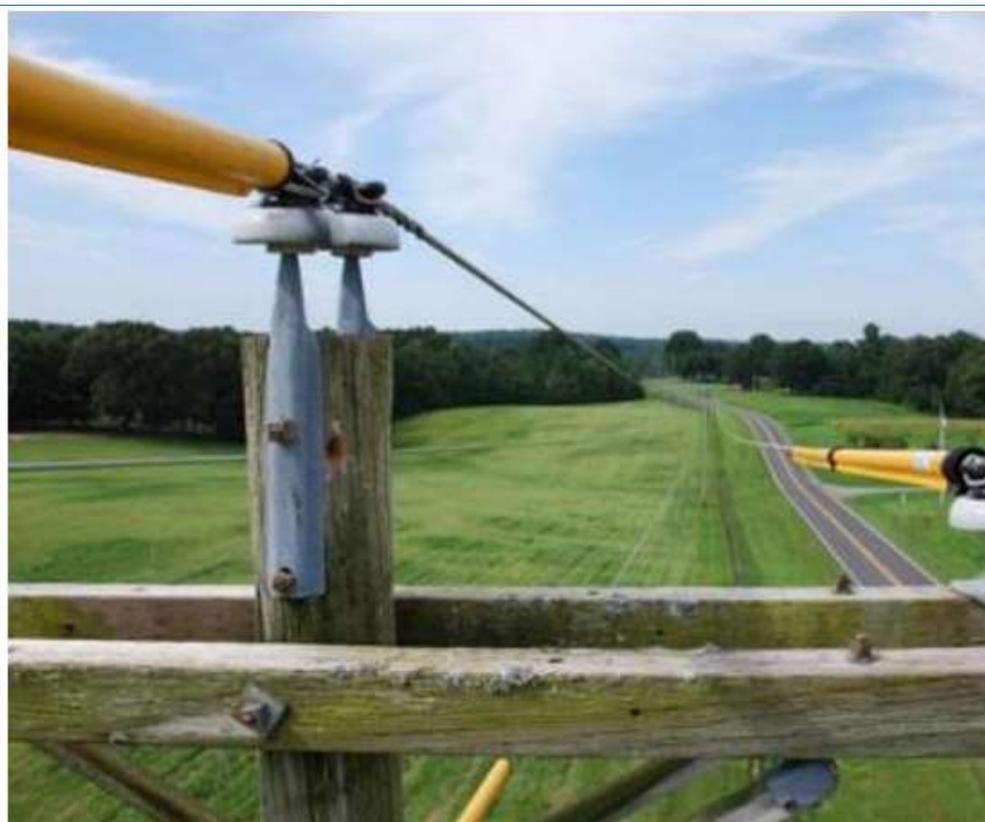
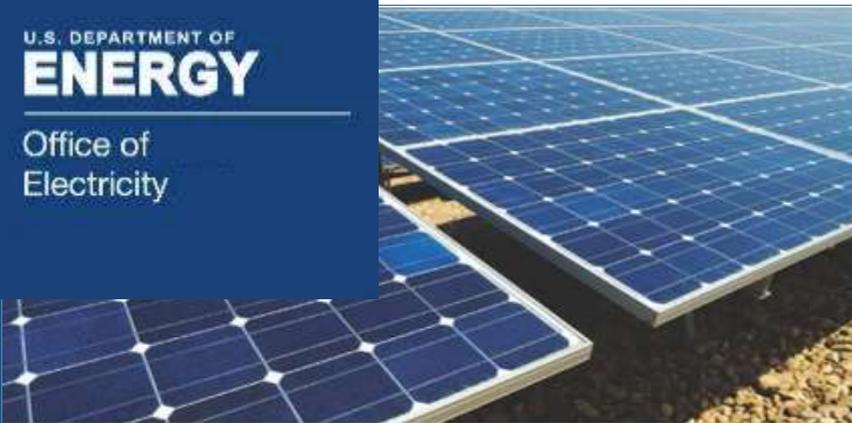


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# Resilience Planning

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# Problem Statement

**There is not a systematic way to think about how to incorporate resilience into planning processes that aligns technology investment strategies with state goals and objectives**

**Data and analytical processes are needed to guide efforts that are proactive so that we can withstand or reduce the impact of disruptions when they occur**



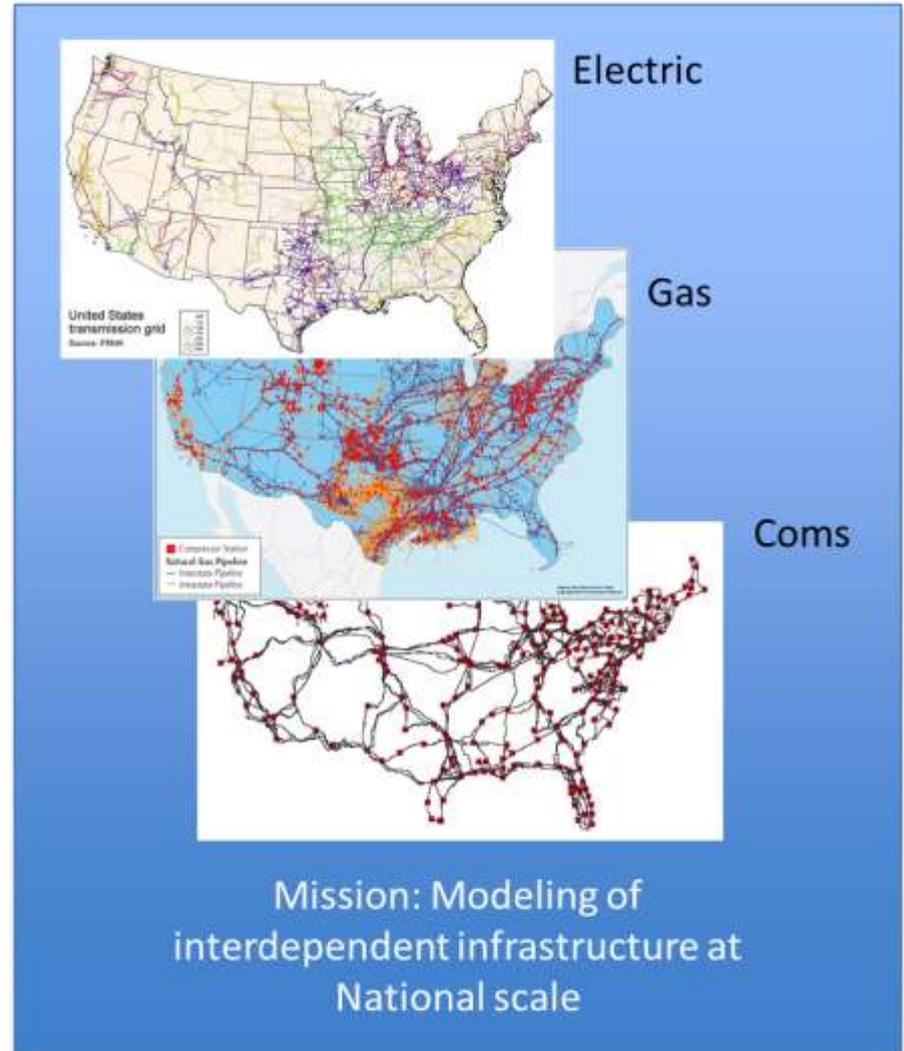
# Protecting US Infrastructure Through Modeling

## Vision

Rapidly predict consequences of known and emerging threats to national energy infrastructure.

Prioritize investments in resilience to include hardening, research development, and fuel supply.

Support accurate and holistic analyses for decision makers to prepare, respond, and mitigate threats.



# North American Energy Resilience Model

## Conceptual NAERM Workflow Concept

### Components

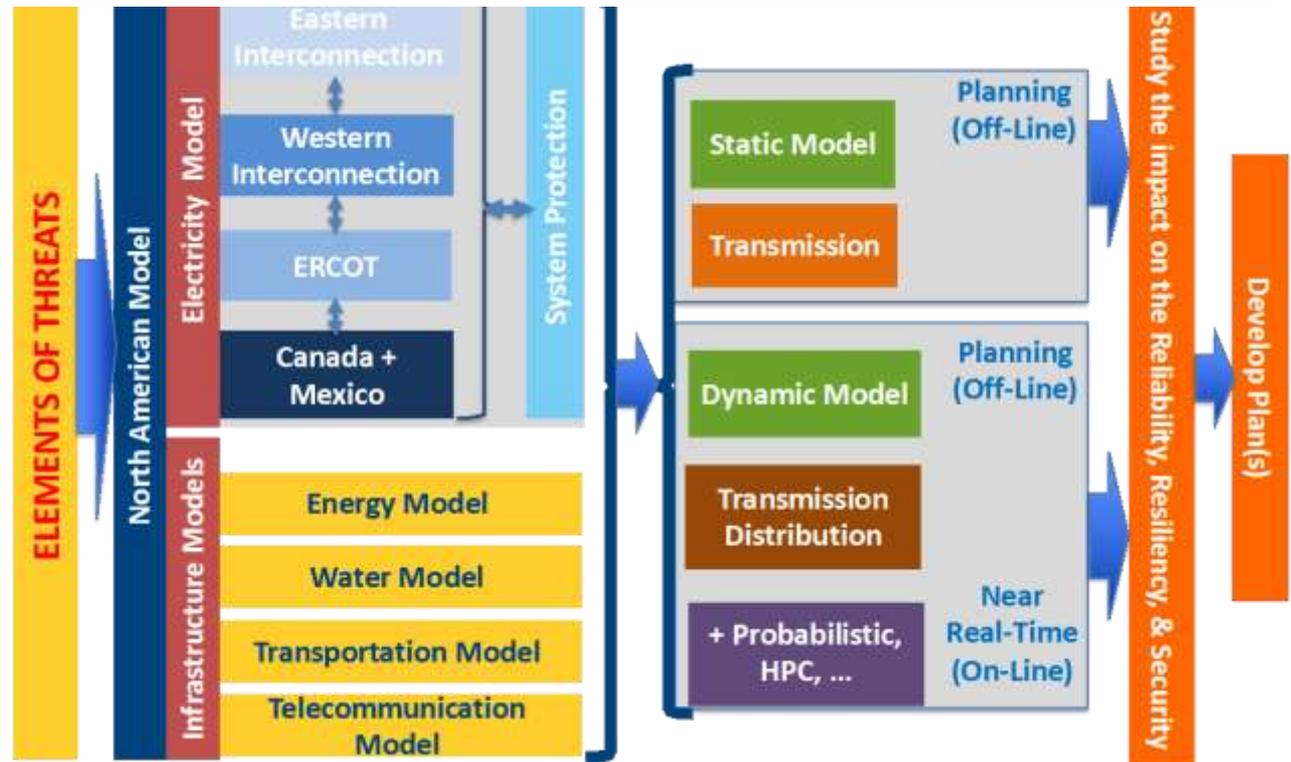
Modeling and simulation tools (elect, gas, coms, econ/metrics)

Databases to store model inputs and data streams

Secure computer and storage systems

User environments to enable analyses

Processes used to obtain & feed data and model inputs into system



# Natural Gas/Electric Grid Use Case

## Strategic Problem:

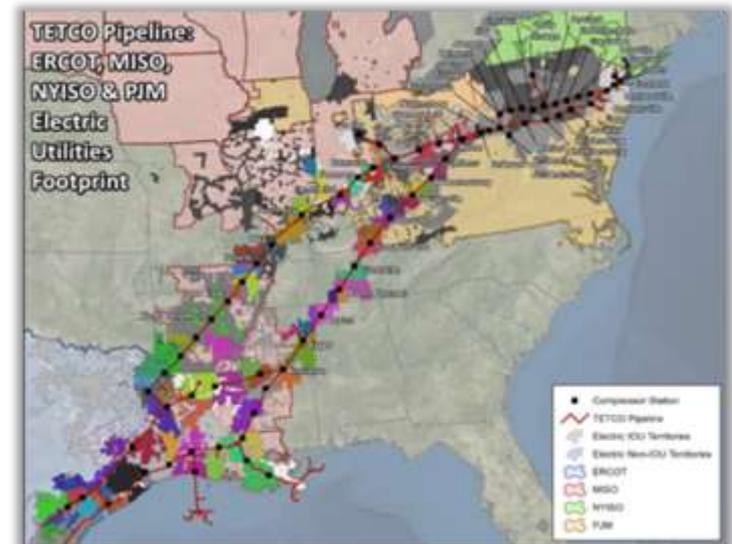
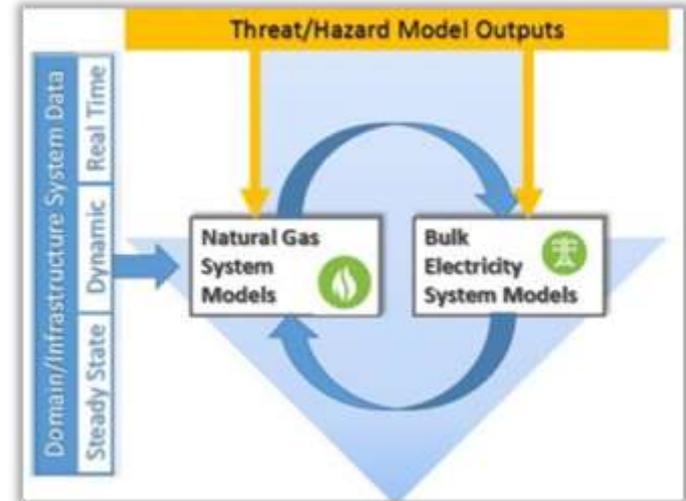
- Natural gas contingencies pose N-k risks to Bulk Electric System (BES) due to increase in gas fired plants

## Modeling Scenario:

- Model and demonstrate an N-1 real event (hurricane, polar vortex) on a regional scale (single interstate pipeline, ~10 electric utilities)
- Scenario examines impact outages in gas transmission pipeline on BES and feedback into natural gas system

## Approach:

- Leverage experience in mining data from sources such as EIA, FERC 567, HSIP, Platts and industry relationships to develop steady state and dynamic datasets
- Utilize existing modeling capabilities such as lab code NGFast, commercial codes PSSE, and lab High Performance Computing (HPC) systems
- New capabilities include coupled electric-gas models using HELICS (*Hierarchical Engine for Large-scale Infrastructure Co-Simulation*) co-simulation framework, new APIs, and new methodologies to validate models



# Resilience Framework for States

Logical Consistency

## State Policy Makers

### Legislatures and Governors

- **Develop policy goals and objectives** (e.g., wildfire mitigation)
- **Require plans** (ex: CA utility wildfire mitigation plans)
- **Fund improvements** (ex: CA utility **cost recovery** standards & practices)
- **Require utility coordination and oversight** (ex: coordination & data-sharing among state agencies, eg, sharing cybersecurity information and practices, and conducting independent evaluations)
- **Facilitate specific risk mitigation strategies** (ex: microgrid development and application of **NAERM** findings)
- **Develop further recommendations** (ex: establishing commissions, boards and state offices with specific charges)

## State Policy Implementers

### Utility Commissions

- **Set substantive and procedural requirements for plans, including**
  - **Setting objectives**, based on state policy goals and customer expectations
  - Establishing **scope and timing requirements** based on priorities
  - Establishing **metrics** to measure performance
  - Determining **cost recovery** mechanisms
- **Approve or accept plans**
- **Fund improvements** (cost recovery approval through and/or outside General Rate Case)

## Distribution System Owners & Operators

### Utilities

- **Develop plans**
  - **Align objectives**
  - Develop **long-term strategy** and **short-term implementation plans** integrated with current planning processes
  - **Prioritize** short-term vs long-term needs through **risk assessments**
  - **Coordinate** planning and operations
  - Re-design **business practices**
  - Establish staged, **technology deployment plans and cost estimates**
- **Implement approved plans**

Stakeholder Input Processes

# Framework Components

## The framework will address:

- The respective roles and responsibilities of state-level entities and utilities with regard to these components
- Relationships among components
- Approaches to the components in practice today

### **Threat & Vulnerability Assessments**

(NAERM findings and other inputs)

### **Resilience Objectives Determination**

(what and when)

### **Analytical Methodologies for Resilience Measures**

(e.g., identification of options, evaluation, prioritization, and sequencing)

### **Performance Assessment of Resilience Measures**

(metrics)

### **Funding Options for Resilience Measures**

(e.g., utility cost recovery, legislative appropriations)

### **Integration of Resilience into Planning Processes**

(e.g., grid modernization, distribution system, integrated planning)

# Thank You

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