

# Integrated System Plan Study Plan

April 29, 2022

# Welcome

Bobby Olsen

Senior Director, Corporate Planning, Environmental Services, and Innovation (SRP)

# Welcome SRP Board and Council Observers



**John Hoopes**  
SRP Vice President



**Victor Flores**  
SRP Board Member



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SRP Board Member



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SRP Council Member



**Rocky Shelton**  
SRP Council Member

# Safety & Sustainability Minute

# Safety

Maintain a clean and well-kept vehicle

Limit distractions



# Sustainability

Got a clunker?

Consider replacing with a newer vehicle (2005+)  
or electric vehicle



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# **PLANNING TOGETHER, PLANNING BETTER**

**120+ community organizations invited to participate**

# Meeting Introduction

Joan Isaacson

Kearns & West Consulting, Senior Facilitator

# Integrated System Plan (ISP) Large Stakeholder Group Meeting Overview

## Meeting #1

ISP Launch and  
Vision

Fall 2021

## Meeting #2

**ISP Study Plan**  
Inform about the scope  
of the first ISP.  
Review and gather  
feedback on the study  
plan for SRP's first  
Integrated System Plan

Today

## Meeting #3

**ISP Study Results**  
Update on analytical  
process overview  
and preliminary results.  
Inform stakeholders on  
the process to interpret  
the results.

Fall/Winter  
2022

## Meeting #4

**ISP Path Forward**  
Review the results and  
future Integrated System  
Plans.  
Inform stakeholders of  
SRP's Preferred Strategic  
Direction and Action  
Plans.

Spring 2023

# Meeting Objectives:

- **Update** on current events at SRP
- **Inform** about the scope of the first Integrated System Plan.
- **Review and gather feedback** on the study plan for SRP's first Integrated System Plan

# Agenda

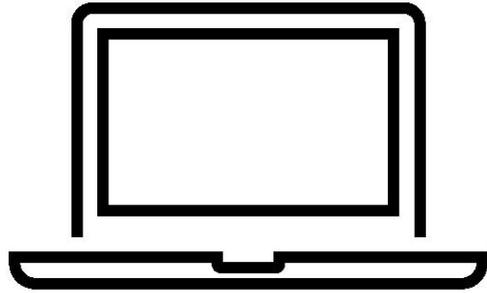
Time		Topics	Presenter
8:00 – 8:10	10 mins	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Bobby Olsen (SRP) Joan Isaacson (Kearns & West)
8:10 – 8:30	20 mins	SRP Resource Planning Updates – Q&A	Grant Smedley (SRP)
8:30 – 8:50	20 mins	SRP's Industry-Leading Vision of Integrated Planning	Angie Bond-Simpson (SRP)
8:50 – 9:55	65 mins	The Study Plan for SRP's First Integrated System Plan – Q&A	Lakshmi Alagappan (E3) Angie Bond-Simpson (SRP) Jed Cohen (SRP) Kyle Heckel (SRP)
9:55 - 10:00	5 mins	Next Steps and Closing Remarks	
10:15 – 12:00		Technical Working Session: Study Plan Details	

# Guides for Productive Virtual Meetings

- Actively participate
- In plenary, use Hand and/or Chat to engage
- Be respectful of other perspectives
- Stay concise to allow time for everyone to participate
- Enjoy the meeting!

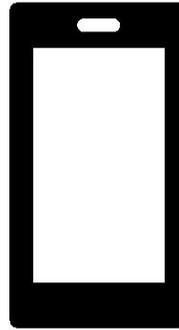
# Poll Instructions

## Three ways to participate



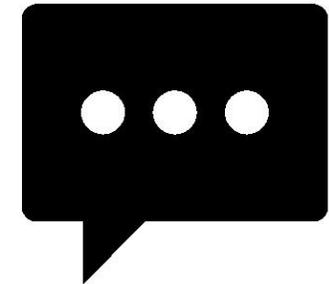
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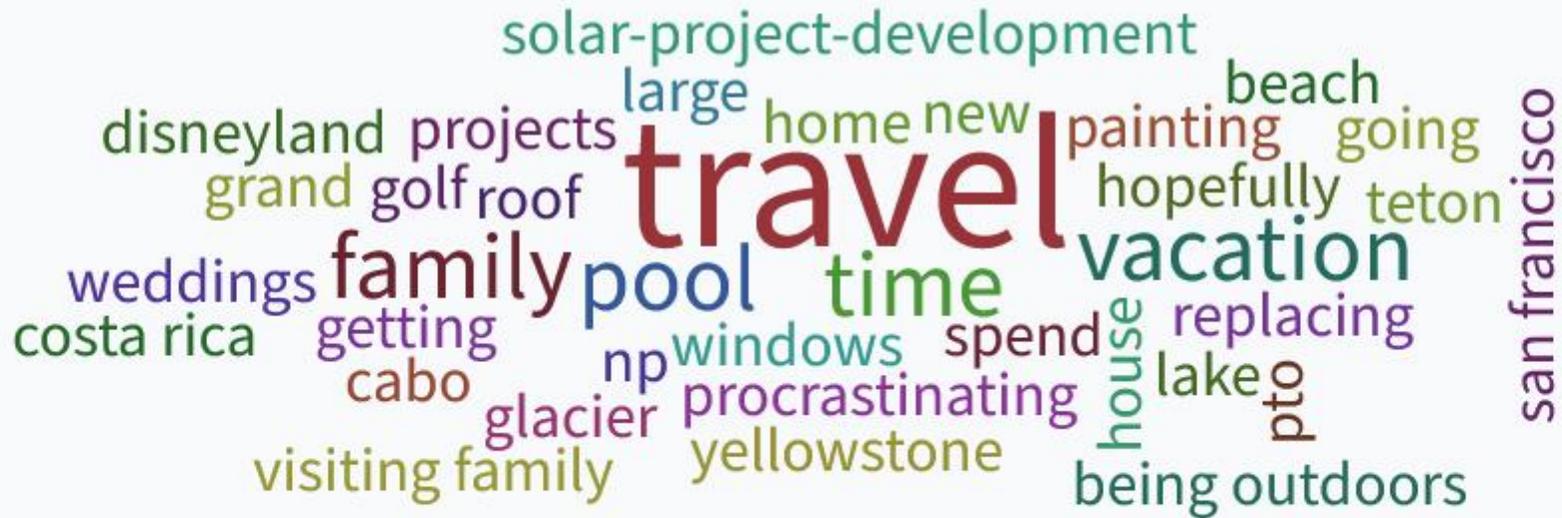
# Poll Question

Enter 1 to 3 words to answer:

**What are some summer plans that you are looking forward to?**

Use an underscore (“\_”) between words to submit them as a single word cloud response, submit multiple responses if desired.

# What are some summer plans that you are looking forward to?



# Resource Planning Updates

Grant Smedley

Director, Resource Planning, Acquisition and Forecasting (SRP)

# Resource Needs have Increased Significantly

- Initial procurement targets
  - Summer peak capacity needs
    - At least 400 MW by June 2024
    - An additional 600 MW by June 2026
  - 277 MW of solar by 2025
- Significant risks and challenges have emerged to planned and existing resources
  - Resource needs have increased
  - Continued need for flexible natural gas



# Status of Coolidge Expansion Project (CEP)

- ACC denied CEC application on April 12<sup>th</sup>
- Loss of CEP will significantly increase reliability risk and cost to SRP customers
- Quick-start, fast-ramping flexible natural gas is still needed
- Additional options will be pursued to add flexible natural gas quickly



ACC = Arizona Corporation Commission  
CEC = Certificate of Environmental Compatibility

# U.S. Department of Commerce Investigation

- Department of Commerce (DOC) investigating whether imports of solar panels from Vietnam, Thailand, Malaysia, and Cambodia circumvent "anti-dumping" rules intended to block imports of solar cells and panels from China
- Investigation opposed by a number of solar trade organizations and multi-national manufacturers
- Outcome could result in imposition of tariffs as high as 250%, possibly retroactively
- DOC investigation:
  - Preliminary determination by late August 2022
  - Final determination expected in January 2023, but could be as late as April 2023
- Project delays likely

# Other Risks and Challenges

- Supply Chain
- Permitting Challenges
- Regulatory Hurdles
- Interconnection Issues
- Drought Conditions
- Operational Readiness
- Battery Technology Maturity

Coolidge zoning panel discusses moratorium on solar

By MICHAEL MARESH Staff Writer Feb 17, 2022 0

**Supply-chain squeeze: Solar, storage industries grapple with delays, price spikes as demand continues to grow**

Developers are facing price pressures and uncertainties that are making it difficult to complete the projects in their pipeline — or procure new ones, experts say.

**Lake Powell's levels projected to drop below critical threshold**

12 News - March 10, 2022 - US

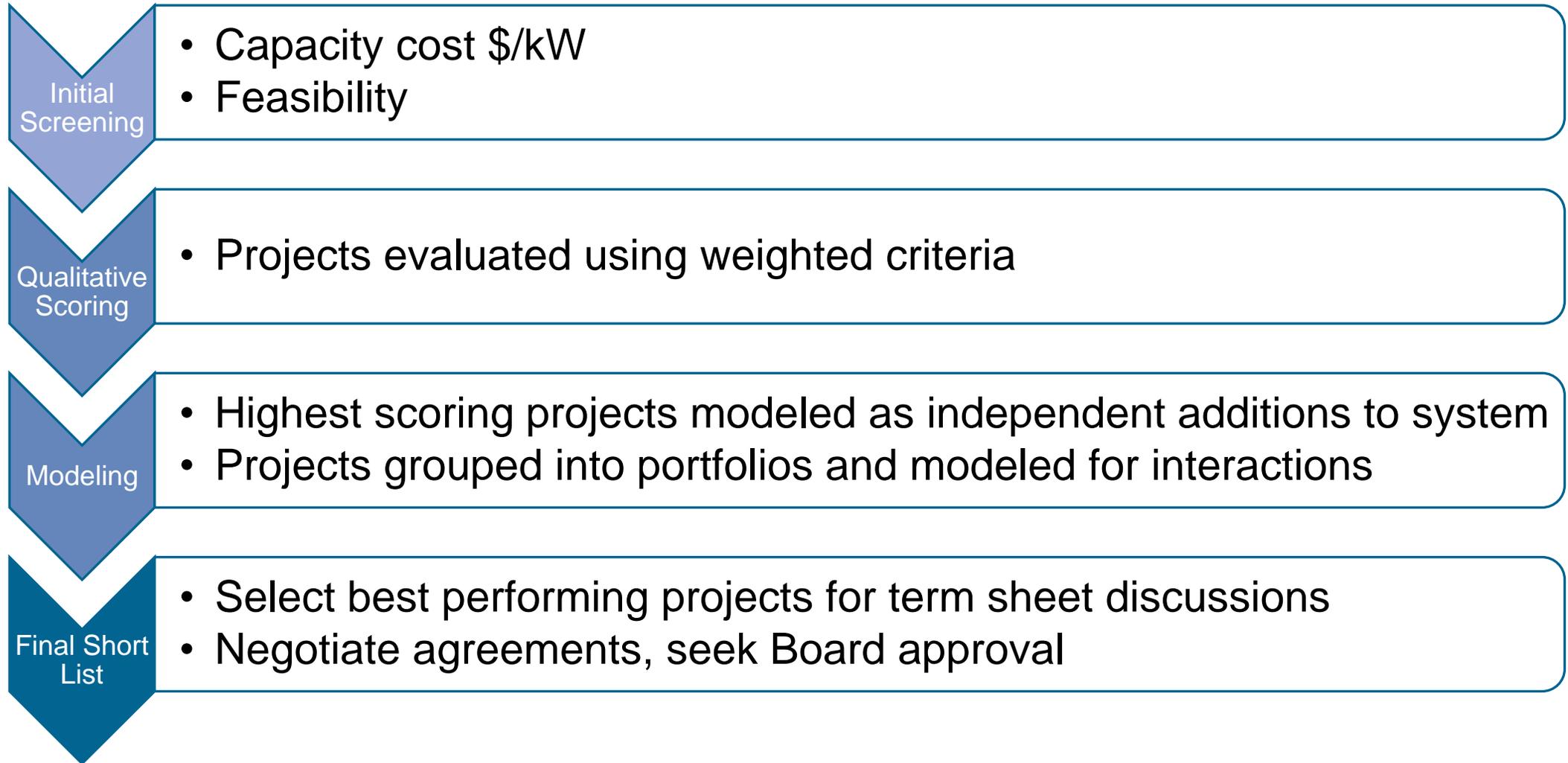
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# Responses to All-Source RFP

- 34 out of 53 interested parties proposed projects
- Projects include varying on-line dates, capacities and pricing (configurations)
- 56 unique projects with 129 configurations under review

Resource Type
Solar + Storage
Stand-alone Storage (Grid-charged)
Wind + Storage
Existing Natural Gas
Geothermal

# Evaluation Approach



# Scoring Criteria

<b>Sustainability (25%)</b>	<b>Affordability (25%)</b>	<b>Operating Characteristics (25%)</b>	<b>Executability (25%)</b>
Carbon emissions, water use	Capacity cost, energy cost	Peak capacity contribution, technology maturity, resource diversity	Development risk, counterparty risk, location

# Next Steps

- Finalize All-Source RFP selections
- Negotiate power purchase agreements
- Pursue options for additional flexible natural gas

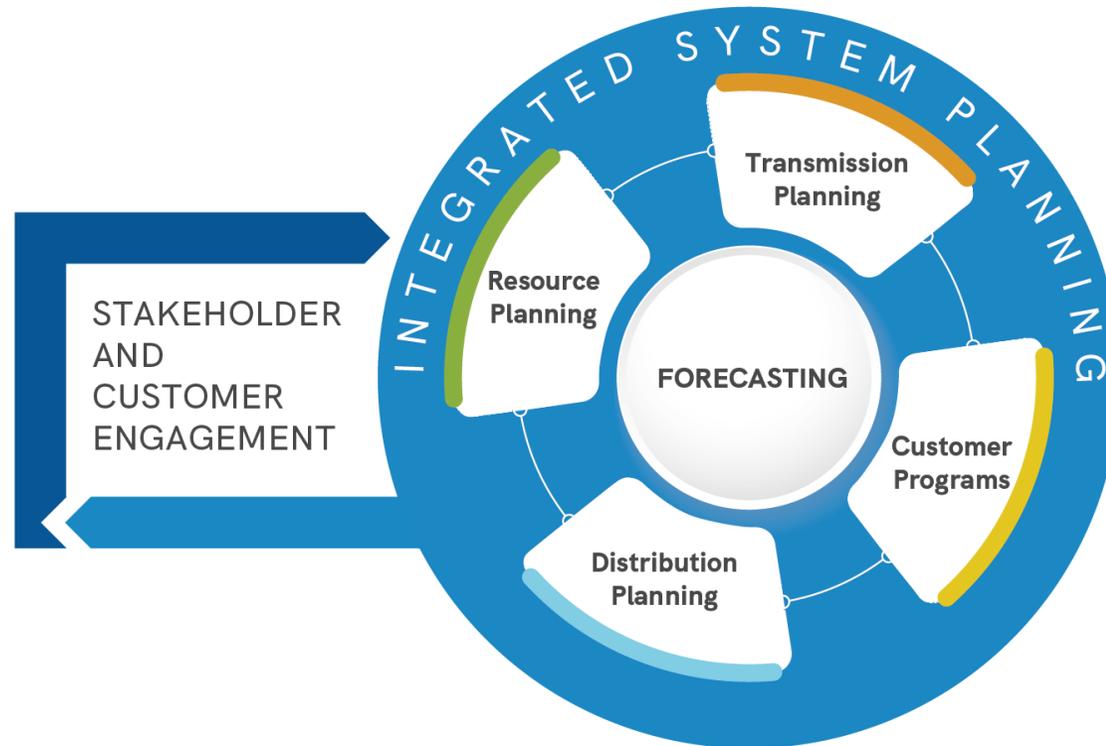
# SRP's Leading Vision: Integrated System Planning

Angie Bond-Simpson

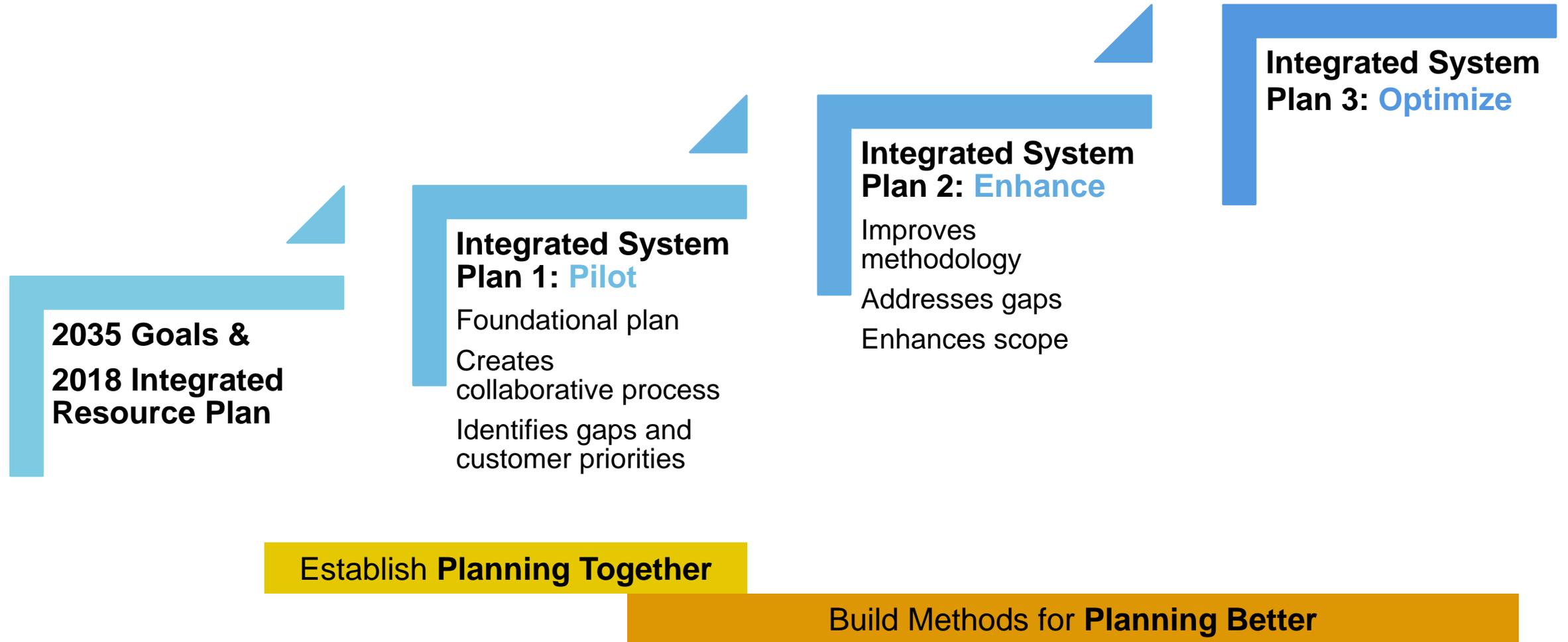
Director, Integrated System Planning & Support (SRP)

# SRP's Integrated System Plan

Planning a future system (2025-2035) that will enable us to achieve or exceed our 2035 goals, at the best customer value.



# Current and Future Integrated System Plans





Collaboratively develop Study Plan:  
 Scenarios & Sensitivities  
 Strategic Approaches  
 Metrics

Gather input data

Perform system analysis

Validate and share results

Recommend new SRP strategic directions

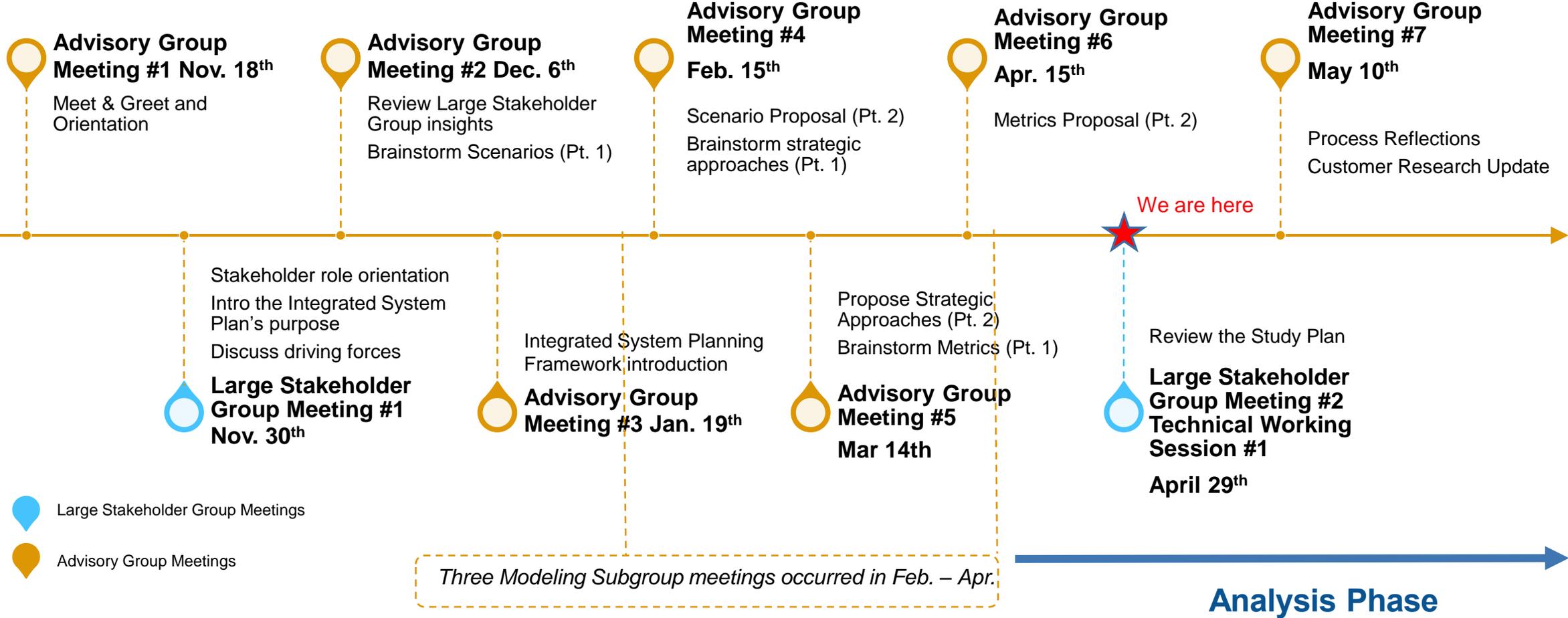
Recommend near term actions

# SRP ISP ROADMAP

Stakeholder Engagement and Public Outreach

# Developing the Study Plan

## Prepare Phase



# Poll Question

Enter a phrase or short sentence to answer:

**It's the year 2035 and there is a feature article in USA Today about Arizona's energy transition.**

**What's the headline?**

Submit multiple responses if desired.

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## Open Text Responses:

Wholistic system planning helps achieve robust system

AZ meets 75% renewable goal

Utilities Service Area To Be Redrawn

Every home has a battery

Widespread community solar projects dramatically reduce the energy burden for low-income communities in Phoenix.

Homeowners move to energy Independence

"100% of vehicle sales are electric"

Distributed resources play important role in Arizona's transition to clean energy.

Arizona leads nation in renewable energy generation

Arizona has reached 2 million electric vehicles.

Arizona leads the way to a carbon-free future

The Southwest still struggles to meet demand

Utilities use technology to lead the way

AZ All Solar

Arizona utilities' participation in regional wholesale markets has saved billions.

Sun Storage Success

# The Study Plan

Lakshmi Alagappan – Partner (E3)

Angie Bond-Simpson – Director, Integrated System Planning (SRP)

Jed Cohen - Integrated System Planning Lead (SRP)

Kyle Heckel - Integrated System Planning Sr. Analyst (SRP)

# The Study Plan: Introduction

Lakshmi Alagappan

Partner, Energy and Environmental Economics (E3)

# Study Plan

With input and feedback from stakeholders, SRP has developed a study plan for the Integrated System Plan that aims to:

- **Identify uncertainties** that can impact future system plans
- **Test SRP decisions** for how to meet customers' energy needs
- **Produce results** to inform strategic directions and actions over the next several years

# Southwest Resource Adequacy Study

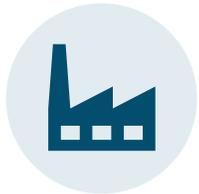
E3 conducted the SWRA study on behalf of APS, the AZ G&T Cooperatives, EPE, PNM, SRP, TEP, and WALC to examine power system reliability in the Southwest over the next decade – recognizing multiple planning challenges and uncertainties:



**Load growth**



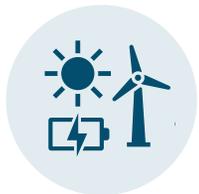
**Climate change impacts on extreme weather**



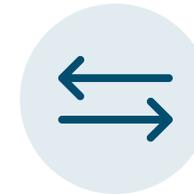
**Planned coal & gas retirements**



**Increasing risk of sustained drought**



**Rapidly increasing reliance on renewables, storage, and distributed energy resources**

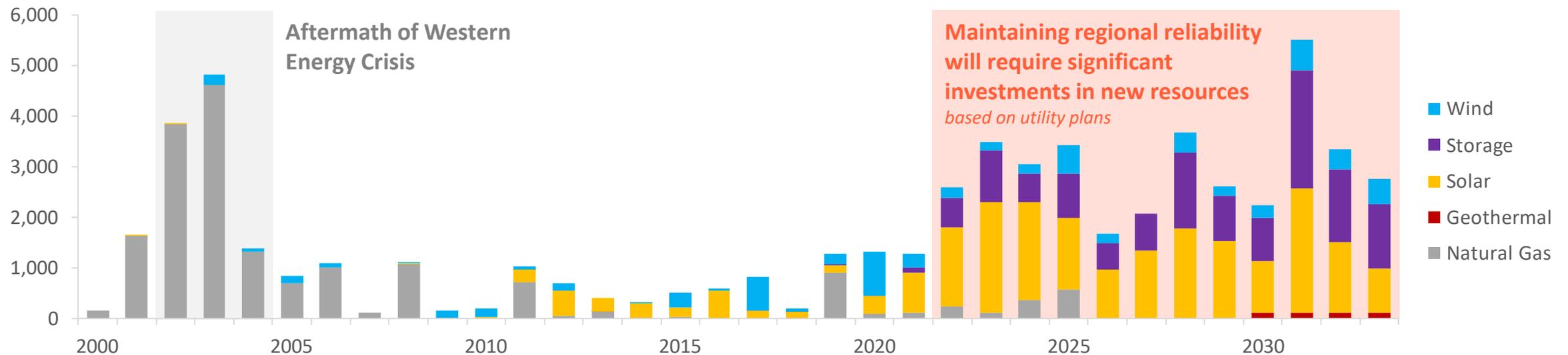


**Tightening Western markets**

# Southwest Resource Adequacy Study: Plans for New Resources Over the Next Decade

Over the next 10 years, utilities in the Southwest anticipate adding far more new resources than in any previous decade. Maintaining reliability and meeting sustainability goals will require SRP and other utilities to engage in thoughtful, sustained planning activities to bring these resources online.

New Installed Capacity Additions by Year (Southwest Region)  
(Nameplate MW)



# Poll Question

Enter a phrase or short sentence to answer:

**Since we last met in November, what changes have you experienced in your organization or community?**

Submit multiple responses if desired.

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## Open Text Responses:

Regulatory uncertainty

Escalation of demands from industries for clean electrons.

End of the Pandemic

Desire for optional power creating options. Keep our plants... convert them.

Supply chain concerns

volatile energy pricing / general inflation.

Permitting challenges in local communities. It's not just thermal that's facing challenges.

Ukraine Crisis

Doubling down of long-terms about serious climate risks: drought at its highest levels, major fires expanding outside of traditional fire season, etc.

Public desire for increased action in env

Increased concern about solar supply chain

Political polarization

facility expansion

Announced our Climate Action Plan that will provide a pathway toward our 2040 NetZero Goal

Energy Costs (Elec & NG)

AD/CVD tariff investigation is crippling progress and certainty for solar development.

tight labor markets and supply chain disruptions

Higher gas prices

Uncertainty

Much greater interest in EVs

# Scenario Design Framework

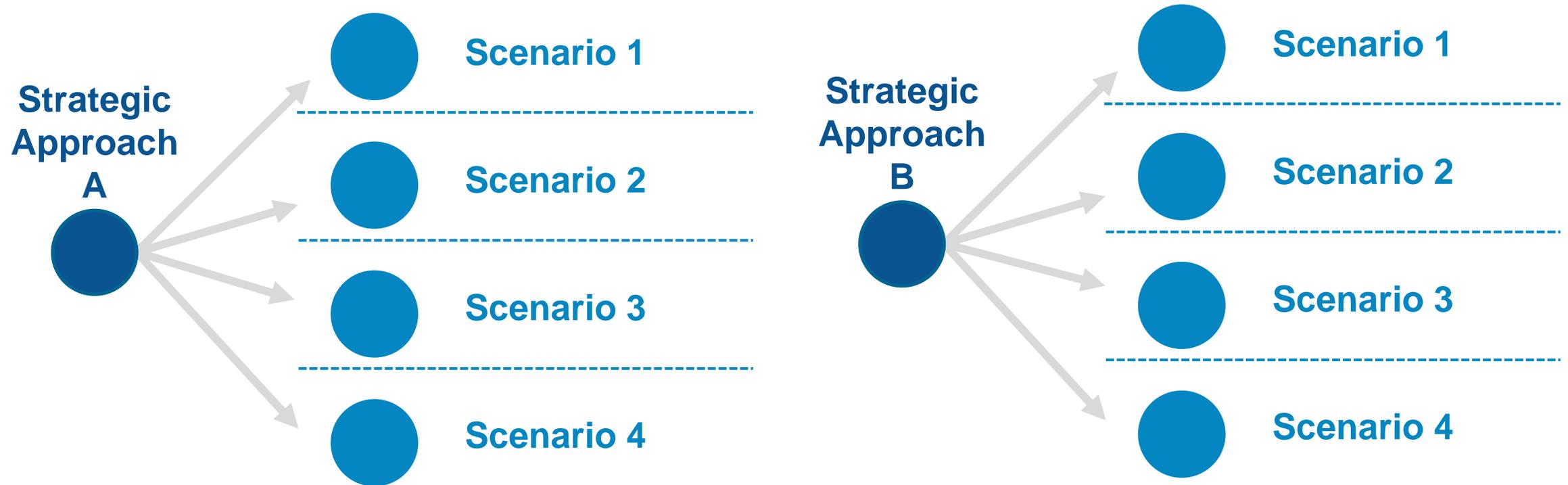


A **scenario** defines a plausible future state of the world around us, reflecting societal, technological, economic, environmental, and political trends & conditions

A **strategic approach** represents a possible set of choices that could allow SRP to meet its objectives

# Relationship Between Scenarios & Strategic Approaches

Each strategic approach will be tested under a range of different future scenarios to identify the plan components that best achieve SRP's objectives and inform the development of Action Plans



# Metrics

Metrics are outputs from the Integrated System Plan modeling ecosystem that allow SRP, customers, and other stakeholders to measure the performance of different system plans.

# Integrated System Plan Study Plan: Study Plan Collaborative Process Overview

Study Plan Components	Stage of Completion	Advisory Group Brainstorm	Draft Proposal	Advisory Group Review & Feedback	Final Proposal	Share Final Proposal with Stakeholders
Scenarios & Sensitivities	Finalized	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Strategic Approaches	Finalized	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Metrics	Proposal	✓	✓	✓	Pending Review	May 10th

## Other Stakeholder Group Engagements

Large Stakeholder Group Nov 30<sup>th</sup> discussions helped to focus and prioritize the components of the study plan

Reviewed the modeling ecosystem and specific assumptions with the Advisory Group: Modeling Subgroup

# The Study Plan: Scenarios and Sensitivities

Jed Cohen

Integrated System Planning Lead (SRP)



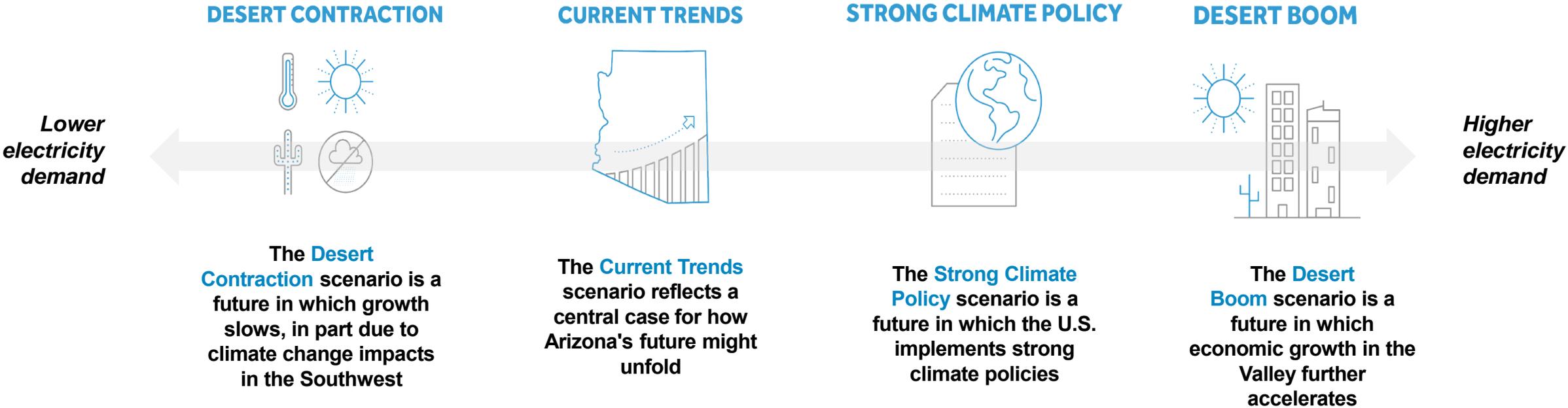
# What we heard on Nov 30th from this group

How do you think your expectations and needs for electricity service will change in the future?

## Large Stakeholder Group Top Themes

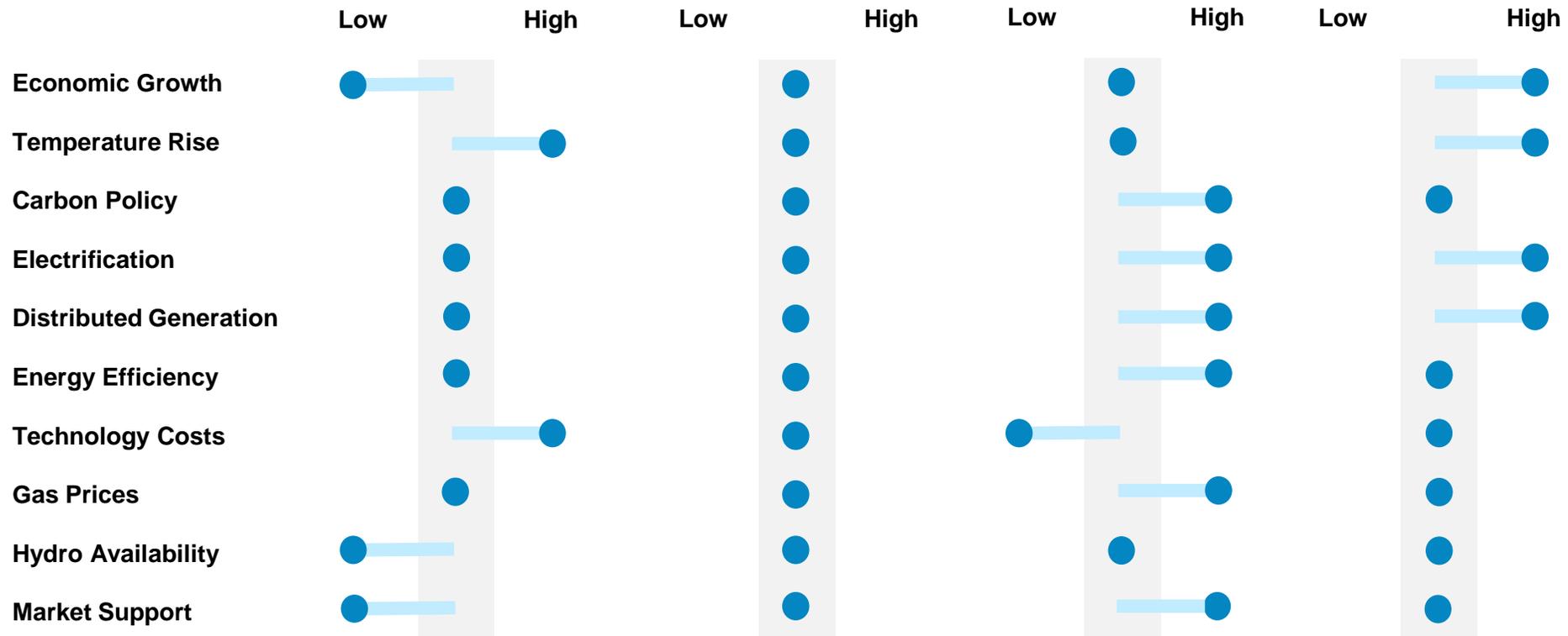
- ❑ Increased load from economic and land development, electrification, and climate change impacts
- ❑ Substantial growth in distributed/onsite solar, storage, demand response, and energy efficiency
- ❑ Reliability in the face of renewable energy fluctuations, extreme weather, and disruptions such as wildfires
- ❑ Growing corporate and organizational goals for decarbonization and grid integration
- ❑ More affordability and equity concerns for low-income community members and small businesses

# The Scenarios in the Integrated System Plan

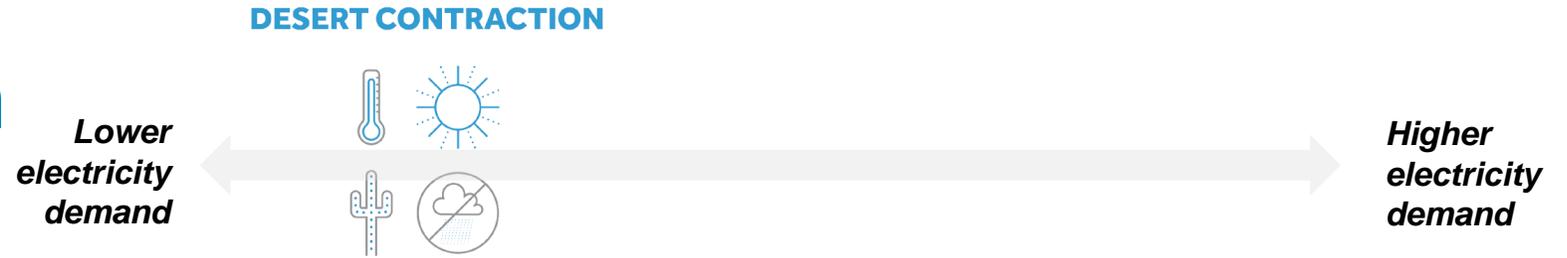




**Fundamental Factors:**



# Scenario: Desert Contraction

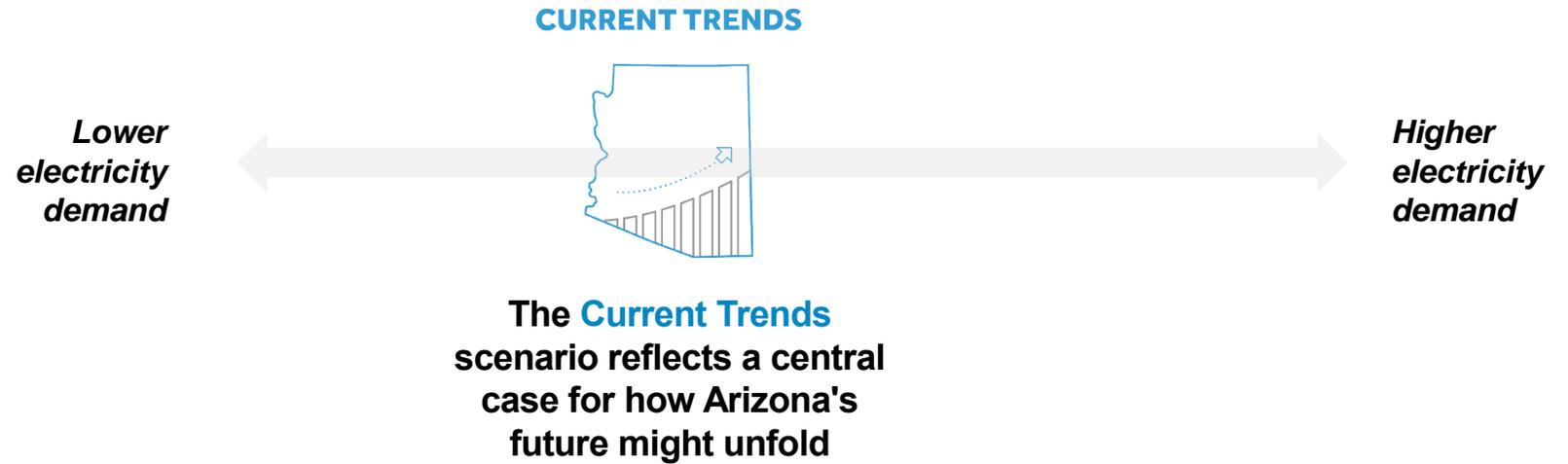


**The **Desert Contraction** scenario is a future in which growth slows, in part due to climate change impacts in the Southwest**

## Driving Trends:

- Global competition and economic decline
- Rapidly developing impacts of climate change, extreme heat
- Electricity import markets shrink as the Southwest struggles with extreme drought

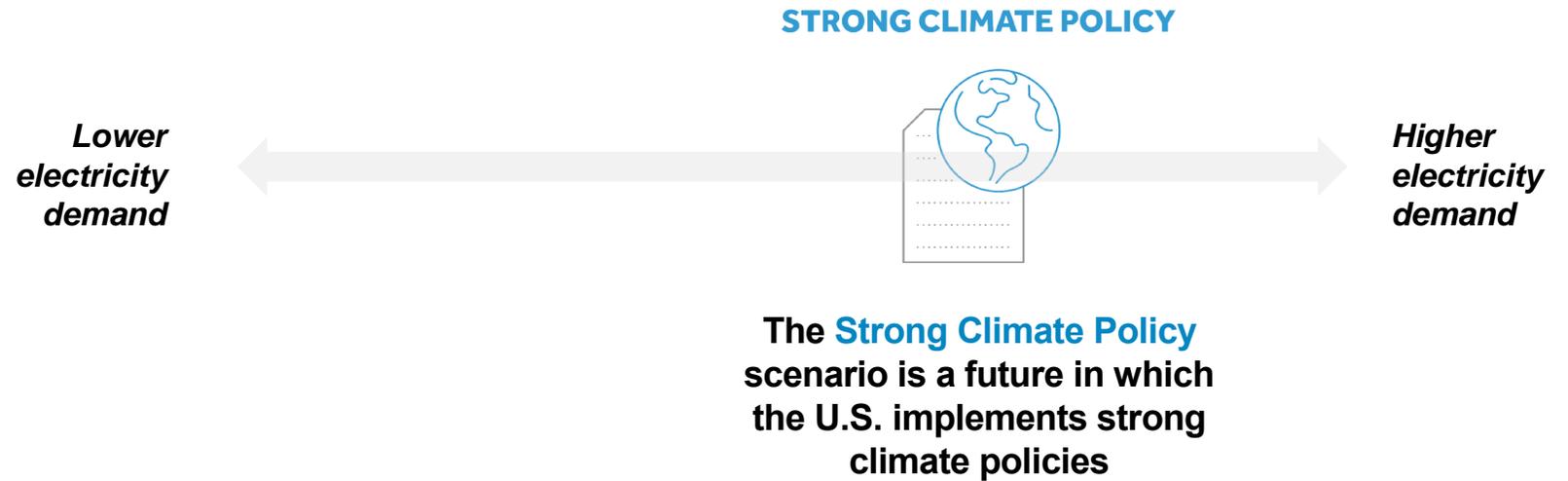
# Scenario: Current Trends



## Driving Trends:

- Favorable economy in Arizona drives commercial growth
- Increased temperatures and continued drought
- New technologies take hold with increased electrification, distributed energy, energy efficiency and decreased solar and battery technology costs.

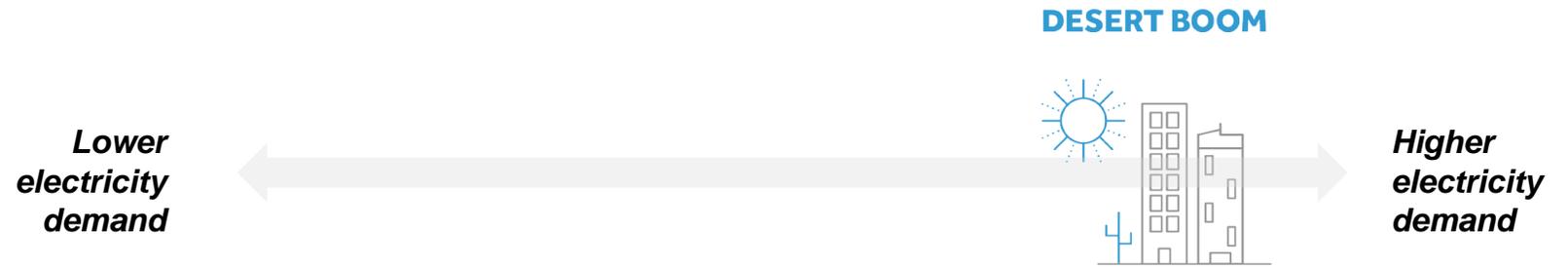
# Scenario: Strong Climate Policy



## Driving Trends:

- New public policies and measures implemented to mitigate climate change
- Mass-based carbon reduction target of 85% by 2035  
Compared to 2005 levels
- R&D spending spurs rapid advancements in the next generation of energy technologies

# Scenario: Desert Boom



The **Desert Boom** scenario is a future in which economic growth in the Valley further accelerates

## Driving Trends:

- A booming tech industry sites a second Silicon Valley in our Valley of the Sun
- The strong economy drives electrification and distributed energy adoption
- Rapid temperature increase and continued drought

# Sensitivities

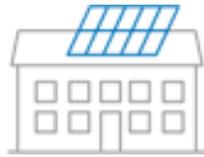
## Sensitivities

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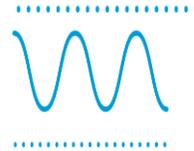


High Energy Efficiency

High Distributed Generation Adoption



Increased Load Management



High, Low & Volatile Gas Prices



High & Low Technology Costs



Regional Diversity



# Poll Question

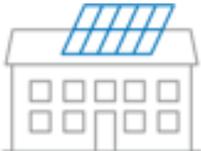
Which of the 10 sensitivities is most interesting to you?

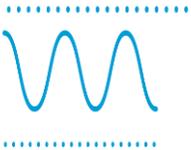
Choose a letter to answer:

**Sensitivities**

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High Demand Response  


**B.**  
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**C.**  
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**D.**  
Increased Load Management  


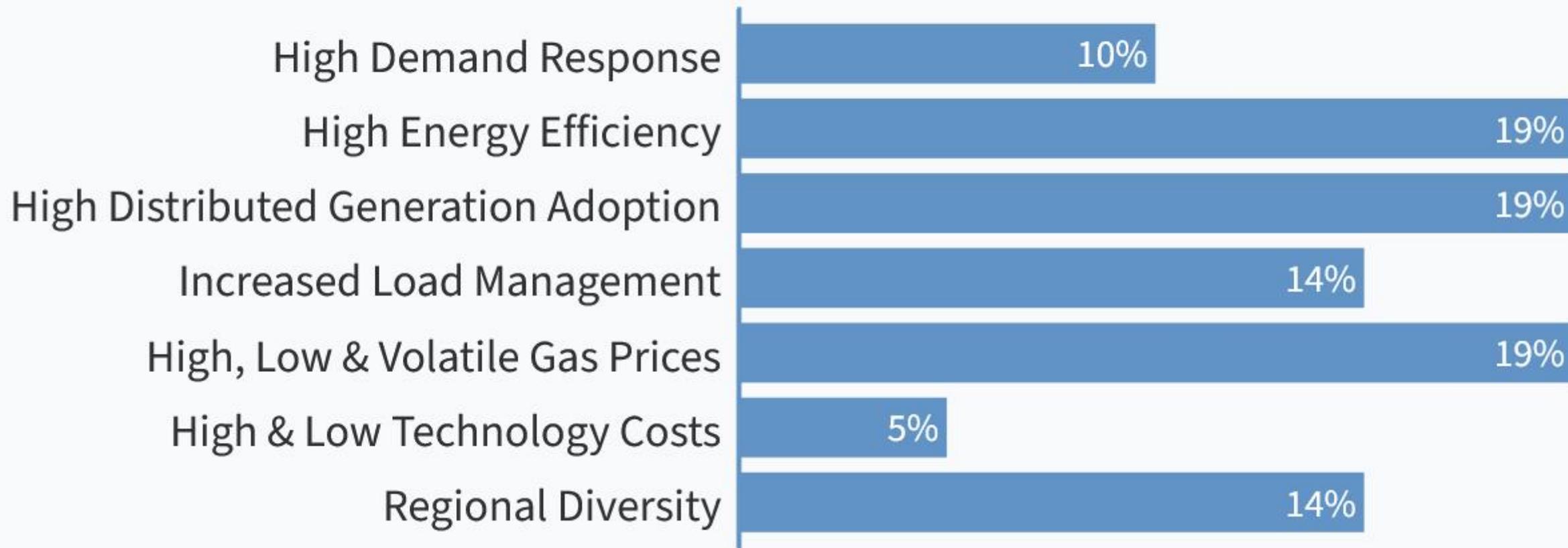
**E.**  
High, Low & Volatile Gas Prices  


**F.**  
High & Low Technology Costs  


**G.**  
Regional Diversity  


Please, one response only.

## Which of the 10 sensitivities is most interesting to you?



# The Study Plan: Strategic Approaches

Angie Bond-Simpson

Director, Integrated System Planning & Support (SRP)

# Guidelines for Strategic Approaches

## All strategic approaches must:

- Meet or exceed SRP's 2035 **Sustainability** Goals. This includes SRP industry leading Customer Programs inclusive of Energy Efficiency.
- Meet industry & SRP standards for **reliability**.
- Consider **affordability**

The first Integrated System Plan will not be able to evaluate all potential strategic approaches.

## Illustrative SRP Decisions:



# Proposed Strategic Approaches & Studies

## Strategic Approaches for System Analyses

Modeled through scenarios and sensitivities

- Technology Neutral**  

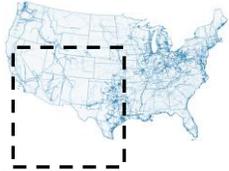
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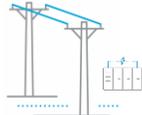
- Minimum Coal**  


## Exploratory Studies

Studies to enhance system planning

- Next Generation Time of Use**  

- High Regional Interaction**  

- Flexible Coal Operations**  

- SRP Storage on Distribution System**  


# Technology Neutral



*SRP takes a **least-cost** approach to building the future power system*

This strategic approach considers Advisory Group ideas relating to least cost systems, affordability, and approaches open to all technology options

## Key Research Questions Addressed:

- What is a least-cost approach to serving customer demand under the various scenarios?
- What is the impact of a least-cost approach on carbon emissions?
- How diverse/resilient is the system in 2035?

# No New Fossil



*SRP avoids investment in new natural gas capacity, **meeting future needs with carbon-free resources***

This strategic approach considers Advisory Group ideas relating to not relying on fossil fuels or carbon capture and storage.

## Key Research Questions Addressed:

- What investments, research and operational readiness activities are needed to maintain reliability without flexible natural gas?
- What are the opportunities and challenges from a power delivery perspective?
- Do we have transmission access to diversify renewables?

# Minimum Coal



*SRP reduces power generation from coal and analyzes the system-wide impacts*

This strategic approach considers Advisory Group ideas relating to exiting coal and plant community impacts.

## Key Research Questions Addressed:

- What is the role of existing coal assets in the energy transition?
- What other options are available to serve that role?
- What emerging technologies will need to be in place to serve customer demand?

# Exploratory Studies

*Related to advisory group ideas about innovative choices to meet customer demand*

## Exploratory Studies

### Next Generation Time of Use



*SRP explores the next generation of residential TOU plans*

### High Regional Interaction



*SRP explores integration with regional electricity markets*

### Flexible Coal Operations



*SRP explores the system impacts and value of flexible operation of the coal generation fleet*

### SRP Storage on Distribution System



*SRP explores storage sited on the distribution versus transmission systems*

# Strategic Approaches & Exploratory Studies

## Strategic Approaches for System Analyses

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### Minimum Coal



SRP **reduces power generation from coal** and analyzes the system-wide impacts while maintaining reliability

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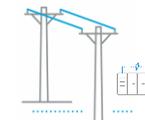
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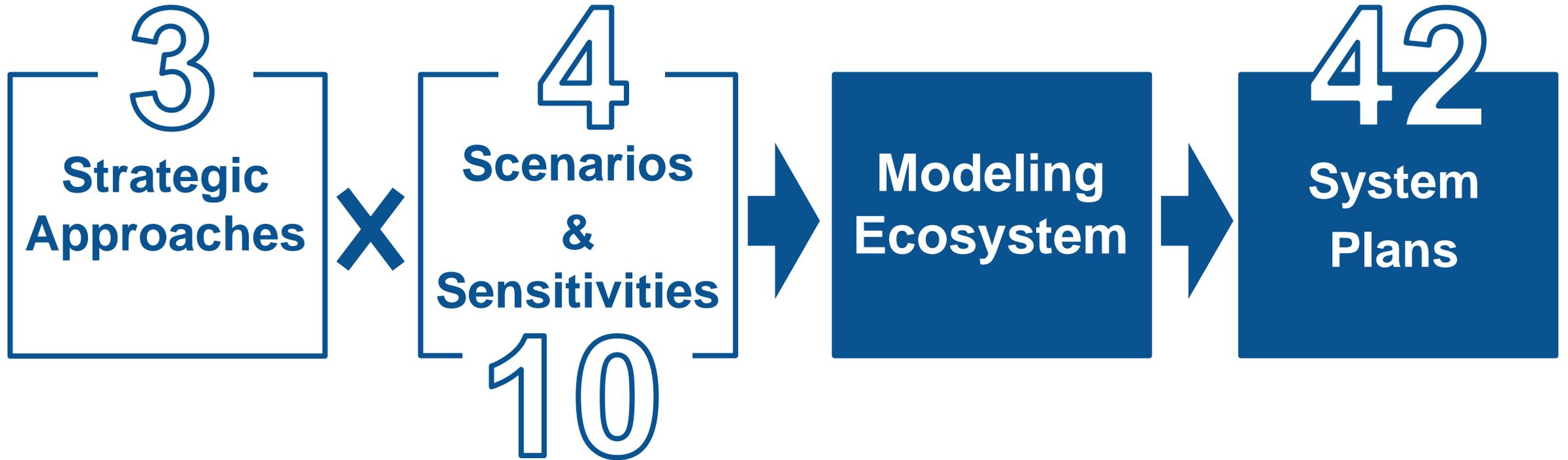
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# Developing a System Plan



# Study Plan Matrix

## Strategic Approaches

	Technology Neutral	No New Fossil	Min. Coal
<b>Current Trends (aka FP23)</b>	●	●	●
<i>High, Low, &amp; Volatile Gas Prices</i>	● ● ●	● ● ●	● ● ●
<i>High &amp; Low Technology Costs</i>	● ●	● ●	● ●
<i>High Demand Response</i>	●	●	●
<i>High Energy Efficiency</i>	●	●	●
<i>High DG Adoption</i>	●	●	●
<i>Increased Load Management</i>	●	●	●
<i>RTO Assessment</i>	●	●	●
<b>Desert Contraction</b>	●	●	●
<b>Desert Boom</b>	●	●	●
<b>Strong Climate Policy</b>	●	●	●

Sensitivities

Scenarios

## Exploratory Studies

Next Generation  
Time of Use  
(TOU)

High Regional  
Interaction

Flexible Coal  
Operations

SRP Storage on  
Distribution  
System

# Poll Question

Chose A, B, or C to answer:

## Which strategic approach most interests you?

A.

**Technology  
Neutral**



*SRP takes a **least-cost** approach to building the future power system*

B.

**No New Fossil**



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C.

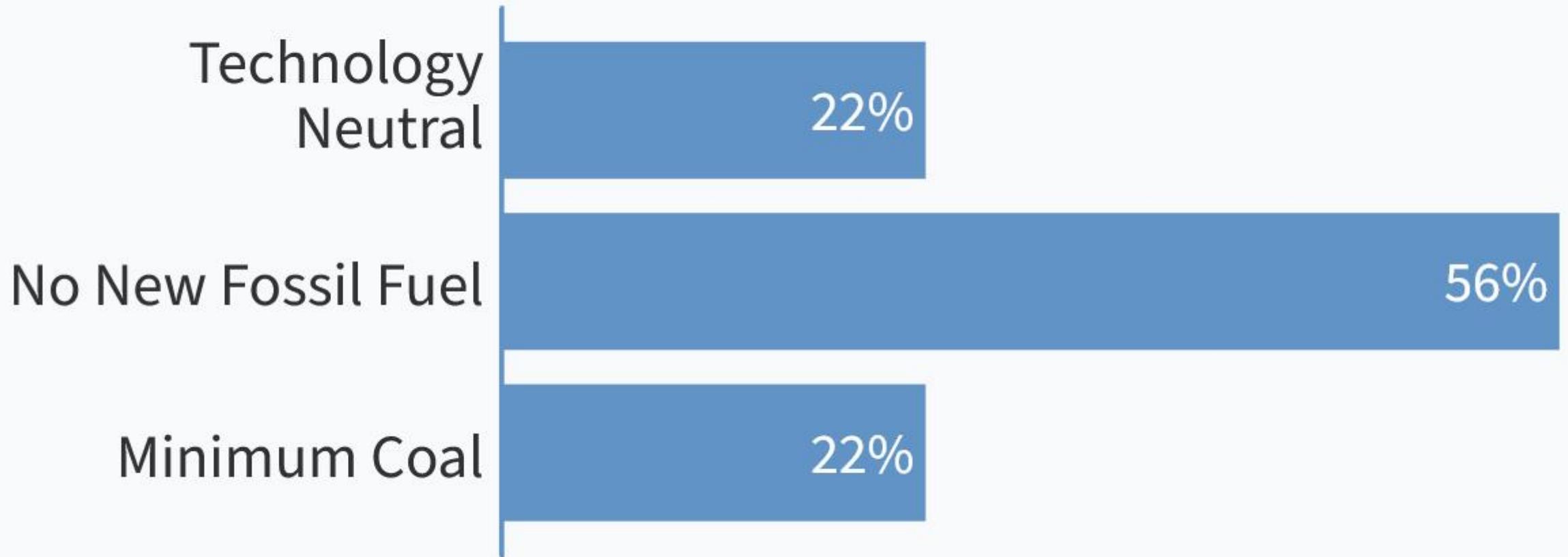
**Minimum Coal**



*SRP **reduces power generation from coal** and analyzes the system-wide impacts while maintaining reliability*

Please, one response only.

## Which strategic approach most interests you?



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Chose A, B, C, or D to answer:

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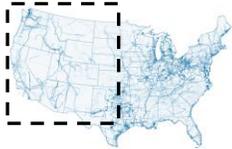
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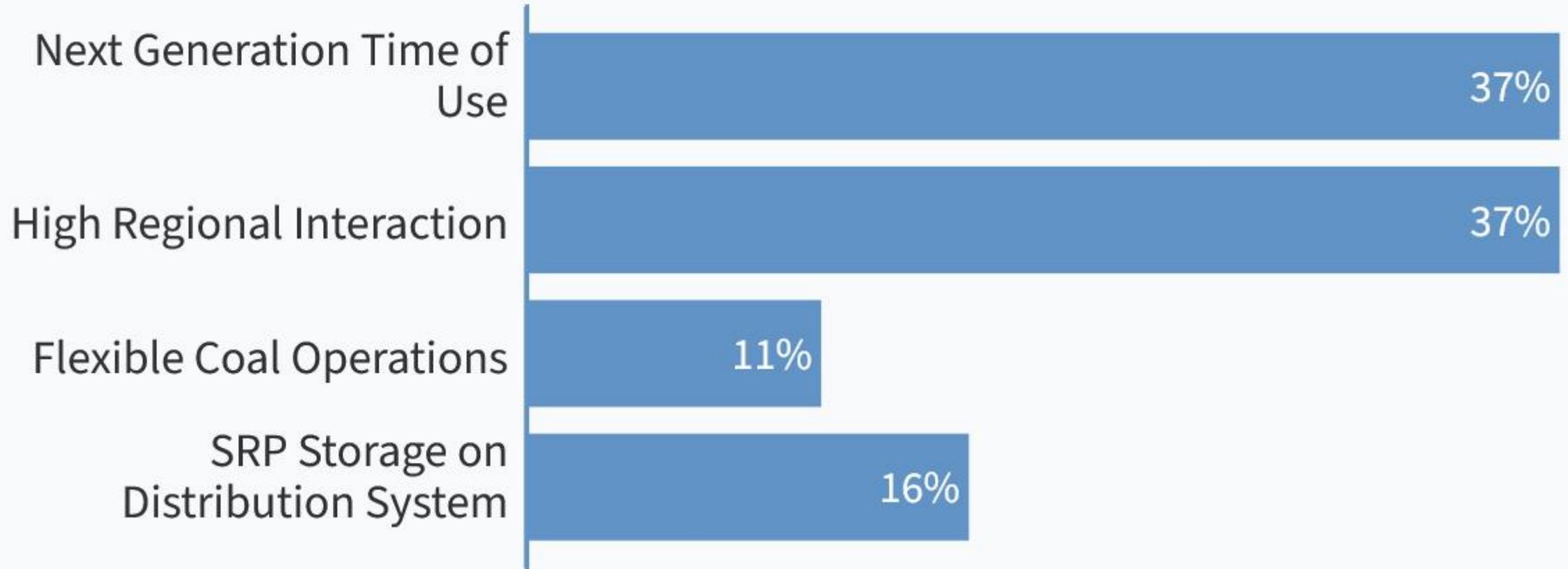
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on  
Distribution  
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*SRP explores storage sited on the distribution versus transmission systems*

Please, one response only.

# Which exploratory study most interests you?



# The Study Plan: Metrics

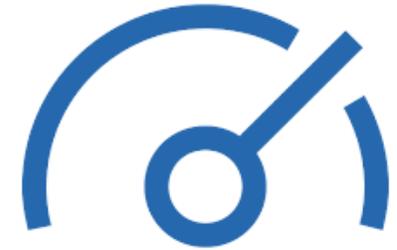
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# Guidelines for Integrated System Plan Metrics

## Metrics will be used to...

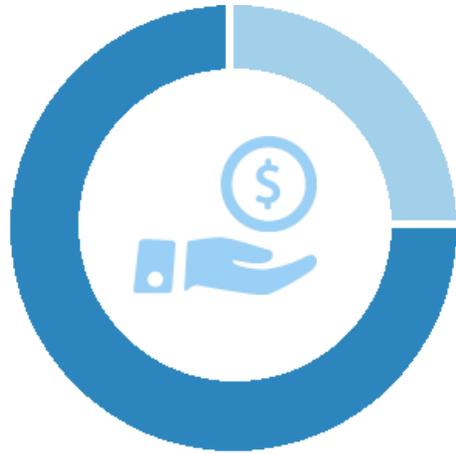
- Provide information to SRP, customers and other stakeholders
- Evaluate the performance of each strategic approach across scenarios and sensitivities



## Metrics should...

- Be quantifiable
- Vary across strategic approaches
- Give insight into interesting elements of power system performance

# Proposed Metrics Categories



## Affordability

What are the system costs to SRP and price impacts to customers?



## Sustainability

How does the system impact different environmental considerations?



## Reliability

How do different system plans increase or mitigate reliability risks?



## Customer Preference

Which system plans do customers prefer?

# Poll Question

Enter 1 to 3 words to answer:

**What ideas do you have for measuring success of the Integrated System Plan?**

Use an underscore (“\_”) between words to submit them as a single word cloud response, submit multiple responses if desired.



# Next Steps & Wrap-up

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# Next Steps

Large Stakeholder Group

## Technical Working Session #1 TODAY at 10:15AM

### Tentative Schedule:

- Meeting #3: **ISP Study Results** – Fall / Winter 2022
- Meeting #4: **ISP Path Forward** – Spring 2023



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**thank you!**