average precipitation amount (mm/day) (graphic from Argonne)



# TASK 3: Renewable Energy Potential Assessment

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Lead Lab: NREL

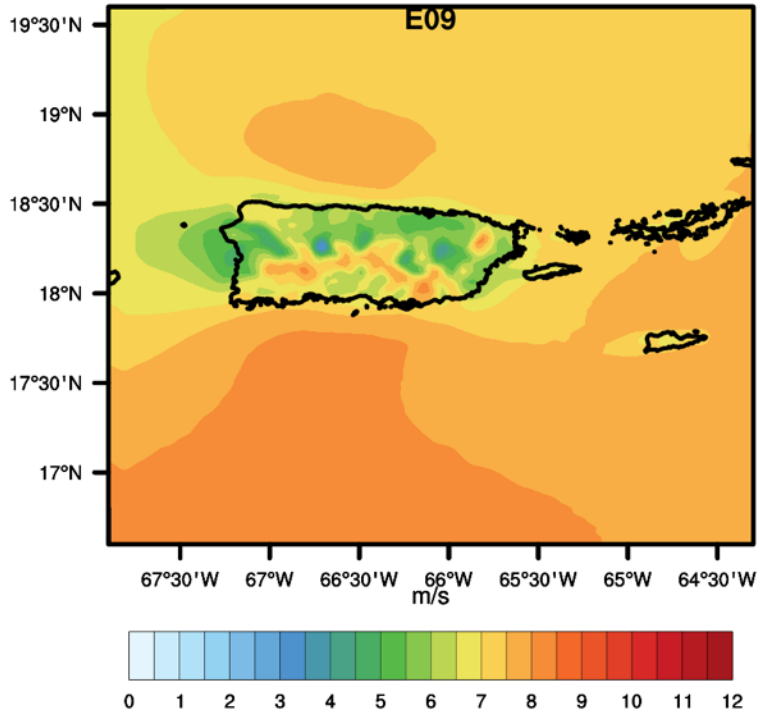
# Wind Resource Assessment

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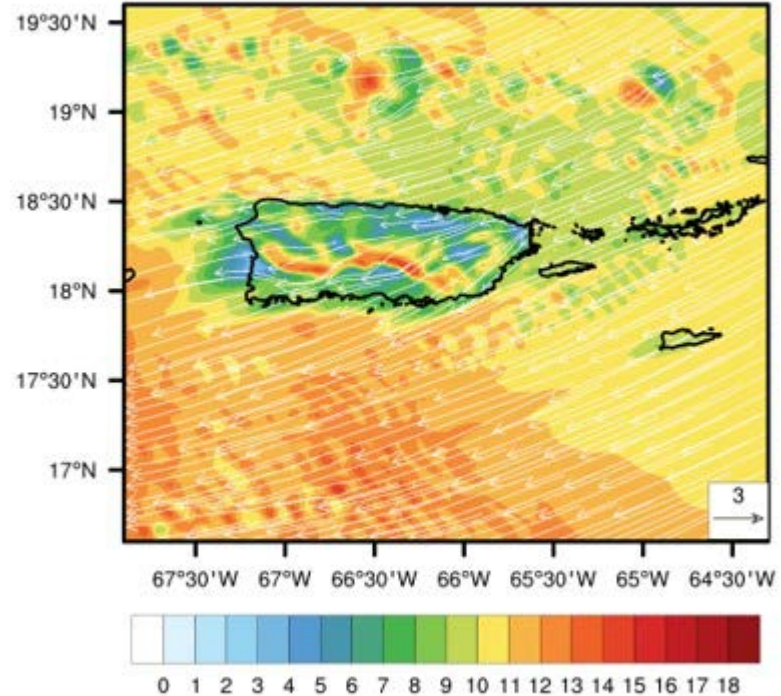
Development of high-resolution wind  
resource datasets

# Wind Resource Data

2019: 1-yr averaged wind speed@80m



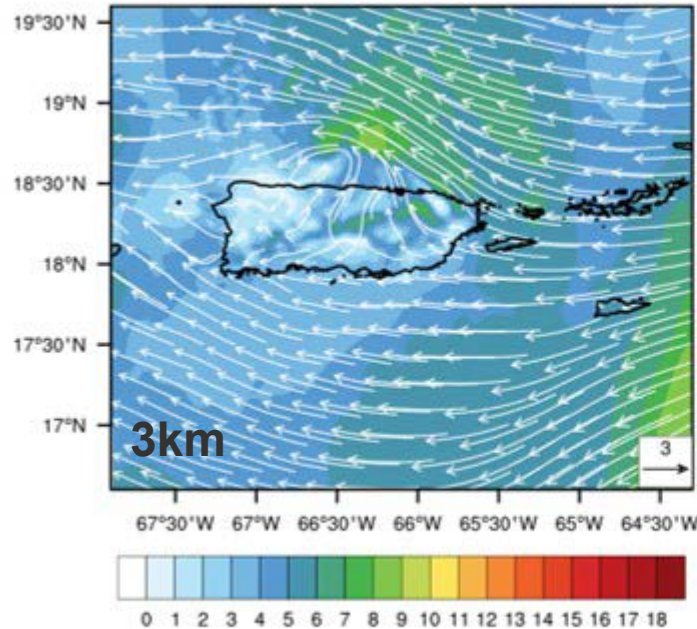
Wind speed at 80m (m/s, 2019-01-01T00:00:00)



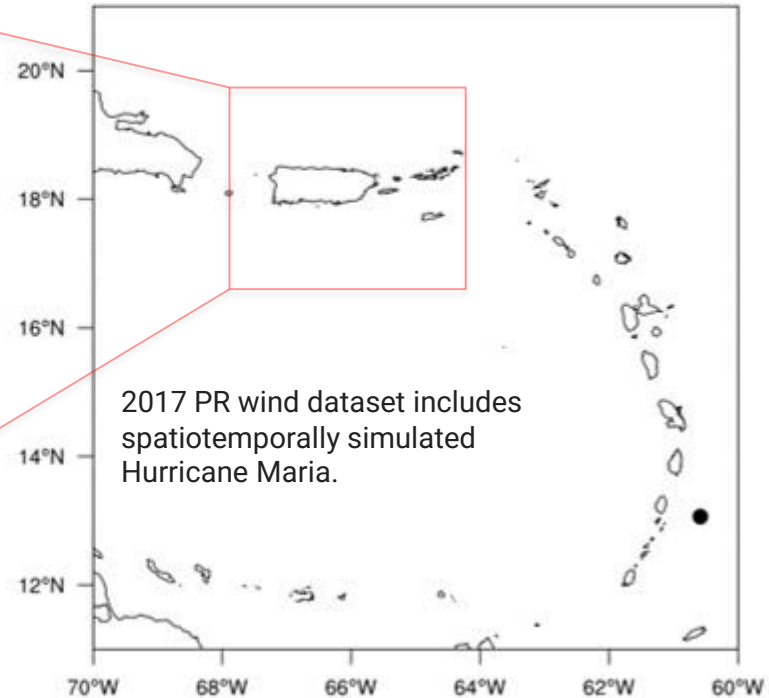
20 years of high-resolution offshore and onshore wind data was developed.

# Representing Severe Weather

Wind speed at 80m (m/s, 2017-09-17T20:00:00)



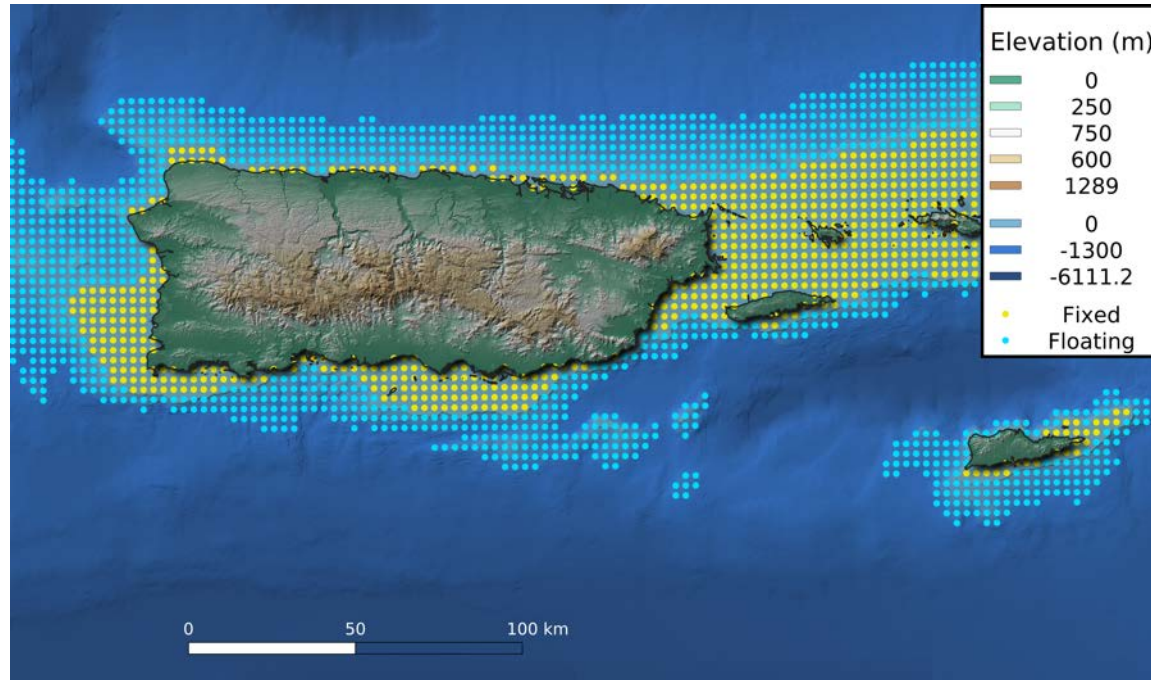
Hurricane Maria track (from 9km domain)



Map from NREL

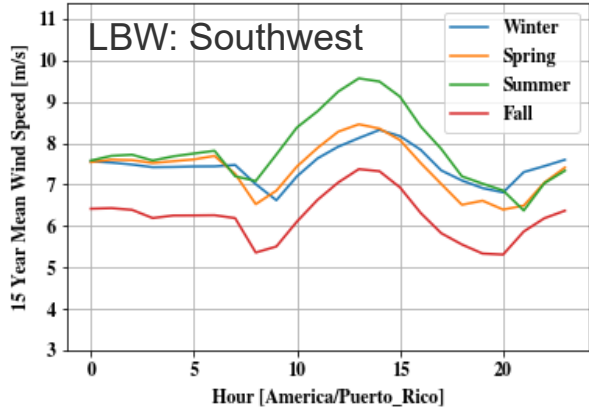
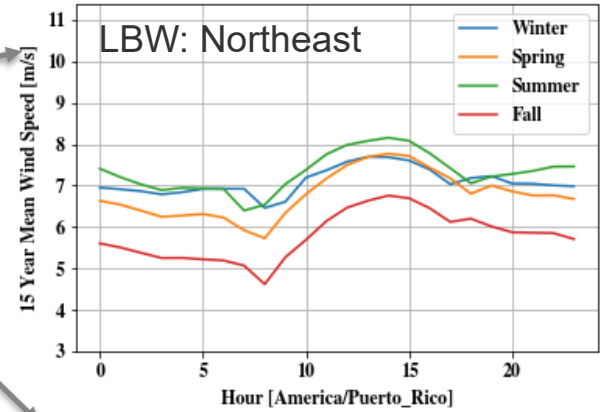
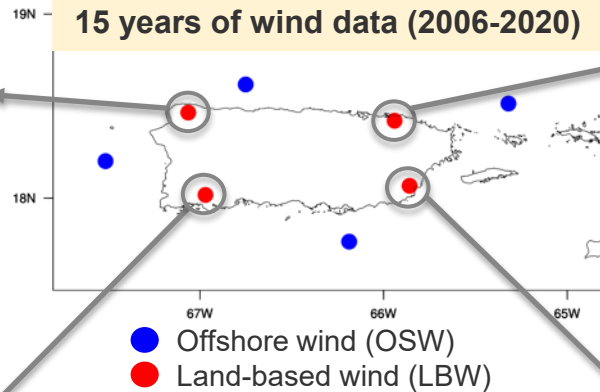
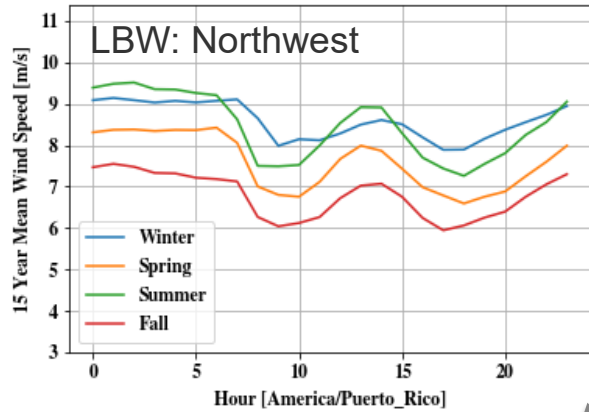
Extreme weather events bring utmost challenges to power system reliability and resilience due to their multifaceted impacts on renewable generation resources, demand, and power system outages.

# Offshore Assumption Development: Fixed vs. Floating Offshore Wind

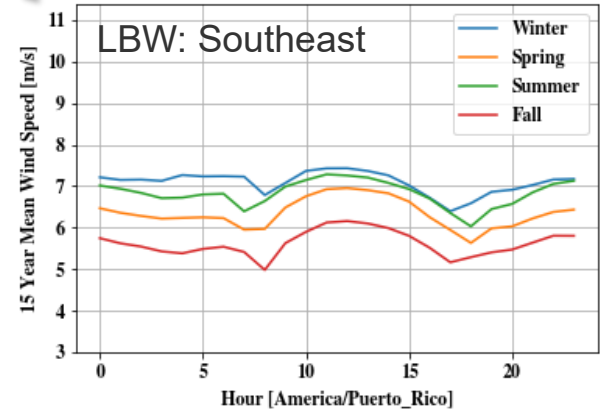


- When modeling offshore wind, we assume fixed-bottom foundations are cost effective until 60m water depths based on recent market trends (yellow dots).
- Floating substructures are assumed to be cost effective up to 1,300m with current floating technologies (blue dots).

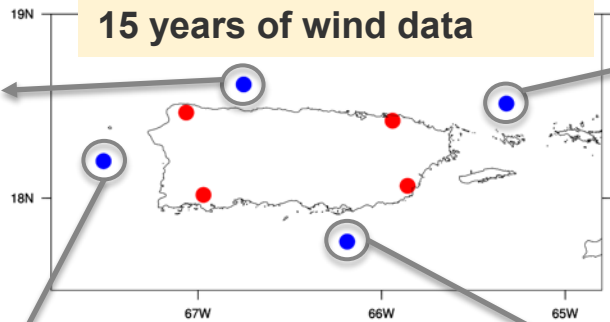
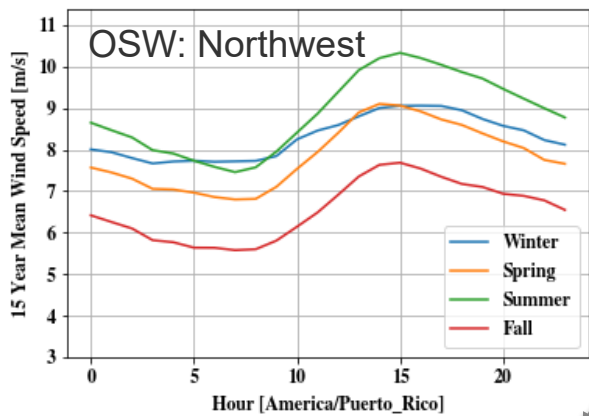
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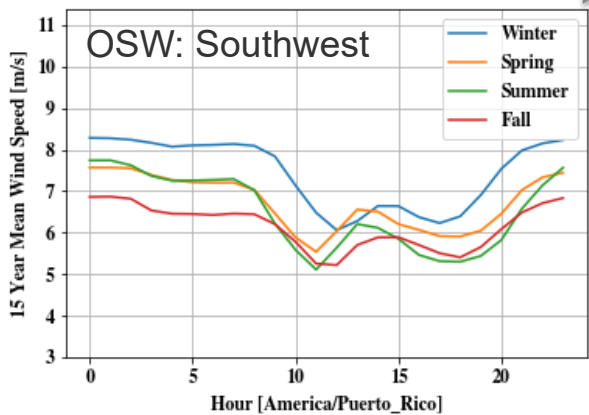
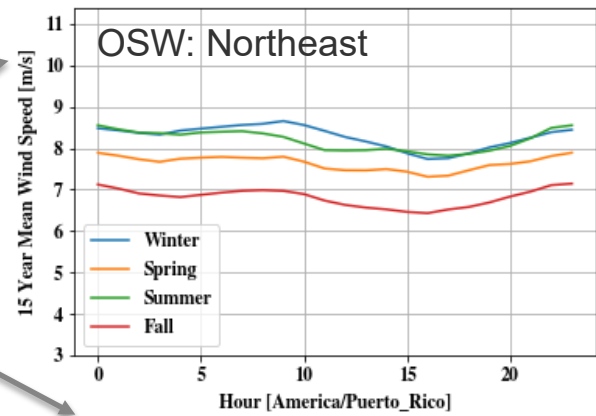
- Seasonal wind speeds feature similar patterns among four sites with increase around noon (e.g., because of strong sea breeze during daytime).
- Wind speed is higher in summer/winter than in spring/fall.



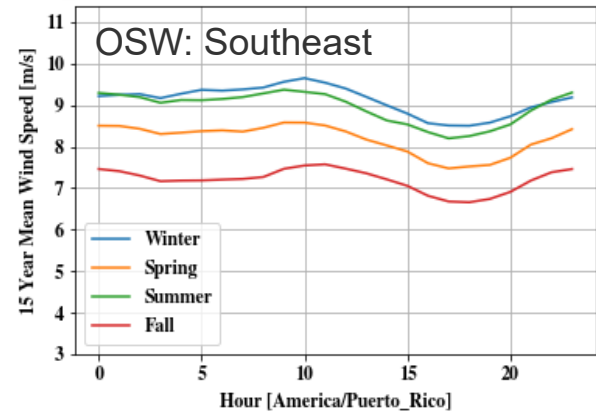
# Diurnal Analysis of Wind Data: Offshore



- Blue circle: Offshore wind (OSW)
- Red circle: Land-based wind (LBW)



- Northwest site shows high wind magnitude during daytime. Potentially good signal for supporting high demand of energy in summer.
- The other sites show higher wind speeds during nighttime. Potential complementarity between solar and wind generation.



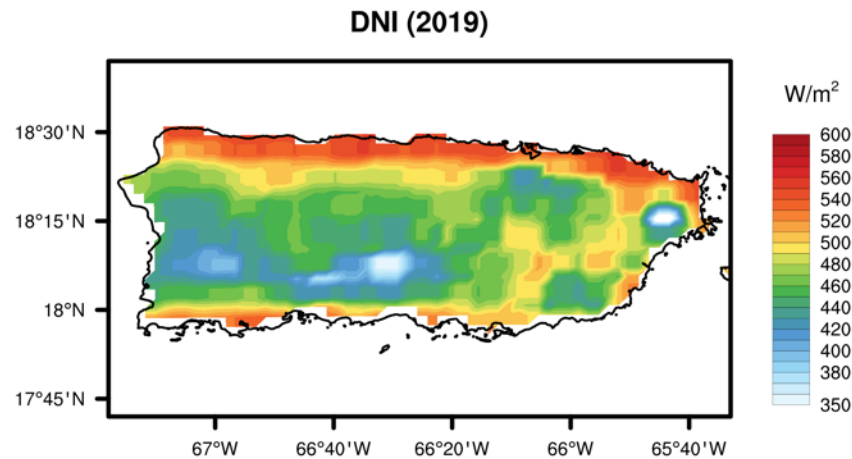
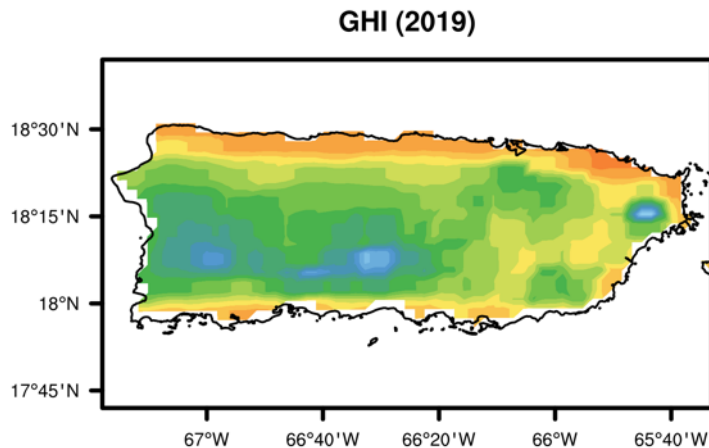


# Solar Resource Assessment

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Development of high-resolution solar  
resource datasets

# Solar Resource for Recent Years



Solar datasets are being added for 2018-2020. Average Global and Direct Solar Radiation for 2019 shows that most of the island including the coastal regions have high solar resource.

# Rooftop Solar Assessment

- This study processes LiDAR scans (<0.35 nominal resolution) of Puerto Rico's building stock (96% of Puerto Rico building stock).
- LiDAR data intersected with Census demographics tables of household counts by income, tenure, and building type.
- A statistical model, trained on LiDAR tracts, is used to impute building stock characteristics (area, orientation, shading, etc.) for 4% of building stock without sufficient LiDAR data.
- Finally, simulate solar generation for each roof plane using NREL PVWATTS and aggregate at the tract and county level.



# Residential Rooftop Solar Potential by County

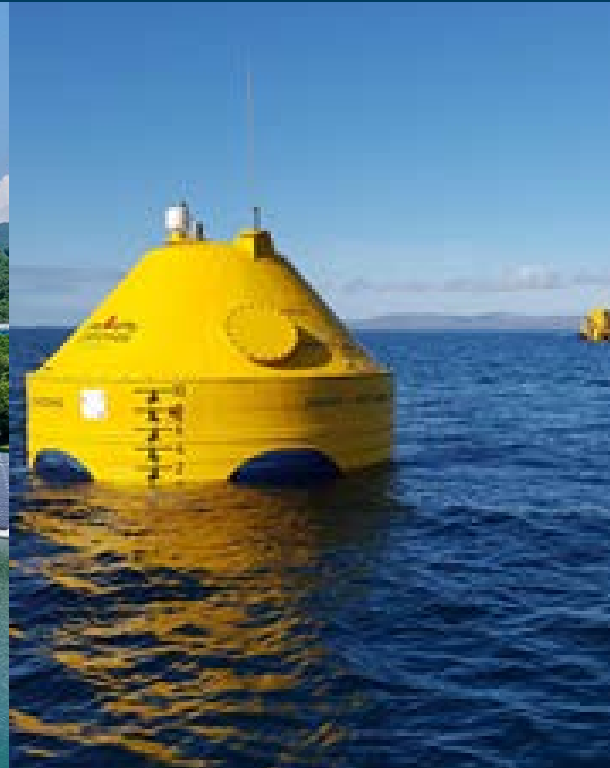
Distributed PV resource exceeds  
20 GW of capacity potential.



# Additional Resource Potential Assessments in Progress or Under Consideration

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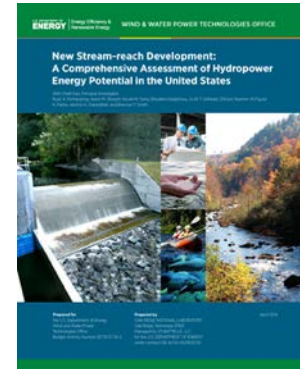
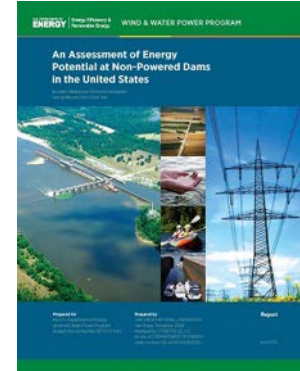
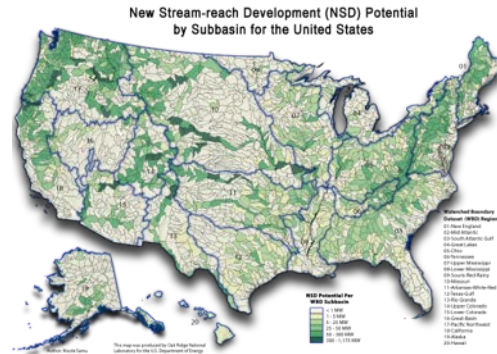
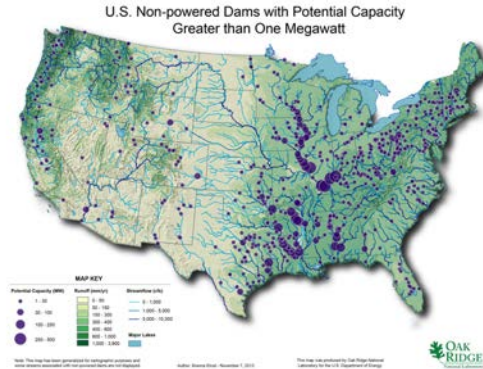
# Resource Potential Assessments in Progress or Under Consideration



Through year one and into year two, the team will evaluate hydropower and pumped hydro storage, marine energy, and may address additional technologies such as floating PV, bioenergy, and ocean thermal technology conversions (OTEC).

# Hydropower Resource Assessment

- Provide estimates of new hydropower capacity, energy, and cost for:
  - upgrade/expansion of existing hydropower fleet
  - non-powered dam development
  - new-stream reach & conduit (TBD)
- Provide daily streamflow analysis from 1950–2014 to support the evaluation of water availability, flow duration curves, and other water resources applications.
- Provide supply curves for capacity and energy expansion models to project hydropower growth in Puerto Rico.



Expanding nationwide hydropower resource assessments to include Puerto Rico. Source: <https://hydrosorce.ornl.gov/>

# Assessment of Capacity Increases at Existing Hydropower Facilities

- Black and Veatch completed a feasibility study of the hydro electric system on behalf of PREPA in February 2021.
- From the study:
  - Maximum capacity of the 10 facilities is 94 MW.
  - Current total active capacity is approximately 39 MW.
  - Four of ten facilities active.
  - Results of Black and Veatch study indicate that it is feasible to increase generation and improve the capacity factors.
  - Repairs/upgrades required to reach a capacity factor of 0.28 from current 0.06.
- PR100 study will include the possibility that hydroelectric capacity is maximized, and reservoir operational curves are optimized.

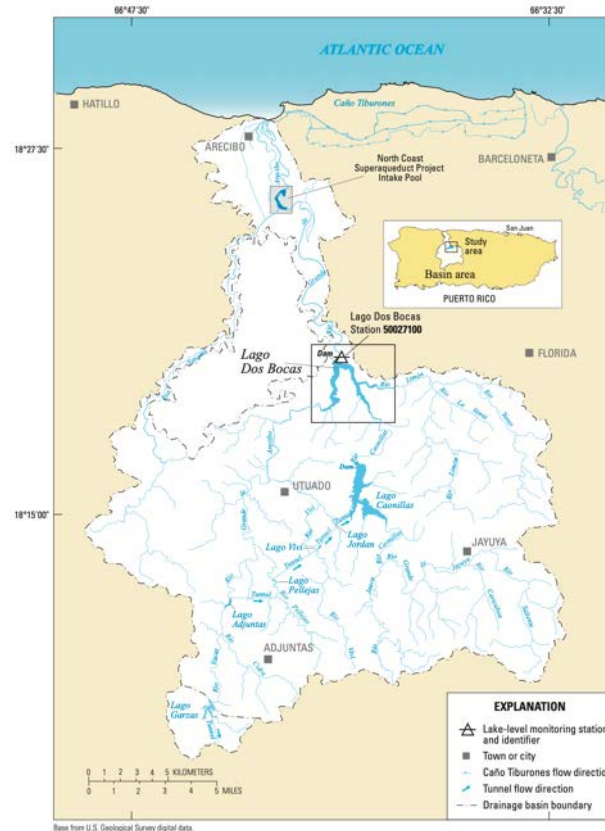
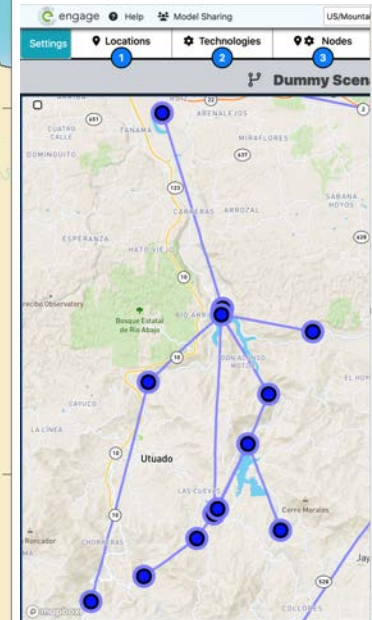


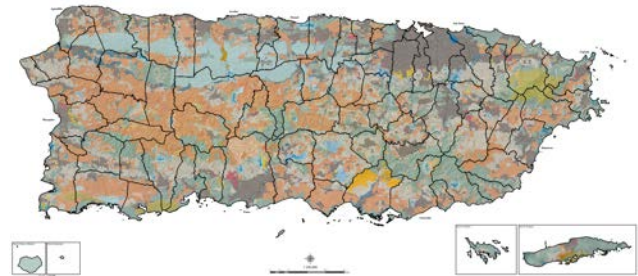
Figure 1. Location of Lago Dos Bocas within the Rio Grande de Arecibo basin.





# Marine and Land Exclusions

- These assessments provide an estimate of the technical resource potential for various renewable energy technologies in Puerto Rico. Once marine and land use exclusions are applied, the feasible utility-scale potential will be much lower.
- Possible exclusions identified to date include:
  - Geographic exclusions are areas determined to be excluded from potential utility-scale renewable energy development.
  - Onshore exclusion layers, including terrain, protected areas, water bodies, roads and building, etc., are being considered.
  - Offshore exclusion layers include Unexploded Ordinance Zones, Protected Areas, Danger Zones, Ocean Disposal Sites.
  - Offshore wind may be limited due to rapid increase of ocean depth near the shore.
- Land use and potential exclusions has been a topic of interest for the Advisory Group, which we will continue to explore.



*Puerto Rico Land Use Plan adopted by the Planning Board in 2015 (2019 and 2020 versions have been legally challenged)*



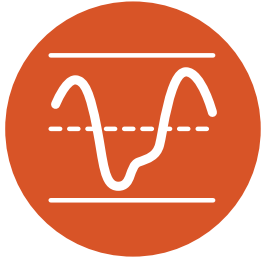
# TASK 4: Demand Projections and DER Adoption

Task Lead: Nate Blair, NREL

Lead Lab: NREL

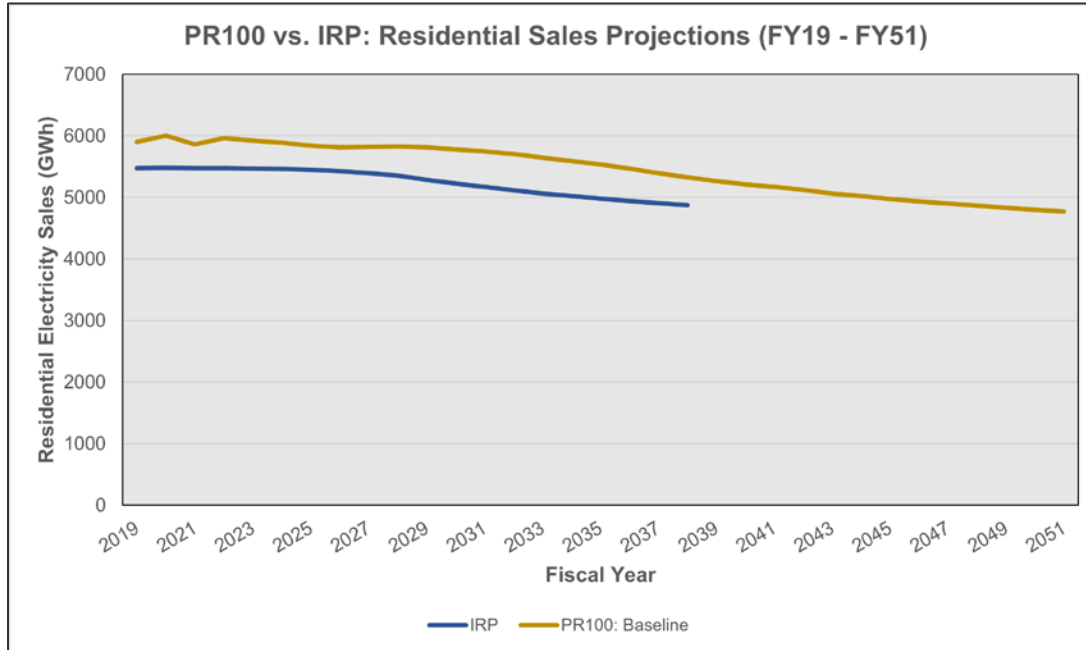
Supporting: ANL, LBNL, SNL

# Demand Impacts



- ↔ The end-use electric usage is based on prior methods with updated data.
- ↓ The electric usage will be reduced by energy efficiency improvements.
- ↑ The electric usage will be increased by modeled electric vehicle adoption.
- ↓ The electric usage will be reduced by adoption of distributed solar and storage.
- ↔ The remaining (net) electric usage will be met by large solar, wind, and other RE sources.

# Baseline Projections: Residential Sector



Graph from NREL

PR100: New Input Data  
Population  
Real GNP  
CDD

IRP: Old Input Data  
Population  
Real GNP  
CDD



IRP: Linear Regression Equation  
Historical Data from 2000–2017

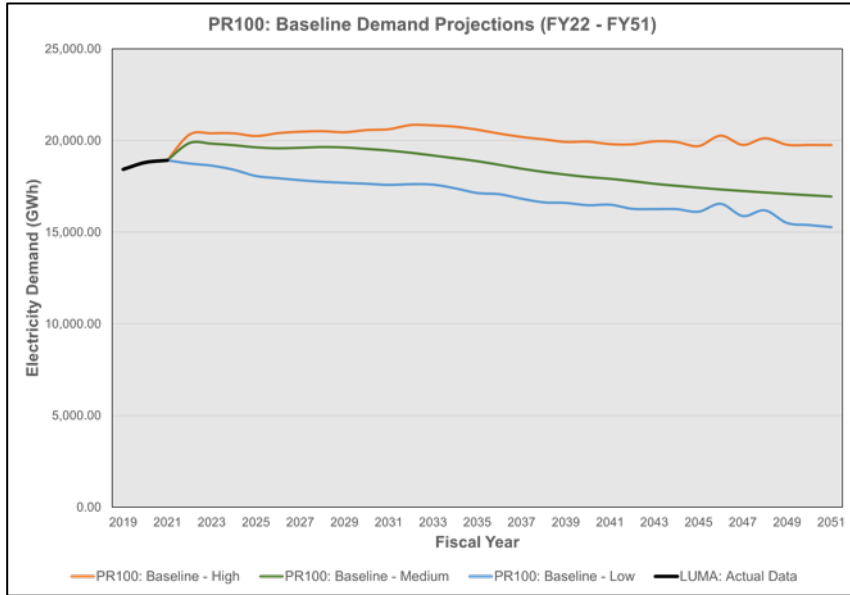


PR100: New Projection  
Residential Sector  
Electricity Sales  
(FY 2019–FY51)

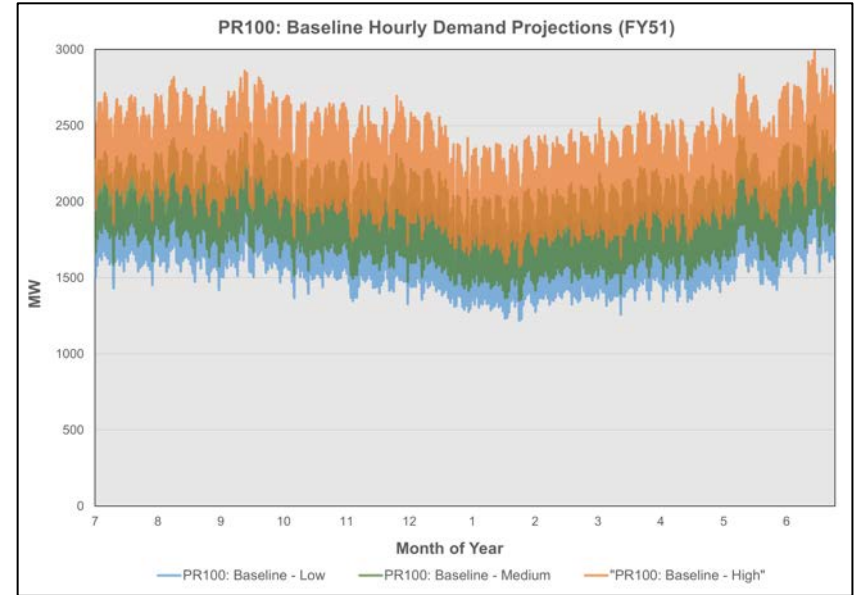
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(FY 2019–FY 2038)

# Baseline Projections: Hourly Demand

## Annual Projections for FY 2022–FY 2051



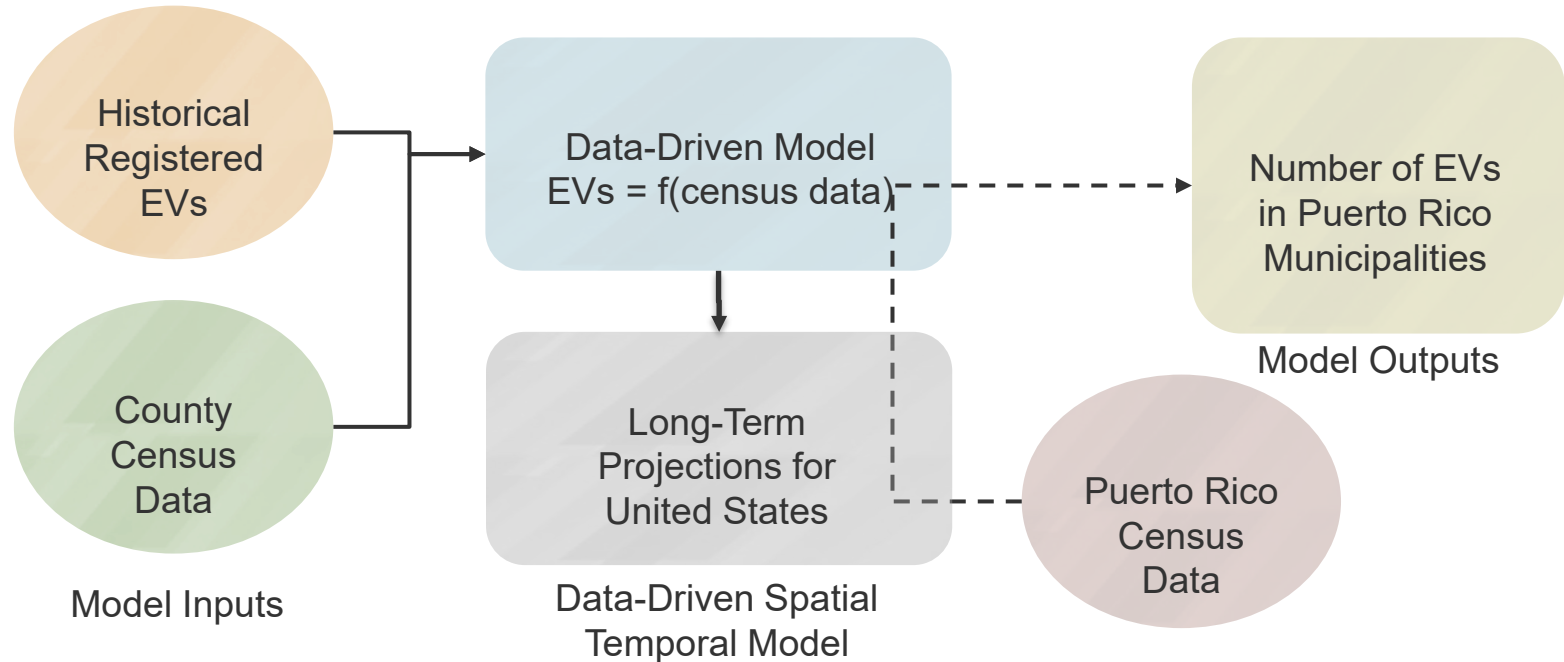
## Hourly Projections for FY 2022–FY 2051



Graphs from NREL

# Electric Vehicle Adoption Projections

The EV adoption model will utilize a national model (based on national adoption trends) combined with local demographics to model future EV adoption in Puerto Rico.



# Energy Efficiency Savings Sources

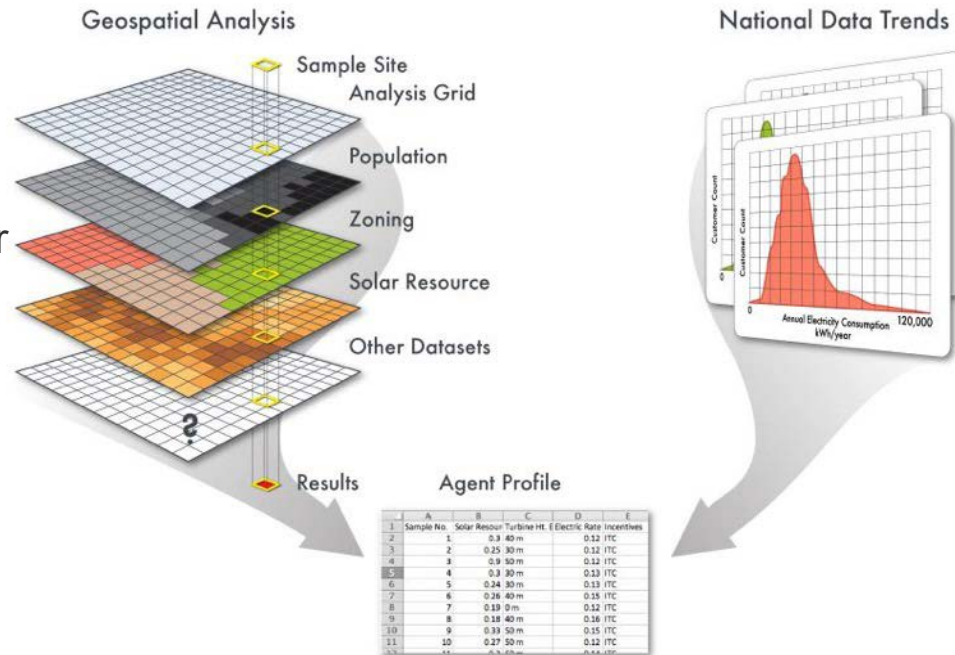
Source of energy efficiency savings	Default	Stress
<b>Programs</b>	Programs (both transition period and permanent) are implemented as contemplated in current energy efficiency proceedings	No new programs are implemented, likely due to a lack of available funding for the planned programs
<b>Building energy codes</b>	Puerto Rico adopts increasingly stringent building energy codes and enforces them sufficiently to produce savings	Little to no savings from codes, either because Puerto Rico does not adopt more stringent codes or is unable to enforce them sufficiently
<b>Appliance and equipment standards</b>	Puerto Rico receives savings from the implementation of increasingly stringent federal standards	Same as default except that federal standards adoption is somewhat slower, reducing savings
<b>Net impact</b>	Energy efficiency decreases load	Energy efficiency is only sufficient to offset demand, resulting in flat net load

Energy efficiency in the default and stress scenarios

# DER Adoption

About the Distributed Generation Market Demand (dGen™) model:

- Agent-based model simulates consumer decision making
- Forecasts adoption of distributed solar by sector and state through 2050
- Incorporates detailed spatial data to understand geographic variation (see Task 3)
- Agent characteristics derived from population-weighted sampling to create a comprehensive and representative database of the analysis population



Website: [www.nrel.gov/analysis/dgen/](http://www.nrel.gov/analysis/dgen/)

Documentation: [www.nrel.gov/docs/fy16osti/65231.pdf](http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy16osti/65231.pdf)





# TASK 5: Detailed Scenario Generation

Task Lead: Nate Blair, NREL

Lead Lab: NREL

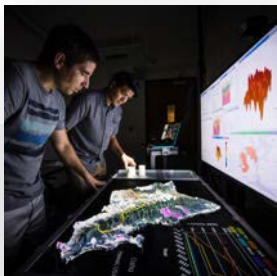
Supporting: All

# Initial Scenario Definition

- The project team worked closely with the Advisory Group during the first six months of the study to define four initial scenarios to model.
- The primary distinction between the four scenarios is varying levels of distributed energy resources, such as rooftop solar and energy storage.
- Variations of load and land use will also be applied to select scenarios. More detail is provided in the Task 5 update herein.

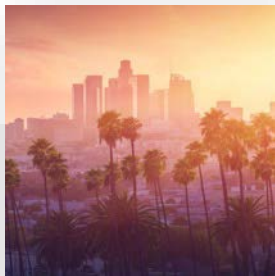
# Similar Examples:

PR100 modeling is based on a research standard, but it is not a one size fits all. Different communities have different priorities, conditions, and local legislation.



Oahu, Hawaii

- ✓ High energy consumption
- ✓ Land availability
- ✓ Competing maritime interests



LA100

- ✓ Compliance with CA Senate Bill
- ✓ Transmission focus
- ✓ Biofuel opportunities
- ✓ Customer electricity demand



Solar Futures Study

- ✓ Changes in policy
- ✓ Deep decarbonization
- ✓ Increased electrification

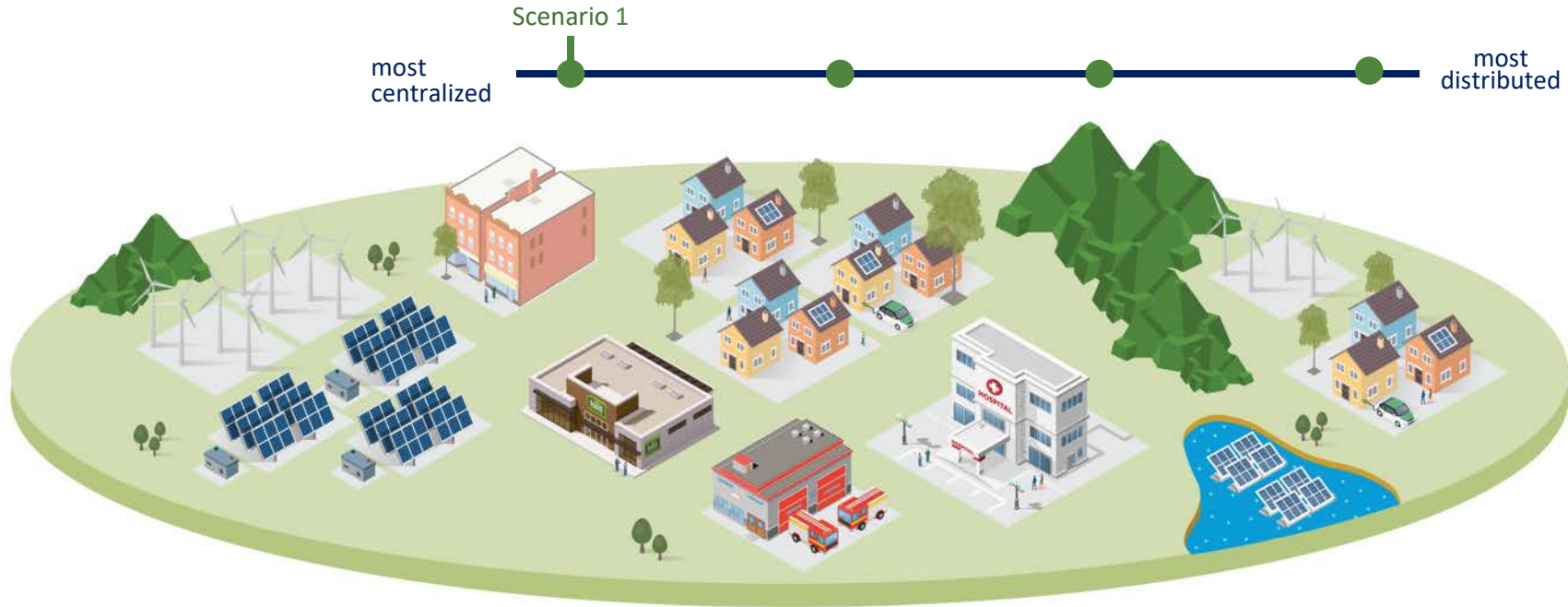


PR100

- ✓ Grid recovery
- ✓ Resilience in extreme storms
- ✓ Land availability

# Scenario 1. Economic Adoption of Distributed Solar PV and Storage

Electricity system is modeled to achieve 100% renewable energy by 2050



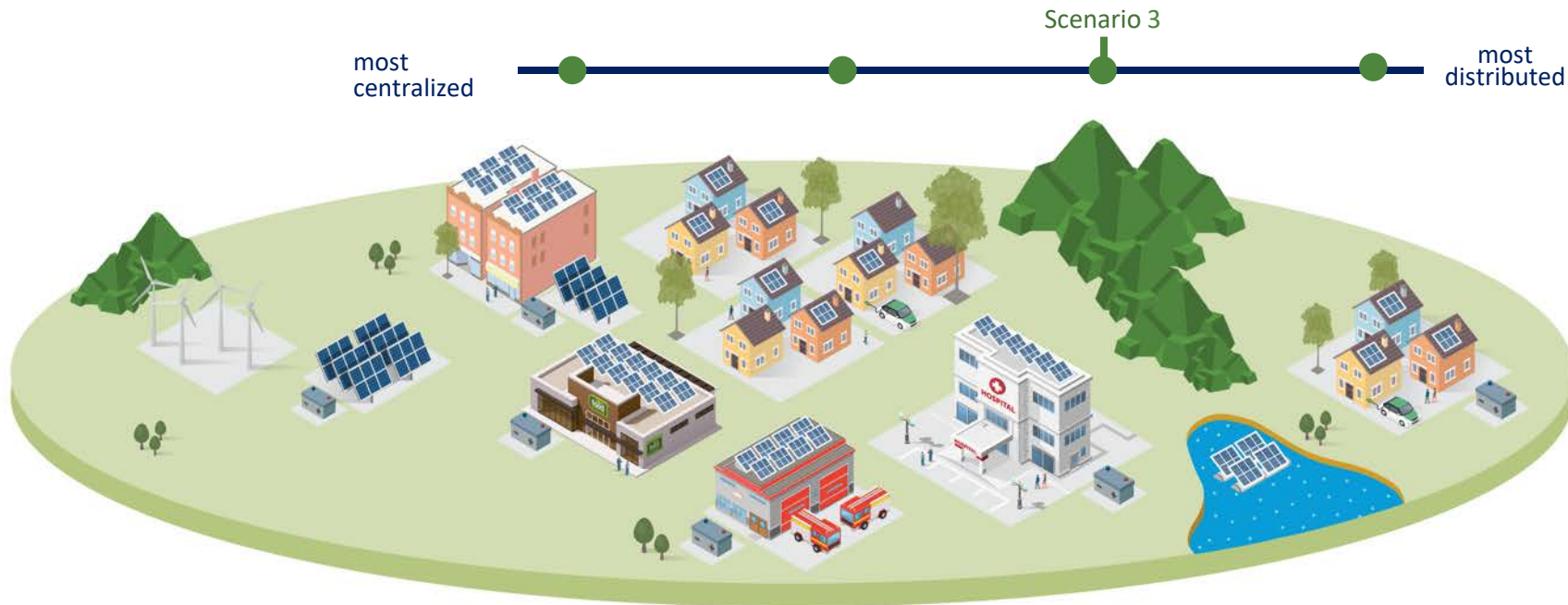
# Scenario 2. Deployment of Distributed Energy Resources for Critical Services

Distributed energy resources installed beyond Scenario 1 for critical services like hospitals, fire stations, and grocery stores



# Scenario 3. Equitable Deployment of Distributed Energy Resources

Installation of distributed energy resources is prioritized beyond Scenario 2 for remote and low- and moderate-income households



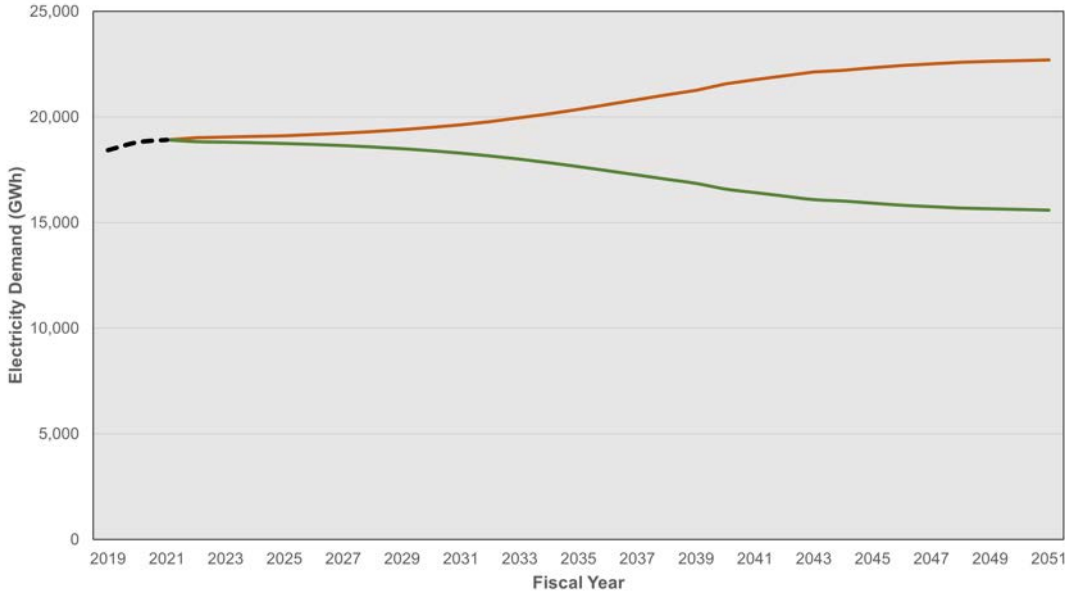
# Scenario 4. Maximum Deployment of Distributed Energy Resources

Distributed solar and storage is added to all suitable rooftops



# Potential Electric Load Options

PR100: Default vs. Stress Electric Load



--- LUMA: Actual Data

	Default	Stress
End Use Loads	Inputs include gross national product, population, cooling degree days, and manufacturing jobs	Combination of end-use loads and energy efficiency result in a flat net annual load
Energy Efficiency	Mid-case: Impact of reduced energy waste	
EV Adoption	Moderate EV adoption	High EV adoption (uncontrolled)

**NOTE:** Place-holder data used for energy efficiency and EV adoption to illustrate potential impacts to default electric load.



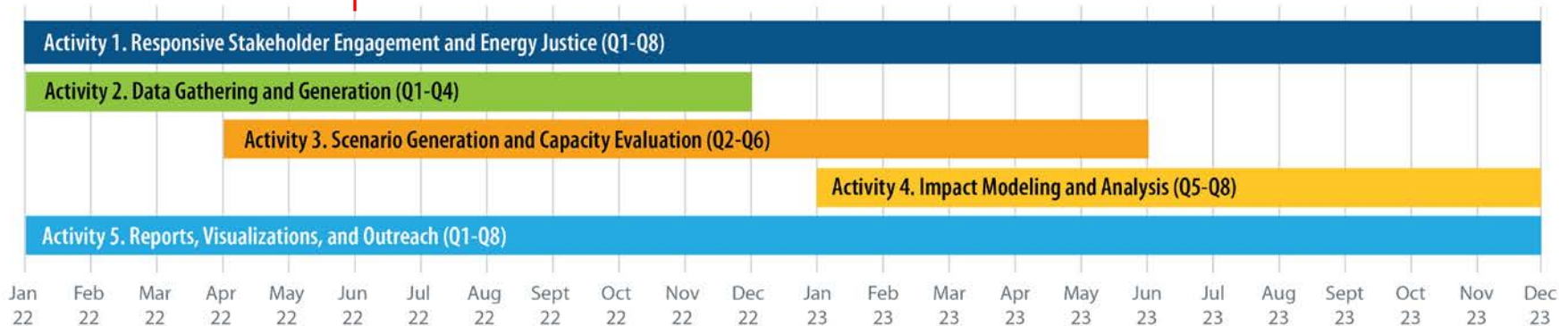
# PR100 Timeline

## 6 Months :

Established stakeholder group meets monthly to inform scenarios  
Defined four initial scenarios to achieve Puerto Rico's goals.

Next Steps -- Each scenario will be modeled to understand:

- What new capacity gets built, where, and at what cost?
- What are the fixed and variable costs of operating the system?
- Does reaching 100% mean big changes locally—like building new transmission lines or increasing hosting capacity of the distribution system?
- If Puerto Ricans adopt energy technologies like EVs, how might that change total demand for electricity?
- Are scenarios resilient under extreme weather events?
- What are the economic impacts, such as changes to retail rates?





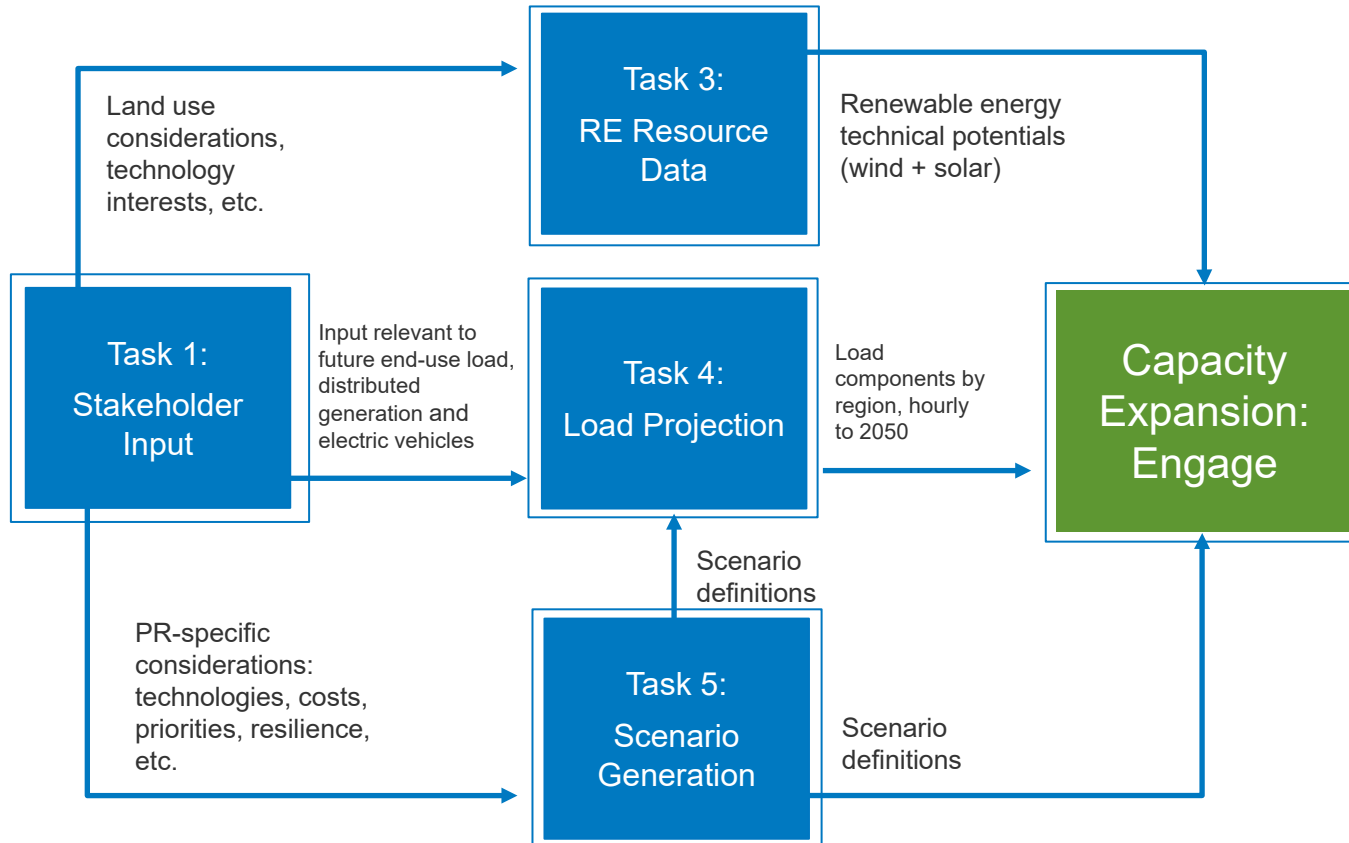
# TASK 6: Capacity Expansion Modeling

Task Lead: Tom Harris, NREL

Lead Lab: NREL

Supporting: ANL, PNNL

# Engage: Bringing it All Together *Quantitatively*

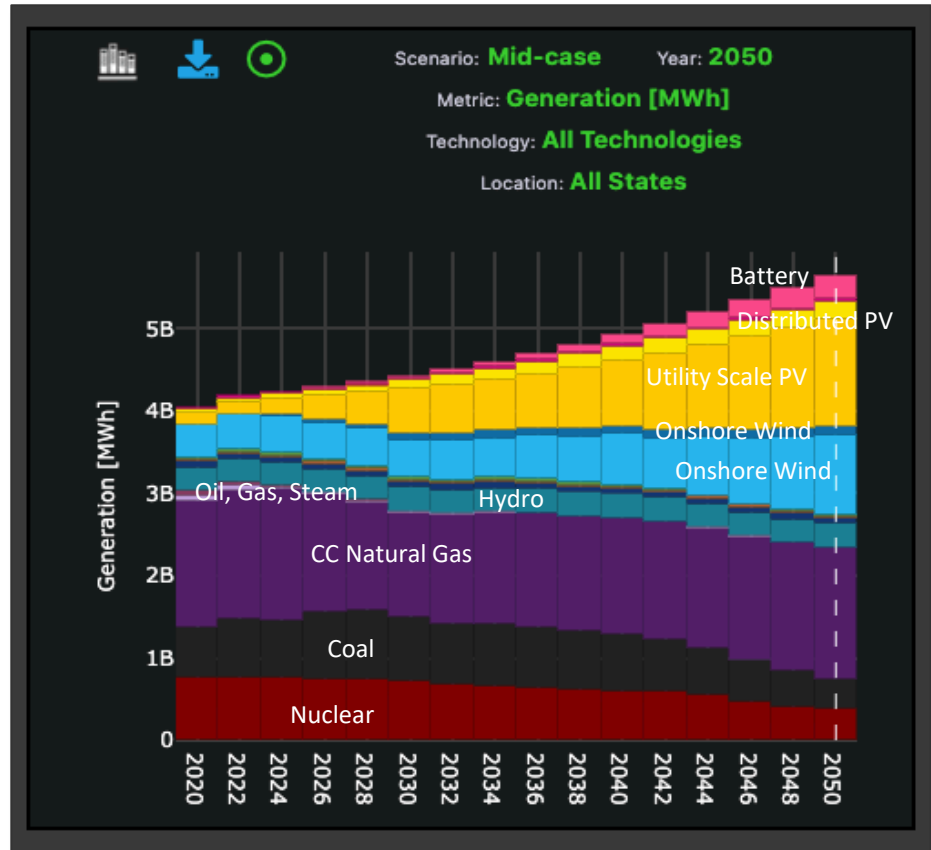


- Collected existing generation and transmission assets data from PREPA/LUMA.
- Created a data ingestion pipeline with placeholder data from Task 3 and Task 4 (loads).
- (Now) Characterizing additional existing system technologies (hydro) and future system technologies in the Engage model.
- Next, scenario modeling.

\* Translation is from load, EV, EE municipality-level data to substation-level data for the electrical models.

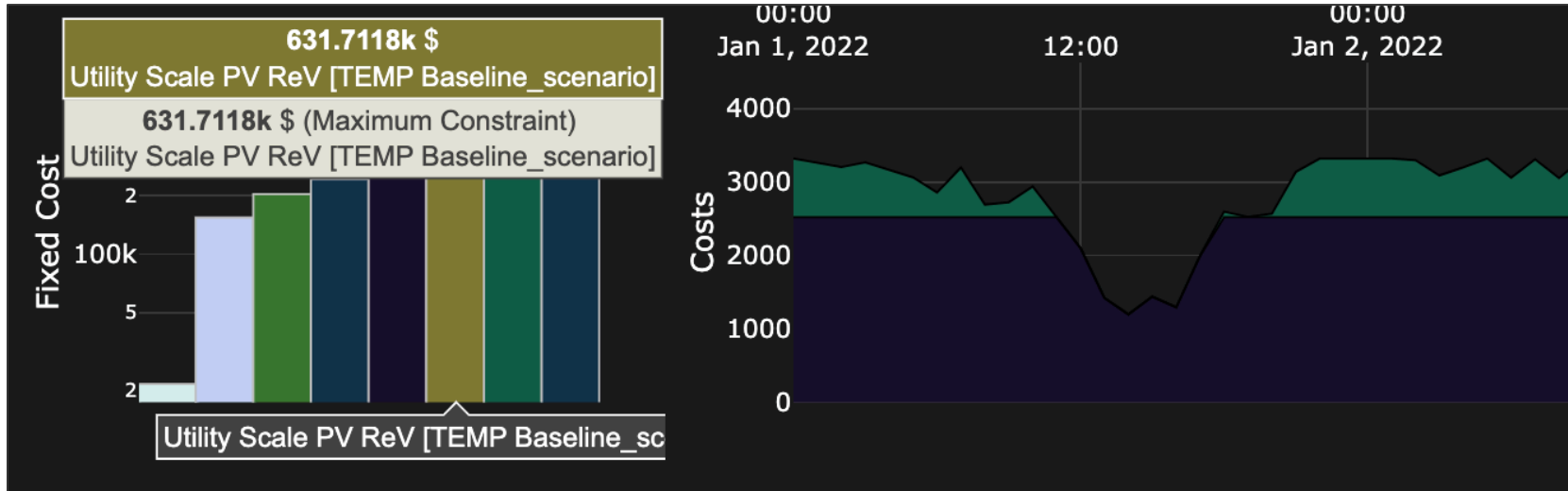
# Engage Outputs

Generation build-out and retirement projections in the 50 states of the U.S. through the years



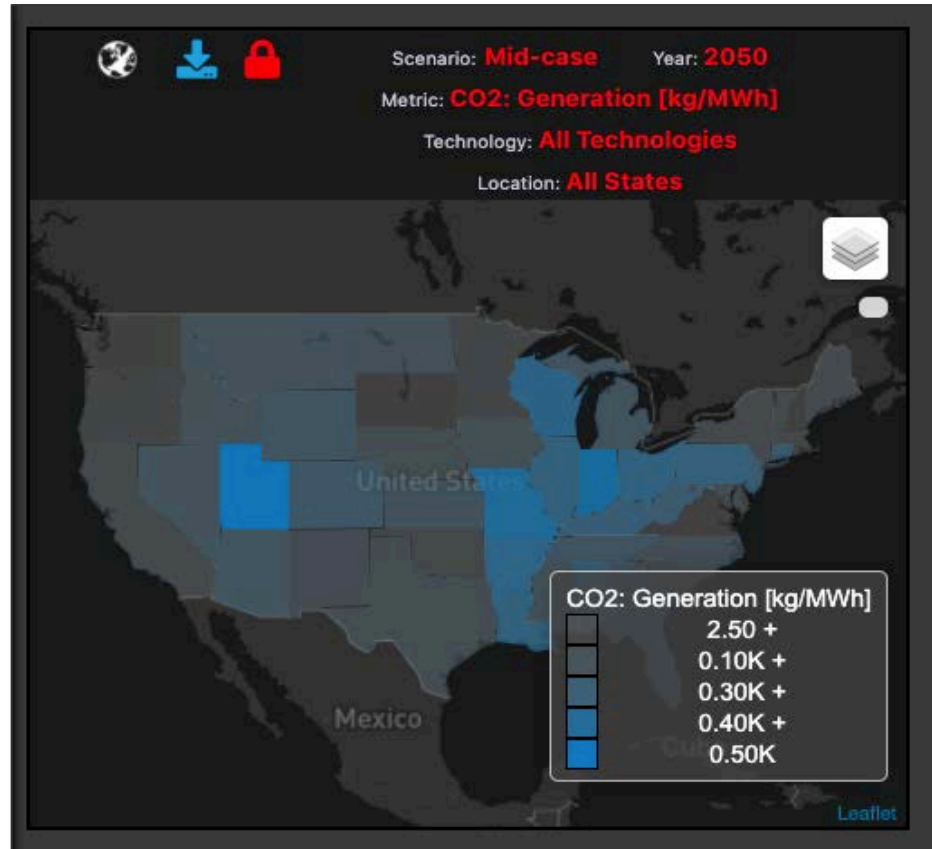
# Engage Outputs

## Investment Costs and Operating Costs

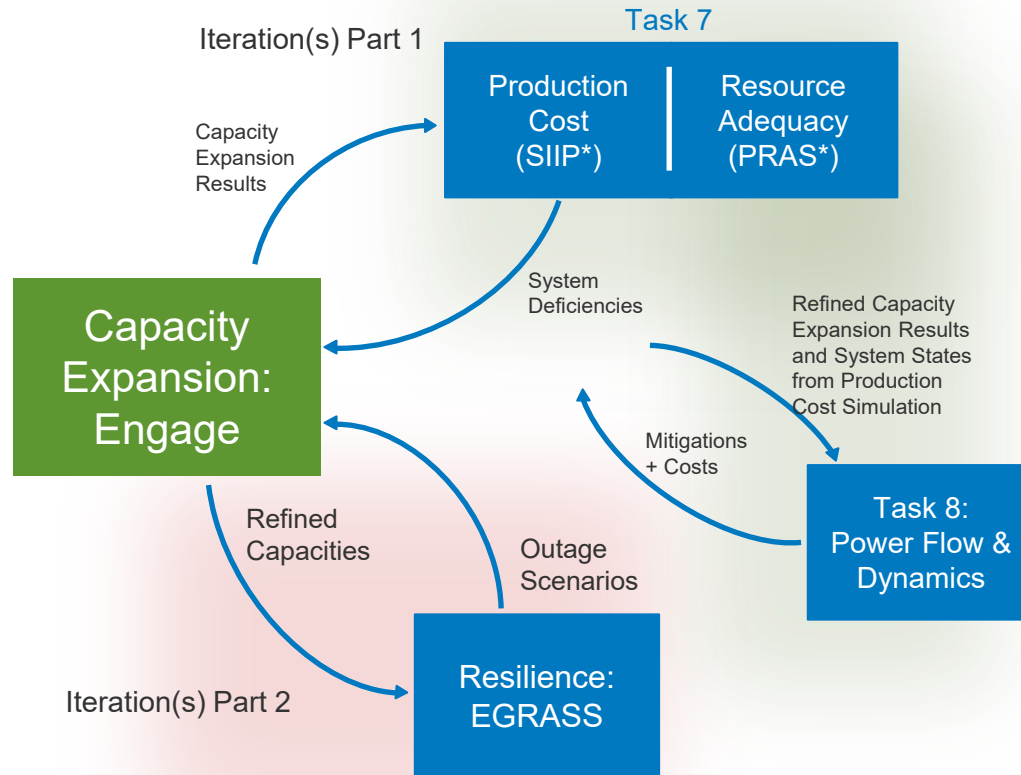


# Engage Outputs

Emissions,  
land use,  
pollution  
projections



# Engage in PR100 Context: Next Phase



\* SIIP: Scalable Integrated Infrastructure Planning, PRAS: Probabilistic Resource Adequacy Suite



# TASK 7: Production Cost and Resource Adequacy

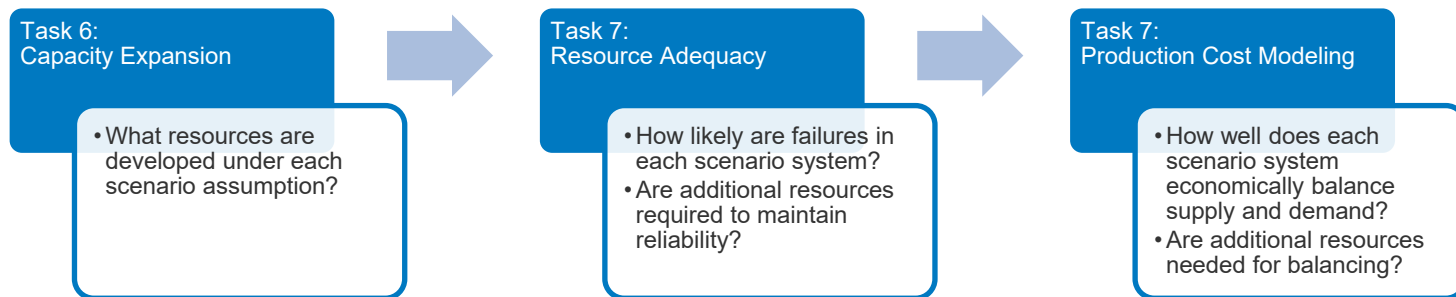
Task Lead: Clayton Barrows, NREL

Lead Lab: NREL

Supporting: ANL



# Production Cost and Resource Adequacy: Tools and Workflow Coordination Progress to Date



## Progress to Date:

- Coordinated common reference data based on load flow case shared by LUMA
- Identified required metrics for downstream analysis in tasks 8 and 10
- Enabled key inter-model data hand-offs and translations required for accepting Capacity Expansion Model results as inputs and providing inputs to downstream tasks
- Developed initial base-case resource adequacy and production cost modeling datasets

## What is coming in Task 7:

- Validated base case model results
- Expanded system scenario results and analysis:
  - Feedback on expanded system performance to identify additional resource requirements
  - System performance analysis of probability of lost load, total production costs, plant operations, transmission utilization, and reserve allocation
  - Impact analysis of emissions and wholesale electricity prices



# TASK 8: Bulk System Power Flow and Dynamic Analysis

Task Lead: Marcelo Elizondo, PNNL

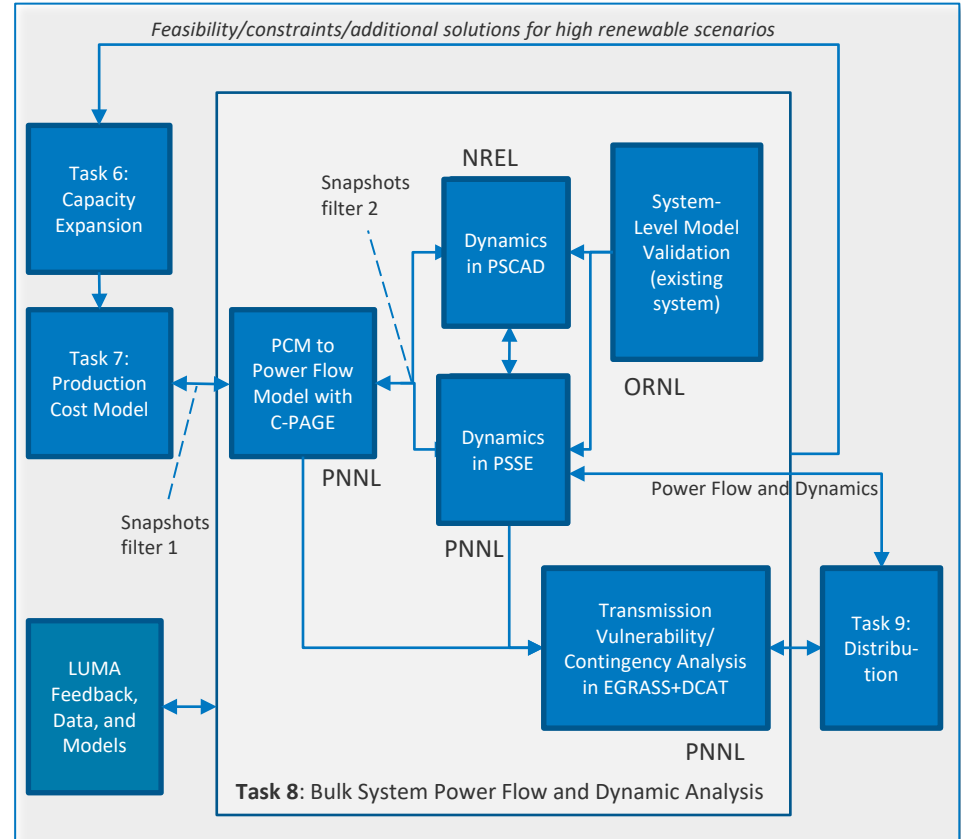
Lead Lab: PNNL

Supporting: ORNL, NREL

# Bulk System Power Flow and Dynamics Analysis

## Progress to Date

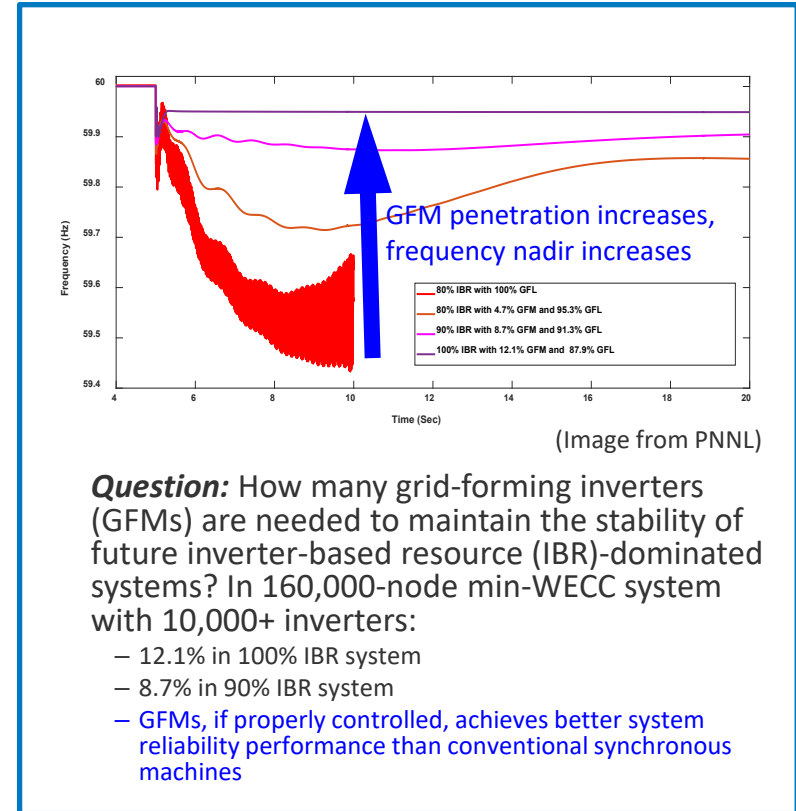
- AC Power Flow
  - LUMA provided 2021 Base Case
  - PNNL preparing a test case with high RE penetration case
- Dynamics (PSS/E, PSCAD)
  - PNNL adapted 2019 PSS/E dynamic model to 2021 case, and shared with NREL and ORNL
  - NREL built PSCAD model based on 2019 dynamics; currently building PSCAD model for tranche 1
  - PNNL working on PSSE DER and motor load models
- Sensor Data and Model Validation
  - LUMA shared new event data with Task 8 team
  - ORNL identified events of interest and working on analysis event data provided by LUMA
- Resilience Evaluation Consideration
  - Configured EGRASS-DCAT to run vulnerability assessment – hurricane N-k dynamic cascading analysis
  - EGRASS being adapted to inform capacity expansion (within task 6) – also adding distribution and solar PV
- Data and Model Coordination with LUMA, and Tasks 6, 7, 8, and 9



# Bulk System Power Flow and Dynamics Analysis

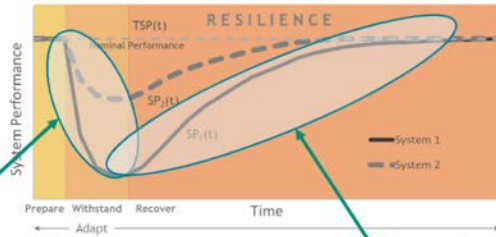
## What Is Coming in Task 8

- Validation of system-level dynamics
- Control and stability for high penetration of renewables: concerns → possible solutions
  - Low inertia → inverter control (e.g., fast frequency response), synchronous condensers
  - Weak grids → inverter control (e.g., grid forming), synchronous condensers
  - Balancing reserves → variability and uncertainty analysis
  - Monitoring, control, and coordination of distributed energy resources → distribution-level control, transmission-level control/coordination
- Scenario analysis
  - Analysis of various operating points
  - Control and stability impacts and solutions at transmission with aggregated behavior from distribution and solar PV
  - Vulnerability: hurricane N-k dynamic cascading analysis



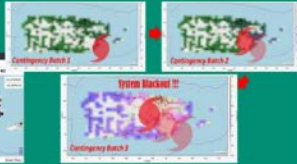
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# Hurricane grid resilience analysis



Outage propagation scenarios:

Scenario events:  
e.g.; Maria, Irma



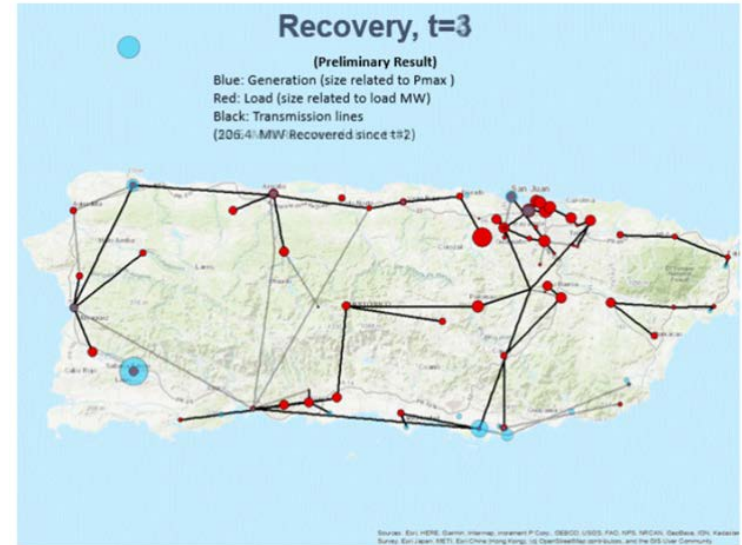
EGRASS-DCAT cascading outage propagation

- MW outage
- Voltage violations and overloads
- Length of withstand period

Outage restoration scenarios



- EGRASS-DCAT process for outage restoration
- Duration of outages MWh lost at transmission level



EGRASS updates for planning studies in PR100

- Adding PV fragility
- Added initial distribution feeder fragility

Outage restoration estimations, full-island initial results

- To inform capacity expansion and adequacy
- Figure uses preliminary output from capacity expansion in Engage tool



# TASK 9: Distribution System Analysis

Task Lead: Matt Lave, SNL

Lead Lab: SNL

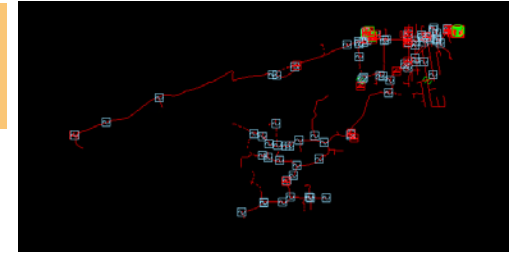
Supporting: NREL, PNNL

# Distribution System Analysis

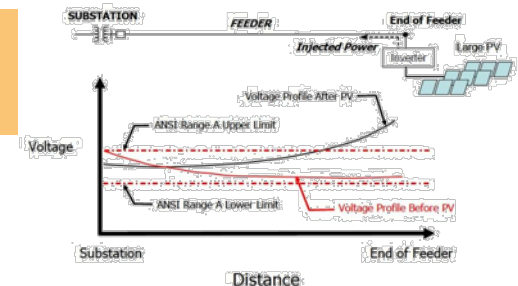
## Progress to Date:

- Working on conversion of ~30 distribution feeders supplied by LUMA in Synergy to research platform OpenDSS
- Setting up hosting capacity analysis to understand DER capacities
- Engaging in crosscutting discussions with other tasks to set up control strategies, resilience metrics, etc.
- Refining hosting capacity analysis to account for controls, grid upgrades, or other mitigation measures
- Identifying and quantifying resilience benefits from large amounts of DERs and storage on distribution grids

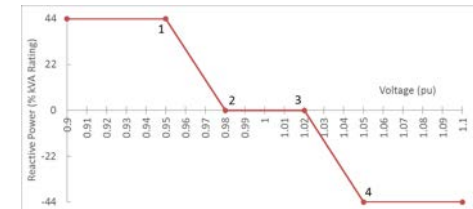
Synergy feeder example



Voltage impact from DERs

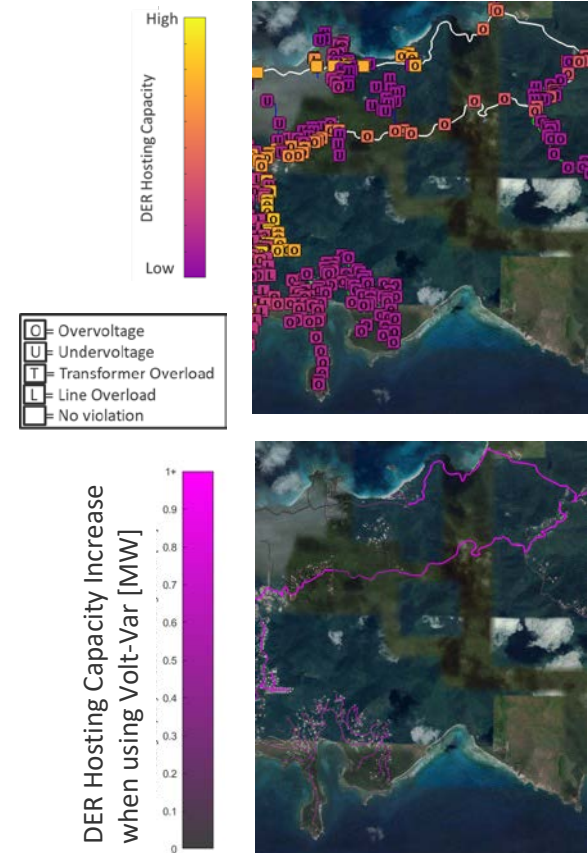


Mitigation strategy: volt/var controls



# Distribution System Analysis

- In the next 6 months:
  - Detailed analysis to understand capacity for distributed renewables and limiting factors
  - Implement planned system upgrades into modeling
  - Quantify possible increases to capacity due to controls (e.g., volt-var)
- In the next 12 months:
  - Identify interdependencies between distribution and bulk system operations
  - Simulate vulnerabilities under high penetrations
  - Explore microgrid opportunities from high levels of DERs and resulting resilience benefits







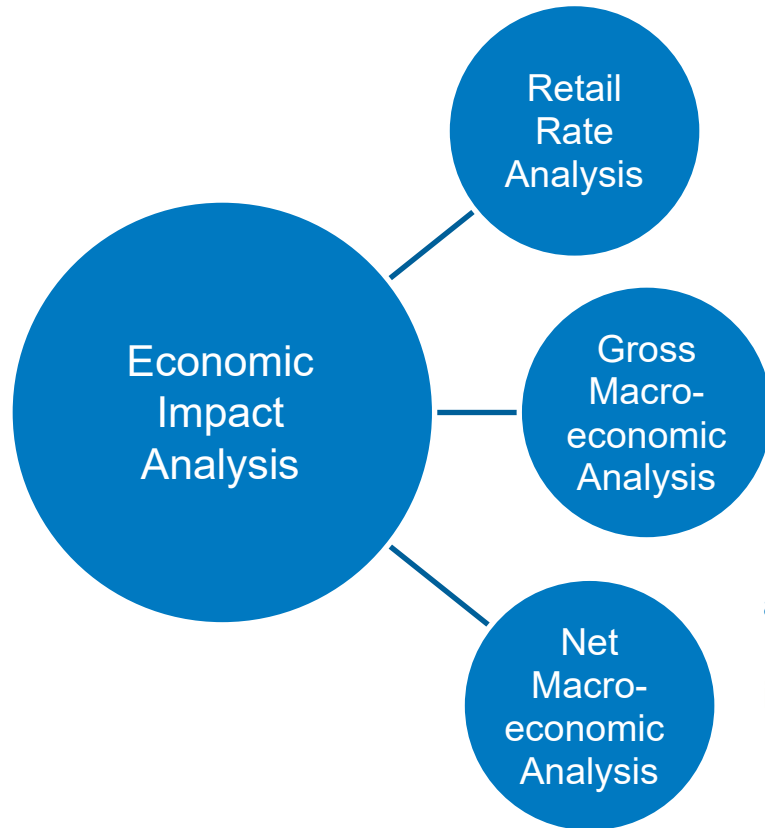
# TASK 10: Economic Impact

Task Lead: Pete Capers, LBNL

Lead Lab: LBNL

Supporting: NREL

# Task 10: Key Research Questions Summary



What are the impacts on annual electricity rates resulting from achieving Puerto Rico's transition to 100% renewable energy?

Regarding only the renewable energy generation investments needed to achieve the 100% goal  
How will the Puerto Rico economy be impacted?  
How many jobs will be created?

Incorporating all costs associated with the transition to 100% renewable energy, including transmission, reliability, and distribution investments

How will the Puerto Rico economy be directly and indirectly impacted?

How will changes in electricity rates affect consumers?  
How will these impacts vary across regions in Puerto Rico?

# Upcoming Efforts: 12-Month and Year-2 Deliverables

- **12-Month Deliverable: Initial projections of retail rates**
  - NREL scenarios plus legacy debt, pension obligations, post-bankruptcy and post-reorganization cost structures, financing impacts
- **12-Month Deliverable: Initial JEDI model estimates**
  - Develop Jobs and Economic Development Impacts (JEDI) model to integrate capacity & cost scenarios for all renewable generation technology types; local spending patterns
- **12-Month Deliverable: Initial CGE model estimates**
  - Computable general equilibrium (CGE) model and social accounting matrix
- **Year 2 Deliverables: Final results**
  - Retail rate projections
  - Economy, jobs, GDP, regional impacts



# TASK 11.4: Implementation Roadmap

Presented by Matt Lave, SNL

Lead Lab: LBNL

Supporting: NREL

# Implementation Roadmap

## The PR100 team will:

- Advise stakeholders on the electric grid operation actions needed in both the near term and long term to follow a path to achieving the renewable energy goals in Act 17.
- Engage with the government of Puerto Rico and its stakeholders to understand current organization, technical capabilities, and operations.
- Support validation of expansion planning results based on national lab expertise and tools.
- Develop a transition plan and suggest paths for quick-impact actions (i.e., "near-term wins").

# Thank You!

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