



# Intermountain Gas Company

IGRAC Invite and Meeting Materials

2025 – 2030





**INTERMOUNTAIN**®

**GAS COMPANY**

*A Subsidiary of MDU Resources Group, Inc.*

## INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN

JULY 9, 2025

INTERMOUNTAIN GAS RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (IGRAC)

# AGENDA



- **Welcome & Introductions** – *Brian Robertson*
- **Safety Moment & Feedback Process** – *Brian Robertson*
- **IRP Recommendations** – *Brian Robertson*
- **System Overview** – *Brian Robertson*
- **Economic Forecast**– *Ryan Denton*
- **Residential & Commercial Customer Growth** – *Ryan Denton*
- **Design Heating Degree Days** – *Brian Robertson*
- **Industrial Customer Forecasts** – *Nicole Gyllenskog & Jon Whiting*
- **Load Demand Curves** – *Ryan Denton*
- **Questions/Discussion**

# WELCOME

- Introductions

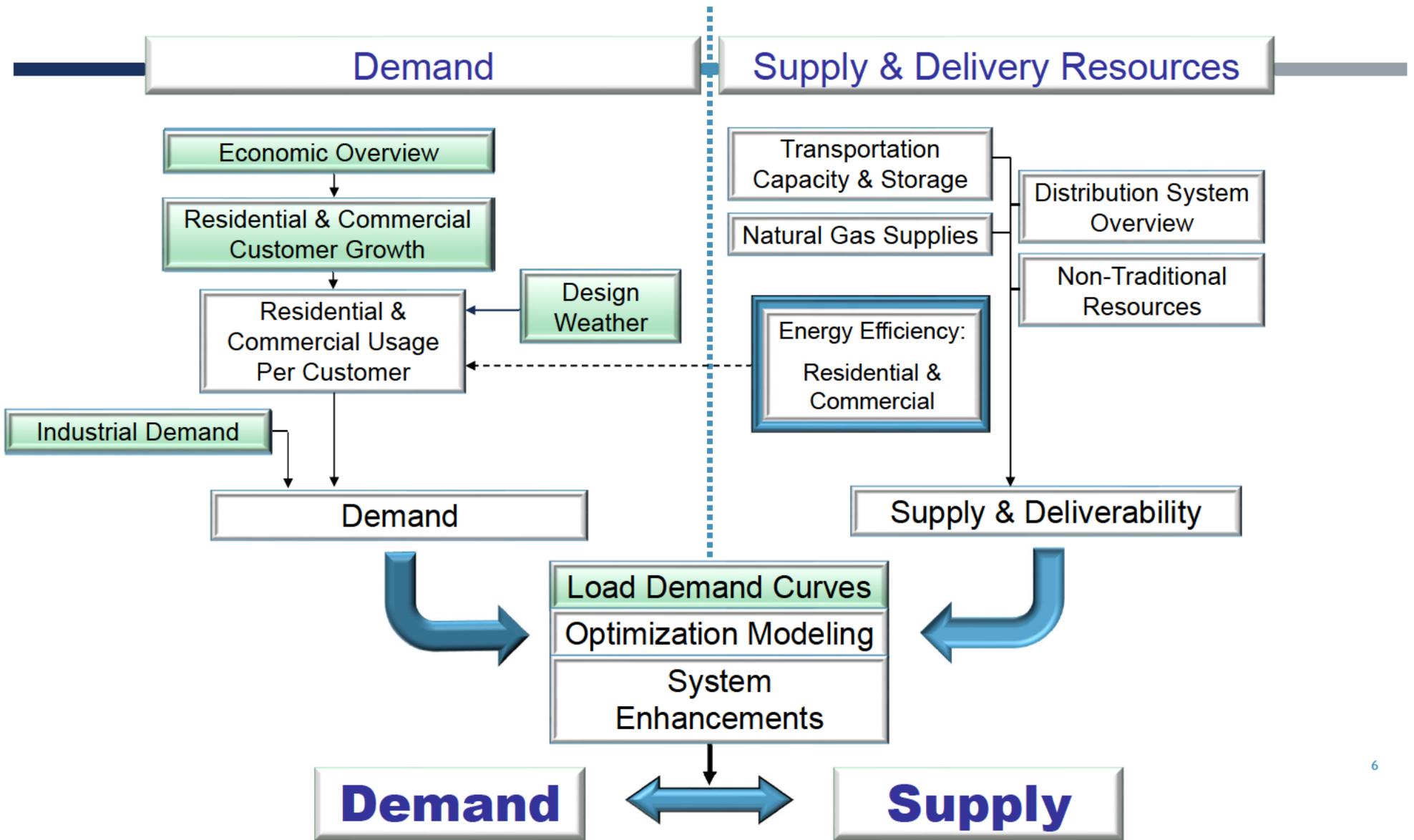
- Name
- Organization you are representing

## BENEFITS OF AN IRP

- Blueprint to meet the Company's firm customer demands over a five-year forecast period based on various assumptions
- Provides frequent updates to the projected growth on the Company's system
- Considers all available resources to meet the needs of the Company's customers on a consistent and comparable basis
- Solicits input from Stakeholders during the modeling process
- Helps to ensure Intermountain Gas Company will continue to provide reliable energy service while minimizing costs

# INTERMOUNTAIN GAS COMPANY

## ■ **Integrated Resource Plan Process**



# SAFETY MOMENT

## Preventing Eyestrain

The National Safety Council provided several tips to take to avoid strained and tired eyes.

- Keep your screen at arm's length.
- Don't forget to blink.
- Take a break every 20 minutes by looking away at something at least 20-feet away for at least 20 seconds.
- Be mindful of lighting and glare.
- Make sure your screen isn't too bright.
- Adjust computer monitor properly.
- Increase your computer's type size.



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## FEEDBACK SUBMISSIONS

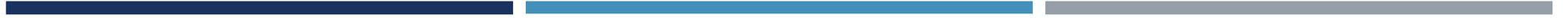


- IRP.Comments@intgas.com
- Please provide comments and feedback within 10 days
- Intermountain IRP Webpage: <https://www.intgas.com/rates-services/rates-tariffs/integrated-resource-plan/>

## 2023 IRP ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND IRP RECOMMENDATIONS

- Final Order No. 36249 – Commission Acknowledged Intermountain’s 2023 IRP Filing
- Commission Recommendations for Intermountain’s IRP Process:
  - Recommends the Company to work with Staff to implement IRP reporting that includes system enhancement information in future IRPs, within six months of a Commission order
  - Recommends the Company to work with Staff to develop reports to the Commission of capacity enhancement projects that include in-service dates and project costs, within six months of a Commission order
  - Establish the practice of authorizing the Company's DSM avoided costs as part of IRP filings and authorize the DSM avoided costs associated with this filing.

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# SYSTEM OVERVIEW

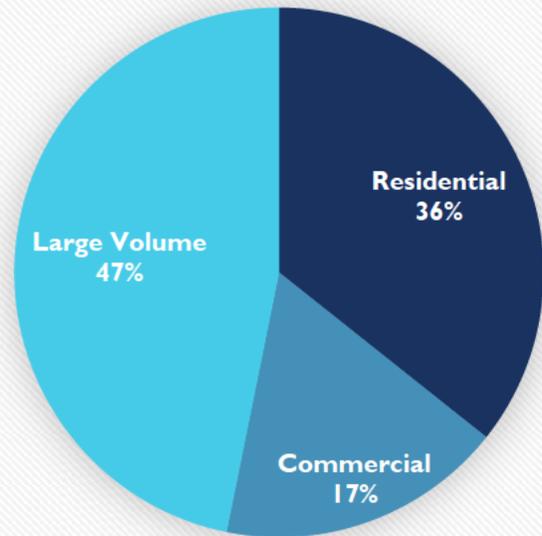
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## INTERMOUNTAIN GAS COMPANY

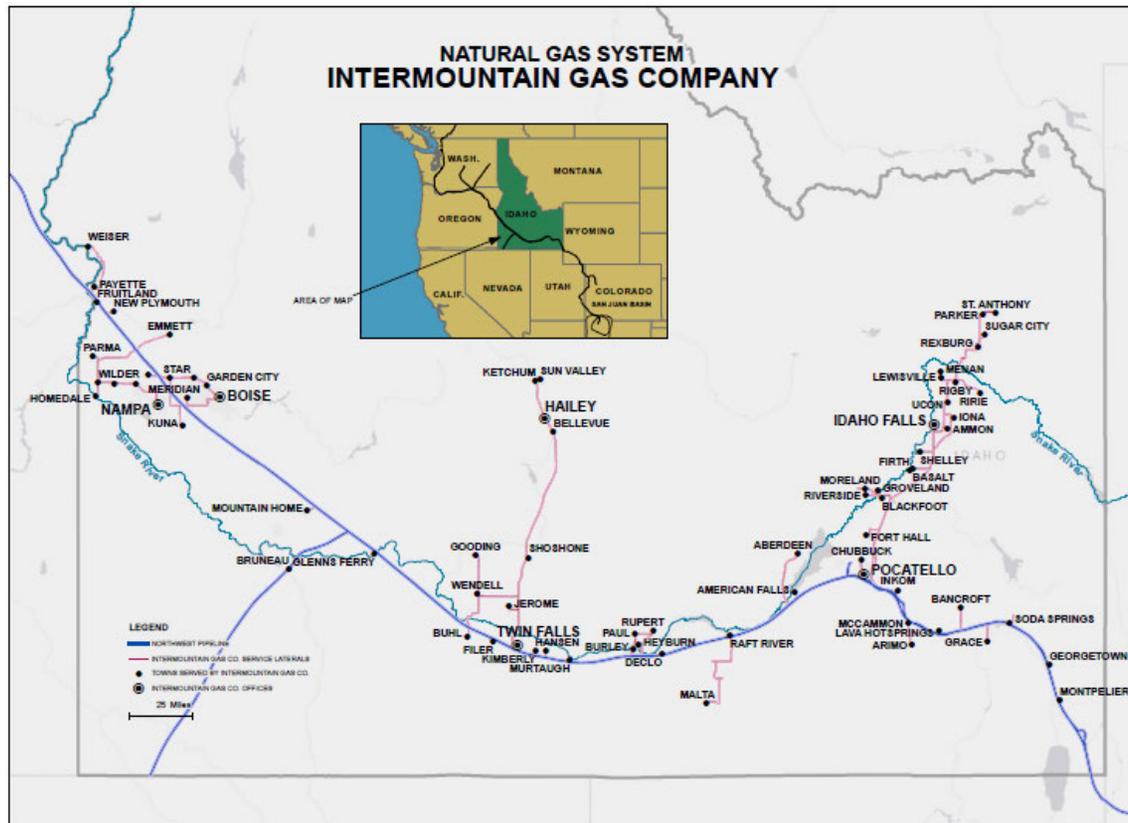
- Intermountain Gas Company is a natural gas local distribution company, founded in 1950 and served its first customer in 1956
- Provides service to 76 communities across southern Idaho
- 433,400+ customers

# THROUGHPUT BY CUSTOMER CLASS



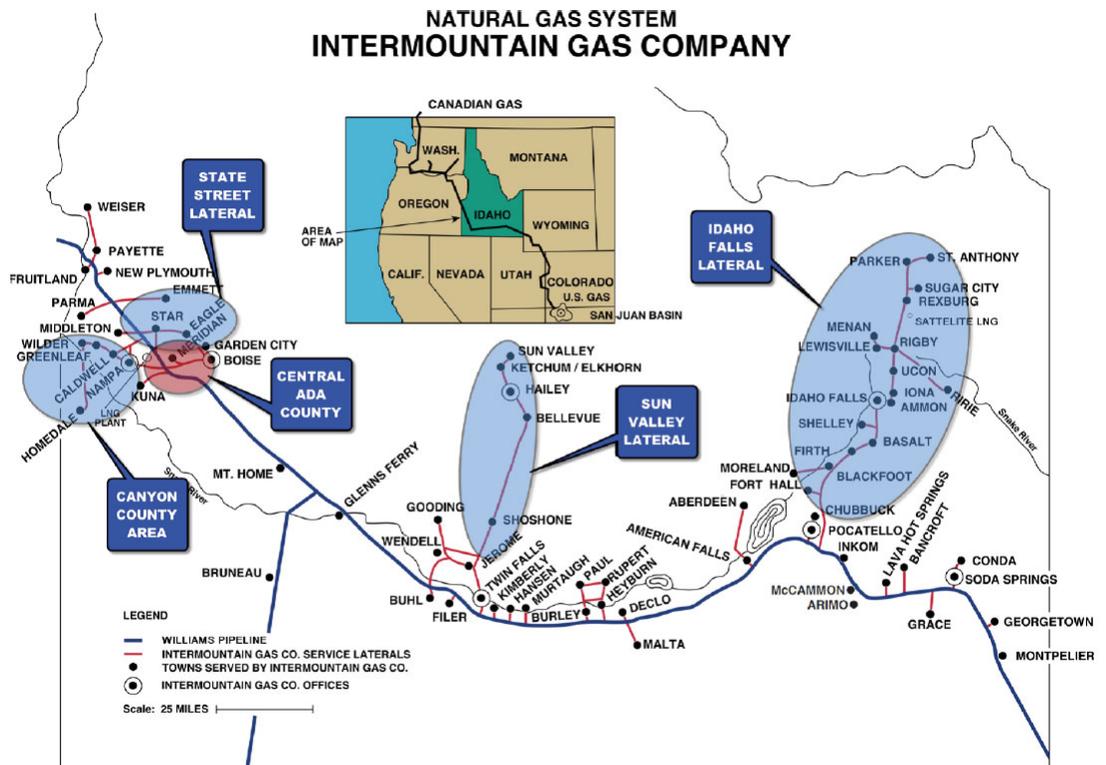
■ Residential ■ Commercial ■ Large Volume

# INTERMOUNTAIN GAS COMPANY DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

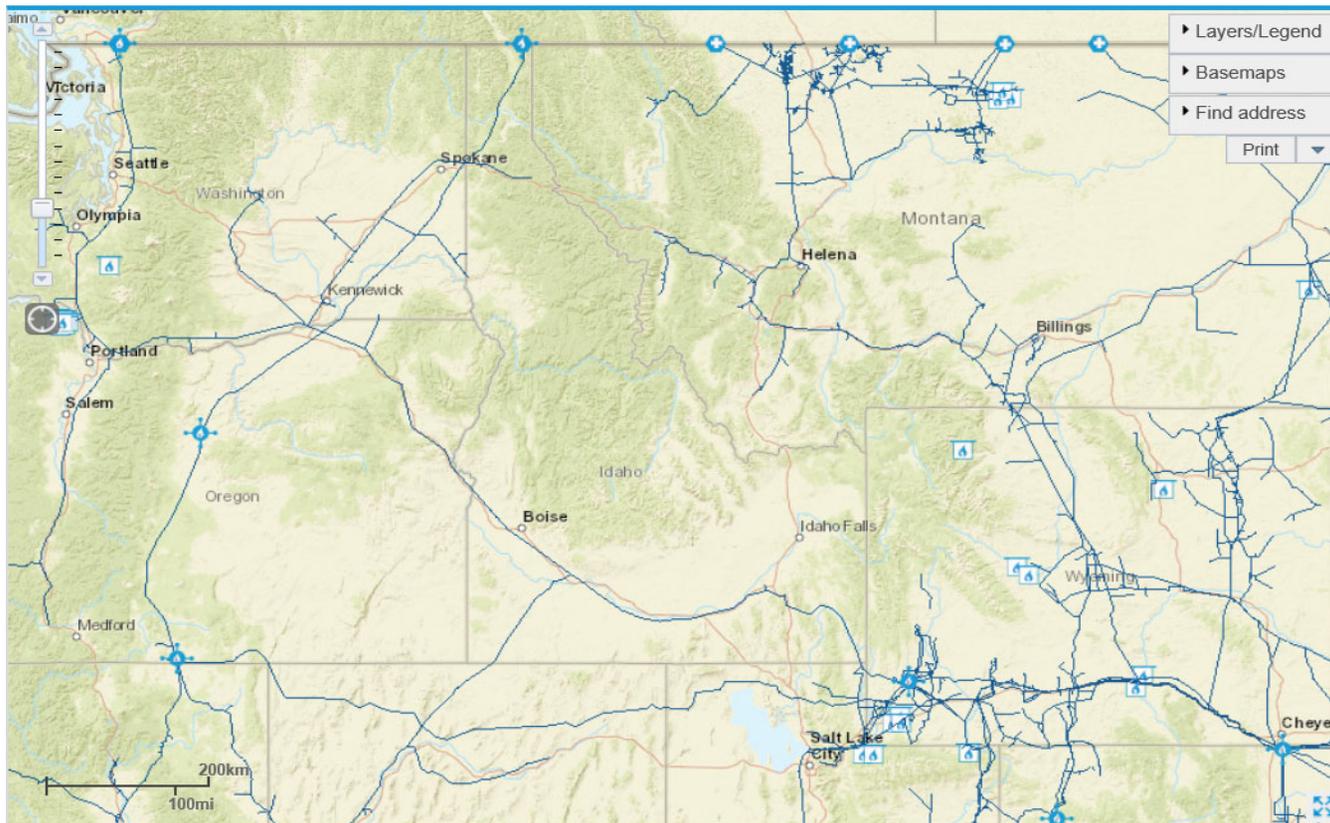


# AREAS OF INTEREST (AOI)

- Distribution System Segments:
  - Canyon County
  - Central Ada County Lateral
  - North of State Street Lateral
  - Sun Valley Lateral
  - Idaho Falls Lateral
  - All Other Customers



# REGIONAL PIPELINES



# ECONOMIC FORECAST

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## **WOODS & POOLE ECONOMICS, INC. Regional Projections**

The methods used by Woods & Poole to generate the county projections proceed in four stages:

- First, forecasts to 2050 of total United States personal income, earnings by industry, employment by industry, population, household size, inflation, and other variables are made.
- Second, the country is divided into 179 Economic Areas (EAs) as defined by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA). The EAs are aggregates of contiguous counties that attempt to measure cohesive economic regions in the United States.
- The third stage is to project population by age, sex, and race for each EA on the basis of projected net migration rates. For stages two and three, the U.S. projection is the control total for the EA projections.
- The fourth stage replicates stages two and three except that it is performed at the county level, using the EAs as the control total for the county projections.

## **Idaho Economic Forecast**

### **For the State of Idaho and the Counties in Idaho**

Future household growth, which is the key driver for future residential customer growth, is modeled as a function of total population (less those individuals in group quarters), and general economic conditions in the state.

In brief: good or improving economic conditions will speed up the rate of household growth, however worsening or declining economic conditions will slow the rate of household formation and the rate of household growth.

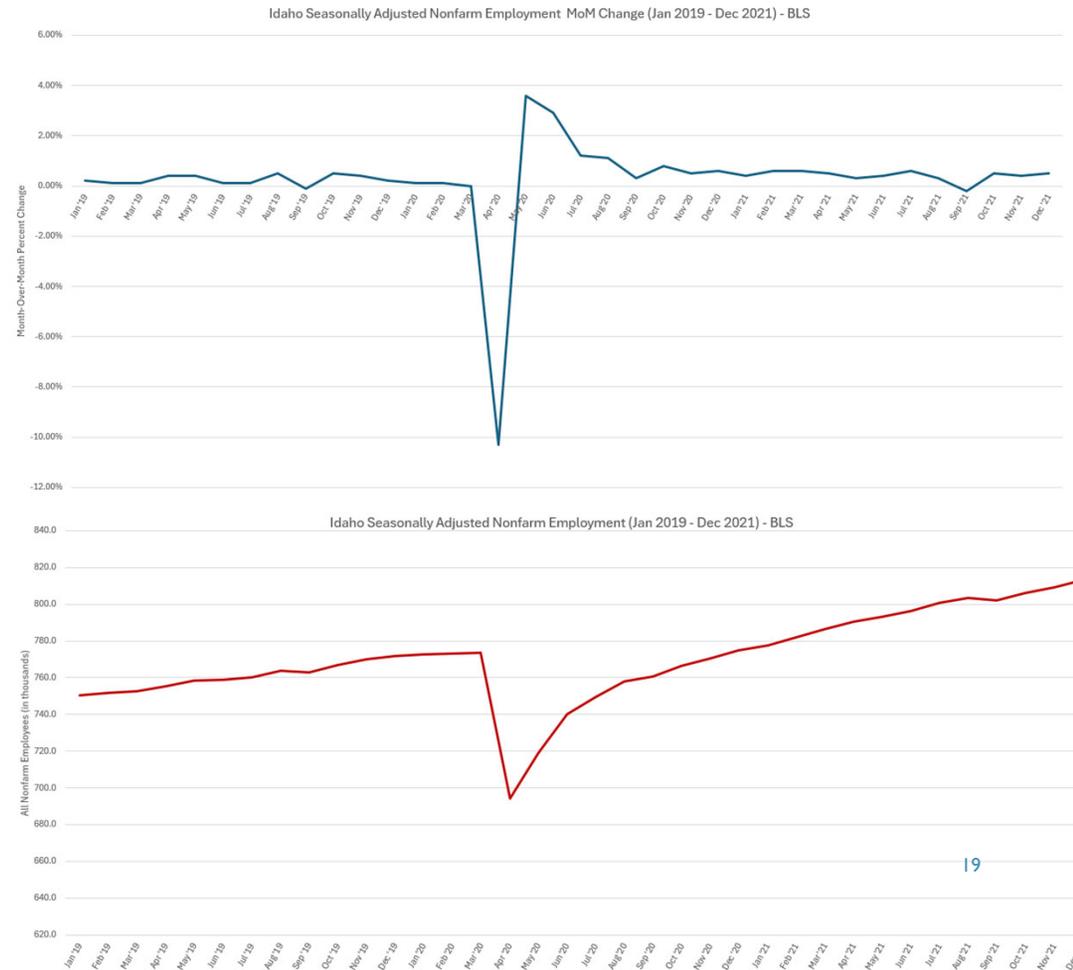
# Idaho Economic Forecast

## COVID-19 Impact:

The height of COVIDs impact on the economy occurred primarily between March and May 2020. In April 2020 Idaho saw a seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment decline 10.3% MoM (a loss of 79,300 in nonfarm employment from the previous month).

Although there is a sharp recovery in the following month, with reversion to pre-pandemic levels, this recovery in MoM changes takes time to work itself through the levels of employment. Here we see residual effects in the following months/years, but we do see reversion back to the pre-pandemic trend rather quickly.

### INTERMOUNTAIN GAS COMPANY INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN



# Idaho Economic Forecast

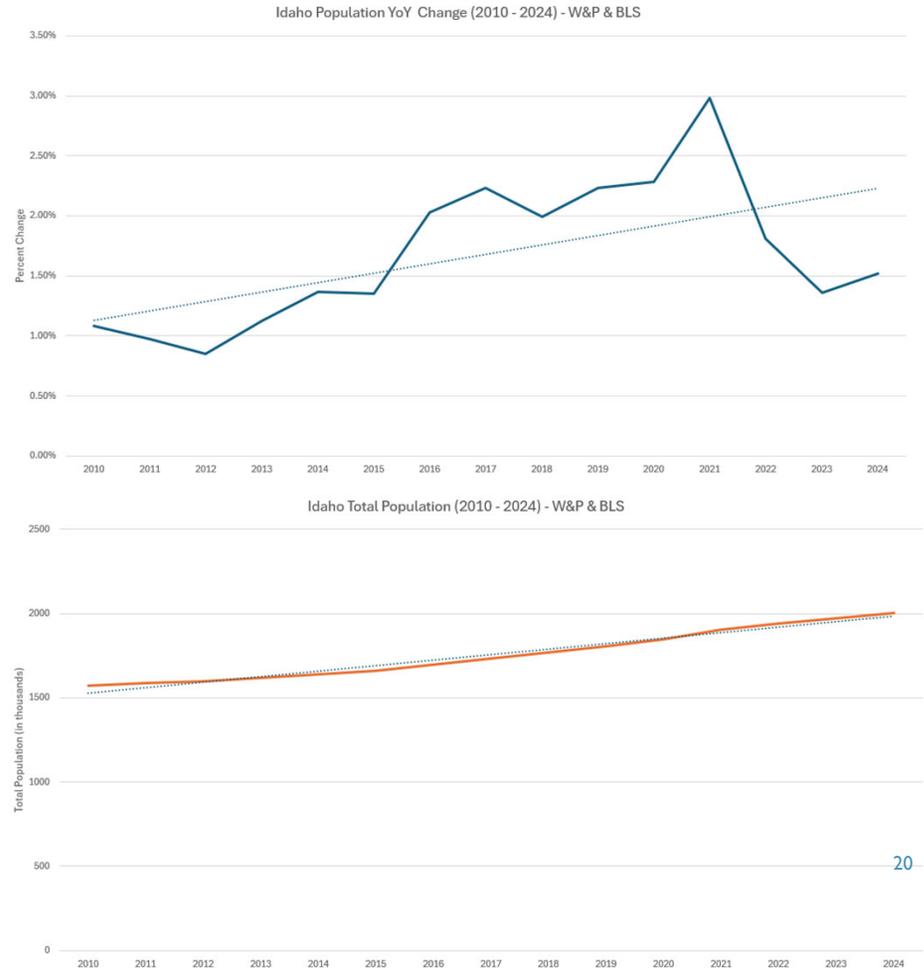
## Population:

The growth in population has been a driving force in economic growth prior to the pandemic and continues today, though it has slowed down a bit since 2021. Population growth has brought new jobs to the state and help boost the economy.

Total population in Idaho has increased at a robust pace since 2013. From 2019 to 2021 Idaho saw the highest YoY percentage change in population in the nation, with the average YoY change being about 2.37%. This is an increase in the population of around 97,470 over these three years.

This rapid increase in population was driven mainly by domestic migration from more expensive and densely populated states like Oregon, Washington, and California.

### INTERMOUNTAIN GAS COMPANY INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN



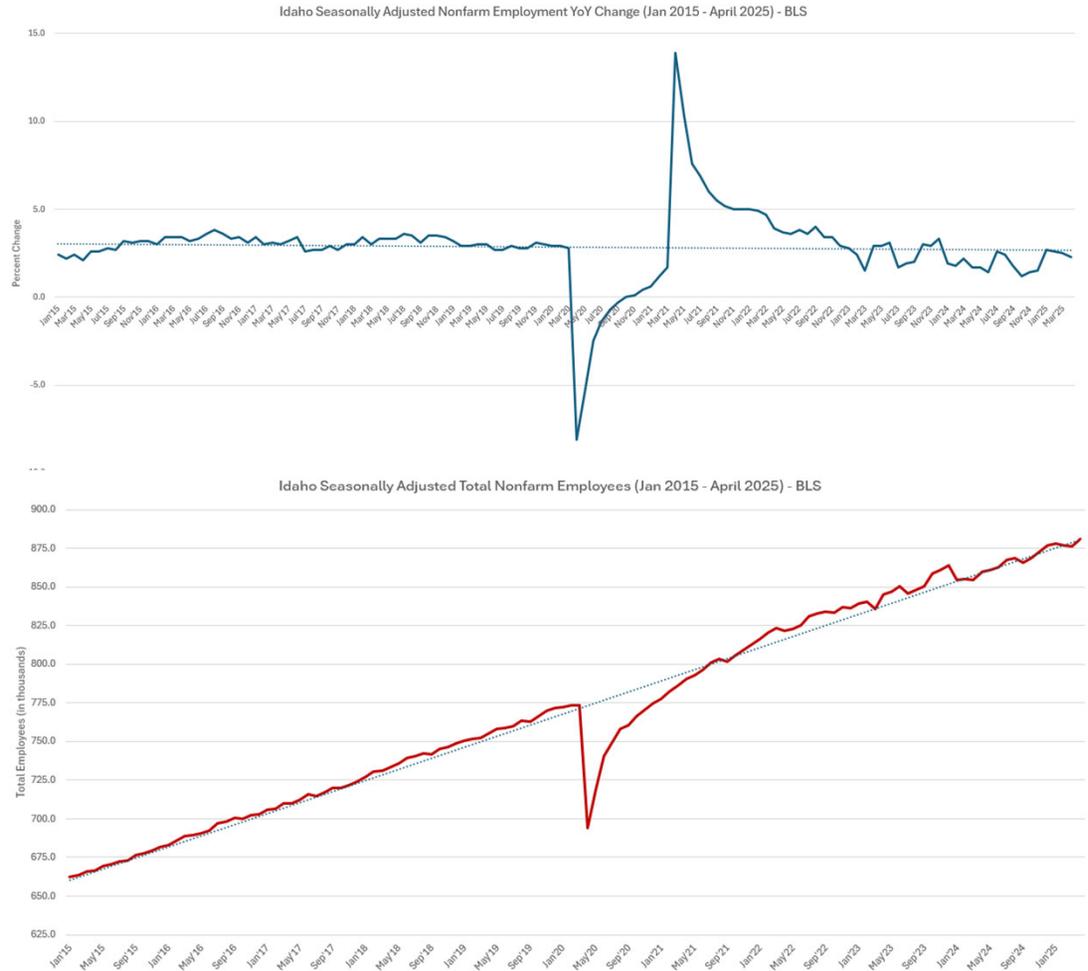
# Idaho Economic Forecast

## Employment:

The top graph shows the total nonfarm employment YoY changes for each month from January 2015 to April 2025. The bottom graph shows total nonfarm employment over that same period.

There appears to be a slowing down largely due to a normalization of the labor market after an abnormally fast post-pandemic growing period. Other factors include slowing wage growth, slowing population growth, falling working-age to retirees ratio, and broader economic conditions. But still strong growth.

## INTERMOUNTAIN GAS COMPANY INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN



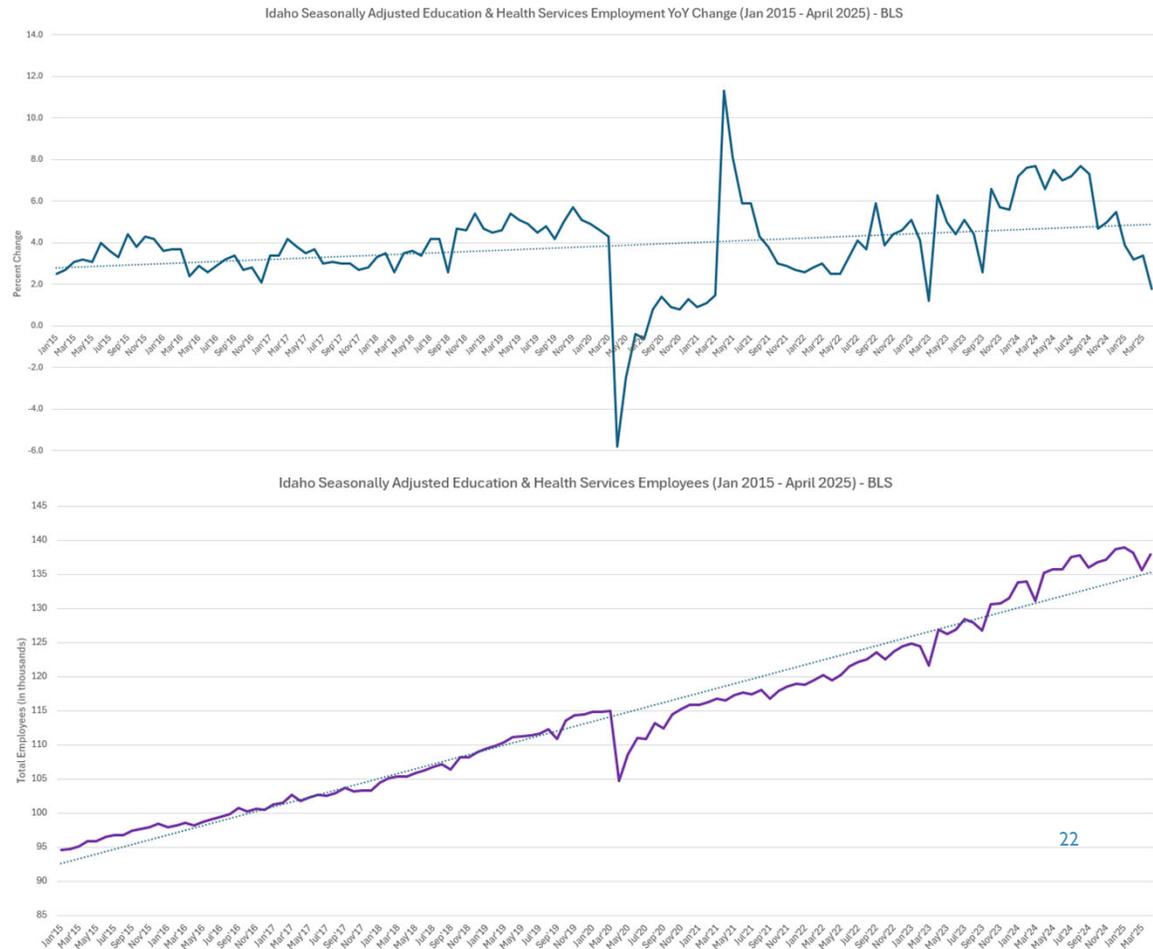
# Idaho Economic Forecast

## Employment:

The top graph shows the education and health services employment YoY changes for each month from January 2015 to April 2025. In 2025 thus far we've seen a YoY change of 3.9% in January, 3.2% in February, 3.4% in March, and 1.8% in April (though April is subject to revision).

The bottom shows this same sector but the actual levels of employment over that same period.

## INTERMOUNTAIN GAS COMPANY INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN



# Idaho Economic Forecast

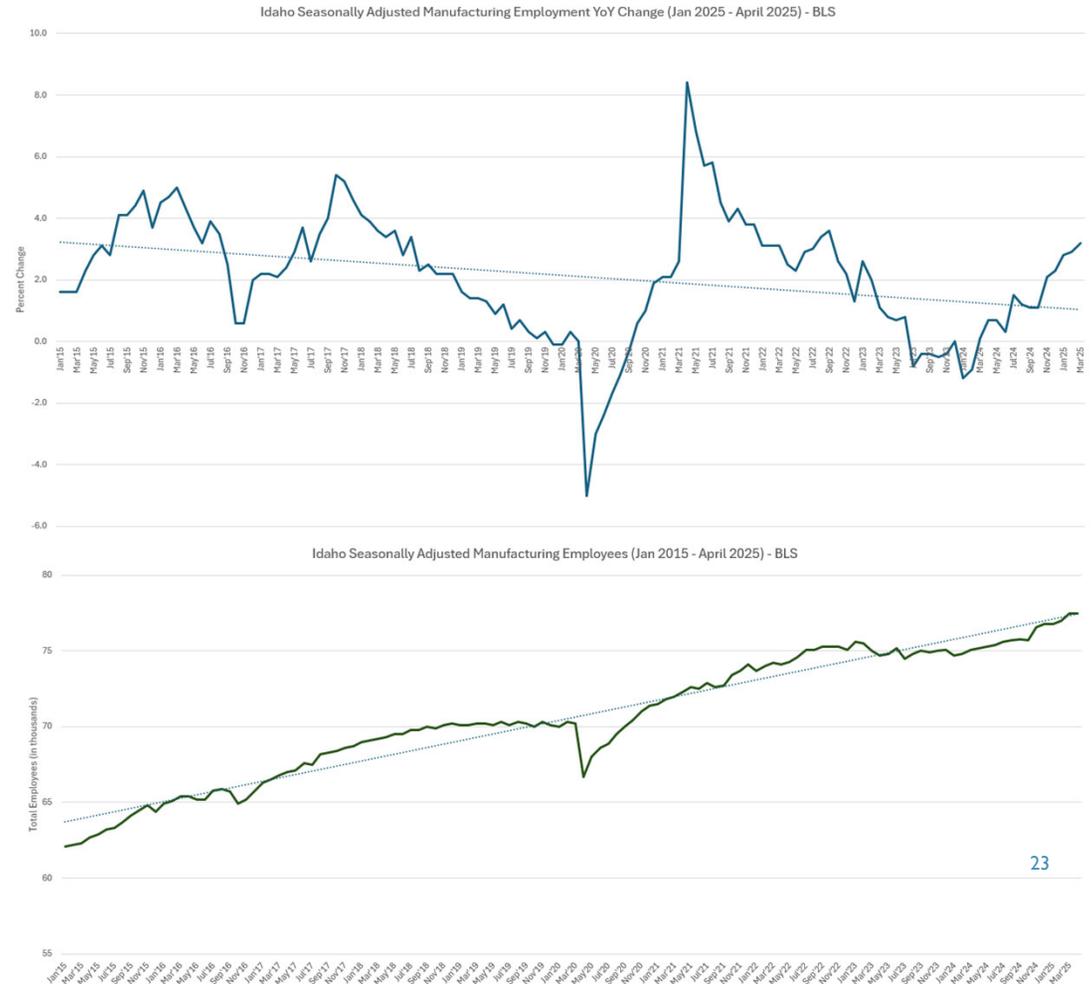
## Employment:

The top graph shows the YoY percent change in manufacturing employment from January 2015 to April 2025. In 2025 thus far we've seen a YoY change of 2.8% in January, 2.9% in February, 3.2% in March, and 3.6% in April (again, April is subject to revision).

The bottom shows this same sector but the actual levels of employment over that same period.

Overall Idaho is showing a lot of population and employment growth strength.

## INTERMOUNTAIN GAS COMPANY INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN



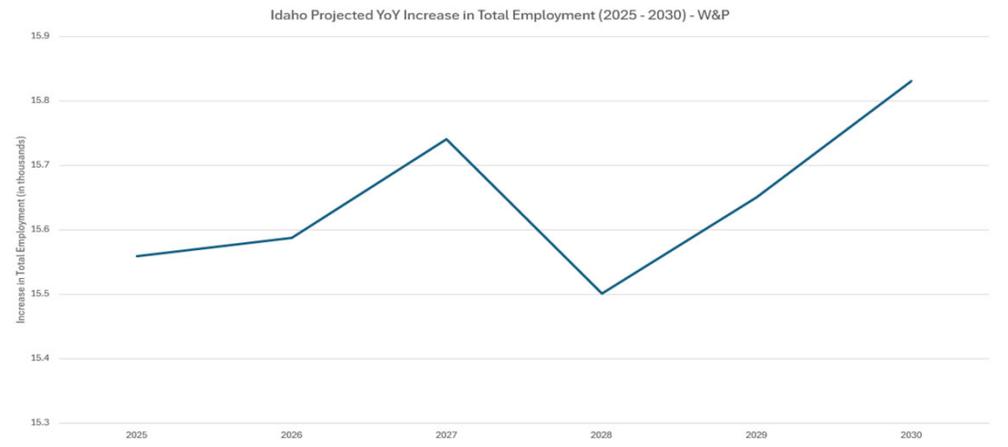
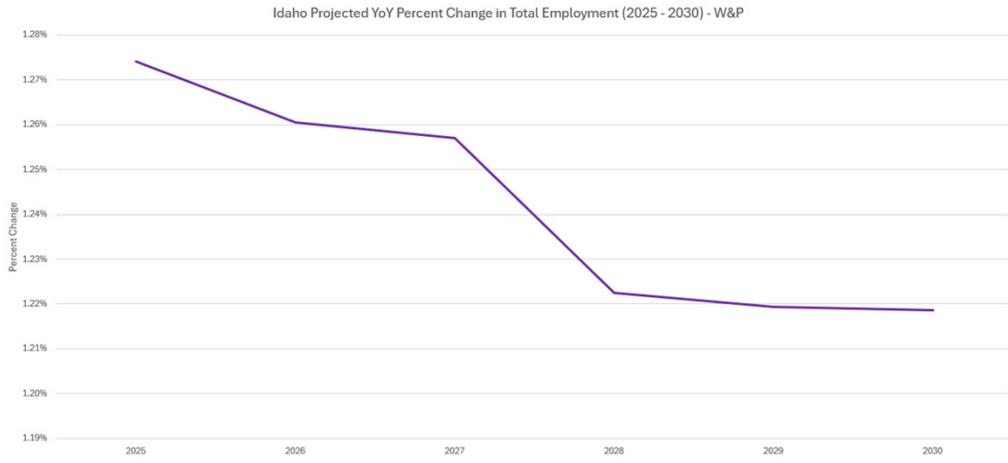
# The Economic Forecast

In the 2025 – 2030 Forecast Period Idaho’s Economy is currently expected to experience:

An average YoY population growth of 1.05%, with the State’s population reaching around 2,114,477 in 2030.

An average YoY increase in total employment of about 15,642, adding around 93,870 jobs.

Ada and Canyon counties are projected to attain a total combined population of about 868,976 in 2030.



## The Economic Forecast

Nonfarm employment in Idaho is expected to increase on average 1.27% YoY over the 2025 to 2030 forecast period, which is around a 93,179 total increase.

Some specific sector projections:

Farm employment is projected to increase on average 0.28% YoY over the forecast period, which is an increase of around 691.

Manufacturing employment is projected to increase on average 0.34% YoY over the forecast period, which is an increase of around 1,676.

Construction employment is projected to increase on average 0.16% YoY over the forecast period, which is an increase of around 882.

Sector	Avg YoY %-Change	Total Increase (2025 – 2030)
Farm	0.28%	691
Manufacturing	0.34%	1,676
Construction	0.16%	882

## The Economic Forecast

Combined, the transportation & warehousing, wholesale trade, retail trade, and utilities sectors are expected to see an average YoY percent growth of 0.66% over the 2025 to 2030 forecast period, an increase of around 8,766 in employment.

Combined, the finance & insurance and real estate & rental & lease sectors are expected to see an average YoY percent growth of 1.52%, an increase of around 12,873 in employment.

You can see the individual projections in the table.

Sector	Avg YoY %-Change	Total Increase (2025 – 2030)
Transportation	1.01%	3,230
Wholesale Trade	0.46%	1,104
Retail Trade	0.53%	3,964
Utilities	2.08%	468
Finance & Insurance	0.93%	3,338
Real Estate & Rental & Lease	1.95%	9,535

## The Economic Forecast

The service industries in Idaho are projected to see the most growth.

Combined, the professional & technical services, education, health care & social assistance, state & local government, accommodation & food services, and other services employment are expected to see an average YoY percent growth of 1.85%, an increase of around 57,298 over the 2025 to 2030 forecast period.

This growth in the services industries represents 61.49% of the total increase in nonfarm employees over this period.

You can see the individual projections in the table.

Sector	Avg YoY %-Change	Total Increase (2025 – 2030)
Professional & Technical Services	1.67%	8,416
Education Services	2.88%	5,154
Health Care & Social Assistance	2.65%	21,776
State & Local Government	1.02%	7,252
Accommodation & Food Services	1.81%	9,664
Other Services (Excluding Public Admin)	1.41%	5,036 <sup>27</sup>

# The Economic Forecast

QUESTIONS ?

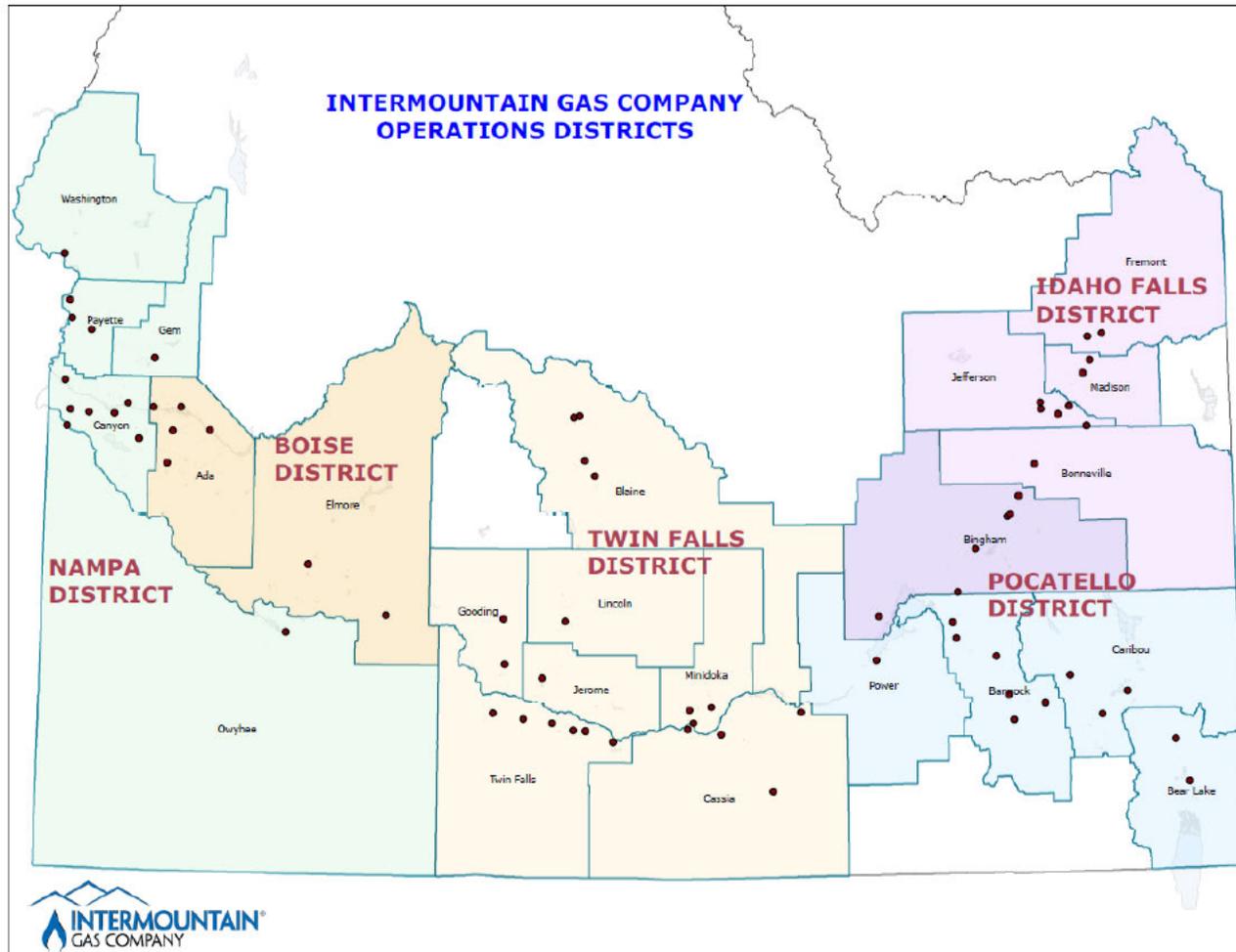


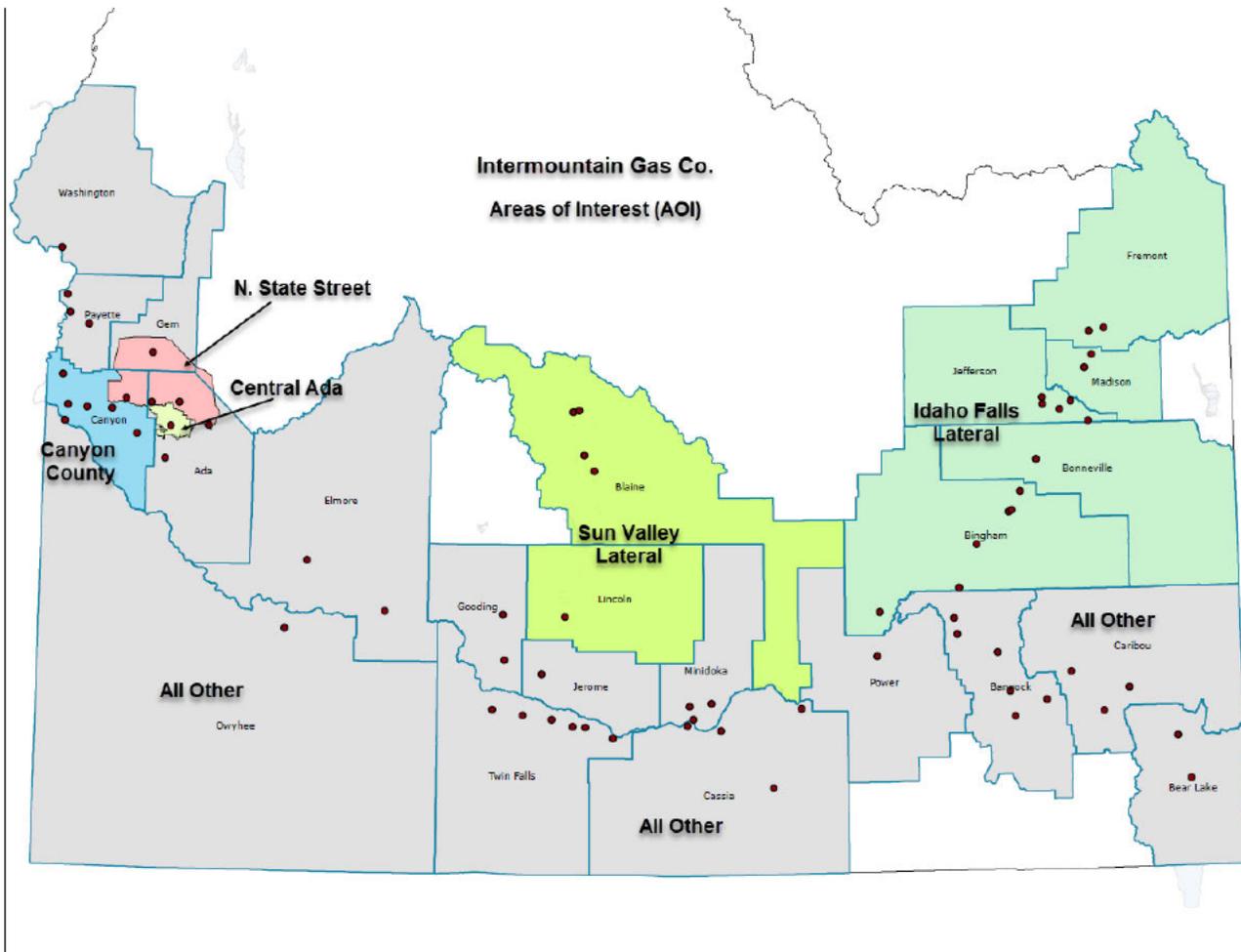
# RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL CUSTOMER GROWTH

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# AOI GROWTH RATE

## **Base Case, High Growth, Low Growth**

The Base Case Economic Forecast assumes a normal amount of economic fluctuation and normal business cycle. It is the “best estimate” of future economic activity in Idaho and its counties.

The Low Growth Scenario assumes a period of slower economic growth, with fewer employment opportunities, leading to a slower rate of population growth in the state and a slower rate of household growth.

The High Growth Scenario assumes a more rapidly growing economy, such as what happened in the 1990s and what we have seen more recently.

## CUSTOMER COUNT: FORECAST INPUTS

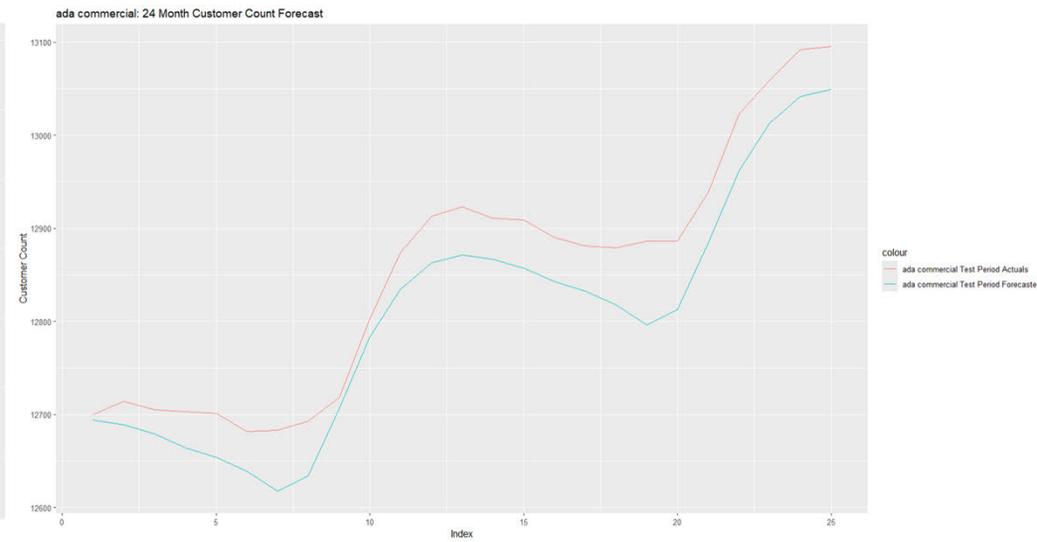
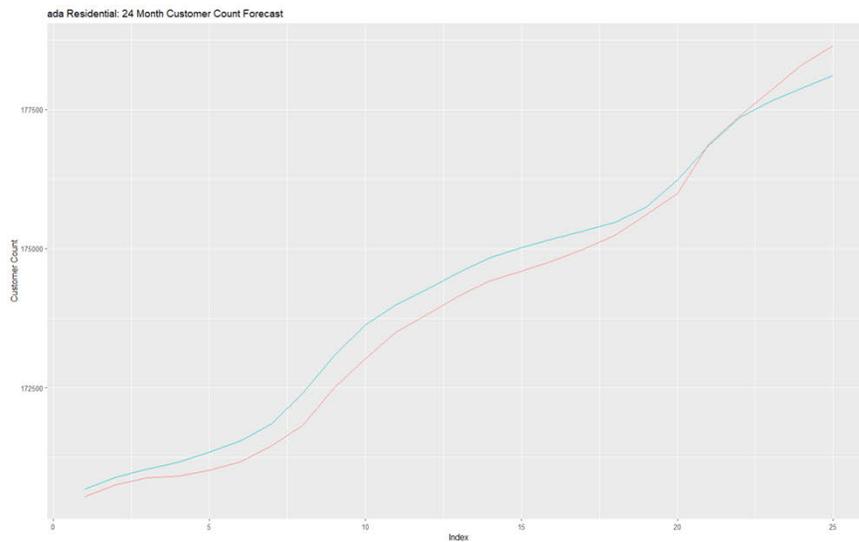
We use total number of households and total employment data provided by Woods & Poole.

Households are defined as occupied housing units. A housing unit is a house, an apartment, a group of rooms, or a single room occupied as separate living quarters.

The employment data include wage and salary workers, self-employed workers, private household employees, and miscellaneous workers. Historical employment data, 1969-2022, are from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

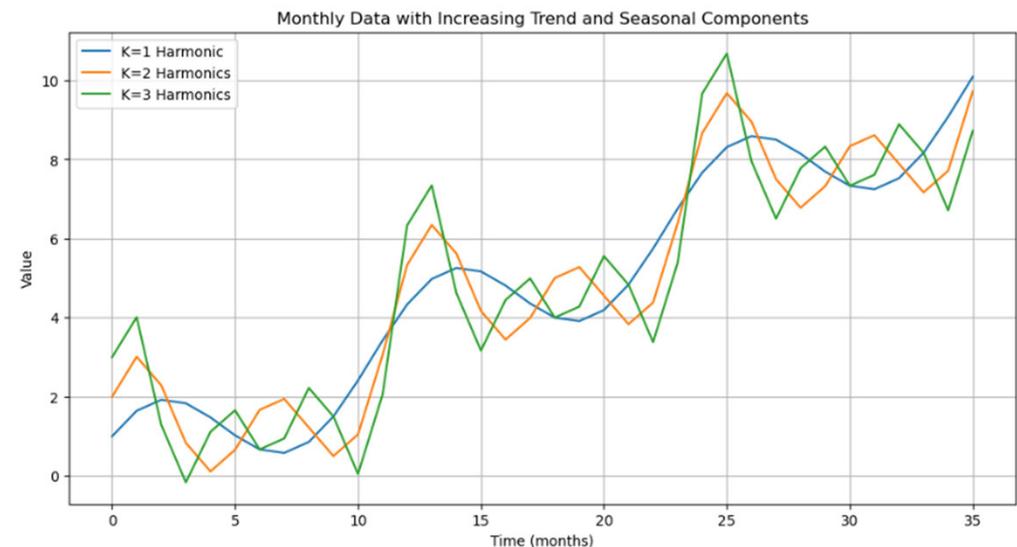
# CUSTOMER COUNT: MODEL SELECTION

- AICc: Corrected Akaike Information Criterion
  - Model Fit
- SMAPE: Symmetric Mean Absolute Percentage Error
  - Model Accuracy

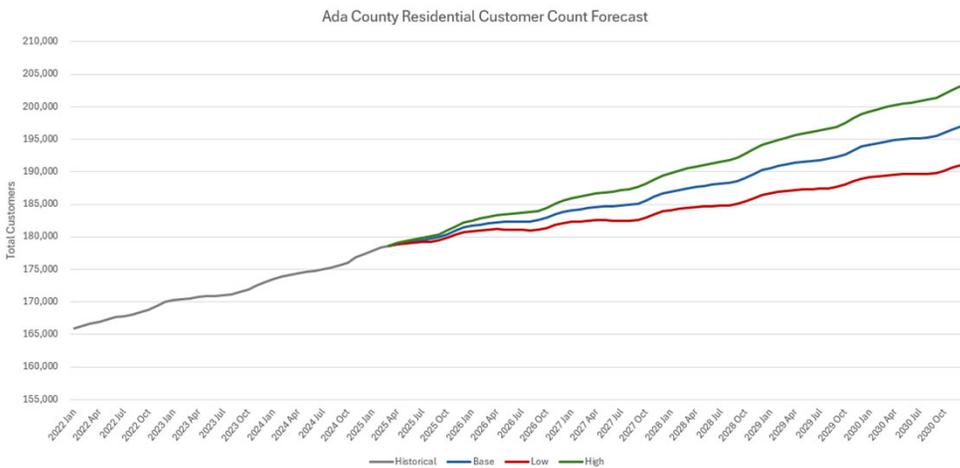


# CUSTOMER COUNT: FORECASTING COMPONENTS

- Customers =  $\beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{HH} + \beta_2 \text{Emp} + \text{Trend}() + \text{Fourier}(\text{period} = \text{"year"}, K) + \text{ARIMA}(p,d,q)(\text{PDQ})$
- Where:
  - HH: Number of Households;
  - Emp: Employment,
  - Trend(): Deterministic trend component,
  - Fourier(period = "year", K): Captures seasonality using K harmonics,
  - ARIMA(p,d,q)(PDQ): p = nonseasonal autoregressive terms, d = nonseasonal differencing, q = nonseasonal moving average terms. P = seasonal autoregressive terms, D = seasonal differencing, Q = seasonal moving average terms.

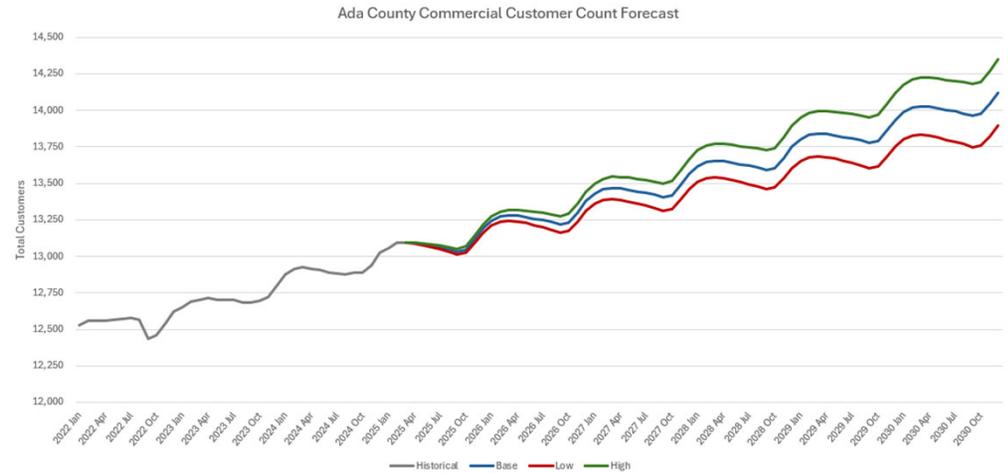


# ADA COUNTY CUSTOMER FORECAST



Average YoY growth: 1.7%

Total growth: 10.3%, 18,393 customers

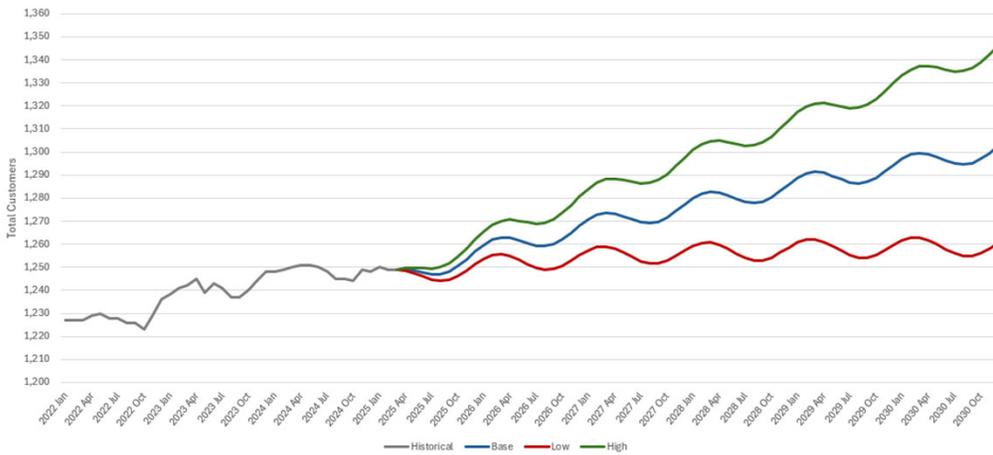


Average YoY growth: 1.3%

Total growth: 7.8%, 1,026 customers

# BEAR LAKE COUNTY CUSTOMER FORECAST

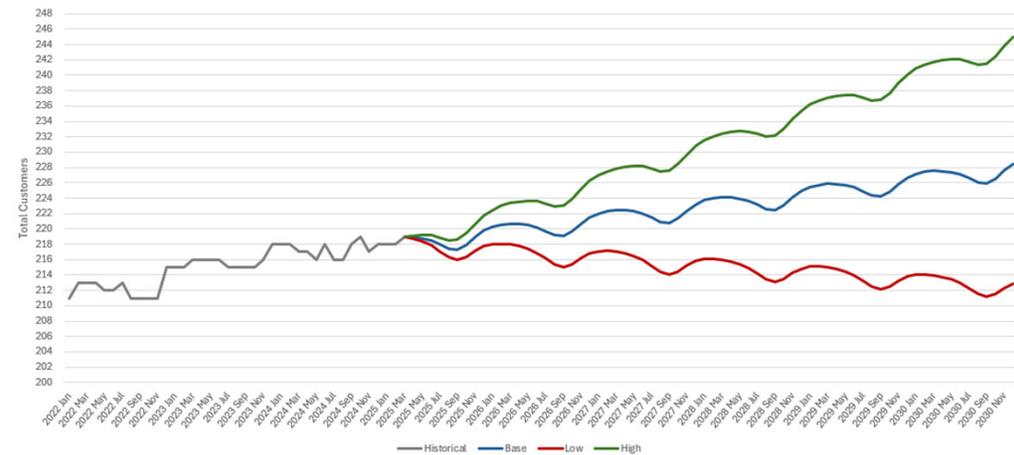
Bear Lake County Residential Customer Count Forecast



Average YoY growth: 0.7%

Total growth: 4.3%, 54 customers

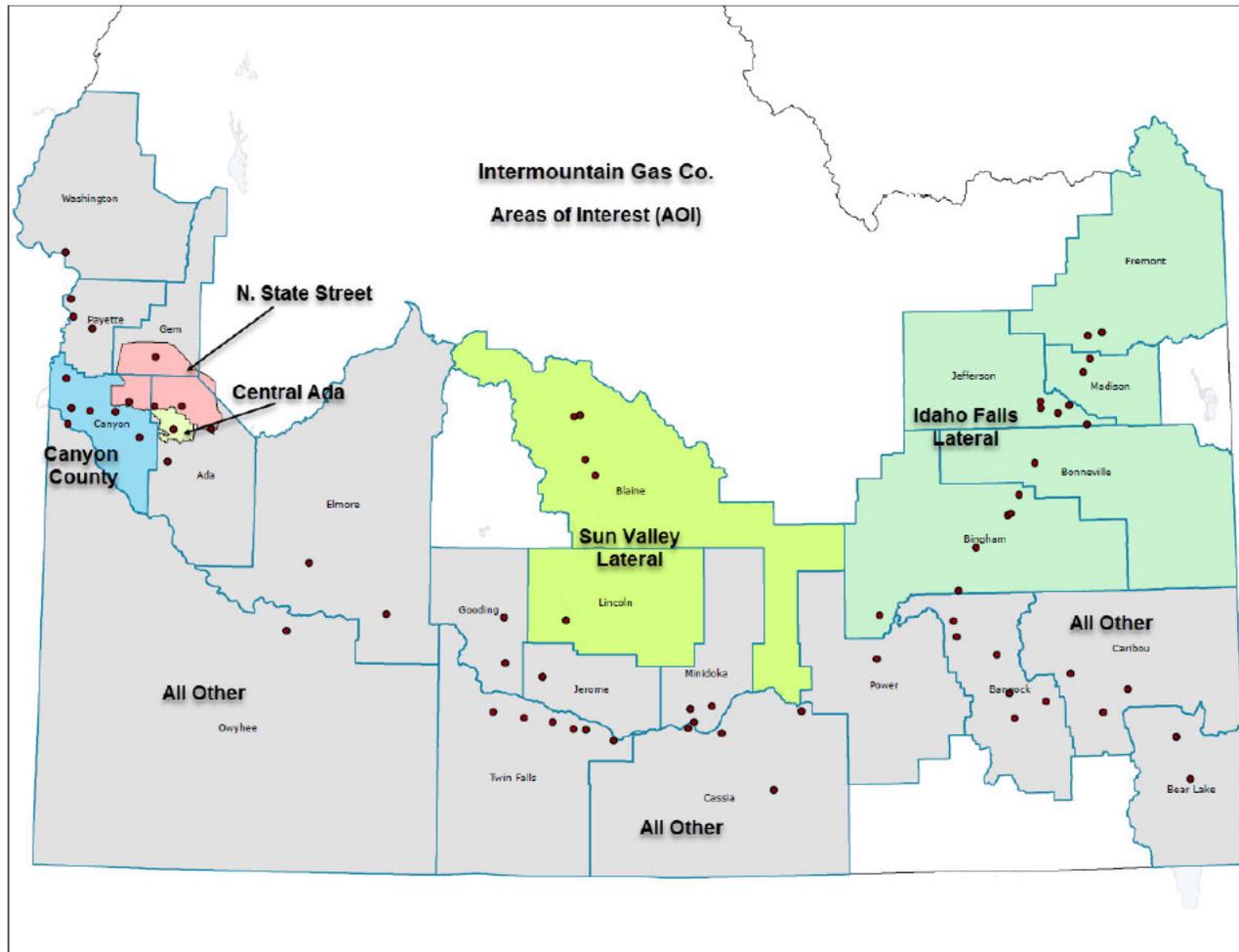
Bear Lake County Commercial Customer Count Forecast



Average YoY growth: 0.7%

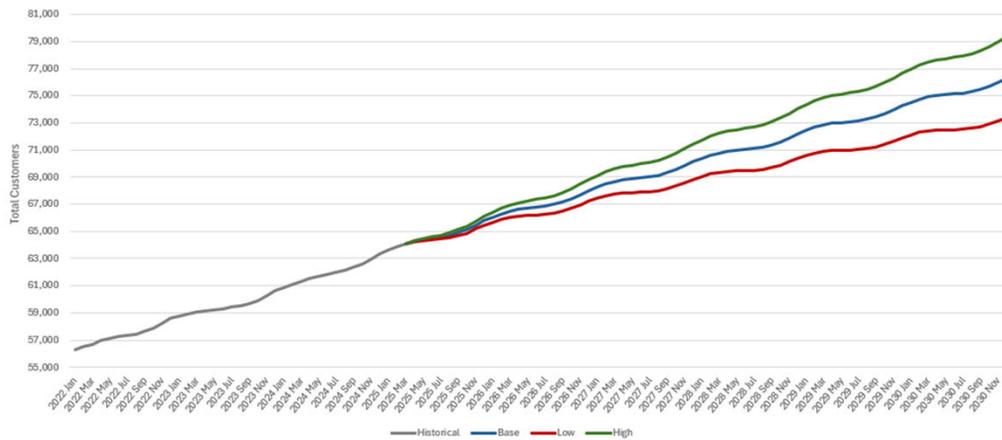
Total growth: 4.3%, 9 customers

## FORECASTING GROWTH-AREAS OF INTEREST (AOI)



# CANYON COUNTY CUSTOMER FORECAST

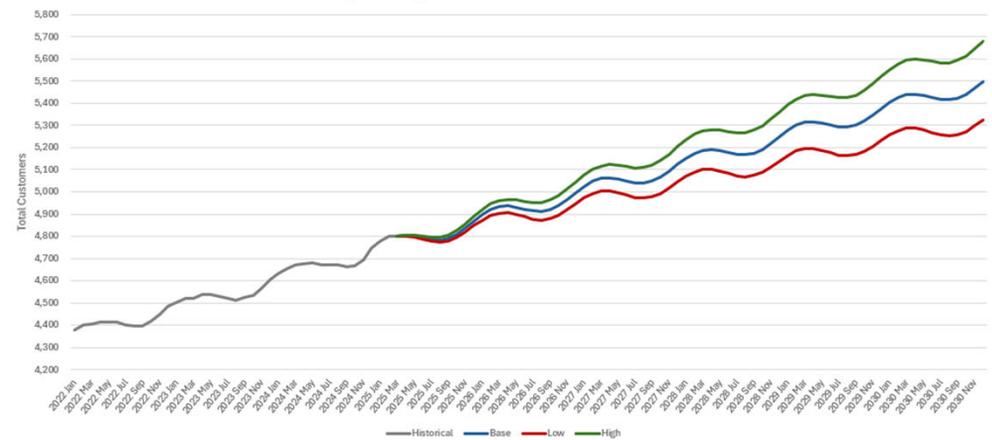
Canyon County Residential Customer Count Forecast



Average YoY growth: 3.1%

Total growth: 19%, 12,201 customers

Canyon County Commercial Customer Count Forecast

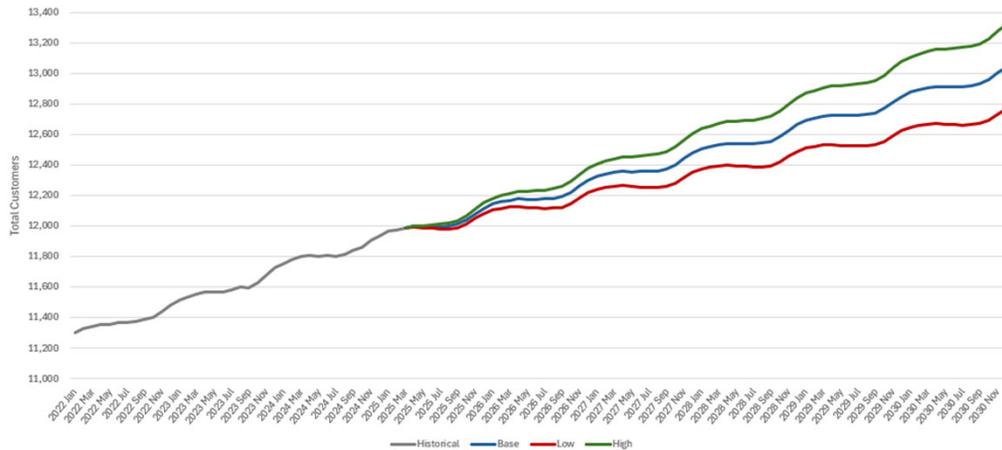


Average YoY growth: 2.4%

Total growth: 14.5%, 696 customers

# SUN VALLEY LATERAL CUSTOMER FORECAST

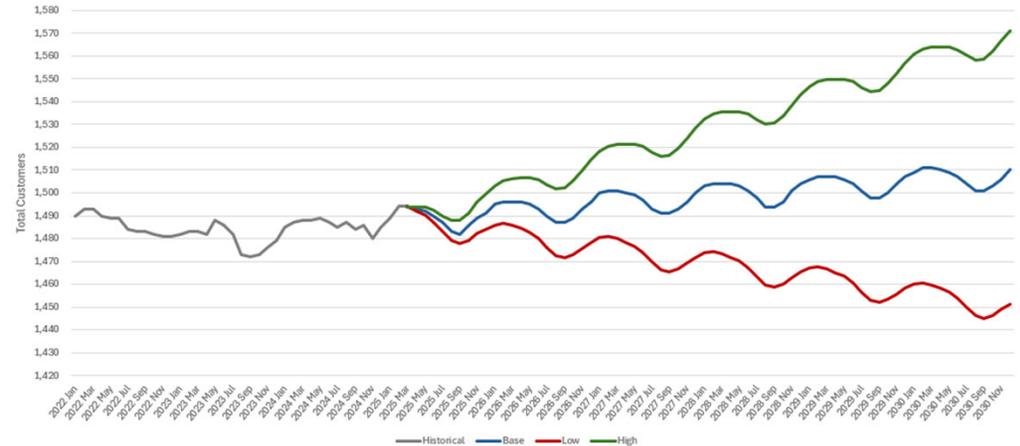
Sun Valley Lateral Residential Customer Count Forecast



Average YoY growth: 1.5%

Total growth: 8.8%, 1,050 customers

Sun Valley Lateral Commercial Customer Count Forecast

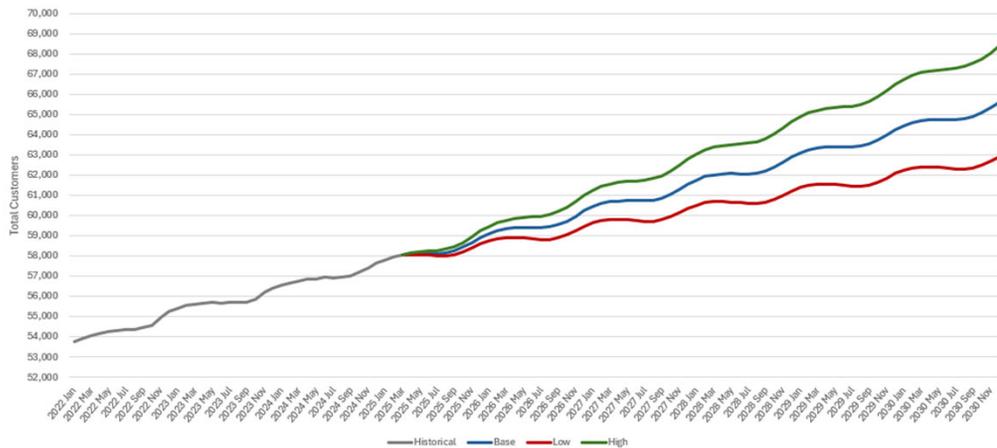


Average YoY growth: 0.2%

Total growth: 1.1%, 16 customers

# IDAHO FALLS LATERAL CUSTOMER FORECAST

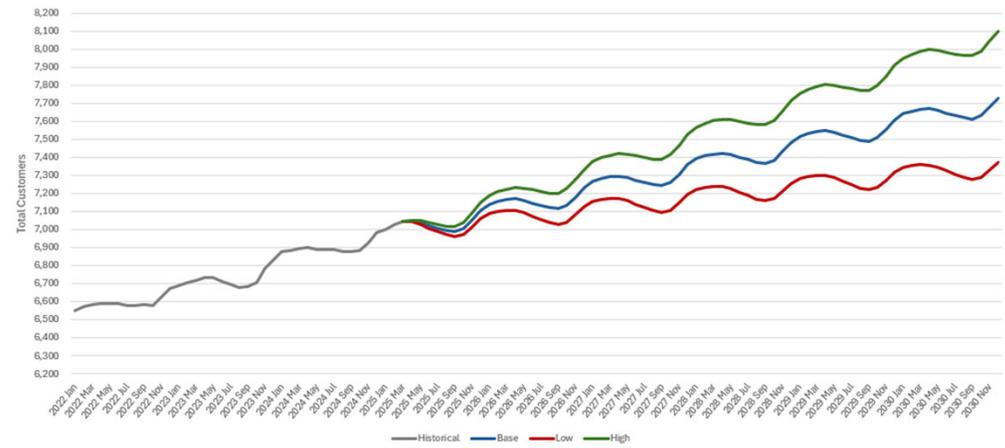
Idaho Falls Lateral Residential Customer Count Forecast



Average YoY growth: 2.2%

Total growth: 13%, 7,527 customers

Idaho Falls Lateral Commercial Customer Count Forecast

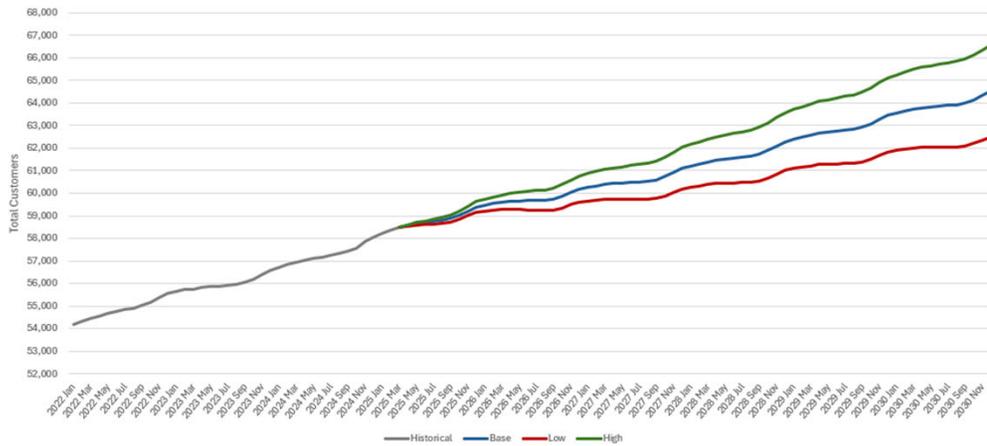


Average YoY growth: 1.6%

Total growth: 9.7%, 684 customers

# NORTH OF STATE STREET CUSTOMER FORECAST

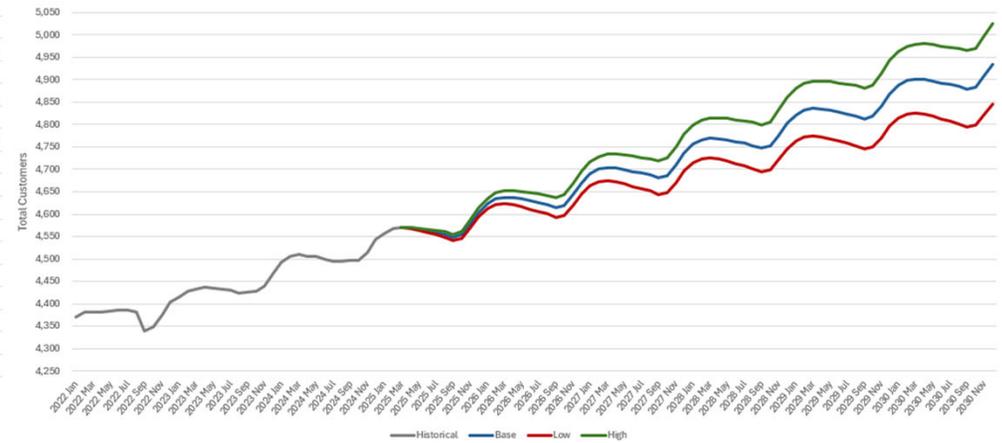
North of State Street Residential Customer Count Forecast



Average YoY growth: 1.7%

Total growth: 10.3%, 6,032 customers

North of State Street Commercial Customer Count Forecast

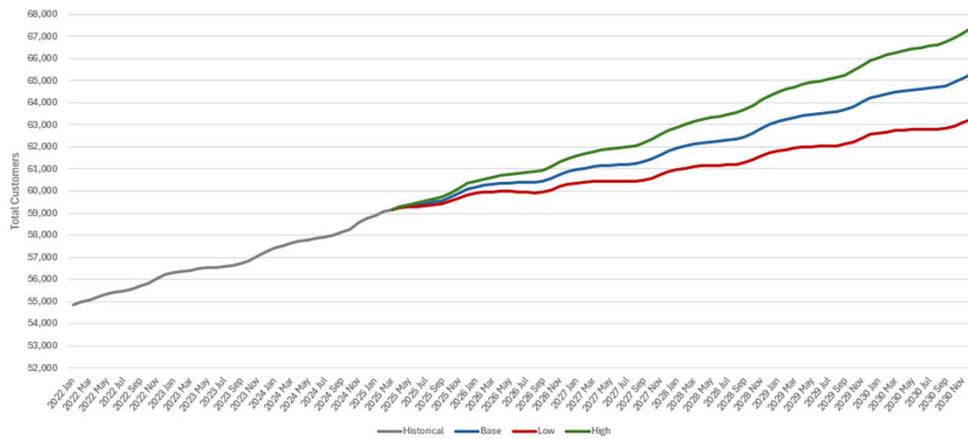


Average YoY growth: 1.4%

Total growth: 8%, 364 customers

# CENTRAL ADA CUSTOMER FORECAST

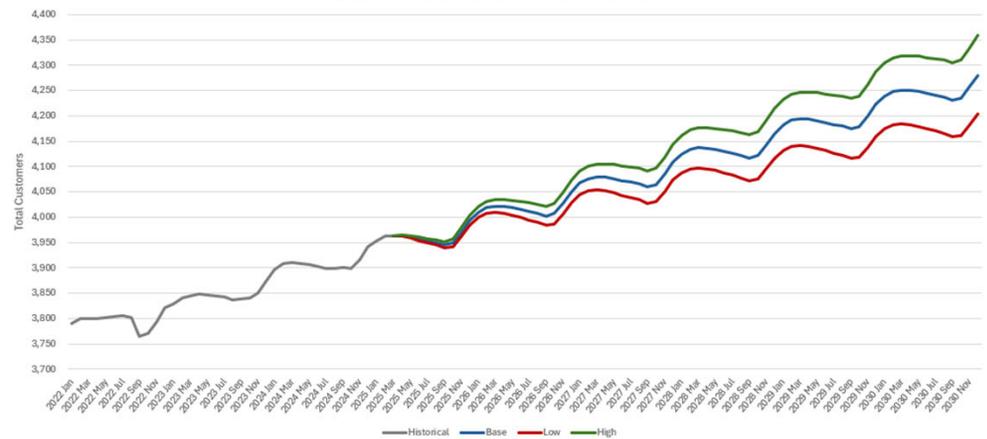
Central Ada Residential Customer Count Forecast



Average YoY growth: 1.7%

Total growth: 10.3%, 6,104 customers

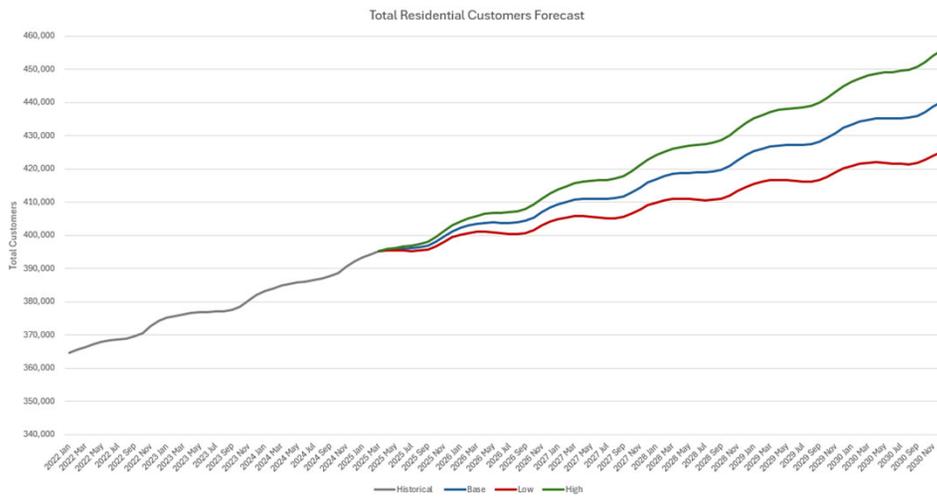
Central Ada Commercial Customer Count Forecast



Average YoY growth: 1.4%

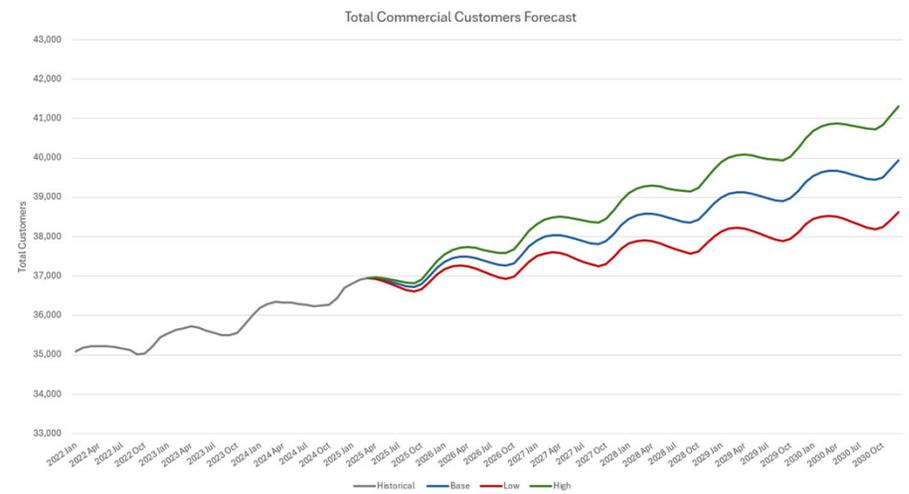
Total growth: 8%, 316 customers

# TOTAL SYSTEM CUSTOMER FORECAST



Average YoY growth: 1.9%

Total growth: 11.2%, 44,474 customers



Average YoY growth: 1.4%

Total growth: 8%, 2,985 customers



**QUESTIONS?**



**10 MINUTE BREAK**



# HEATING DEGREE DAYS & DESIGN WEATHER

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# WEATHER

- Weather is a Key Residential & Commercial Demand Driver
- Heating Degree Days are Used to Capture Weather Effects
- Two Primary Weather Scenarios are Used in the IRP:
  - Normal HDD
  - Design HDD

# HEATING DEGREE DAY (HDD)

- What is a Heating Degree Day?
- Industry-Wide Standard Measuring Degrees Below a Set Base Temperature
- Base of 65 Degrees is Most Common

March 2nd, 2023 - Boise Example:

Daily High: 39 Degrees °F

Daily Low: 23 Degrees °F

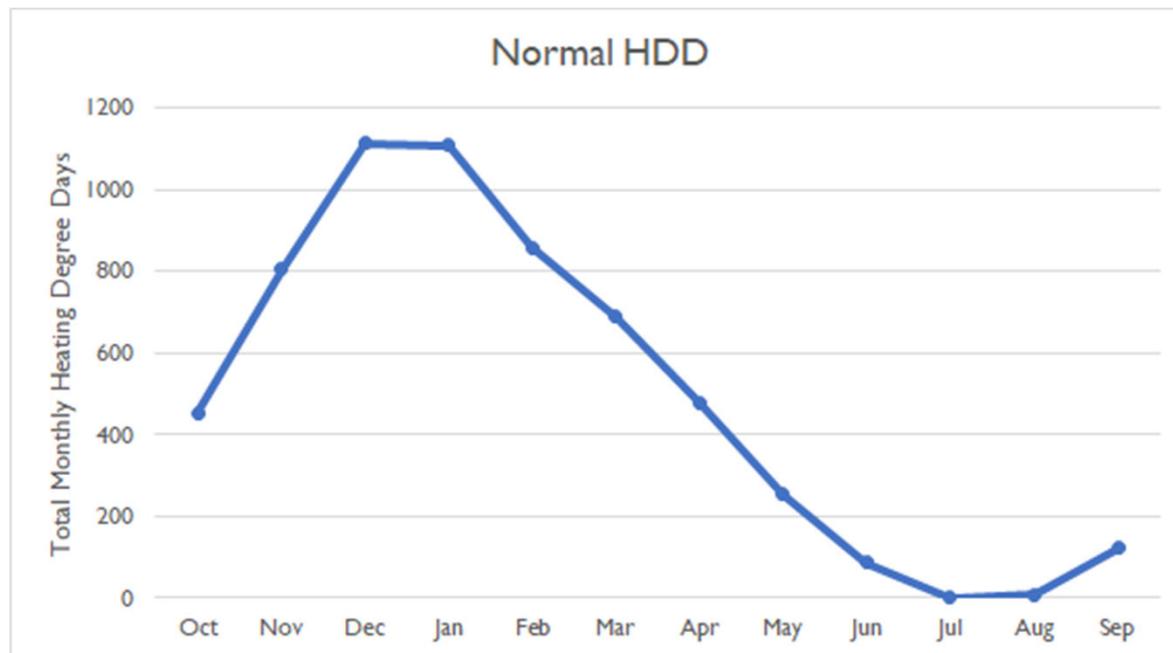
Mean: 31 Degrees °F

65 Degrees – 31 Degrees = 34 HDD

## NORMAL HEATING DEGREE DAYS

- Benchmark for the IRP
- Used for Routine Planning and Represent the Typical or “Normal” Weather Expected on a Given Day
- 30-Year Rolling Average of Daily Mean Temperatures
- Normal for the IRP is the 30-Years Ended December 2024

# NORMAL HEATING DEGREE DAYS



## DESIGN DEGREE DAYS

- Design Degree Days Model the Coldest Temperatures that Could Feasibly Occur on Intermountain's System
- Created by Modeling Design Peak Day, then Modeling the Surrounding Week, Month, and Year

## DESIGN PEAK DAY

- Design Peak Day is the Absolute Coldest Day Planned for in the Design Year
- Engaged Idaho State Climatologist, Dr. Russell Qualls, to Conduct a Peak Day Study
- Study Produced a Range of Peak Days for Various Probability Assumptions
- 50-Year Peak-Day Event was Selected (78 HDD)
- Peak Day is Modeled to Occur on Jan 15th of the Design Year

## PEAK 5-DAY DESIGN

- The Days Surrounding the Peak Day are Modeled After the Coldest Recorded Consecutive 5-Days in a 50 Year Period.
- Peak Day is Assumed to be the Second Day in the 5-Day Period.

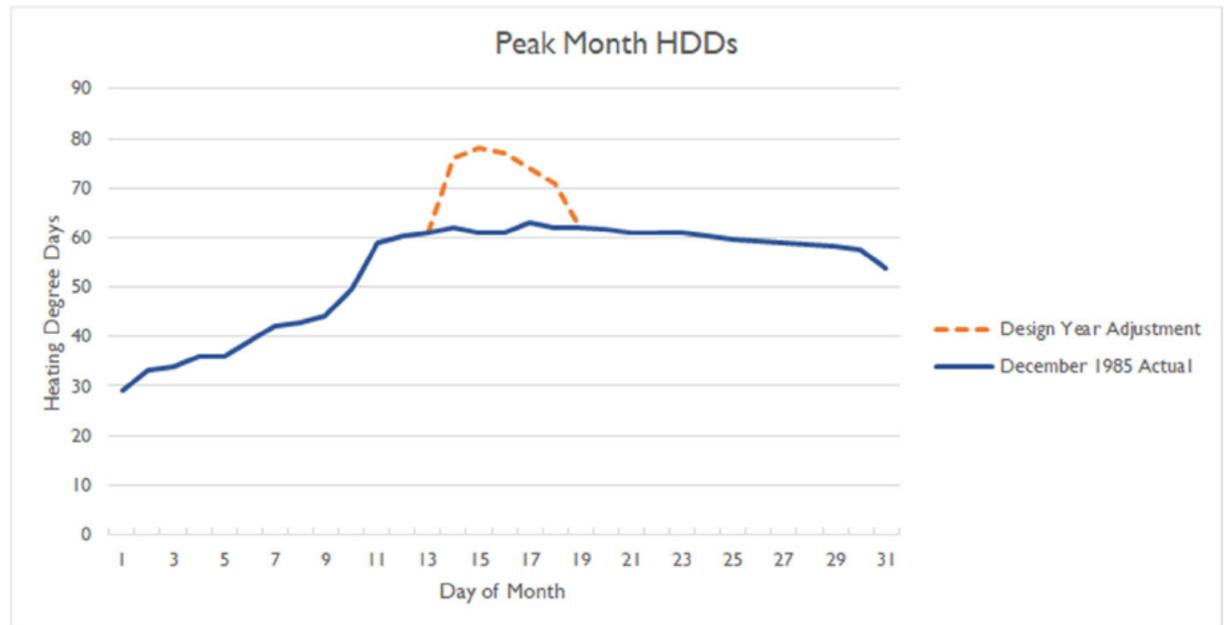
# Five Day Weather Forecast

Day 1	Peak Day	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
 <p>Snow</p>	 <p>Snow</p>	 <p>Snow</p>	 <p>Snow</p>	 <p>Sunny</p>
<b>-11° F</b>	<b>-13° F</b>	<b>-12° F</b>	<b>-9° F</b>	<b>-6° F</b>
December 21st, 1990 Actual	50-Year Peak Day Event	December 23rd, 1990 Actual	December 24th, 1990 Actual	December 25th, 1990 Actual

PEAK 5-DAY  
DESIGN

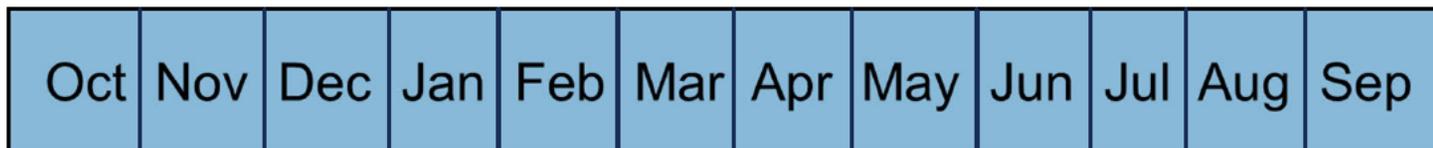
# PEAK MONTH DESIGN

- The Days Surrounding the Peak 5-Day Period are Modeled After the Coldest Calendar Month in the last 50 Years
- The Current Peak Month is December 1985
- This Month Forms the Basis for January Design Weather

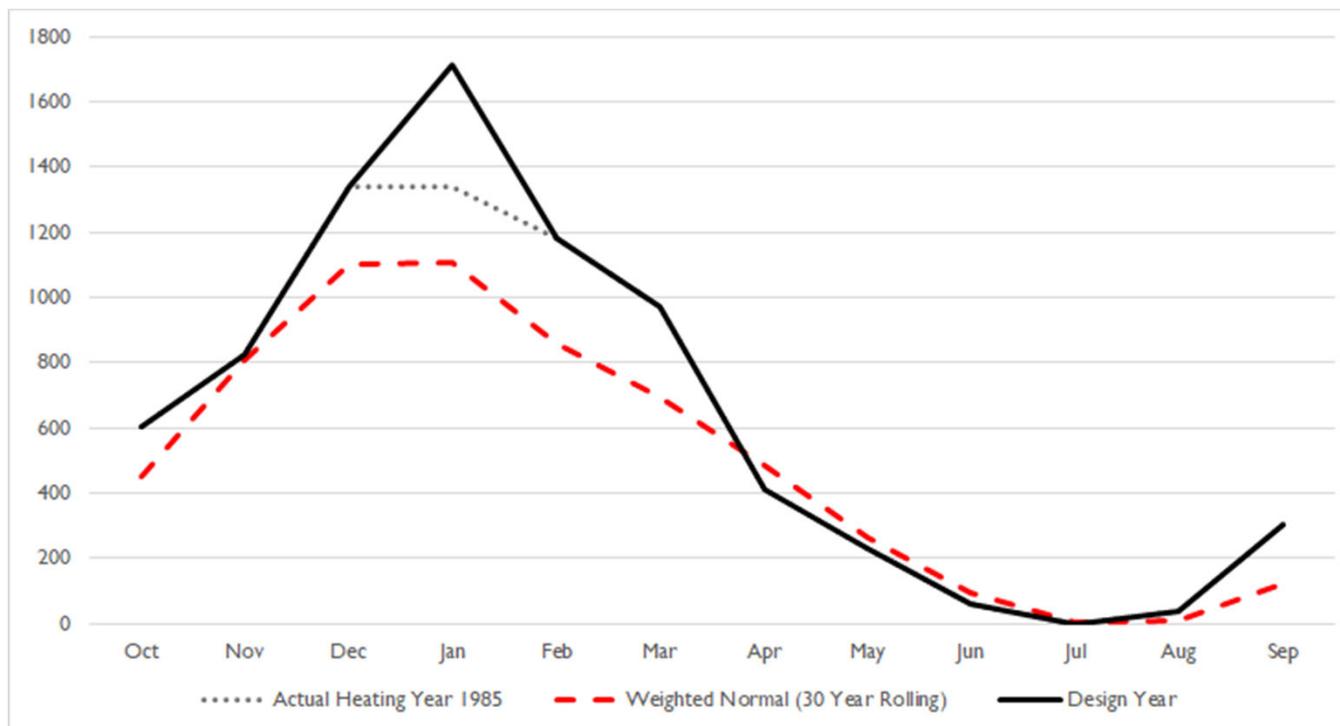


## DESIGNING THE REST OF THE YEAR

- The Rest of the Year is Modeled After the Coldest Heating Year in a 50 Year Record
- Oct 1984 – Sep 1985 Continues to be the Coldest
- This Period Also Included the Coldest Critical Three Month Heating Period (Dec-Feb)



# DEGREE DAY GRAPH



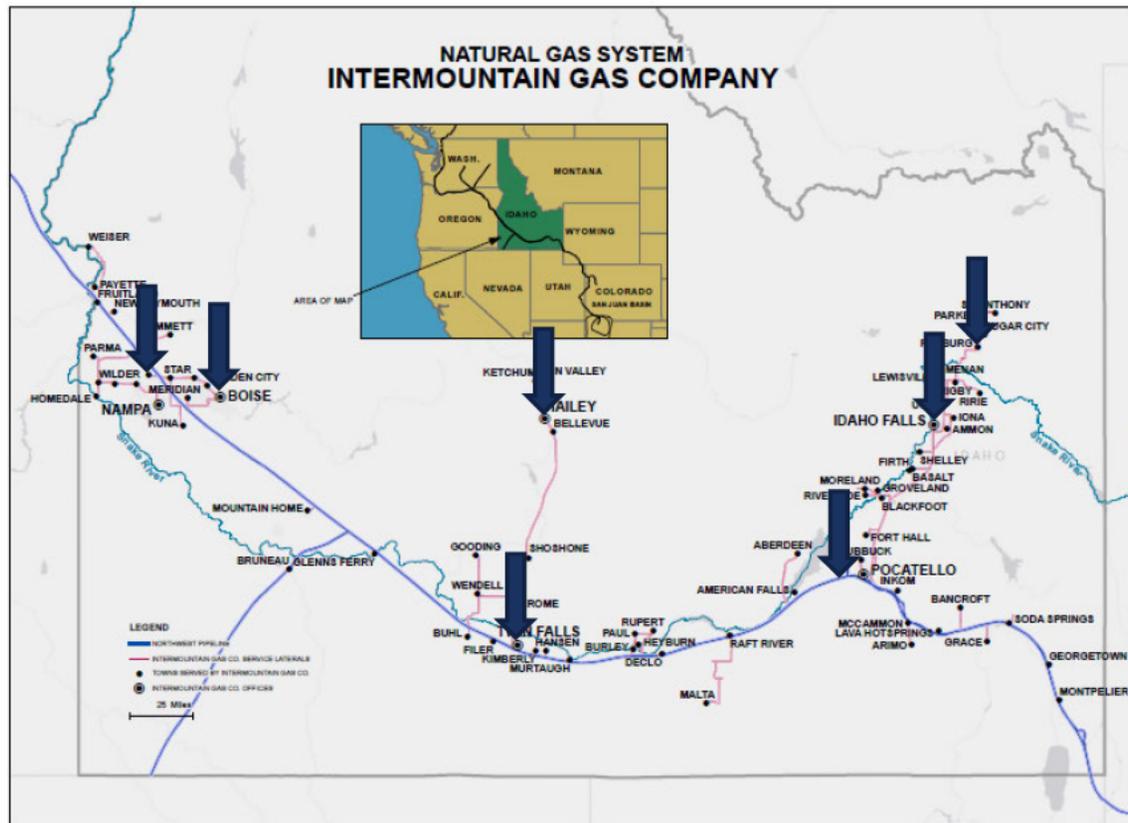
## AOI DEGREE DAYS

- Intermountain's service area is climatologically diverse
- Idaho Falls or Sun Valley vs. Boise
- Intermountain has developed unique Degree Days for each AOI
- Methods used to calculate AOI Degree Days mirror the Total Company approach

# AOI DEGREE DAYS

Weather Stations West to East:

- KBOI
- KEUL
- KTWF
- KSUN
- KPIH
- KIDA
- KRXE





# QUESTIONS?



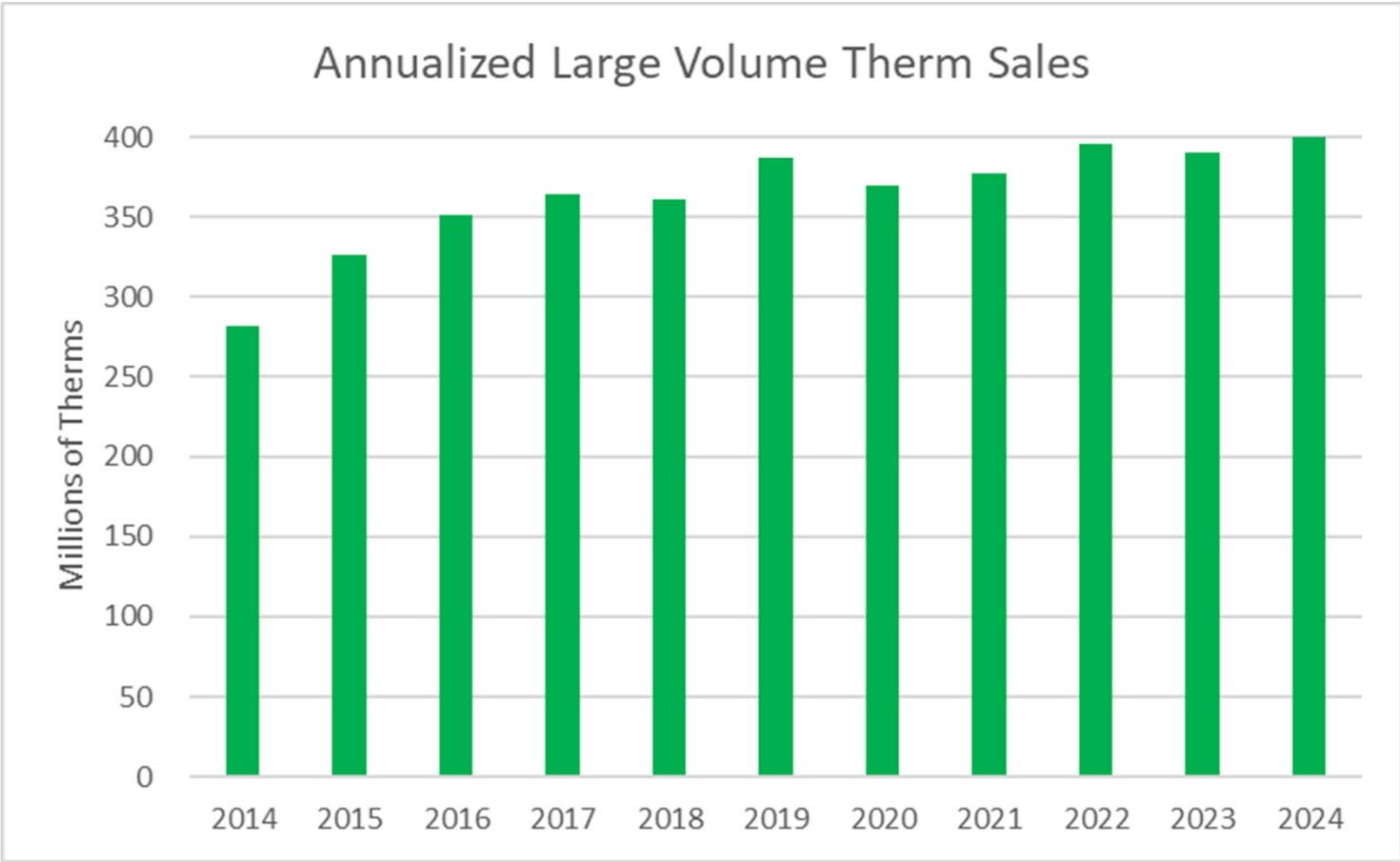
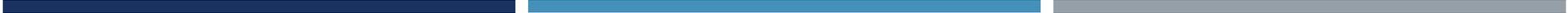
# 2025 IRP LARGE VOLUME CUSTOMER FORECAST

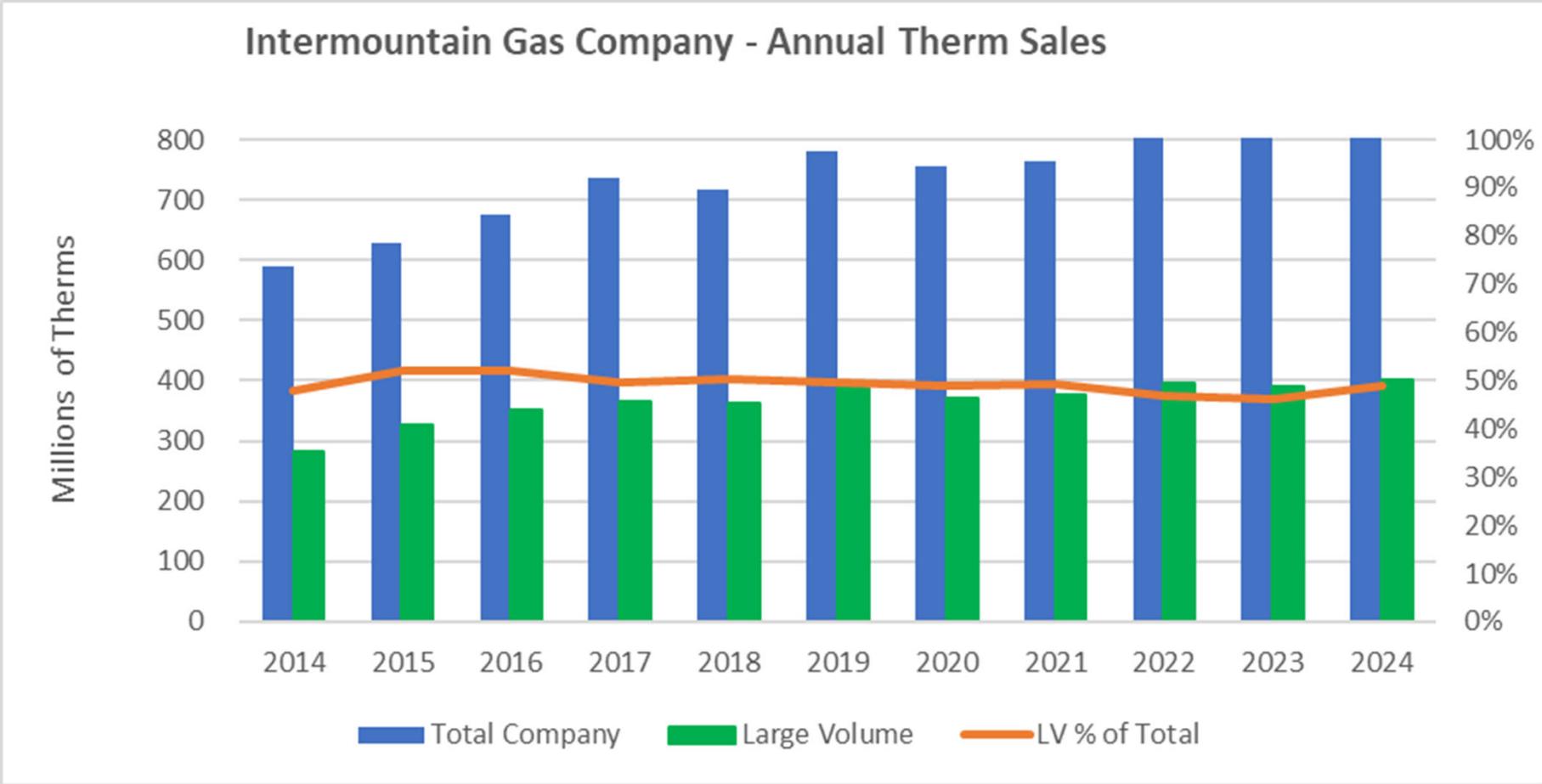
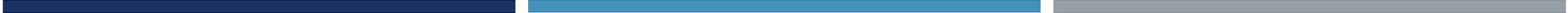
JON WHITING & NICOLE GYLLENSKOG  
MANAGERS, INDUSTRIAL SERVICES



## WHAT IS A LARGE VOLUME CUSTOMER?

- 152 largest customers; approximately 49% of 2024 sales
- Mix of “Industrial” and “Commercial” types
- As a group exhibit fairly high load factor
- Provide thousands of Idaho jobs; huge impact on economy





## REQUIREMENTS OF A LARGE VOLUME CUSTOMER

- Minimum 200,000 Therms per contract-year requirement
- Must elect 1 of 3 tariffs:
  - LV-1 bundled sales
  - T-3 interruptible transportation or T-4 firm transportation
- Minimum one-year contract; the contract sets the term and Maximum Daily Firm Quantity (MDFQ) for firm peak day use
- Contracts are site specific; can combine meters on contiguous property

## CLASSIFICATION OF CURRENT 152 LV CUSTOMERS

■ By Rate Class:	<u>Percent of Total</u>		
	<u># of</u>	<u>% of</u>	<u>Therms</u>
❖ LV-1 Sales –	37	24%	4%
❖ T-3 Interruptible Transport –	9	6%	9%
❖ T-4 Firm Transport –	<u>106</u>	<u>70%</u>	<u>87%</u>
❖ Total –	152	100%	100%

## SEGMENTATION OF 152 LARGE VOLUME CUSTOMERS

■ By Market “Segment”	<u>#</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Therms%</u>
❖ Potato Processors –	18	12%	28%
❖ Other Food Processors –	17	11%	32%
❖ Meat & Dairy –	24	16%	14%
❖ Ag & Feed –	8	5%	1%
❖ Chemical/Fertilizer –	3	2%	8%
❖ Manufacturing –	33	22%	6%
❖ Institutional –	33	22%	6%
❖ Other –	<u>16</u>	<u>11%</u>	<u>5%</u>
❖ Total –	152	100%	100%

## LOCATION OF 152 LARGE VOLUME CUSTOMERS

■ By AOI:	<u>#</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Therms%</u>
❖ IFL –	27	18%	17%
❖ SVL –	4	3%	1%
❖ Central Ada –	2	1%	1%
❖ State Street –	4	3%	1%
❖ Canyon County –	20	13%	15%
❖ All Other –	<u>95</u>	<u>62%</u>	<u>65%</u>
❖ Total –	152	100%	100%

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## OVERVIEW OF FORECAST TECHNIQUE

- Most not as weather sensitive as the Core Market
- Small population (not as many customers)
- Not as homogenous as Core (size, weather sensitivity)
- Don't use statistics/regression techniques
- Use an “adjusted” historical usage approach
- Forecast both Therm use and CD (MDFQ/MDQ)

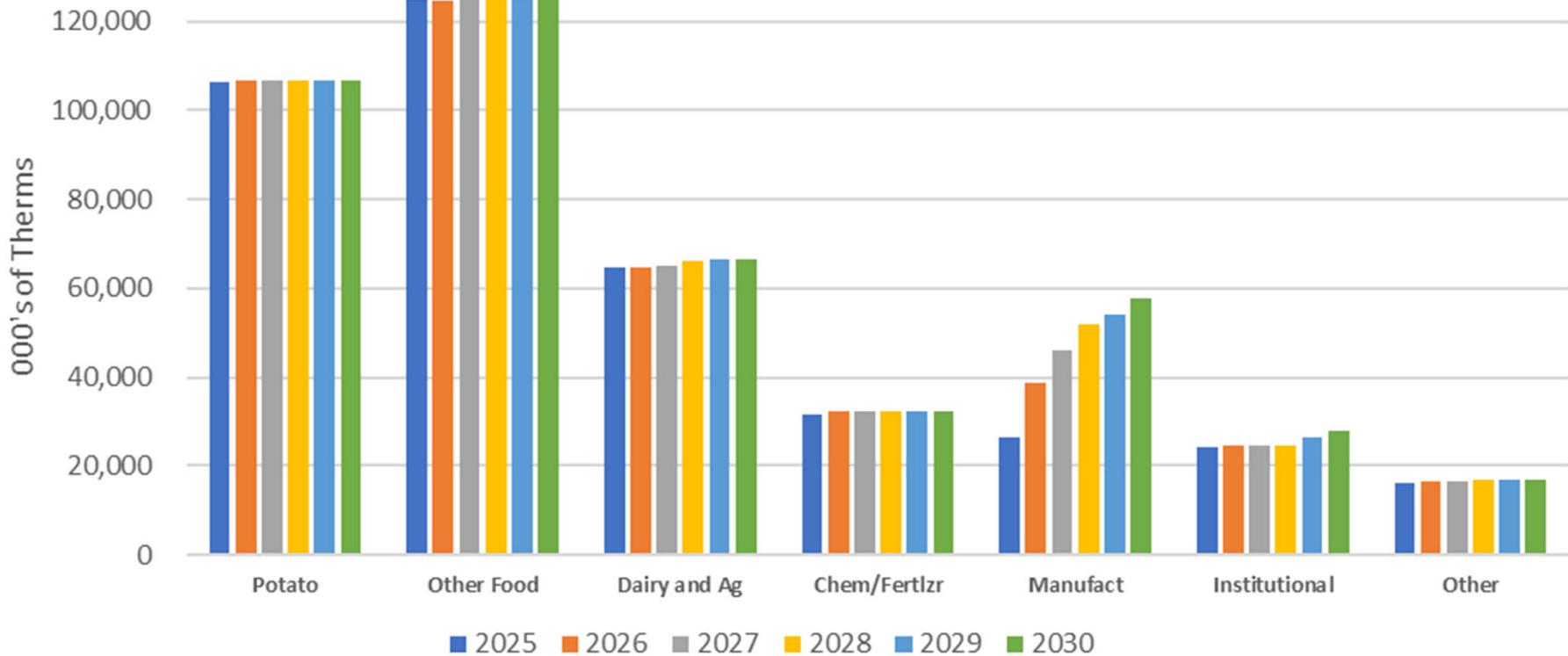
## APPLICATION OF FORECAST TECHNIQUE

- Adjusted historical data with customer information and other data (e.g. EDO's) to develop three forecasts
  - Base Case
  - High Growth
  - Low Growth
- Assumed growth by specific customers
- Used recent trends to validate results

## BASE CASE SCENARIO ASSUMPTIONS

- Starts with historical actuals
- Adjust for customer information and trends
- Natural gas prices competitive with other energy sources
- Economy dealing with inflation and supply chain issues
- Includes 5 new customers
- Mix of segments; All T-4. 3 are "All Other" and 2 are in Canyon.
- Compounded annual growth rate of 1.9%

IRP Large Volume **Base Case** Forecast by Segment (Therms)

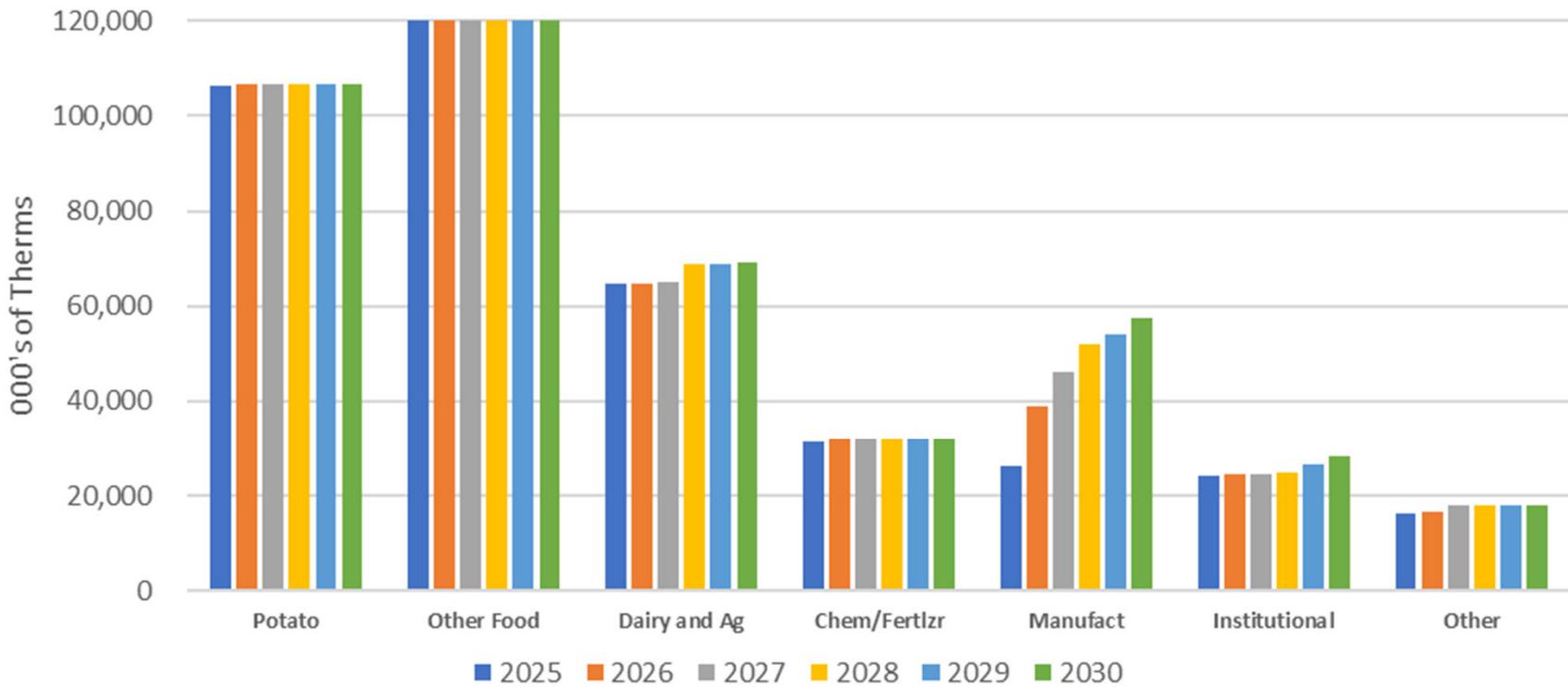


## HIGH GROWTH SCENARIO ASSUMPTIONS

- Starts with Base Case Forecast
- Natural gas prices remain comparatively low
- Economy comes out of the inflation with continued growth
- Assumes 10 new customers totaling 7.2 million Therms by 2030
- Additions mostly T-4 (9); 3 Meat & Dairy and 7 various segments; most growth in All Other
- Compounded annual growth rate of 2.2%



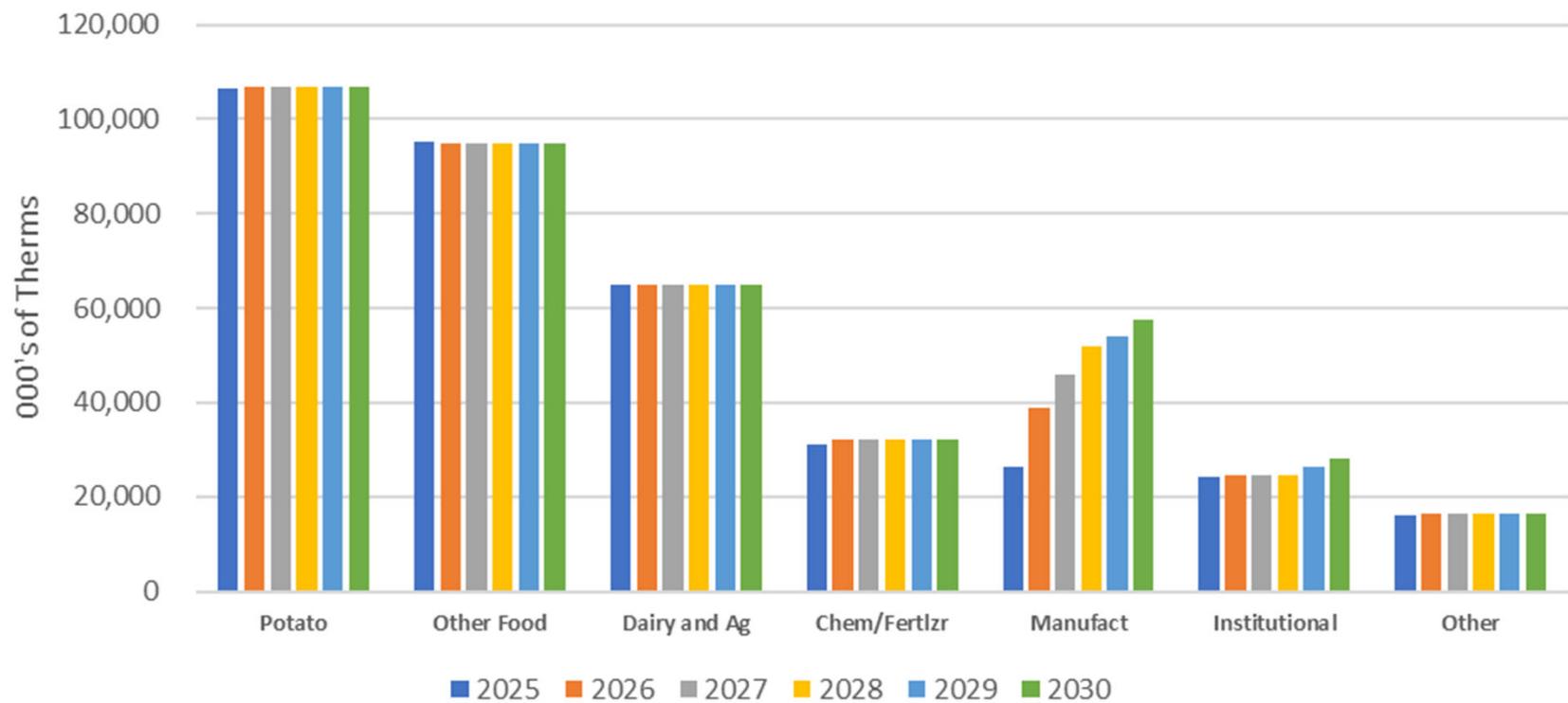
IRP Large Volume **High Growth** Forecast by Segment (Therms)



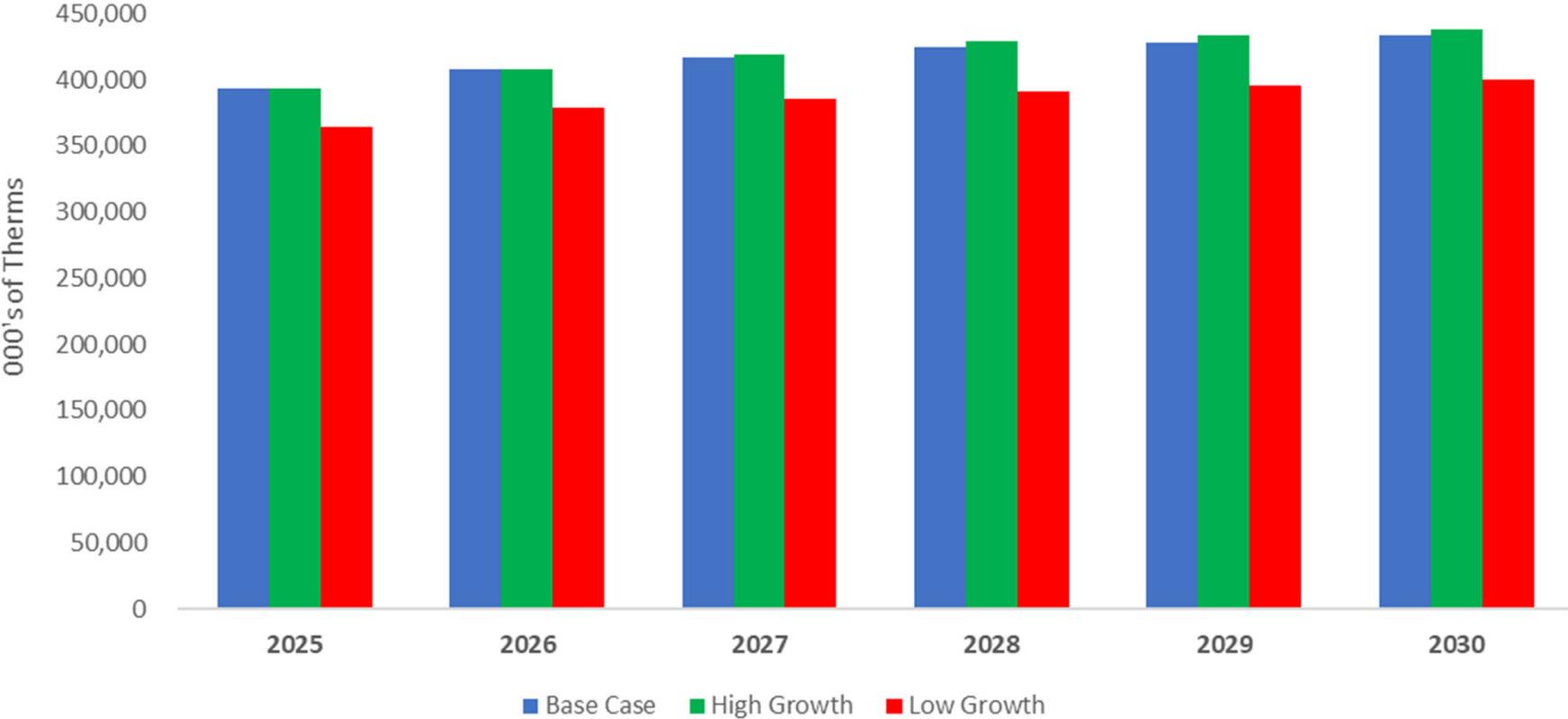
## LOW GROWTH SCENARIO ASSUMPTIONS

- Starts with Base Case Forecast
- Assume gas prices are less competitive
- Economy slows; recession or inflation causes slowing in growth
- Removed any customer having difficulty staying above the 200,000 Therm annual minimum
- Two new T-4 customers; 1 in Canyon, & 1 in the “Other,” segment
- Compounded annual growth rate of 1.1%

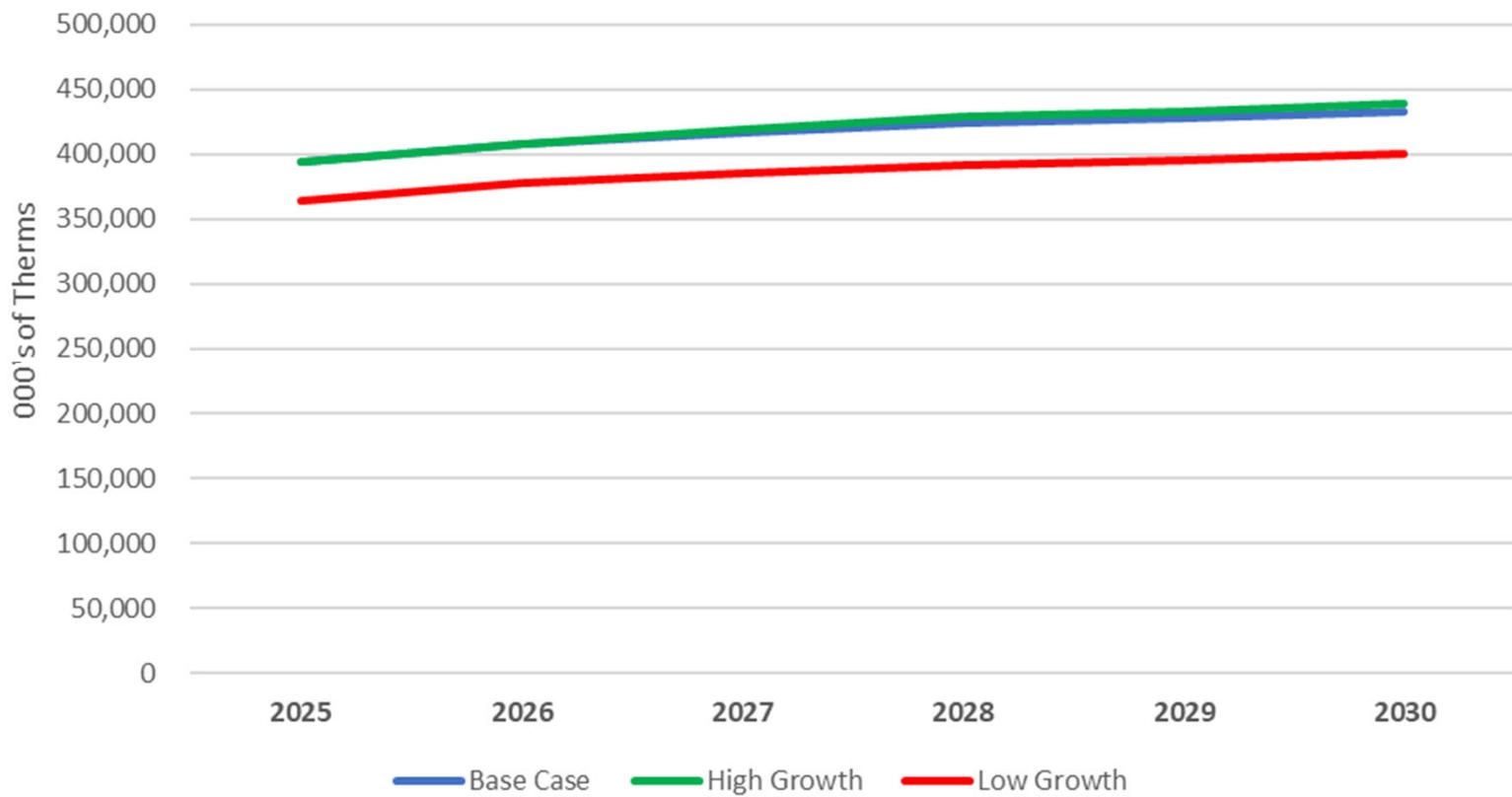
IRP Large Volume **Low Growth** Forecast by Segment (Therms)



### IRP Large Volume Annual Therms

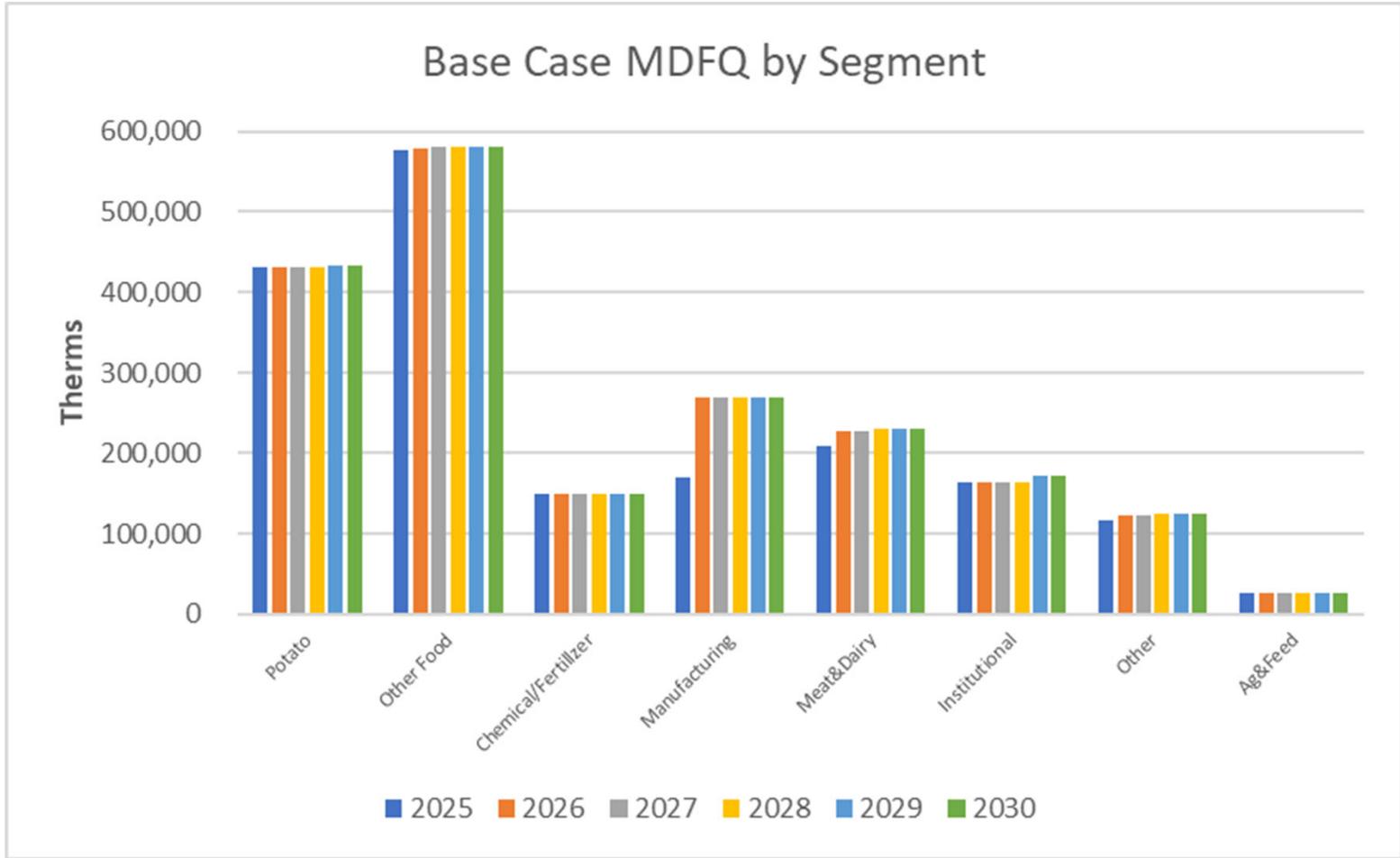


### IRP Total Large Volume Annual Therms



## OPTIMIZATION MODELING - MDFQ VS THERM FORECAST

- Use MDFQ not therm forecast in optimization model
- Contract includes Maximum Daily Firm Quantity (MDFQ)
- Intermountain provides MDFQ 365 day/year; gas supply
- MDFQ trends therm projections
- Only firm customers in design peak; no interruptible
- Includes new customer additions
- Compounded annual growth rate of 1.5%





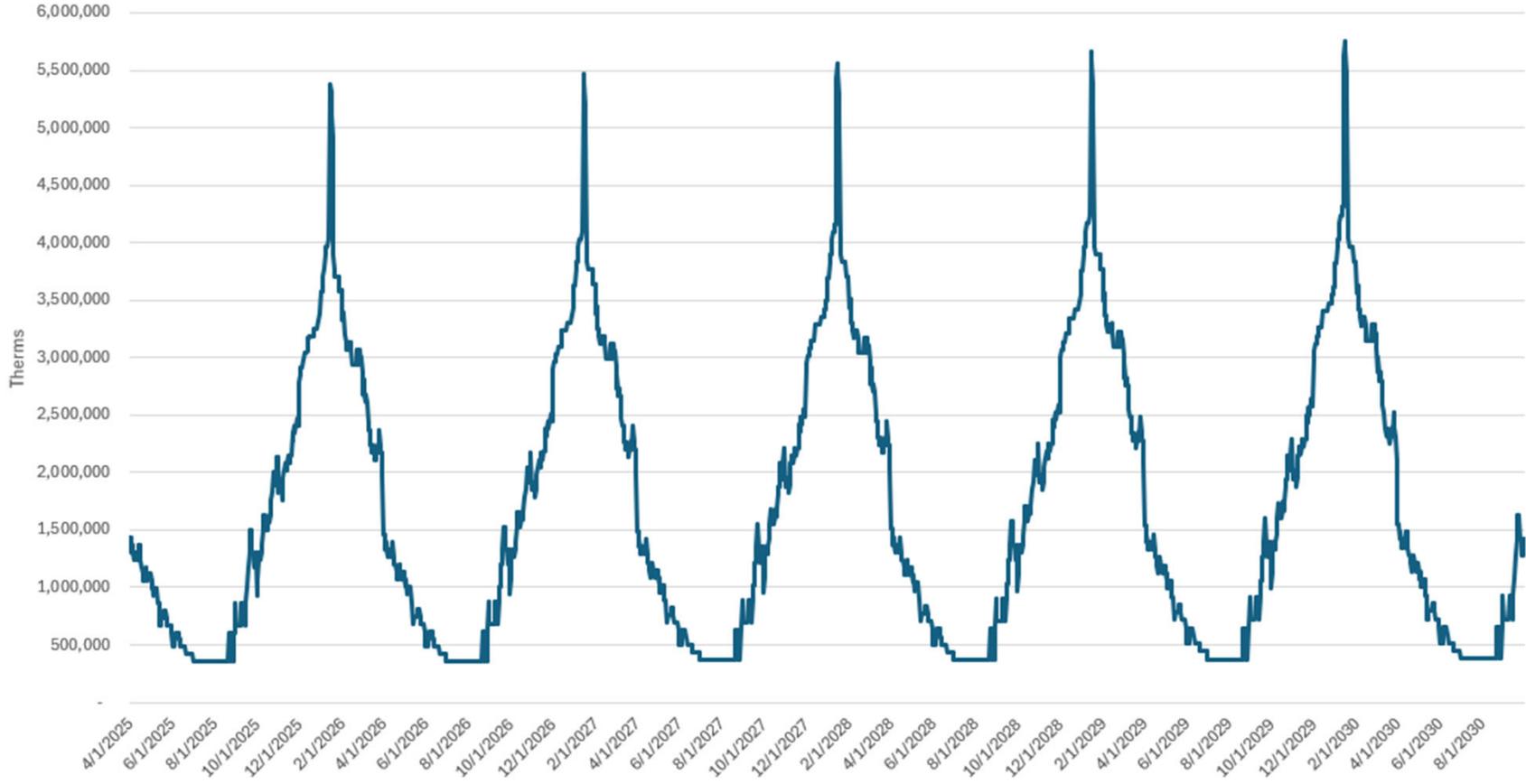
**QUESTIONS?**

# LOAD DEMAND CURVES

- Incorporates several inputs
  - Res & Com Customer Forecast, Normal and Design Weather, Use Per Customer, Demand Side Management, and Large Volume Forecast.
  - $LDC = (\text{Customer Forecast} * HDD * \text{User Per Customer}) - DSM + LV \text{ Forecast}$
- Load Demand Curve Utilization
  - Identifies potential upstream pipeline and distribution system constraints
  - Resource Optimization
  - Storage Management
- Remedies for any constraints will be identified later
- Note: Load Demand Curves for upstream pipeline modeling will differ from distribution system modeling



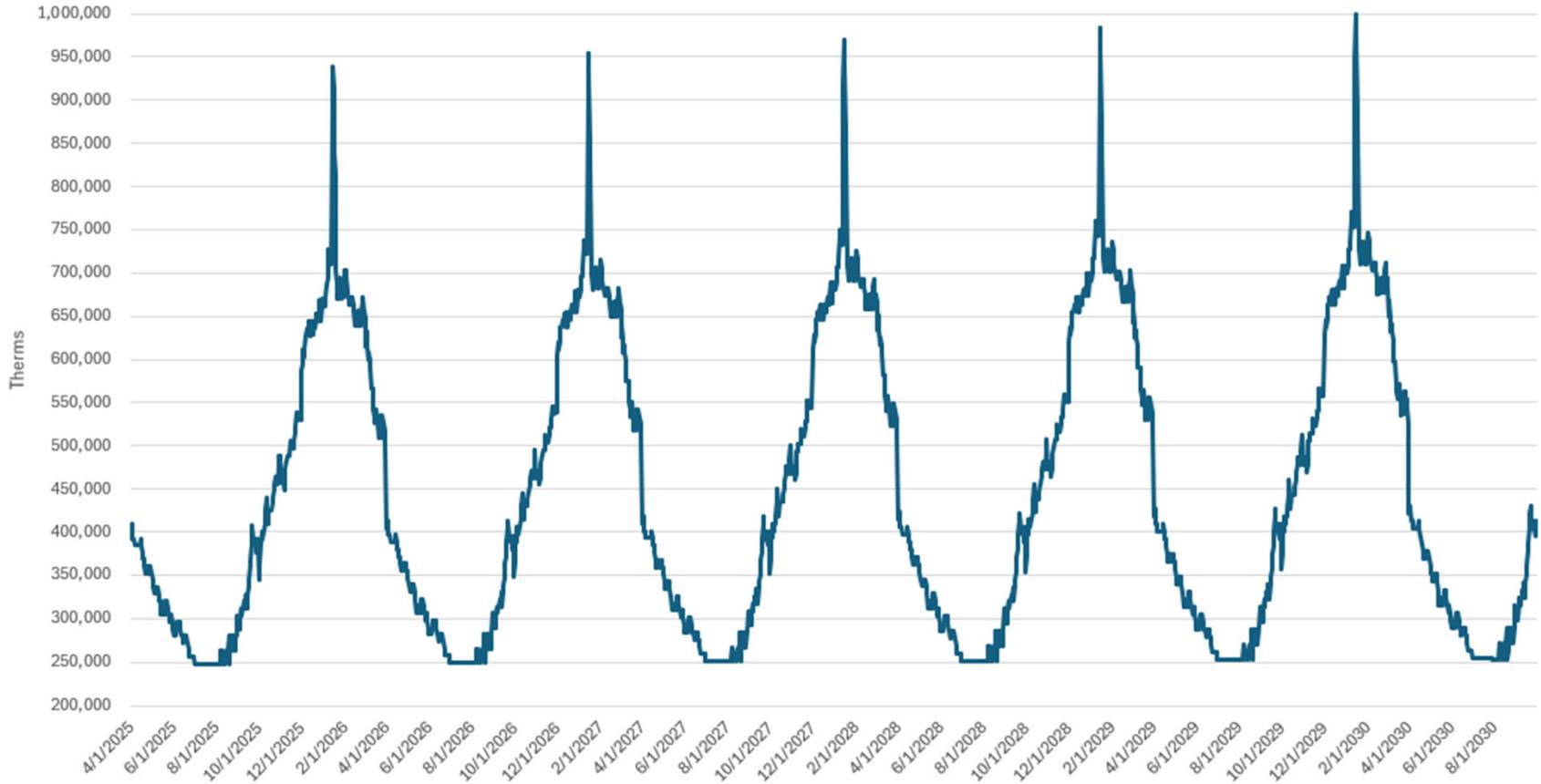
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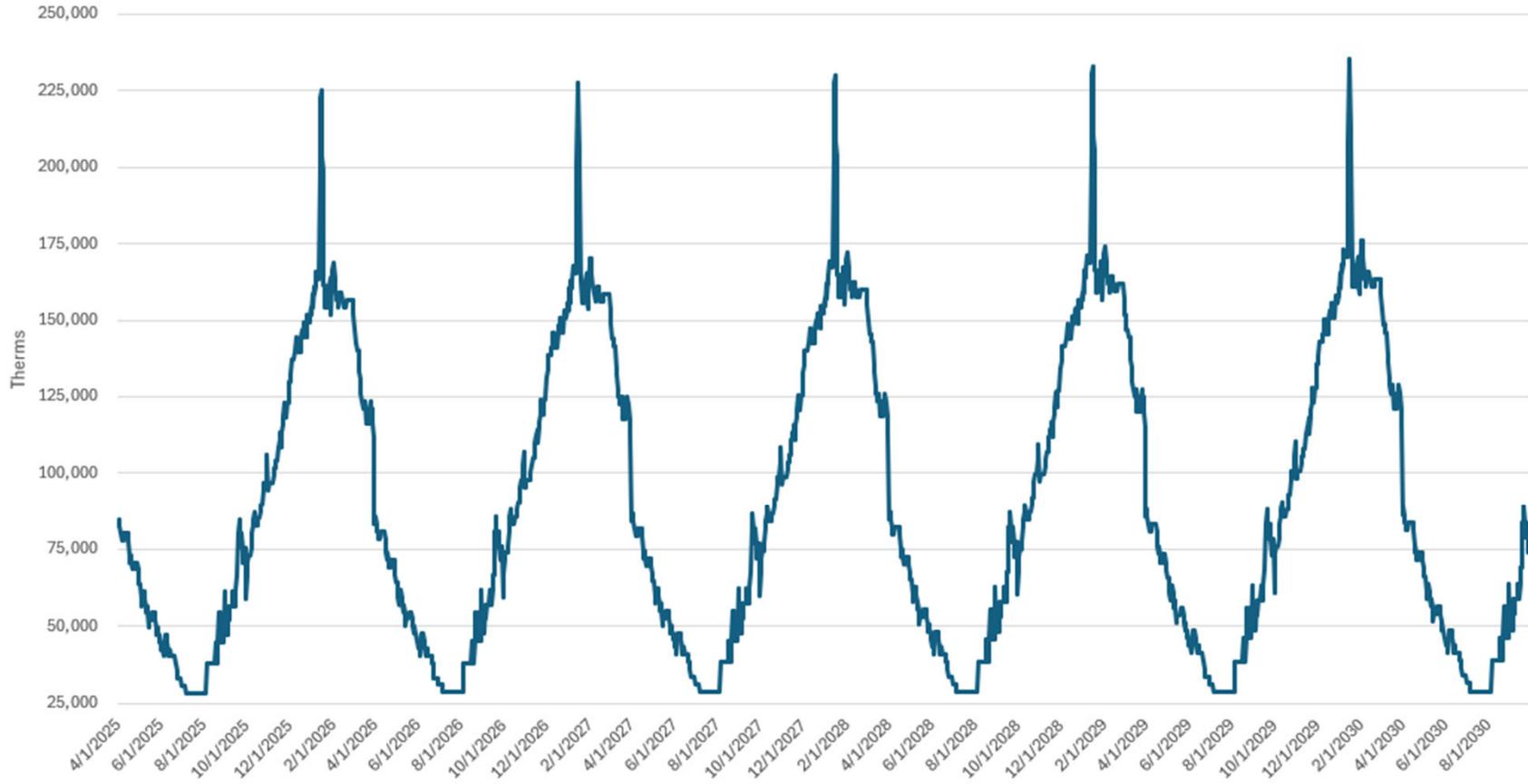
## AREAS OF INTEREST

- Idaho Falls Lateral
- Sun Valley Lateral
- Canyon County Lateral
- North of State Street Lateral
- Central Ada County

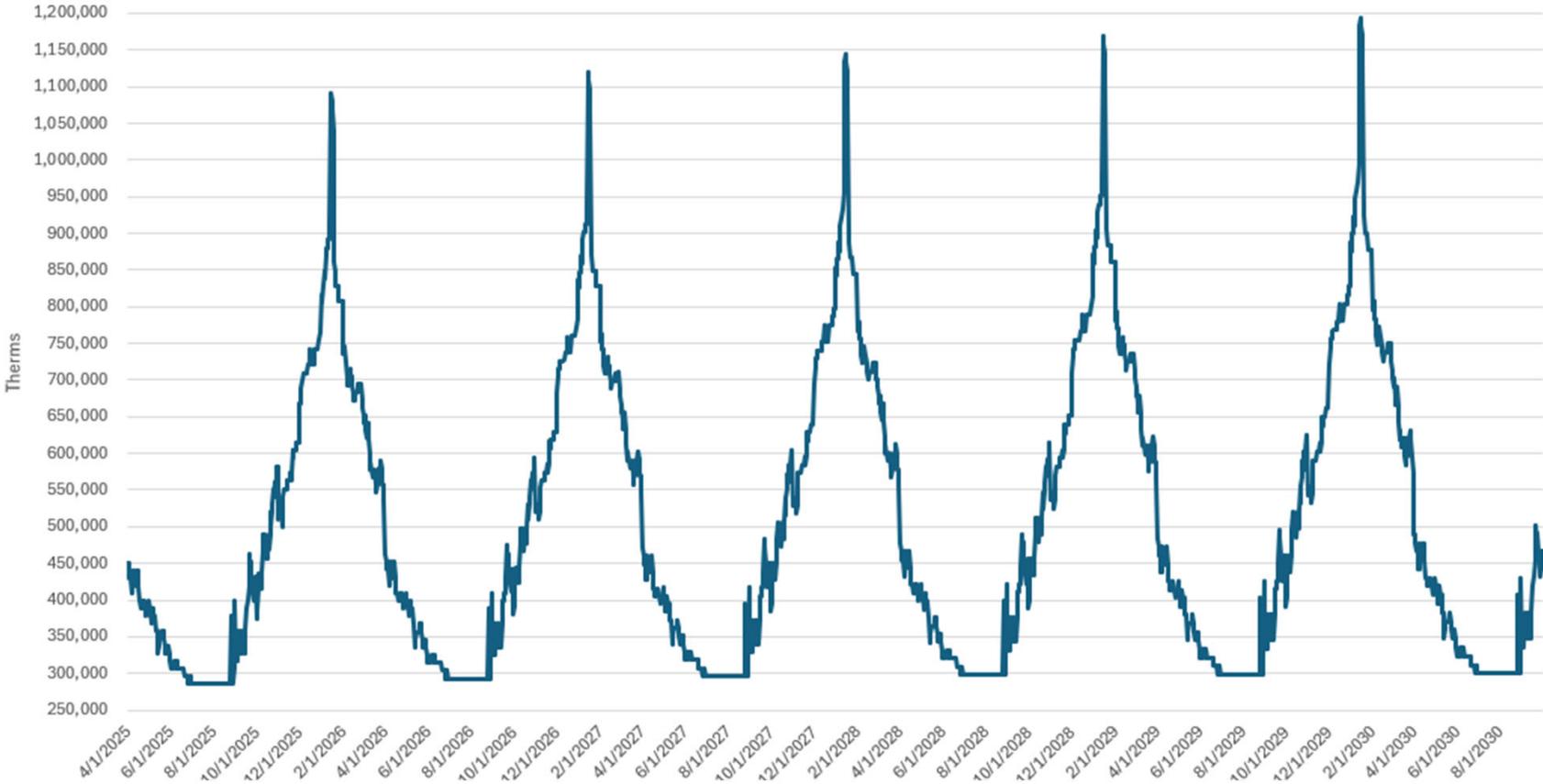
### Idaho Falls Lateral



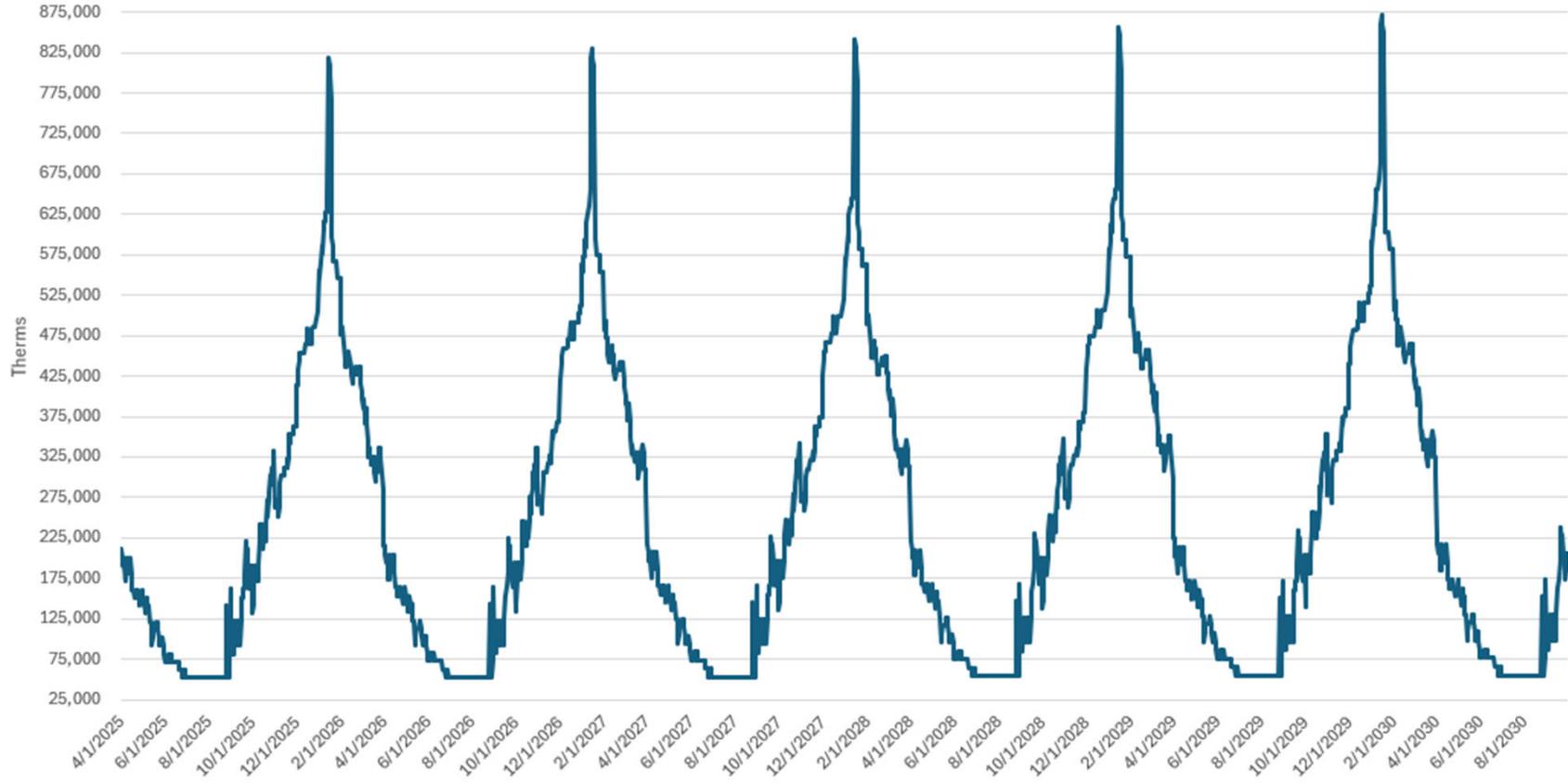
### Sun Valley Lateral



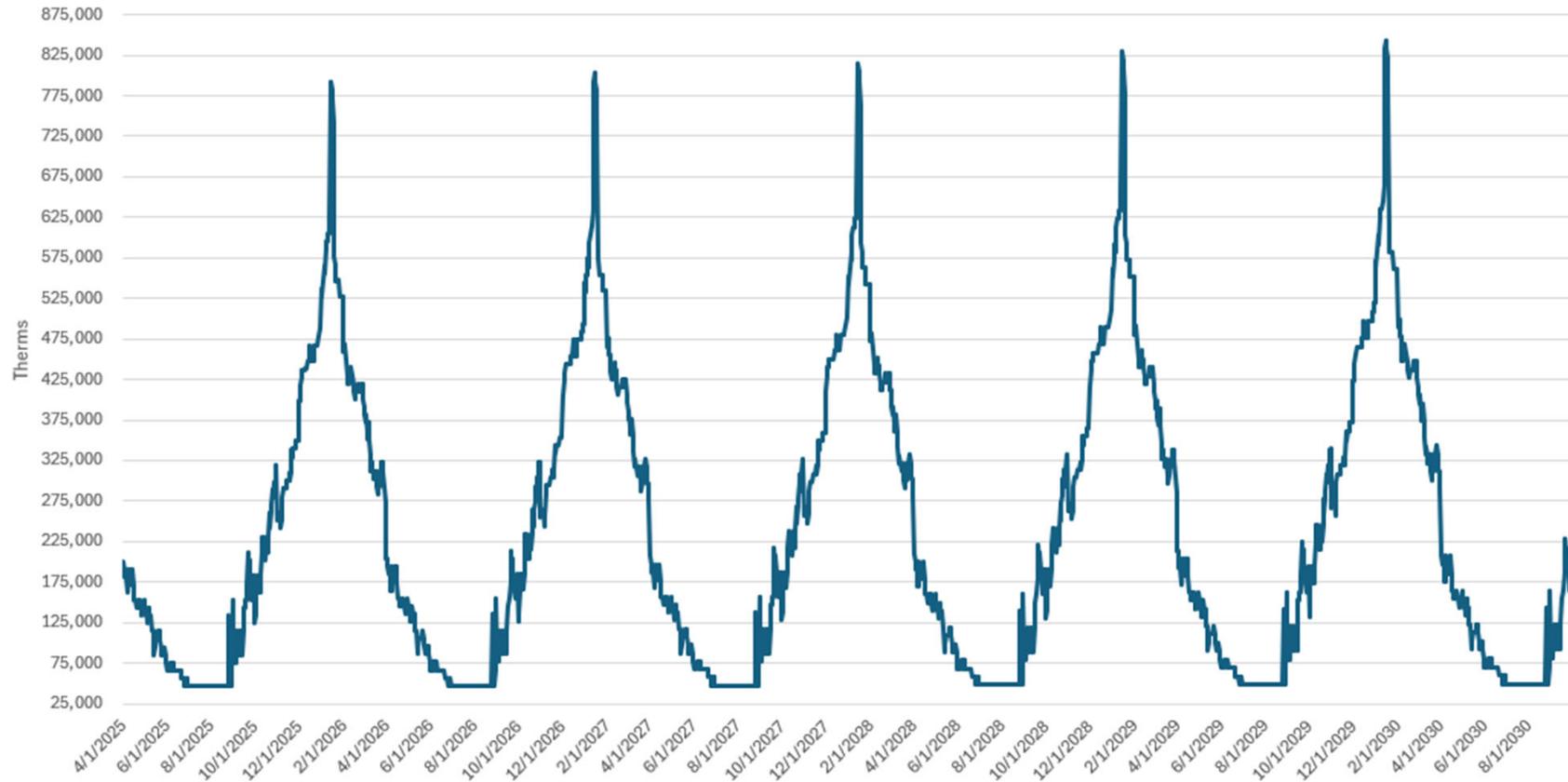
Canyon County Lateral



North of State Street Lateral



Central Ada County





**QUESTIONS?**

## ADDITIONAL MEETINGS

- **Wednesday, August 13, 2025 via Microsoft Teams**
  - Usage Per Customer
  - Energy Efficiency
  - Supply Side Resources
  - Distribution System Modeling
- **Wednesday, September 17, 2025 via Microsoft Teams**
  - Potential Capacity Enhancements
  - Resource Optimization
  - Planning Results

## FEEDBACK SUBMISSIONS



- [IRP.Comments@intgas.com](mailto:IRP.Comments@intgas.com)
- Please provide comments and feedback within 10 days

## IGRAC #1



- Date & time:** 7/9/2025, 9:00 AM to 11:00 PM MT
- Location:** Microsoft Teams Meeting
- Presenters:** Brian Robertson, Ryan Denton, Jon Whiting
- In attendance:** Adam Bohrer, Bailey Steeves, Brian Robertson, Bruce Folsom, Chris Robbins, Darcy Neigum, Eric Wood, Jason Talford, Jon Whiting, Kathleen Campbell, Kristen Nieskens, Mark Sellers-Vaughn, Nicole Gyllenskog, Rebecca Wildman, Ryan Denton, Sean Keithly, Seungjae Lee, Teresa McKnight, Vicki Stephens, Zachary Sowards

### Introduction

Brian Robertson, Supervisor of Resource Planning, opened the meeting by welcoming and thanking stakeholders for participating in Intermountain's IRP Process. Brian then proceeded with introductions, the agenda, a safety moment, and a reminder of the stakeholder engagement goals.

### Presentation #1 – 2023 IRP Acknowledgement and IRP Recommendations (Brian Robertson)

- Recommendations
  - Company work with Staff to implement IRP reporting that includes system enhancement information
  - File that information within six months of a Commission order
  - Establish the practice of authorizing the Company's DSM avoided costs as part of IRP filings and authorize the DSM avoided costs associated with this filing

**Comment:** Jason Talford noted, for the third recommendation bullet point, that the Commissions findings in the order didn't direct for that to happen.

### Presentation #2 – System Overview (Brian Robertson)

- Large Volume 47% Residential 34% Commercial 17%
- Areas of Interest
  - Canyon County
  - Central Ada County Lateral
  - North of State Street Lateral
  - Sun Valley Lateral
  - Idaho Falls Lateral

- All Other Customers

**Presentation #3 – Economic Forecast (Ryan Denton)**

- Stated the Company is utilizing Woods & Poole data for economic forecasts
- April 2020 saw a 10.3% decline due to pandemic
- Idaho’s population increased 2.37% Year-over-year from 2021 to 2023
- Nonfarm employment is slowing down after an abnormally fast post-pandemic growing period
- Overall, Idaho is showing a lot of population and employment growth strength

**Presentation #4 – Residential & Commercial Growth (Ryan Denton)**

- Forecast inputs
  - Woods and Poole population and employment
  - Historical customer count
  - Intermountain performs Base, Low, and High forecasts
- ARIMA model with Fourier term

**Question:** “Why is household and employment used as explanatory variables over population and income?”

**Answer:** “Household and employment are direct impacts to residential and commercial customer counts, respectively. Population and Income are more of an indirect impact. For example, population could increase, however, if the number of people per household is also increasing, we may not see a similar rate of increase in customer counts.” – Ryan Denton and Brian Robertson

**Presentation #5 – Heating Degree Days & Design Weather (Brian Robertson)**

- Heating Degree Day based off 65 degrees
- 30-day rolling average of daily mean temperatures
- Design Degree Days model coldest temperature from Design Peak Day
- Peak Day modeled to occur Jan 15

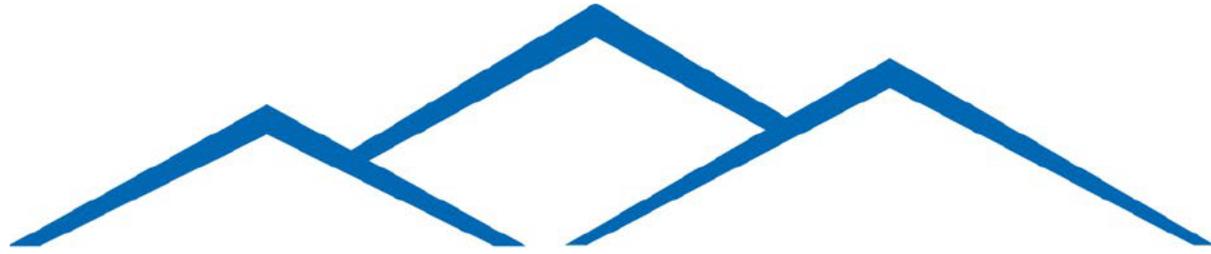
**Presentation #6 – Large Volume Customer Forecast (Jon Whiting)**

- 152 large volume customers make up 49% of sales
- Minimum of 200,000 therms per contract year to be LVC
- Start with historic trends and add customer trends
- Forecasts broken out by classifications, segmentations, and location
- Intermountain performs Base, Low, and High forecasts

**Presentation #7 – Load Demand Curves (Ryan Denton)**

- Load Demand Curve = (Customer Forecast \* HDD \*Use Per Customer) – DSM + LV Forecast
- Preliminary Load Demand Curves for Total System and AOIs were provided

**The Meeting was Adjourned – IGRAC #2 will be held on August 13, 2025 @ 9 AM MT**



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## INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN

AUGUST 13, 2025

INTERMOUNTAIN GAS RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (IGRAC)

# WELCOME

- Introductions
- Feedback Process
- Agenda

# FEEDBACK SUBMISSIONS



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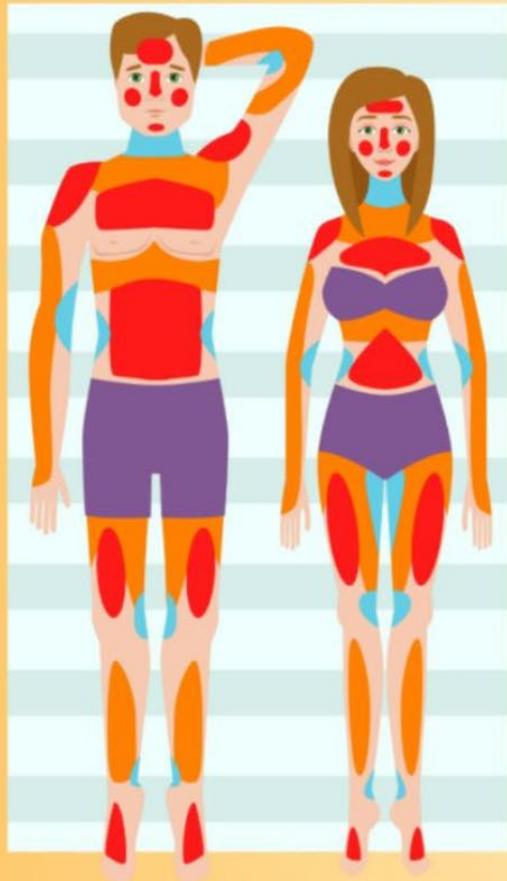
# AGENDA

- **Welcome & Introductions** – Brian Robertson (*Manager, Supply Resource Planning*)
- **Safety Moment** – Brian Robertson (*Manager, Supply Resource Planning*)
- **Distribution System Modeling** – Kathleen Campbell, Zachary Sowards (*Senior Engineer*)
- **Avoided Cost Methodology** – Zachary Harris (*Mgr Regulatory Affairs II*)
- **Energy Efficiency** – Kathy Wold (*Manager, Energy Efficiency*)
- **Supply Resources and Transportation & Storage Resources**  
– Eric Wood (*Manager, Gas Supply*)
- **Questions/Discussion**

# SAFETY MOMENT

## Places prone to sunburn

● Strongly burns ● Medium burns ● Slightly burns



## PROTECTION FROM THE SUN & HEAT

- **Wear a Hat and Sunglasses** – Besides skin damage the sun can damage your eyes; wear sunglasses with 100% UV protection.
- **Water** – Drinking water keeps your body hydrated in warm weather.
- **Sunscreen** – Use sunscreen with SPF 15 or higher. The higher the SPF, the better protection. Put it on every inch of exposed skin.
- **Time of Day** – The UV rays of the sun are strongest between 10am and 4pm. Try to limit sun exposure during this time of day; even on cloudy and cooler days.
- **Shade** – The simplest and an effective means of staying out of the sun is seeking shadows or shade.

Some people think about sun protection only when they spend a day at the lake, beach, or pool. Remember, sun exposure adds up day after day and every time you are in the sun.



# Demand

# Supply & Delivery Resources

Economic Overview

Residential & Commercial Customer Growth

Residential & Commercial Usage Per Customer

Design Weather

Transportation Capacity & Storage

Natural Gas Supplies

Energy Efficiency: Residential & Commercial

Distribution System Overview

Non-Traditional Resources

Industrial Demand

Demand

Supply & Deliverability

Load Demand Curves  
Optimization Modeling  
System Enhancements

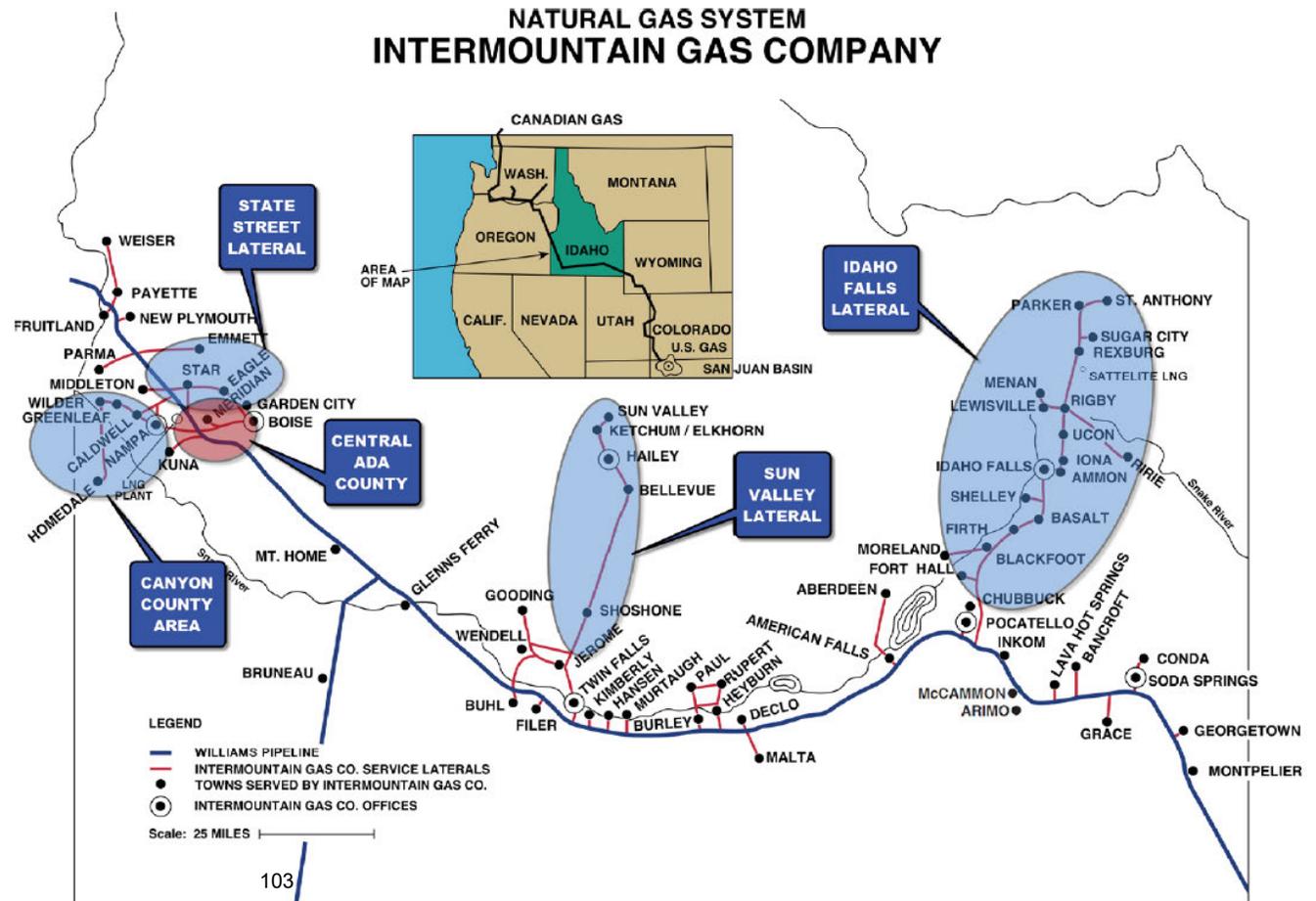
**Demand**

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# AREAS OF INTEREST (AOI)

- Distribution System Segments:
  - Canyon County
  - Central Ada County Lateral
  - “North of State Street” Lateral
  - Sun Valley Lateral
  - Idaho Falls Lateral
  - All Other Customers



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# DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM PLANNING

**KATHLEEN CAMPBELL, PE – SENIOR ENGINEER**  
**ZACHARY SOWARDS – SENIOR ENGINEER**

**IDAHO**  
**AUGUST 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2025**

## SYSTEM DYNAMICS:

- Piping:
  - Diameter – 1/2” to 16”
  - Material – Polyethylene and Steel
  - Operating Pressure – 60 psi to 850 psi
  - Idaho – approx. 7,471 miles of distribution & 284 miles of transmission

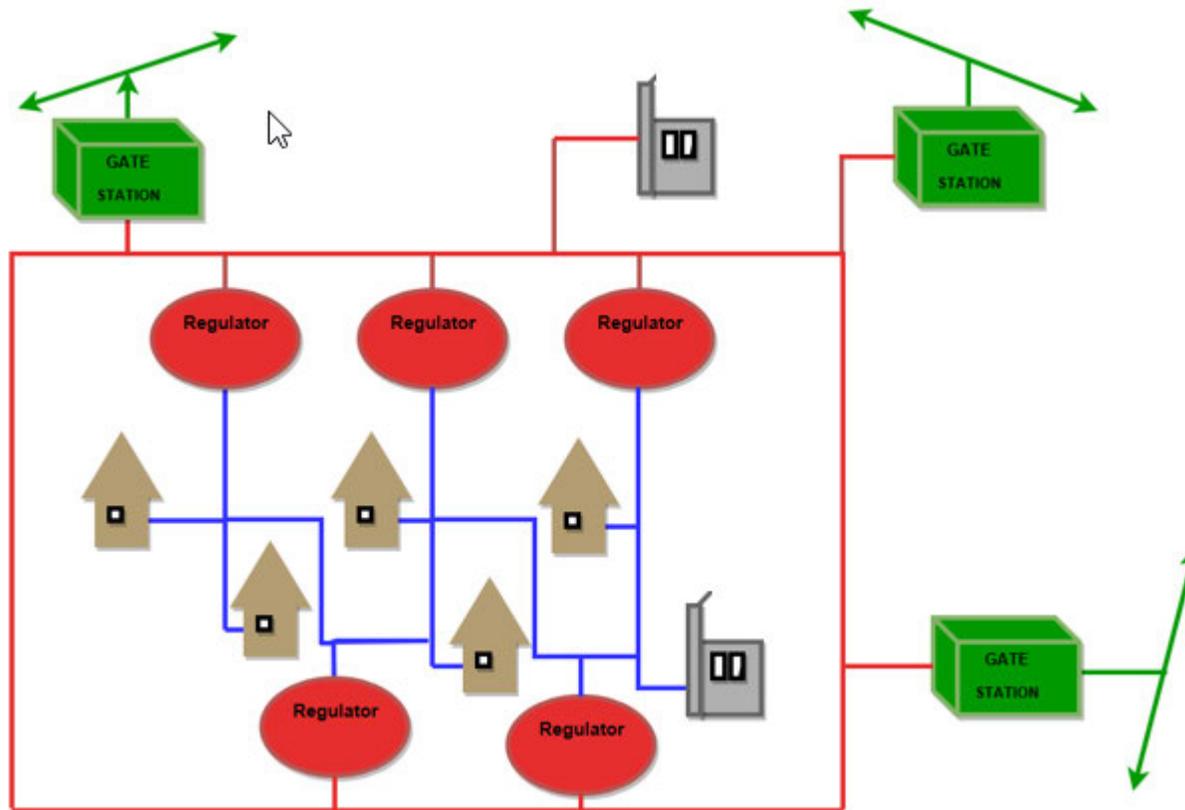
# SYSTEM DYNAMIC'S CONT.

## ■ Facilities:

- Regulator stations – Over 600
- Other equipment such as LNG, gas quality, odorizer and compressors



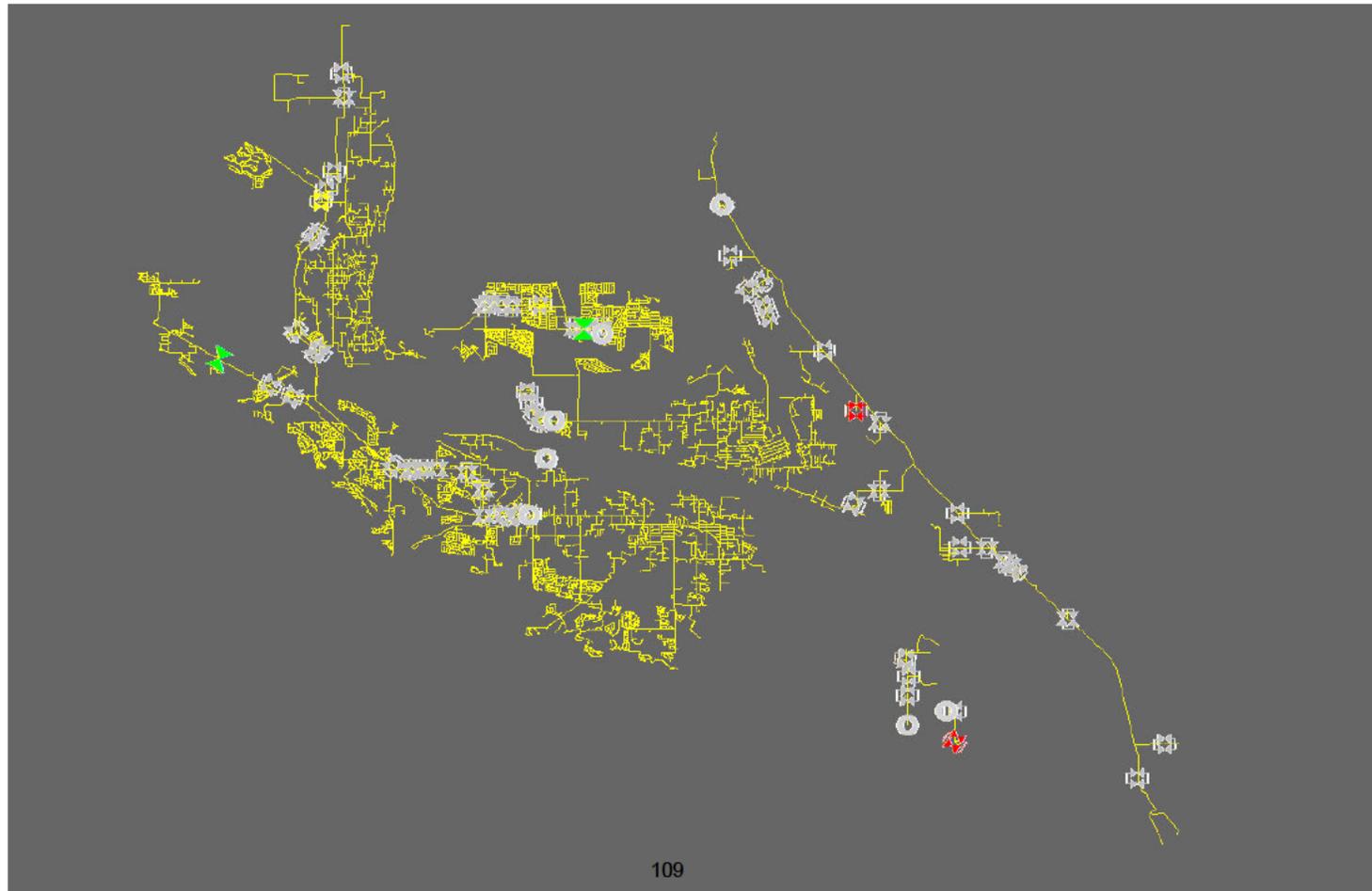
# SYSTEM DESIGN



# SYNERGI GAS MODELING

- To evaluate our systems for growth and potential future deficits we use our gas modeling software, Synergi Gas
- Distributed and supported by DNV
- Models incorporates:
  - Total customer loads
  - Existing pipe and system configurations
- Hydraulic modeling software that allows us to predict flows and pressures on our system based on gas demands predicted during a peak weather event.
- Models are updated every three years and maintained between rebuilds

# SYNERGI MODEL EXAMPLE



# MODEL BUILDING PROCESS

- Synergi models are completely rebuilt every three years and maintained/updated between rebuilds
- When models are rebuilt
  - We export current GIS data to build spatial model
  - We export 5 years of CC&B billing data to CMM to create an updated demands file
  - We validation and calibrate each district model to a recent low-pressure event using existing data (ERXs/pressure charts/SCADA/metertek/LV usage)
  - We create a design day model based on the updated heating degree day determined by gas supply (determined by trending historical weather events)
- IGC models were rebuilt in early of 2025

# DATA GATHERING

- CC&B (Customer Billing Data)

Oracle Utilities Customer Care and Billing V2.2.0 | Control Central | Thursday - November 13, 2014

PROD WebLogic

Main	Account Information	Customer Information	Account Tree	Premise Tree	Bill/Payment Tree	Pay Plan Tree			
01-24-2014	Pay Segment				\$6,788.52	\$0.00	\$6,788.52	\$6,788.52	\$0.00
01-06-2014	Bill Segment				\$6,788.52	\$6,788.52	\$6,788.52	\$6,788.52	\$6,788.52
12-20-2013	Pay Segment				\$-5,902.05	\$0.00	\$-5,902.05	\$-5,902.05	\$0.00
12-04-2013	Bill Segment				\$5,902.05	\$5,902.05	\$5,902.05	\$5,902.05	\$5,902.05
11-21-2013	Pay Segment				\$-5,171.56	\$0.00	\$-5,171.56	\$-5,171.56	\$0.00
11-05-2013	Bill Segment				\$5,171.56	\$5,171.56	\$5,171.56	\$5,171.56	\$5,171.56

Get All

**Billed Consumption**

**Timeline**

November 2014

	14	Jul 2014	Aug 2014	Sep 2014	Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015	Apr
Meter Reads (0)											
Bills (12)		03	05	04	03	05	03	06	04	04	03
Payments (6)	23	21	22	22	21						
Collections (0)											
Customer Contacts (1)						07					
Field Activities (0)											
Cases (0)											

Done | 111 | Trusted sites | Protected Mode: Off | 100%

# DATA GATHERING

MDU SCADA View | Pressures | Usage | Odorizers | Temperatures

- + GPNG
- IGC
- > Boise**
  - > Idaho Falls
  - > Nampa
  - > Pocatello
  - > Twin Falls
- + CNGC
- + MDU

### IGC Boise Usage

**NOTE:** The information on this website is for informational purposes only. It is not real-time data and is *NOT* to be used for operational purposes.

Data View Mode: List Grid | Time Period: Daily Hourly

Monitored Area	mcf/d	Dth/d	Cur day mcf	Cur day Dth	Prev day mcf	Prev day Dth
ALSCO LV Run1	0.0	0.0	37.0	40.2	25.6	27.8
BandDFoods LV Run1	101.7	110.6	34.4	37.4	23.5	25.5
BoiseStateBoiler LV Run1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
BoiseStateEng LV Run1	0.0	0.0	3.4	3.7	8.8	9.6
BoiseStateUniv LV Total	0.0	0.0	No data	No data	8.8	9.6
CentralPaving LV Run1	0.0	0.0	139.0	151.1	3.0	3.3
CSBeefPackers LV Run1	1452.9	1579.5	490.0	532.7	285.0	309.8
DarigoldBoise LV Run1	30.5	33.2	10.4	11.3	29.6	32.2
Darling LV Run1	258.3	280.7	87.1	94.7	10.7	11.6
DoubleJMilling LV Run1	0.0	0.0	129.0	140.2	309.0	335.8

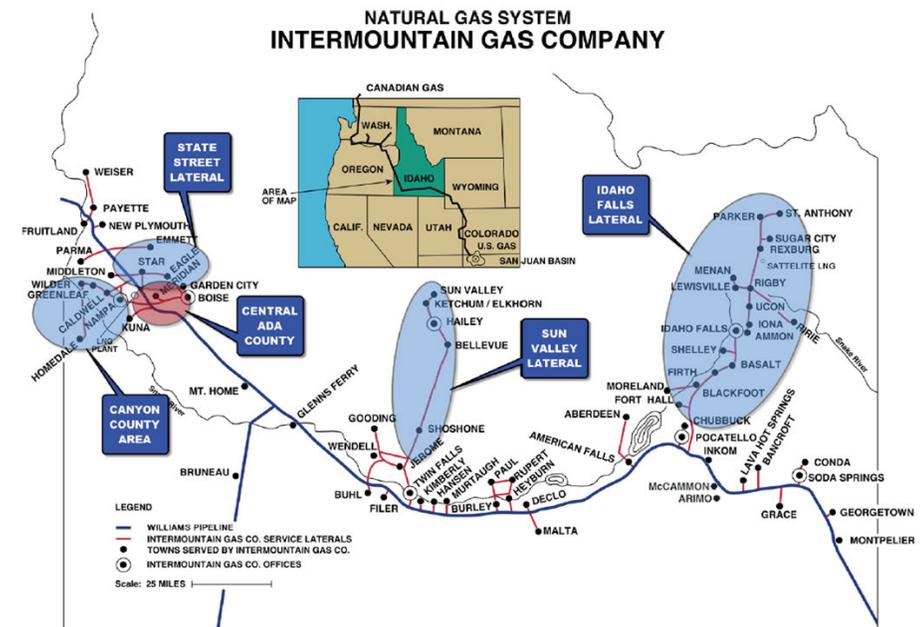
- SCADA Data
- Real time and historical flow characteristics at specific locations in the system

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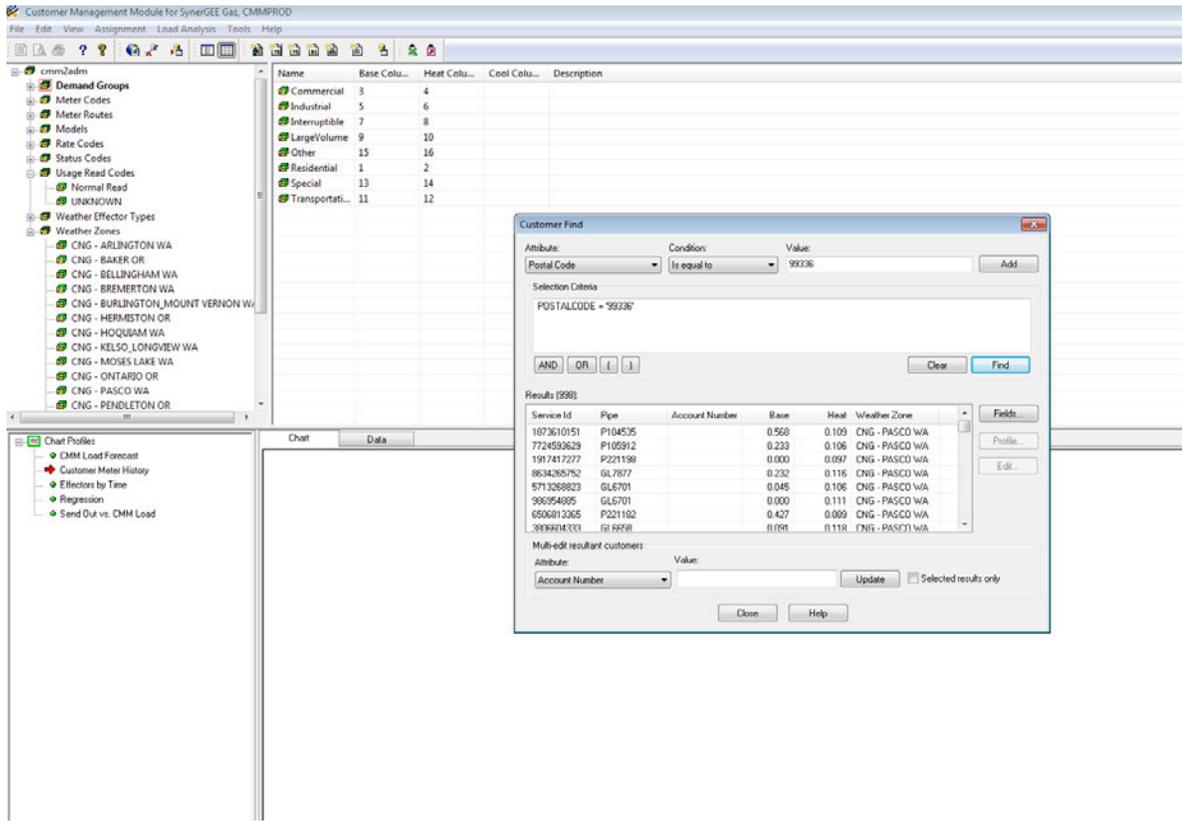
Town	HDD	Avg Daily Temperature (°F)
Boise	75	-10
Nampa	68	-3
Pocatello	82	-17
Idaho Falls	88	-23
Twin Falls	77	-12
Ketchum	82	-17

- Peak Heating Degree Day (HDD) modeled by IGC based on historical weather data

$$\text{Peak HDD} = 65 - \text{Average Daily Temp}$$



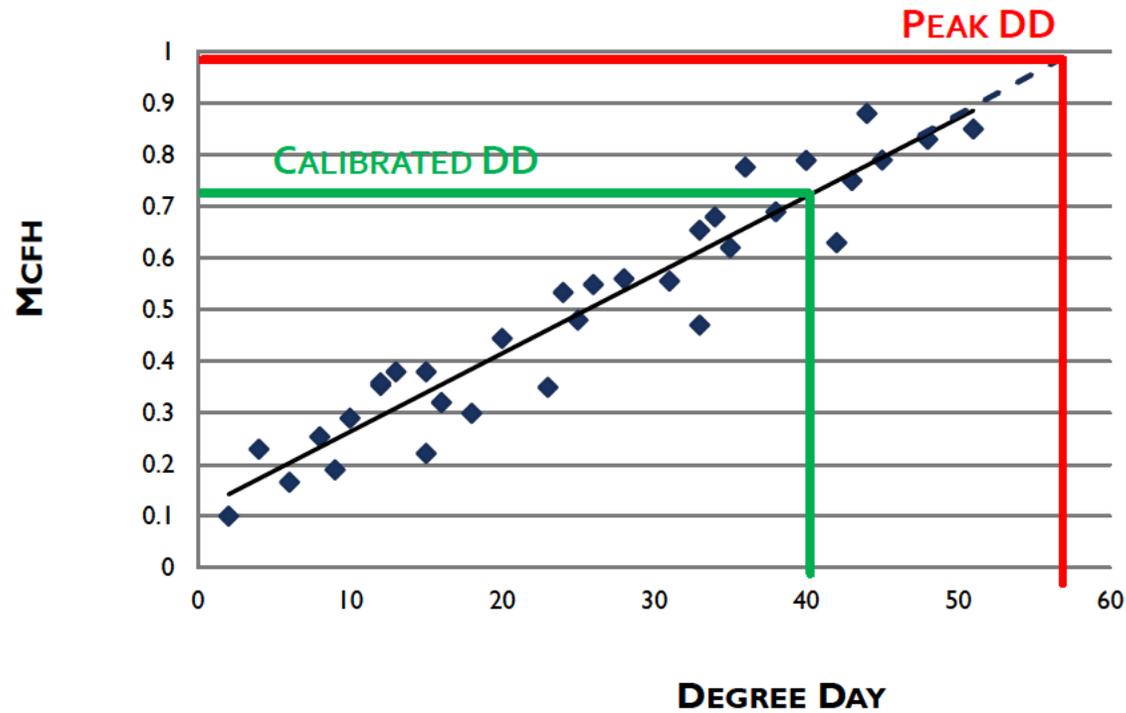
# CUSTOMER MANAGEMENT MODULE (CMM)



- Brings CC&B customer data into Synergi as demands file
- Demand file applies load spatially in the model.

# CALIBRATED VS PEAK DEGREE DAY

## LOAD VS TEMPERATURE



$$y = 0.0152x + 0.1118$$

HEAT

BASE

$$40 \text{ DD} = 0.72 \text{ MCFH}$$

$$58 \text{ DD} = 0.99 \text{ MCFH}$$



# IDENTIFICATION OF SYSTEM DEFICITS/CONSTRAINTS

# SYNERGI MODELING CAPABILITIES:

- Review Large Volume Customer requests
- Model RNG
- Supports design/sizing of pipe and pipeline components (regulator stations, compressors)
- Future planning
- Model IRP predicted growth
- Identify deficiencies
- Determine system reliability
- Optimize distribution enhancement options
- Cold Weather Action Plans and Modeling Curtailments/Interruptible Customers

# WHAT IS A CAPACITY DEFICIT?

- A deficit is defined as a critical system that is at or limiting capacity.
- Critical system examples include:
  - Pipeline bottlenecks
  - Minimum inlet pressure to a regulator station or HP system
  - Minimum inlet pressure to compressor (suction)
  - Component limiting capacity

# DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM MODELING PROCESS TO ENSURE WE CAN MEET IRP GROWTH PREDICTIONS

- As part of the IRP process, we complete a comprehensive review of all of our distribution system models every two years to ensure that we can maintain reliable service to our customers during peak low temperature events.
- With our capital budget cycle, we also complete system reviews on an annual basis.
- If a deficit is predicted the system is evaluated and a reinforcement/enhancement is proposed and selected based on alternative analysis considerations and placed into the capital budget based on timing needs of the predicted deficit.



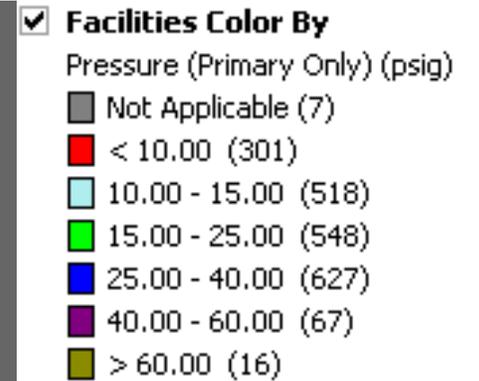
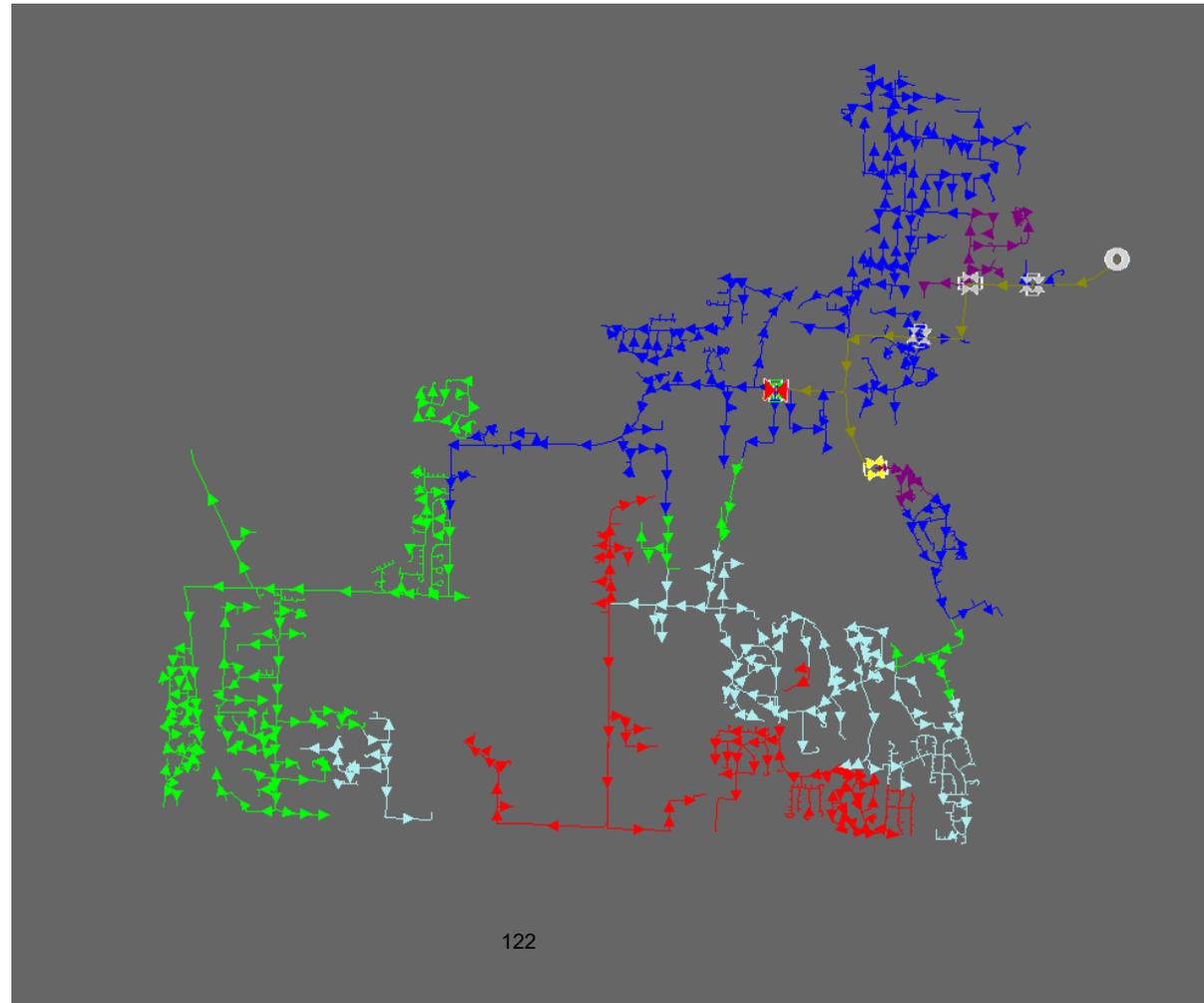
# DISTRIBUTION ENHANCEMENT/REINFORCEMENT OPTIONS TO ADDRESS DEFICITS

# ENHANCEMENT OPTIONS

- Pipeline:
  - Replacements
  - Reinforcements
  - Loops & Back feeds
  - Pressure Increases
  - Upgrades
- Facility Upgrades
- Additional Regulator Stations feeding the distribution system
- New Strategically placed Gate Stations
- Compressor Stations

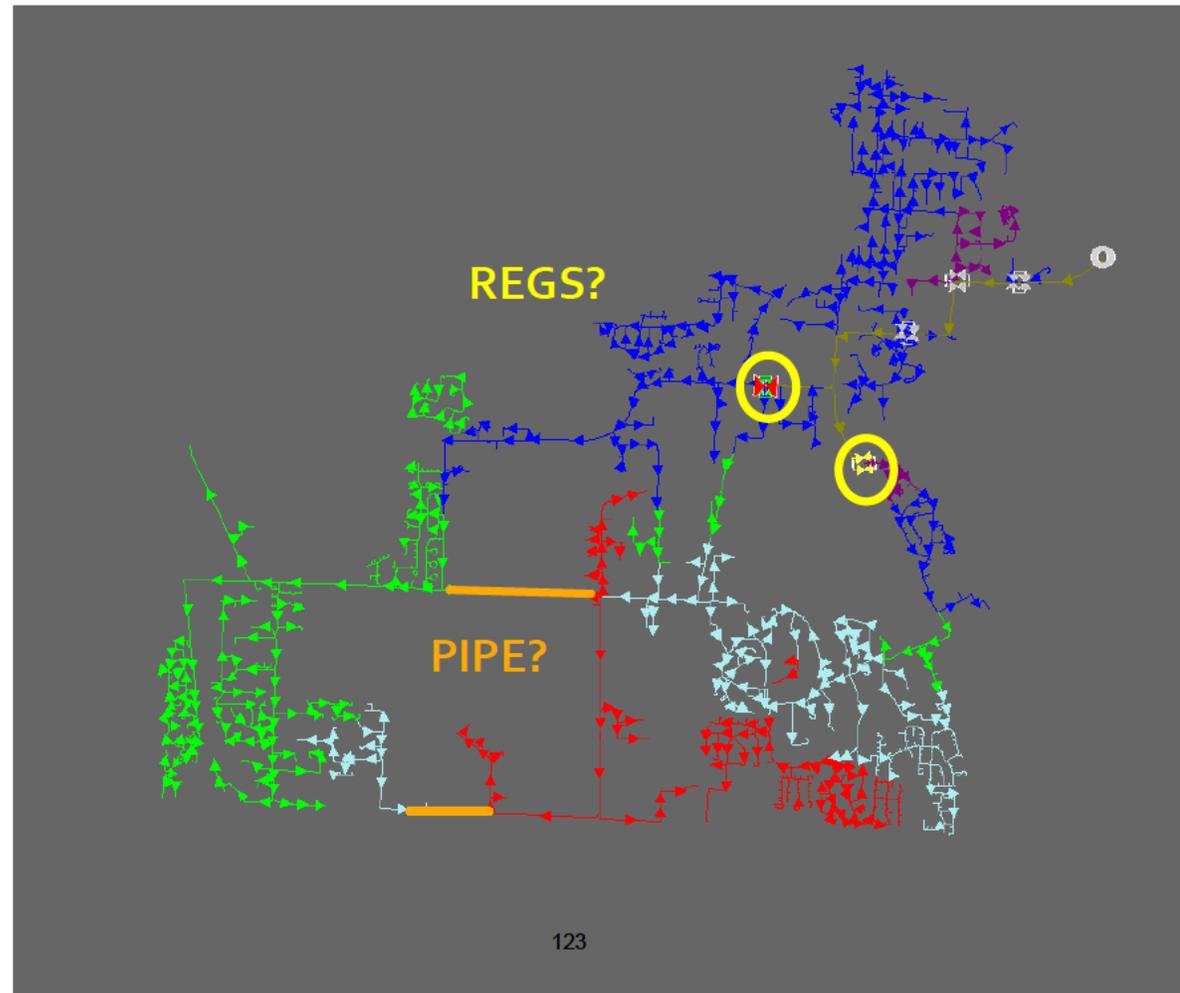
# DISTRIBUTION ENHANCEMENT EXAMPLE

- Theoretical low-pressure scenario



# DISTRIBUTION ENHANCEMENT OPTIONS

## ■ Low pressure scenario



✓ **Facilities Color By**  
Pressure (Primary Only) (psig)

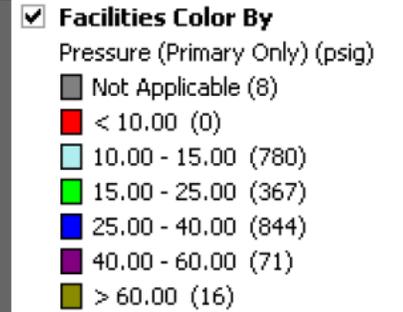
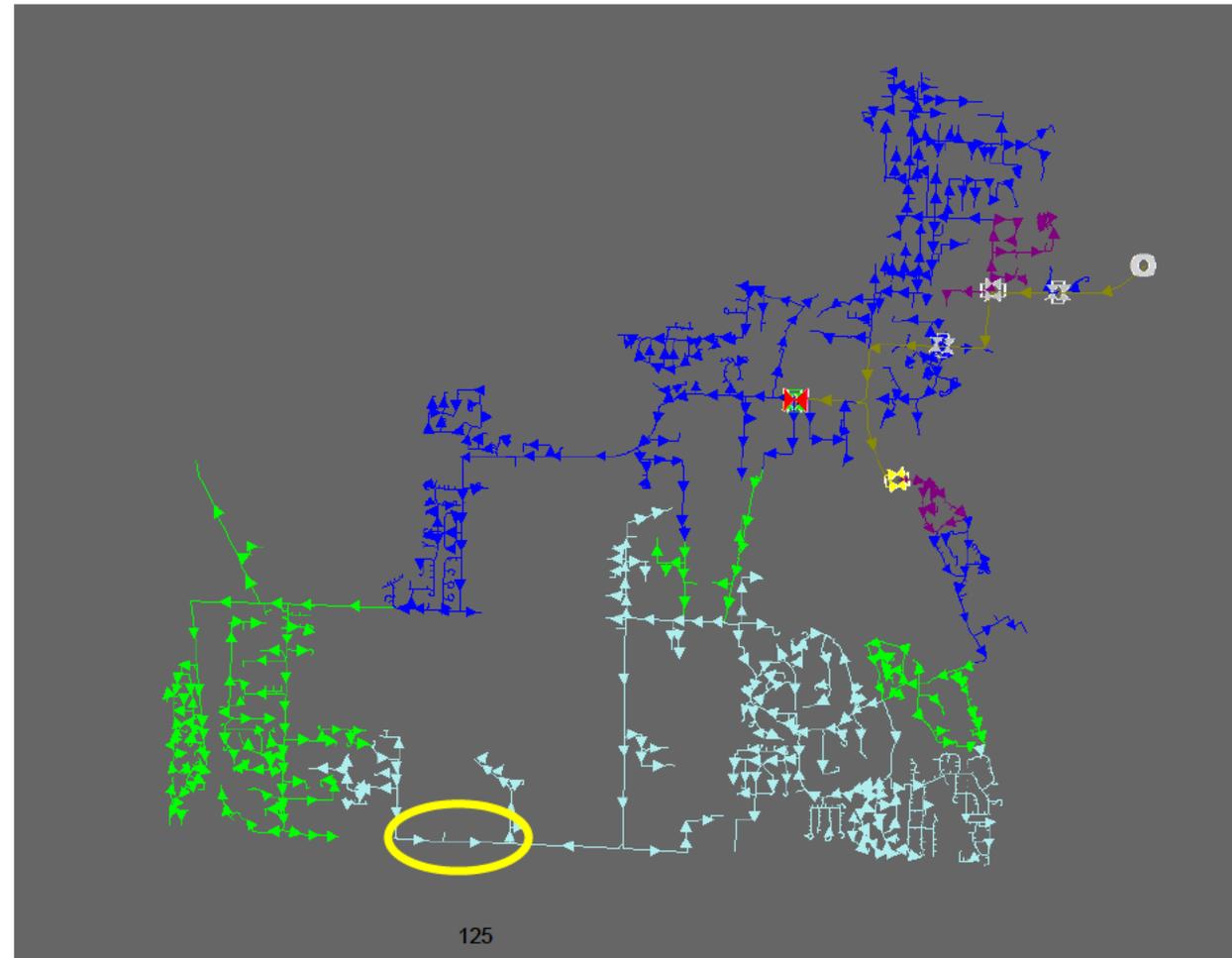
■	Not Applicable (7)
■	< 10.00 (301)
■	10.00 - 15.00 (518)
■	15.00 - 25.00 (548)
■	25.00 - 40.00 (627)
■	40.00 - 60.00 (67)
■	> 60.00 (16)

- Compressor station infeasible
- Other Solutions?



# DISTRIBUTION ENHANCEMENT OPTIONS

## ■ Reinforcement option #2



# ENHANCEMENTS CONSIDERATIONS

- Scope
- Cost
- Capacity Increase
- Timing
- System Benefits
- Alternative Analysis
- Feasibility

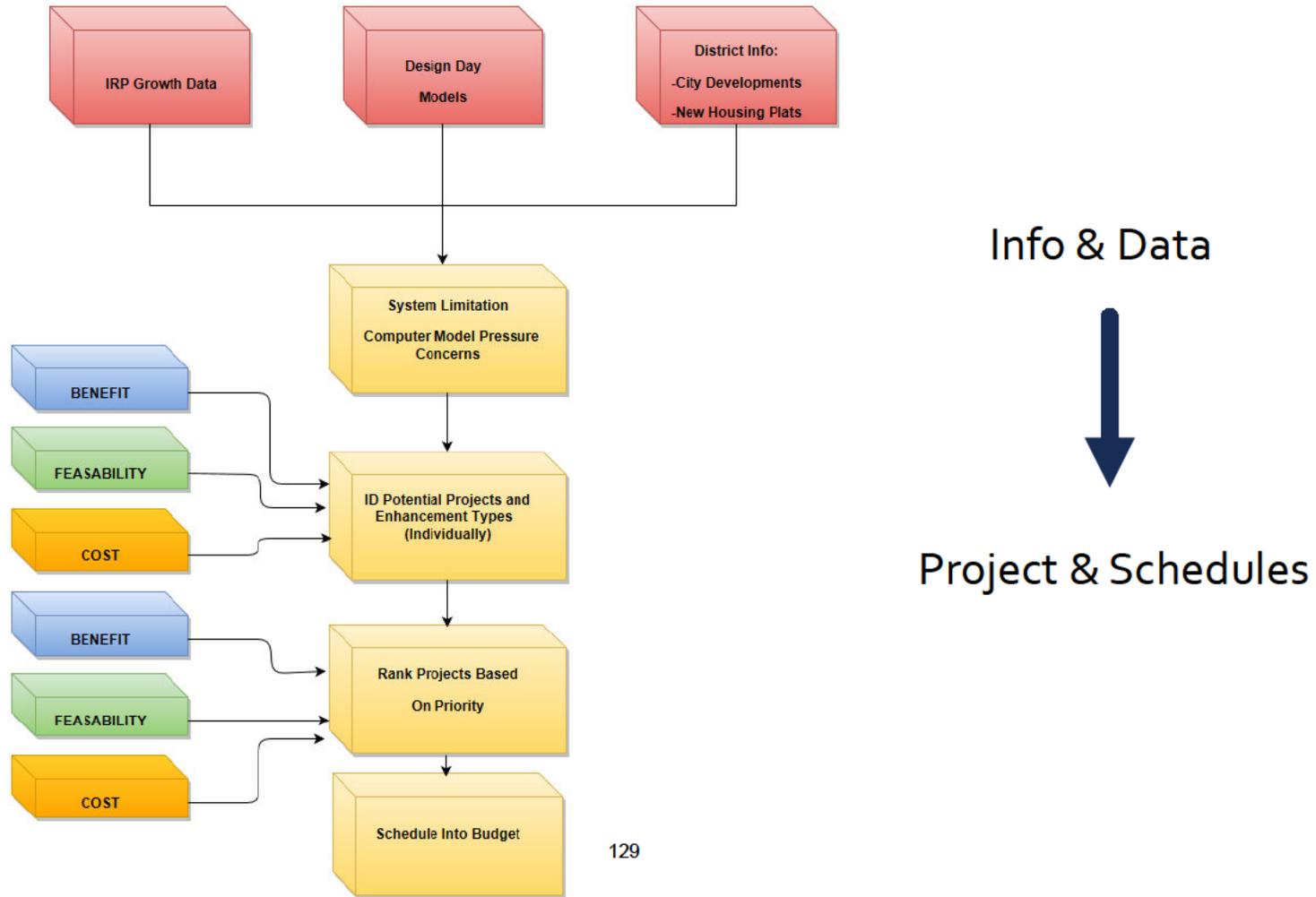


# ENHANCEMENT REVIEW AND SELECTION PROCESS TO CAPITAL BUDGET

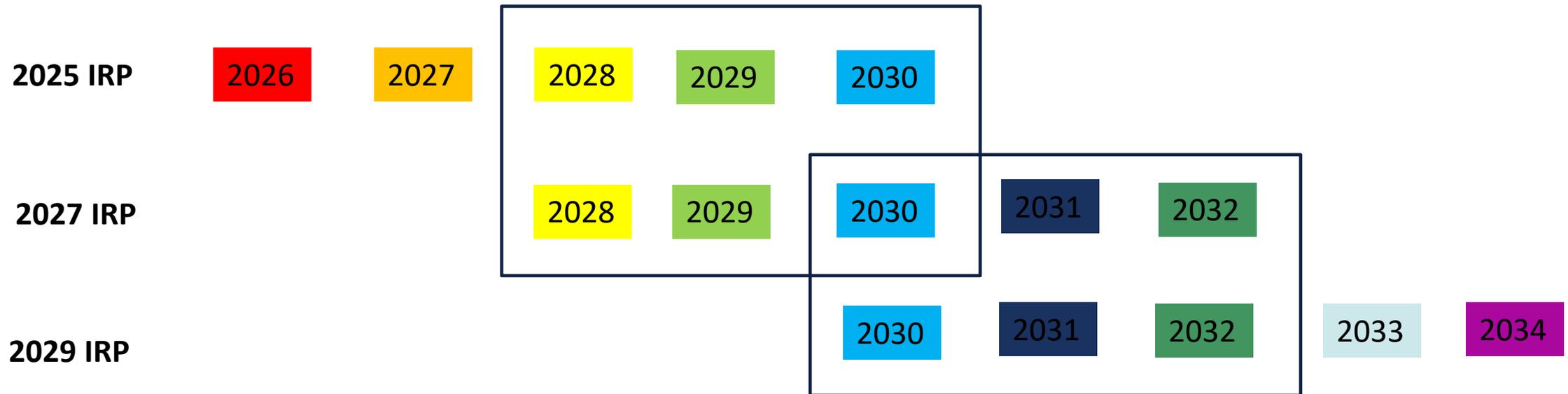
## ENHANCEMENT SELECTION GUIDELINES:

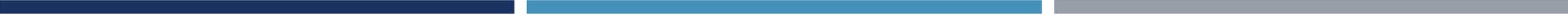
- Shortest segment of pipe that addresses deficiency
- Segment of pipe with the most favorable construction conditions
- Segment of pipe that minimizes environmental concerns and impacts to the community
- Segment of pipe that provides opportunity to add additional customers
- Total construction cost including restoration

# ENHANCEMENT SELECTION PROCESS:



# ITERATIVE PROCESS OF IRP





# QUESTIONS?



# AVOIDED COST METHODOLOGY

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MGR REGULATORY AFFAIRS II



## A BRIEF HISTORY

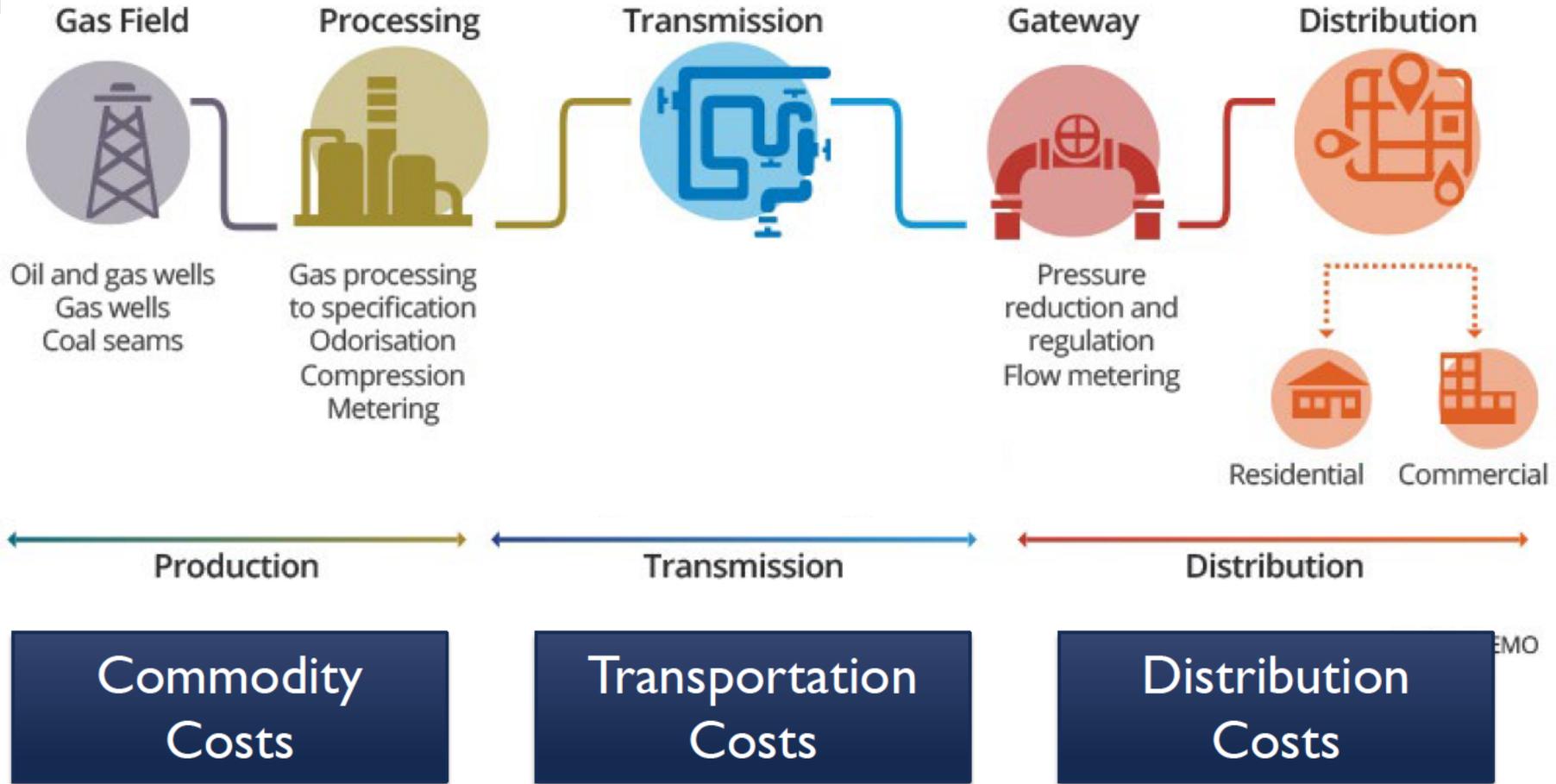
- INT-G-19-04, Order No. 34536 directed the Company to review its avoided cost calculations.
- In early 2020, Intermountain invited interested members of the Energy Efficiency Stakeholder Committee (EESC) to join an Avoided Cost Subcommittee.
  - Met three times between February and June 2020
  - The Subcommittee came to an understanding on the general Avoided Cost methodology
  - Avoided cost subcommittee met in March of 2022
  - Could not agree on distribution cost (still set at 0)
- In Order No. 35663 Commission approves the Company's proposals to streamline avoided cost updates by including them in IRP filings, discontinue their inclusion in DSM prudency filings, and align program planning and cost-effectiveness testing with the most recent IRP and applicable avoided costs.

## AVOIDED COST OVERVIEW

“A Penny Saved is a Penny Earned.”

- The *Avoided Cost* is used to put a dollar value to energy savings.
- This allows utilities to spot opportunities where energy efficiency is more cost effective than a supply-side option.

# NATURAL GAS SUPPLY CHAIN



# FORMULA

$$AC_{Nominal} = CC + TC + VDC$$

- $AC_{Nominal}$  = Nominal Avoided Cost Per Therm
- $CC$  = Commodity Cost
- $TC$  = Transportation Cost
- $VDC$  = Variable Distribution Cost

# COMMODITY COST CALCULATION

- The price of a molecule of gas depends on the basin, the time of year, and even the day of the week.
- Calculation starts with internal 30-year price forecasts for three primary basins.
  - Basins prices are weighted based on company Day Gas purchase data.
  - Normal Heating Degree Days (HDD65) are used to shape monthly prices.

# TRANSPORTATION COST CALCULATION

- Includes the cost of reserving additional capacity on the Northwest Pipeline.
  - Based on costs & volumes listed in latest tariffs for RS and GS-I customers.
- Also contains variable costs associated with transporting gas to city gate.

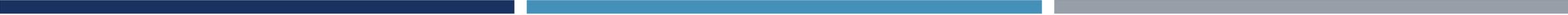
# DISTRIBUTION COST CALCULATION

- Energy efficiency can lead to delaying or even avoiding costly pipeline capacity expansions.
- Large expansions occur irregularly, making it difficult to quantify this type of saving.
- Currently, the calculation contains a placeholder value of \$0.00 for this cost component.
- As part of this IRP Process, Intermountain will work with stakeholders to try to develop a distribution system cost.

# 2025 IRP UPDATES

- Updated Basin price forecast.
- Updated HDD Shaping to use 2024 Normal weather.
- Added new year of Day Gas purchase data.
- Updated transportation cost with latest PGA tariff.
- Inflation Rate updated from 3.15% to 3.99 %.

Year	Updated Cost	Previous Cost
2025	\$0.58	\$1.05
2026	\$0.67	\$0.99
2027	\$0.69	\$0.93
2028	\$0.70	\$0.89
2029	\$0.70	\$0.85
2030	\$0.69	\$0.82
2031	\$0.69	\$0.80
2032	\$0.69	\$0.78
2033	\$0.69	\$0.77
2034	\$0.69	\$0.76



# QUESTIONS?



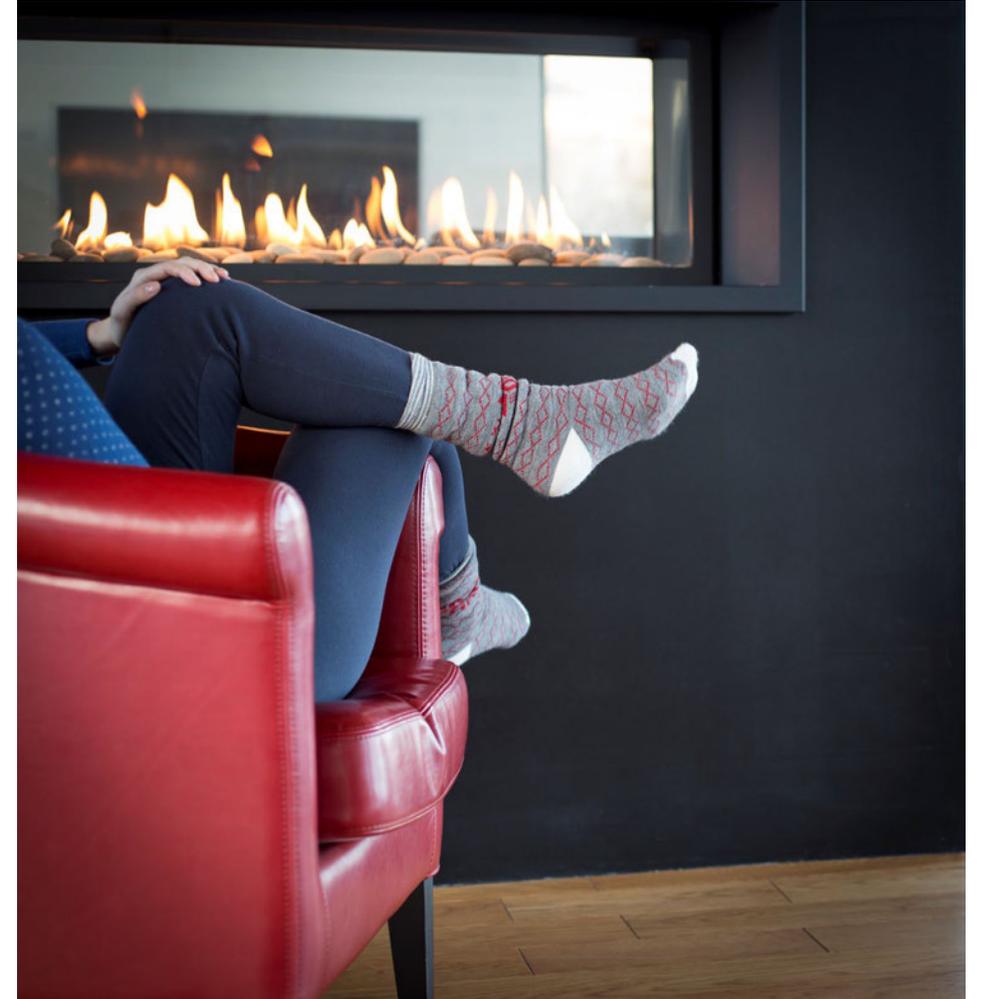
# Energy Efficiency

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MANAGER, ENERGY EFFICIENCY



# Energy Efficiency

Demand Side Management (DSM) refers to resources acquired through the reduction of natural gas consumption due to increases in efficiency of energy use.





Rebate	Minimum Efficiency	Incentive Amount
Combination Boiler for Space and Water Heat	95% AFUE	\$800
Furnace	95% AFUE	\$350
Boiler	95% AFUE	\$800
Storage Water Heater	.68 UEF	\$115
Tankless Water Heater Tier I	.91 UEF	\$325
Tankless Water Heater Tier II	.87 UEF	\$300
Smart Thermostat Use the ENERGY STAR Smart Thermostat Finder.	ENERGY STAR® Certified	\$100



### **WHOLE HOME TIER I – \$900**

- HERS rated
- Air sealing at or below 3 ACH at 50 Pa
- Ceiling insulation at or above R-49
- Ducts and air handler located inside conditioned space or duct leakage to outside of less than 4 CFM25/100 ft2 CFA
- Furnace efficiency at or above 97% AFUE

### **WHOLE HOME TIER II – \$700**

- HERS rated
- Air sealing at or below 4 ACH at 50 Pa
- Ducts and air handler located inside conditioned space or duct leakage to outside of less than 4 CFM25/100 ft2 CFA
- Furnace efficiency at or above 95% AFUE



## Energy Efficiency

### WHOLE HOME TIER I – \$900

- HERS rated
- Air sealing at or below 3 ACH at 50 Pa
- Ceiling insulation at or above R-49
- Ducts and air handler located inside conditioned space or duct leakage to outside of less than 4 CFM25/100 ft2 CFA
- Furnace efficiency at or above 97% AFUE

**NEW OPTION:** Stack the savings and stack the cash in your pocket! Layer water heating and/or smart thermostat rebates on top of the Whole Home Tier I or Tier II rebate.

#### Example 1:

Whole Home Tier I	\$900
Tier I Tankless Water Heater	\$325
Smart Thermostat	\$100
<b>Total Potential Rebate</b>	<b>\$1,325</b>

### WHOLE HOME TIER II – \$700

- HERS rated
- Air sealing at or below 4 ACH at 50 Pa
- Ducts and air handler located inside conditioned space or duct leakage to outside of less than 4 CFM25/100 ft2 CFA
- Furnace efficiency at or above 95% AFUE

#### Example 2:

Whole Home Tier II	\$700
Smart Thermostat	\$100
<b>Total Potential Rebate</b>	<b>\$800</b>



## Commercial Energy Efficiency

### HEATING INCENTIVES

Eligible Appliance	Efficiency Rating	Rebate
Condensing Unit Heater	90% AFUE or Greater Efficiency	\$1,500
Boiler Reset Control	N/A	\$350
High-Efficiency Condensing Boiler	90% or Greater Thermal Efficiency and $\geq 300$ kBTU/h	\$4.50/kBTU/h

### KITCHEN EQUIPMENT INCENTIVES

Eligible Appliance	Efficiency Rating	Rebate
Fryer	ENERGY STAR® Certified	\$800
Steamer	ENERGY STAR® Certified ( $\geq 38\%$ cooking eff/ $\leq 2,038$ BTU/hr/pan Idle Rate)	\$1,100
Griddle	ENERGY STAR® Certified ( $\geq 38\%$ cooking eff/ $\leq 2,650$ BTU/hr/pan Idle Rate)	\$200

## WHAT IS A CONSERVATION POTENTIAL ASSESSMENT (CPA)?

- Definition: A study estimating achievable energy savings through efficiency measures.
- Scope: Residential and Commercial
- Types of potential: Technical, Economic, Achievable.

## WHY WE DO IT

- Strategic planning and regulatory compliance.
- Supports Integrated Resource Planning (IRP).
- Inform IGC's EE goals, portfolio planning, and budget setting, and identify new energy saving opportunities.

## WHO CARES?

- Resource Planning Team – reduction of natural gas consumption due to increases in energy efficiency are a resource.
- Energy Efficiency – Conservation Potential Assessment identifies cost-effective energy saving potential

# WHO CONDUCTS THE CPA?

## GUIDEHOUSE TEAM



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**Neil Podkowsky**  
**Project Manager**  
**Guidehouse**



**Brian Chang**  
**Measure Lead**  
**Guidehouse**



**Raniel Chan**  
**Modeling Lead**  
**Guidehouse**



# 2025 CPA UPDATE

## CONSERVATION POTENTIAL ASSESSMENT 2025

- Guidehouse conducted comprehensive study for the 2023 IRP
- IGC did not have any program changes from the last study to this one
- Guidehouse updated model inputs for 2025 study, rather than run another full-scale study

# WHAT WAS UPDATED IN THE MODEL?

- Global Input forecasts (market characterization) using new data from IGC:
  - Building Stock and Sales
  - Retail Rates
  - Avoided Costs
  - Inflation Rate
  - Discount Rate
- Measure Inputs (savings, costs, and lifetimes) as applicable using IGC Technical Reference Manual (TRM)
- Other Updates:
  - Extended the forecast period by two years
  - Shifted the starting year for adoption of Behavioral measures by two years, so the adoption trajectory now begins in 2025 instead of 2023.

## WHAT WAS UPDATED IN THE MODEL?

- Building Stock and Sales: **Compared to the 2023 CPA, forecasted building stock is generally slightly higher for commercial and modestly lower for residential**

## WHAT WAS UPDATED IN THE MODEL?

- **Retail Rates: Compared to the 2023 CPA, rates are lower for 2024-2025 but higher in 2026 and beyond**

## WHAT WAS UPDATED IN THE MODEL?

- **Avoided Costs: Compared to the 2023 CPA, avoided costs are lower in 2025 but higher in 2026 and beyond**

## WHAT WAS UPDATED IN THE MODEL?

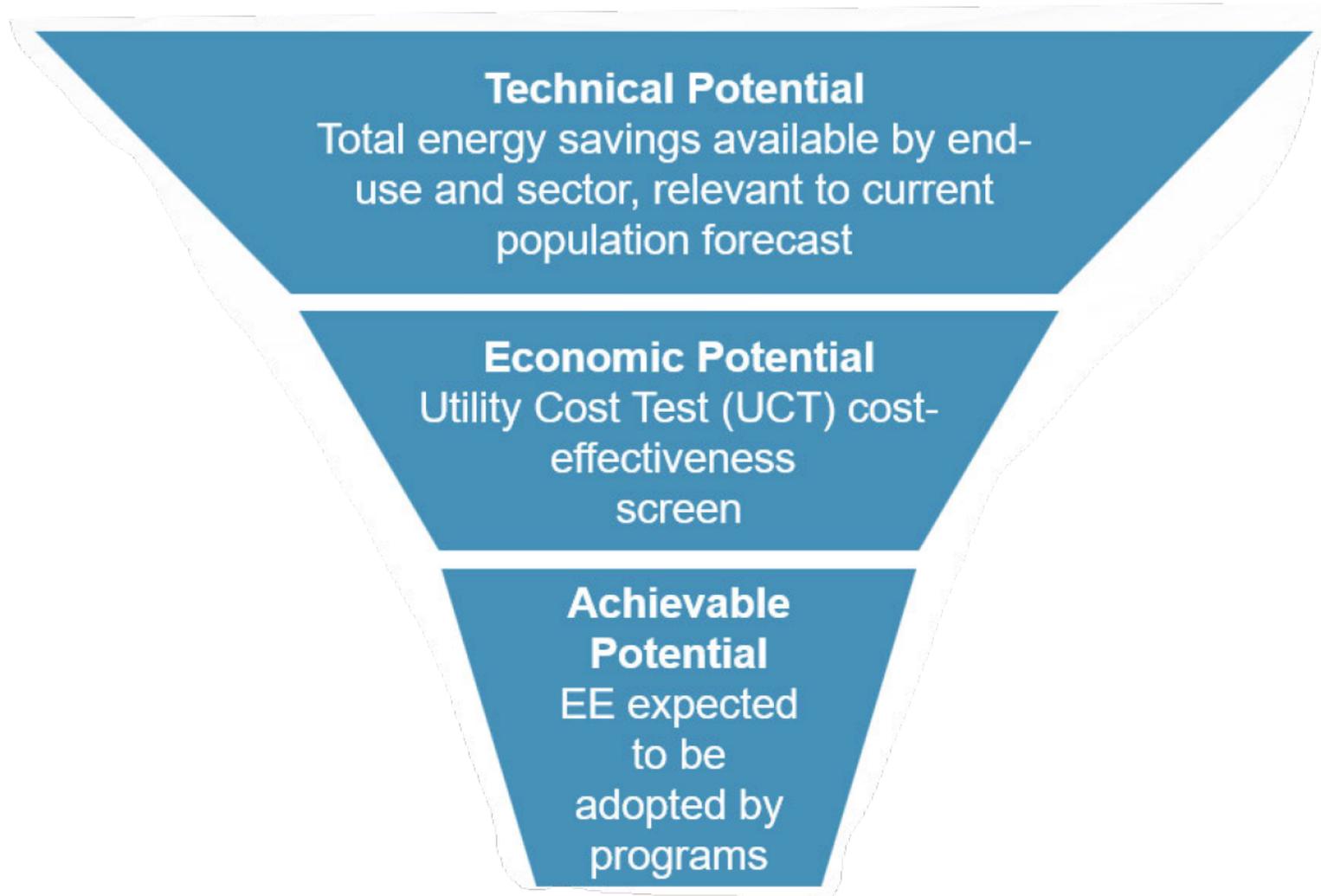
- Inflation Rate: **Now 3.99%, previously 3.15%**
- Discount Rate: **Now 2.68%, previously 3.51%**

## WHAT WAS UPDATED IN THE MODEL?

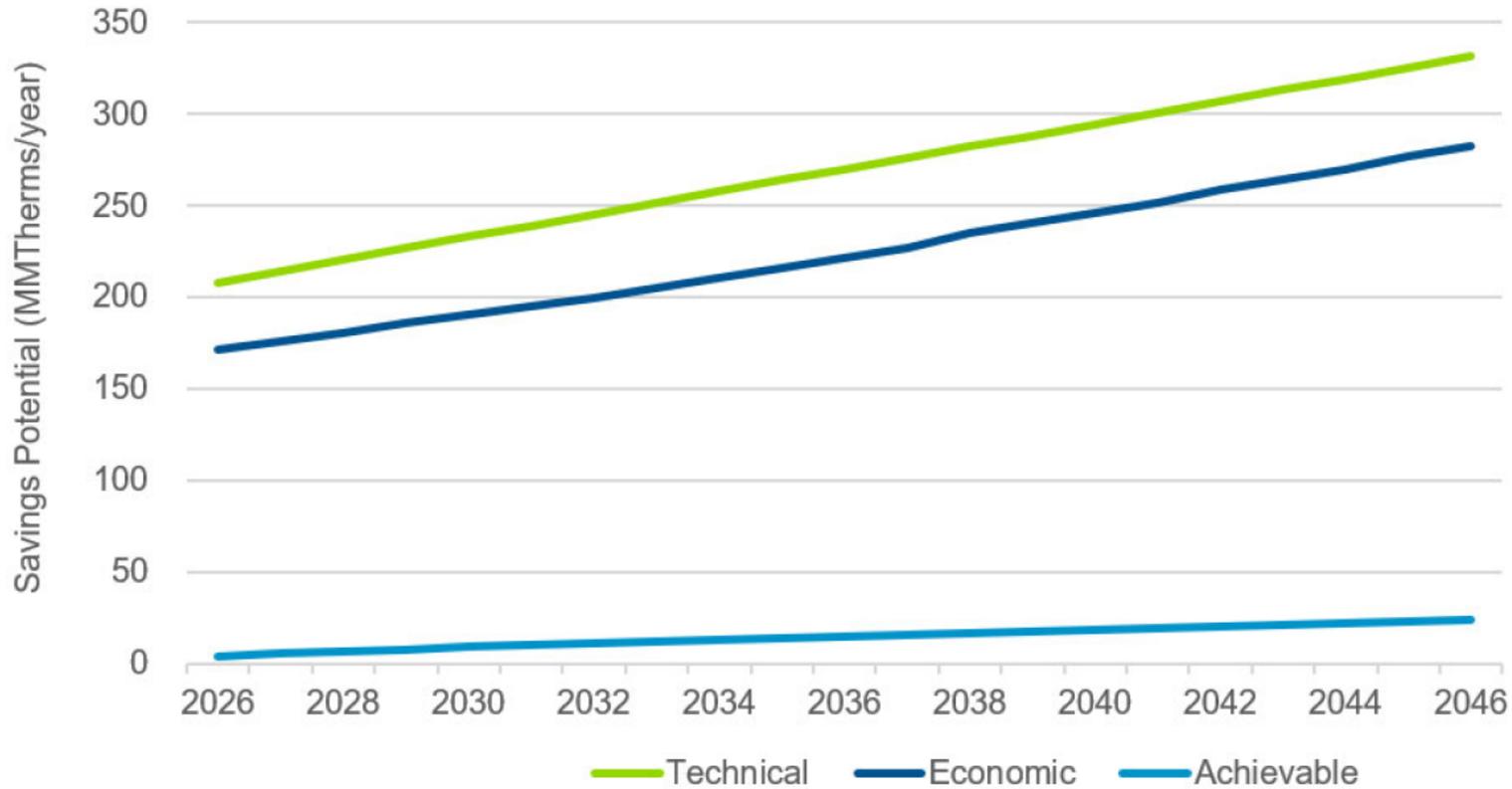
- Updated Measure Inputs (savings, costs, and lifetimes) as applicable using IGC TRM v1.0. **27 out of the 120 measures were updated.**

## WHAT WAS UPDATED IN THE MODEL?

- Other Updates:
  - Extended the forecast period by two years: **it now goes out to 2046 instead of 2044.**
  - Shifted the starting year for adoption of Behavioral measures by two years: **adoption trajectory now begins in 2025 instead of 2023.**



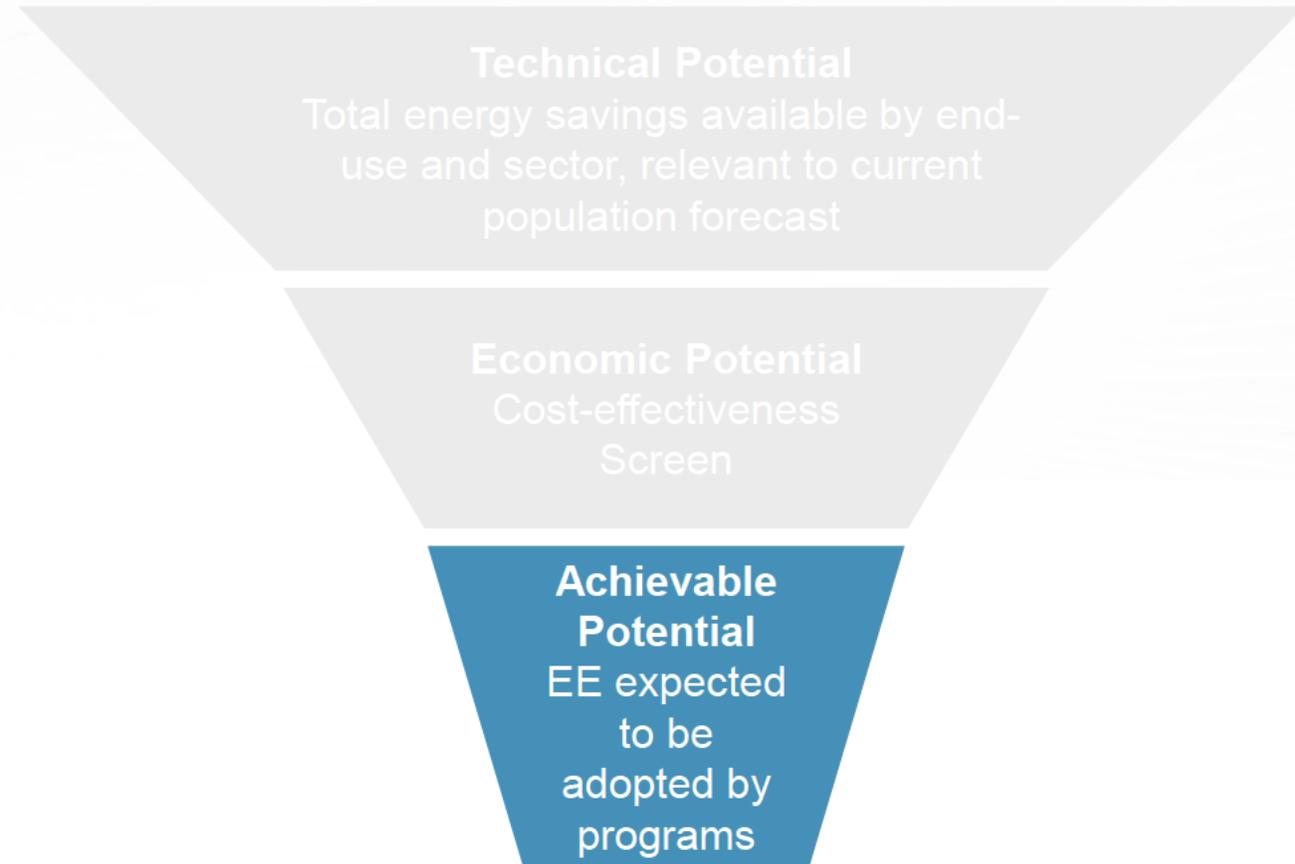
## TYPES OF POTENTIAL

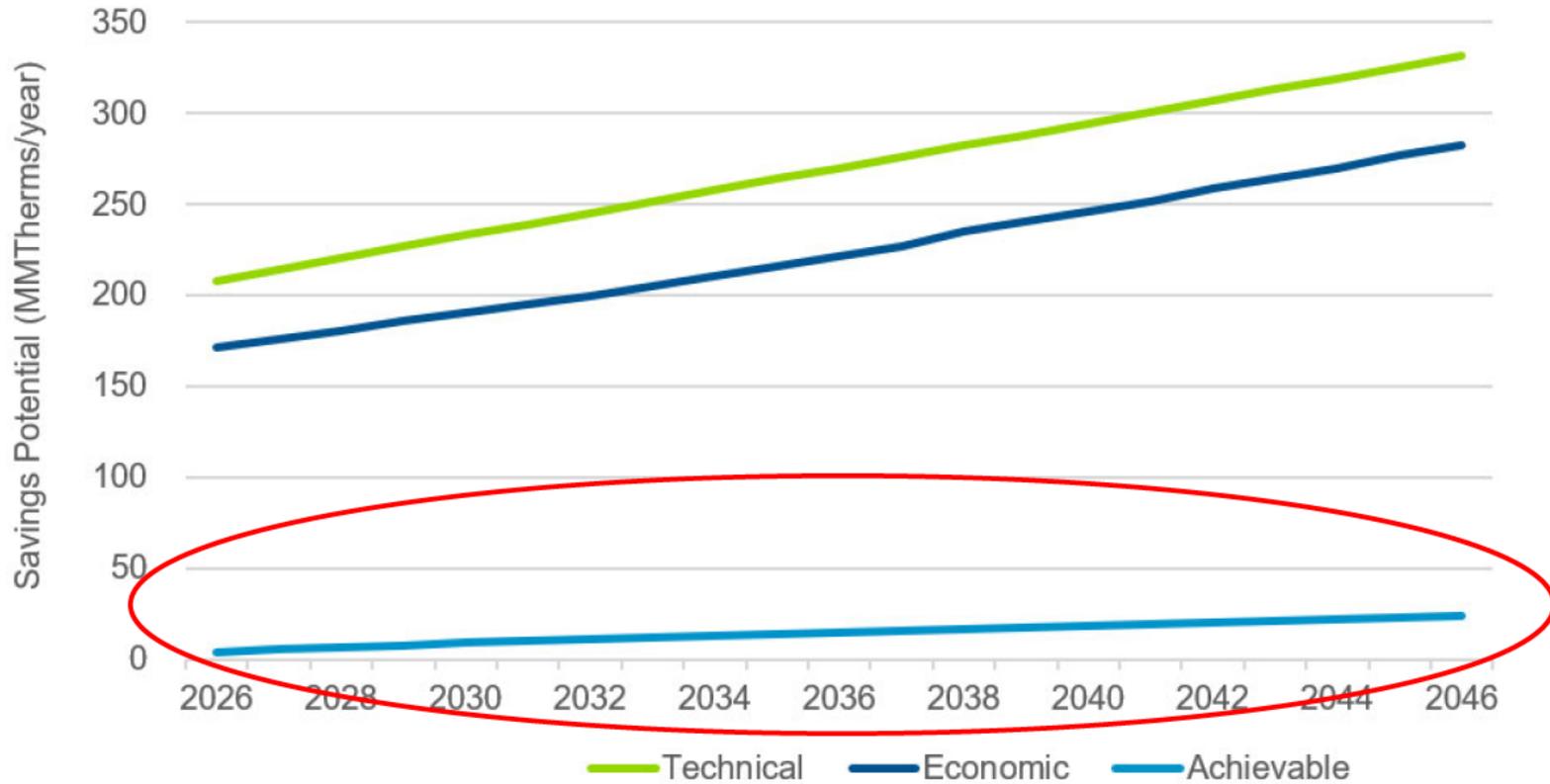


## TOTAL GAS ENERGY POTENTIAL BY POTENTIAL TYPE (MM THERMS/YEAR)

# ACHIEVABLE POTENTIAL FOR REBATE PROGRAMS

- The EE savings that could be expected in response to specific levels of program incentives and assumptions about existing policies, market influences, and barriers.
- Estimated by:
  - Calculating the market share, or penetration of measures based on customer awareness of the measure and customer willingness to adopt the measure
  - Willingness is determined by comparing payback time associated with efficient measure against competing measures
  - Calibrating forecast using historic program data





**TOTAL GAS ENERGY POTENTIAL BY POTENTIAL TYPE (MM THERMS/YEAR)**

# SCENARIOS



**Business as Usual (BAU):** This scenario does not represent an intentionally defined change to the model; it does reflect an assumption that future program budgets will be closely correlated with IGC's historic EE program spending.



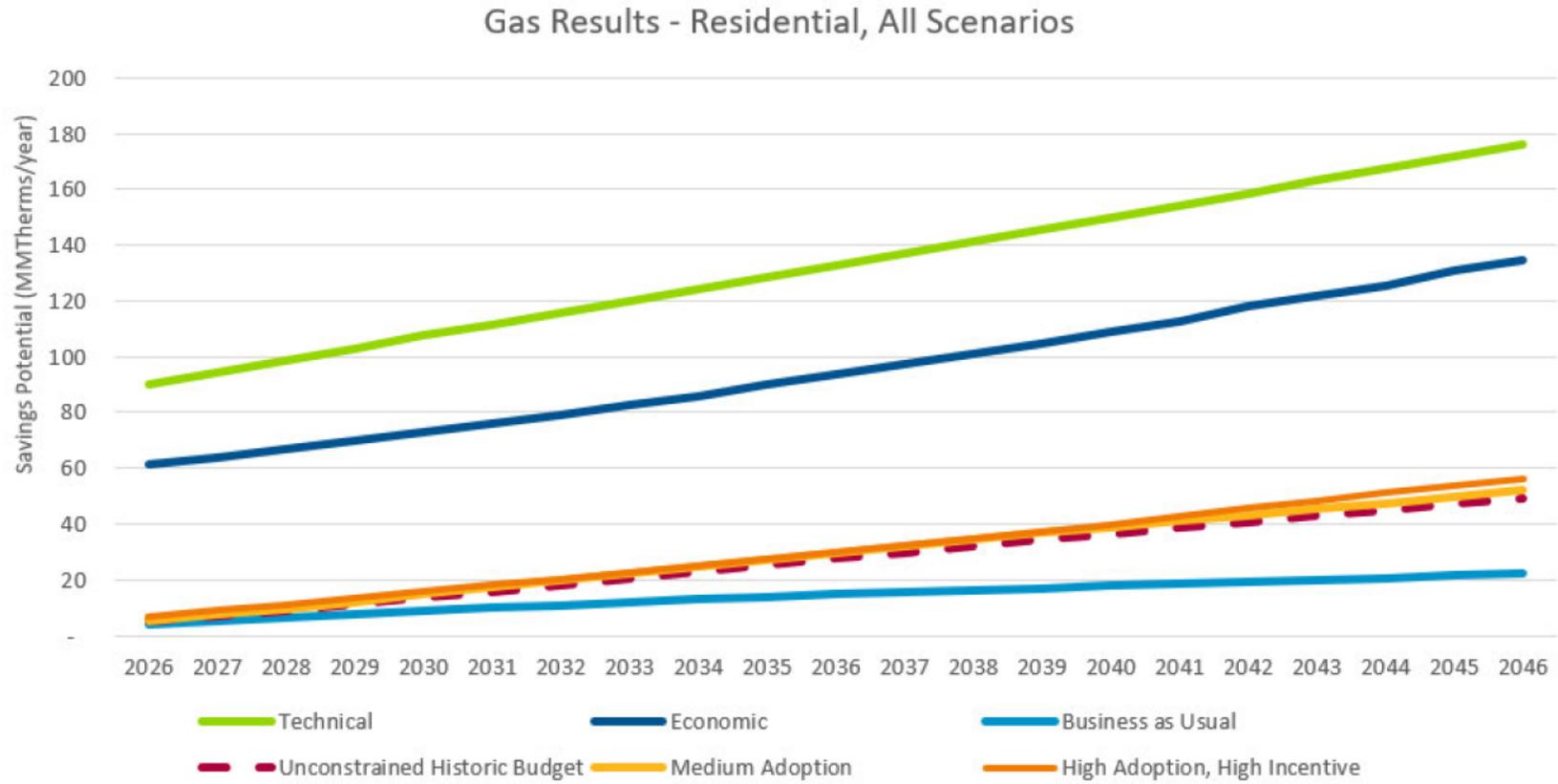
**Unconstrained Historical Budget:** This scenario reflects a ramp up of customer adoption of natural gas energy efficiency over a 10-year period from the start of the EE program (through 2029), driven by increased IGC program activity without constraining program spending to historic levels. Incentive levels are consistent with Business as Usual Scenario.



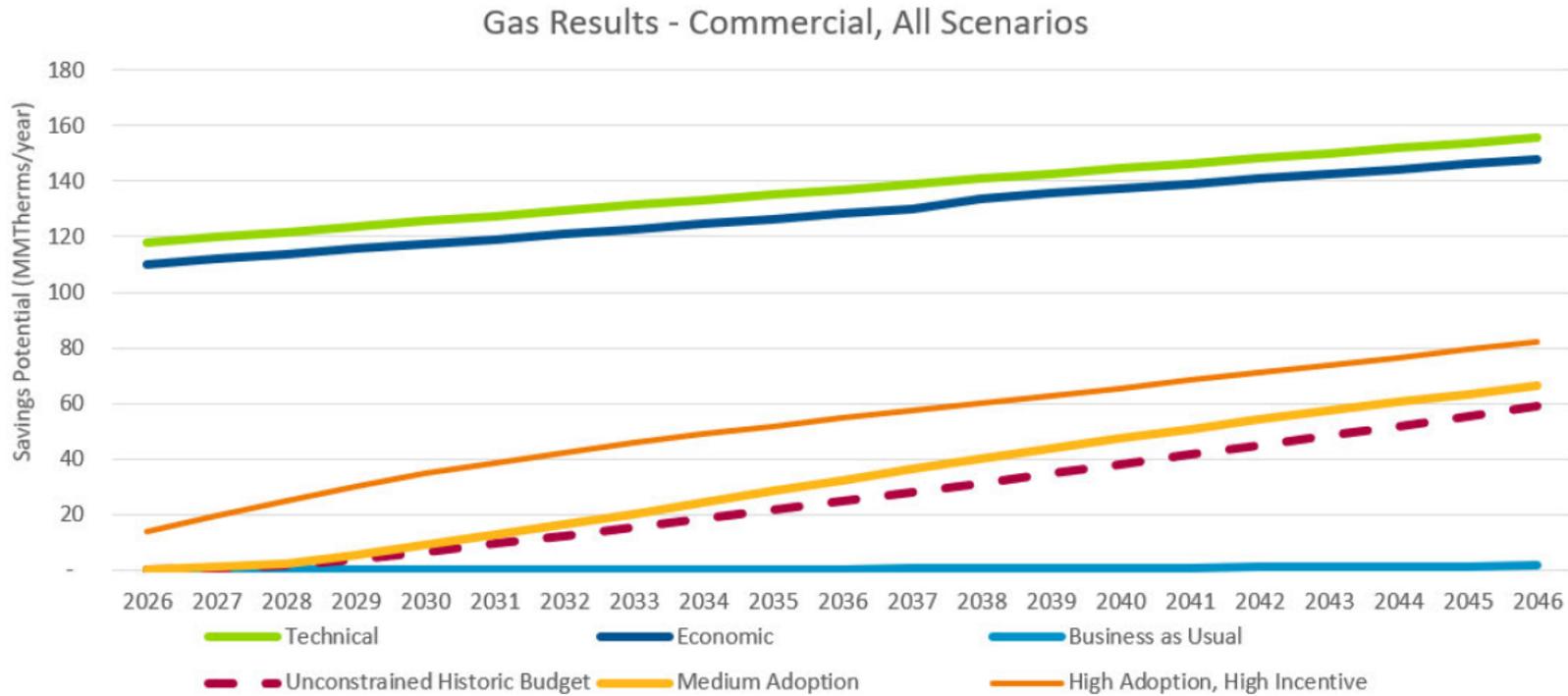
**Medium Adoption:** This scenario increases the adoption parameters compared to the unconstrained historical budget scenario and increases model parameter values relating to customer awareness and willingness to adopt energy efficient technologies. Incentive levels are consistent with Business as Usual Scenario.



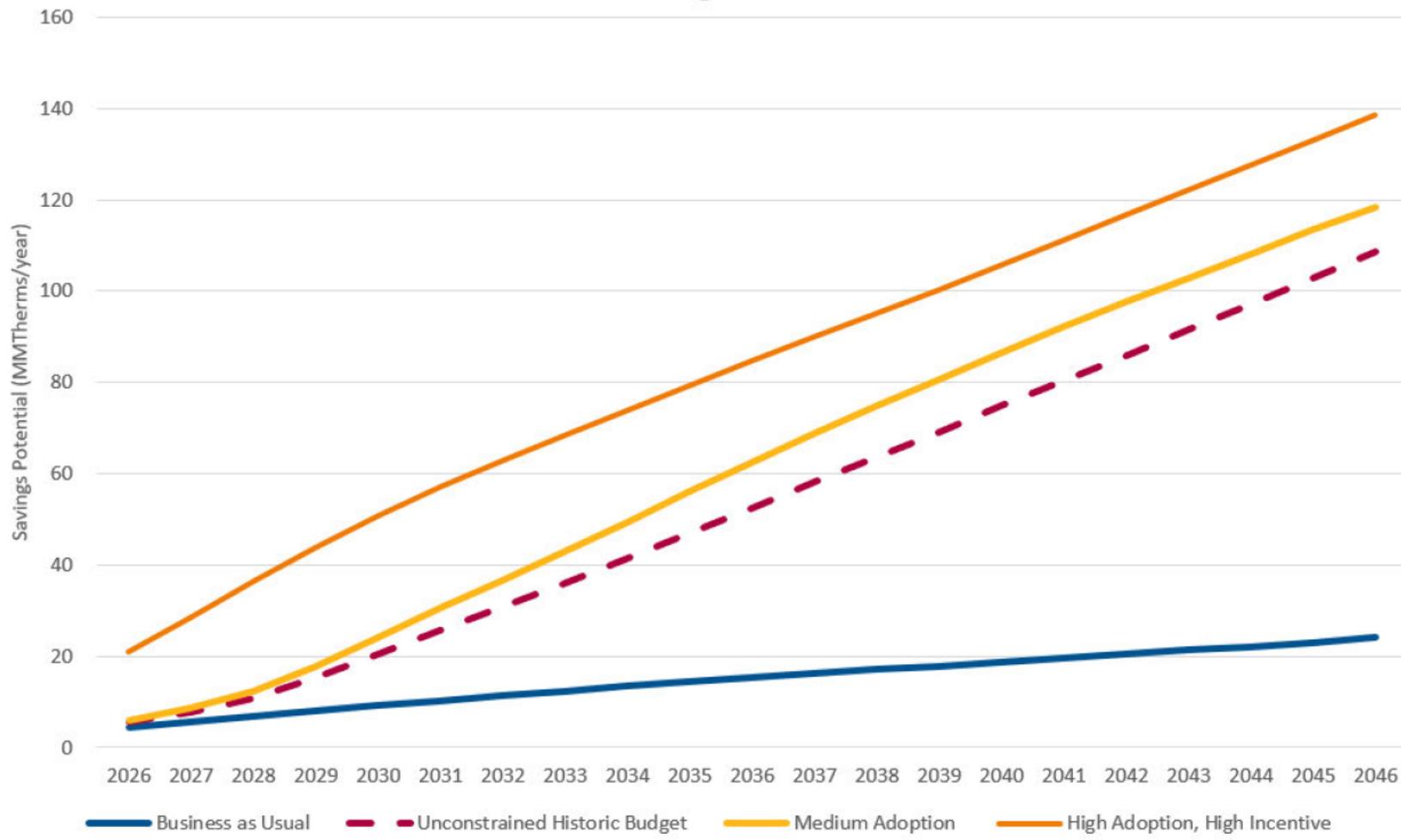
**High Incentive, High Adoption:** this scenario reflects the savings possible by increasing the incentives from 50% of measure incremental cost to 65% of incremental cost and further increasing the customer awareness and willingness to adopt energy efficiency measures to the highest values based on Guidehouse's experience and rules of thumb.



ALL  
SCENARIOS:  
RESIDENTIAL

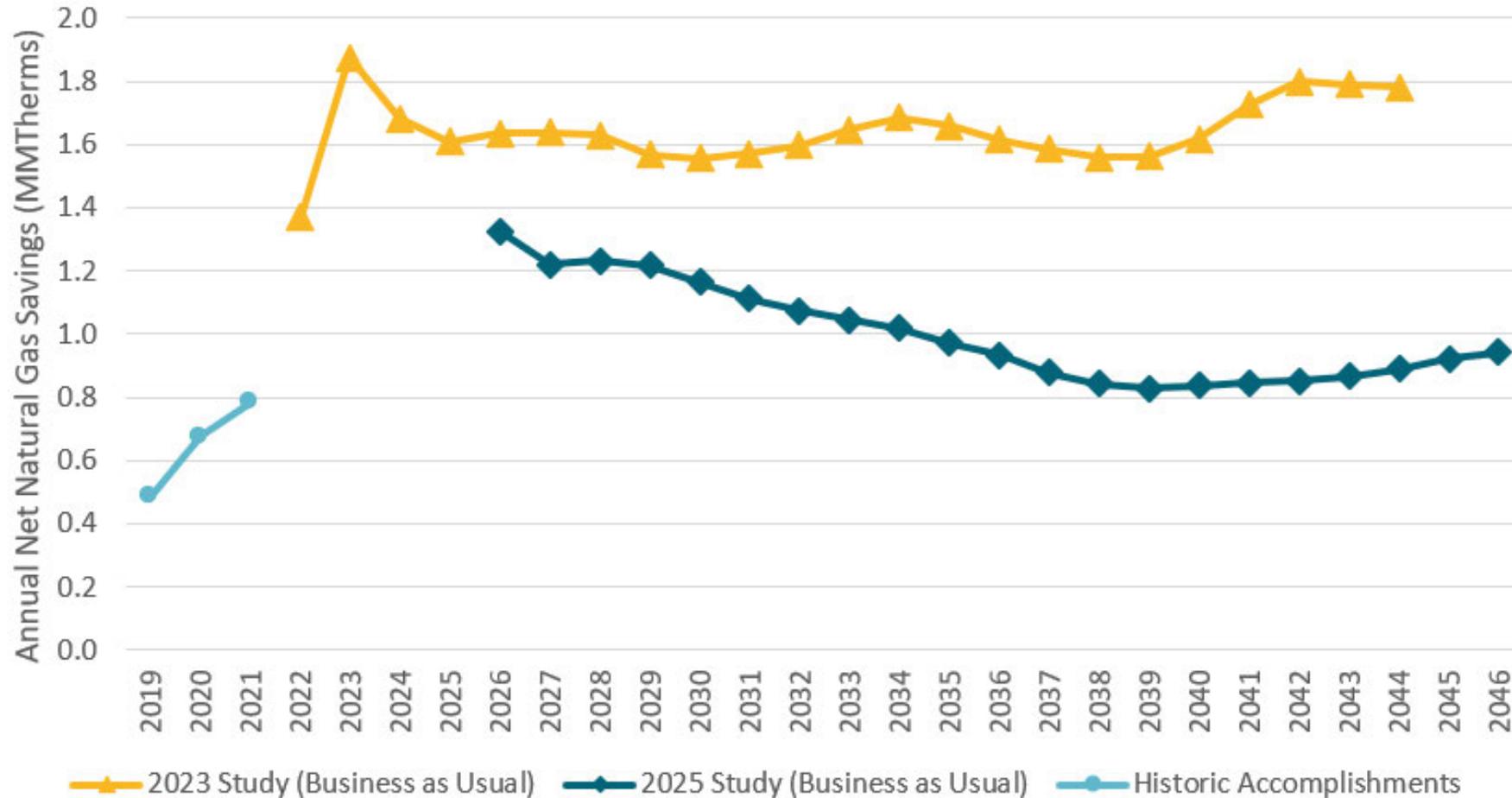


ALL  
SCENARIOS:  
COMMERCIAL



**ACHIEVABLE  
POTENTIAL  
FOR ALL  
SCENARIOS**

# COMPARISON OF 2023 AND 2025 STUDY ACHIEVABLE POTENTIAL, ANNUAL NET GAS SAVINGS



## BIG PICTURE TAKE-AWAYS

- The combined effect of the global input updates was to generally **increase Benefit-Cost ratios (UCT)** compared to the 2023 CPA, driven primarily by higher avoided costs in later years, combined with a lower discount rate (the future is more important).

# BIG PICTURE TAKE-AWAYS

For “Business as Usual” scenario, achievable potential results are overall lower than the 2023 CPA, and the difference grow over time.

## Incremental Achievable Potential (therms/yr)

BAU (Scen 1)		2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2035	2040
2023 CPA	Total	1,681,489	1,609,817	1,636,834	1,639,515	1,629,649	1,569,179	1,555,721	1,658,211	1,616,968
2025 CPA	Total	1,435,954	1,563,629	1,325,611	1,219,682	1,232,025	1,217,600	1,164,390	973,022	836,745
	Change	-15%	-3%	-19%	-26%	-24%	-22%	-25%	-41%	-48%

2023 CPA	Residential	1,656,777	1,582,970	1,607,031	1,606,593	1,593,441	1,529,423	1,511,952	1,587,032	1,497,466
2025 CPA	Residential	1,420,173	1,537,652	1,297,384	1,188,569	1,198,097	1,180,763	1,124,447	910,776	733,919
	Change	-14%	-3%	-19%	-26%	-25%	-23%	-26%	-43%	-51%

2023 CPA	Commercial	24,712	26,848	29,804	32,921	36,208	39,756	43,769	71,179	119,502
2025 CPA	Commercial	15,781	25,977	28,227	31,113	33,928	36,837	39,943	62,246	102,826
	Change	-36%	-3%	-5%	-5%	-6%	-7%	-9%	-13%	-14%

## BIC PICTURE TAKE-AWAYS

The measure competition group with the highest potential by far is Residential Furnaces, which contains three measures: Furnace 95 AFUE, Furnace 97 AFUE, and Gas Heat Pump (Space Heating).

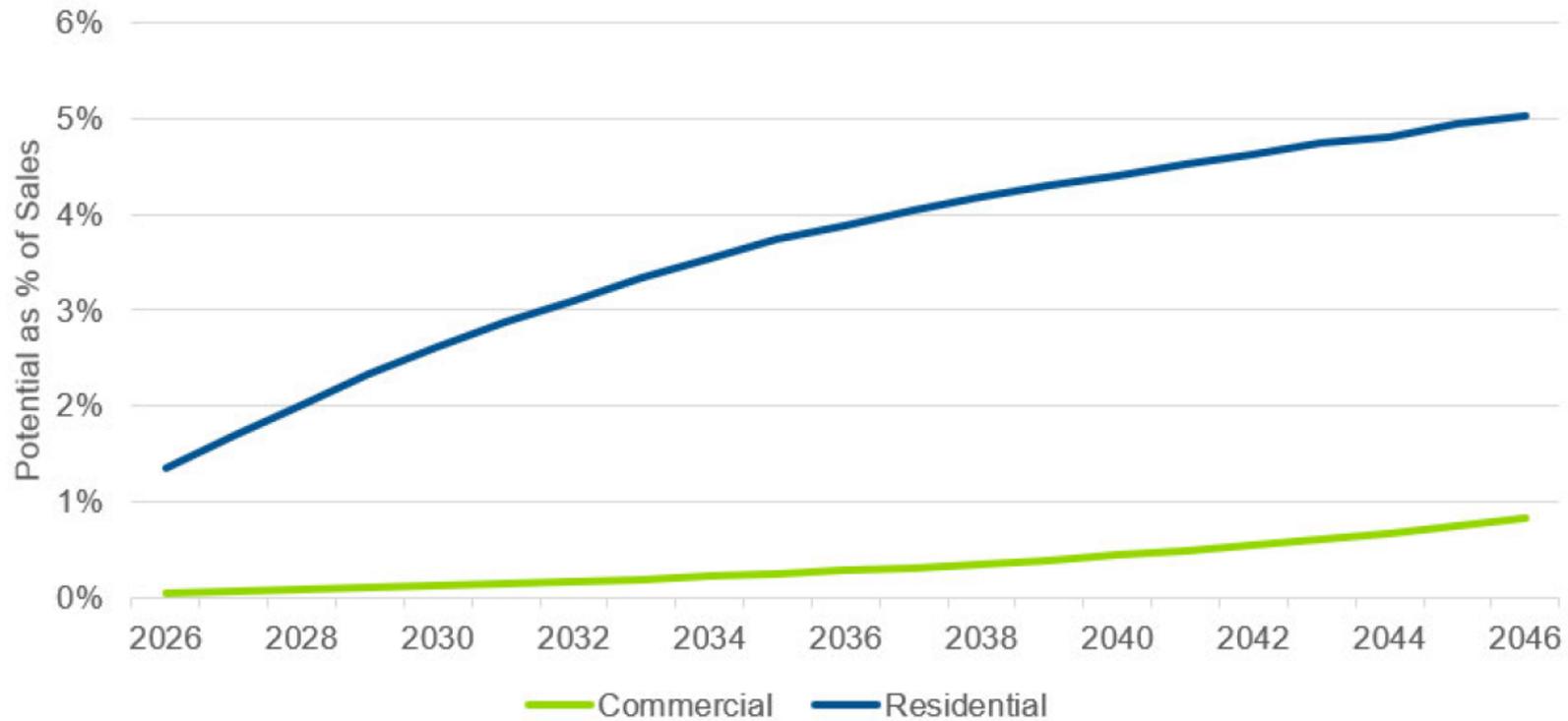
- These together account for 1.2 million therms of the achievable potential for year 2024 (this was 1.4 million therms in the 2023 CPA).
- The key change with the 2025 CPA is that savings (and costs) for the 95 AFUE and 97 AFUE furnaces were reduced by approximately 75% per the IGC TRM. Additionally, the Gas Heat Pump measure (which has much higher savings) is cost-effective in more cases than previously, but the increase in savings for Gas Heat Pumps is not quite enough to offset the reduction from the Furnace measures.

# BIG PICTURE TAKE-AWAYS

- In other scenarios, for example “Unconstrained” (Scenario 2), **long-term potential is higher overall** versus the 2023 CPA. This is driven by an increase in Commercial sector potential, is the result of more measure instances being modeled as cost-effective.

## Incremental Achievable Potential (therms/yr)

Unconstrained (Scen 2)		2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2035	2040
2023 CPA	Total	1,831,708	1,844,290	2,035,668	2,308,830	2,714,656	3,338,038	3,869,440	4,567,530	4,863,836
2025 CPA	Total	1,707,709	1,895,482	1,884,112	2,205,254	2,988,603	4,582,124	5,129,087	5,507,711	5,605,450
	Change	-7%	3%	-7%	-4%	10%	37%	33%	21%	15%
2023 CPA	Residential	1,770,217	1,758,697	1,896,150	2,062,150	2,255,438	2,417,756	2,647,520	3,002,944	3,054,105
2025 CPA	Residential	1,632,166	1,777,571	1,681,739	1,781,715	2,022,127	2,250,872	2,370,881	2,346,401	2,193,605
	Change	-8%	1%	-11%	-14%	-10%	-7%	-10%	-22%	-28%
2023 CPA	Commercial	61,491	85,593	139,518	246,681	459,218	920,282	1,221,921	1,564,586	1,809,730
2025 CPA	Commercial	75,543	117,911	202,373	423,539	966,475	2,331,252	2,758,206	3,161,310	3,411,845
	Change	23%	38%	45%	72%	110%	153%	126%	102%	89%



**ACHIEVABLE  
POTENTIAL BY  
SECTOR AS A  
PERCENT OF  
TOTAL SALES**

**BIG PICTURE, IT'S  
STILL PRETTY  
SMALL.**

## WHAT'S NEXT?

- IRP team to apply study results to resource planning.
- IGC has filed an update to the Residential offering, that is still an open case.
- Proposing changes to the Commercial Program offering.



**BREAK**



# SUPPLY & DELIVERY RESOURCES

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# GAS SUPPLY PLANNING

- What's the goal? To meet the energy needs and expectations of our customers:
  - Reliability (365 days per year)
  - Security (delivery on the coldest day)
  - Competitive and stable prices through a mix of fixed priced hedges
  - Efficiently meet future growth
  - Frequently evaluate the portfolio

# NATURAL GAS SUPPLIES

## What are Traditional Supply Resources?

- Natural gas supply; the molecules or “commodity”
- Interstate pipeline capacity
- Storage facility capacity
- Energy Efficiency

## What are Non-Traditional Supply Resources?

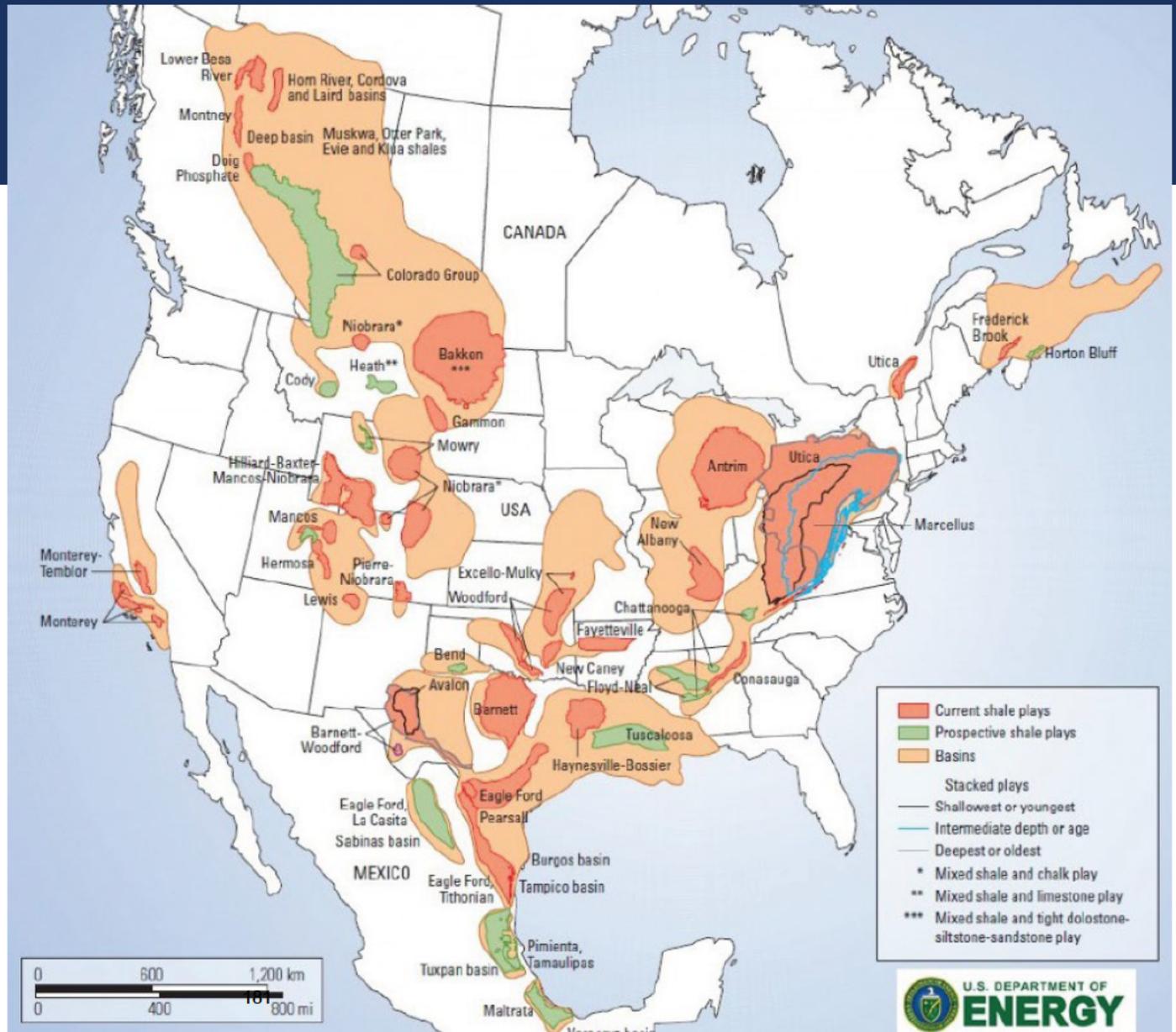
- Renewable Natural Gas
- Hydrogen

# NATURAL GAS SUPPLIES

## Where Does "Our" Gas Come From?

- Canadian gas supply (~90%)
  - British Columbia
  - Alberta
- Rockies' gas supply (~10%)
  - Wyoming, Colorado, Utah etc.
- Access to supply somewhat dependent upon available transport capacity

- North American gas plays

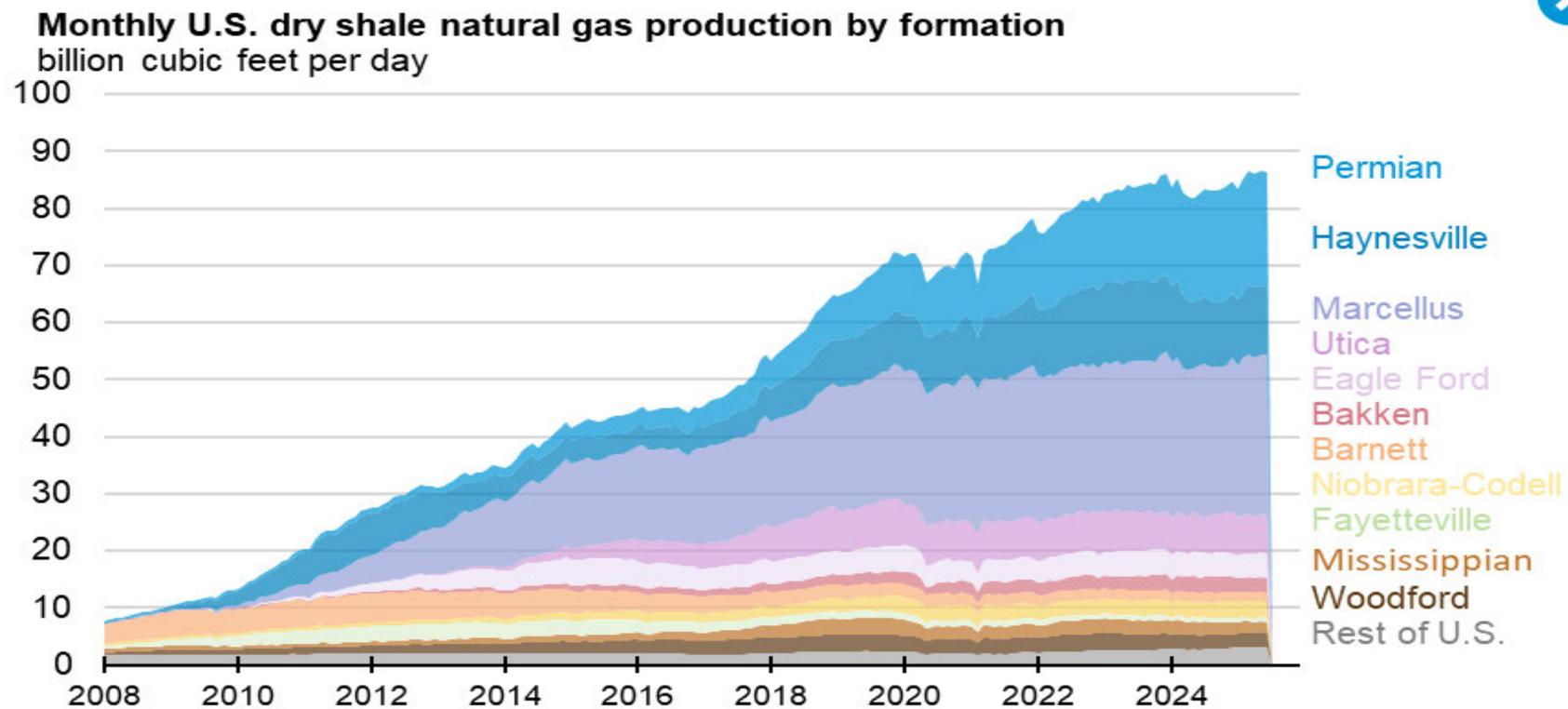


# NATURAL GAS SUPPLIES

## Gas Supply Forecast - Observations

- Robust increase in shale gas production
- Mature basins (WCSB, gulf on & offshore)
- Today: ample supply vs demand

# NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION BY PLAY 2008-2025



Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, Short-Term Energy Outlook, July 2025

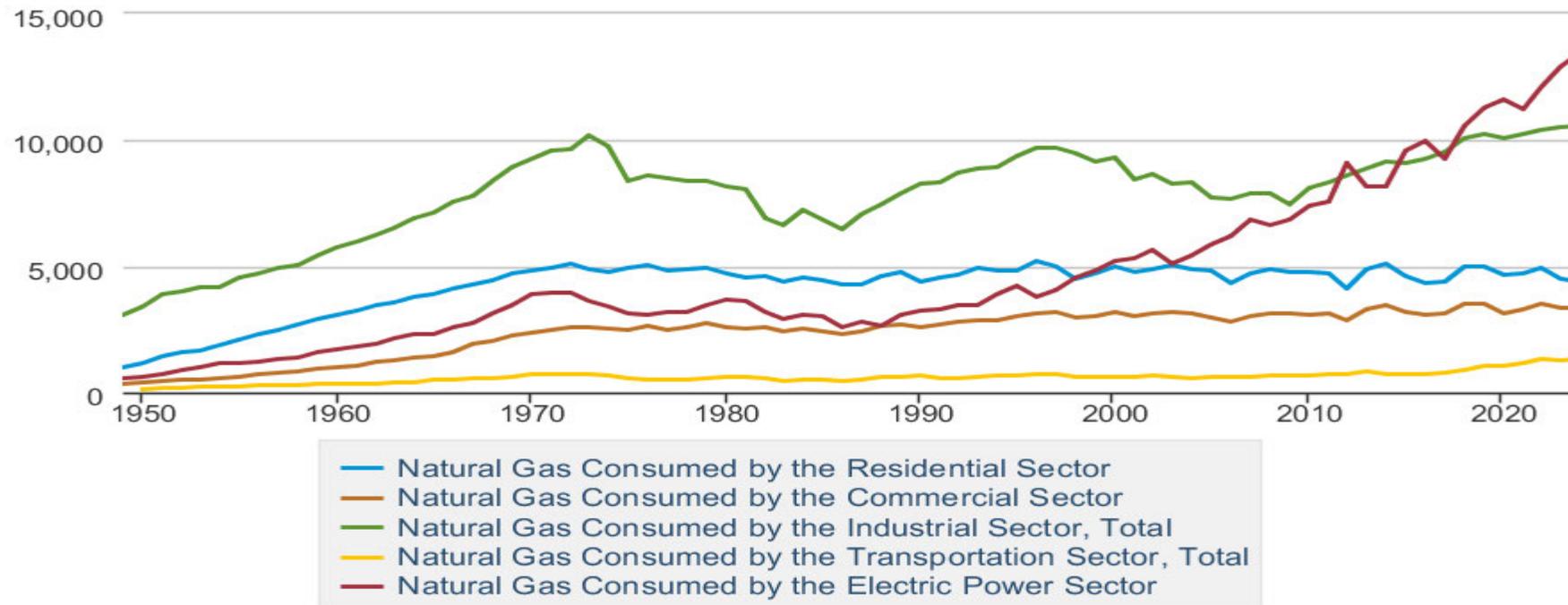


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# U.S. NATURAL GAS CONSUMPTION BY SECTOR

**Table 4.3 Natural Gas Consumption by Sector**

Billion Cubic Feet



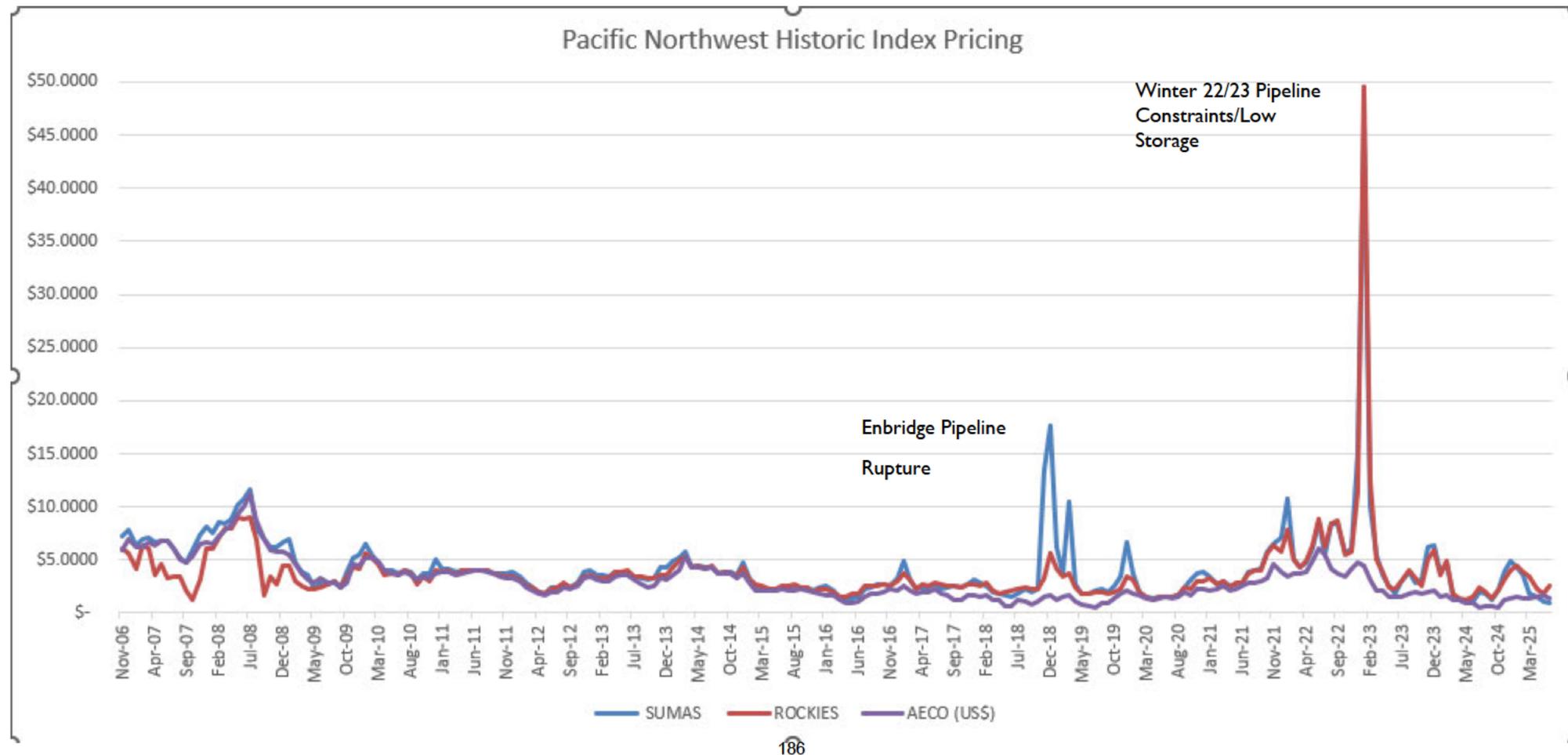
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# NATURAL GAS SUPPLIES

## Gas Supply - Pricing

- Natural gas is a commodity and market is liquid
- Price follows supply and demand fundamentals
- Price history & forecast

# RECENT HISTORIC GAS PRICES

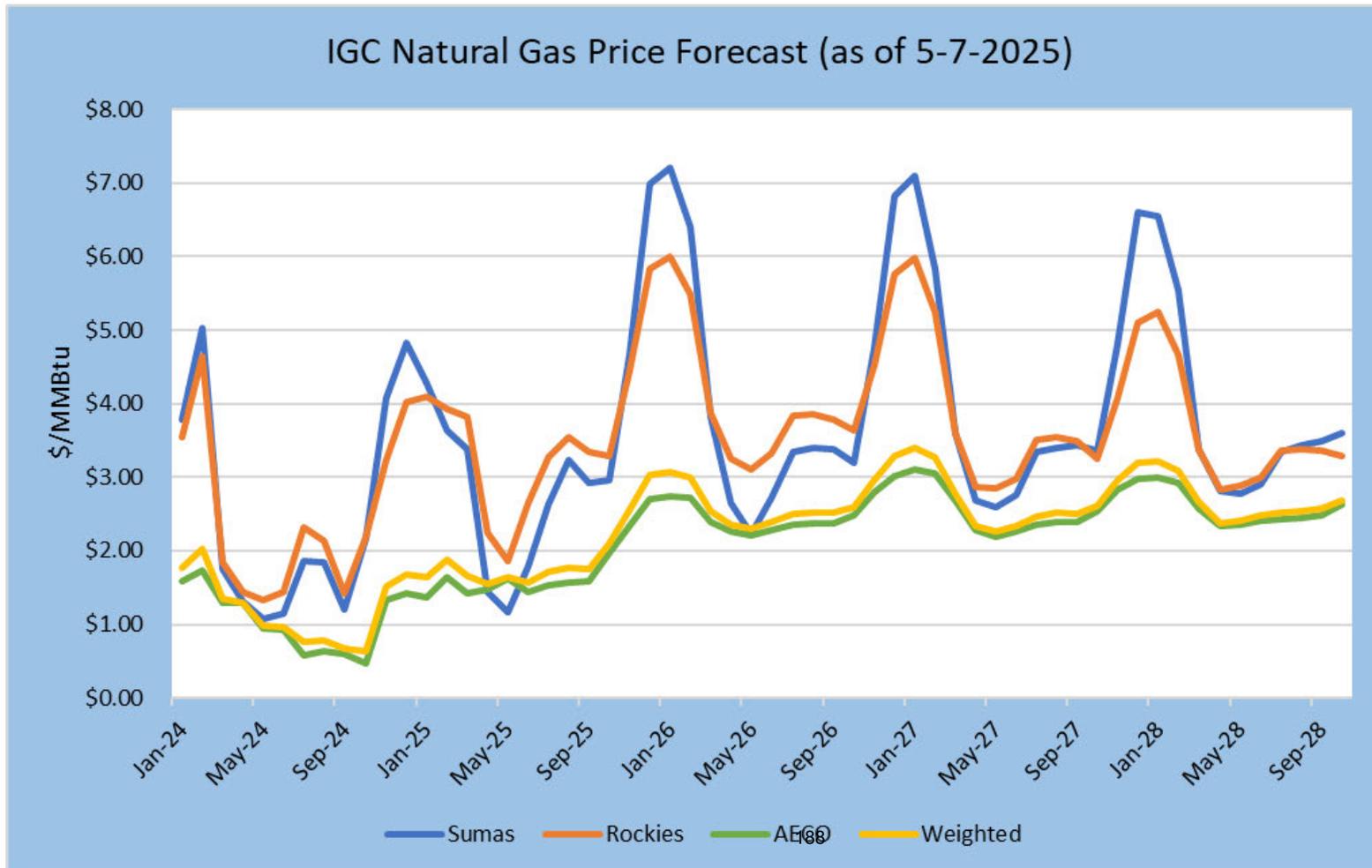


# NATURAL GAS PRICE FORECAST

## Intermountain's IRP Price Forecast

- Intermountain's long-term planning price forecast is based on a blend of current market pricing along with long-term fundamental price forecasts.
  - The fundamental forecasts include sources such as Wood Mackenzie, EIA, the Northwest Power and Conservation Council (NWPCC), Bentek and the Financial Forecast Center's long-term price forecasts.
  - Used weighted prices from the sources based on historical performance, beginning in year two of the forecast.
  - While not a guarantee of where the market will ultimately finish, Henry Hub NYMEX is 100% of the forecast for the first year as it is the most current information that provides some direction as to future market prices.
- Intermountain is gathering Renewable Natural Gas information and plans to model RNG as a potential resource in the upstream optimization process.

# INTERMOUNTAIN'S IRP PRICE FORECAST



Preliminary  
Weights:  
Sumas – 10%  
Rockies – 10%  
AECO – 80%



# **INTERMOUNTAIN GAS COMPANY**

## **2025-30 INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN**

*INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE RESOURCES*

## INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE RESOURCES

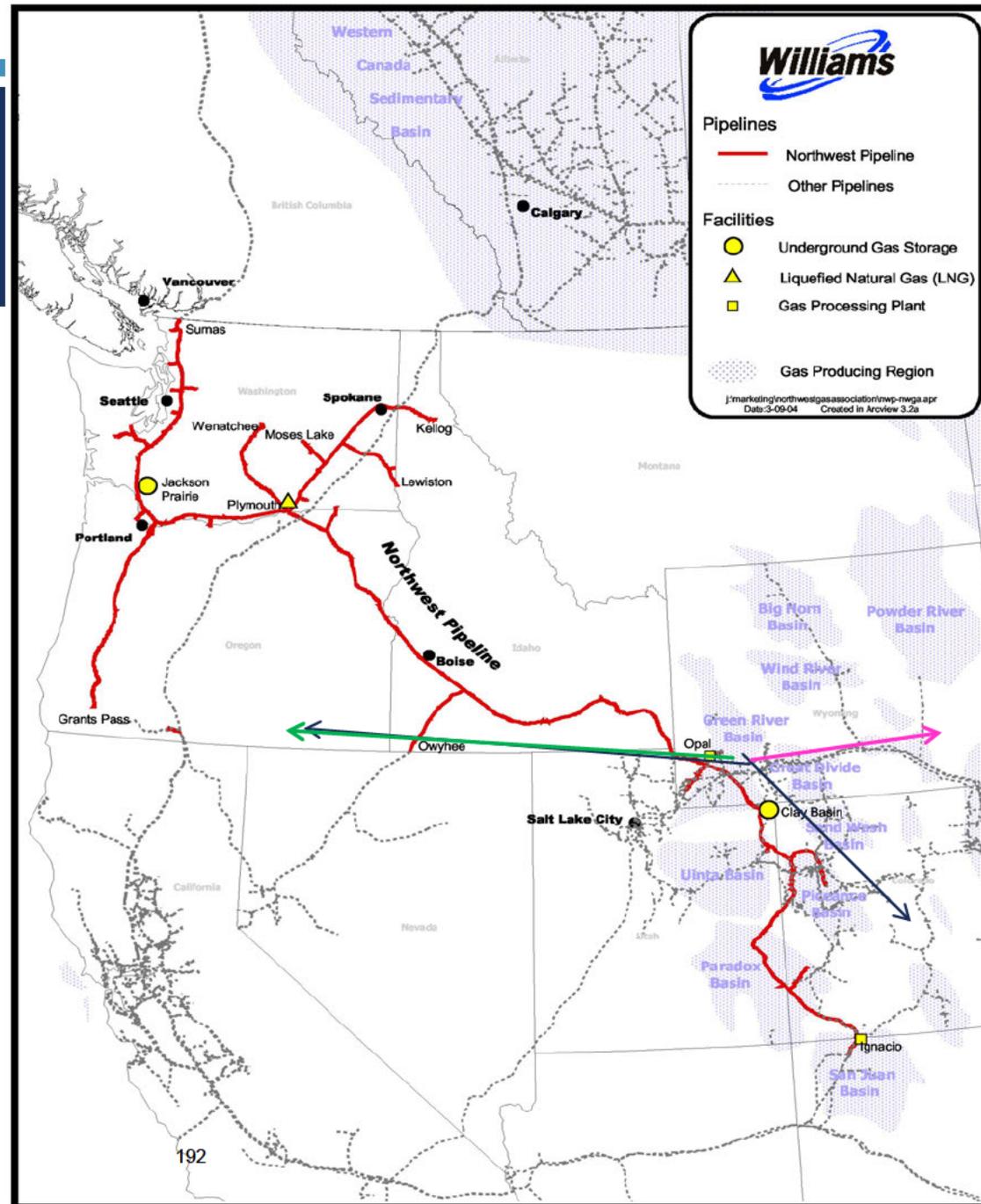
- Intermountain holds firm, long-term contracts for interstate capacity on four (4) pipelines - two U.S. and two Canadian
- All gas directly delivered to Intermountain comes through the Williams Northwest system
- Firm capacity on Northwest is determined at both receipt and delivery points

# INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE RESOURCES

## Interstate Transportation Capacity – cont.

- Delivery to Intermountain Service Territory
  - Firm Capacity Held Directly by Intermountain
  - City Gate Delivery Direct from Suppliers
- Capacity Segmentation
- Capacity Release and Mitigation for Intermountain
- Market forces drive new capacity projects

# NORTHWEST PIPELINE, GTN, NOVA AND FOOTHILLS



# CAPACITY RESOURCES

## Northwest Daily Maximum Transportation Capacity (MMBtu)

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
Stanfield	224,565	224,565	224,565	224,565	224,565	224,565	224,565
Rockies	59,328	59,328	59,328	59,328	59,328	59,328	59,328
Citygate	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Total Capacity	293,893	293,893	293,893	293,893	293,893	293,893	293,893
Storage Withdrawals with Bundled Capacity	155,175	155,175	155,175	155,175	155,175	155,175	155,175
JP TF-2 Capacity	30,337	30,337	30,337	30,337	30,337	30,337	30,337
Nampa and Rexburg	35,500	35,500	35,500	35,500	35,500	35,500	35,500
Maximum Deliverability	514,905	514,905	514,905	514,905	514,905	514,905	514,905

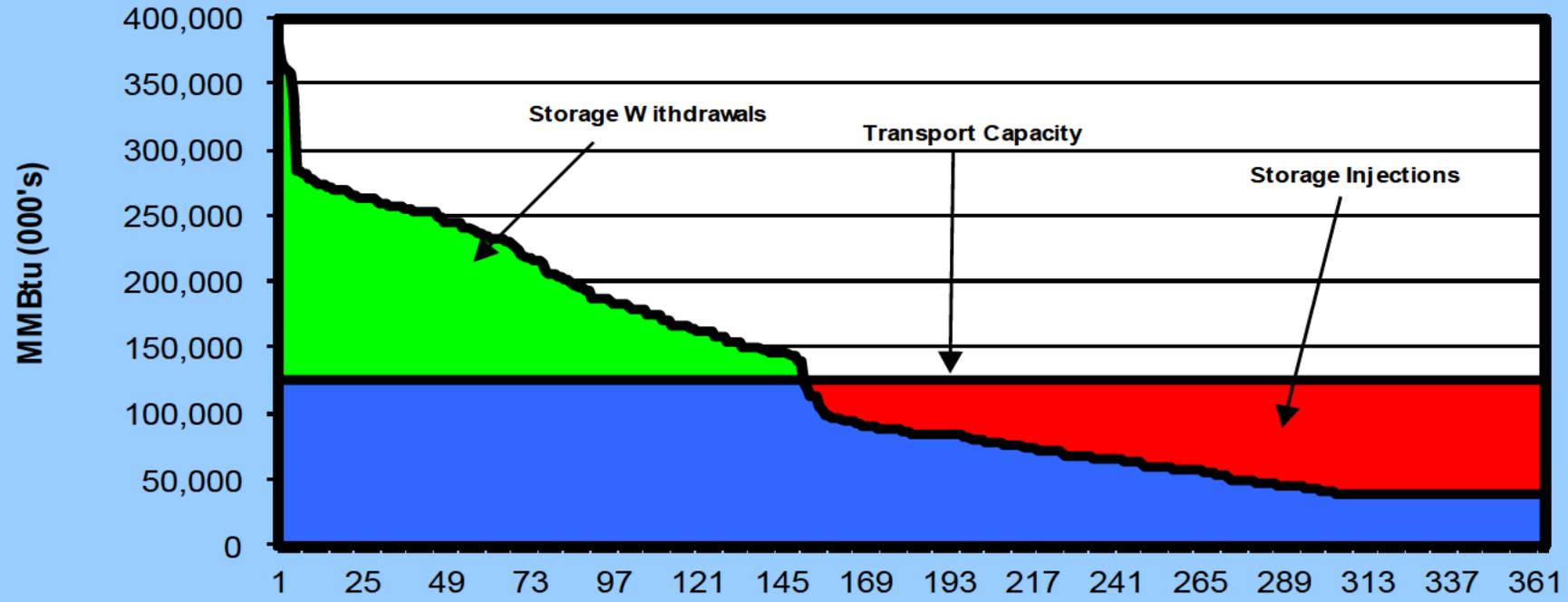
# STORAGE RESOURCES

- What is storage?
  - Natural or man-made structures where natural gas can be injected and stored for later retrieval
  - Gas is normally injected during periods of lower demand and lower prices
  - Gas is usually withdrawn during periods of higher demand and higher prices

# STORAGE RESOURCES

- Why do we need storage?
  - Demand curve is *not* linear
  - Annual supply curve somewhat linear
  - Transport capacity is very linear
  - Not feasible to meet peak demand with only interstate capacity and must-take gas purchases alone
  - Storage enhances winter/peak delivery capability and minimizes costs by balancing flat supply with seasonal demands

Example Load Duration Curve  
With Only Storage and Gas Supply



# STORAGE RESOURCES

- Uses

- “Needle” peaking
- Winter baseload
- Day-to-day load balancing
- Natural gas price hedge
- System integrity/emergency issues

- Types

- Liquefied Storage (LNG)
- Underground

# STORAGE RESOURCES

## Liquefied Storage Characteristics

- Natural gas is liquefied @ minus 260° F
- Liquid occupies 1/600 volume of vapor
- Nearly pure methane, non-corrosive, non-toxic and yes, SAFE
- High regasification/withdrawal capability
- Ideal for needle peaking, system balancing and system integrity issues

# STORAGE RESOURCES

## Liquefied Storage Characteristics

- Liquefaction is slow which limits ability to cycle inventory
- Liquefaction is energy intensive → high cycling and inventory cost
- Generally stored in above-ground tanks
- No methane is released into the atmosphere

# PLYMOUTH LNG FACILITY



# STORAGE RESOURCES

## Underground Storage Characteristics

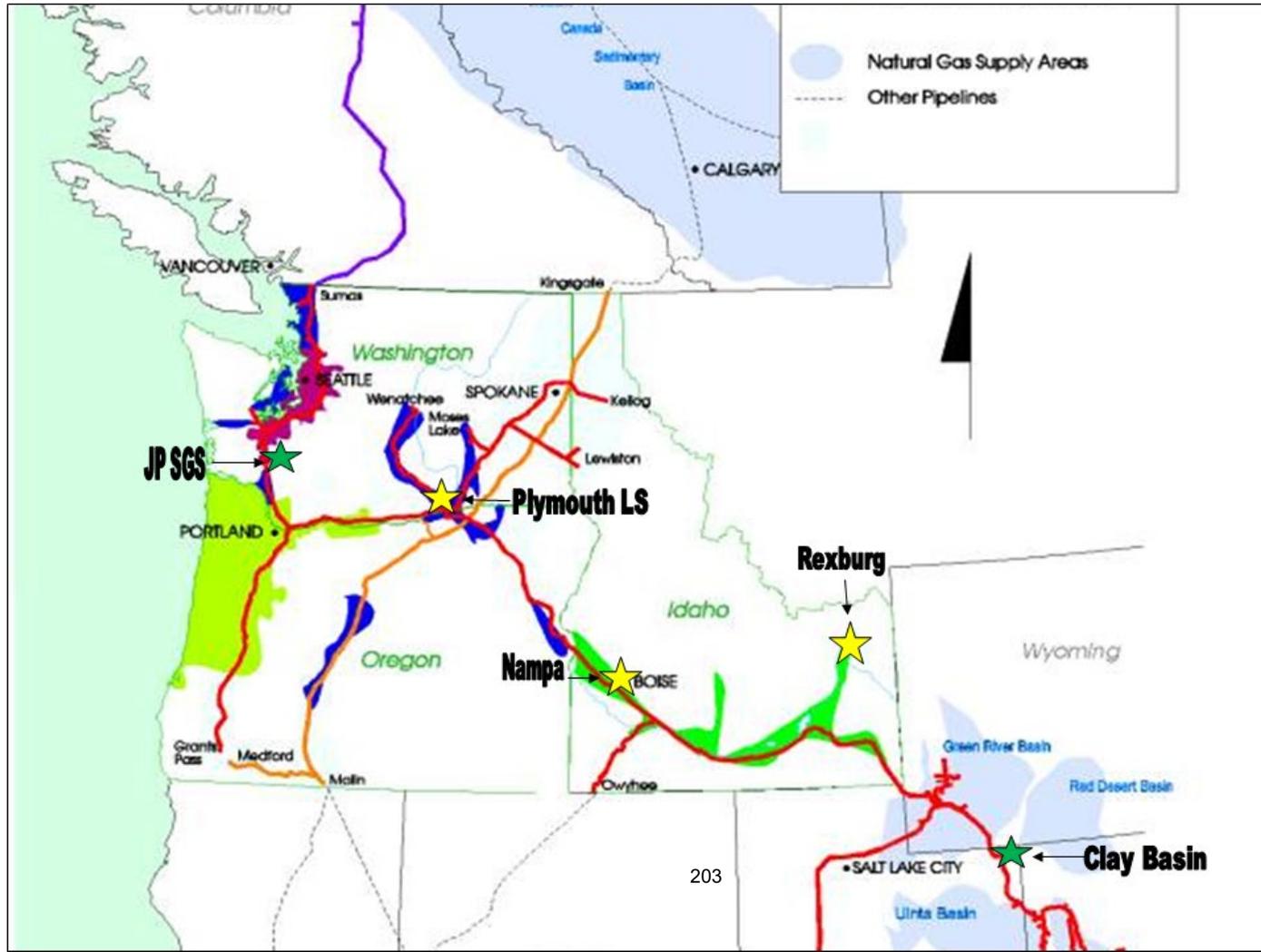
- Gas is injected under pressure into developed salt domes, depleted well structures, underground aquifers or other porous geological formations
- Maximum daily withdrawal less than liquid storage; operating capability is dependent upon inventory level and pressure
- Injections comparatively faster and cycling costs are lower than liquid storage; multiple inventory cycles can enhance cost effectiveness

# STORAGE RESOURCES

## Location & Type of Storage used by Intermountain

- Nampa, ID LNG – liquid (Intermountain)
- Plymouth, WA LNG – (Northwest Pipeline)
- Rexburg, ID Satellite LNG (Intermountain)
- Jackson Prairie - underground aquifer in western WA (Northwest Pipeline)
- Clay Basin - underground depleted well reservoir in NE Utah (Questar Pipeline)

# STORAGE RESOURCES - LOCATIONS

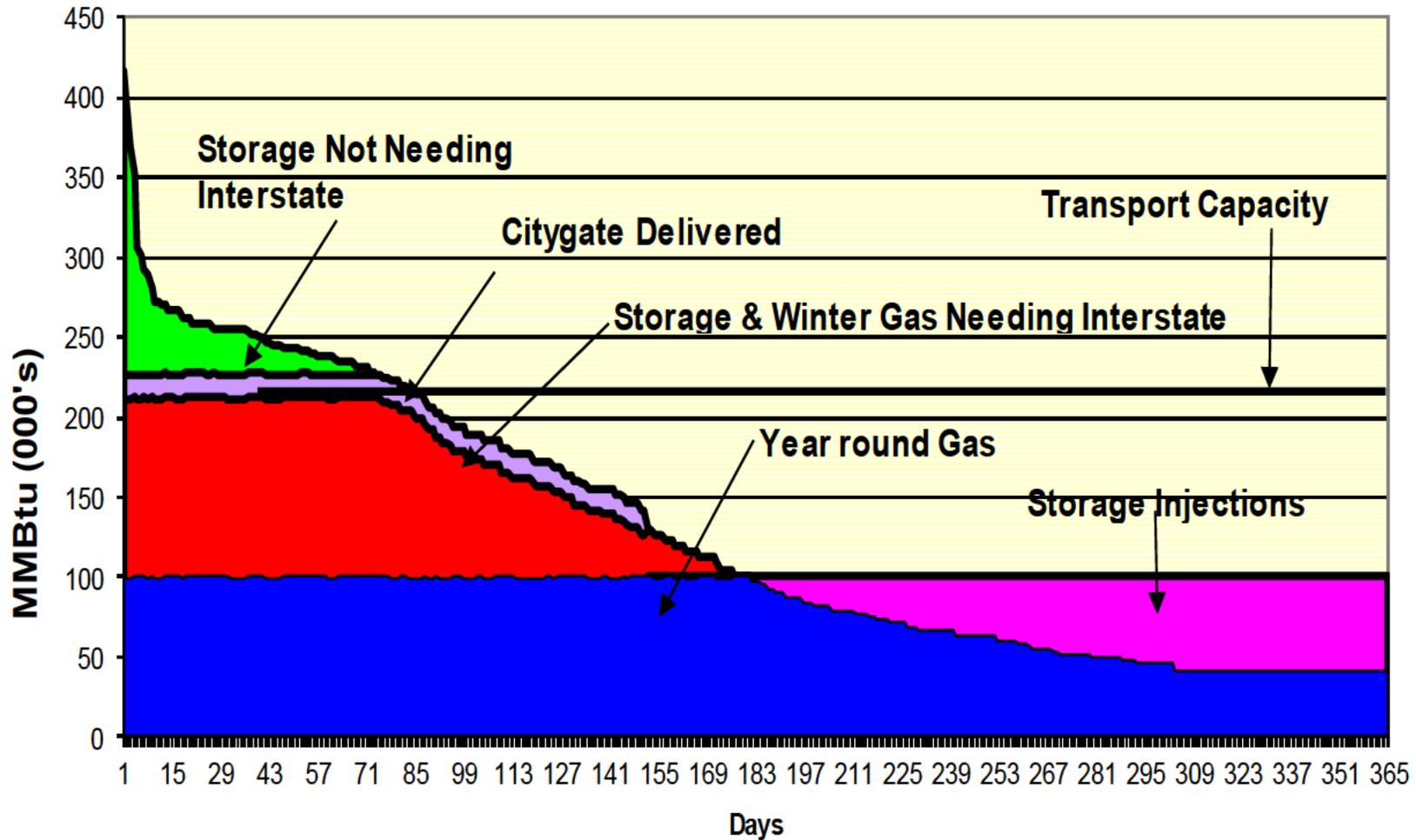


# STORAGE RESOURCES

## Intermountain's 2023/24 Storage Statistics (MMBtu)

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Seasonal Capacity</u>	<u>% of Nov-Mar</u>	<u>Daily Withdrawal</u>		<u>Daily Injection</u>		<u>Redelivery Capacity</u>
			<u>Maximum</u>	<u>% of Peak</u>	<u>Max Vol</u>	<u># of Days</u>	
<b>Nampa</b>	600,000	1%	60,000	16%	3,500	166	<i>None</i>
<b>Plymouth*</b>	1,475,135	4%	155,175	43%	12,500	213	<b>TF-2</b>
<b>Jackson Prairie</b>	1,092,099	3%	30,337	8%	30,337	36	<b>TF-2</b>
<b>Clay Basin</b>	8,413,500	20%	70,114	19%	70,114	120	<b>TF-1</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b><u>11,580,734</u></b>	<b><u>28%</u></b>	<sup>204</sup> <b><u>315,626</u></b>	<b><u>86%</u></b>	<b><u>116,451</u></b>		

## Sample LDC with Efficient Mix of All Supply Resources





# QUESTIONS?

# FEEDBACK SUBMISSIONS



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# THIRD MEETING

## **September 17, 2025, 9:00 a.m. - Noon**

- Potential Capacity Enhancements
- Resource Optimization
- Planning Results
- Remaining IRP Process

## IGRAC #2



- Date & time:** 8/13/2025, 9:00 AM to 11:00 PM MT
- Location:** Microsoft Teams Meeting
- Presenters:** Kathleen Campbell, Kathy Wold, Brian Robertson, Eric Wood
- In attendance:** Bailey Steeves, Brian Robertson, Chris Robbins, Eric Wood, Jason Talford, Jenny DeBoer, Kathleen Campbell, Kathy Wold, Mark Sellers-Vaughn, Matthew Hunter, Michael Parvinen, Rebecca Wildman, Ryan Denton, Seungjae Lee, Vicki Stephens, Zachary Harris, Zachary Sowards

### Introduction

Brian Robertson, Manager of Supply Resource Planning, opened the meeting by welcoming and thanking stakeholders for participating in Intermountain's IRP Process. Brian then proceeded with introductions, the agenda, a safety moment, and a reminder of the stakeholder engagement goals.

### Presentation #1 – Distribution System Modeling (Kathleen Campbell)

- System Dynamics of Piping and Facilities
- Synergi Gas is the model Intermountain uses to evaluate predicted flows and pressures during peak weather events
- Discussed the process of building out the models
  - Rebuilt every 3 years, most recently in early 2025
- Customer Management Module (CMM) uses Customer Care & Billing and weather data to build regression models.
- Kathleen then covered the capabilities of the Synergi model once the models are built out
  - Review large volume customer requests, future planning based on IRP growth, and determining system reliability to name a few
- Described enhancement options
  - Pipeline, facility upgrades, additional regulator station, new citygate station, additional compressor stations
- Discussed enhancement considerations and selection guide

### Presentation #2 – Avoided Cost Methodology (Brian Robertson)

- Brian gave a brief update to the history of the avoided cost model

- Explained that the avoided cost is the cost to serve a dth of gas, which will be evaluated to determine if there is an energy efficiency program that could replace that dth of gas at a lower cost.
- Provided the formula and explained the inputs to the cost
  - Commodity Cost, Transportation Cost
  - Distribution Costs, although \$0 for now

### **Presentation #3 – Energy Efficiency (Kathy Wold)**

- Kathy provided insights to current rebates and incentives
- Explained what the Conservation Potential Assessment and its importance
- Discussed the updates to the conservation potential and changes from the 2023 IRP
  - Main updates included building stock and sales, retail rates, avoided cost, inflation rate, and discount rate

**Question:** “What is the reason for the decline in the discount rate?”

**Answer:** Brian stated that “Intermountain will have to get back to you on this.” After further digging, the reason is that the discount rate is impacted by the change in the inflation rate.

There was dialogue between the CPA and how Energy Efficiency is modeled in the IRP. Ultimately, Intermountain would require investing time to incorporate some modeling that’s never been done, so implementing it into this IRP may be difficult. IGC has reached out to Staff to discuss this further.

- Kathy discussed technical, economic, and achievable potential
- Intermountain has four scenarios, the base business as usual, unconstrained historical budget, medium adoption, and high incentive, high adoption. Kathy provided the projections for each scenario.
- Finally, Kathy provided the big picture take-aways from all the updates for the 2025 IRP

### **Presentation #4 – Supply Resources and Transportation & Storage Resources (Eric Wood)**

- Eric provided a background of gas supplies around North America
- Discussed historical pricing, what can impact those prices, and provided a price forecast for the IRP
- Eric then shared the Company’s current transportation and storage resources to serve customers

**Question:** “Has the pipeline ever run out of gas?”

**Answer:** “Not over a large area but in certain instances, some small areas of pipe can be constrained for different reasons.” – Eric Wood

**The Meeting was Adjourned – IGRAC #3 will be held on September 17, 2025 @ 9 AM MT**



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**INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN**

**SEPTEMBER 17, 2025**

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# WELCOME

- Introductions
- Feedback Process
- Agenda

# FEEDBACK SUBMISSIONS



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# AGENDA

- **Welcome & Introductions** – Brian Robertson (*Manager, Supply Resource Planning*)
- **Safety Moment** – Brian Robertson (*Manager, Supply Resource Planning*)
- **Load Demand Curves** – Ryan Denton (*Resource Planning Economist*)
- **Potential Capacity Enhancements** – Kathleen Campbell (*Senior Engineer*)
- **Resource Optimization** – Brian Robertson (*Manager, Supply Resource Planning*)
- **Questions/Discussion**

# Demand

# Supply & Delivery Resources

Economic Overview

Residential & Commercial Customer Growth

Residential & Commercial Usage Per Customer

Design Weather

Transportation Capacity & Storage

Natural Gas Supplies

Energy Efficiency: Residential & Commercial

Distribution System Overview

Non-Traditional Resources

Industrial Demand

Demand

Supply & Deliverability

Load Demand Curves  
Optimization Modeling  
System Enhancements

**Demand**

**Supply**

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# SAFETY MOMENT

BRIAN ROBERTSON  
MANAGER, SUPPLY RESOURCE PLANNING

# Lighting-How to Protect Yourself

If you hear thunder and see lightning, seek shelter right away; indoors when possible. Listed below are several tips on staying safe before, during, and after a storm:

## BEFORE THE STORM

- If planning any outdoor activities; check weather forecasts and alerts.
  - Cancel or postpone if bad weather seems likely.
- Make a lightning safety plan that includes where to seek shelter and the safest route to get there.
- Unplug electrical items to avoid power surges.
- Bring family pets indoors or put them into a fully enclosed building.

## DURING THE STORM

- Avoid seeking shelter in sheds, picnic shelters, covered porches, tents or under trees.
  - Wait out the storm in a substantial building or hard-topped vehicle with windows rolled up.
- Avoid high ground, open spaces, and trees.
- Stay away from metal objects; they do not attract lightning, but conducts it.
- Keep clear of doors and windows.
- Plumbing can conduct electricity; wait until the storm passes to shower or bathe.
- If fishing, return to shore and seek a safe shelter as soon as possible.

## AFTER THE STORM

- Charges of lightning can linger in the clouds; stay indoors for at least 30 minutes after the last sound of thunder.



# LOAD DEMAND CURVES

RYAN DENTON

RESOURCE PLANNING ECONOMIST

# LOAD DEMAND CURVE KEY VARIABLES

- Customer usage per degree day.
- Low, base and high growth core market customer count projections.
- ‘Design weather’ conditions.
- Demand-side management (DSM).
- Maximum daily flow quantity (MDFQ) for large volume customers.

# PEAK SEASON CORE MARKET LOAD DEMAND CURVE METHODOLOGY

Usage per Customer per  
Degree Day



Customer Count



HDD



Residential & Commercial  
Total Daily Usage

Residential & Commercial  
Total Daily Usage



Demand-Side Management



Large Volume MDFQ



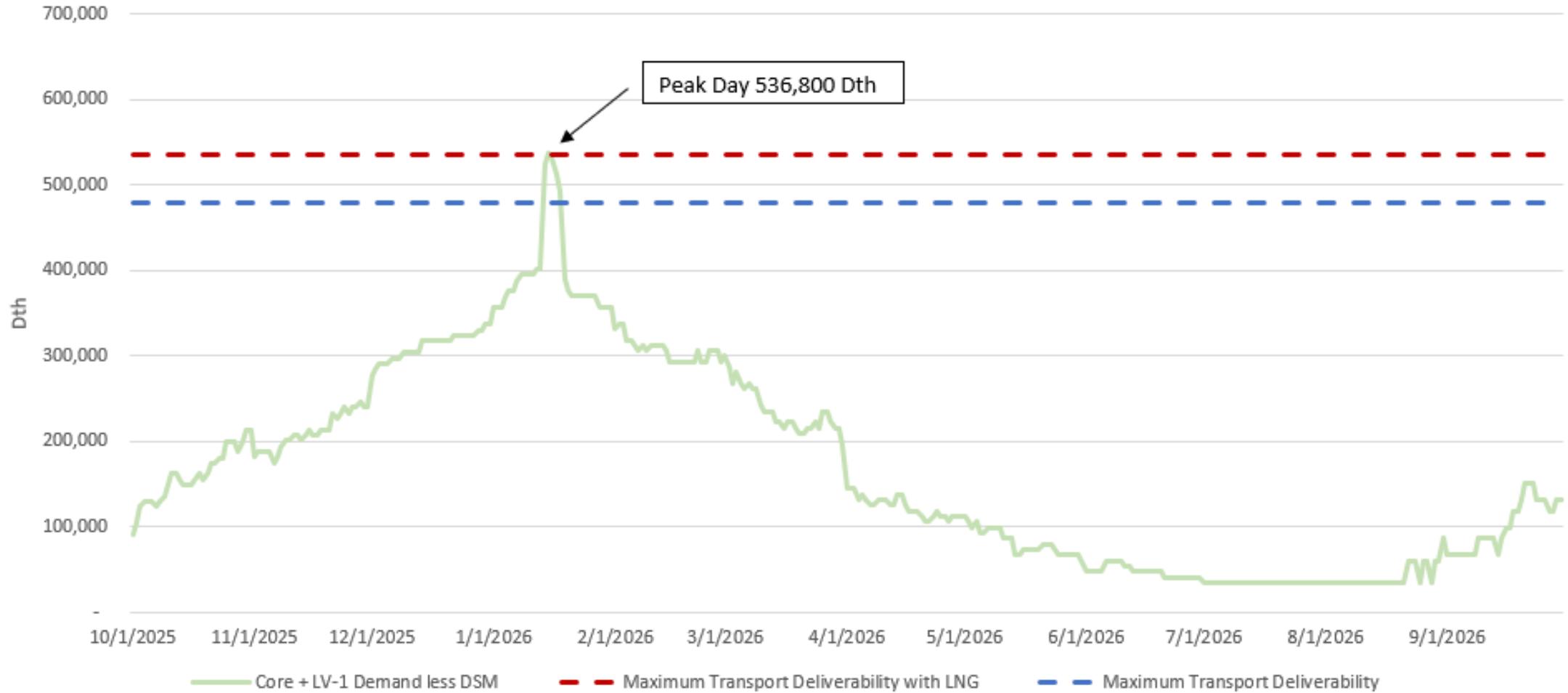
Total Daily<sup>220</sup> Usage



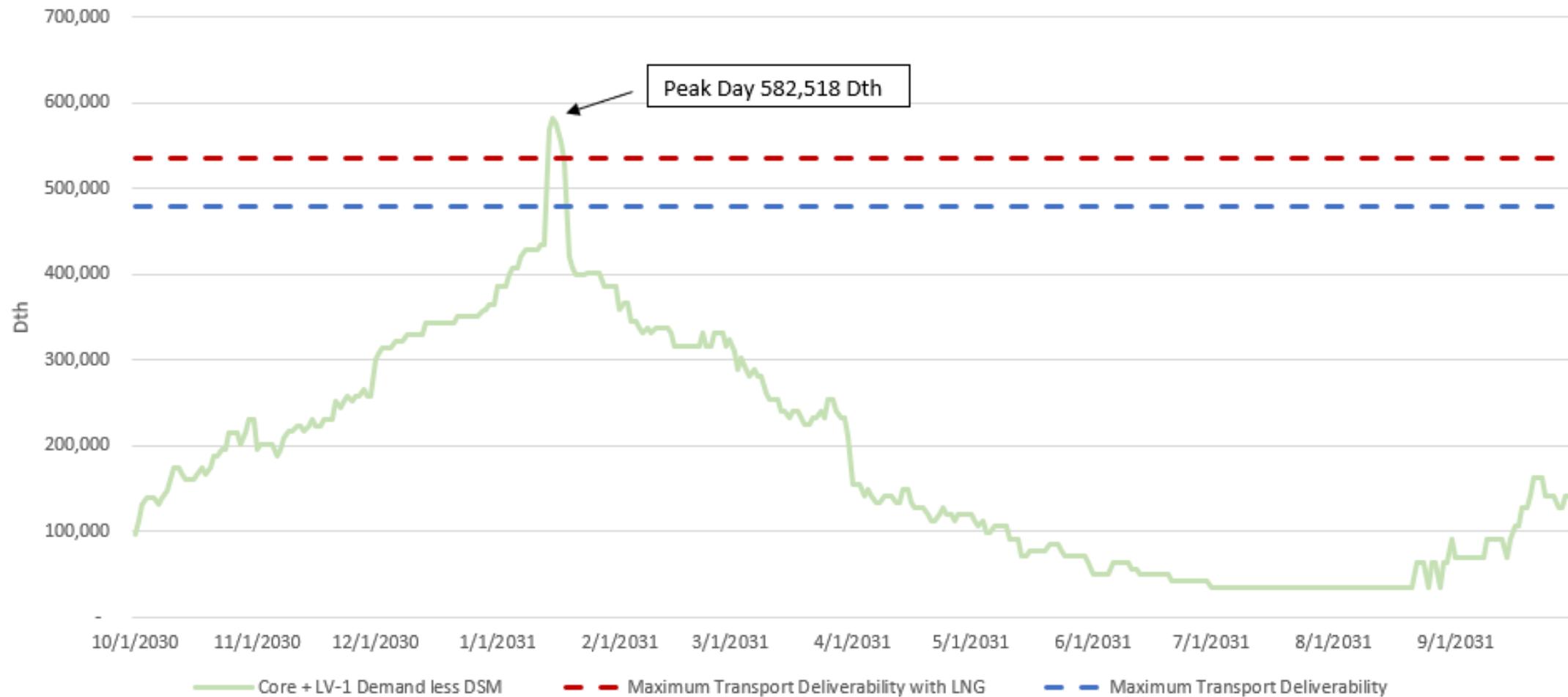
## LOAD DEMAND CURVE

- Load demand curve: A forecast of daily gas demand using weather normal, 'design temperatures', customer counts, and forecasted usage per customer.
- Designed to measure demand to compare to distribution capacity at our 5 areas of interest (AOI).
- To measure total company demand for upstream capacity decisions.
- Based on current resources or resources scheduled to be available during the IRP period.
- Remedies for any constraints will be identified later.
- Storage management.

2025 Load Demand Curve  
Design Base Case  
Total Company

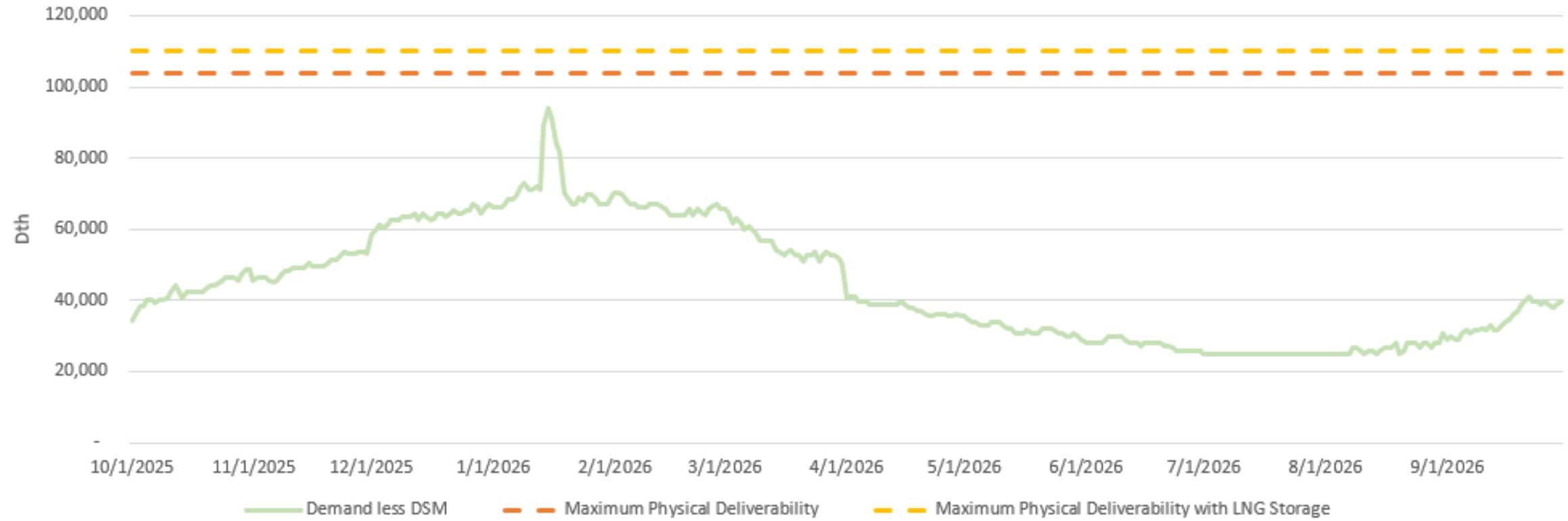


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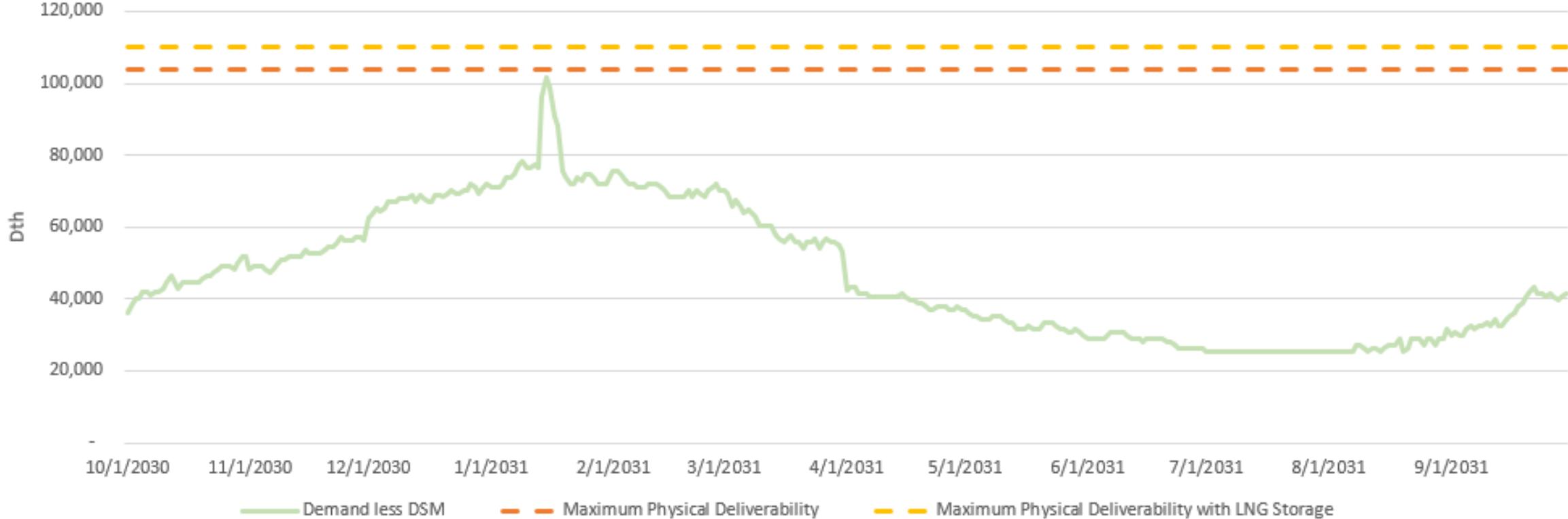


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- Idaho Falls Lateral
  - Sun Valley Lateral
  - Canyon County Lateral
  - State Street Lateral
  - Central Ada County

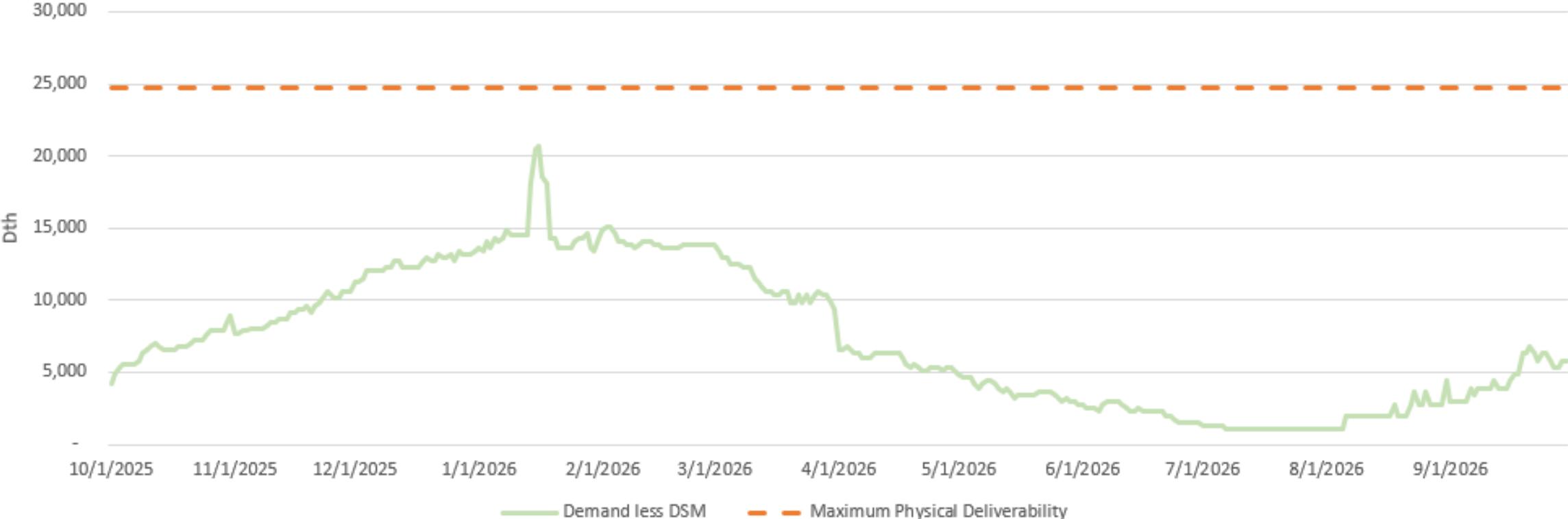
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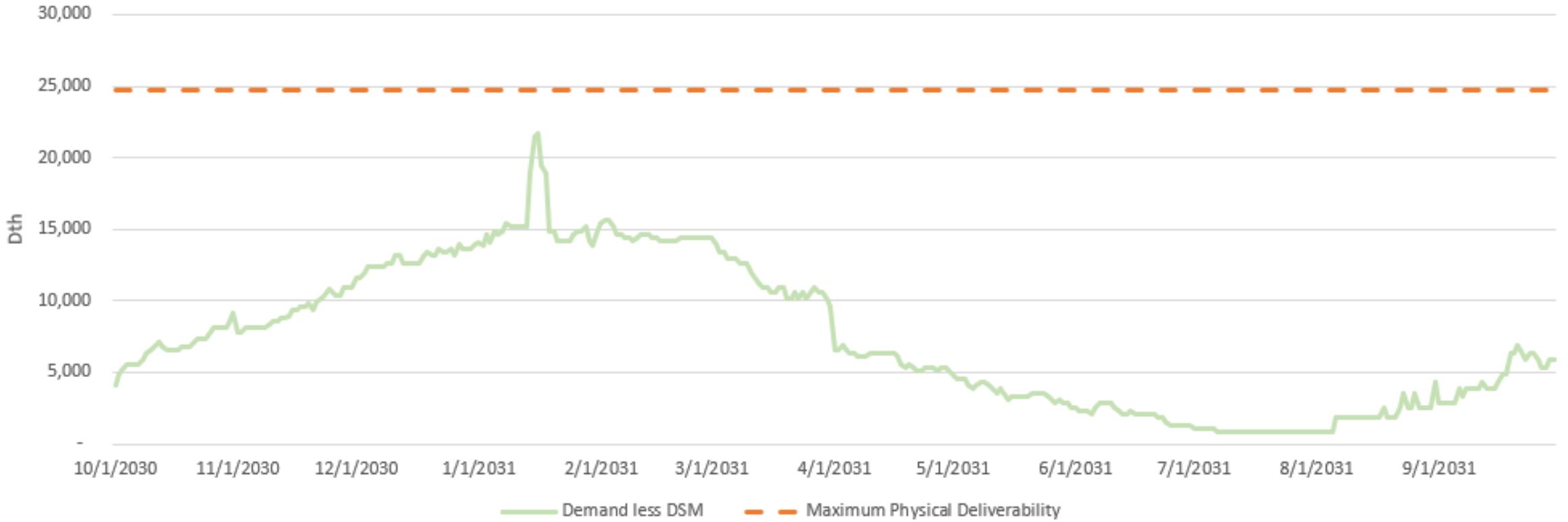
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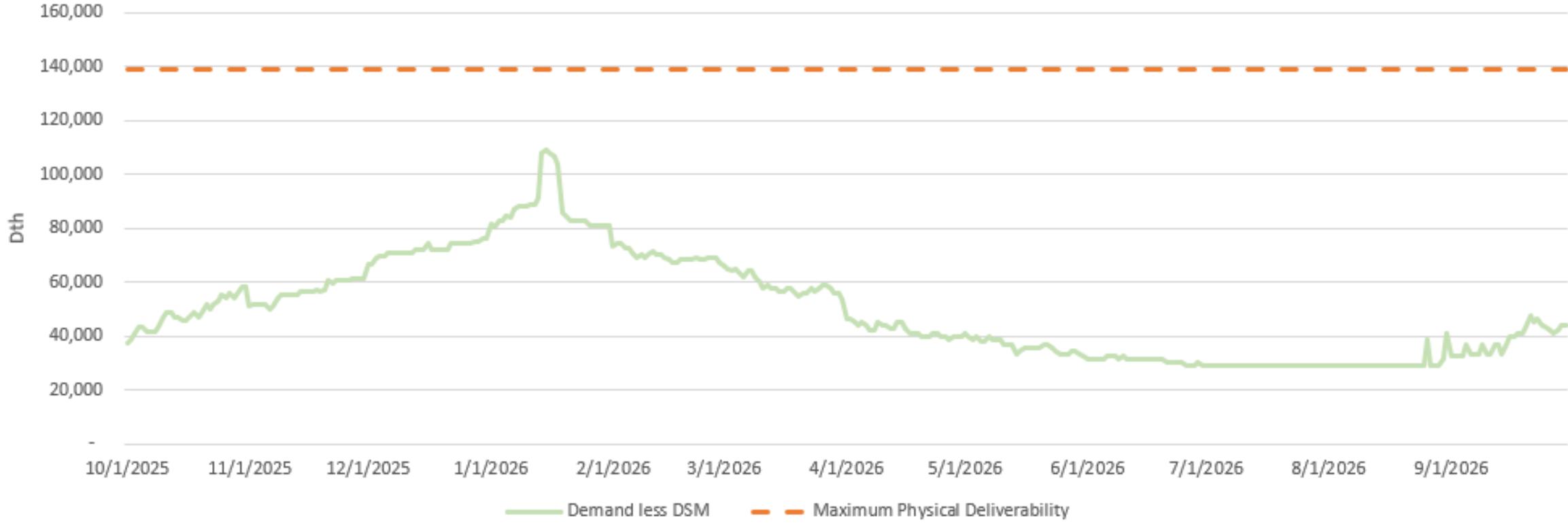
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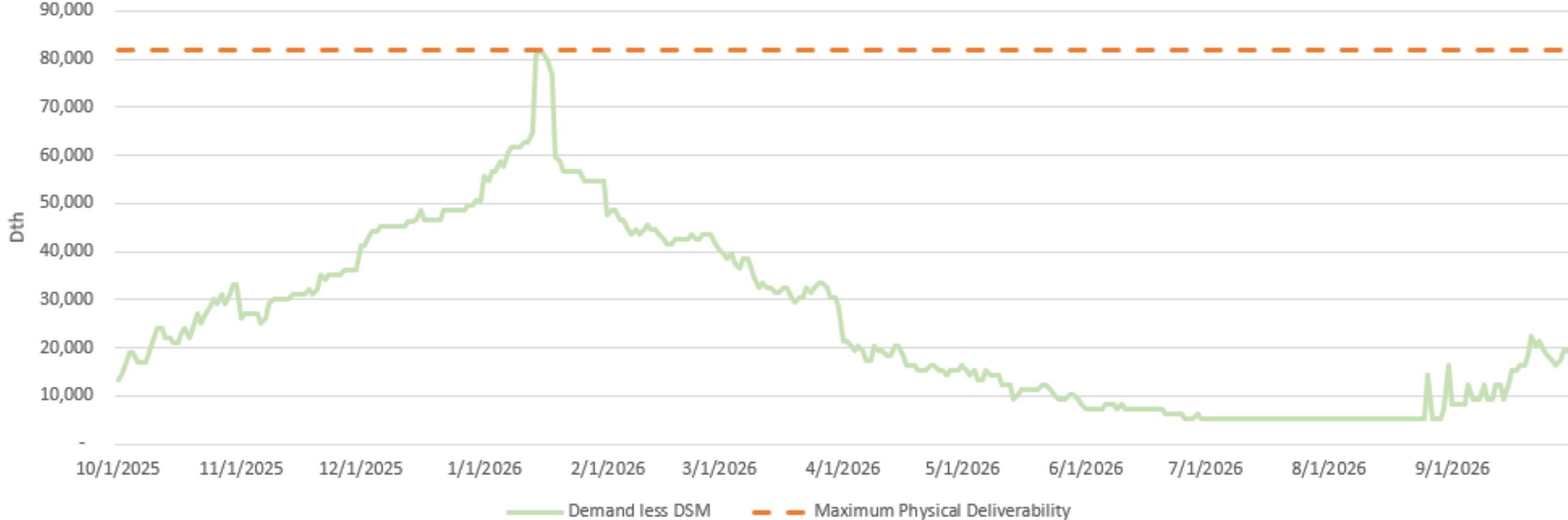
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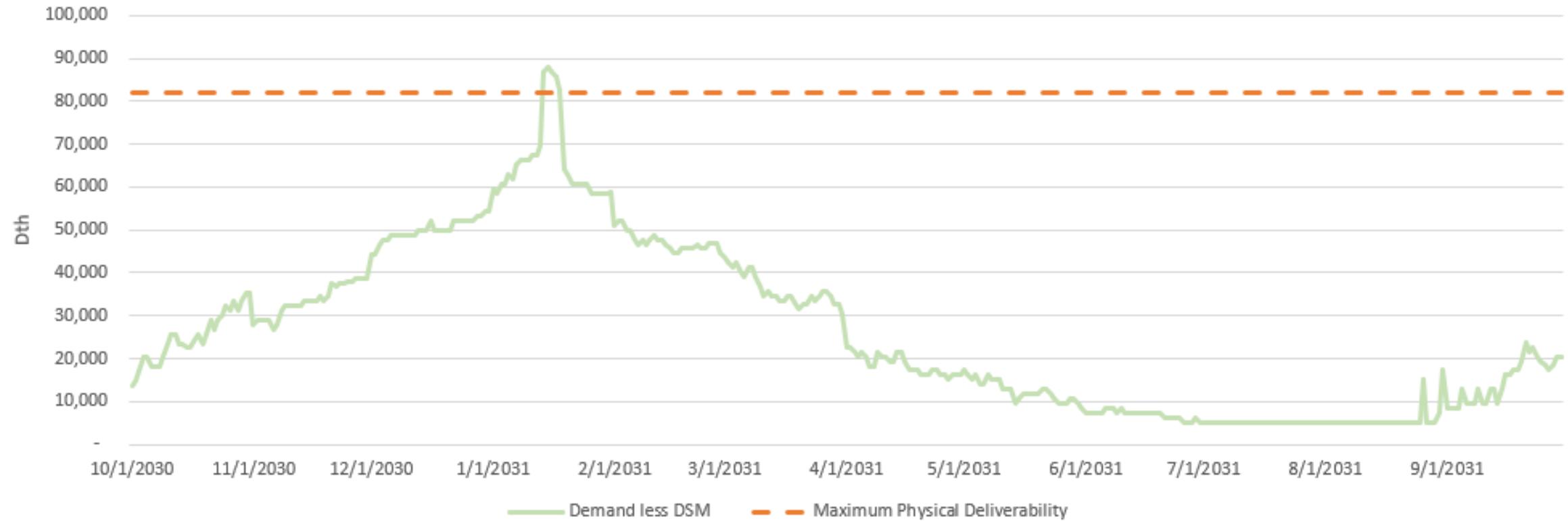
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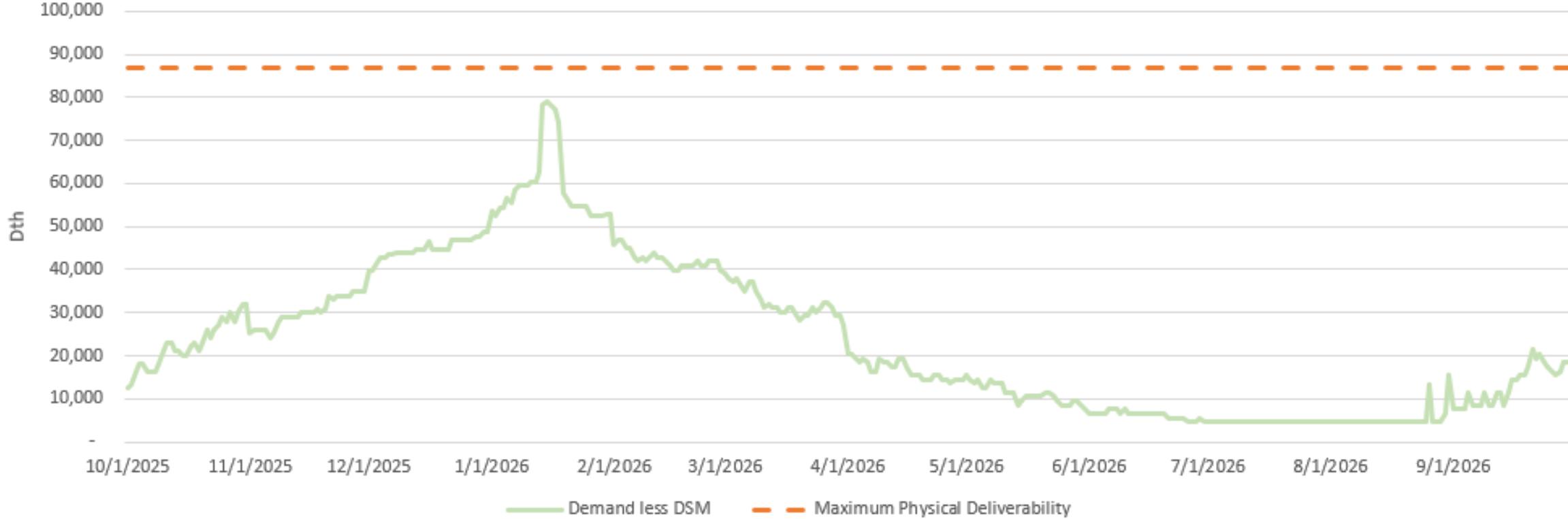
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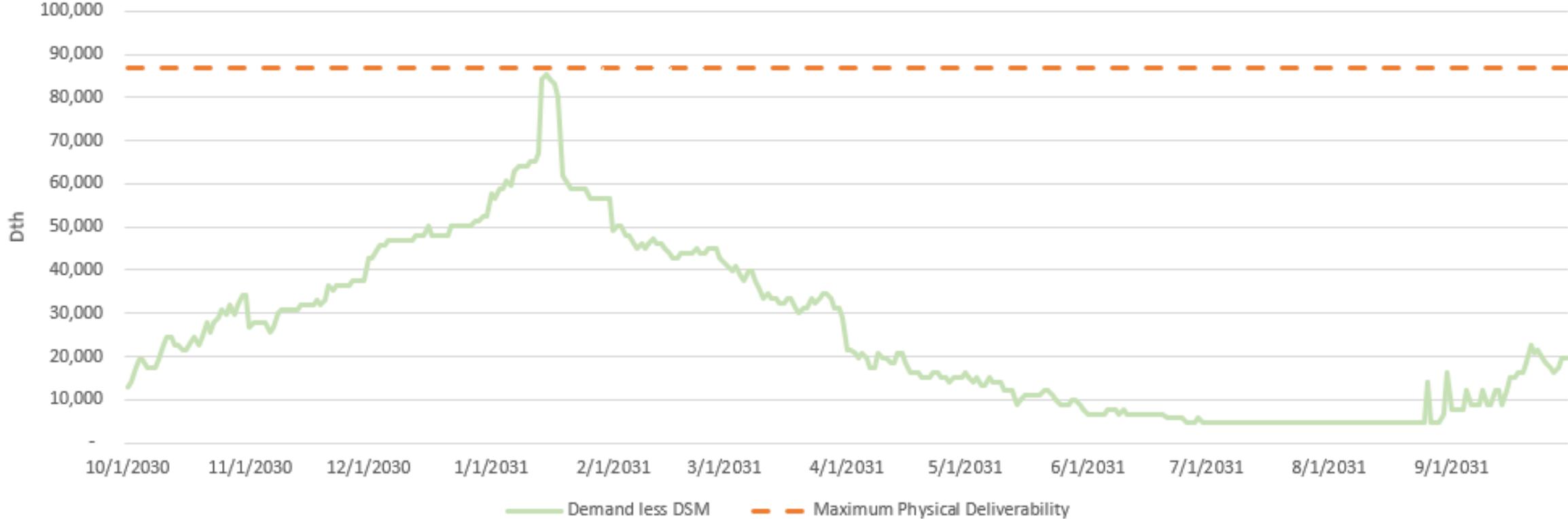
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# QUESTIONS?

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# DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM ENHANCEMENTS

KATHLEEN CAMPBELL, P.E. - SENIOR ENGINEER - ENGINEERING SERVICES  
ZACHARY SOWARDS - SENIOR ENGINEER— ENGINEERING SERVICES

## IGRAC #2 COVERED:

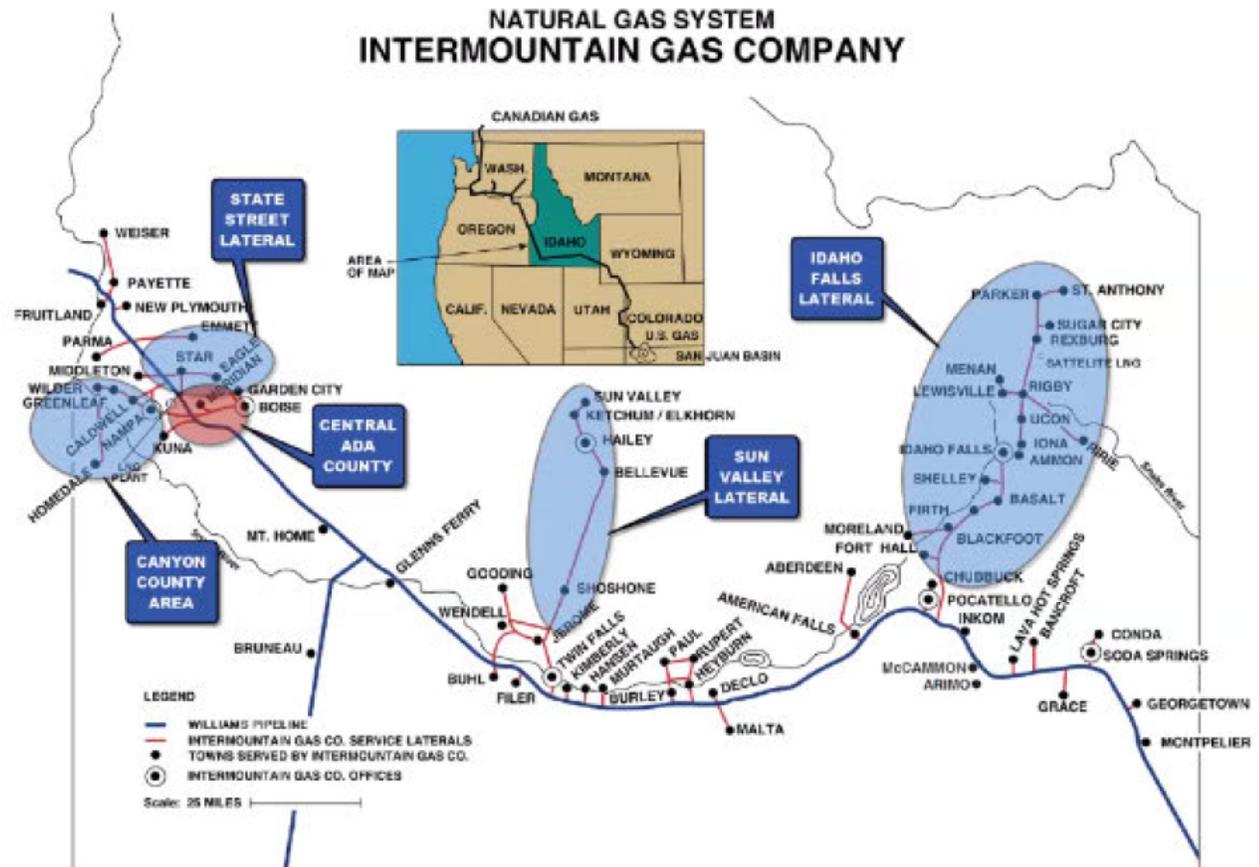
- System dynamics
- Synergi model process
- Identification of system deficits/constraints
- Distribution enhancement/reinforcement options to address deficit
- Enhancement considerations and selection process into 5-year budget

## THIS PRESENTATION WILL COVER:

- Project needs to support core growth for each AOI
- Alternative Analysis to resolve deficit (if it has not already been covered in a previous IRP)
- Timing, Cost and capacity gained for each project/alternative.

# AREAS OF INTEREST (AOI)

- Distribution System Segments:
  - Canyon County
  - Central Ada County Lateral
  - “North of State Street” Lateral
  - Sun Valley Lateral
  - Idaho Falls Lateral
  - All Other Customers



# OTHER AOI

- Reinforcements required to meet 2030 growth predictions
  - Caldwell Reinforcement – Chinden (HWY 20) from to Prescott Lane to Middleton Road
    - 2027
  - New Plymouth Gate Upgrade
    - 2027

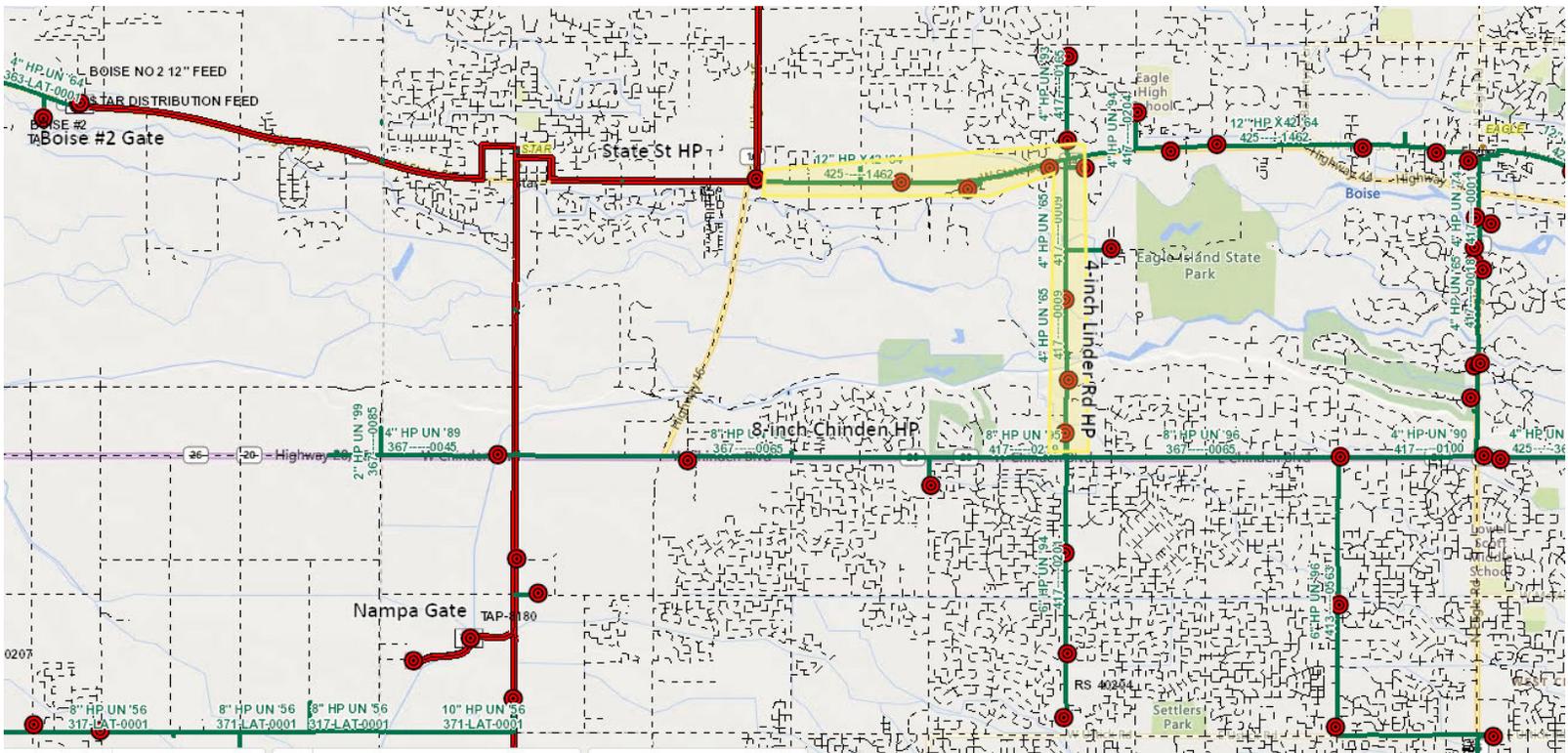
# CANYON COUNTY AOI

- No reinforcements required to meet 2030 IRP growth predictions
- AOI Update
  - Ustick Phase 3 was completed in December 2024.

# STATE STREET LATERAL AOI

- Requires reinforcements by 2026 & 2027 to meet IRP growth predictions
- AOI Capacity Limiter: 12-inch HP bottleneck on State Street and 4 in HP bottleneck on Linder Rd & State Penn (Boise #2) Gate Capacity
- Alternatives considered for 12-inch HP & 4- HP bottleneck were discussed in 2021 IRP
- State Street Phase II Upgrade was selected in 2021 IRP and is budgeted for 2026
- State Penn Gate Upgrade is budgeted for 2026 Design and 2027 Construction

# STATE STREET AOI - BOTTLENECK





# CENTRAL ADA COUNTY AOI

- No reinforcements required to meet 2030 IRP growth predictions
- AOI Update
  - 12-inch South Boise Loop was completed in 2023

# SUN VALLEY LATERAL AOI

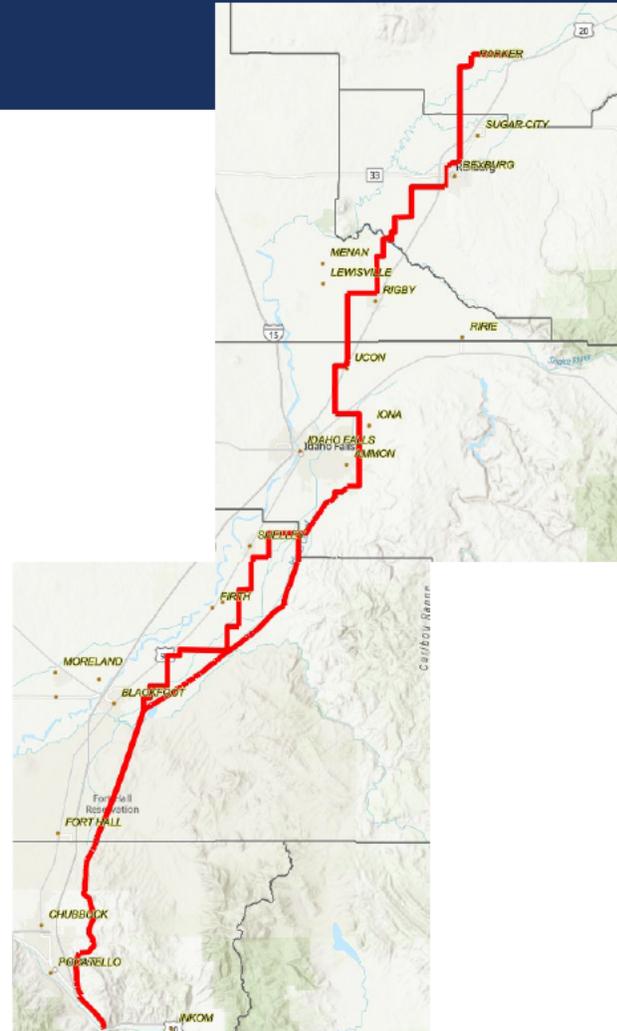
- No reinforcements required to meet 2030 IRP growth predictions
- AOI Update
  - Shoshone Compressor was completed in 2023



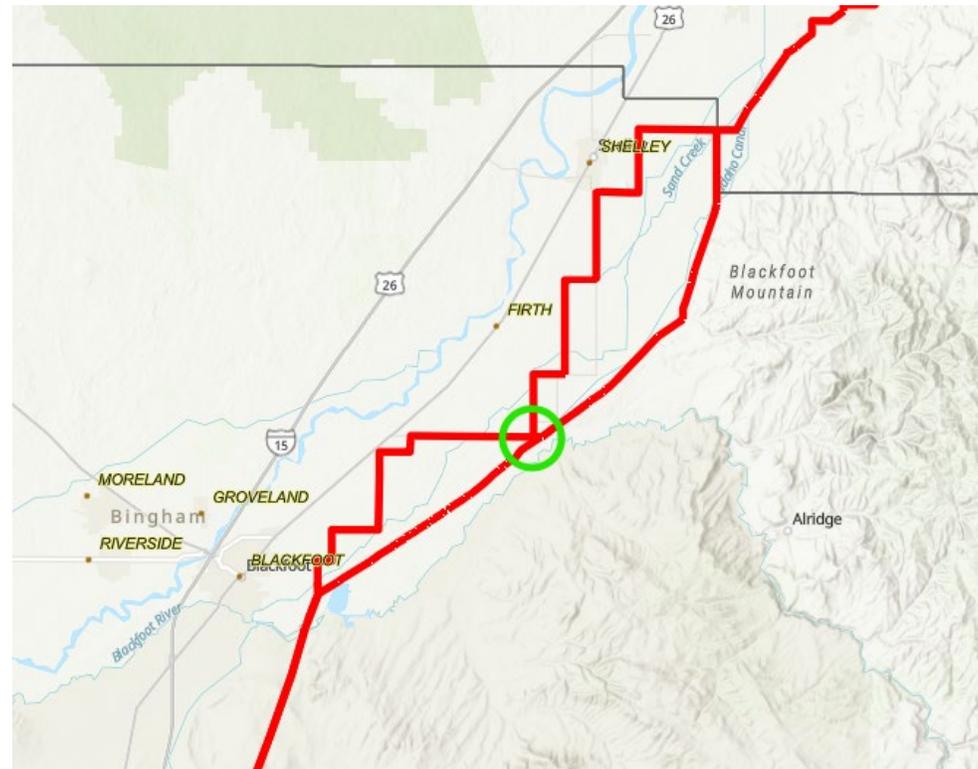
## IDAHO FALLS LATERAL (IFL) - AOI

- Requires reinforcements by 2030 to meet IRP growth predictions.
- AOI Capacity Limiter: Suction line pressure to the Wapello Compressor
- Wapello Compressor Station expected to be operational in 2026

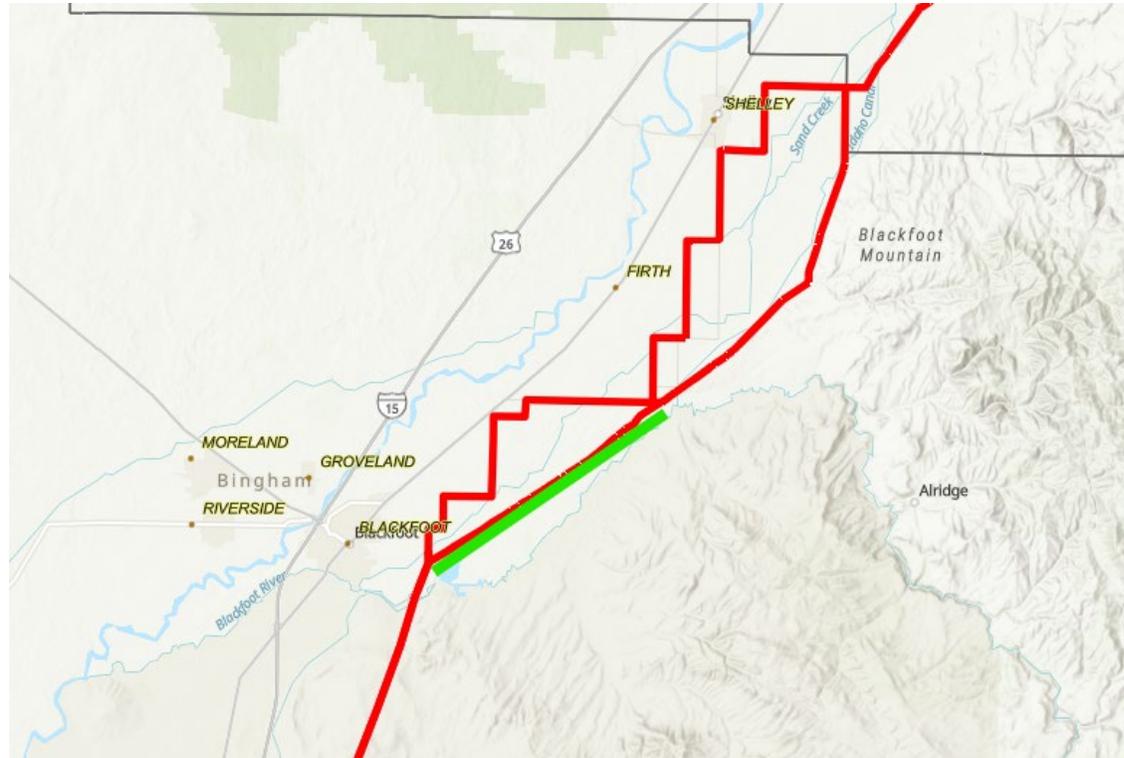
# IDAHO FALLS - AOI



# WAPELLO COMPRESSOR STATION – 2026



# IDAHO FALLS – COMPRESSOR SUCTION PIPELINE 2030



# AOI CAPACITY SUMMARY AND TIMING NEEDS:

Year	Ada County AOI Capacity (th/day)	Ada County AOI Reinforcement Required	State Street Lateral AOI Capacity (th/day)	State Street Lateral AOI Reinforcement Required	Canyon County AOI Capacity (th/day)	Canyon County AOI Reinforcement Required	Sun Valley Lateral AOI Capacity (th/day)	Sun Valley AOI Reinforcement Required	Idaho Falls Lateral AOI Capacity (th/day)	Idaho Falls AOI Reinforcement Required
2026	870,000	None	950,000	State Street Uprate	1,390,000	None	247,500	None	1,037,000	IFL Compressor Station
2027	870,000	None	950,000	State Penn Gate Upgrade	1,390,000	None	247,500	None	1,037,000	None
2028	870,000	None	950,000	None	1,390,000	None	247,500	None	1,037,000	None
2029	870,000	None	950,000	None	1,390,000	None	247,500	None	1,037,000	None
2030	870,000	None	950,000	None	1,390,000	None	247,500	None	1,122,000	IFL Compressor Suction Project



# QUESTIONS?

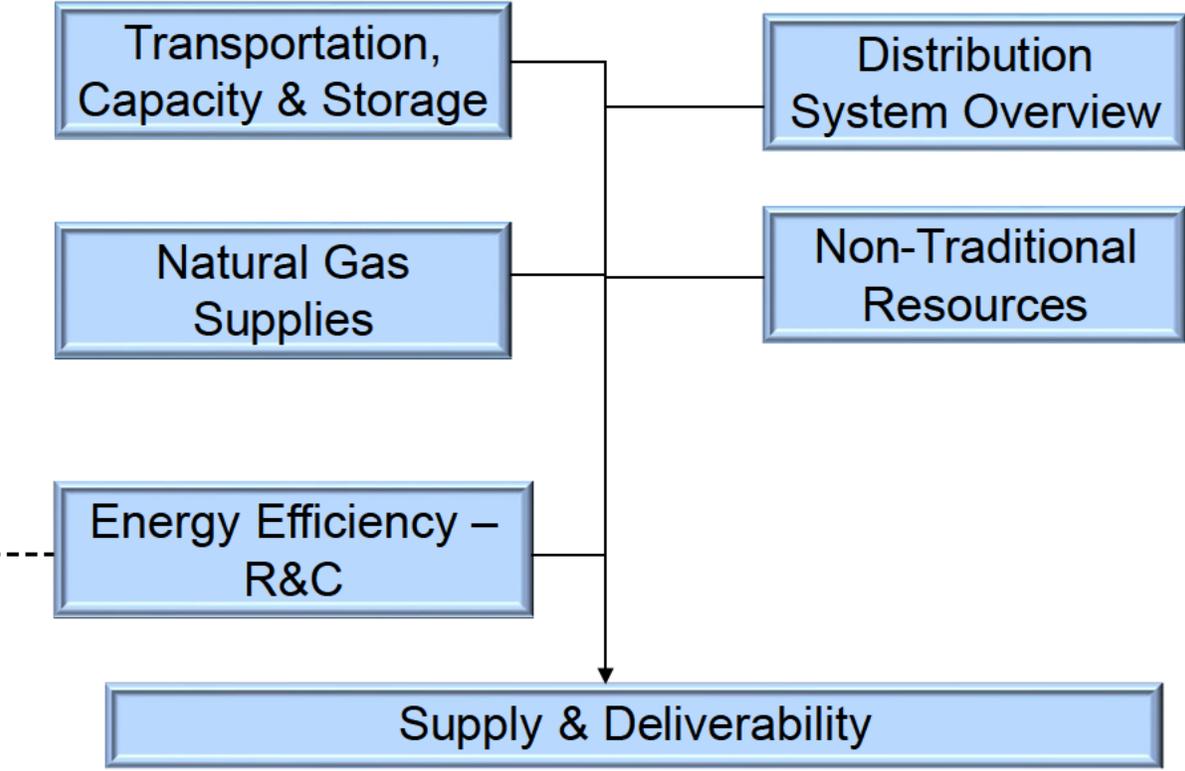
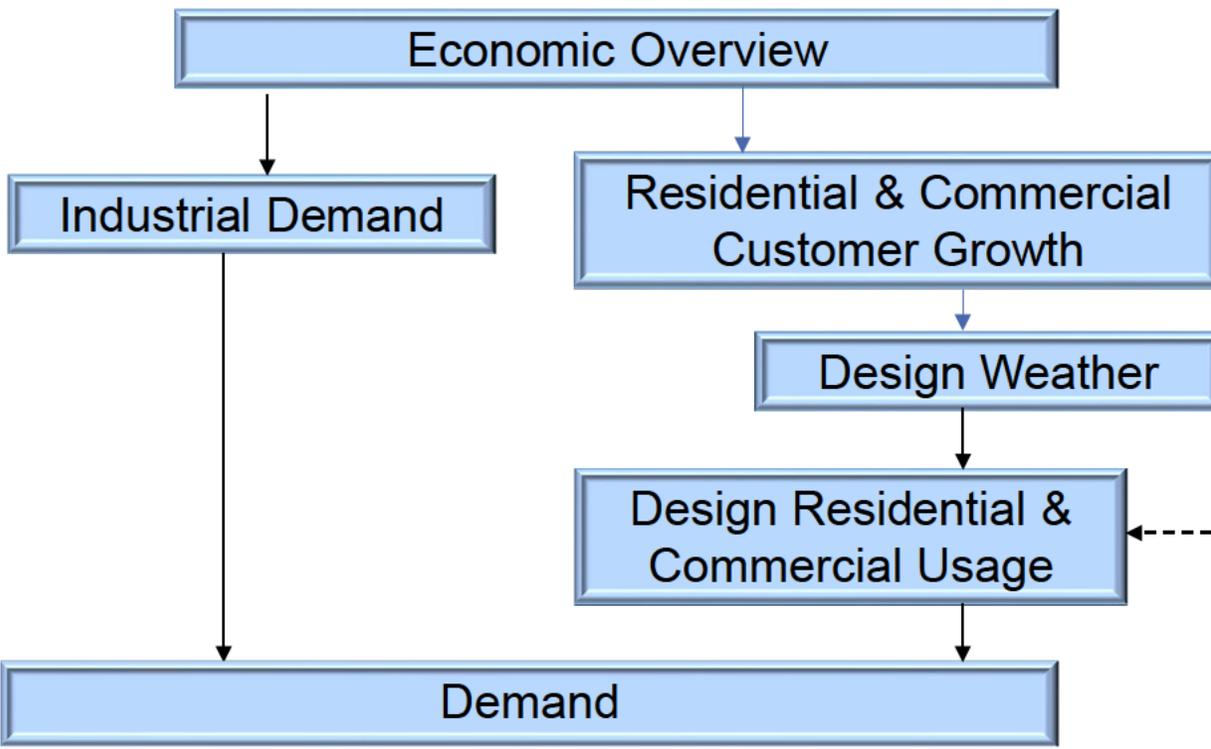


# IRP OPTIMIZATION MODEL

*Draft Design Base Results*

BRIAN ROBERTSON; MANAGER, SUPPLY RESOURCE PLANNING

**Demand** | **Supply & Delivery Resources**



Load Demand Curves  
Optimization Modeling  
System Enhancements

**Demand**



**Supply**

# IRP OPTIMIZATION MODELING

- **IGC IRP Model “Integrates”/Coordinates all the main functional elements of IGC operation:**
  - Gas Demand/Load, how much & where is gas consumed, “Load Duration Curve” (LDC) by area of interest.
  - Gas Supply, from where, how much, and what price is gas supplied to meet demand (LDC).
  - Gas Transport, how does gas move from supply to demand area given pipeline size and prices.
  - Demand Side Management (DSM), cost effective energy efficiency is used to reduce demand
  - Local Gas Distribution, local lateral sizing is explicitly modeled to meet demand & ensure reliability
  - The IRP model utilizes PLEXOS<sup>®</sup>, a linear optimization model, to determine the least cost manner to have loads served by supply, transport, DSM & laterals.

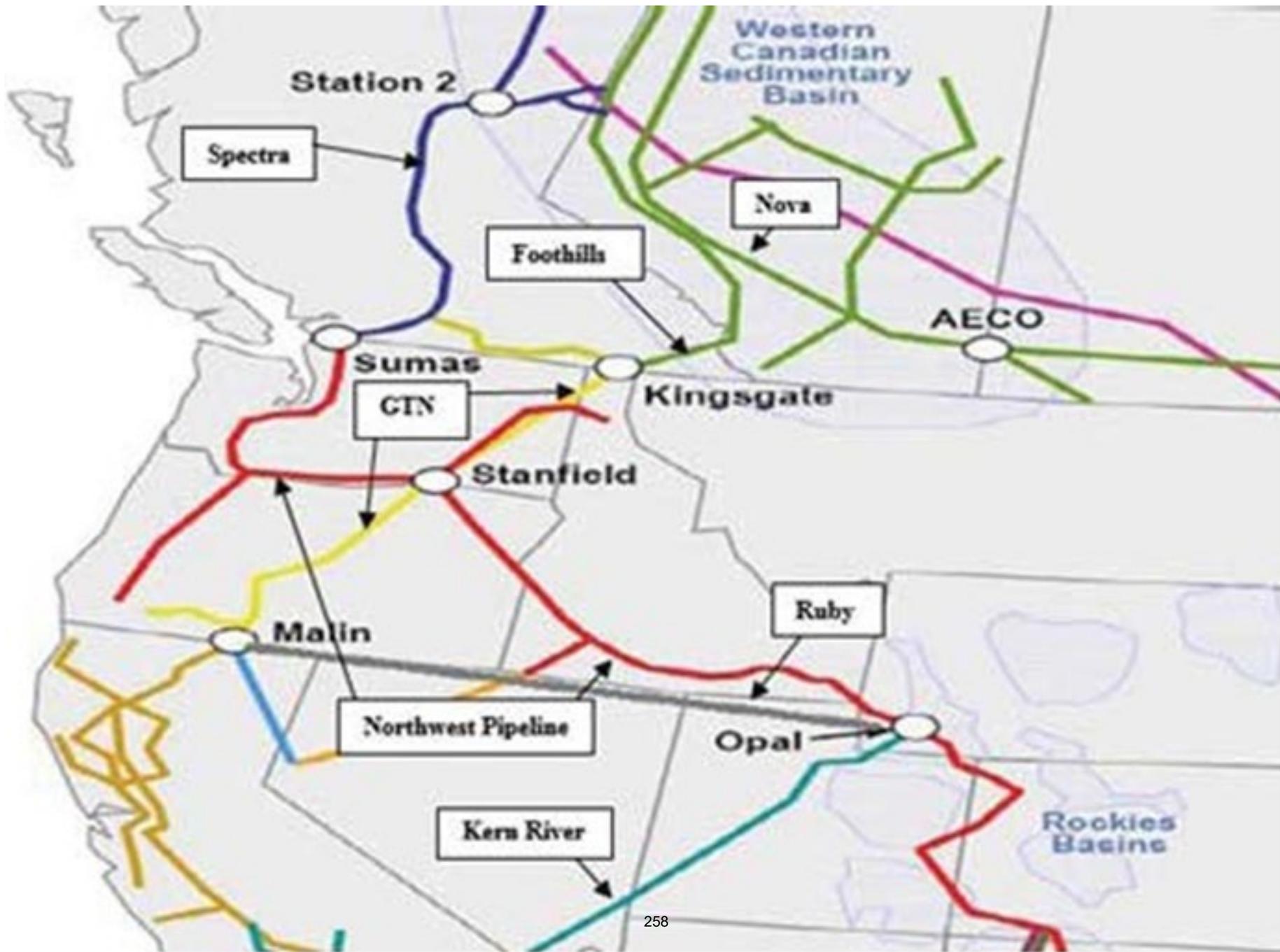
**All results presented here are draft subject to further IGC review.**

# WHAT IS OPTIMIZATION?

- Utilizes a ***standard*** mathematical technique called “linear programming” ...to optimize over all possible combinations.
- The model knows the exact load and price for every day of the planning period based on the analyst’s input and can therefore minimize costs in a way that would not be possible in the real world.
- Therefore, it is important to recognize that linear programming analysis provides helpful but not perfect information to guide decisions.
- Selects from a mix of resources over planning horizon to meet forecasted loads.

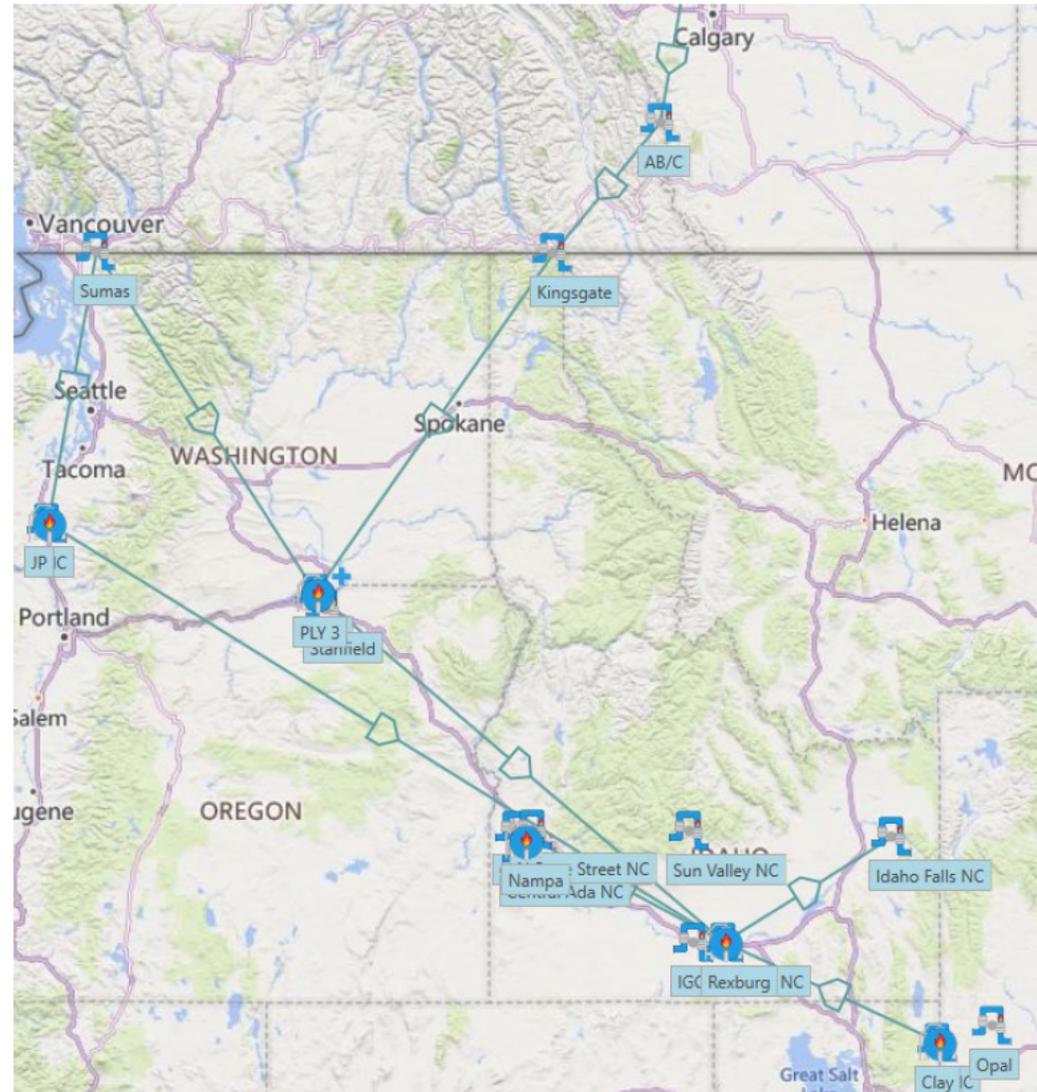
# MODEL ELEMENTS

- Functional components:
  - Demand forecast (Area's of Interest)
  - Traditional supply resources
    - Existing and potential gas supplies by basin
    - Storage resources
    - Transportation capacity resources
  - Price forecast
  - Non-traditional supply e.g., new distribution capacity, RNG, DSM etc.



# MODEL STRUCTURE

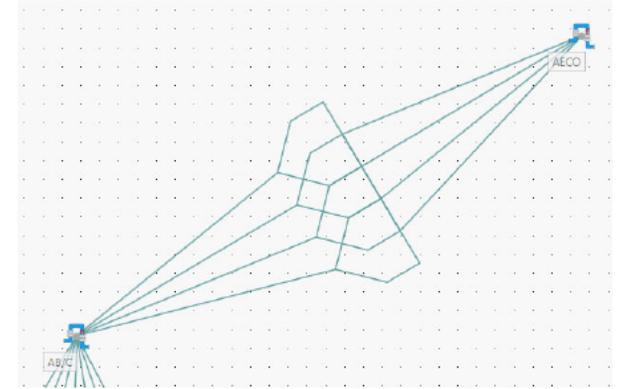
Transport, Storage, Supply, & Demand Areas to Idaho (IGC)



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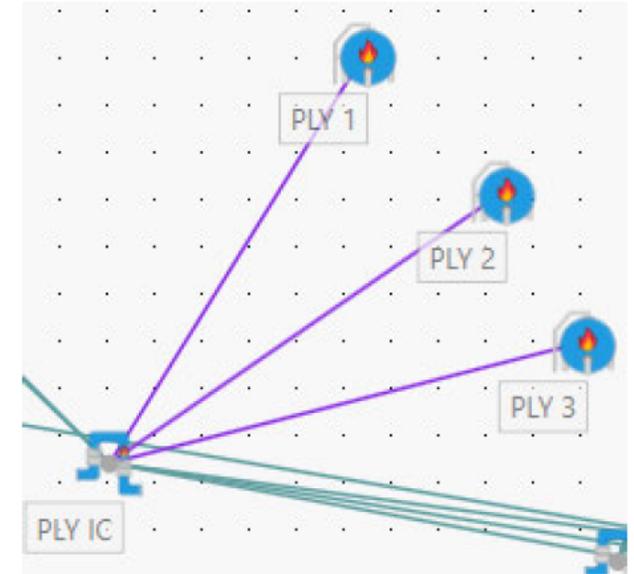
- Transportation contracts are the means of how Intermountain gets the gas from the supplier to the end user.
- Transportation has an MDQ, a Reservation Charge (DI rate), a Flow Charge (transportation rate), and a fuel loss percentage.
- A maximum delivery quantity (MDQ) which is the maximum amount of gas Intermountain can move on the pipeline on a single day.
- A DI rate which is the reservation rate to have the ability to move the MDQ amount on the pipeline.
- A transportation rate which is the rate per dekatherm that is actually moved on the pipeline.
- The fuel loss percentage is the statutory percent of gas based on the tariff from the pipeline that is lost and unaccounted for from the point of where the gas was purchased to the citygate.



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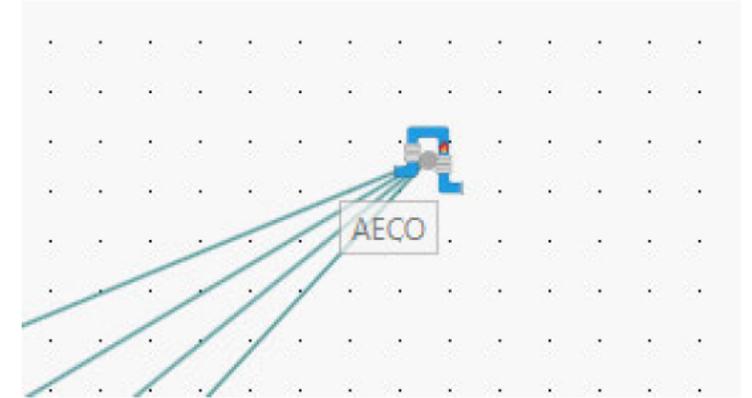
- Intermountain has storage at 5 locations: Jackson Prairie (JP), Plymouth (Ply), Clay Basin, Nampa, and Rexburg.
- Storage injections targets are set at 35% by the end of June, 80% by the end of August, and 100% by the end of September to emulate cycling storage for non-needle peaking storage.
- Intermountain can withdrawal approximately 30,377 dth per day from JP, 155,175 dth per day from Plymouth, and 70,144 dth per day from Clay Basin for a total of approximately 255,626 dth per day of off-system storage.
- Intermountain can withdrawal approximately 50,000 dth per day from Nampa and 5,500 dth per day from Rexburg for a total of approximately 55,500 dth per day of on-system storage.



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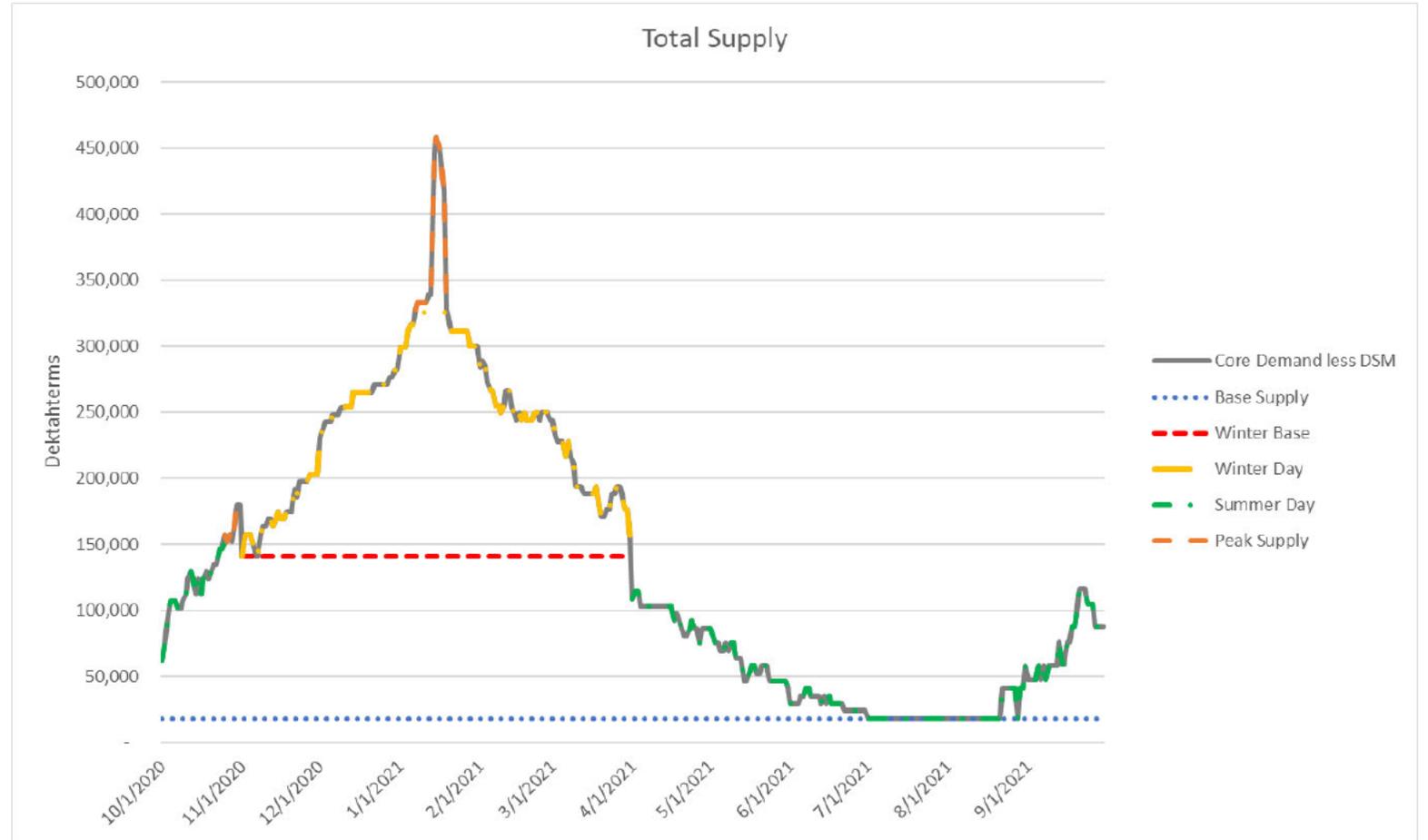
## Supply

- Intermountain can purchase gas at three markets; AECO, SUMAS, and OPAL.
- At each market Intermountain can purchase gas at different locations along the pipeline.
- For each year, Intermountain uses Base, Winter base, Summer and Winter day gas, and Peak day incremental supplies as inputs.
- Over the planning horizon, the contracts are renewed in November and April.



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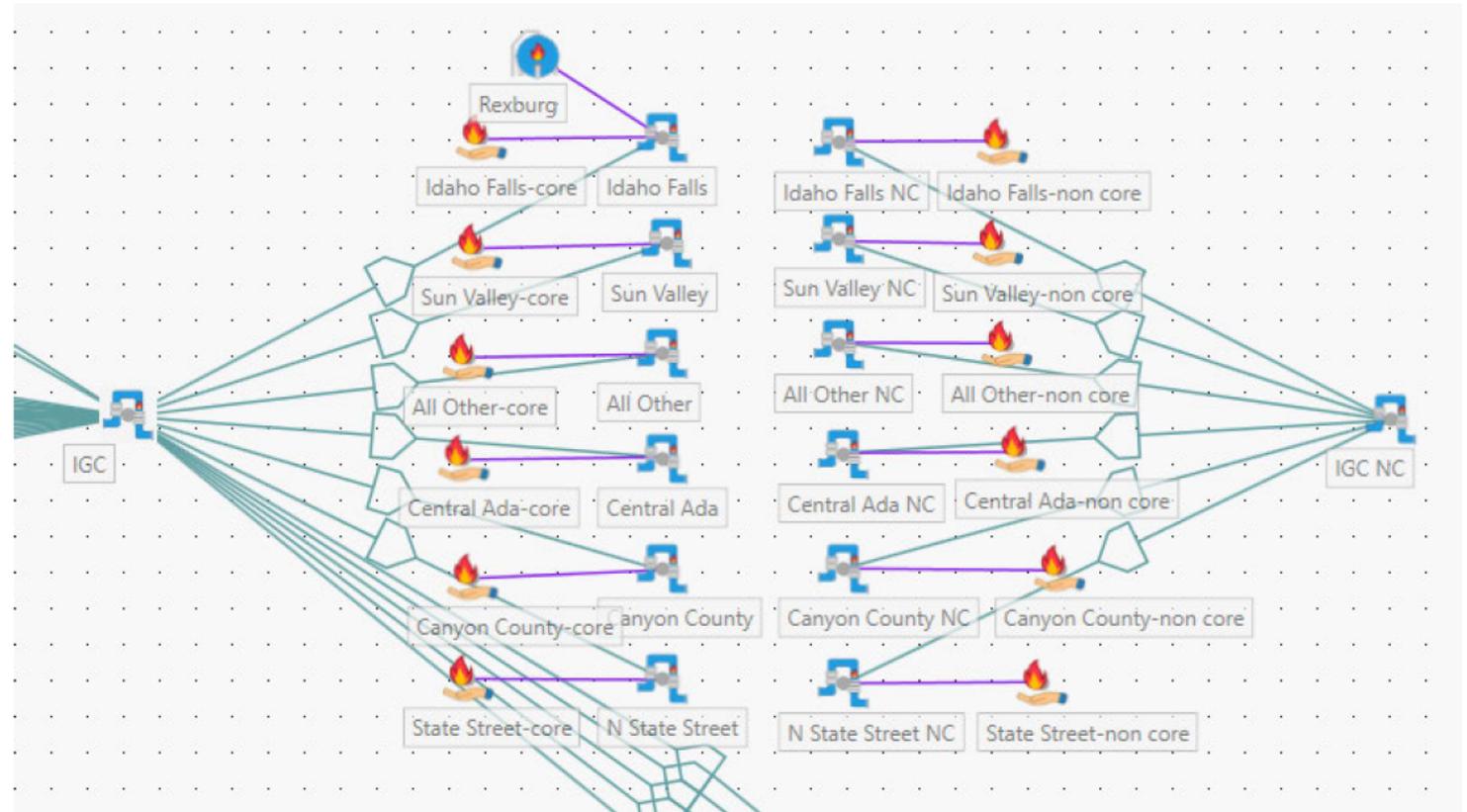
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# MODEL STRUCTURE

## Demand Area

- Demand is forecasted at the five areas of interest, as well as all other customers.
- Demand is determined by the load demand curves.
- Each area of interest has DSM, which decrements demand at the avoided cost price.



# DRAFT MODEL RESULTS - LATERALS

Lateral Capacity Summary By Year, Weather: Design, Growth: Normal

2025 Base Year (Dth)						
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IDAHO FALLS	86,121	90,400	95%	18,900	109,300	79%
SUN VALLEY	19,994	20,000	100%	4,750	24,750	81%
CANYON COUNTY	101,399	103,200	98%	35,800	139,000	73%
STATE STREET	75,346	82,000	92%	-	82,000	92%
CENTRAL ADA	72,996	74,500	98%	12,500	87,000	84%
ALL OTHER	276,942					

2026 Year 2 (Dth)						
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SUN VALLEY	20,247	24,750	82%	-	24,750	82%
CANYON COUNTY	104,221	139,000	75%	-	139,000	75%
STATE STREET	76,853	82,000	94%	-	82,000	94%
CENTRAL ADA	74,489	87,000	86%	-	87,000	86%
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SUN VALLEY	20,497	24,750	83%	-	24,750	83%
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# DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM SHORTFALL SOLVES AND RECENT UPGRADES

- ADA County – Bend 12-inch S Boise Loop
- State Street – State Street Upgrade and State Penn Gate Upgrade
- Canyon County – 12-inch Ustick Phase III
- Sun Valley Lateral – Shoshone Compressor Station and Suction line pressure to the Wapello Compressor
- Idaho Falls – IFL Compressor Station

# TRANSPORTATION SHORTFALL SOLVES

- Contract Renewals
- Rockies Connector
- Alternative Transportation Uptake
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- Others?

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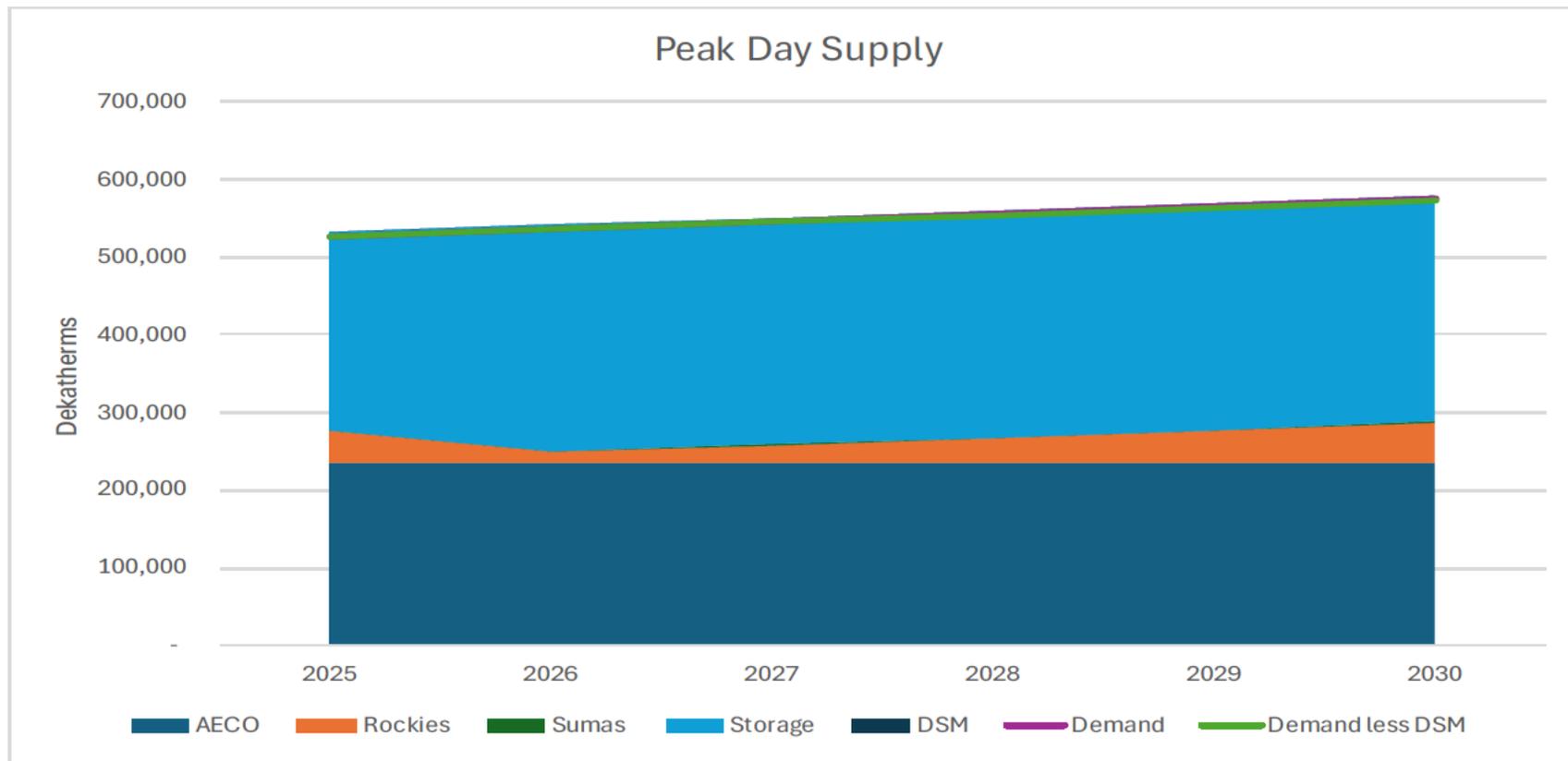
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AECO	5,020,377	6,065,968	7,147,872	7,147,872	6,456,143	6,761,047	3,341,270	2,457,540	1,285,824	1,096,245	1,299,113	2,957,778
Rockies	306,475	331,189	498,059	615,107	375,951	432,228	1,195,720	2,297,534	631,189	218,811	250,288	631,189
Sumas	-	-	-	450	-	92,605	300,000	2,335,719	300,000	-	-	-
All Other	2,737	2,649	2,737	2,737	2,472	2,737	2,649	2,737	2,649	2,737	2,737	2,649
Canyon County	2,031	1,965	2,031	2,031	1,834	2,031	1,965	2,031	1,965	2,031	2,031	1,965
Central Ada	2,373	2,296	2,373	2,373	2,143	2,373	2,296	2,373	2,296	2,373	2,373	2,296
Idaho Falls	1,541	1,491	1,541	1,541	1,392	1,541	1,491	1,541	1,491	1,541	1,541	1,491
State Street	2,345	2,270	2,345	2,345	2,118	2,345	2,270	2,345	2,270	2,345	2,345	2,270
Sun Valley	232	224	232	232	209	232	224	232	224	232	232	224
Storage	-	7,541	2,110,606	4,702,679	1,848,802	123,489	-	-	-	-	-	-

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AECO	4,881,307	5,331,070	6,792,507	7,147,872	6,456,143	6,331,960	3,624,443	1,614,240	1,313,353	1,117,970	1,341,912	2,110,613
Rockies	1,352,297	1,337,862	1,386,590	1,535,949	1,252,404	1,464,858	1,641,862	1,386,590	1,341,862	1,263,051	1,294,619	1,341,862
Sumas	108,590	105,087	108,590	108,590	98,081	108,590	405,087	418,590	405,087	418,590	418,590	405,087
All Other	14,112	13,657	14,112	14,112	12,746	14,112	13,657	14,112	13,657	14,112	14,112	13,657
Canyon County	8,750	8,468	8,750	8,750	7,903	8,750	8,468	8,750	8,468	8,750	8,750	8,468
Central Ada	12,236	11,841	12,236	12,236	11,052	12,236	11,841	12,236	11,841	12,236	12,236	11,841
Idaho Falls	12,328	11,930	12,328	12,328	11,135	12,328	11,930	12,328	11,930	12,328	12,328	11,930
State Street	12,094	11,704	12,094	12,094	10,923	12,094	11,704	12,094	11,704	12,094	12,094	11,704
Sun Valley	2,682	2,595	2,682	2,682	2,422	2,682	2,595	2,682	2,595	2,682	2,682	2,595
Storage	-	135,684	2,270,407	4,714,616	1,582,433	89,975	-	-	-	-	-	-

# DRAFT MODEL RESULT GENERAL SUPPLY BALANCE SUMMARY



# CAPACITY RESOURCES

## Northwest Daily Maximum Transportation Capacity (MMBtu)

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Stanfield	224,565	224,565	224,565	224,565	224,565	224,565
Rockies	59,328	59,328	59,328	59,328	59,328	59,328
Citygate	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
<b>Total Capacity</b>	<b>293,893</b>	<b>293,893</b>	<b>293,893</b>	<b>293,893</b>	<b>293,893</b>	<b>293,893</b>
Storage Withdrawals with Bundled Capacity	155,175	155,175	155,175	155,175	155,175	155,175
JP TF-2 Capacity	30,337	30,337	30,337	30,337	30,337	30,337
Nampa and Rexburg	55,500	55,500	55,500	55,500	55,500	55,500
<b>Maximum Deliverability</b>	<b>534,905</b>	<b>534,905</b>	<b>534,905</b>	<b>534,905</b>	<b>534,905</b>	<b>534,905</b>

- Intermountain has segmented capacity from Sumas to IGC at Stanfield. Intermountain owns Stanfield to IGC.
- Intermountain recently added Stanfield Capacity via the GTN Xpress project.
- Intermountain is actively participating in a Rockies expansion to meet peak day shortfalls.
- On-System Storage is 55,000 dth/day.

## SUMMARY

- Employs Utility Standard Practice Method To Optimize System
- Models DSM & Storage
- Handles storage withdrawal and injection across seasons
- Provides a check on need for lateral expansion.
- Provides a check on transport and supply capacity



# QUESTIONS?

# FEEDBACK SUBMISSIONS



- [IRP.Comments@intgas.com](mailto:IRP.Comments@intgas.com)
- Please provide comments and feedback within 10 days

## IGRAC #3



- Date & time:** 9/17/2025, 9:00 AM to 11:00 PM MT
- Location:** Microsoft Teams Meeting
- Presenters:** Ryan Denton, Kathleen Campbell, Zachary Sowards, Brian Robertson
- In attendance:** Bailey Steeves, Brian Robertson, Bruce Folsom, Chris Robbins, Darcy Neigum, Eric Wood, Jenny De Boer, Kathleen Campbell, Kimberly Loskot, Kristen Nieskens, Mark Sellers-Vaughn, Matt Hunter, Michael Parvinen, Rebecca Wildman, Russ Nishikawa, Ryan Denton, Seungjae Lee, Vicki Stephens, Zachary Sowards

### Introduction

Brian Robertson, Manager of Supply Resource Planning, opened the meeting by welcoming and thanking stakeholders for participating in Intermountain's IRP Process. Brian then proceeded with introductions, the agenda, a safety moment, and a reminder of the stakeholder engagement goals.

### Presentation #1 – Load Demand Curves (Ryan Denton)

- Ryan shared the key variables, and the methodology of how the load demand curves are calculated.
- Ryan described the reasons why load demand curves are important; mainly understanding capacity needs and storage management.
- Ryan then shared the load demand curves first and final year of the planning horizon, describing the growth and any potential shortfalls for Intermountain's total system as well as each area of interest (AOI).

**Question:** "What kind of sensitivity modeling is there around key variables"

**Answer:** Brian stated that Intermountain does a high and low growth as well as sensitivity modeling around 4 demand side management scenarios.

### Presentation #2 – Distribution System Enhancements (Kathleen Campbell and Zachary Sowards)

- Kathleen and Zachary provided project needs for each AOI, describing timing, costs, and capacity gained for each project;
  - In 2027, Intermountain anticipates a Caldwell reinforcement and a New Plymouth gate upgrade to ensure 2030 growth projections are met.

- Canyon County, Central Ada, and Sun Valley showed no reinforcement needs as the recent upgrades from previous IRPs meet 2030 growth expectations.
- State Street and Idaho Falls AOIs anticipate upgrades to meet 2030 growth expectations.

**Question:** “Is there a target year for designing the distribution line?”

**Answer:** Kathleen responded that there are multiple factors that go into distribution system projects. There are limitations to which projects can be done but the target is to ensure there is enough capacity in the five year IRP planning horizon. It also depends on the type of project, for example, a compressor generally wants to be built to serve for ten to twenty years of growth.

### **Presentation #3 – IRP Optimization Model (Brian Robertson)**

- Brian described the IRP Optimization Model (Plexos) and how it integrates all the elements of an IRP such as load demand curves, supply, transport, storage, demand side management, and distribution system modeling.
  - Transportation includes the maximum daily quantity, reservation charge, flow charge, and a fuel loss percentage rate.
  - As for storage, Intermountain has 30,377 dth per day from JP, 155,175 dth per day from Plymouth, and 70,144 dth per day from Clay Basin for a total of approximately 255,626 dth per day of off-system storage. Intermountain can also withdrawal 50,000 dth per day from Nampa and 5,500 dth per day from Rexburg.
  - Brian described how supply was modeled in a way that emulates real world supply purchasing.
  - Load Demand Curves are loaded into Plexos into demand areas.
- Brian reshared draft model results of the capacity shortfalls at each AOI and summarized recent and future upgrades.
- High level information on upstream transportation shortfall solutions was discussed.
- Brian then shared supply and storage annual and peak day preliminary results.

**Question:** “How does capacity needs of other states impact Intermountain?”

**Answer:** Brian stated that Intermountain has firm capacity rights on upstream pipelines, which means the pipelines are obligated to provide Intermountain that service.

**The Meeting was Adjourned – Intermountain is focusing on the IRP narrative and aims to have a draft circulated by the end of October**



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# WELCOME

- Introductions
- Feedback Process
- Agenda

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# AGENDA

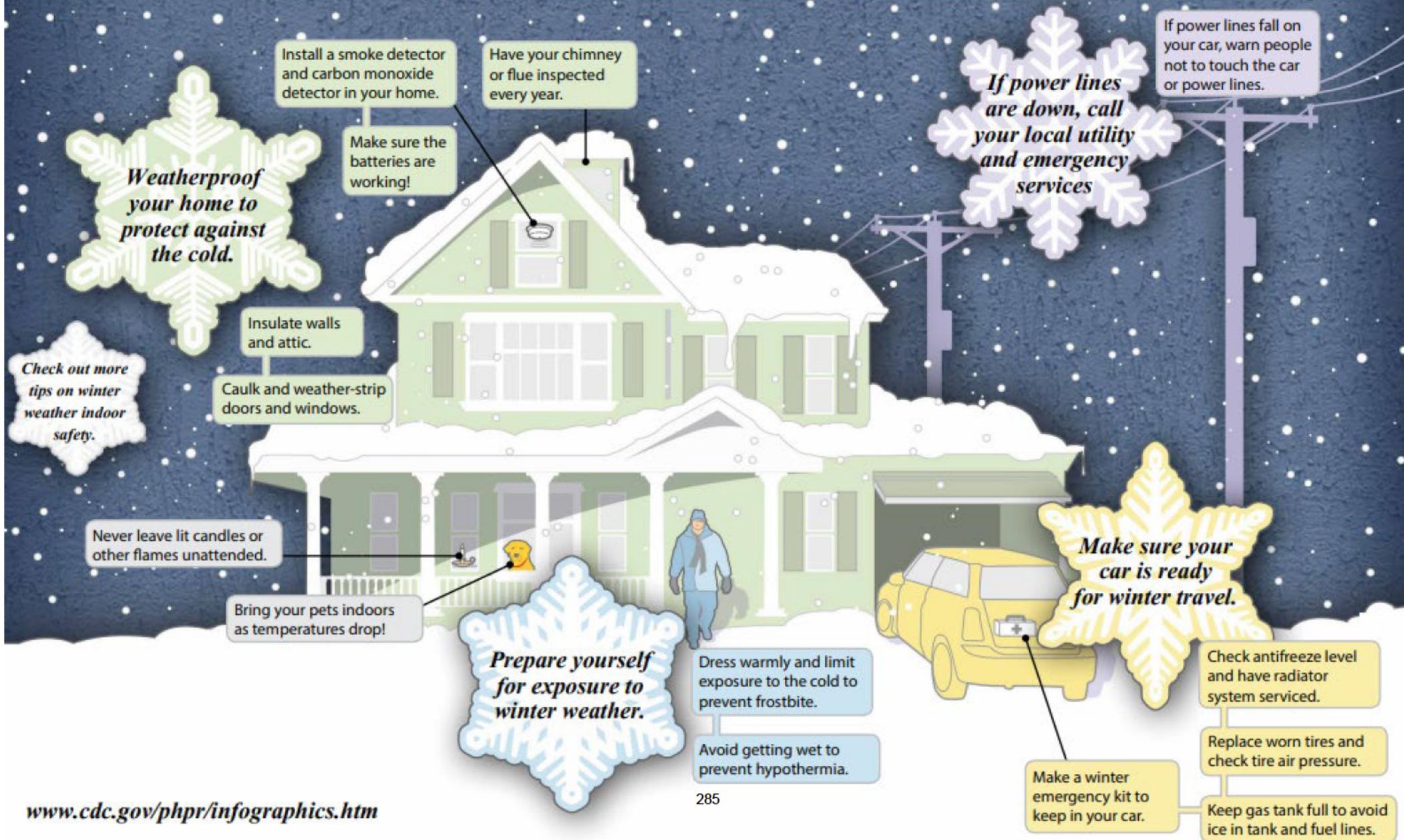
- **Welcome & Introductions** – Brian Robertson (*Manager, Supply Resource Planning*)
- **Safety Moment** – Brian Robertson (*Manager, Supply Resource Planning*)
- **Upstream Capacity Needs** – Brian Robertson (*Manager, Supply Resource Planning*)
- **Questions/Discussion**



# SAFETY MOMENT

BRIAN ROBERTSON  
MANAGER, SUPPLY RESOURCE PLANNING

# Be Ready! Winter Weather



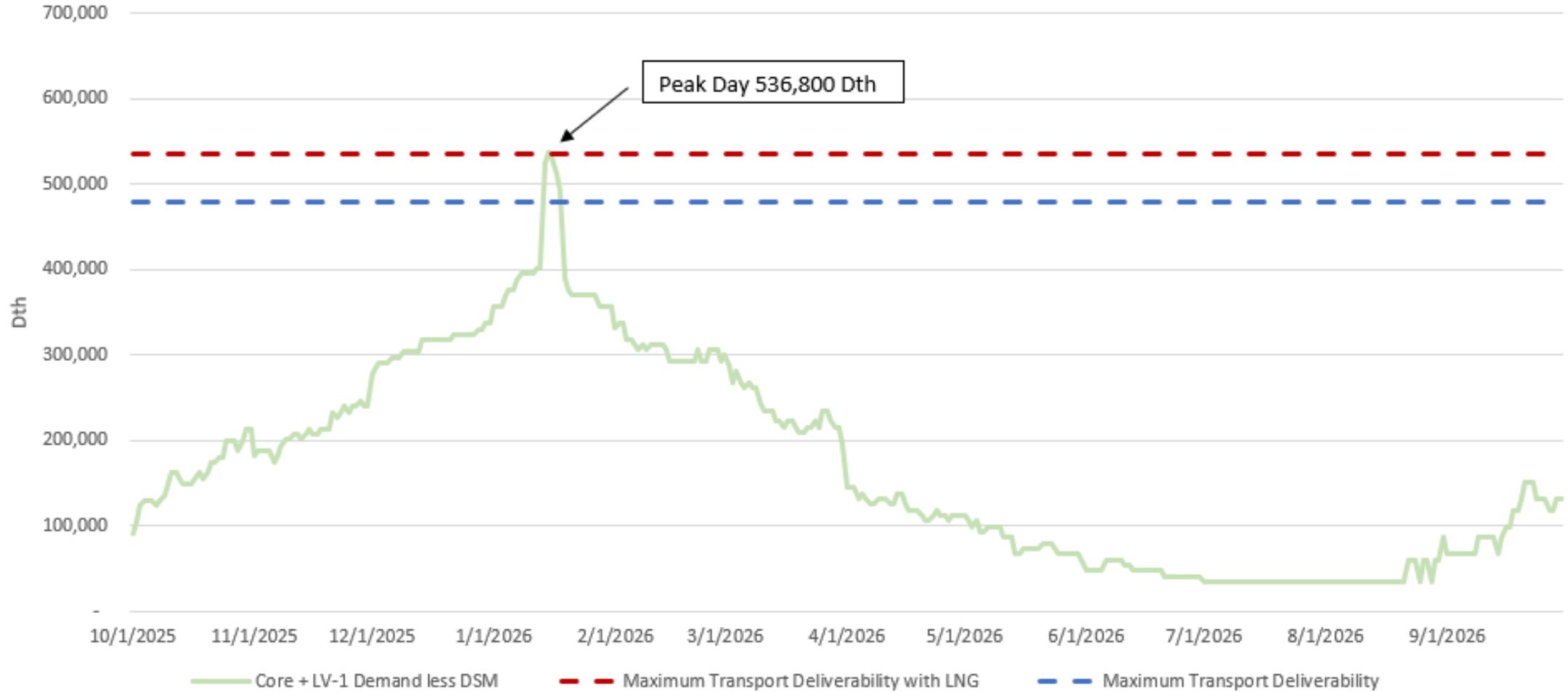


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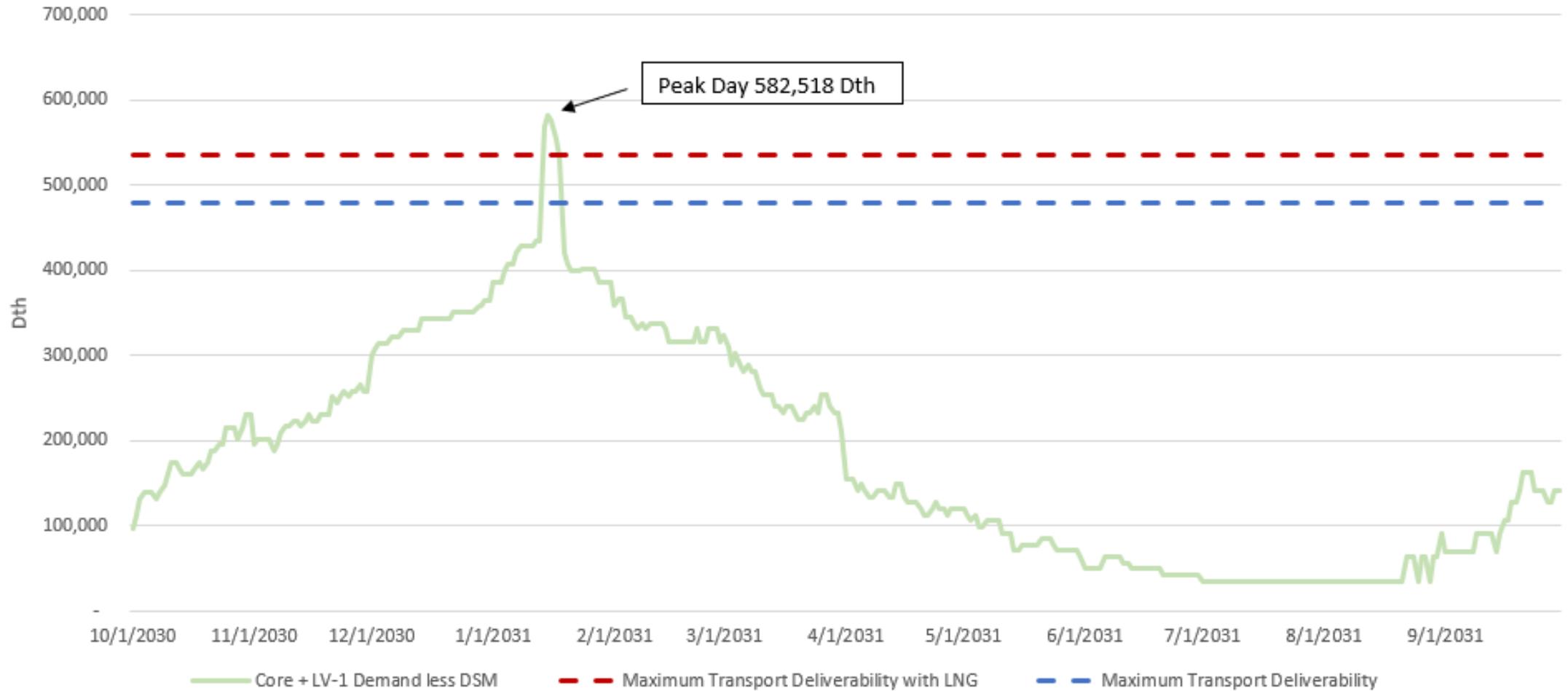
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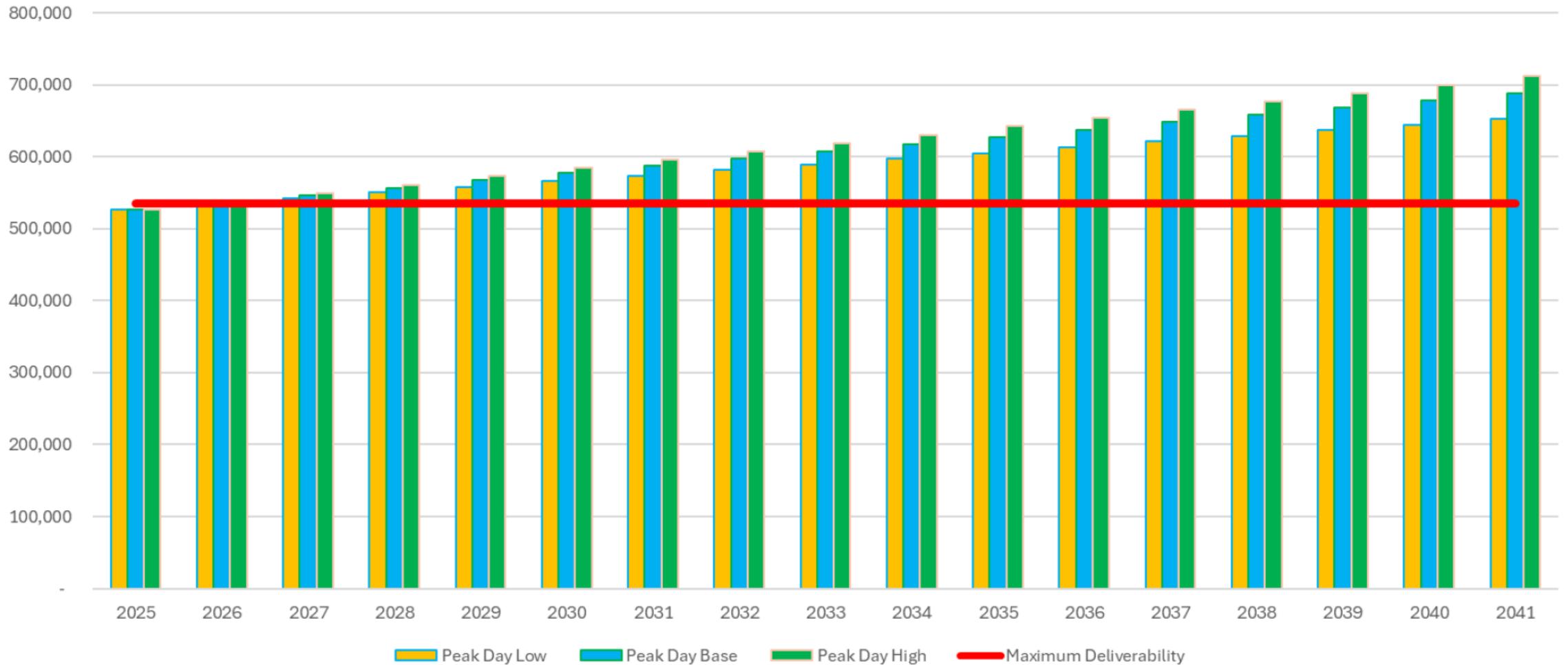


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(VOLUMES IN DTHS/D)

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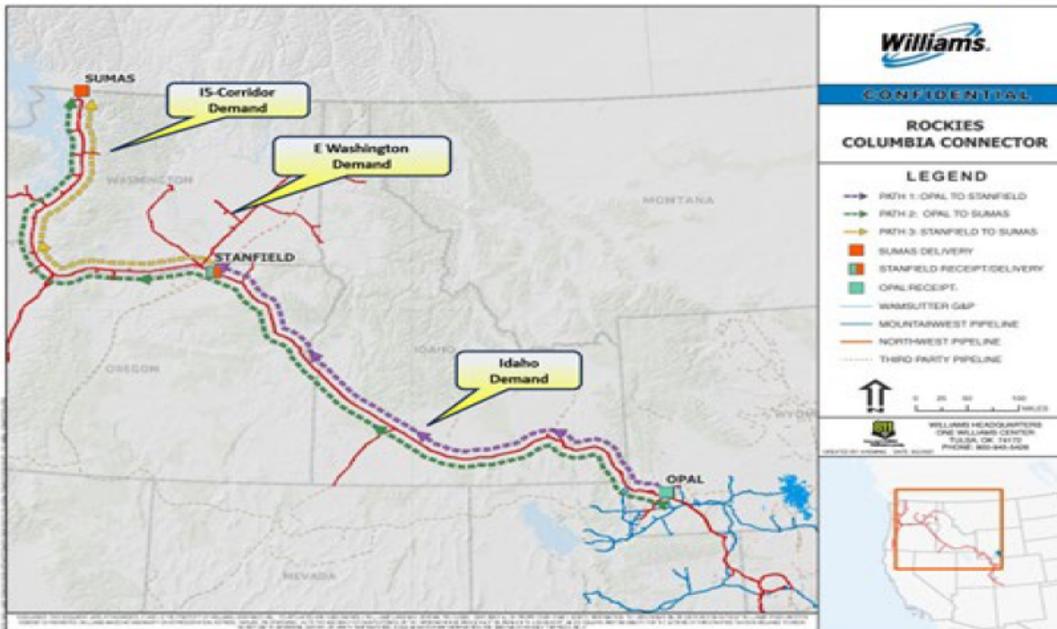


# OPTIONS AND ALTERNATIVES

- Upstream options
  - Supply
  - Storage
  - Transportation
- Downstream options
  - LNG
  - DSM
  - Electrification
- Others?

# REVIEW OF ROCKIES COLUMBIA CONNECTOR PROJECT

## Rockies Columbia Connector (Proposed)



### Project Overview:

- Integrated expansion of NWP mainline to provide firm incremental transportation from the Rockies Opal area and Stanfield, OR with delivers to Idaho and points along the I-5 corridor

### Project Benefits:

- Supports growth in region
- Access to Rockies supply
- Executable – Brownfield project – No showstoppers
- Enhances energy resiliency and reliability during peak demand periods
- Addresses a ~300 MMcf/d supply shortfall due to Woodfibre LNG in 2027
- Estimated CO2 emissions reductions up to 43,000 tons/year from NWP operations

### Project Status:

- Non-Binding Open Season closed August 6, 2025 (Open Season offered up to 650 MMcf/d)
- Negotiating Precedent Agreements – Q4 2025
- Finalizing scope based on Open Season / commitments

# LNG PEAK-SHAVING FACILITIES

Utility	Facility	IRP / Planning Link	Regulatory Filing	Reported Project Cost	Storage Capacity
Puget Sound Energy (WA)	Tacoma LNG	PSE Gas IRP	WA UTC docket UG-230393	~\$489 million capital cost (end of 2022)	~9.6 million dth
Pacific NorthWest LNG (BC, canceled)	Lelu Island LNG Export Project	NA (Petronas)	BC EAO, CEAA 2012	Planned \$11.4–18 billion investment	~18–20M Dth annually
NW Natural (OR/WA)	Peak-shaving LNG	NW Natural IRP	OPUC docket UG 456	undisclosed	Capacity in PHMSA/permit filings
FortisBC (BC)	Tilbury LNG	BCUC Tilbury LNG CPCN	BCUC Order G-62-23	~\$1.14 billion	~25.4 million dth

# FOOTNOTES

- PSE Tacoma LNG: [december12023.pdf](#), [PSE LNG FEIS Cover Pages.pdf](#)
- Lelu Island LNG: [Pacific NorthWest LNG Project, British Columbia - Offshore Technology](#)
- Northwest Natural: [lc79has155146.pdf](#)
- FortisBC Tilbury LNG: [BCUC Approves FortisBC's Tilbury Liquefied Natural Gas](#)

## ESTIMATED RATE IMPACT TO RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS

The table below reflects the estimated rate impact in 2030 to residential customers based on Rockies Columbia Connector capacity acquired. It's important to keep in mind by the time you get out to 2030, the impact of the expansion will be less because of customer growth will increase the billing determinants.

	<b>100,000 Dths/d</b>
Estimated Annual Revenue Impact of RCC Reservation Charge	<b>\$60,225,000</b>
Percentage Increase	<b>20.8%</b>



# QUESTIONS?

# FEEDBACK SUBMISSIONS



- [IRP.Comments@intgas.com](mailto:IRP.Comments@intgas.com)
- Please provide comments and feedback within 10 days

## IGRAC #4



**Date & time:** 12/3/2025, 9:00 AM to 9:35 PM MT

**Location:** Microsoft Teams Meeting

**Presenters:** Brian Robertson

**In attendance:** Bailey Steeves, Brian Robertson, Bruce Folsom, Chris Robbins, Eric Wood, Jenny De Boer, Kathleen Campbell, Kristen Nieskens, Michael Brutocao, Michael Parvinen, Ryan Denton, Seungjae Lee, Vicki Stephens, Zachary Sowards

### Introduction

Brian Robertson, Manager of Supply Resource Planning, opened the meeting by welcoming and thanking stakeholders for participating in Intermountain's IRP Process. Brian then proceeded with introductions, the agenda, a safety moment, and a reminder of the stakeholder engagement goals.

### Presentation #1 – Upstream Capacity Needs (Brian Robertson)

- Brian shared charts on Intermountain's current usage under a peak event compared to the Company's current capacity to serve customers. He also shared the maximum capacity compared to the low, base, and high growth forecasts. This showed a need for more capacity to meet customers' needs under a peak event.
- Brian described the options to meet this capacity need, sharing that the two most viable options are upstream transportation and LNG.
- Brian shared the Rockies Connector Expansion and the benefits of this type of project.
- Brian shared regional LNG projects, showing the costs of these projects, and describing the benefits of an LNG project.
- Ultimately, Intermountain plans to move forward with the Rockies Connector Expansion while continuing to investigate LNG for future consideration in the case Idaho growth continues to expand.
- Brian then shared estimated impacts to customer rates for this type of project.

**The Meeting was Adjourned – Intermountain is focusing on the IRP narrative and aims to have a final filed by the week of December 15.**