

# 2019 Integrated Resource Plan Discussion

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# Today's Discussion

- What's an IRP?
- Overview of 2019 IRP
- Changes with GRU's upcoming IRP

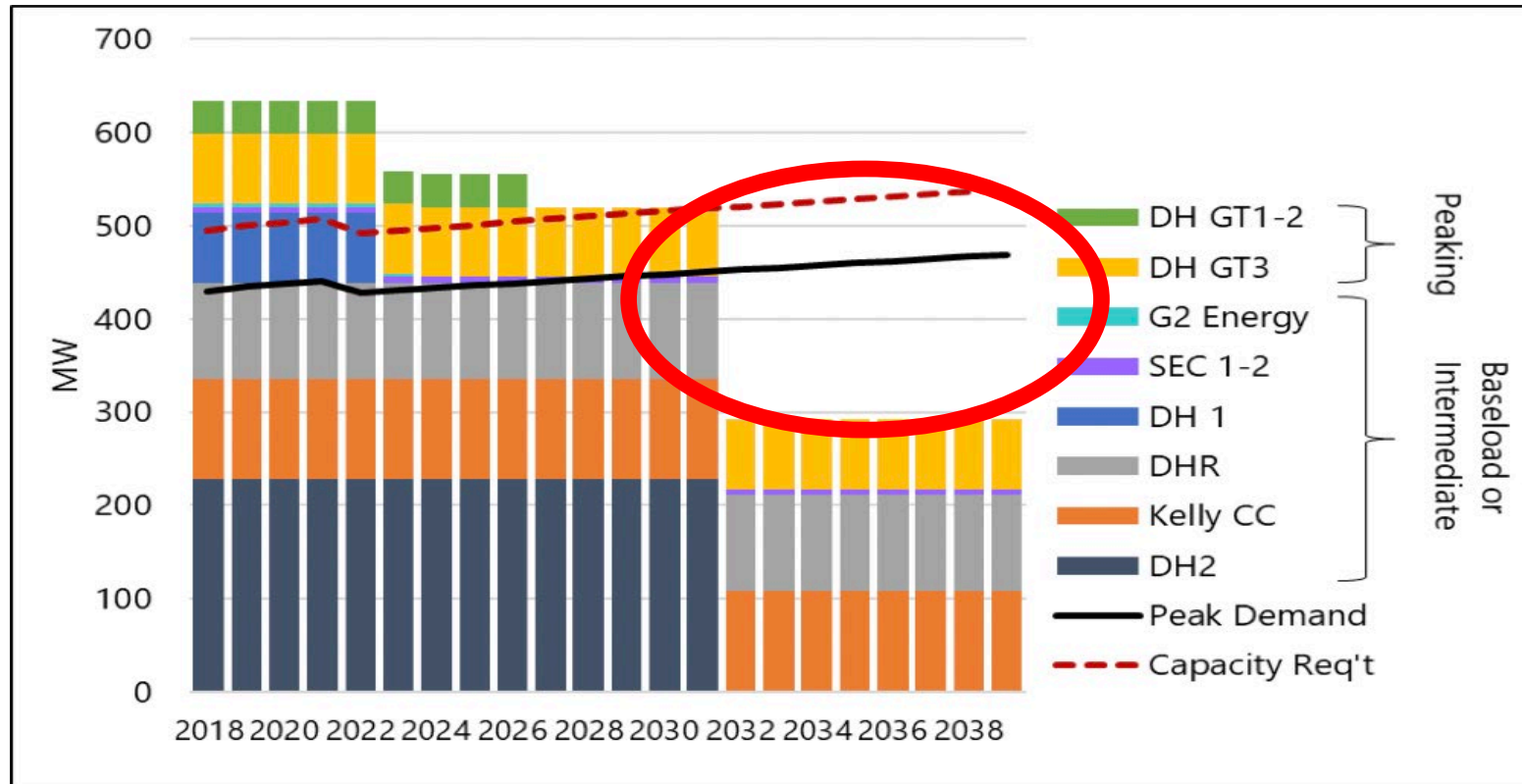


What's an IRP?





# What's an IRP? A tool to help you decide how to meet energy load with energy resources



# Integrated Resource Plan (IRP)

## What's an IRP?

*A comprehensive planning study which provides a recommended mix of resources a utility may use to meet its customers' future electricity needs.*

- Identifies the long-term, strategic needs of the utility
- Utilizes least-cost planning principles and estimates the magnitude of future power supply costs and decisions
- Helps identify risks (fuel diversity/availability, technology, financial, etc.)
- Aids in identifying generation options that perform well over a range of economic, environmental, and regulatory scenarios



# What's Not an IRP? GRU's Ten Year Site Plan (TYSP)

## What's a Ten-Year Site Plan?

*Planning tool for the Florida Public Service Commission which follows a standard format*

- Annual requirement for all electric utilities with more than 250 MW of generation or utilities planning to build a unit larger than 75 MW within 10 years
- Gives state, regional, and local agencies advance notice of proposed power plants and transmission facilities
- Gives an estimate of how utilities may meet its customers' electrical demands over the next 10 years
- Includes tentative data and is not a binding plan of action on electric utilities
- **Primary purpose is to assure utilities have adequate generation capacity**



# What's in a Ten-Year Site Plan (TYSP)?

## Four Sections of all TYSPs

- Description of Existing Facilities
- Forecast of Electric Energy and Demand Requirements
- Forecast of Facilities Requirements (generation additions and retirements)
- Environmental Land Use Information (if adding new generation)

## All generation and transmission plans are based on **existing** or **approved** options

- No options from the current IRP are included
- Only includes options that have been approved or in active development



# An IRP is Strategic

- Identifies the long-term, strategic needs of the electrical generation of the utility within the parameters set for the IRP
- Utilities must take a long-term approach to meeting customers' needs
  - Utilities are capital-intensive
  - Infrastructure planning, permitting, and construction are multi-year
- Taking a short-term approach may ultimately lead to higher costs long-term





# An IRP Evaluates Long-term Costs

- Specialized software solves for the lowest life-cycle cost (capital cost, fuel costs, and operating costs) within a set of constraints
- The lowest cost option is considered the “reference case”
  - Other options provided are compared to the reference case
- The total life-cycle costs paid by GRU’s customers are a key component that cannot be overlooked



# IRPs Makes Comparisons Easier

Multiple scenarios allow comparison across changing criteria:

## Economic Drivers

- Changing fuel prices (higher or lower)
- Access to a power market
- Load changes (higher or lower)

## Environmental Drivers

- Emissions limits
- Renewable energy requirements

## Regulatory Drivers

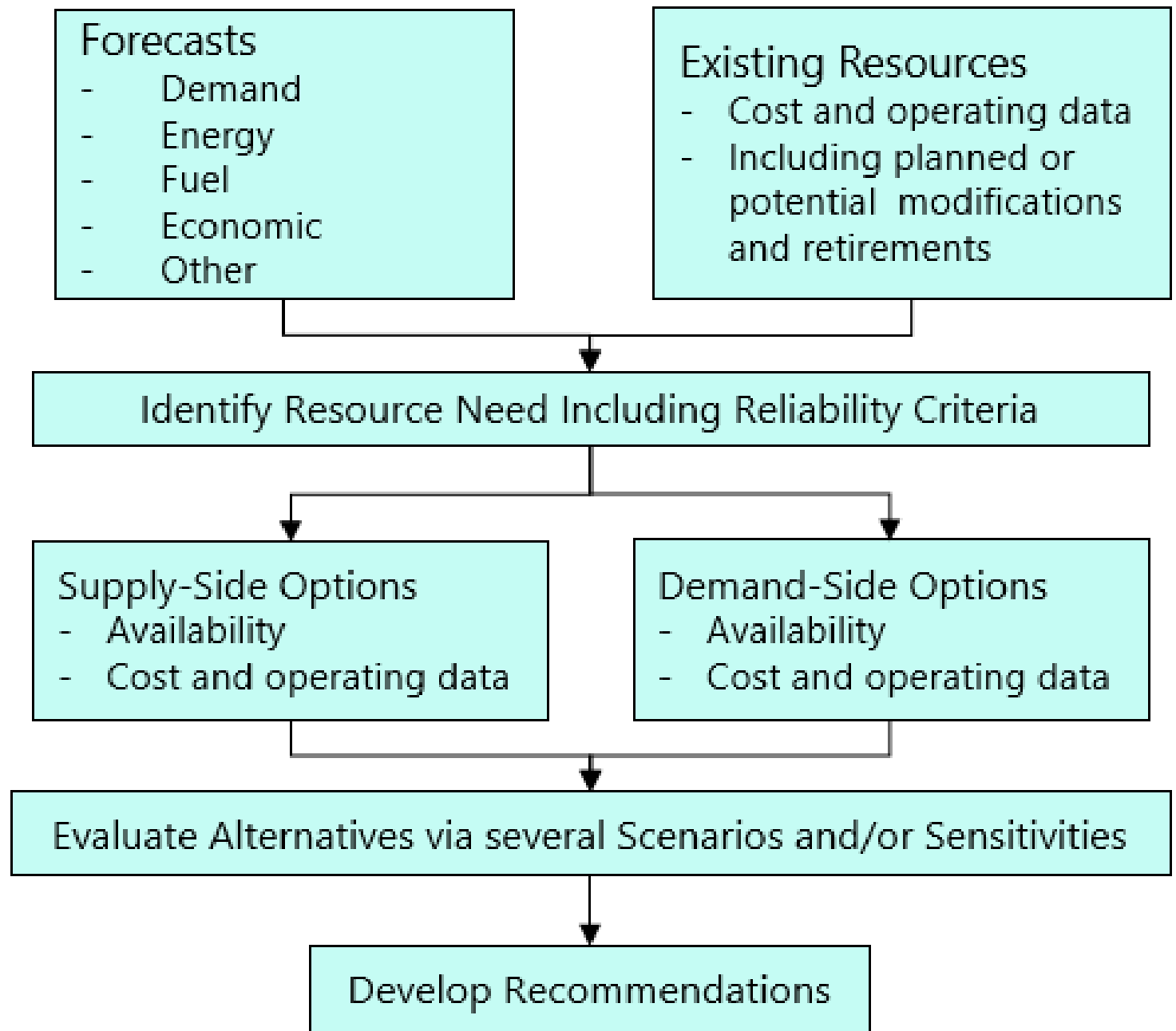
- NERC Reliability

## Technological Drivers

- Availability of technology



# Methodology



# Overview of 2019 IRP



# Evolving IRP Parameters for 2019 IRP

- IRP kicked off in February 2018
- Scope grew and changed over 18 months
  - 2045 Net Zero Emissions resolution – October 2018
  - Area Control Error (ACE) Study – February 2019
  - Kelly Steam Turbine 8 upgrade
  - GRU Solar ITN
  - Resulted in many more scenarios than originally planned
- Report includes scenarios that do and do not meet the 2045 net zero resolution



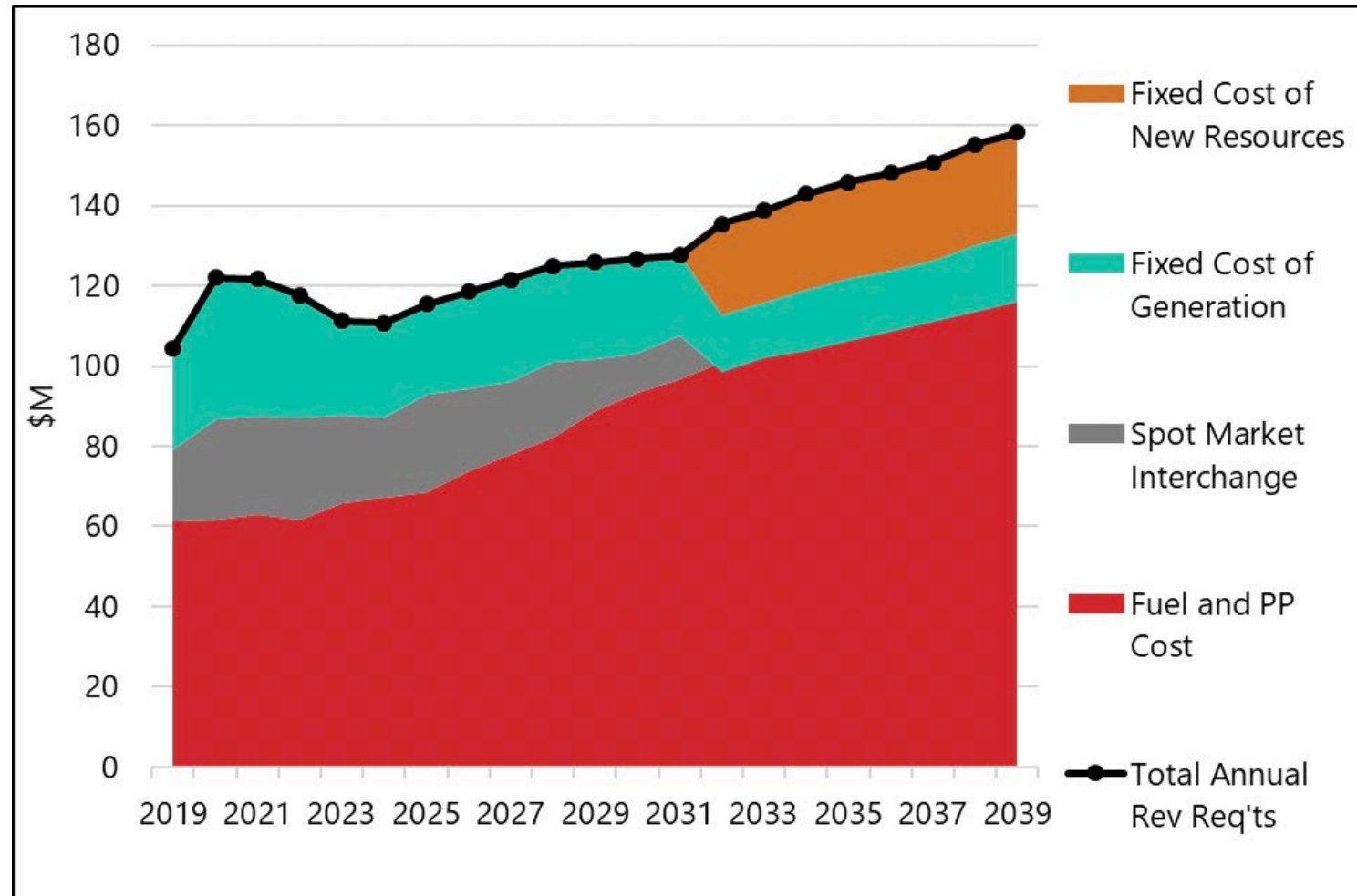
# Reference Case Results

Year	Generation Source	Additional MW
2021	New solar PPA	80 MW (28 MW add'l capacity)*
2031	NG-fired 3x1 Combine Cycle	198 MW
2032	Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engine (RICE)	27 MW
2034	Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engine (RICE)	9 MW
2038	Battery Storage	5 MW

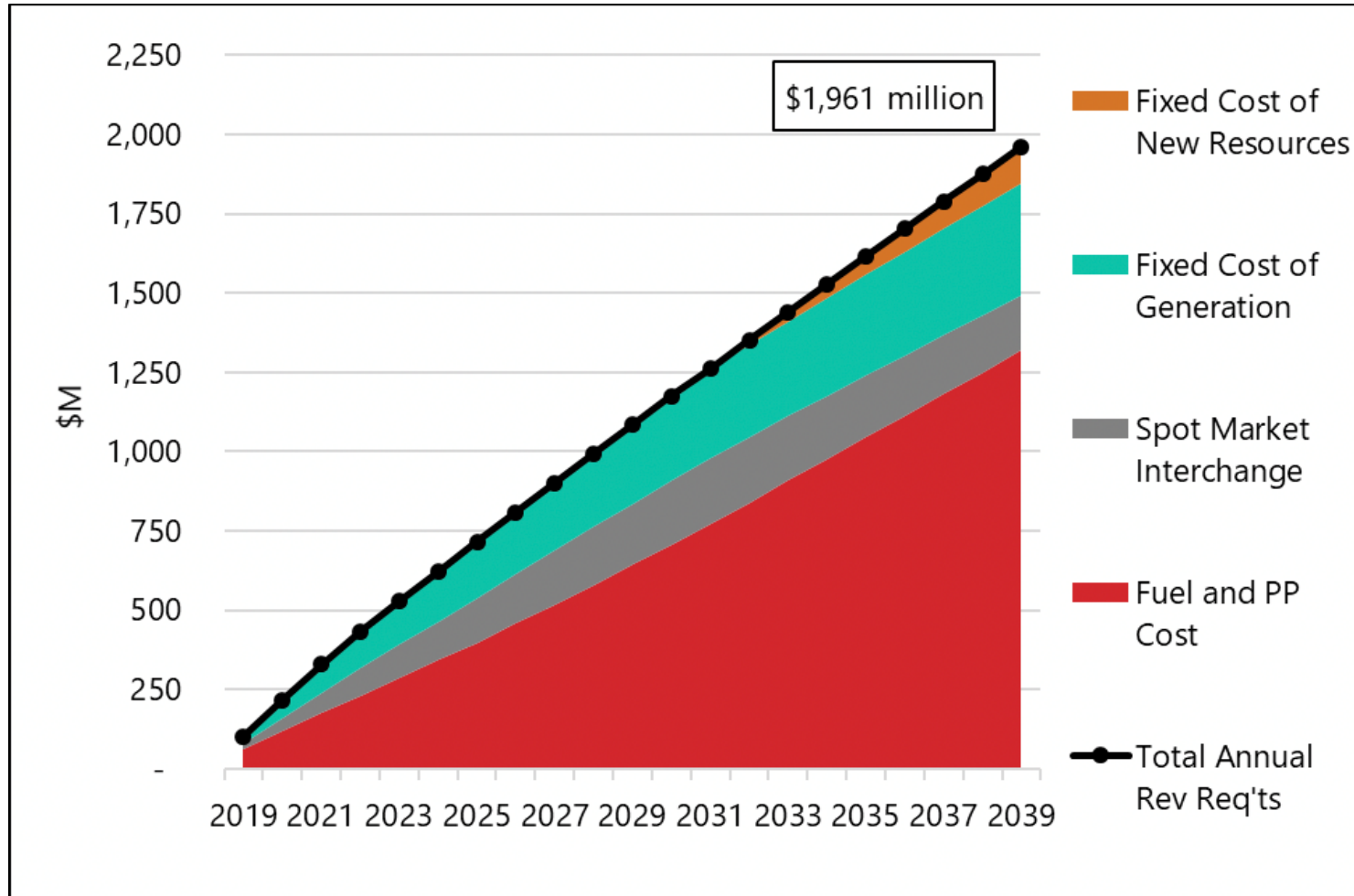
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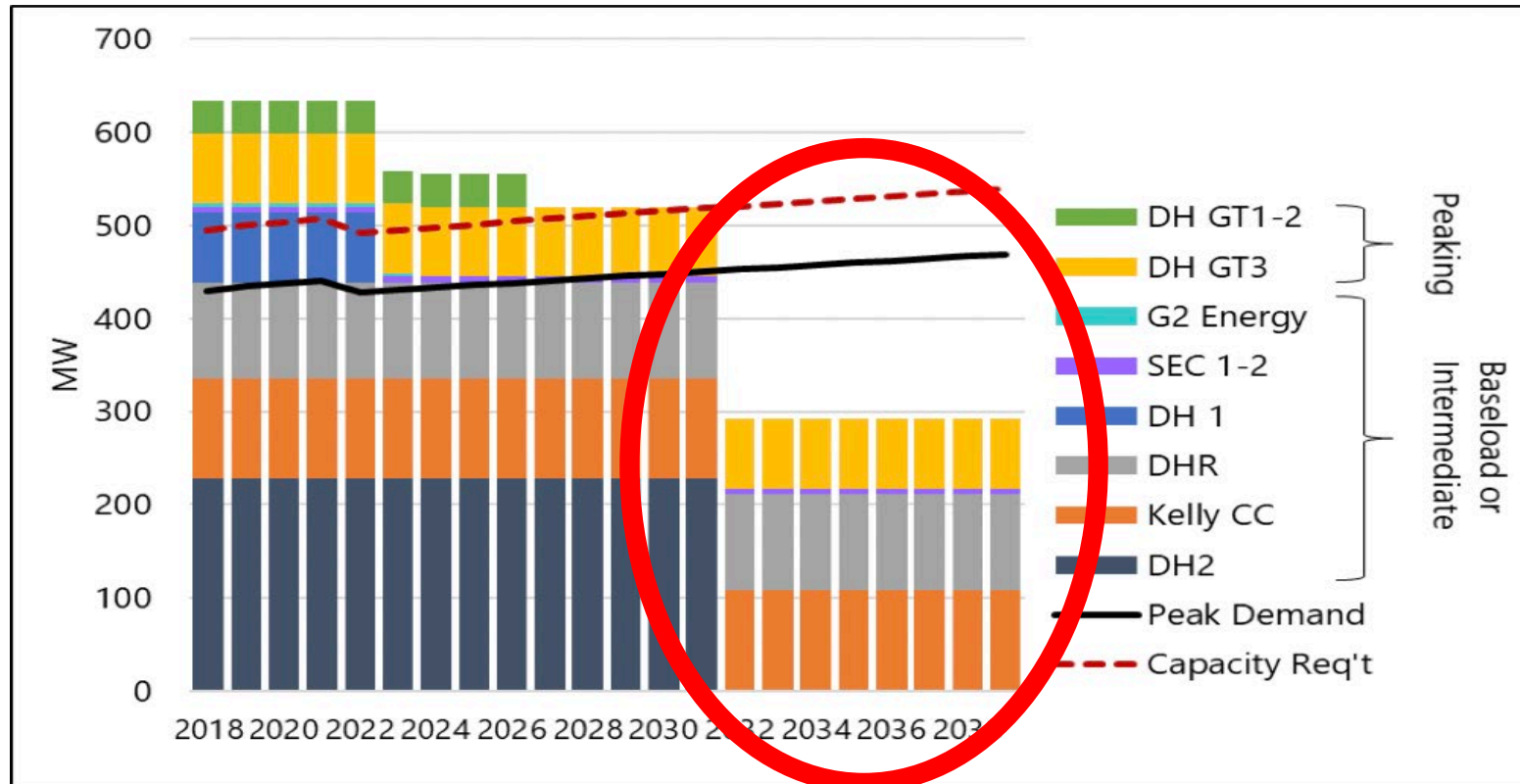
# Reference Case Annual Revenue Requirements



# Reference Case Cumulative Net Present Value



# The Reference Case Is Only the Beginning



# Alternate Scenarios

- Scenarios vary constraints and/or inputs to show the value or cost relative to the reference case
- Scenarios can also help identify or build future/additional scenarios to study





# Alternate Scenarios

## Grouped into the following categories:

- Sensitivity and Expanded Analysis
  - Gas Price Sensitivities
- System Scenarios
  - Changes to reference case electric system
- Load Scenarios
  - Evaluates impacts of load to reference case
- Area Control Error (ACE) Scenarios
  - Impacts to rapid response capacity due to solar
- Renewable Scenarios
  - Impacts resulting from Greenhouse Gas (GHG) goals and 2045 resolution

# System Scenarios

- Ease Transmission Constraint
  - Import limit adjusted from 120 MW to 200 MW
- Allow Early Retirements of Any Existing Unit
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# Load Scenarios

## Low Load

- Assumed loss of all City of Alachua load after current contract ends 2/28/22

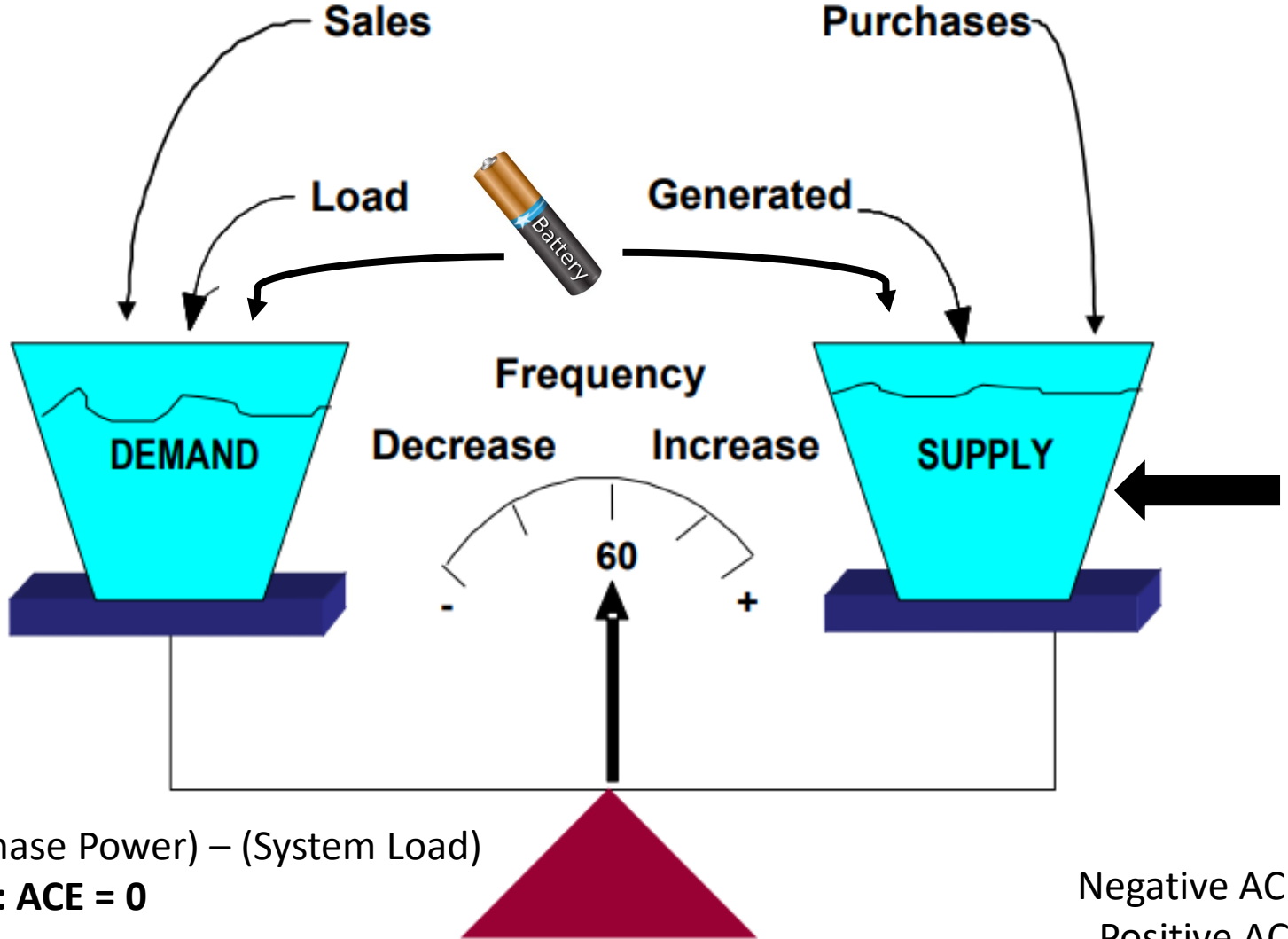
## High Load

- Addition of 30 MW of load

## Winter Peaking

- Simulated winter peaking load
- Winter peak equal to summer forecasted peak

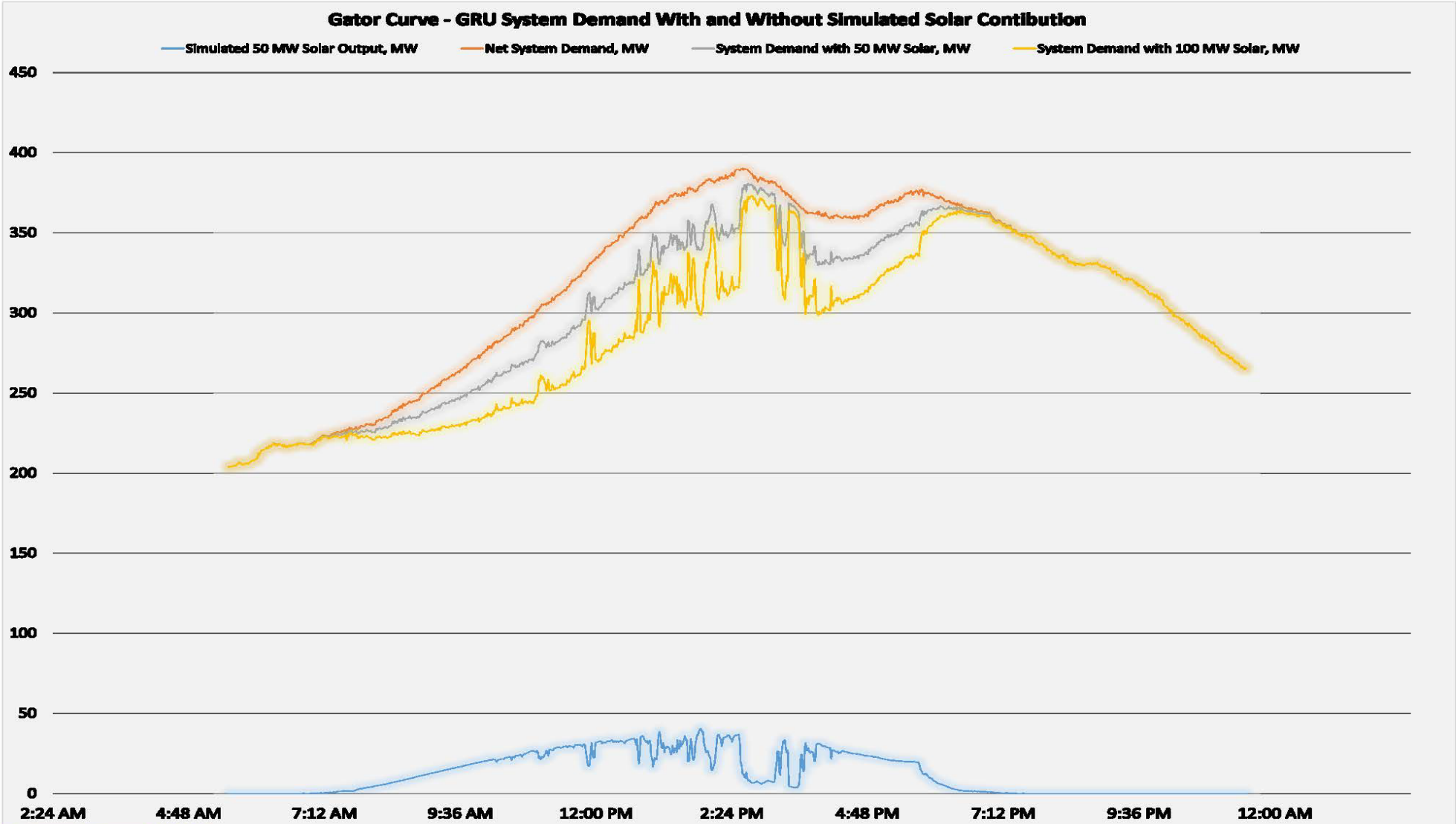
# ACE: System Balance



$ACE = (\text{Generation/Purchase Power}) - (\text{System Load})$   
**Goal: ACE = 0**

Negative ACE = Under-generating  
Positive ACE = Over-generating

# ACE: Solar Impact



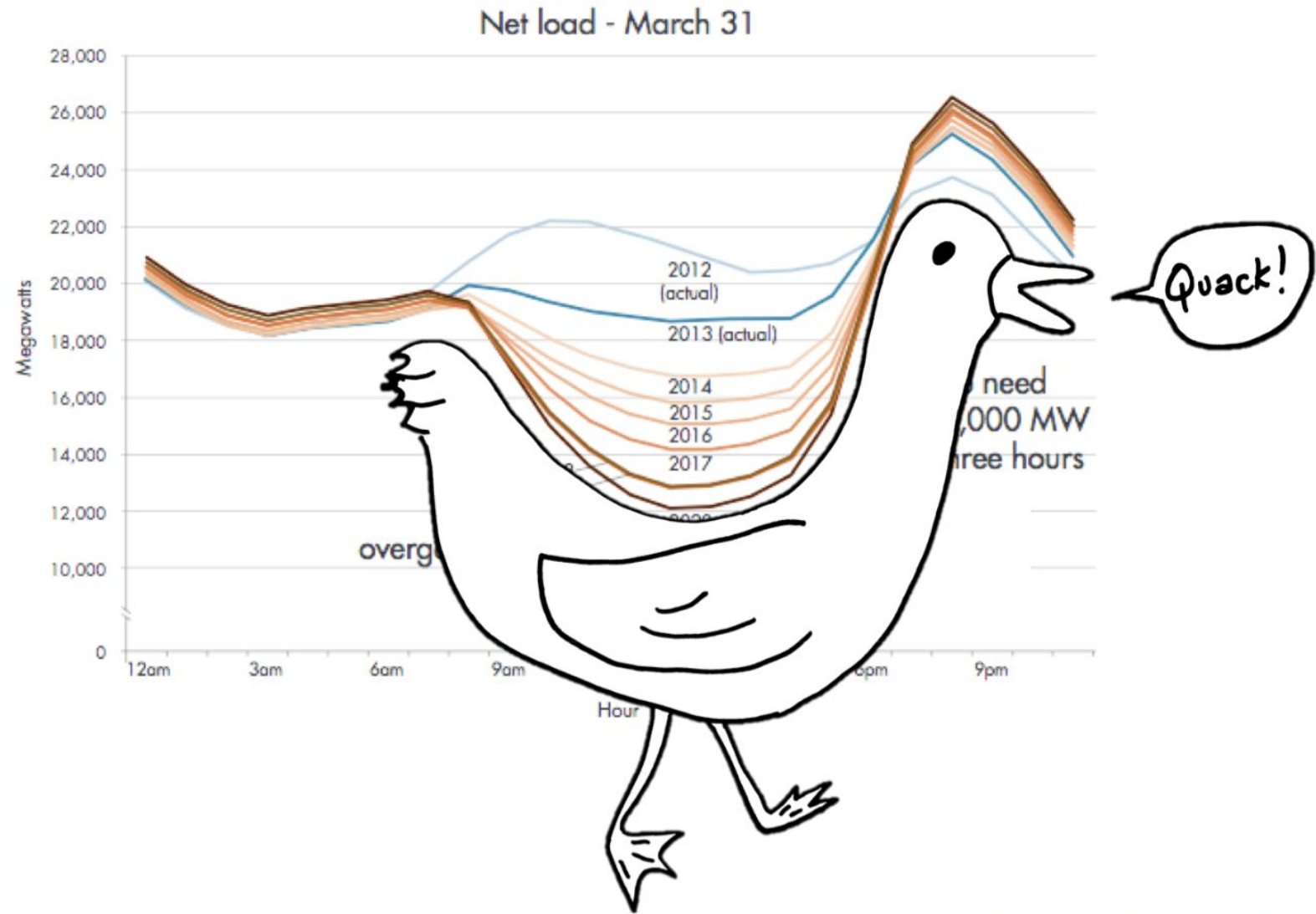
Reference Date: 7/16/19

Source: Solar Data - Idylwild solar field output scaled to 50 and 100 MW respectively for date above with no ramp rate limits.

Source: Net Demand - GRU System net energy demand for date above.



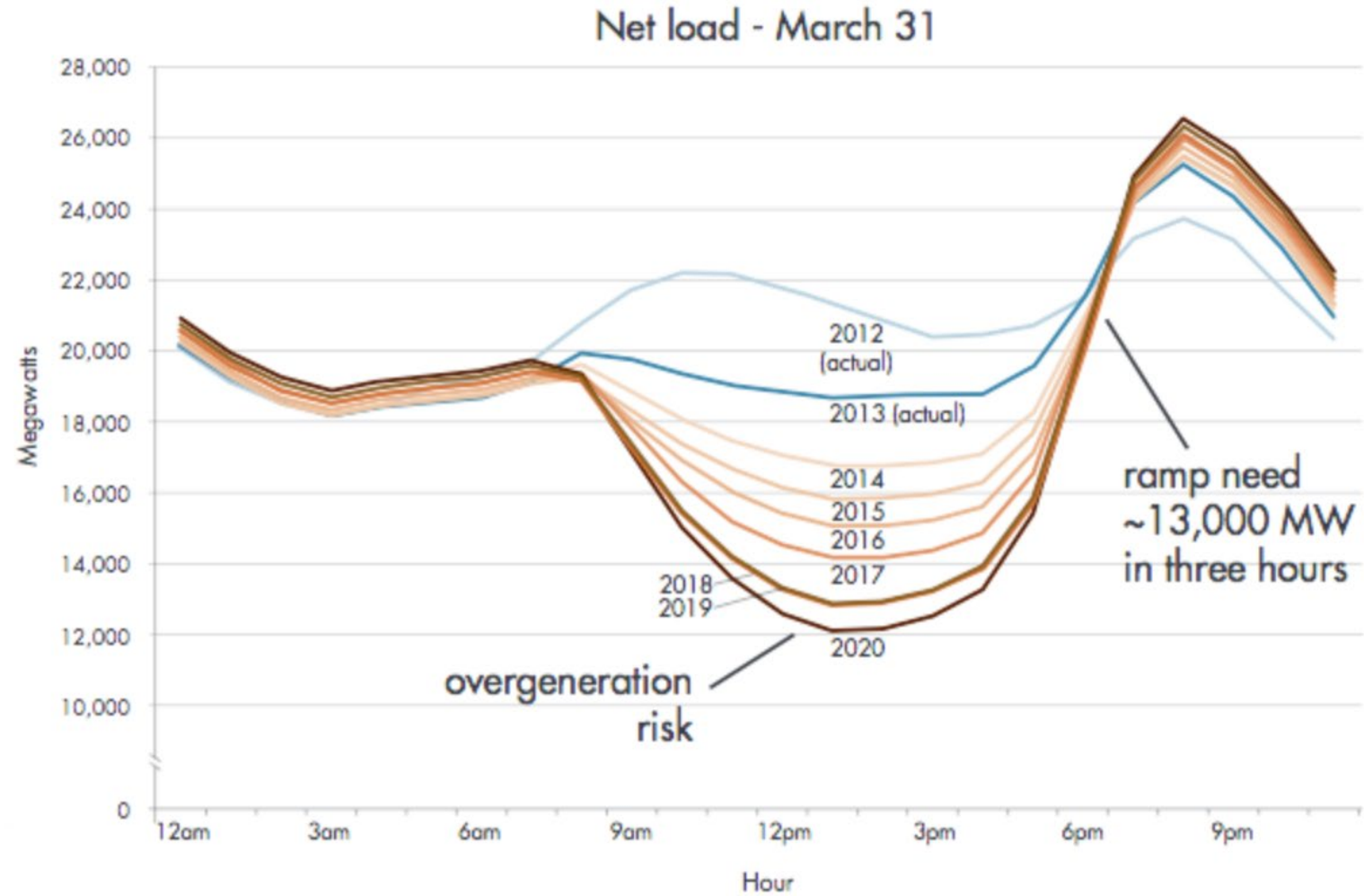
# Duck Curve



California ISO / Jordan Wirfs-Brock



# Duck Curve



Net load curves for March 31, from 2012 to 2020, based on analysis by California ISO. Source: California ISO.

# Solar and its Impact on ACE

## Current Technology

- Intermittency must be balanced
- High ramp rates
- Inverters have limitations (VAR support and harmonics)
- Large land area requirements
- Geographic diversity is desired
- Inability to call for reserves

# ACE Mitigation Option: Energy Storage

## Current Lithium Battery Technology

- Fast-responding
- Cost has been decreasing, but still relatively high
- Two to four hour storage
- Relatively short life-cycle, or must be over-built
- Potential safety risks

## Upcoming Flow Battery Technology

- Longer duration (8-10 hour)
- Reduced safety risks
- Not a lot of utility-scale projects
- Higher cost than lithium, but it is improving



# ACE Mitigation Option: RICE

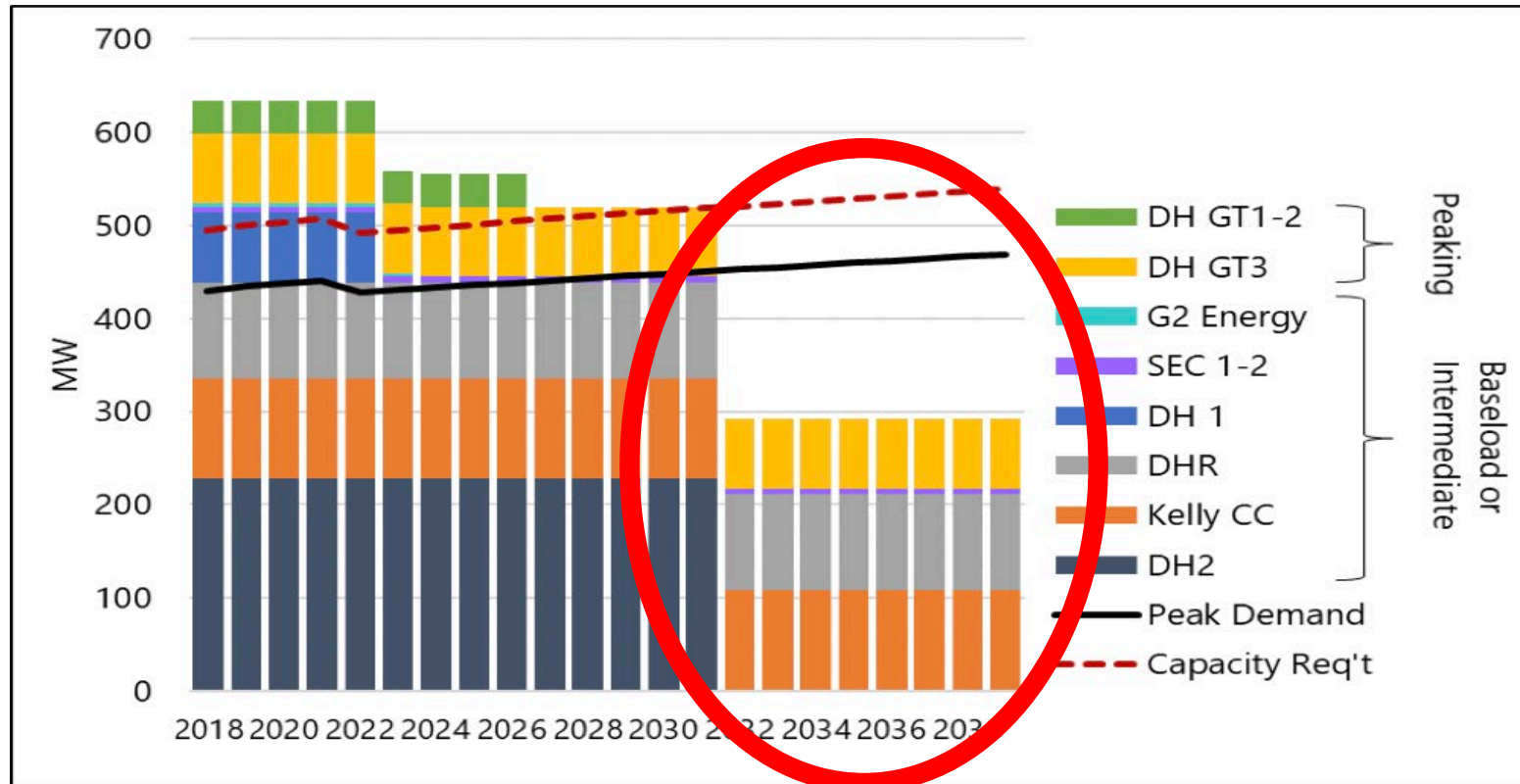
## Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engine

- Fast start and quick ramp rates enable more intermittent renewable energy
- Efficient heat rate across operating range
- Compatible with blends of next-gen fuels (hydrogen, RNG, etc.)





# Transition to Net Zero



# Net Zero Scenarios

## Included Three Net Zero Resource Scenarios

- Each plan includes adding solar and biomass
- Plans address negative ACE impacts caused by solar intermittency through:
  - Battery Storage
  - Quick-start RICE
  - Renewable-based market power

# Net Zero Scenarios

## Renewable Scenario A (IRP Scenario 12) – GRU Island

- No renewable Market available
- No RICE used to meet load or counted towards generation capacity
  - Reliability only
- 5 MW installed for every 20 MW of solar

## Renewable Scenario B (IRP Scenario 13) – Purchase Renewable

- Renewable Market available
  - 50 MW import
  - \$50 per MW
- No RICE used to meet load or counted towards generation capacity
  - Reliability only
- 5 MW installed for every 20 MW of solar

## Renewable Scenario C (IRP Scenario 14) – RICE and Renewable

- No Renewable Market available
- RICE contributes to energy and capacity
- 5 MW installed for every 20 MW of solar



# Net Zero Scenario Generation Additions

	Renewable Scenario A, IRP Scenario 12	Renewable Scenario B, IRP Scenario 13	Renewable Scenario C, IRP Scenario 14
Generation Source	No Market & No Rice Contribution	Renewable Market & No RICE Contribution	No Market with RICE Contribution
Solar PPA (MW)*	780	780	700
Battery (MW)^	195	195	175
Biomass (MW)	103	103	103
RICE (MW)	119.4	119.4	119.4
NPVRR (\$M)	\$2,557	\$2,461	\$2,399

\*Solar PPA capacity for summer reserve margin criteria is 35% of nameplate capacity;  
9% for winter capacity  
^4 hour battery

# Key Resources Considerations

## Resource Scenarios that Meet 2045 Net Zero Resolution

- Results increase costs by approximately \$430 - \$600 million over the study period (thru 2039)
- All scenarios included the construction of additional biomass unit
  - Contributes to system reliability and fuel diversity
- All scenarios include RICE technology to provide quick-start support
- All scenarios result in a significant increase in excess (dump) energy

# Key Resources Considerations

## Excess (Dump) Energy

Excess energy occurs when:

- Generation exceeds load
- The ability to reduce generation output is exhausted
- Excess energy is sold (dumped) onto the energy market at below cost

Excess energy may be mitigated by:

- Curtailment of solar production
- Market sales (if available)





# Key Resources Considerations

## On the Path to 2045...

- Measured increments of large (50 MW+) installations of solar allow:
  - Battery storage technology to improve
  - Battery storage pricing to decrease
  - May allow large-scale use of battery storage instead of RICE for quick-start support
- Large solar additions will also likely require transmission and distribution system upgrades

# Key Resources Considerations

## The IRP Process is Iterative

- Long-term – Provides strategic direction
- Short-term – Provides actionable options to evaluate/execute
- IRP results are not cast in stone
  - Technologies change
  - Regulations change
  - Needs change
- New IRPs are often created every 4-5 years

# Changes with GRU's Upcoming IRP



# What Will Change With the New IRP?

- More input from customers and oversight boards
  - More input is critical to receiving buy-in
  - Customer Workshops, CC/UAB Workshops, online forums, etc.
  - Will likely work with 3<sup>rd</sup> party to glean this input
  - Customer and board inputs will have impact on scenario rankings
- Base case will meet 2045 net zero resolution
- Updates to pricing of technologies, particularly energy storage
- May include demand management and conservation measures
- Term will be longer (at least 25 years)

# Next Steps

- Learning from other Florida municipal utilities' customer outreach process
- Issuing RFI for 3<sup>rd</sup> party customer engagement
- Mapping out IRP process
- Gathering info on technologies that weren't considered in previous IRPs (flow batteries, anaerobic digester, etc.)
- Create scope for customer outreach and receive cost approximations
- Create and issue RFP/ITN for customer engagement firm





Questions on  
2019 IRP?

