

Energy Efficiency in Western Utility Resource Plans

Implications for Regional Assessments and Initiatives

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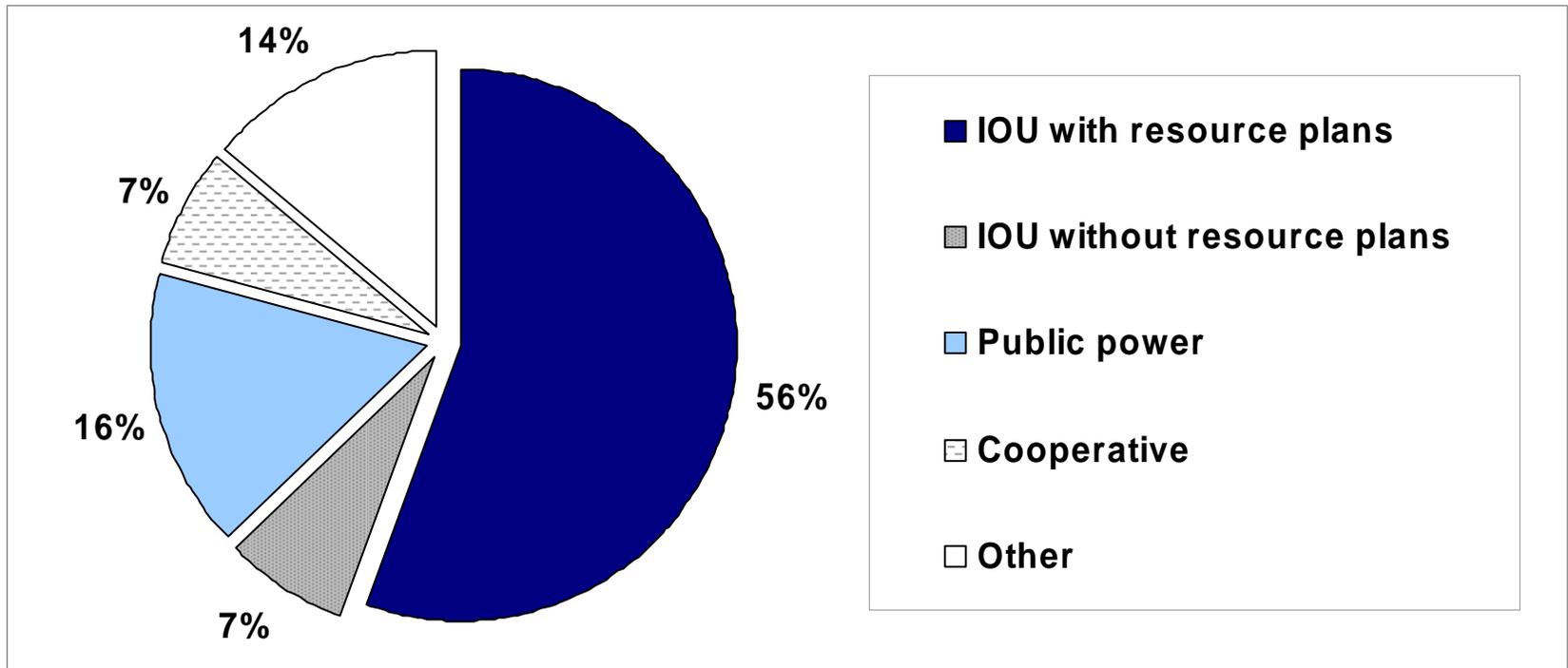
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- **Energy Efficiency in Recent Resource Plans:**
 - Common Inconsistencies and Data Problems
 - Levels of EE Proposed in Recent Utility Resource Plans
- **Recommendations and tools for tracking and reporting EE in future resource plans to support West-wide goals and analysis**

LBNL/CREPC Resource Assessment Project Overview

- **Project scope: Comparative analysis of recent resource plans filed by 14 utilities in the Western U.S. and Canada**
- **Project objectives:**
 - Analyze treatment of conventional & emerging resource options—**including energy efficiency (EE)**
 - Assess risk analysis & portfolio management
 - Develop more standardized methods and conventions for resource assessment
 - Summarize how issues are handled in resource plans; identify “best practices” and offer recommendations
 - Create information tools for CREPC that facilitate work on related projects (e.g. regional transmission planning)

Utility resource plans are publicly available for much of the load in the Western U.S.



- All states in the Western U.S.—except WY and AZ—require investor-owned utilities (IOUs) to regularly file resource plans
- Municipally owned utilities that purchase electricity from the Western Area Power Administration are also required to prepare resource plans (but are not required to make them publicly available)

Western Utility Resource Plans Included in this Study

Utility	Year and name of the resource plan
Avista Corp.	2005 Electric Integrated Resource Plan
BC Hydro	2004 Integrated Electricity Plan
Idaho Power Co.	2004 Integrated Resource Plan
Nevada Power	2003 Integrated Resource Plan
NorthWestern Energy Corp. (NWE)	2004 Electric Default Supply Resource Procurement Plan
PacifiCorp	2004 Integrated Resource Plan
Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E)	2004 Long-term Procurement Plan
Portland General Electric (PGE)	2002 Integrated Resource Plan
Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNM)	2005 Electric Supply Plans
Public Service of Colorado (PSCO)	2003 Least-Cost Resource Plan
Puget Sound Energy (PSE)	2005 Least Cost Plan
San Diego Gas & Electric (SDG&E)	2004 Long-term Resource Plan
Sierra Pacific	2005 Integrated Resource Plan
Southern California Edison (SCE)	2004 Long-term Procurement Plan

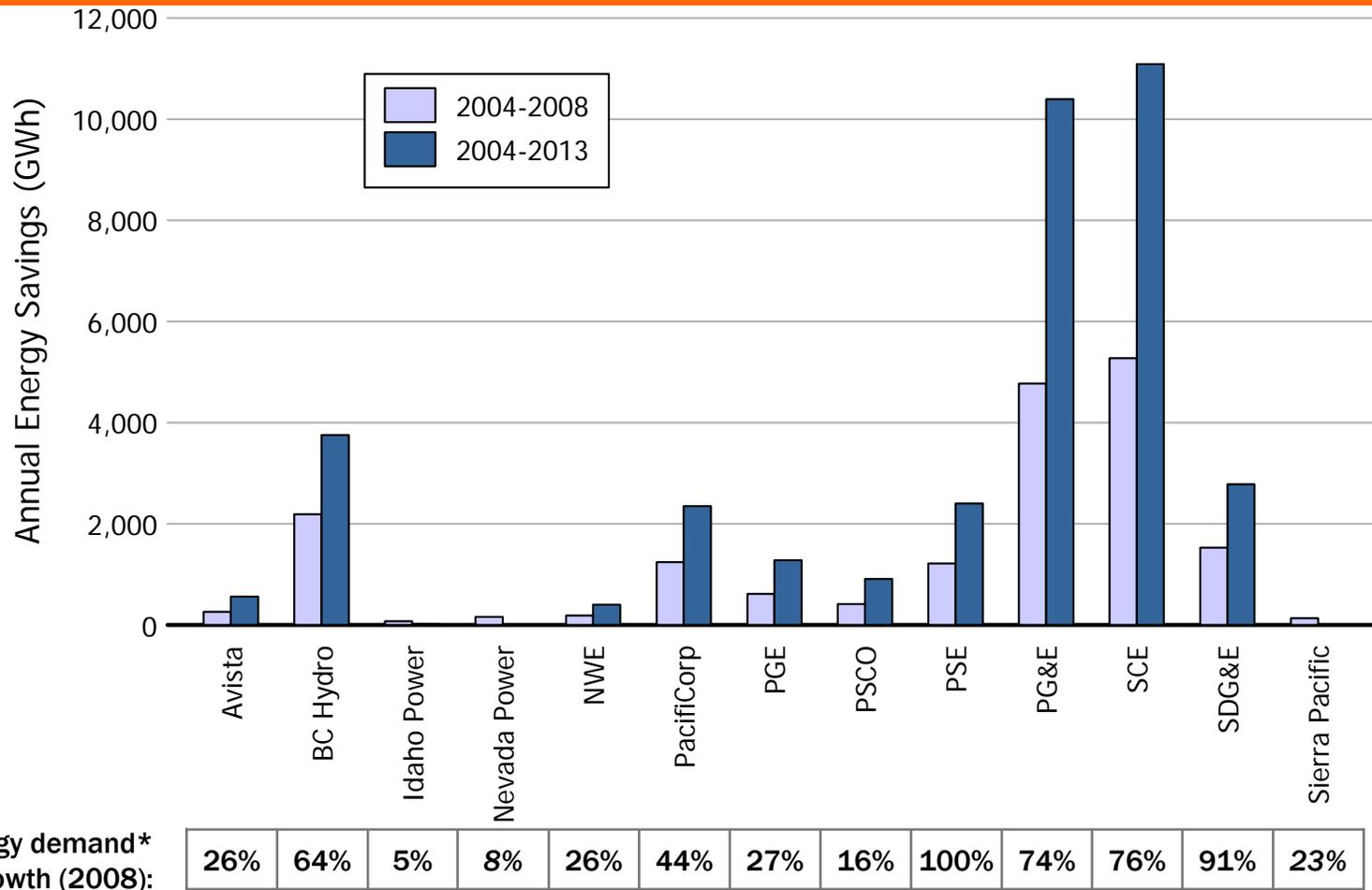
Energy Efficiency (EE) in Resource Plans

- Why does energy efficiency matter?
 - EE is or is likely to become a significant resource
- Growing need for long-term tracking of EE resources in several venues
 - Regional resource assessment/adequacy:
 - ♦ EE affects the level of supply resources needed to meet resource adequacy requirements
 - ♦ inconsistencies in EE treatment and insufficient EE data in utility resource plans contribute to uncertainty
 - WGA CDEAC goal: 20% EE by 2020
 - Climate change?
- Can utility resource plans support efforts to track EE?
 - Need to distinguish among EE resources:
 - ♦ **EE strategies:** EE programs, building codes and EE standards
 - Also need to distinguish **EE proposed in resource plans** from **residual savings from “pre-plan” EE**

Inconsistencies and Insufficient Data in Current Western Resource Plans

- **Data reported does not include all EE resources**
 - only EE program effects reported (no EE standards or building codes)
 - only effects of EE programs proposed in the plan provided—no savings from previous investments reported
 - plan and pre-plan savings not reported separately
- **Energy efficiency often embedded in the load forecast**
 - Difficult to assess impacts and distinguish between utility EE programs and other EE strategies (codes, standards)
- **Planning horizon inconsistencies within plans**
 - tends to be short for EE resources vs. 10-15 years for resource plans
 - short-term EE program plans (2-5 years) vs. longer-term EE/DSM targets
- **Limited data on capacity (MW) impacts in the Pacific Northwest**
 - Data either not reported or refers to winter peak
- **Unclear how the *level* of EE resources is determined**
 - May be based on other factors (e.g., budgets, prior agreements, rate impacts)?
 - Generally does not appear to be linked to EE potential or cost-effectiveness analysis
- **Lack of transparency—redaction of key data**

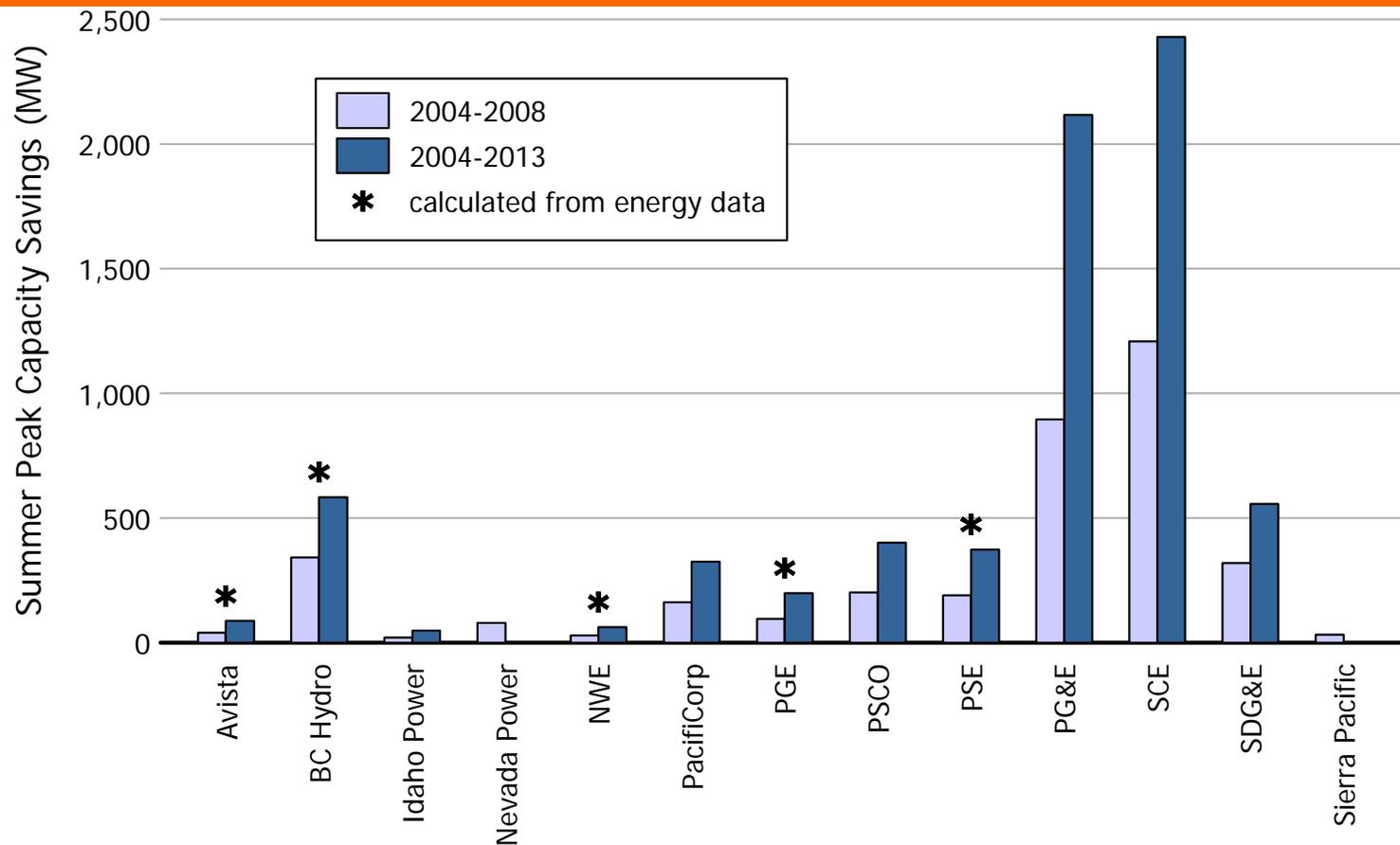
Energy Savings Impacts of EE Programs Proposed in Western Utility Resource Plans



* Energy demand does not include load reductions from EE programs, or reserve margins

- Majority of energy-efficiency program activity is projected to occur in California and the Pacific Northwest
- **BUT**—for some smaller utilities (PacifiCorp, PSE), EE projected to provide a large share of demand growth

Incremental EE Program Effects: Summer Peak Capacity Savings

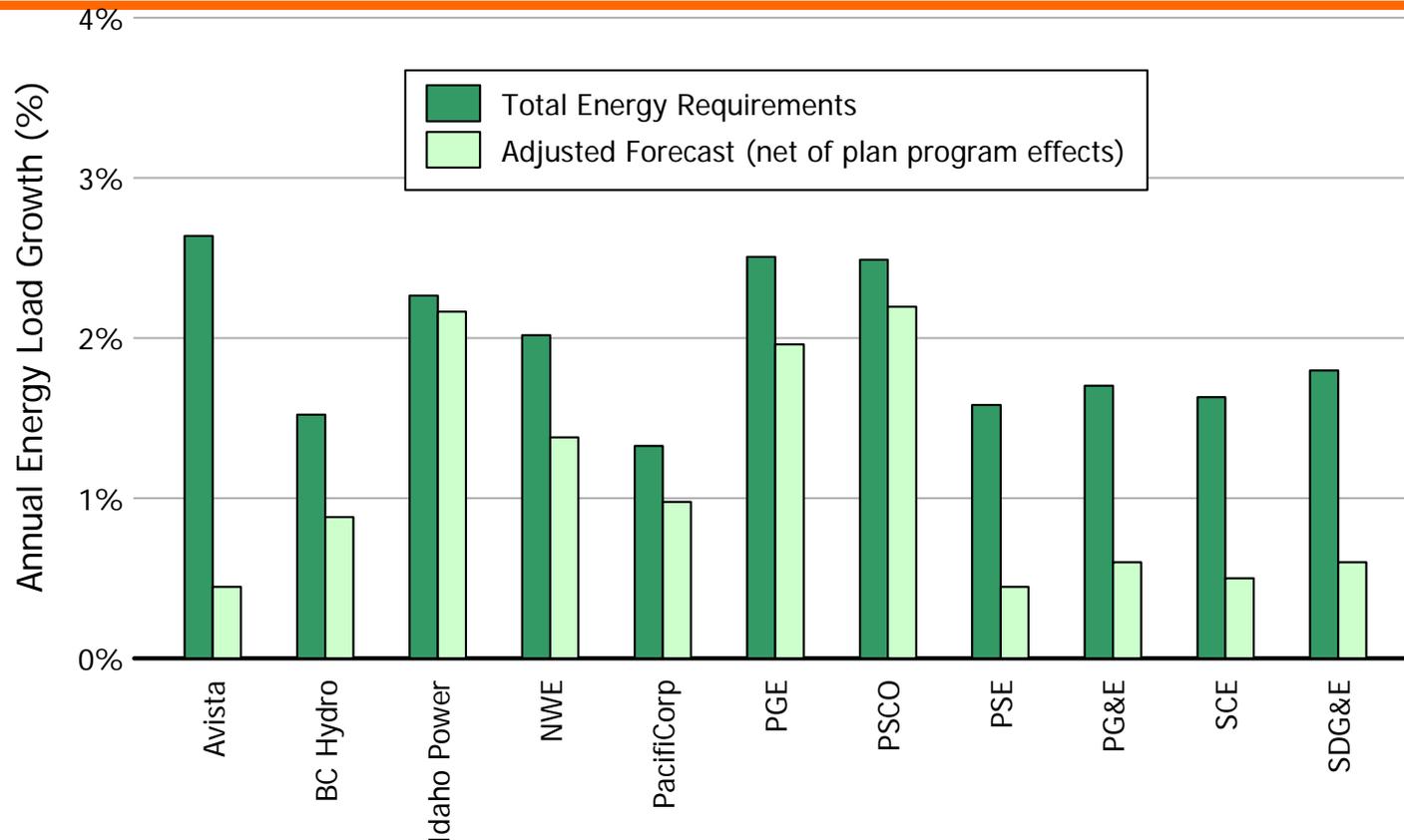


* Summer peak demand does not include load reductions from EE programs, or reserve margins

% of summer peak demand* growth (2008):	29%	63%	6%	15%	-	14%	36%	34%	123%	62%	53%	74%	24%
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- Somewhat larger range in utilities' summer-peak capacity savings
- **Caveat**—most utilities in the Pacific Northwest did not report capacity (MW) data—the results are derived from energy data

Impact of EE programs in reducing utility load growth (2004-2013)



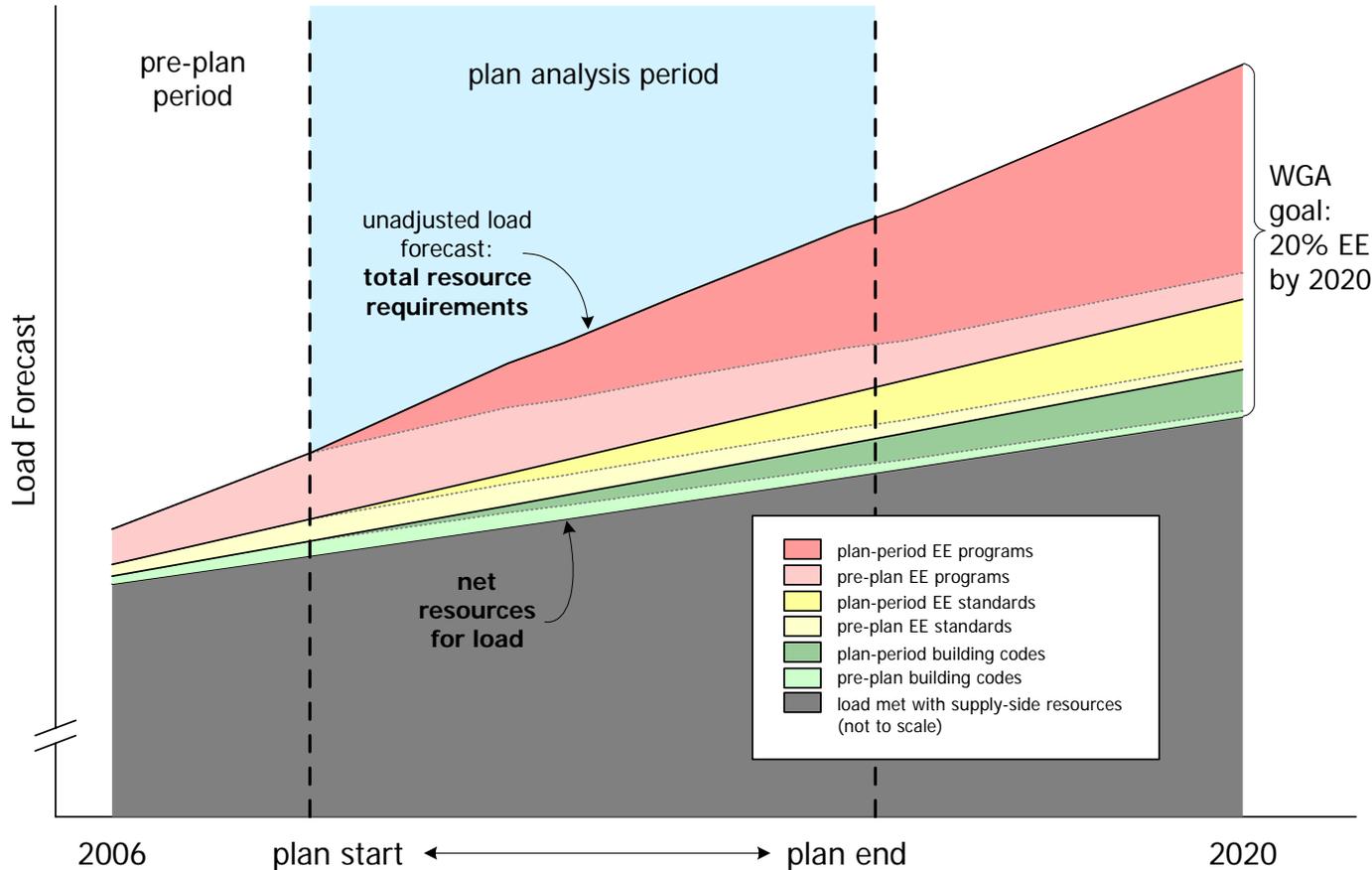
- **EE can significantly reduce load growth**
 - Projected load growth without EE programs ranges from 1.1% to 2.9% per year
 - Including EE programs reduces growth to 0.4–2.2%
- **Five utilities (Avista, PSE, PG&E, SCE and SDG&E) proposed EE programs that can reduce growth from 1.6–2.6% per year to under ~0.5%**
- Impacts of other EE strategies (efficiency standards, building codes) not included

Progress Toward the WGA CDEAC Goal: 20% by 2020?

Utility	Plan EE Program Impacts as % of Total Energy Requirements	
	2008	2013
Avista	2.5 %	4.8 %
BC Hydro	3.8 %	6.0 %
Idaho Power	0.4 %	0.9 %
Nevada Power	0.7 %	—
NWE	2.9 %	5.9 %
PacifiCorp	1.9 %	3.4 %
PGE	2.8 %	5.1 %
PSCO	1.4 %	2.8 %
PSE	5.7 %	10.4 %
PG&E	5.0 %	10.1 %
SCE	5.3 %	10.4 %
SDG&E	6.7 %	11.3 %
Sierra Pacific	1.4 %	—

- In 2013, utilities are projected to meet 0.9% to 11.3% of load with EE programs
- **This underestimates actual progress:** EE standards and building codes not included!
- No information on status in 2020
- Bottom line:
 - Some states/utilities on track to meet CDEAC goals
 - **insufficient information in current resource plans to judge progress fairly in other states**

Recommendation: Track EE Explicitly in Load Forecasts



Total resource requirements = load forecast *not* including demand reductions from EE strategies or reserve margins; losses are included.

Net Resources for Load = load forecast *including* demand reductions from EE strategies. Does not include reserve margins; losses are included.

- **Clearly track EE strategies in load forecast to establish progress toward WGA goal:**
 - by type (EE programs, EE standards, building codes)
 - by implementation period (pre-plan EE, plan-period EE)
- To fully capture the value of EE, calculate planning margins based on **Net Resources for Load**

Spreadsheet Tool for Tracking EE Resources Over Time (1)

Data Input: Energy Efficiency Impacts

* summer-peak capacity savings
NOTE: Savings measured at the customer meter should be adjusted to produce "generation-equivalent" values.

Program Year	Strategy	Incremental Savings (including losses) in Calendar Year...																													
		2006		2007		2008		2009		2010		2011		2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020	
		GW	MW*	GW	MW*	GW	MW*	GW	MW*	GW	MW*	GW	MW*	GW	MW*	GW	MW*	GW	MW*	GW	MW*	GW	MW*	GW	MW*	GW	MW*	GW	MW*	GW	MW*
2006	EE Programs	500	28	500	28	500	28	500	28	500	28	500	28	500	28	500	28	500	28	500	28	400	22	400	22	400	22	400	22	400	22
	Building codes	175	10	175	10	175	10	175	10	175	10	175	10	175	10	175	10	175	10	175	10	140	8	140	8	140	8	140	8	140	8
	EE standards	75	4	75	4	75	4	75	4	75	4	75	4	75	4	75	4	75	4	75	4	60	3	60	3	60	3	60	3	60	3
	Total	750	42	750	42	750	42	750	42	750	42	750	42	750	42	750	42	750	42	750	42	600	33	600	33	600	33	600	33	600	33

- Spreadsheet tool designed to help utilities/states track EE resources for CDEAC and other regional assessment needs
- Two data input forms collect detailed information on forecasted EE impacts and loads

Data Input: Load Forecast

	2006		2007		2008		2009		2010		2011		2012		2013	
	GW	MW*														
1. Total Resource Requirements	100,000	5,000	101,500	5,075	103,023	5,151	104,568	5,228	106,136	5,307	107,728	5,386	109,344	5,467	110,984	5,549
2. EE Programs	500	28	1,050	58	1,655	92	2,321	129	3,053	170	3,858	214	4,744	264	5,718	318
3. Building codes	175	10	368	20	579	32	812	45	1,068	59	1,350	75	1,660	92	2,001	111
4. EE standards	75	4	158	9	248	14	348	19	458	25	579	32	712	40	858	48
5. Total EE Strategies (2+3+4)	750	42	1,575	88	2,483	138	3,481	193	4,579	254	5,787	321	7,115	395	8,577	476
6. Program-adjusted forecast (1-2) ²	99,500	4,972	100,450	5,017	101,368	5,059	102,247	5,099	103,084	5,137	103,871	5,172	104,601	5,204	105,267	5,232
7. Net Resources for Load (1-5) ³	99,250	4,958	99,225	4,988	100,540	5,013	101,087	5,035	101,558	5,052	101,942	5,065	102,229	5,072	102,408	5,073
8. Planning Reserve Multiplier ²	--	15%	--	15%	--	15%	--	15%	--	15%	--	15%	--	15%	--	15%
9. Planning Reserves (6x7)	--	744	--	748	--	752	--	755	--	758	--	760	--	761	--	761
10. Capacity Requirements (6+8) ³	--	5,702	--	5,736	--	5,765	--	5,790	--	5,810	--	5,825	--	5,833	--	5,834

	2014		2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020	
	GW	MW*												
1. Total Resource Requirements ¹	112,649	5,632	114,339	5,717	116,054	5,803	117,795	5,890	119,562	5,978	121,355	6,068	123,176	6,159
2. EE Programs	6,790	377	7,969	443	9,166	509	10,482	582	11,930	663	13,523	751	15,276	849
3. Building codes	2,376	132	2,789	155	3,208	178	3,669	204	4,176	232	4,733	263	5,347	297
4. EE standards	1,018	57	1,195	66	1,375	76	1,572	87	1,790	99	2,029	113	2,291	127
5. Total EE Strategies (2+3+4)	10,185	566	11,953	664	13,748	764	15,723	874	17,896	994	20,285	1,127	22,914	1,273
6. Program-adjusted forecast (1-2) ²	105,860	5,255	106,370	5,274	106,888	5,294	107,313	5,307	107,631	5,315	107,832	5,316	107,900	5,310
7. Net Resources for Load (1-5) ³	102,465	5,067	102,386	5,053	102,306	5,039	102,072	5,016	101,666	4,984	101,070	4,941	100,262	4,886
8. Planning Reserve Multiplier ²	--	15%	--	15%	--	15%	--	15%	--	15%	--	15%	--	15%
9. Planning Reserves (6x7)	--	760	--	758	--	756	--	752	--	748	--	741	--	733
10. Capacity Requirements (6+8) ³	--	5,827	--	5,811	--	5,795	--	5,769	--	5,731	--	5,682	--	5,619

* summer-peak demand

Spreadsheet Tool for Tracking EE Resources Over Time (2)

Output: Efficiency Resource Summary Tables

Energy Efficiency Strategy Summary
Cumulative Impacts of EE Strategies Implemented Starting in 2006

	2010		2015		2020	
	GWh	MW*	GWh	MW*	GWh	MW*
EE Strategy Impacts						
Cumulative EE Strategy Impacts ¹	4,579	254	11,953	664	22,914	1,273
Forecast Total Resource Requirements (TRR) ²	106,136	5,307	114,339	5,717	123,176	6,159
EE Strategies as Percent of TRR	4%	5%	10%	12%	19%	21%
EE Strategies as Percent of TRR Growth (since 2006)	75%	83%	83%	93%	99%	110%
Impact of EE strategies on forecast load growth						
Average Annual growth in TRR (since 2006)	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%
Net Resources for Load (NRL) ³	101,558	5,052	102,386	5,053	100,262	4,886
Average Annual Growth in NRL	0.6%	0.5%	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%	-0.1%
Percentage reduction in growth rate	62%	69%	77%	86%	95%	107%

← WGA goal

* summer-peak capacity

- Data are aggregated into summary tables that provide key EE metrics, including progress toward WGA CDEAC goal

For More Information...

**Energy Efficiency in Western Utility Resource
Plans: Impacts on Regional Resource
Assessment and Support for WGA Policies**

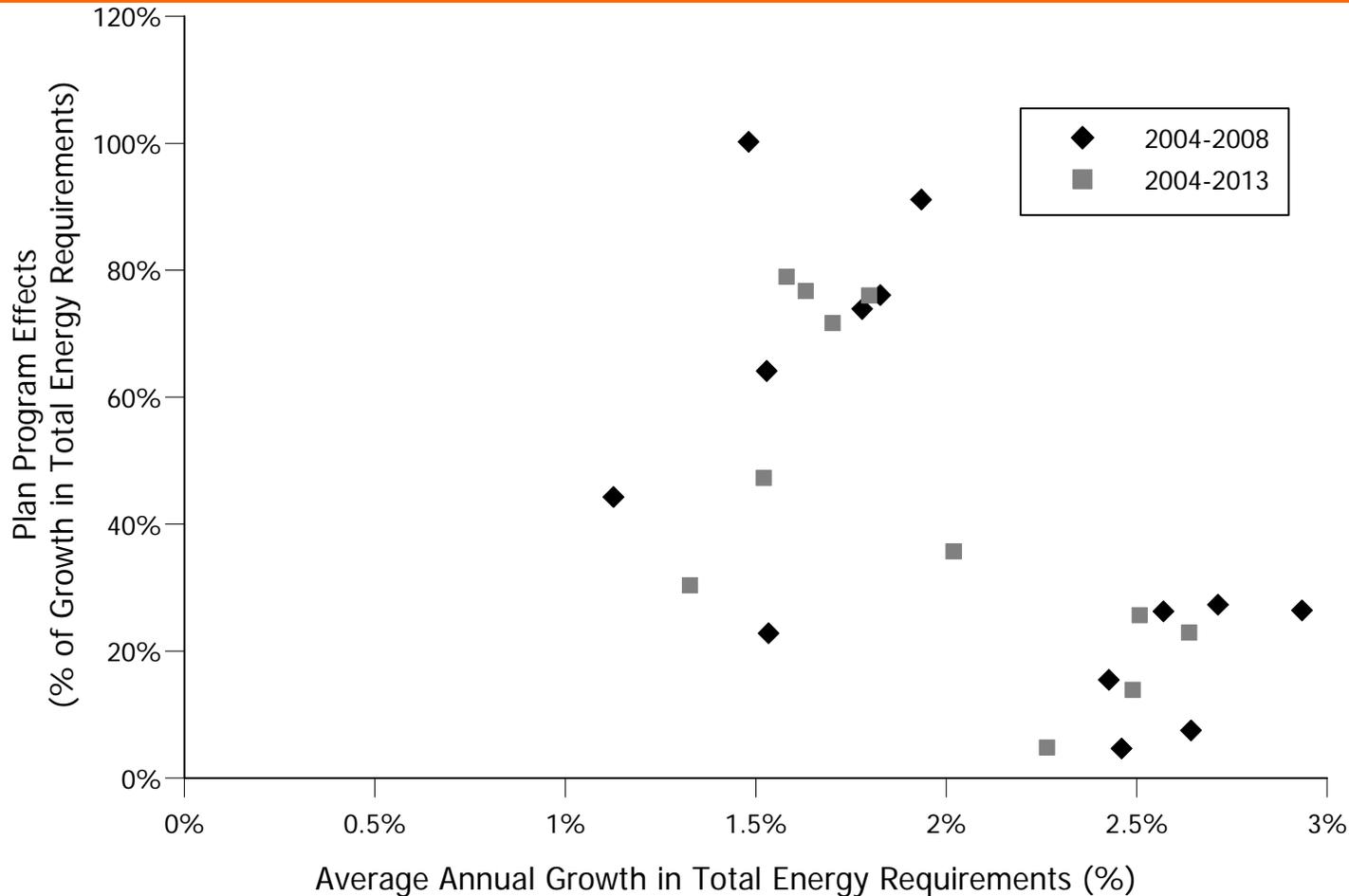
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Report and spreadsheet tool available at:

<http://eetd.lbl.gov/ea/EMS/rplan-pubs.html>

Background Slides

EE Program Effects as Percent of Load Growth



- It may be harder for utilities with high forecasted load growth to meet a large share of that growth with energy efficiency
- **BUT**—greater EE opportunities exist for fast-growing utilities (e.g., new construction)