



# **OUC Fleet Electrification Ride and Drive Event**

## **“Getting to Widespread Transportation Electrification”**

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# Background and Objectives

- Government, Industry, and Fleets are **increasingly aligning on aggressive 2030 vehicle electrification goals**
- The **pace of needed year-over-year action and investment to prepare charging sites and the grid is not clear**
- Consumers and fleet operators **must have confidence in charging availability, reliability, and affordability**
- Consumers and fleets operators are **increasingly looking to the utility industry to scale up efforts** to support charging solutions, ensure the grid is capable of meeting vehicle loads

**THIS TRANSITION IS UNPRECEDENTED AND COMPLEX. IT REQUIRES:**

- **Extraordinary collaboration and partnering** across all the major EV stakeholder groups
- **Redesigned processes, useful tools, and increased standardization** to simplify the planning and complex interactions between major stakeholder groups
- **An evaluation of regulatory/board oversight** that may not be conducive to driving actions on the pace and scale required to meet 2030 targets

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outlining EV loads, grid impacts, leadtimes, workforce, costs

Enabling Regulatory and Oversight Framework

Equity Blueprint & Workforce Development

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# Collaboration + Partnerships

## Ongoing Outreach



UTILITY INDUSTRY	AUTO & TRUCKING INDUSTRY	FLEET OPERATORS	CHARGING PROVIDERS AND FUELING RETAILERS	NGO & STANDARD-SETTING ORGANIZATIONS

### GOVERNMENT

- Joint Office of Energy & Transportation (JOET)
- US DOE
- US DOT
- National Labs
- FERC/NERC
- State DOEs, DOTs, DEQs
- State PUCs
- League of Cities
- Climate Mayors

# EVs2Scale2030 Advisory Board



Chair: **Xcel**, Brett Carter

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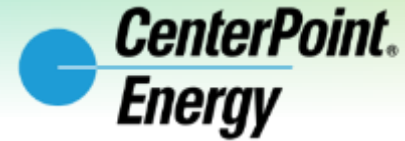
**Southern Company**, Chris Cummiskey



EVs2Scale 2030

# PROJECT PARTNERS

## BROAD INDUSTRY SUPPORT



# Regulatory/Board Oversight Workstream:

Why is proactive grid infrastructure build so challenging?



Utilities **not confident** in the timing/pace of EV adoption across their service territories (demand varies across the U.S.)

Regulators **not confident** in the timing/pace of EV adoption (hearing only the voice of utilities); want to avoid stranded assets. Unclear on the cost impacts to ratepayers of proactive grid infrastructure build vs. later build

Ratepayer advocates **not confident** in the timing/pace of EV adoption and the need for proactive grid build; concerns on the cost impacts

EVs2scale2030 data will send clear demand signals, **building confidence**, and enabling utilities (and regulators) to prioritize “no regret” investments.



# EVs2Scale<sup>TM</sup> 2030



eRoadMAP<sup>TM</sup>

## ANALYTICS



## DATA



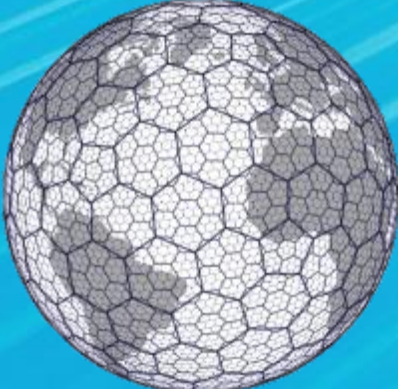
Other:



# 1 Improved Data Resolution Techniques

Res	Average Hexagon Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Average Hexagon Area (mi <sup>2</sup> )
0	4,357,449.42	1,682,419.93
1	609,788.44	235,440.54
2	86,801.78	33,514.34
3	12,393.43	4,785.13
4	1,770.35	683.53
5	252.90	97.65
6	36.13	13.95
7	5.16	1.99
<b>8</b>	<b>0.74</b>	<b>0.28</b>
9	0.11	0.04
10	0.0150	0.0058
11	0.0021	0.0008
12	0.0003	0.0001

Where Hex8 ~ 1 or 2 feeders



# 2 LAYERED DATA APPROACH

## LD Vehicles

- Registrations
- Travel Models

## MDHD Vehicles

- OEM data
- Fleet data
- Travel Data

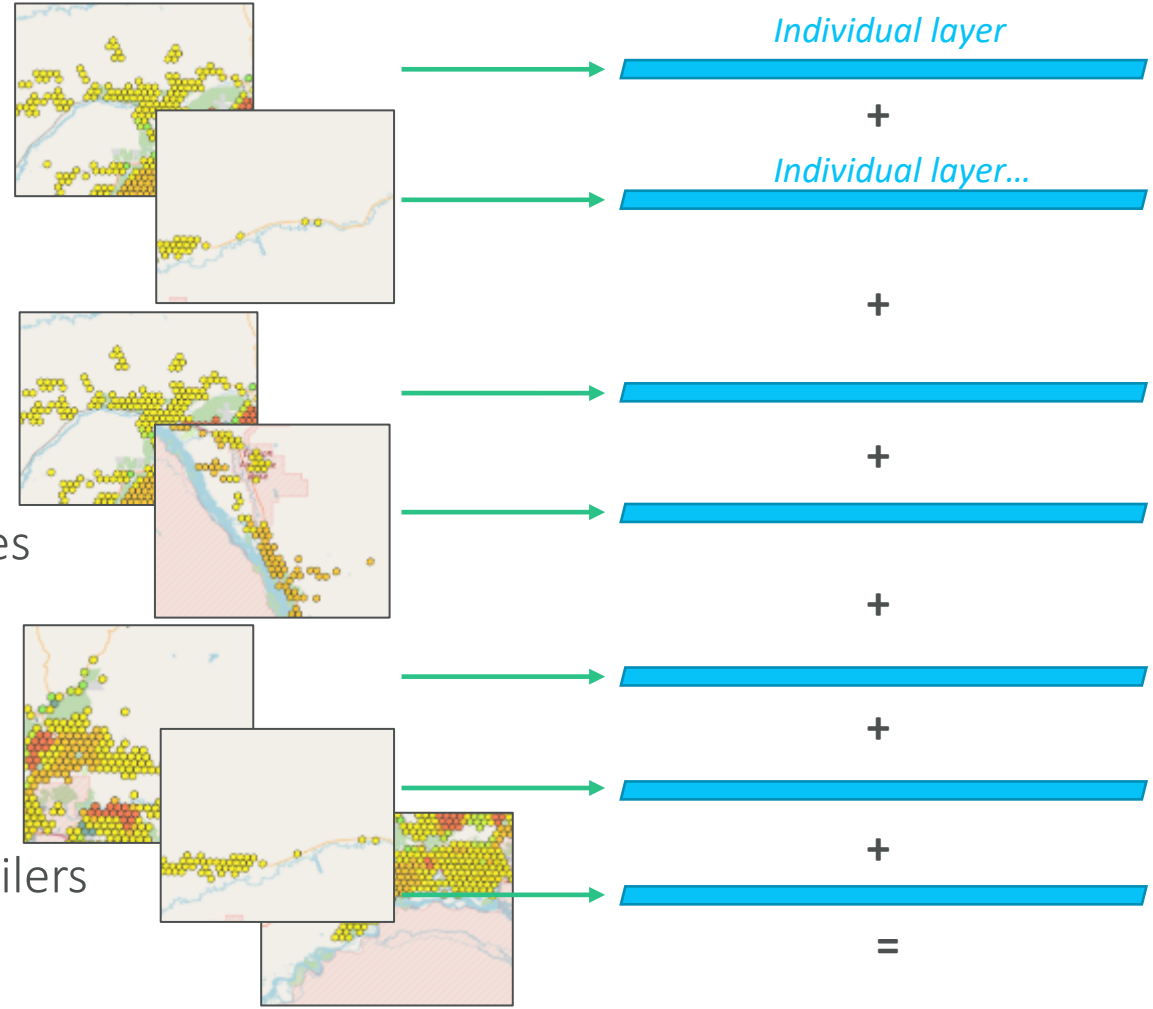
## Other Vehicle Sectors

- Transit/School Buses
- **Government Fleets**
- Ports/Airports
- Vocational Fleets

## Other Load Data

- EVSPs/Fueling Retailers

H3 – Level 8 Maps



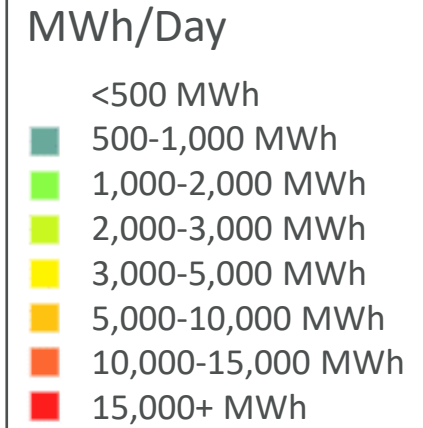
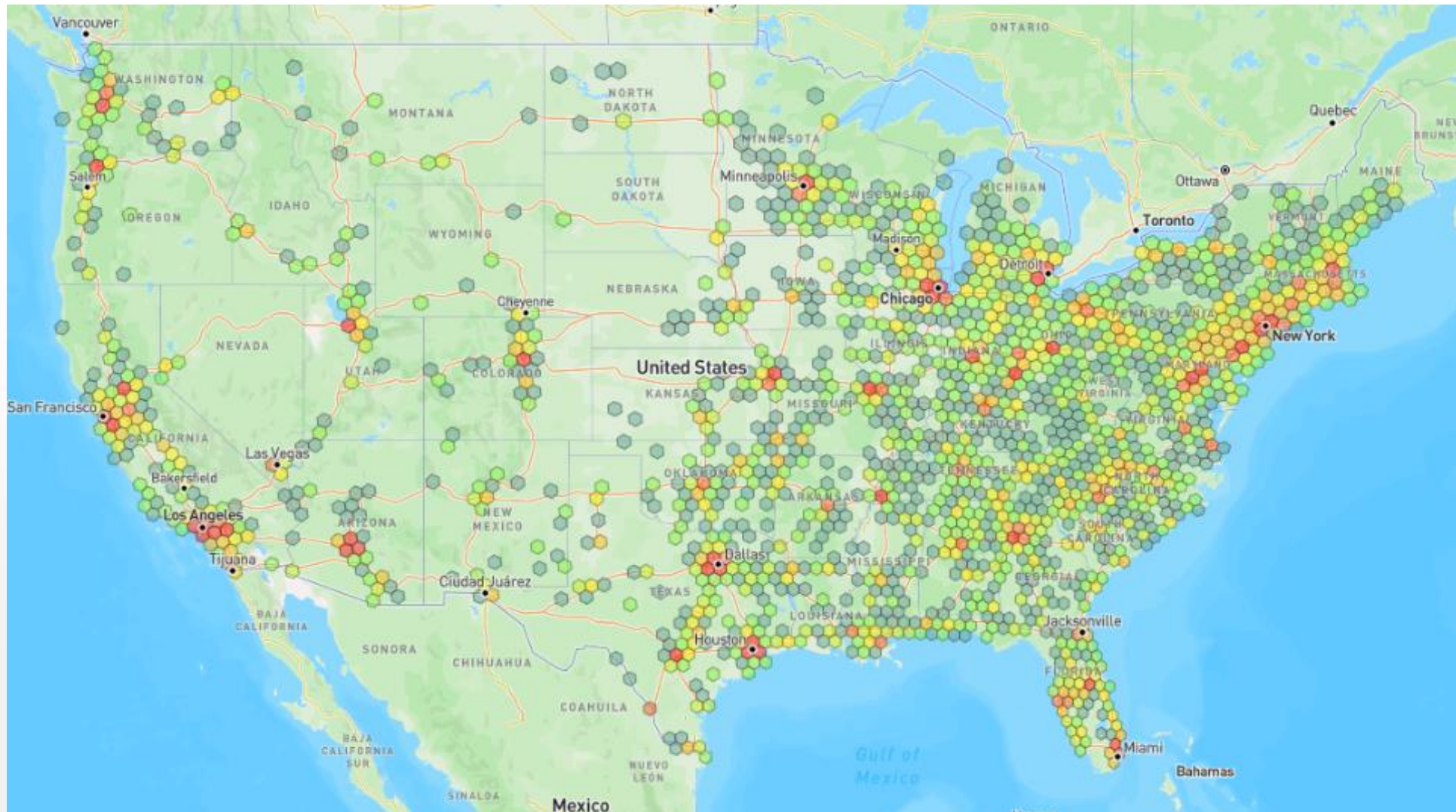
One map with energy + power needs

\*EV Service Providers



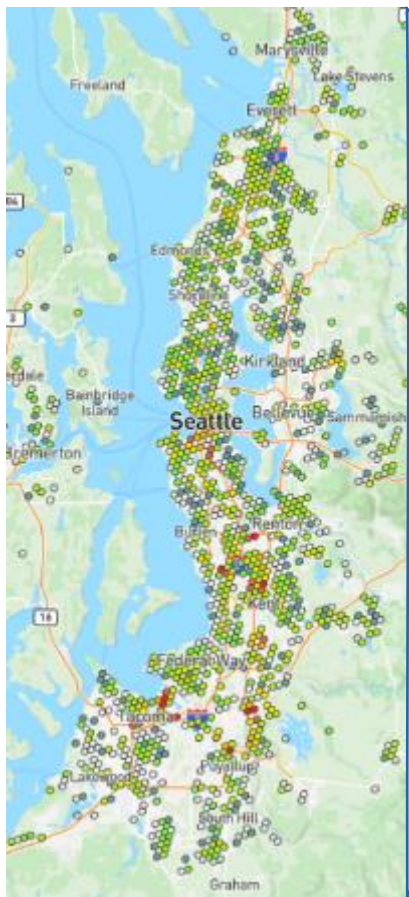
# LD + MDHD | 100% Electrified

Hex4 (each hexagon is 684 square miles)

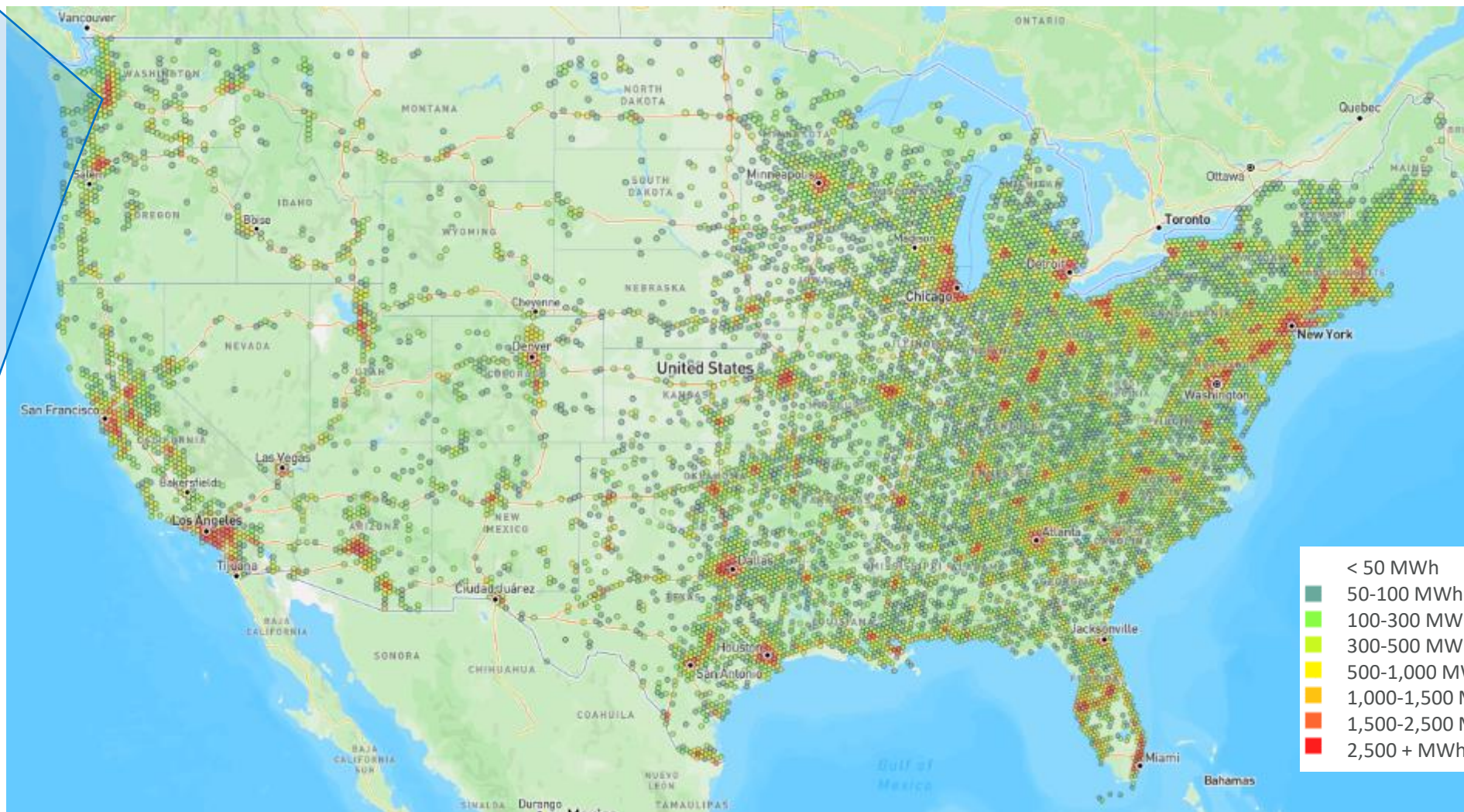




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H8 – 0.28 sq miles per hex

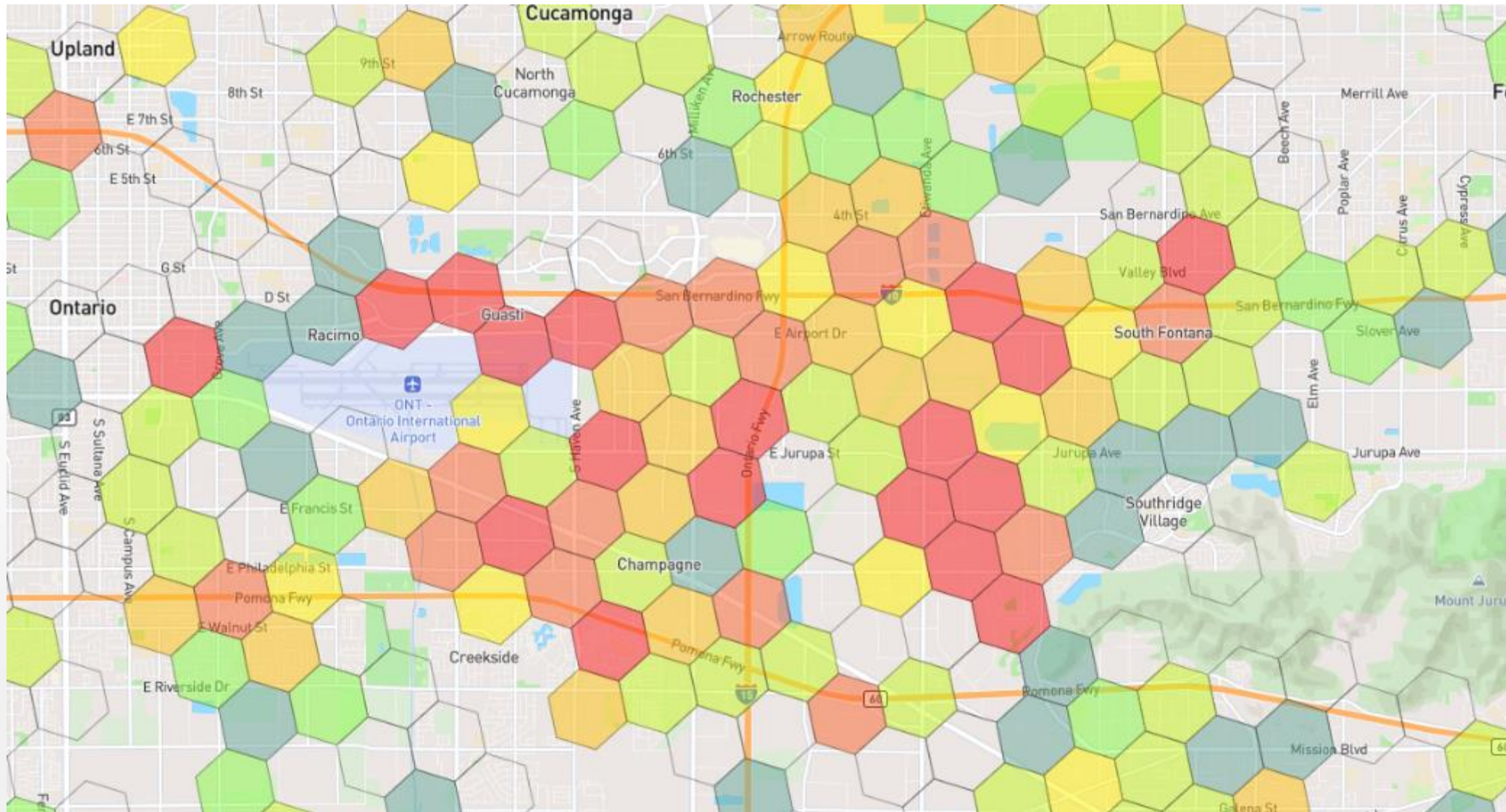


H5 – 98 sq miles per hex

- < 50 MWh
- 50-100 MWh
- 100-300 MWh
- 300-500 MWh
- 500-1,000 MWh
- 1,000-1,500 MWh
- 1,500-2,500 MWh
- 2,500 + MWh



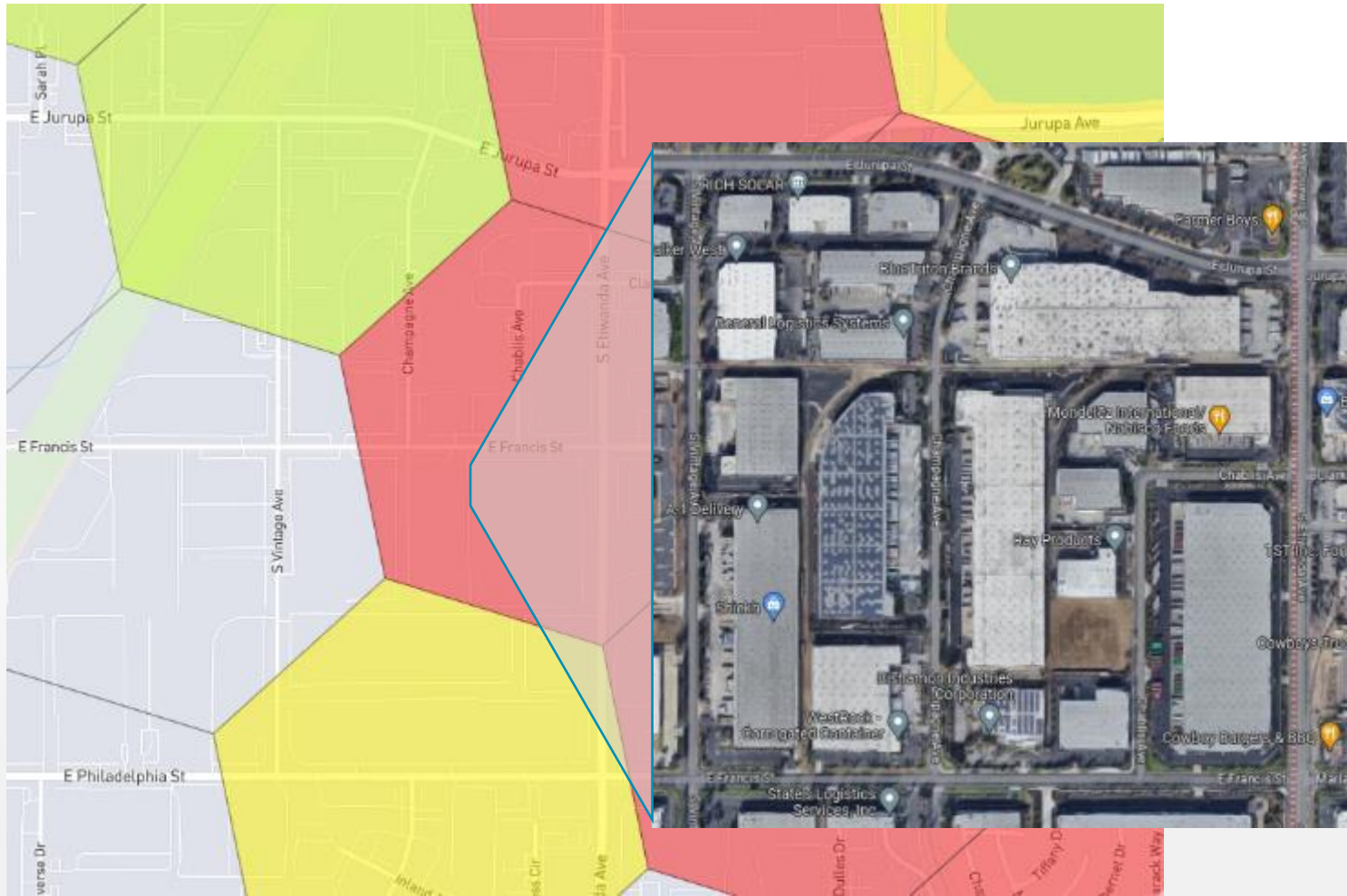
# MDHD Depot Case Study - 100% Electrified



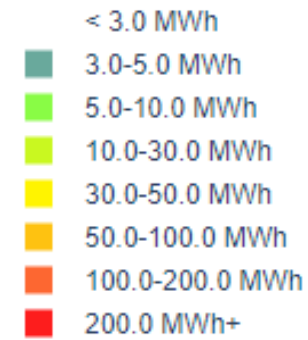
MWh/Day per Hex

- < 3.0 MWh
- 3.0-5.0 MWh
- 5.0-10.0 MWh
- 10.0-30.0 MWh
- 30.0-50.0 MWh
- 50.0-100.0 MWh
- 100.0-200.0 MWh
- 200.0 MWh+

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## Companies:

- Pacific Urethanes -
- Blue Triton Brands – drink company
- Nabisco Foods
- West Rock Corrugated Container
- IIT Champagne – Champagne delivery
- Ray Products- Plastic company
- Bishamon Industries – metal handling
- RICH solar
- Coca Cola Co



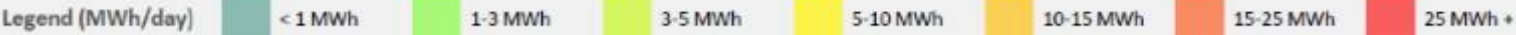
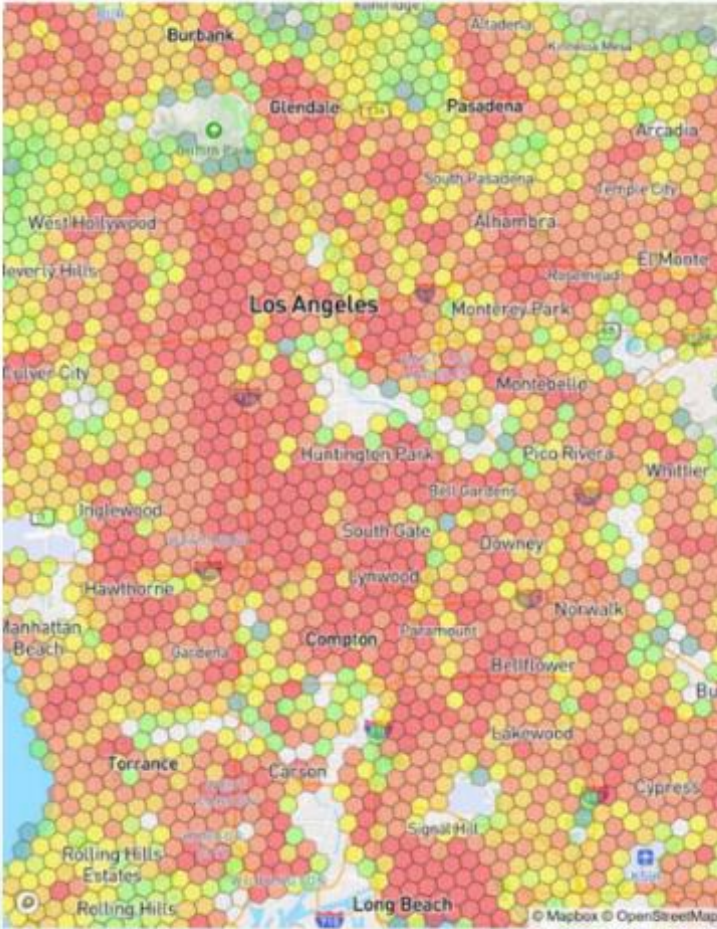
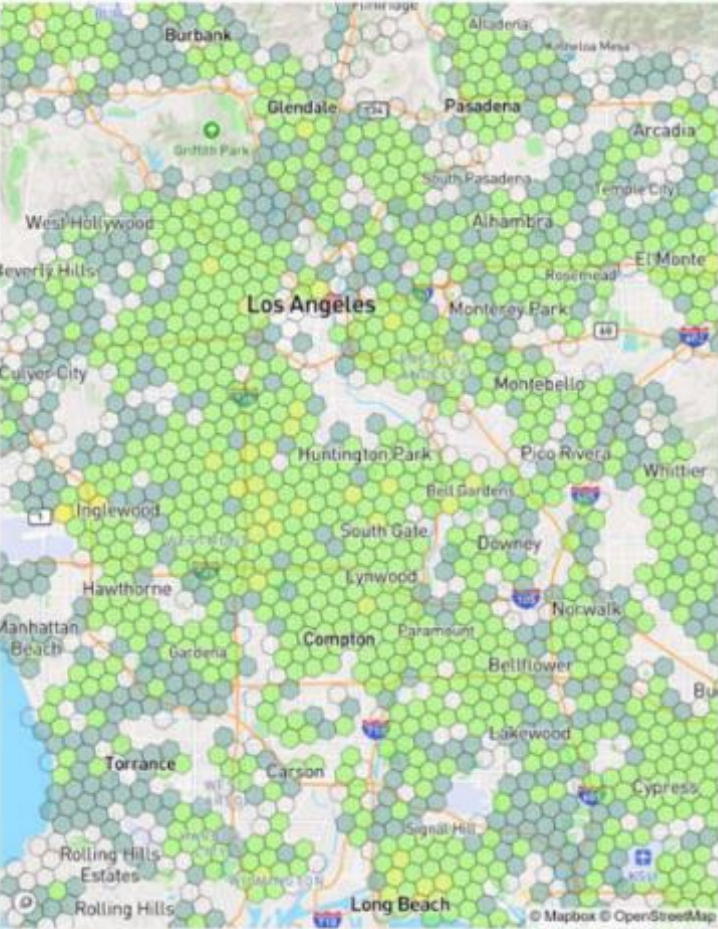
# Light-Duty

## Residential Charging Energy Required Over Time

2023

2030 (Policy Compliance)

100% Electrified



# What these Load Forecast Maps Are (and Aren't)



- **Goal**

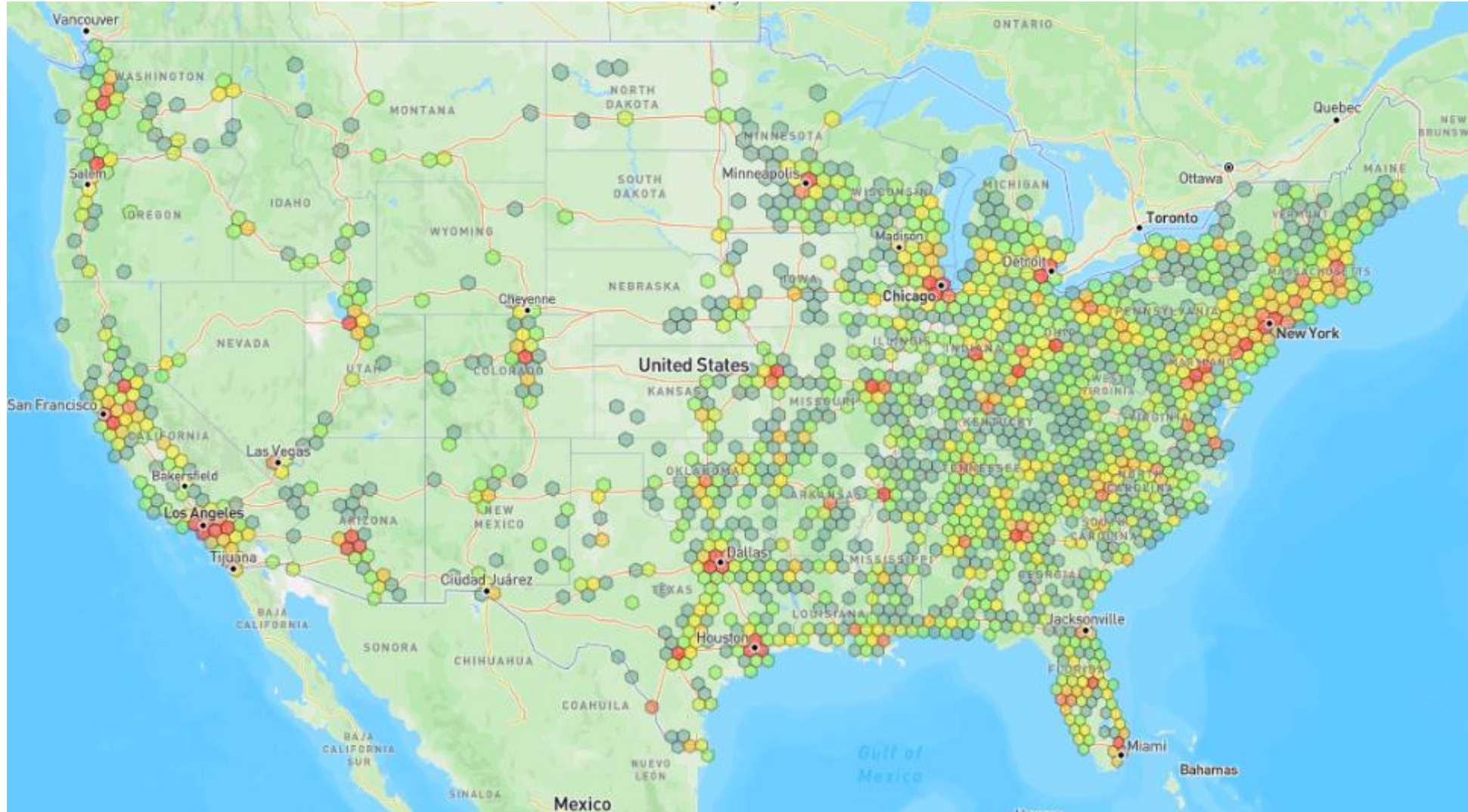
- **Provide as much certainty** as possible to utilities, regulators/oversight bodies, and other key stakeholders about where and when transportation loads are arriving on the grid

- **Messaging**

- This is eRoadMAP Version 1.0
- It reflects a transparent and collaborative process between utilities, fleets, many other data providers
- It is meant to represent the best data available to date and the means to start communicating, prioritizing, and planning for grid-side, no-regret investments
- It provides near-term, mid-term, and long-term planning horizons



# Load ... but what about Capacity?

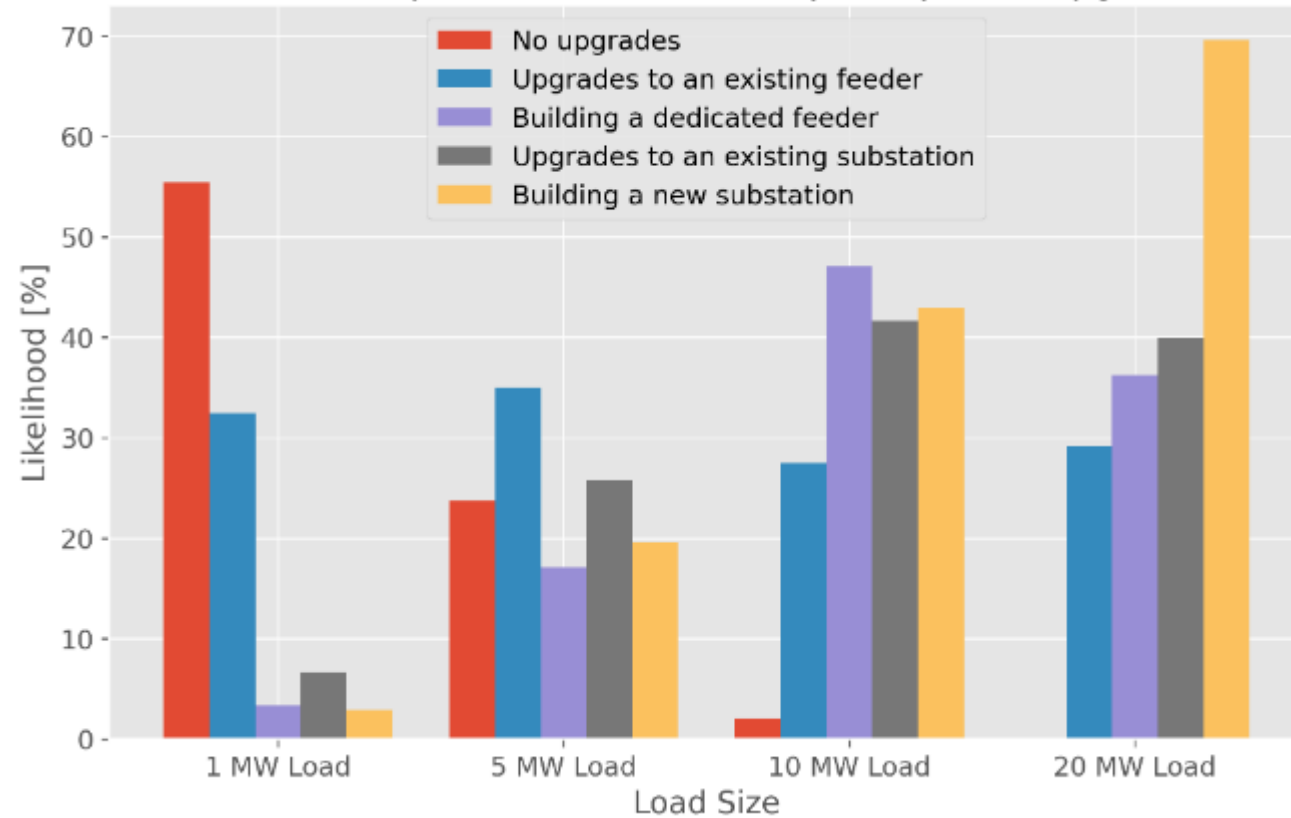




# Utility Grid Survey Preliminary Responses

→ The utility grid, as a system, is relatively well positioned to serve EV charging – however challenges exist in some locations

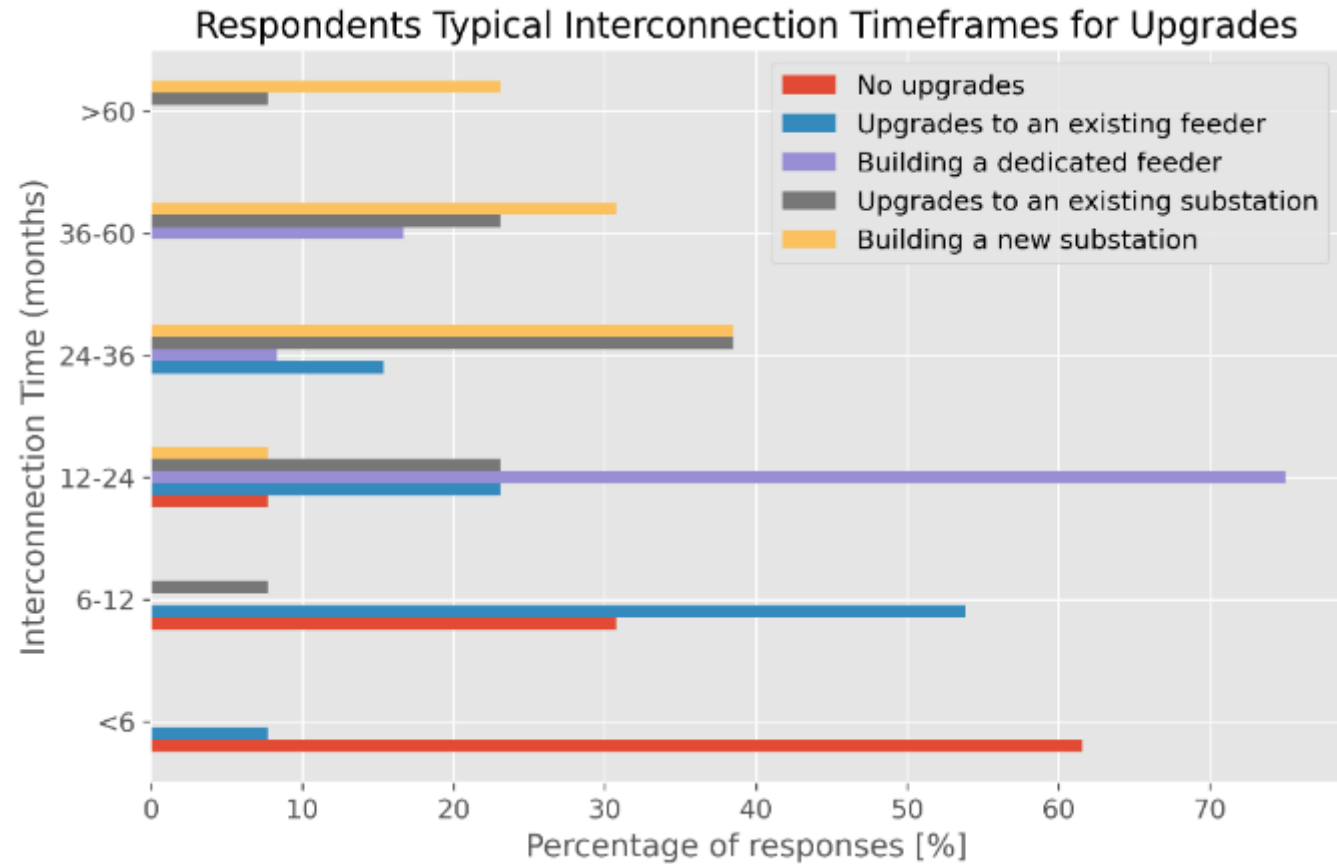
### Likelihood Spot Load Sizes Will Require Specific Upgrades



### Preliminary Findings:

- **5MW load** – 30% likely to need a feeder upgrade
- **10MW load** – 48% likely to need a dedicated feeder, 42% likely to need substation
- **20MW load** – 70% likely to need a new substation

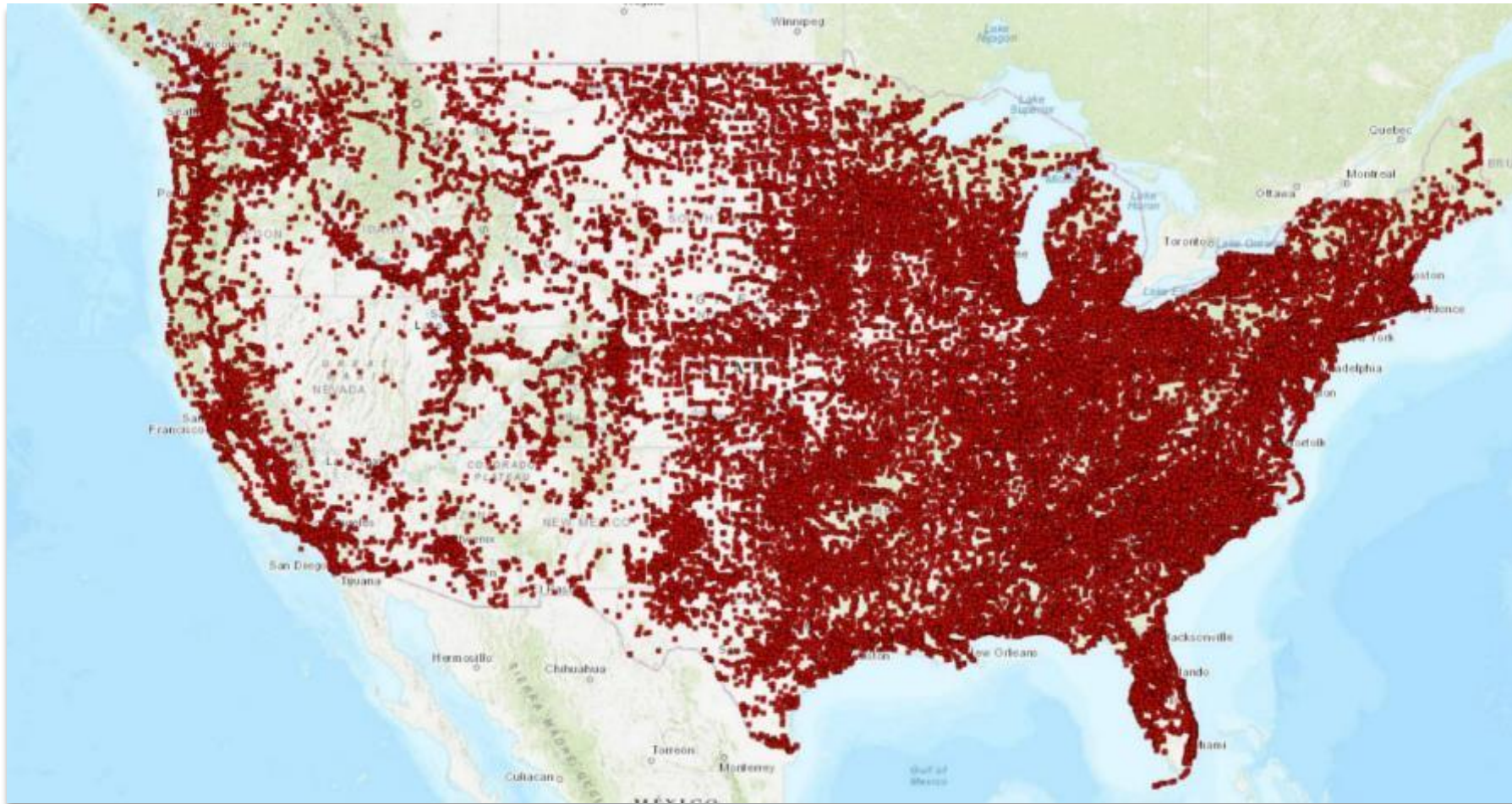
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## Preliminary Findings:

- **Upgrades to an Existing Feeder:** 6-12 months
- **Dedicated Feeder Lead Time:** 12-24 months
- **Build a new Substation:** 24-36 months

# Database of Substations Already Exists



## Includes

- Substation name
- Lat/Long coordinates
- Max/Min voltage

## Estimating Local Capacity?

For each substation:

- Location (lat/long)
- Rated capacity (incl. planning limits)
- Voltage class
- Historical peak load

*Geospatial Energy Mapper (GEM), Argonne National Laboratory, <https://gem.anl.gov/>*



# GridFAST vision

Improve transparency in EV charging planning to inform grid investments and accelerate grid interconnects

2023-2035 plans defining loads, locations, timing

TRUCKING FLEET OPERATORS  
amazon

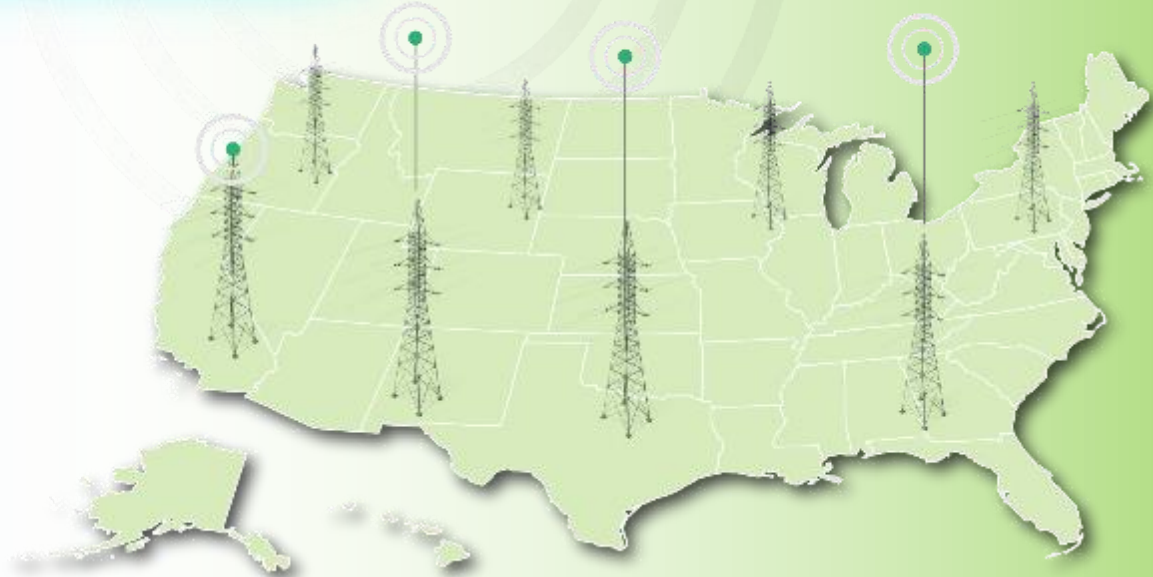
FUELING RETAILERS  
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FLEET OPERATORS  
Hertz

CHARGING SITE DEVELOPERS  
TESLA

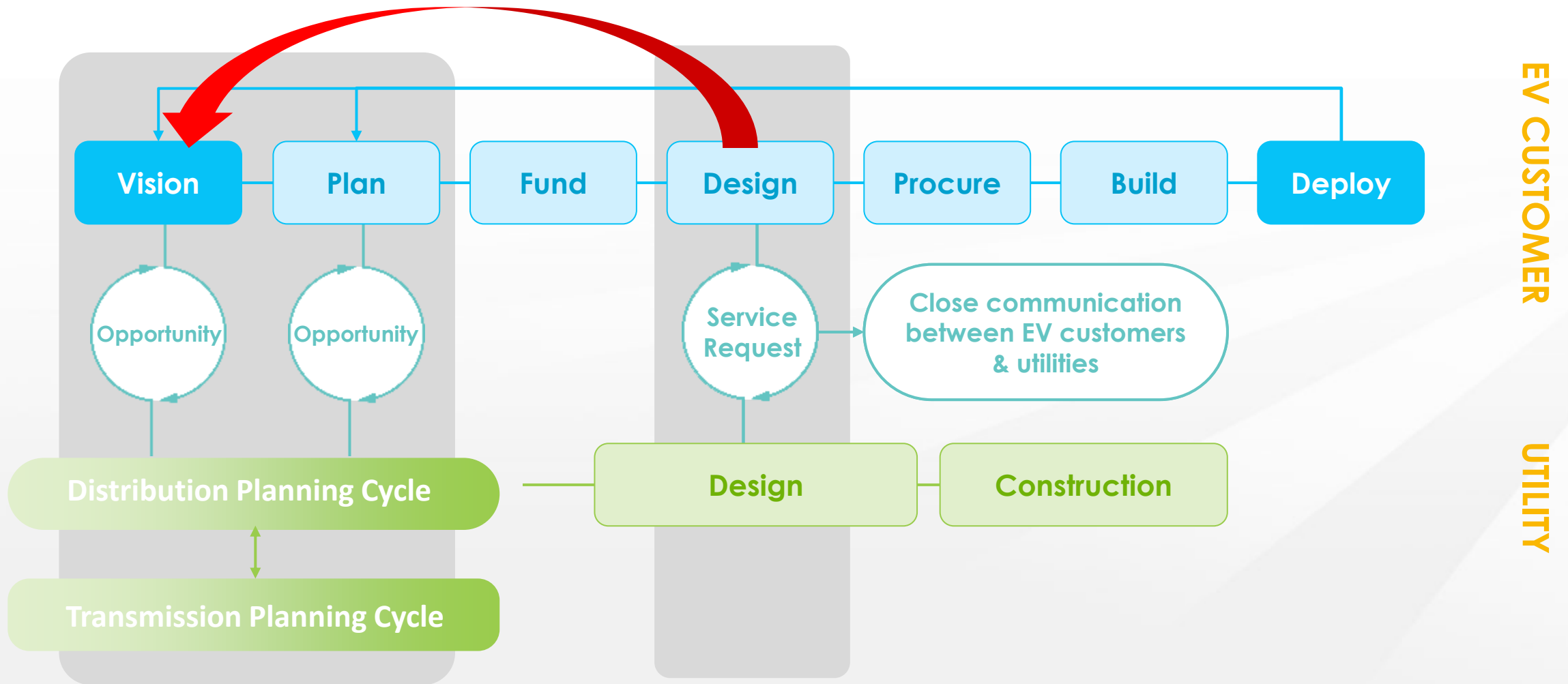
**GridFAST**  
Secure online data exchange platform

Utility hosting capacity – or proxies – indicating grid readiness, timing to support EV charging loads



# Role of GridFAST

How might we help EV customers and utilities get *actionable* transportation load information, *earlier* into the utility planning process?







# EXPEDITED INTERIM CHARGING SOLUTIONS

# The Challenge

- Electric Trucks (and other vehicles) can be ordered and delivered in **4-6 months or less**
- Utility infrastructure upgrades to serve the new charging load can take **18 – 24 months** or longer
  - **This mismatch in timelines is affecting adoption of EVs, especially Class 6-8 trucks**
- Due to policy drivers and market forces, this will become more prevalent in 2024 and beyond
  - **This will increasingly position utilities as a “barrier” to MDHD vehicle adoption**
- **What can be done to bridge this timeline gap?**

# The Premise of Interim Charging Solutions

- Full power requirements are typically not needed when first vehicles arrive
  - Vehicle deployment typically occurs in stages
  - The ability to provide 200 – 300 kW for charging is enough to bridge the gap in most situations and enable the customer to begin deployments



## Solutions That Enable Some Charging While Permanent Grid Infrastructure is Being Built

### Distribution Operations

- A. Switch existing loads to nearby feeders, opening up capacity
- B. Return to former configuration when permanent grid is built/energized

### Interim On-site Options

- A. Does panel in existing building have spare capacity?
- B. If Yes, run conduit outside, terminate to Hubbell receptacle(s)
- C. Connect portable DCFC with Hubbell plugs



### Interim Power from the Grid

- A. Secure 480V, 3-phase, 400A service from utility (typically temp or construction power)
- B. Standard offer in utility ESR book
- C. Mobile power block connection, terminating to Hubbell receptacles
- D. Connect portable DCFC with Hubbell plugs



### Flexible Interconnections

- A. Utility offers Depot to use existing feeder capacity but curtail charging when feeder loads approach capacity limits
- B. Probably a more robust interconnection than Interim Power
- C. Contract or Rate Schedule Needed (maybe)

### No Power Available from Grid

- A. Depot leases Portable Generator, which already has Hubbell output receptacles
- B. Connect portable DCFC with Hubbell plugs
- C. Run generator (powered by NG or diesel) to charge MHD e-trucks



# Interim Charging Solution Options (Phase I)

- Of these options, **the most promising and highest priority is the utilization of “construction” or “temporary” power service to enable charging of 5-10 trucks** (depending on use case)
  - EVSE connection to a 480V, 400A, utility temporary service
  - Moveable, so could be used at other locations?
  - Variations based on distribution voltage?
  - What approvals would be needed (regulatory, AHJ)?
- Tentative deliverables
  - Creation and vetting of a “reference design” across utilities and customers
  - Field demonstration
  - Education/Promotion plan for establishment as a best practice (incl. AHJ, regulatory,...)





# Enabling Regulatory and Oversight Framework



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# Regulatory/Policy Outreach



## PROPOSED DELIVERABLE:

A **50-State/National Outreach Package** for regulators, legislators, consumer advocates, and federal agencies that leverages eRoadMAP™ and GridFAST™ to build a case for proactive grid investment that enables timely scale



- + **Economic Opportunities**  
*(battery plants, assembly plants, EVSE,...)*
- + **In-State Revenue Opportunities**  
*(electricity sales/taxes, downward pressure on rates)*
- + **Industry Support** *(letters of support, PUC hearings,...)*
- + **⚡ Load Forecasting Data Analysis**  
*(near-term priorities) eRoadMAP™*
- + **⚡ Grid Impact Analysis** *(substation and feeder level priorities) eRoadMAP™*
- + **⚡ Leadtime Impacts**
  - Costs (potential solutions and approaches to who pays)



- + **Supply Chain Impacts**  
*(transformers, switch gear,...)*
- + **Grid-Side Costs** (potential solutions and approaches to who pays)
- + **IOU vs. Public Power vs. Rural Coop**

# Released Reports + Tools

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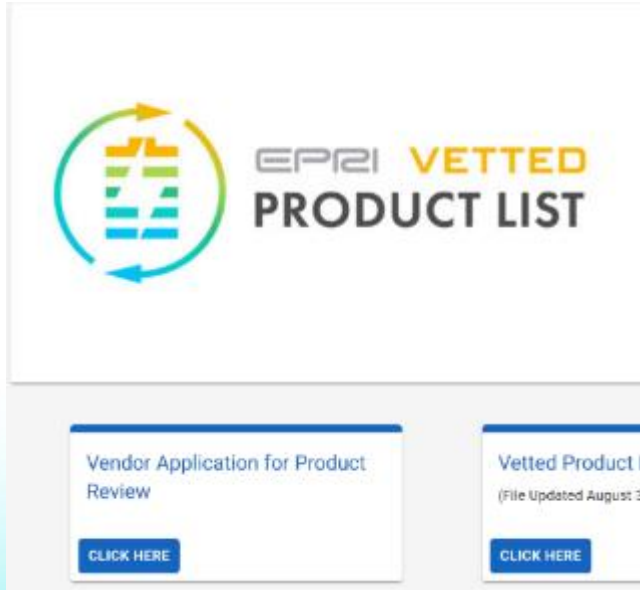
## EVs2Scale Website



[EVs2Scale2030 | EPRI --](https://msites.epri.com/evs2scale2030)  
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## VPL (Vetted Product List)



<https://www.epri.com/vpl>

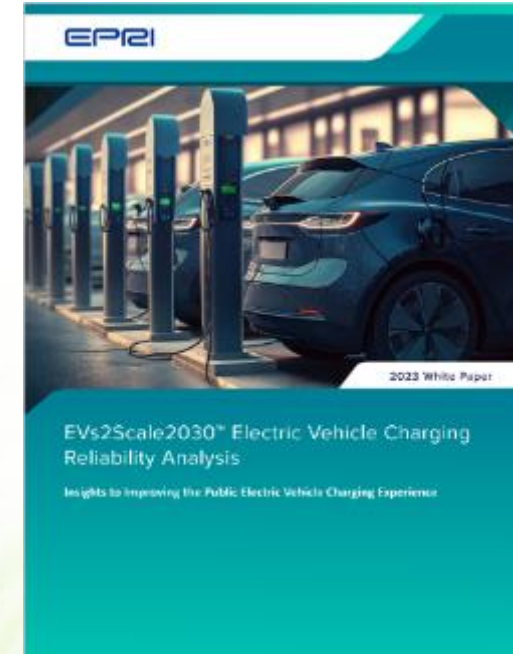
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## Grid Primer



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## EV Charging Reliability Analysis



Mark your calendars:

EPRI's "Electrification 2024" Conference in Savannah, GA 12-14 March, 2024



# EVs2Scale 2030



# Thank You