Distribution Planning to Enable Massachusetts 2050 Decarbonization Roadmap

MassCEC's Net Zero Grid Planning Lab Workshop #1

February 3, 2022



Workshop Plans

Three collaborative workshops (Task 1)

Today: Distribution Planning

March 4th: Identifying Barriers and Opportunities to Achieve

10am - 12pm ET

April 13th: Distribution System Costs to Achieve

2pm - 4pm ET

... to enable Massachusetts 2050 Decarbonization Roadmap



Today's Agenda 12:00 – 2:00 pm

- Welcome, Introductions, and Workshop Objectives
- Decarbonization Pathways Distribution System Impact Areas
- Panel Session Distribution Planning Process
- Questions and Discussion
- Feedback and Plans for Workshop #2

Active participation is appreciated!



Invited Stakeholders

Today's Speakers

- Rob Sheridan EPRI
- Ariel Horowitz Mass CEC
- Digaunto Chatterjee Eversource
- Lavelle Freeman Eversource
- Gerhard Walker Eversource
- Gia Mahmoud National Grid
- Dom Fuda National Grid
- Balaji Doraibabu National Grid

Invited Stakeholder Groups

- Attorney General's Office Massachusetts
- Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)
- Eversource Energy
- Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs
- Advocacy Community
- Massachusetts Clean Energy Center
- Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources
- Massachusetts State Legislature
- Metropolitan Area Planning Council
- National Grid



Project Overview

MassCEC's Net Zero Grid Planning Lab is an opportunity to build consensus and strategy around distribution grid changes needed to reach Net Zero by 2050.

As a non-profit research institute that provides thought leadership to help the electricity sector technology gaps and broader needs, EPRI will:

- Highlight barriers and opportunities to meeting the Net Zero goal, presented in these workshops and a white paper with applicability to the 2030 CECP; and
- Use survey results and utility data to forecast customer adoption rates of new beneficial technologies on a sample of representative feeders and then extrapolate those results to understand the impacts of technology adoption across the Commonwealth.



Opening Remarks

Digaunto Chatterjee

Vice President - System Planning Eversource



Gia Mahmoud

Vice President – Future of Electric National Grid



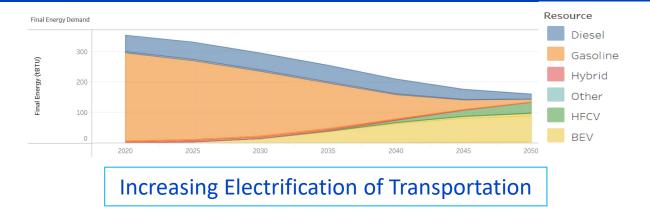
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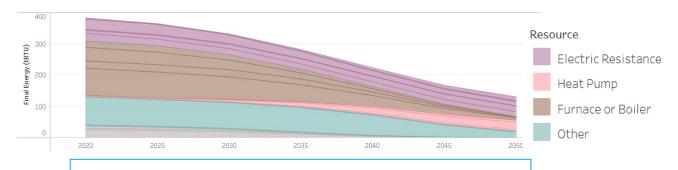
- Highlight elements of the Decarbonization Pathways that may impact the electric distribution system
- Review Distribution Planning Processes that drive investment decisions to safely, reliably and cost effectively operate the grid
- 3. Discuss objectives of next workshop which will focus on barriers to achieve and opportunities for cost efficiency

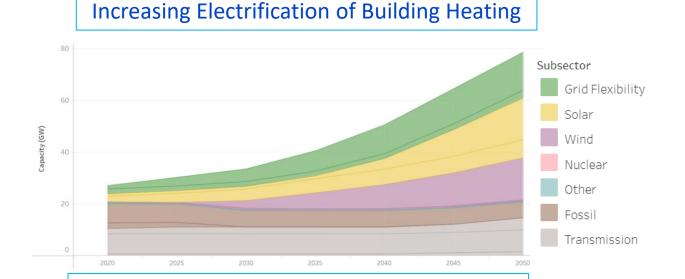
Enabling Massachusetts 2050 Decarbonization Roadmap



2050 Decarbonization Pathways







Increasing Solar and Grid Flexibility

Energy Pathways to Deep Decarbonization

A Technical Report of the Massachusetts 2050 Decarbonization Roadmap Study December 2020

2050 Pathway Elements Distribution Planning Considerations

- Magnitude of Demand (kW)
- Energy Requirement (kWhr)
- Load Profile (daily, weekly, monthly)
 - Temporal Coincidence
 - Intermittency
- Location and electrical connectivity
- Flexibility
 - Alignment to local needs

Distribution Planning Panel Session

Panelists



Rob Sheridan

EPRI

Technical Executive Consultant

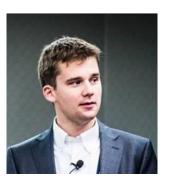
Distribution Operations & Planning



Lavelle Freeman
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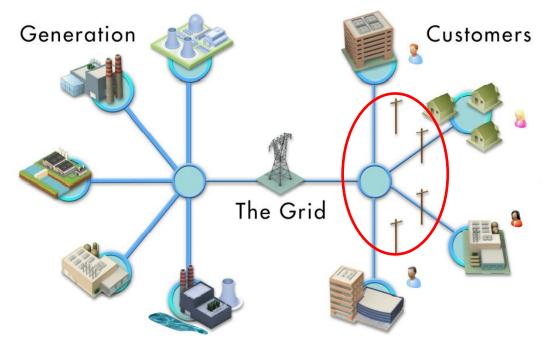


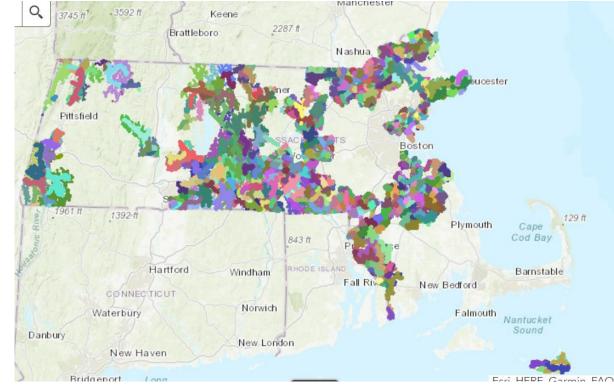
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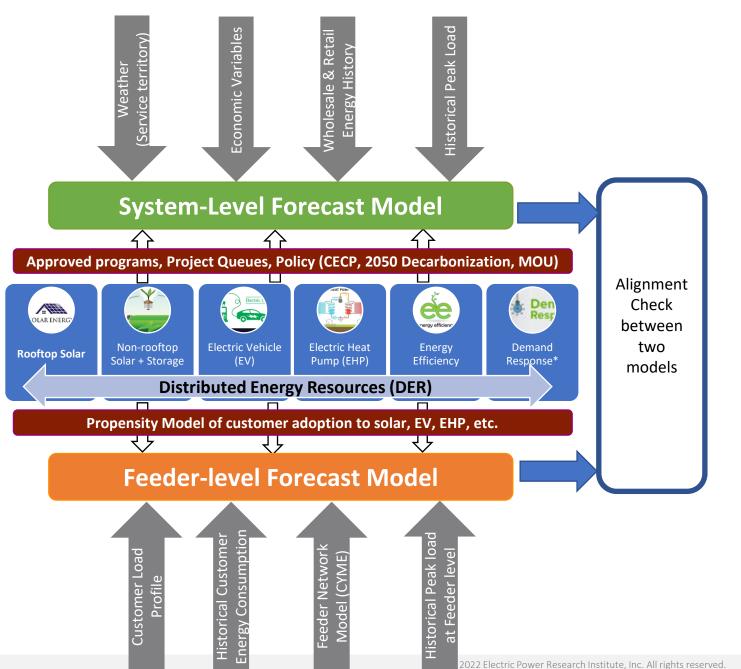
Electric Distribution Systems





National Grid - 8760 Electric Load & DER Forecasting for 15-year projections national grid





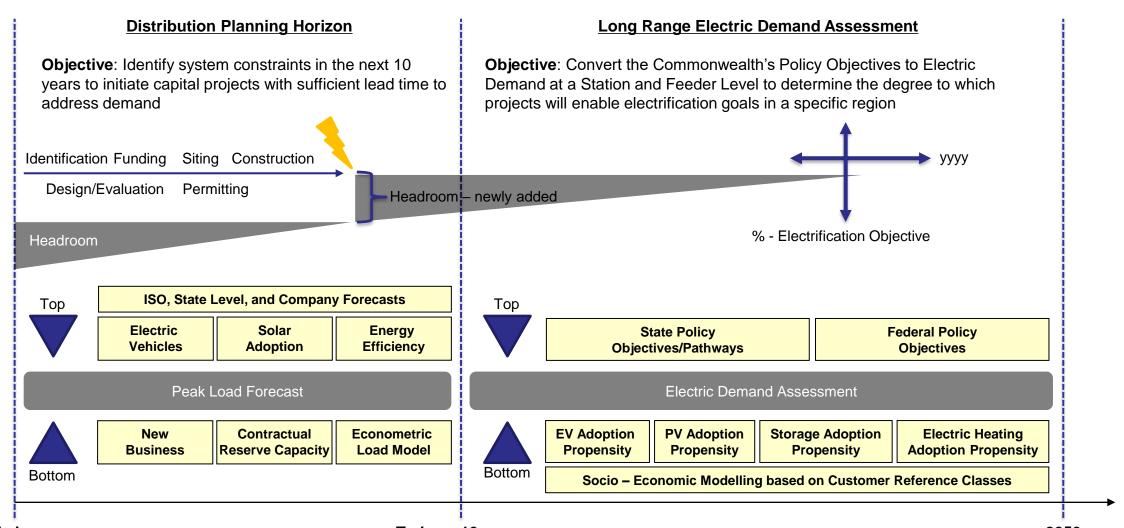
DERs Scenarios

- Base, High and Low
- **Probabilities**

DER	NG Forecast projections
Solar PV	Base: Meet pro-rata of CECP goal by 2030
Energy Storage	Base: Meets state's 2025 targets. No explicit State target in CECP
Electric Vehicles (EVs)	Base: Meet CECP goal (50% by 2030 and 100% by 2035)
Electric Heat Pumps (EHP)	Base: Delayed achieve CECP goal by 2036 High: On-target by 2030

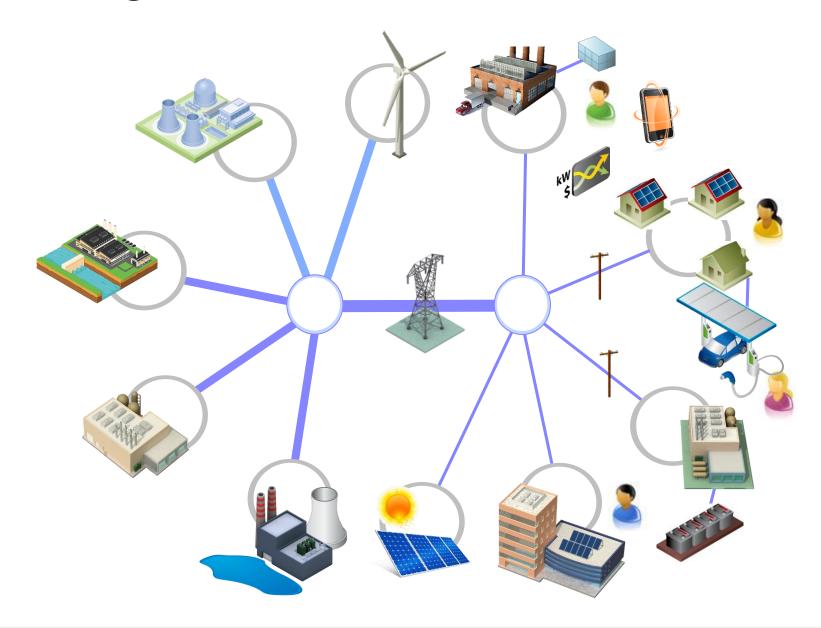


Eversource – Advanced Forecasting



<u>Today + 10 years</u> <u>2050</u>

Looking Forward







Feedback and Considerations for Workshop #2

Identifying Barriers to Achieving Massachusetts 2050

Decarbonization Roadmap

