## SRP Summer Stakeholder Series: Since We Last Met

June 16, 2021

## Welcome

## **Kelly Barr**

Associate General Manager Chief Strategy and Corporate Services & Sustainability Executive

## **Welcome SRP Board and Council Observers**

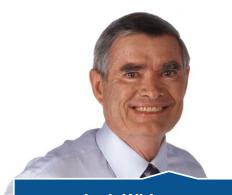




Randy Miller SRP Board Member



Anda McAfee SRP Board Member



Jack White SRP Board Member



**Larry Rovey**SRP Board Member



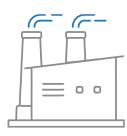
**Suzanne Naylor**SRP Council Member







## SRP 2035 Sustainability Goals



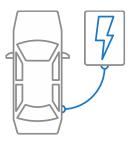
Carbon Footprint



Water Resiliency



**Supply Chain & Waste Reduction** 

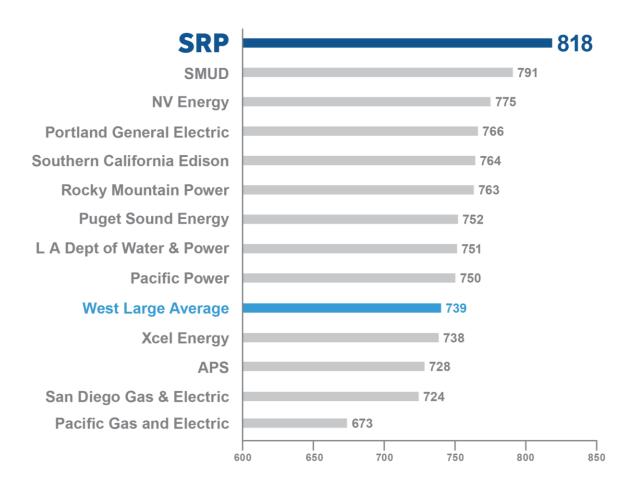


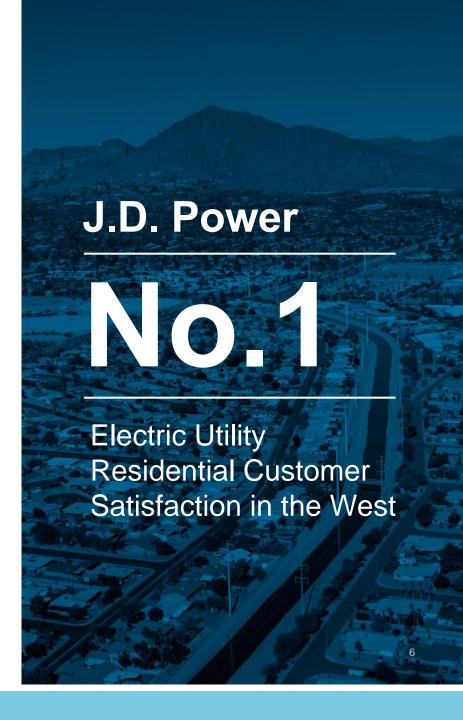
**Customer & Grid Enablement** 



Customer, Community & Employee Engagement

## **Customer Satisfaction**





## safety minute

## **Heat Stress**

## **Symptoms of Heat Exhaustion/Stroke**

- Headache, dizziness, cramps
- Irritability, confusion, nausea, vomiting

### **Prevention**

- Limit activity to nights and mornings
- Take frequent breaks in shady areas
- Hydrate, hydrate, hydrate!

## azcentral.

Weeklong excessive heat warning issued for central Arizona; temps to reach up to 117



## sustainability minute

## **Plastic Waste**

800 million tons of plastic end up in our oceans each year

## **Enjoy water without waste**

- Reusable water bottles saves on average
   156 plastic bottles annually
- Home filter for a family of 4, a filter can save on average \$400 per year



# Series and Meeting Overview

Kim Hartmann
Facilitator (KCH Solutions LLC)

## Summer Stakeholder Series Program

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July "Near Term Planning"

August "Where We Want To Go"

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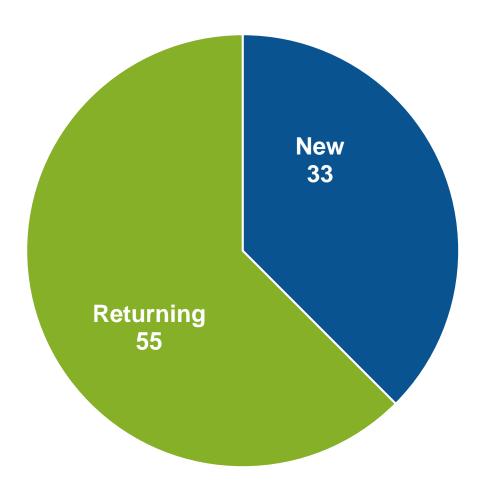
**Integrated System Plan Objectives** 

Stakeholder Involvement Opportunities

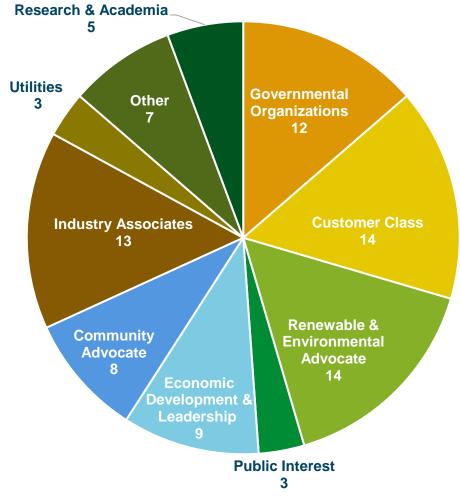
Preliminary Integrated System Plan Metric Considerations

## **Community Stakeholder Participation**

## **Returning & New Stakeholder**



## **Industry/Sectors Represented by Stakeholder**



## **Meeting Protocols**

- ☐ Engagement and active participation
- Respectful and inclusive dialogue
- Chatham House rules
- ☐ Breaks when necessary (please return!)
- Notetaking matrix
- Q&A feature for questions
- Zoom poll (pulse survey) & chat box for feedback
- Microphone mostly turned off



## **Agenda Overview**

Time	Topics	Presenter
9:30 – 9:40	Welcome	Kelly Barr
9:40 – 9:50	Series and Meeting Overview	Kim Hartmann
9:50 – 10:00	Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) Refresh	Angie Bond-Simpson
10:00 – 11:00	IRP Strategic Directions Progress	Strategic Directions Leaders
11:00 – 11:25	System Planning Foundations	Planning Department Leaders
11:25 – 11:30	Next Steps Systems Planning	Angie Bond-Simpson

## **Integrated System Planning (ISP) Timeline**



## Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) Refresh

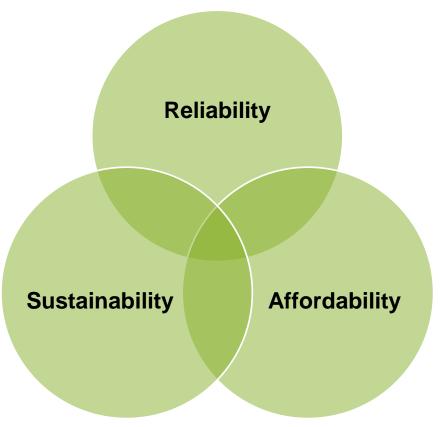
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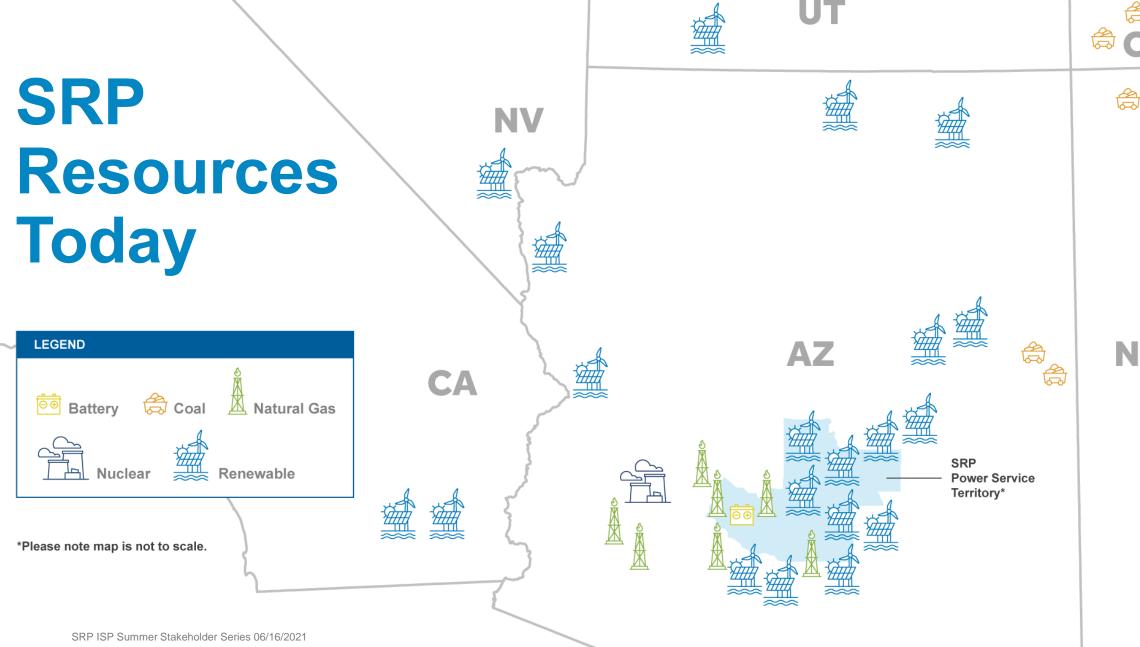
Manager
Integrated System Planning & Support (SRP)

## What do we mean by Resources?

Resources are both the power plants generating electricity and the customer partnerships to reduce energy. Planning for new resources requires careful consideration of:

- Customer needs
- Safety
- Siting & permitting
- Financing
- Workforce
- Community
- Uncertainty







## A Look in the Rearview Mirror

## 2017 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) Purpose

- Conduct a robust analysis of the business environment and resource options
- Educate and inform balanced stakeholder groups, seek input, and respond to questions
- Ensure that the resource strategic conclusion aligns with SRP Board policies and direction



## **2017 IRP By the Numbers**



## **Strategic Resource Directions**



**Grow renewables** 



Reduce coal



Preserve option for new nuclear



**Develop and promote customer programs** 



**Seek battery alternatives** 



**Develop flexible natural gas** 



**Expand participation in regional transmission markets** 



Focus research on new technologies for generation, load management, storage and electrification

## IRP Strategic Direction Progress

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## Renewables & Energy Storage

Barry Petrey
Manager
Resource Acquisition (SRP)



### What do you appreciate?

- Focus on helping Navajo Nation transition from coal and add more solar
- Commitment to solar
- Large procurements benefiting from economies of scale

## What would you like SRP to do more of, better or differently?

- More wind now that turbine technology has improved
- Increasing commitment to renewables
- Criteria for **socially responsible** procurement

## **Expanded Solar Commitment**

- 1000 MW by 2025 Commitment in 2018
  - Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> intensity and manage costs
  - Expand opportunities for customer dedicated projects
  - Sustainable Energy Offering benefits 33 commercial customers
- Increasing to 2,025 MW by 2025
  - 450 MW enabled by SRP commercial customer to meet its renewable commitments
  - 648 MW online or under contract
  - 1377 MW in progress for procurement









2021 Central Line 100MW



2023 Sonoran 260MW & Storey 88MW Solar + Storage



**2022-2024** Additional Projects 1,377MW

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**Developer:** sPower/AES

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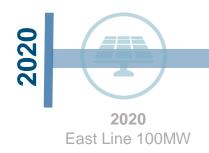
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Central Line 100MW





**2022-2024** Additional Projects 1,377MW

**Project:** Sonoran **Developer:** NextEra

Size: 260 MW/ 1,040 MWh Status: Under Development

**Commercial Operation Date (COD): 2023** 

Location: Little Rainbow Valley, near Gila Bend, AZ

**Project:** Storey

**Developer:** NextEra **Size:** 88 MW/ 264 MWh

**Status:** Under Development

**Commercial Operation Date (COD): 2023** 

Location: Coolidge, AZ



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2024











2024

**2022-2024** Additional Projects 1,377MW

**Project:** Additional Projects

**Developer:** Various

**Size:** 1,377 MW

Status: Various stages of procurement and

negotiation

Commercial Operation Date (COD): 2022-2024



## **Other Renewables**



**Geothermal - Additional 69 MW** 



**Wind RFI** 

## Questions?



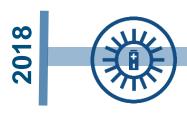
### What do you appreciate?

- Combining battery storage with solar
- Piloting projects, and waiting for cost to stabilize

### What would you like SRP to do more of, better or differently?

- Exploration of other storage technologies
- Move faster with storage

## **Energy Storage Update: Developed Projects**



2018
Pinal Central Energy Center
Solar + Battery PPA 20MW
Solar & 10MW 4-hr



2019 Dorman Energy Center PPA 10 MW 4-hr



2021 Bolster Battery 25 MW 4-Hr



2023 Sonoran 260MW & Storey 88MW Solar + Storage

**Project:** Pinal Central Energy Center **Size:** 10 MW 4-hour duration, 40 MWh

Configuration: Paired and charged from 20 MW

solar array

**Commercial Operation Date (COD): 2018** 

Location: Coolidge, AZ



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Configuration: Stand alone and grid charged

**Commercial Operation Date (COD): 2019** 

Location: Chandler, AZ



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2023 Sonoran 260MW & Storey 88MW Solar + Storage

**Project:** Bolster Battery

Size: 25 MW 4-hour duration, 100 MWh

Configuration: Stand alone and grid charged

**Commercial Operation Date (COD): 2021** 

Location: Glendale, AZ



### **Energy Storage Update: Projects Under Development**





2019
Dorman Energy Center
PPA 10 MW 4-hr



**2021**Bolster Battery
25 MW 4-Hr



2023 Sonoran 260MW & Storey 88MW Solar + Storage

**Project:** Sonoran

Size: 260 MW, 4-hour duration battery, 1040 MWh

Configuration: Paired and charged from 260 MW solar

array

**Commercial Operation Date (COD): 2023** 

Location: Little Rainbow Valley, near Gila Bend, AZ

**Project:** Storey

Size: 88 MW, 3-hour duration battery, 264 MWh

Configuration: Paired and charged from 88 MW solar

array

**Commercial Operation Date (COD): 2023** 

Location: Coolidge, AZ



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# Questions?

# Coal & Flexible Natural Gas

**Chico Hunter** 

Manager

Resource Planning & Development (SRP)



#### What do you appreciate?

- Thoughtfulness in HOW to transition from coal
- Working with impacted community and employees
- Glide path approach
- Moving in the **right direction**.

#### What would you like SRP to do more of, better or differently?

- **Eliminate** coal entirely
- Biomass transition

### **Reduce Coal: Retirements**



### ~ 1,300 MW Retired

### ~ 1,300 MW Announced

**2005**Mohave (AZ)
Total: 1,580 MW

2019 Navajo (AZ) Total: 2,250 MW **2025**Craig 1 (CO)
Total: 428 MW

**2027** Hayden 2 (CO) Total: 262 MW **2028**Craig 2 (CO)
Total: 428 MW

**2031**Four Corners 4&5 (NM)
Total: 1,490 MW

2032 Coronado (AZ) Total: 773 MW **TBD**Springerville 4 (AZ)
Total: 415 MW

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SRP Share: 316 MW



Operator SRP Share: 970 MW



SRP Share: 124 MW



SRP Share: 131 MW



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SRP Share: 148 MW



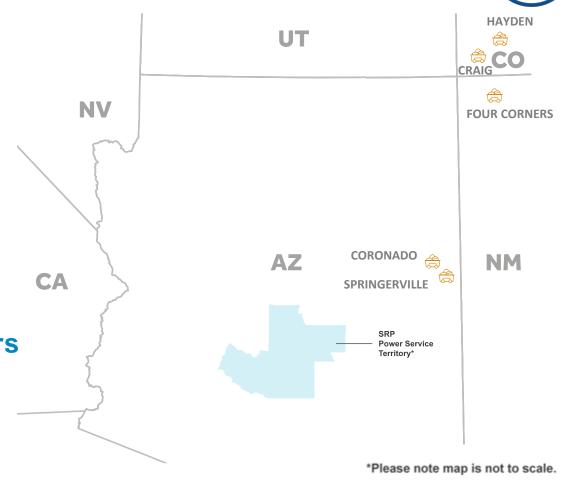
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## Reduce Coal: Seasonal and Reduced Usage

- Variety of drivers
  - Regional Haze regulations
  - Low natural gas prices
  - Low day-time market prices in spring/fall
  - Integration of renewables
- Cost and emission benefits for SRP customers and the region



# Questions?



#### What do you appreciate?

- Uncompromising commitment to **reliability**
- No plans for additional combined cycle gas
- **Integration** of gas with renewables

#### What would you like SRP to do more of, better or differently?

- Emphasis on **flexibility**
- No new natural gas resources pursue more renewables
- Partner with other utilities on gas facilities and operations

## Flexible Natural Gas: Leverage Existing Plants

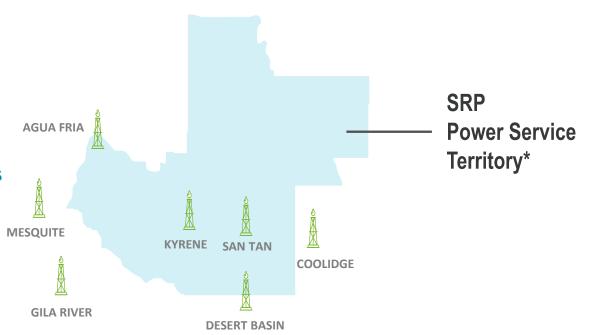


#### Bought Coolidge Generating Station (575 MW) in 2019

- Flexible units that can start up in 10 minutes
- Valuable for system reliability, solar integration, peak loads
- 30% hydrogen blend capable

#### Pursuing gas upgrades across 12 combined cycle units

- Work started in 2020, scheduled through 2024
- Increase operational flexibility with lower turn-down capabilities
- Improve efficiency, reducing carbon intensity by 1.5%
- 312 MW total increased output capacity
- Enable 40% hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>) blending capability



\*Please note map is not to scale.

### Flexible Natural Gas: New Small Turbines



Four new peaking units added to Agua Fria and Desert Basin (two units at each)













176 MW to meet unexpected customer demand growth in summer 2022

Expected commercial operation date (COD) of June 1, 2022

Ensures grid reliability as SRP accelerates renewable integration

Proven technology, identical to Coolidge Generating Station units

30% hydrogen capable

# Questions?

# Nuclear

**Tom Cooper** 

Director

Strategic Planning and Economic Development (SRP)



#### What do you appreciate?

- Stepping back from new nuclear is prudent
- Keeping carbon-free baseload as option

#### What would you like SRP to do more of, better or differently?

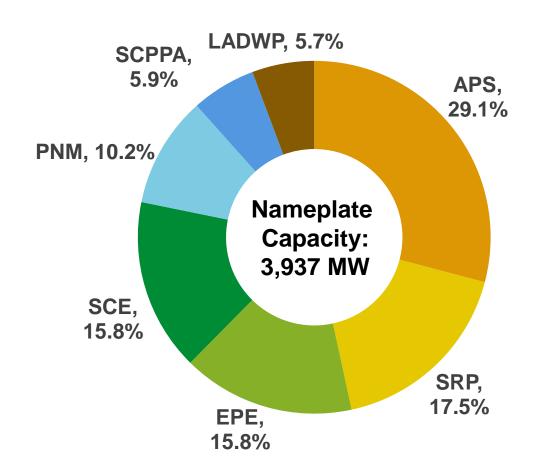
Nuclear power for desalination and hydrogen production

## Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)





- □ Largest nuclear power plant in the U.S.
- ☐ The three units began operations between 1986 and 1988
- □ SRP will acquire an additional 114 MW from PNM's share in 2023-2024



# Questions?

# Market Resources

**Bobby Olsen** 

Director

Supply and Trading & Fuels (SRP)



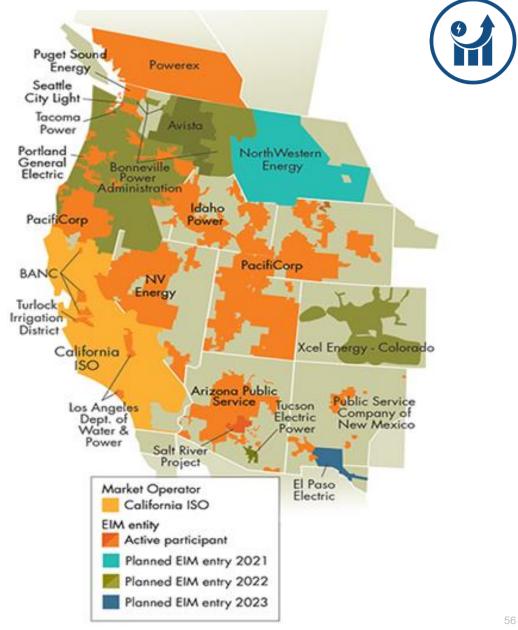
#### What do you appreciate?

- Using the market as generation asset
- Joining EIM
- Engagement in the design of the EIM day ahead market.

What would you like SRP to do more of, better or differently?

## **Organized Energy Markets**

- Joined the California Independent System
   Operator (CAISO) Western Energy Imbalance
   Market (EIM), a real time energy market, in April 2020
- Currently exploring options in day ahead markets, focusing on CAISO's proposal
- Developing principles and critical requirements for long-term regional planning and the concept of Regional Transmission Operators (RTOs)



# Questions?

# Customer Programs

**Nathan Morey** 

Manager

Product Development (SRP)



#### What do you appreciate?

- Multi-prong approach focused on improving customer service
- Thoroughness of the research and evaluation
- Leadership role

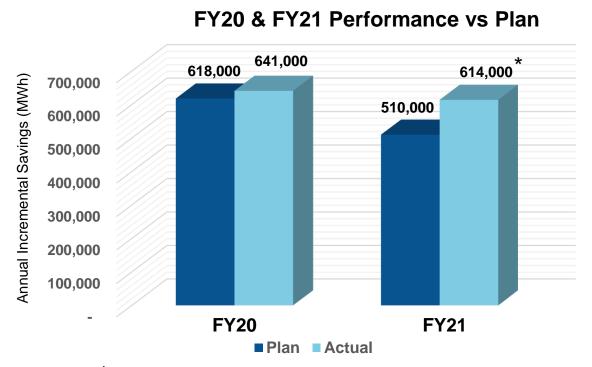
#### What would you like SRP to do more of, better or differently?

- More opportunity for aggregated residential demand response
- Creation of a beneficial electrification road map

### **Energy Efficiency Update**



- Exceeded annual energy-saving targets in each of the past two years
- Completed and retired the Sustainable Portfolio Principles Objective
- Transitioned to the new 2035
   Sustainability Goals & action plans
- Greater focus on AC-related measures, business programs, underserved market segments and smart thermostats



<sup>\*</sup> Represents preliminary, unaudited year-end energy savings value

### **Accelerated Demand Response Plan**



#### **Demand Response Capacity Plan**

- Grow DR portfolio capacity to deliver
   150 MW by summer of CY22
- Accelerate enrollments through aggressive marketing and recruitment efforts
- Begin to develop weekend DR capacity in CY22

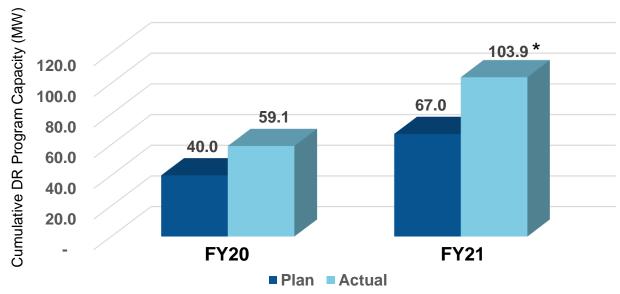
	CY20	CY21	CY22	CY23	CY24
FP21 Plan (MW)	67	95	120	138	150
Incremental Bring Your Own Thermostat		+5	+15		
Incremental Business Demand Response		+10	+15		
FP22 Plan (MW)	67	110	150	150	150

### **Demand Response Update**



- Surpassed annual cumulative DR portfolio capacity goals in the past two years
- Launched new Business Demand
   Response program well received
- Expanded Residential Bring Your
   Own Thermostat program
- Dispatched DR events performing as expected

FY20 & FY21 Performance vs. Plan



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### **Electric Vehicle & Electric Technologies Update**



- Exceeded annual Electric Vehicle and Electric Technologies program targets
- Launched numerous new EV programs and initiatives
  - Business EV Charging Rebate Program
  - ENERGY STAR Homes EV Make-ready Builder Rebate
  - Residential Smart Charger Program
  - Plug-In and Save Rebate Program
  - SRP EV Infrastructure Program
  - Transportation Electrification Activator
- Continued E-Tech program growth through electric forklifts and custom projects

Electric Vehicle
Exceeded 17,000 VIO
goal with 20,629 \* EVs in
SRP Service Territory
in FY21

Electric Technologies
Surpassed 8,400 MWh of energy impact goal by delivering 11,428\* MWh in FY21

<sup>\*</sup> Represents preliminary, unaudited year-end values

# Questions?

# New Technologies

**Kara Montalvo** 

Director

Environmental Services (SRP)



#### What do you appreciate?

- Engaging the innovative community and ecosystem
- Diversity and interest in forward looking technologies
- Practical solutions that customers can benefit from

#### What would you like SRP to do more of, better or differently?

- Seasonal storage
- Technologies that connect customers to power markets
- Quantify benefits of technology and research

## **New Technologies**

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# SRP Innovation & Technology Pipeline Near-term Operational Readiness

- Solar dispatch
- Battery use
- Electric vehicle enablement
- Customer-sided technology

### Longer-term Technology Development

- Long-duration storage
- H2 work group
- Low Carbon Resources Initiative











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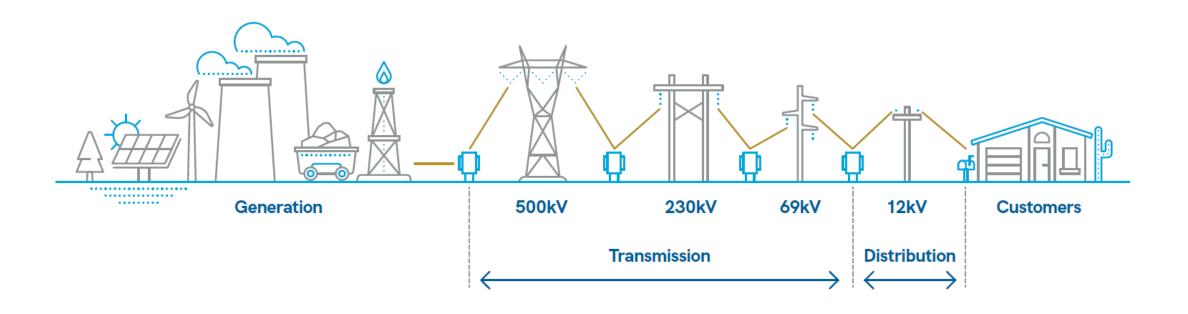
# Transmission Planning

**Bryce Nielsen** 

Director

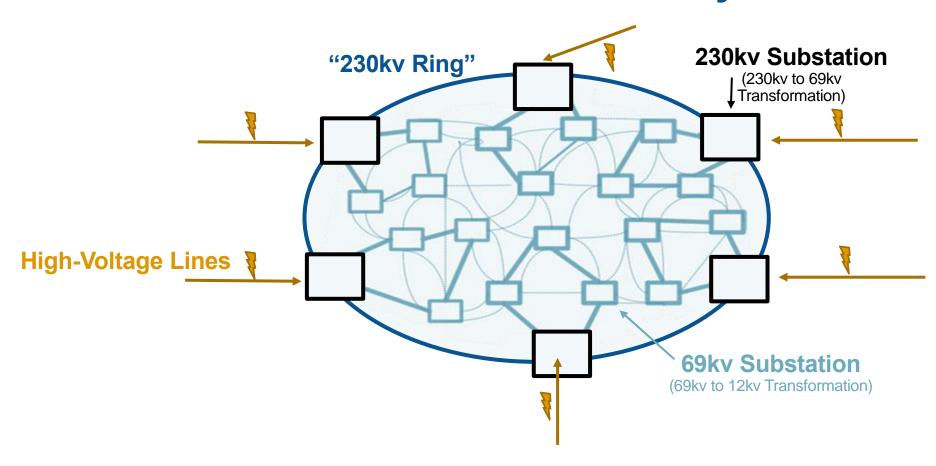
Transmission Planning, Strategy & Development (SRP)

### **Generation to Load**

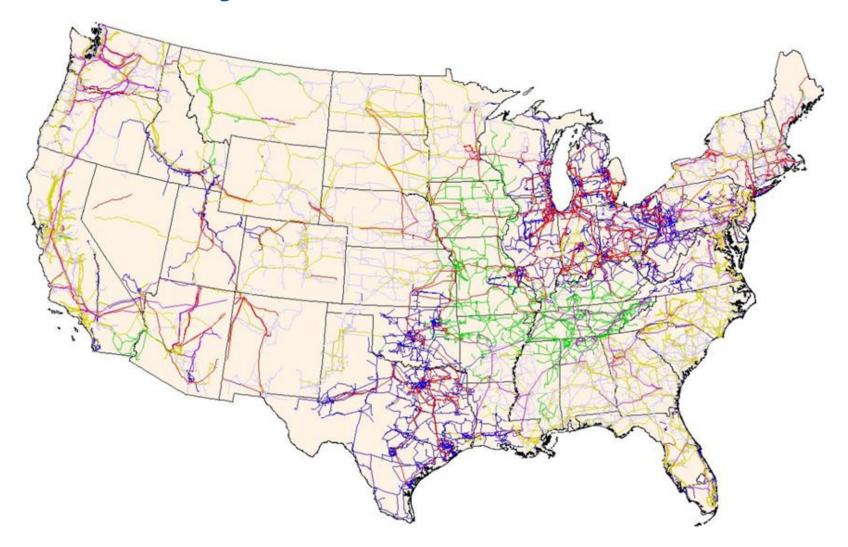


#### **SRP's Transmission Network**

#### **SRP Service Territory**



#### **US Transmission System**



#### **Transmission Key Considerations**

- Regional connections
- Regulatory compliance
- Siting/Permitting
- Cost
- Original configuration based on traditional resources

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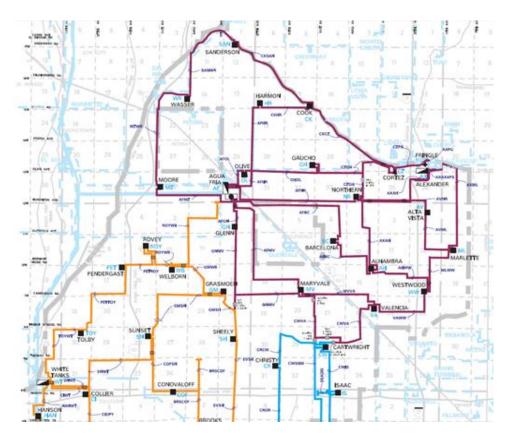
## Distribution Planning

Vanessa Kisicki

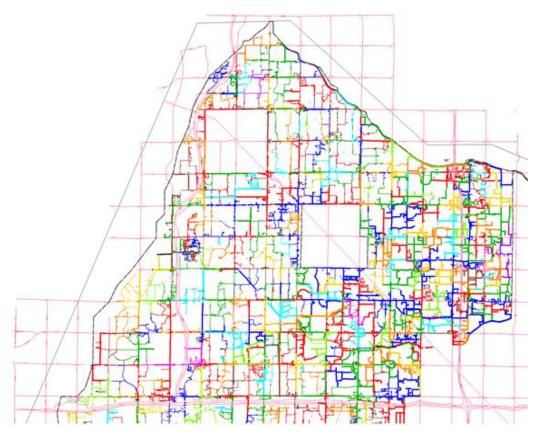
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Distribution Strategy (SRP)

#### **Planning for Distribution**



**69 kV Transmission Lines** 



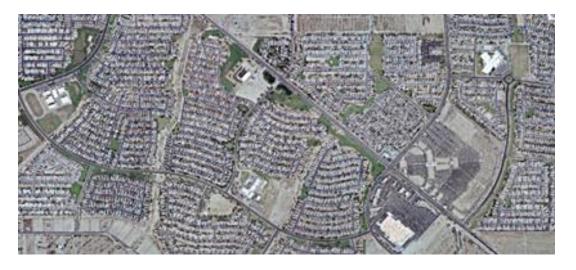
**12 kV Distribution Circuits** 

#### **Traditional Distribution Planning Focus**

- Provide service to meet customer needs
- Provide infrastructure for reliability
- Proactive system development
- Manage costs







#### **Distribution Key Considerations**

- Increasing amounts of solar, storage and electric vehicles
- Increasingly dynamic nature of the distribution system
- New options to mitigate constraints
- Customer engagement

## Questions?

### Load Growth

Harry Sauthoff
Manager
Forecasting (SRP)

#### **Load Growth: Forecast Process**

#### **Key Drivers**

Economy
Population
SRP Programs
DER
Econ Development



#### **Forecast Outlook**

Peak Demand Energy Sales Accounts



#### **Impacts**

Financial Plan Resource Plan Transmission Plan Distribution Plan

#### **Load Growth: Forecast – Key Drivers**

- Economy/Population Outlook
- Economic Development
- SRP Customer Programs
- Electric Vehicles
- Rooftop Solar
- Customer-Owned Batteries
- Weather





















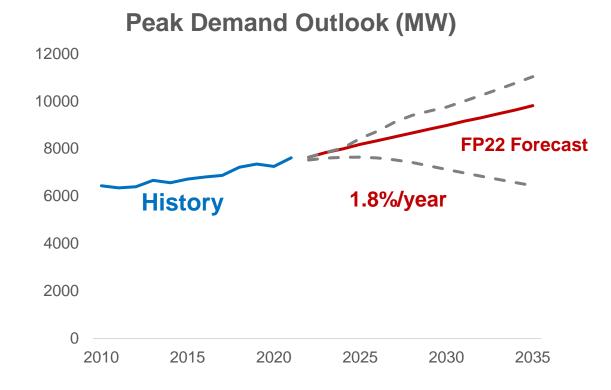








## **Load Growth: Forecast Outlook**





20B Arizona expansion will bring 3,000 new high-wage jobs – AZ Republic



Demand for new homes in metro Phoenix soars - AZ Republic

Economists: Arizona to regain all jobs lost in the pandemic in 2021 – Phoenix Business Journal



ElectraMeccanica picks
Mesa as electric vehicles
manufacturing site AZBIGMEDIA







## Questions?

# Next Steps: System Planning

Angie Bond-Simpson

Manager
Integrated System Planning & Support (SRP)

#### **SRP's System Planning Vision**

Resource Plan

Transmission Plan

**Customer Program Plan** 

Distribution Plan

Planning together to meet established 2035 goals while maintaining reliability

#### The ISP identifies:

- Viable pathways for achieving SRP's 2035 Corporate Goals
- Costs, risks and tradeoffs of the different pathways
- System solutions valuable across different pathways
- Needed new capabilities or tools

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# Welcome Kearns & West

Joan Isaacson

Principal

Public Involvement and Facilitation (Kearns & West)

# thank you!