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The Pacific Northwest Economic Region Presents:

Overview of Our Regional Energy Infrastructure & Policy Landscape

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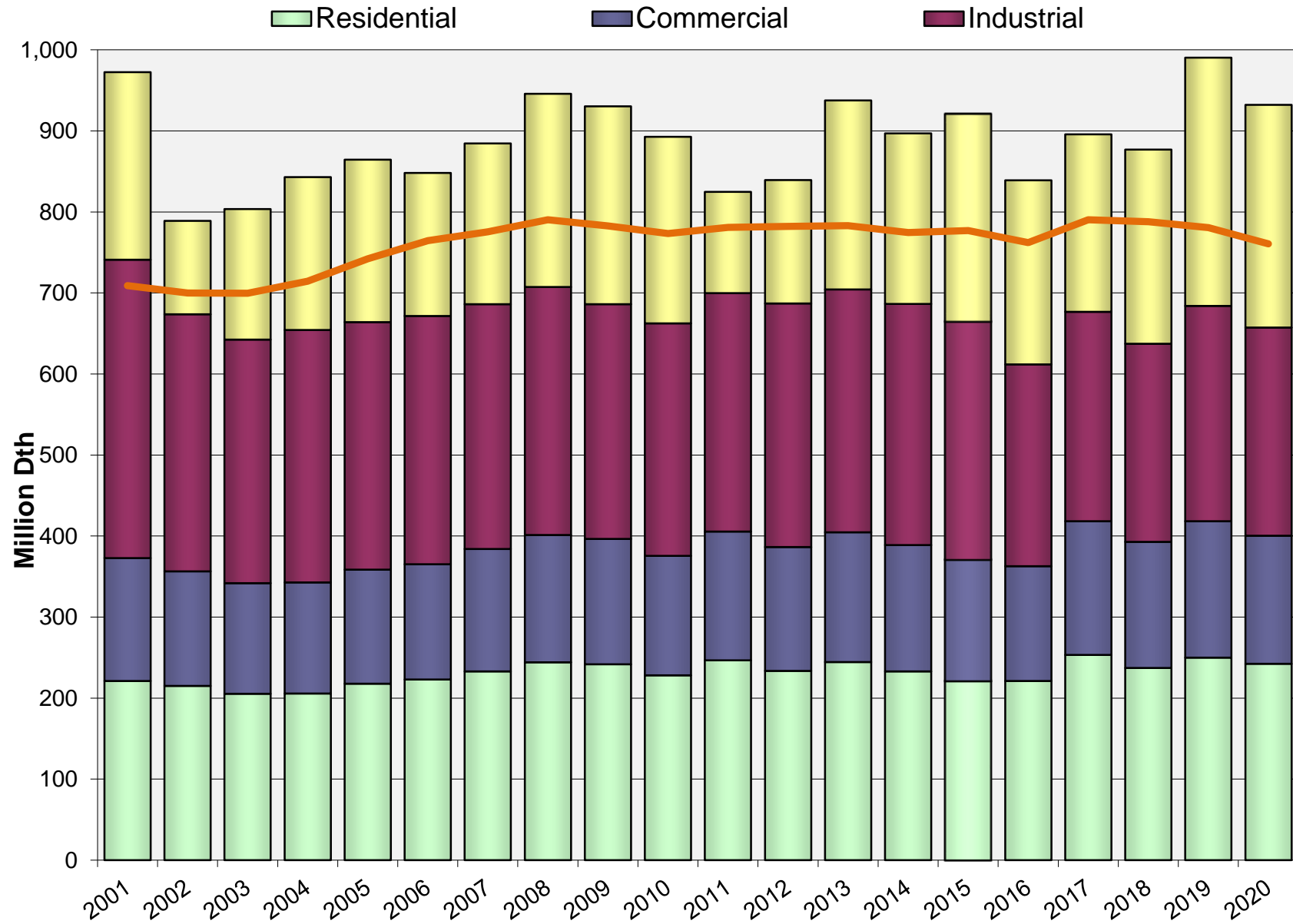


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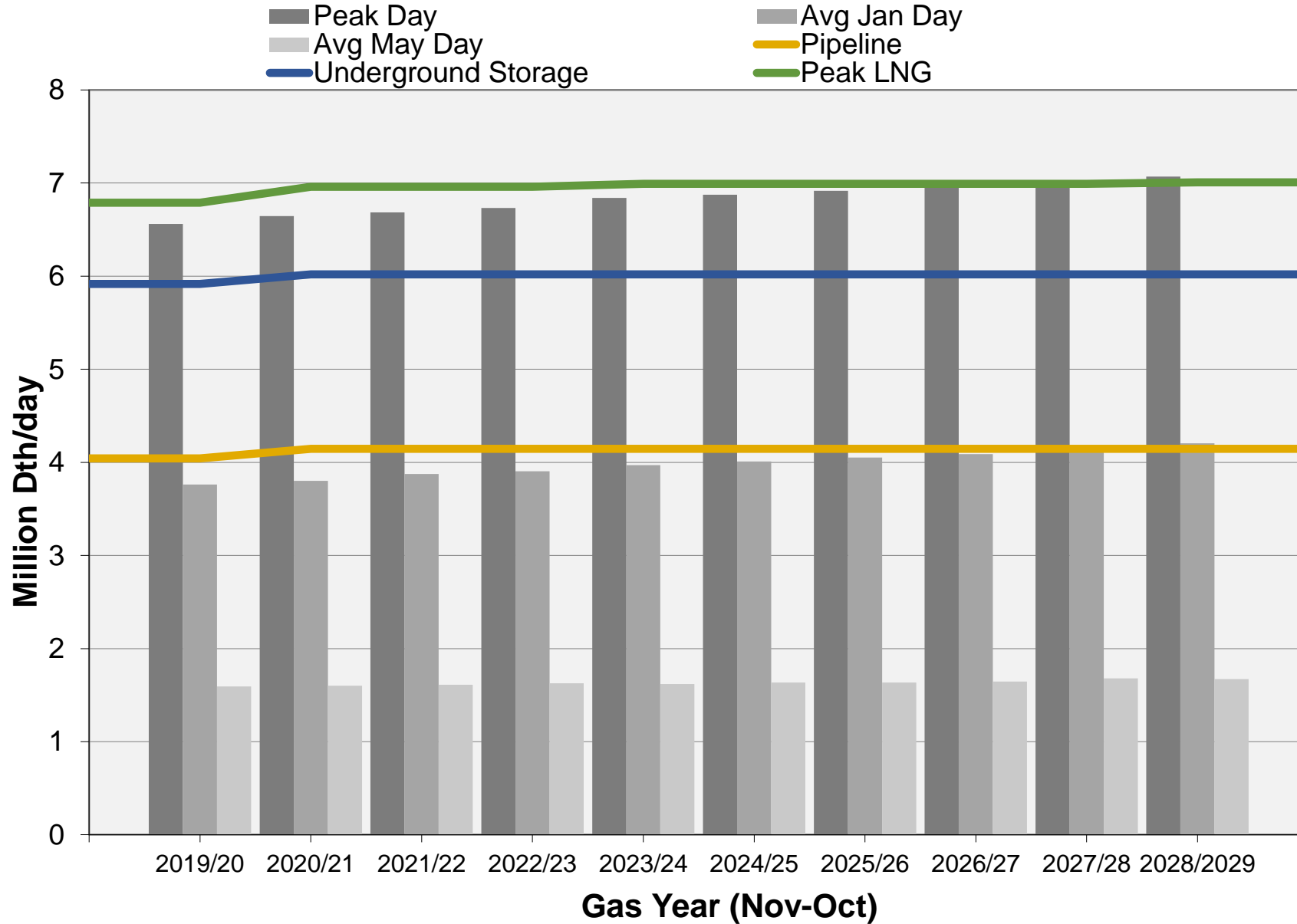
Natural Gas By the Numbers

State/Province	Households / Businesses	Pipeline (miles / km)
British Columbia	955,626 / 98,476	35,000 / 58,500
Idaho	433,237 / 44,420	17,500 / 29,000
Montana	279,987 / 38,099	16,250 / 27,000
Oregon	783,100 / 85,081	30,000 / 50,000
Washington	1,234,324 / 109,451	45,000 / 75,000
TOTAL	3,686,274 / 375,527	143,750 / 239,500

Recent Gas Demand



System Supply Demand Balance



Peak Energy

- January 5, 2017, 7am-8am:
 - ~30 GWh delivered via electric system
 - = 1,000,000 therms
 - ~1,800,000 therms delivered via gas system
 - = 53 GWh

8 x



2021 NWPP overview Resources & Transmission

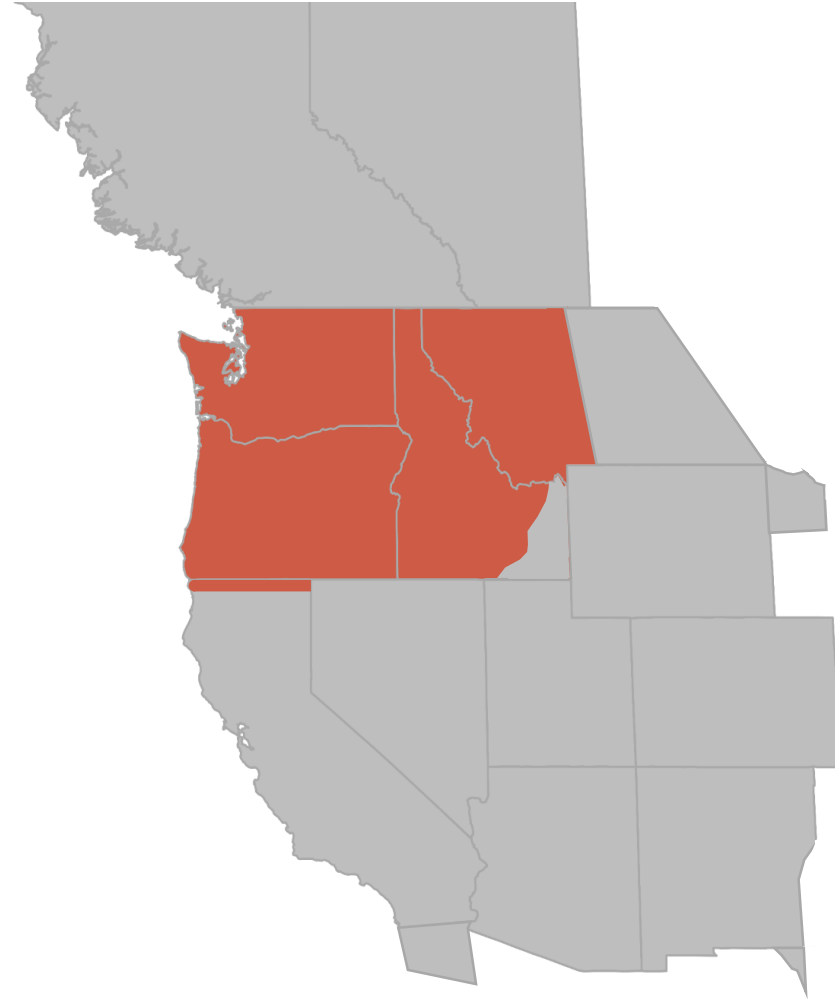
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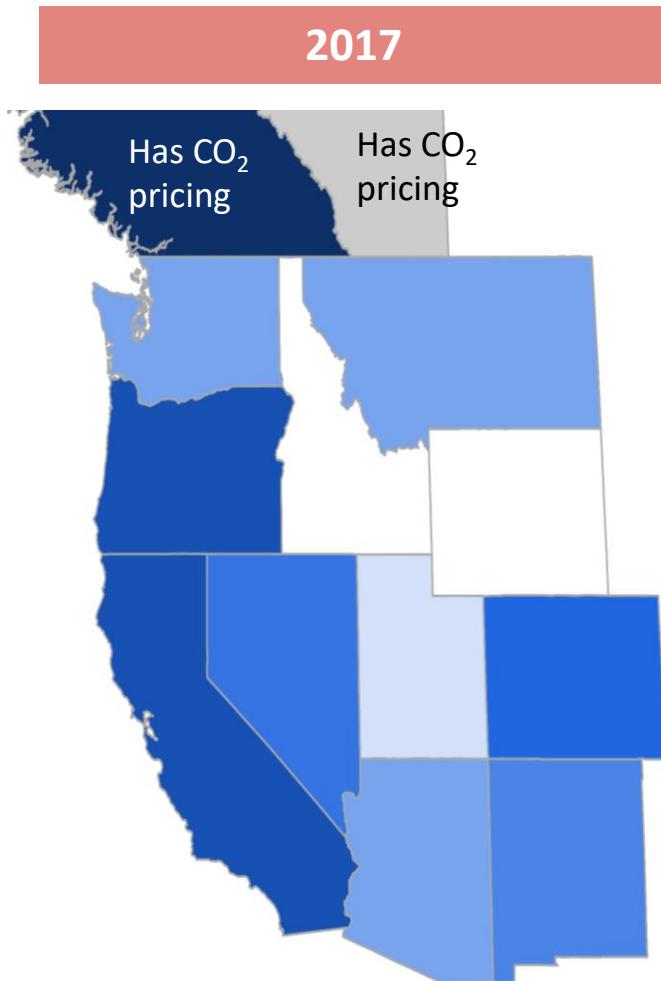
NWPP, President

2021 Northwest Regional Forecast

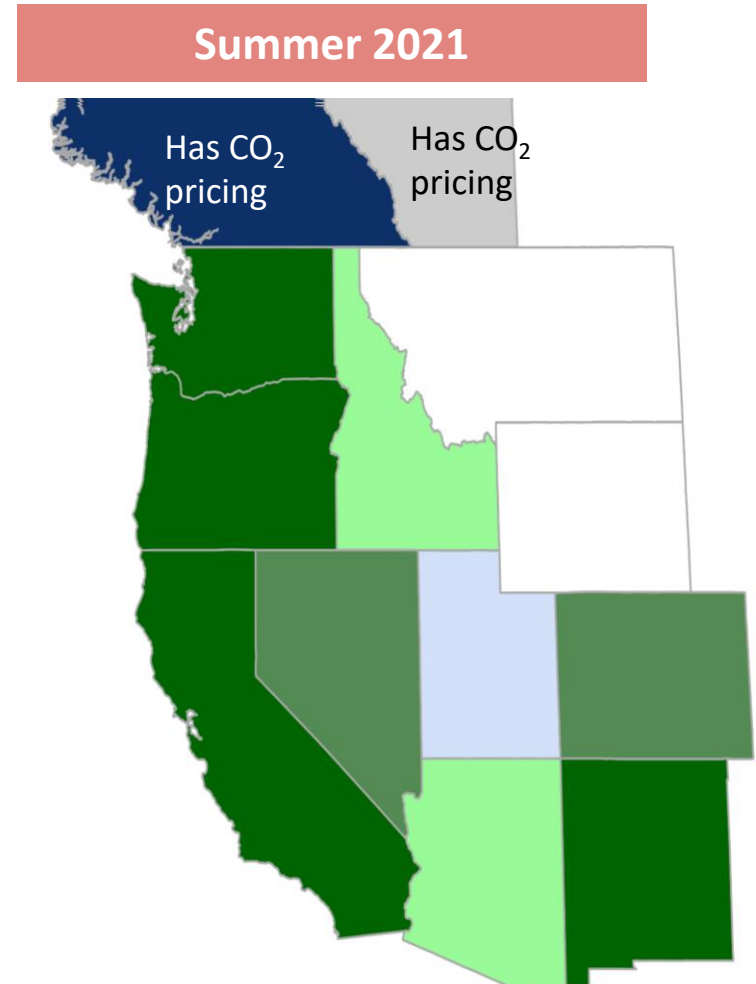
- Aggregates utility data in Power Act footprint
 - Over 100 utilities
- Requirements
 - 1-in-2 loads after energy efficiency, firm exports, a 16% planning margin for peak
- Resources
 - Expected generation from utility owned/contracted resources, long-term imports, hydro under critical water conditions (8% for peak), no short-term market transactions
- A power system barometer
 - Does not provide an exact need for power



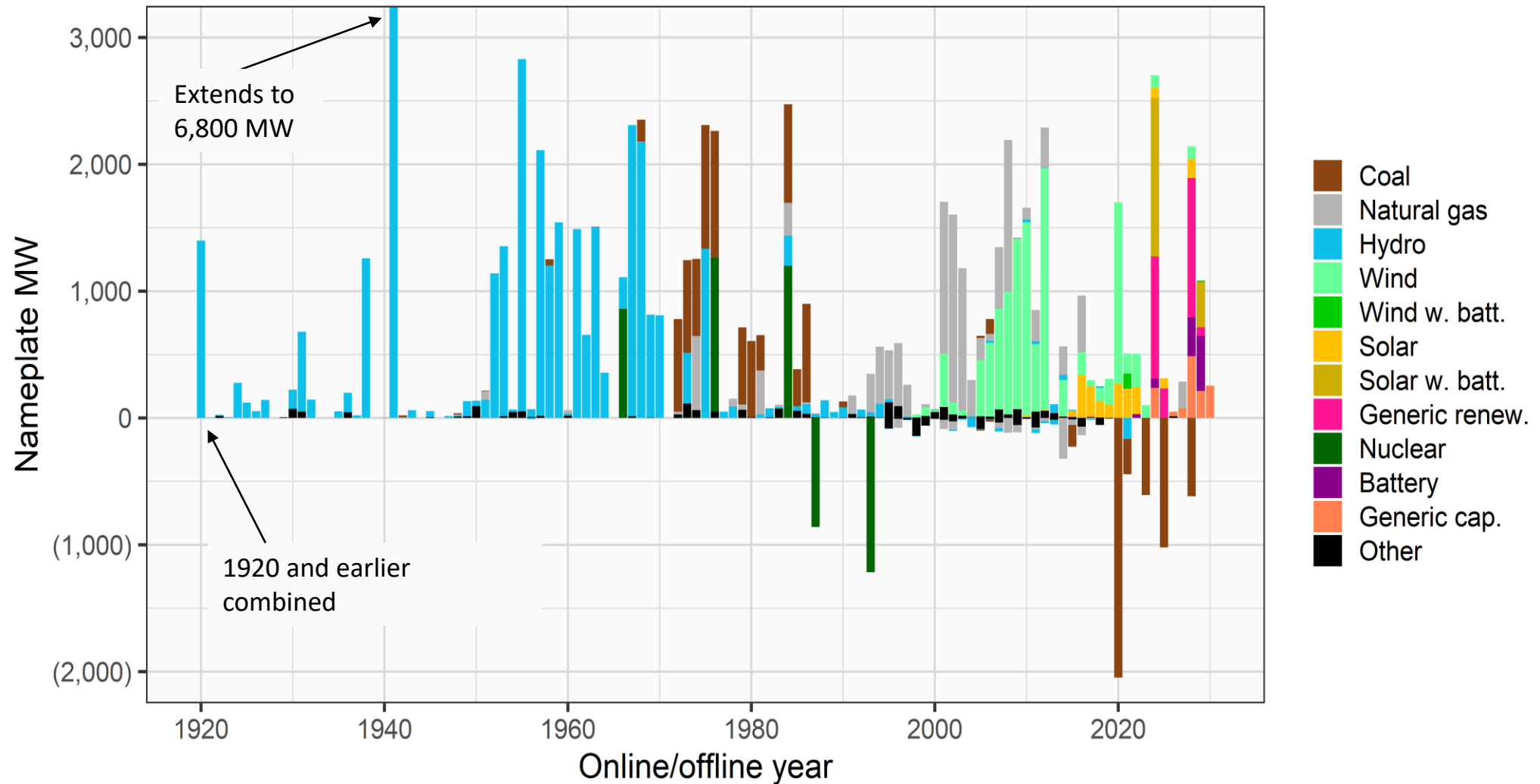
Major shifts in western carbon policies



CO ₂ free by 2040/2045 via state policy; also has RPS
Nearly CO ₂ free by 2045/2050 via state goals; also has RPS
Nearly CO ₂ free by 2045/2050 via utility/city goals
RPS only (darker equates to higher standard; BC (93%) includes hydro)
Mandated coal retirements by 2030
No policy

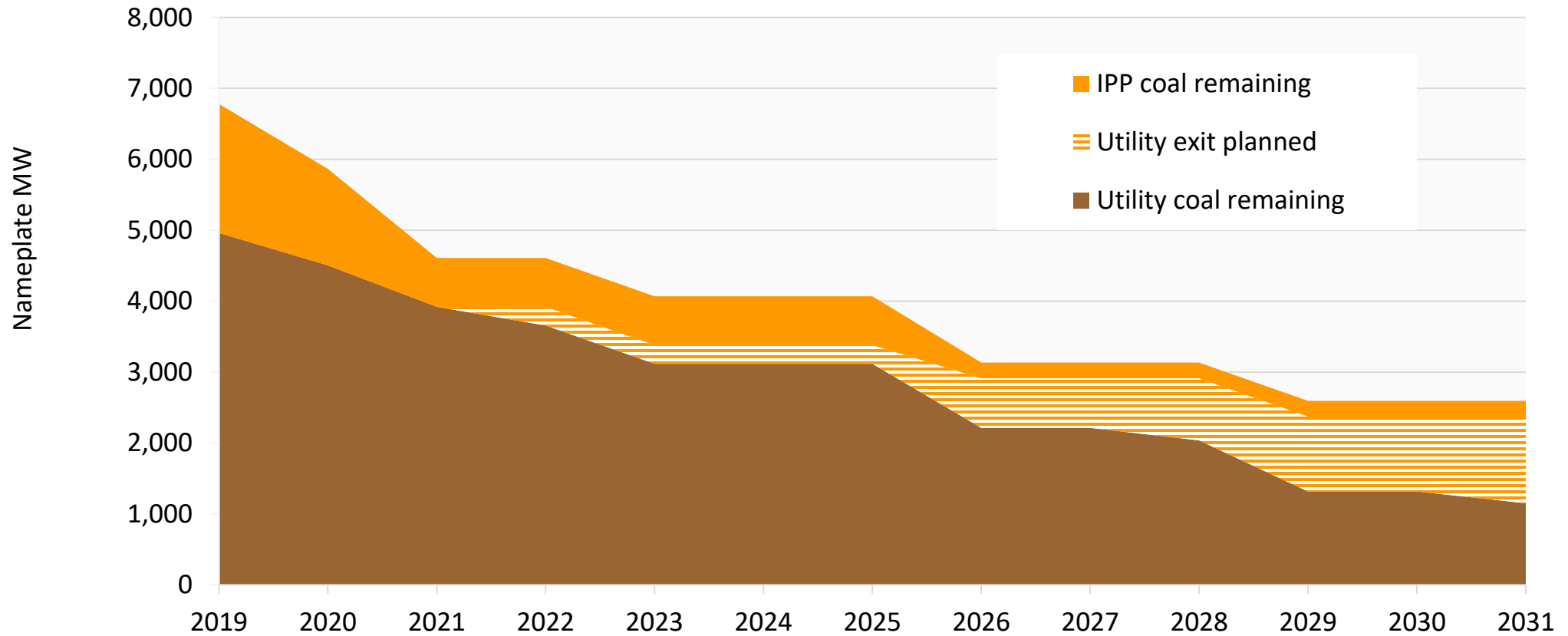


Historical NW resource development



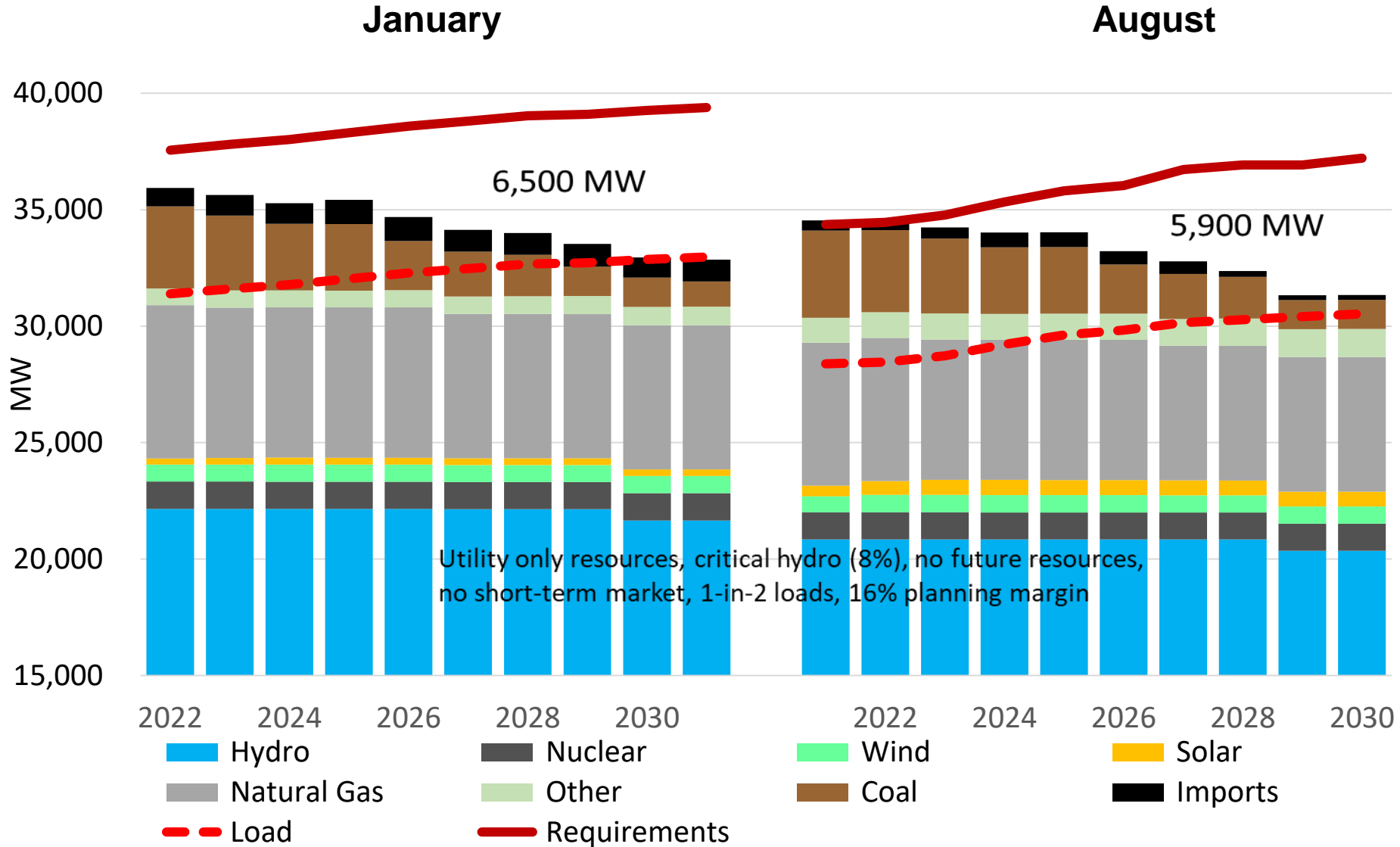
Utilities exiting Northwest coal units

Coal Generation in the Northwest



A barometer for need

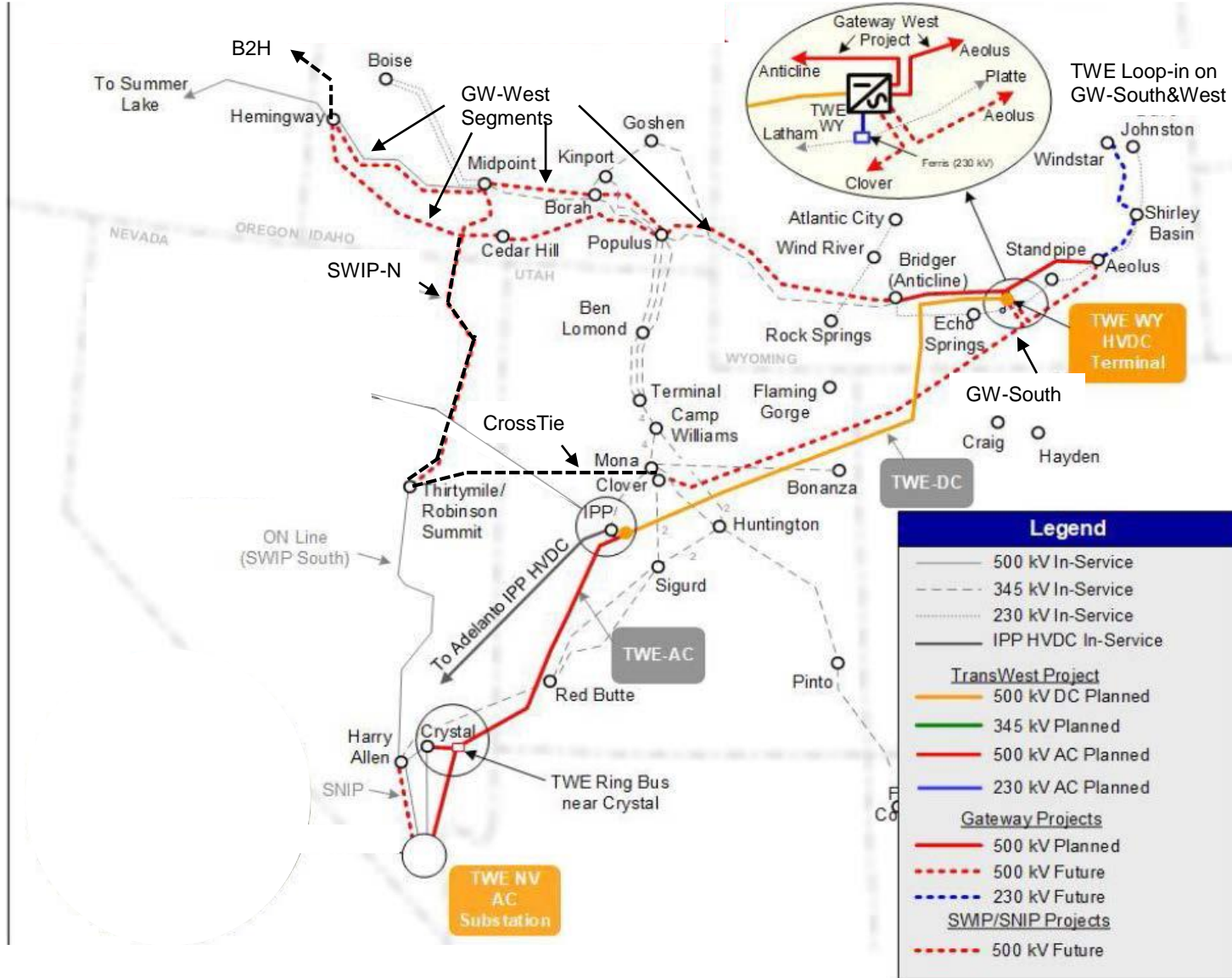
Northwest peak load/resource balance



NWPP Bulk Transmission

- Members 500 kV OR-WA-ID-WY-UT
 - Miles **>2,000**
 - Segments: B2H, Hem-Midpoint-Populas-Aeolus-Clover
 - Hermiston,OR – Boise,ID – Casper,WY – Salt Lake City,UT
- Members <500 kV
 - Miles **~200**
 - Segments Cascade Renewable (400 kV HVDC)
 - The Dallas,OR – W. Portland, OR
- ITP Projects under review
 - SWIP-N (AC) **~275** miles 500 kV
 - TWE (AC/DC) **~400** miles 500kV HVDC, **~320** Miles 500kV
 - Cross-Tie (AC) **~210** miles 500 kV

TransWest Express / SWIP-N / CrossTie / GW-W / GW-S

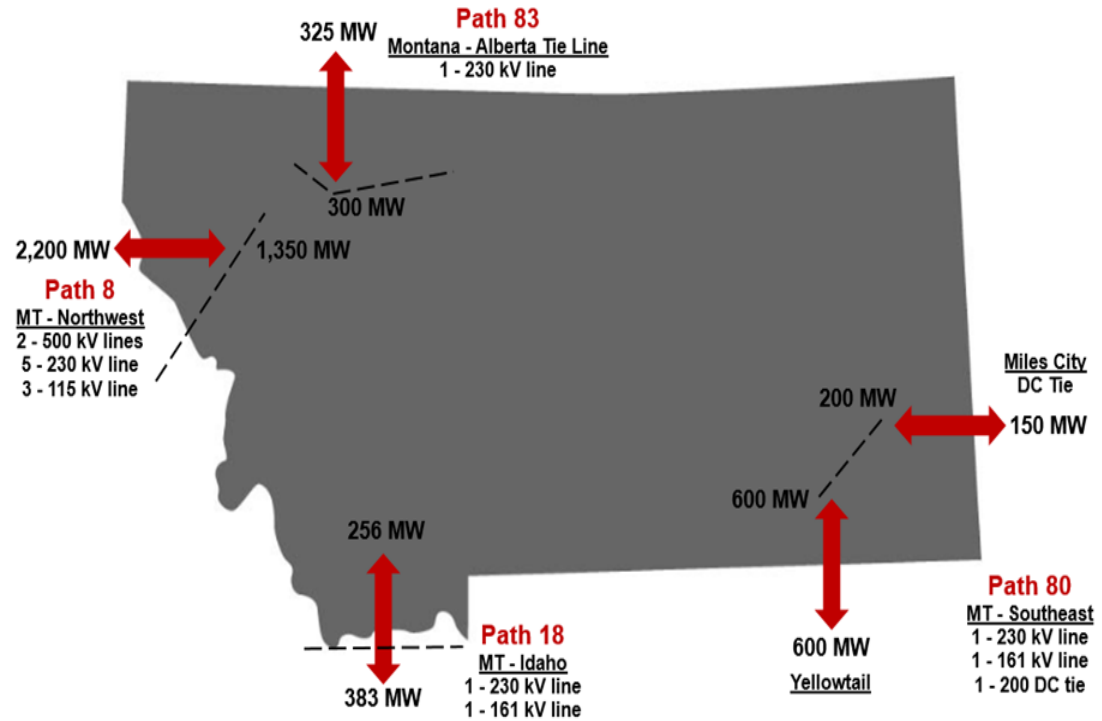


- NorthWestern plans for extreme weather events;
- Events are becoming more extreme
- Market unreliability at crisis level
 - Leads to incredible price volatility
 - Transmission constraints limit ability to import supply
 - Supply upgrades and capacity resources take years to accomplish; Requires urgent action
- Regional Resource Adequacy plays critical role in Montana challenges during weather events

- The NorthWestern system is generation resource deficient.
 - Flexible generation not only needed for energy and capacity, but is also critical for support of the transmission system and for the provision of ancillary services
- The system is transmission constrained.
 - Generation and transmission system were developed together
 - Loss of generation in balancing authority is a significant concern and causing high imports from market
 - Transmission to import energy is constrained on peak hours when supply need is greatest
 - There is competition for transmission capacity
- Current situation has been described for several years
- The region is also constrained and recognizes a Resource Adequacy issue

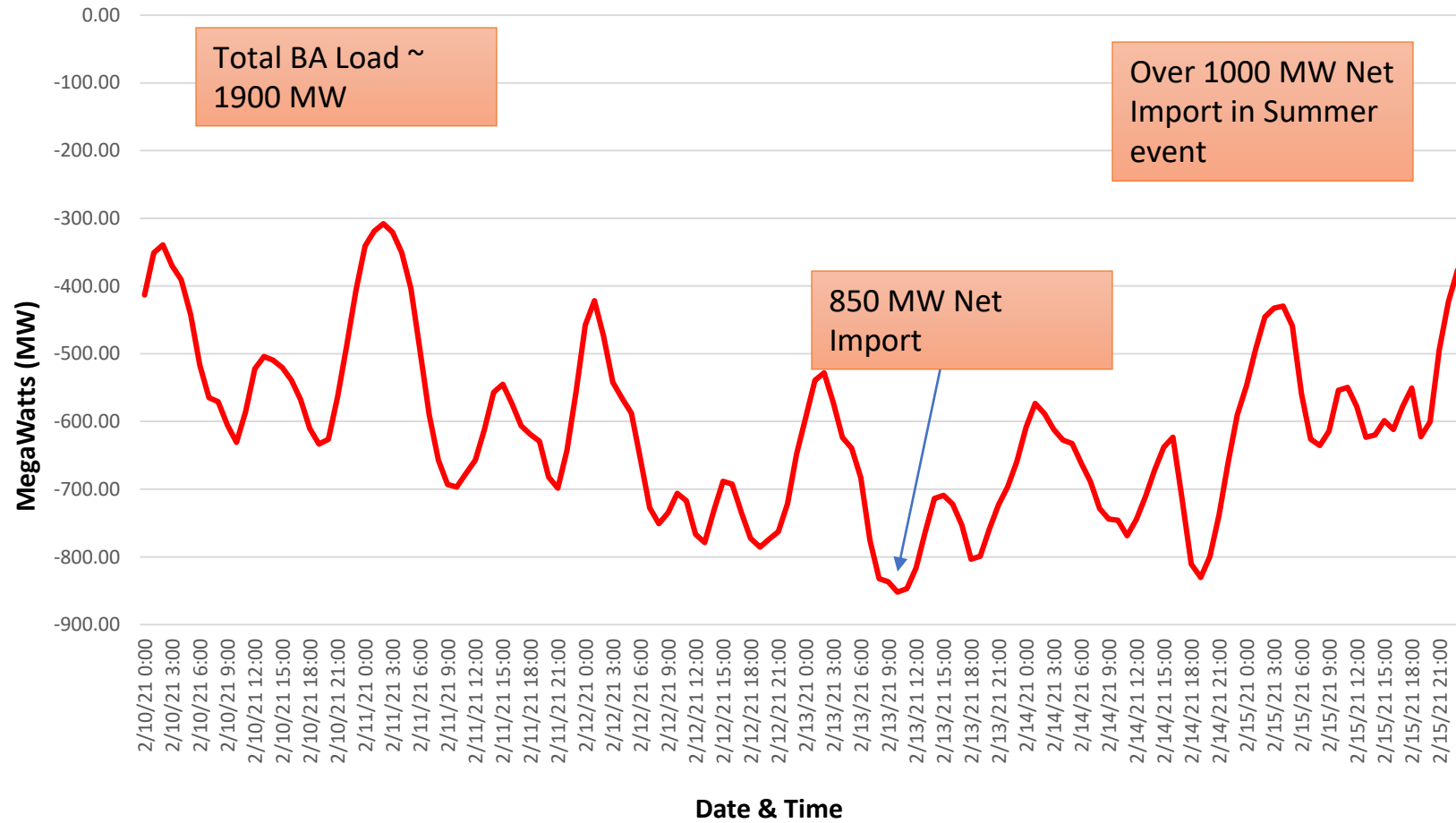
Yearly Firm ATC by Year (as of 02/17/2021)		
Path 8	<i>BPA Import</i>	Yearly Firm ATC
	2021	0
	2022	0
	2023	0
	2024	32
	<i>AVAT Import</i>	
	2021	34
	2022	105
Path 18	<i>BRDY Import</i>	
	2021	0
	2022	59
	2023	59
	2024	59
	<i>JEFF Import</i>	
	2021	72
	2022	72
Path 80	<i>YTP/Crossover Import</i>	
	2021	462
	2022	493
	2023	495
	2024	495

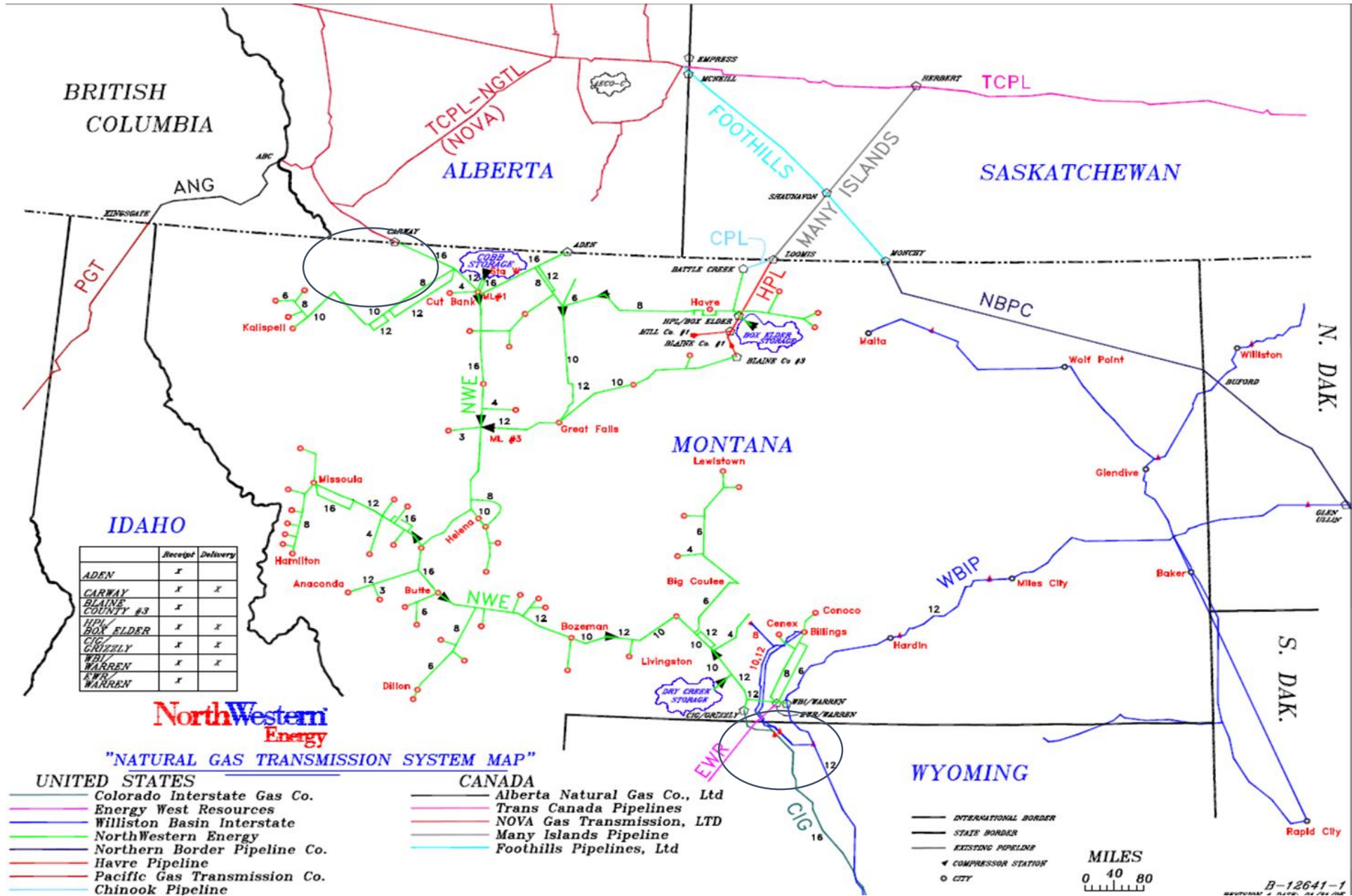
NorthWestern Energy - Montana - Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) Related Paths

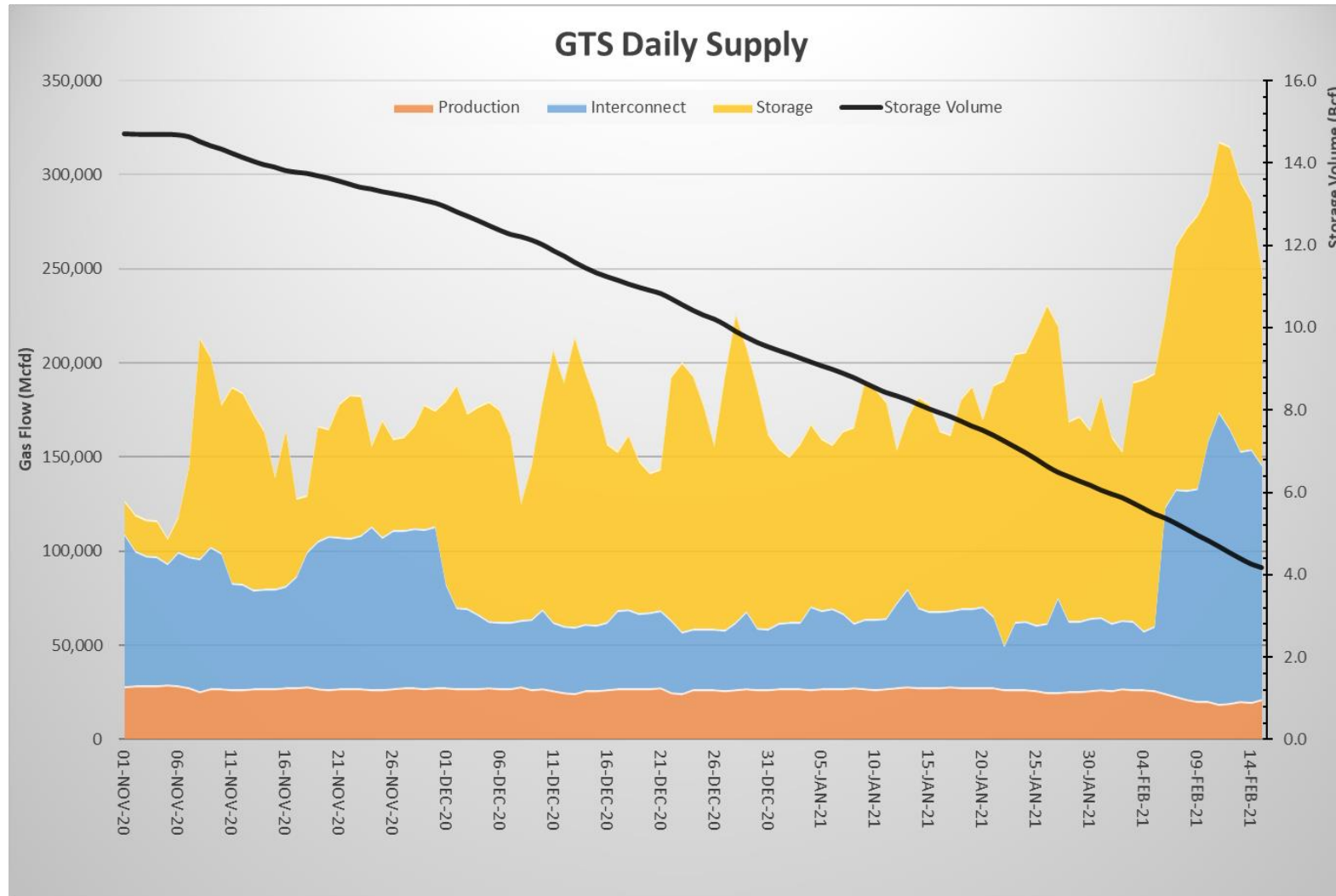


Very few trading partners on Path 80; Very unreliable and often gets cut

Net Scheduling Interchange of Energy ("-" Represents Import) - February 10 -15, 2021







Storage Seasonal Cycle – 11/1/20 = 14.4 BCF, 2/17/2021 = 3.9 BCF

- The Gas Transmission System operated well and as designed during cold weather event
- The system operated at or above its design limits at times
 - When above design limits, system is losing pressure
 - There were challenges, as there always are during peak period operations
 - Significant customer growth on gas transmission system, especially in certain areas
- Planning for major upgrades takes significant lead time including permitting, engineering and construction
- We are interconnected with others with operational dependence on other systems, markets and market pricing
- We continue to plan for the future growth for our gas transmission and distribution customers



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