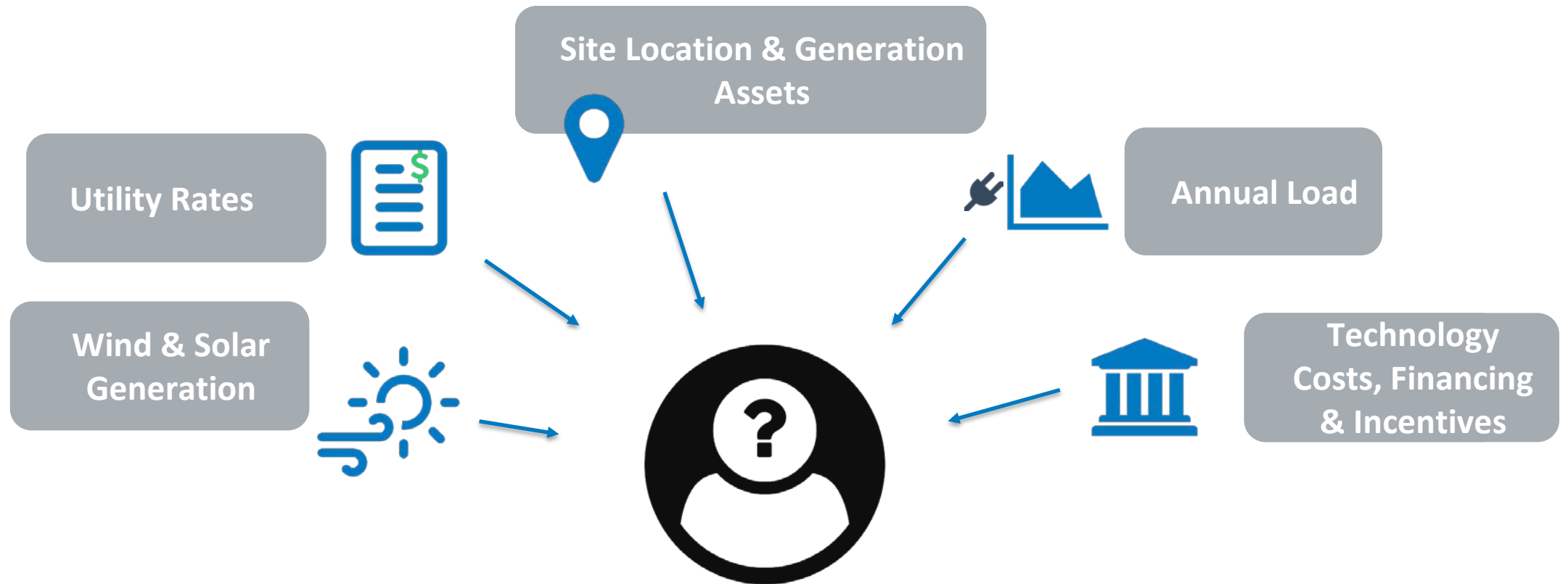




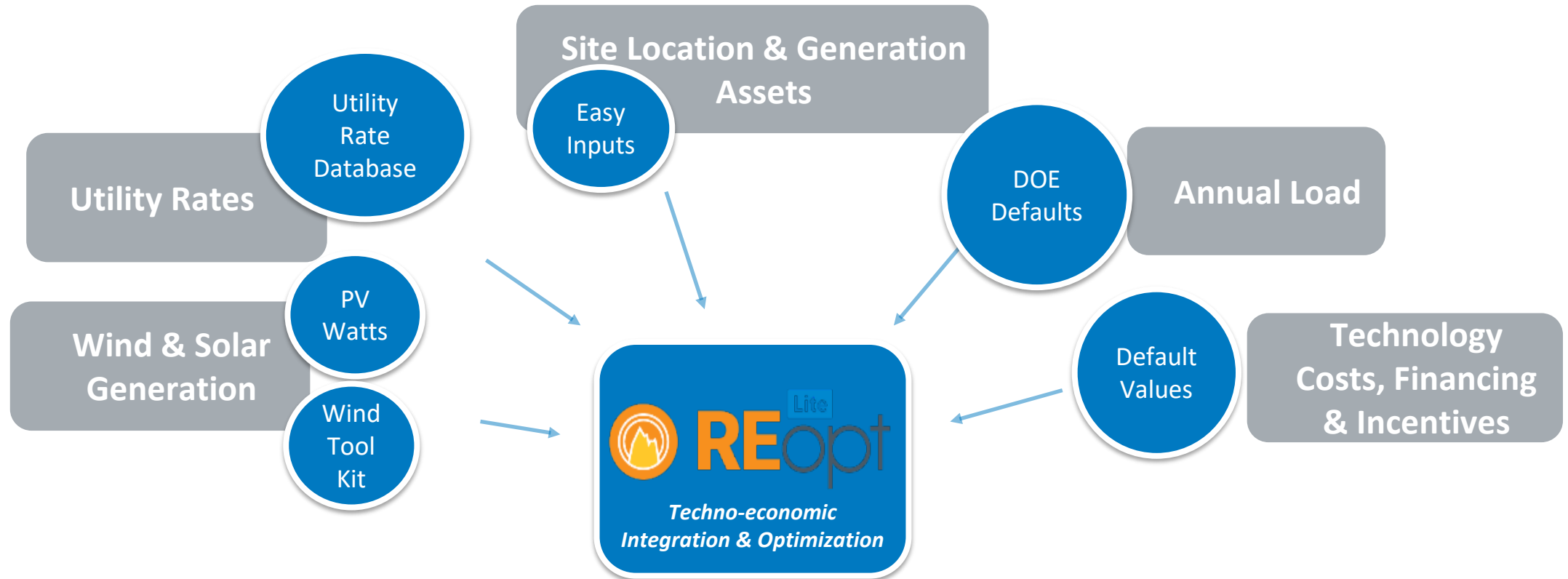
REopt Lite Overview & Training Exercise

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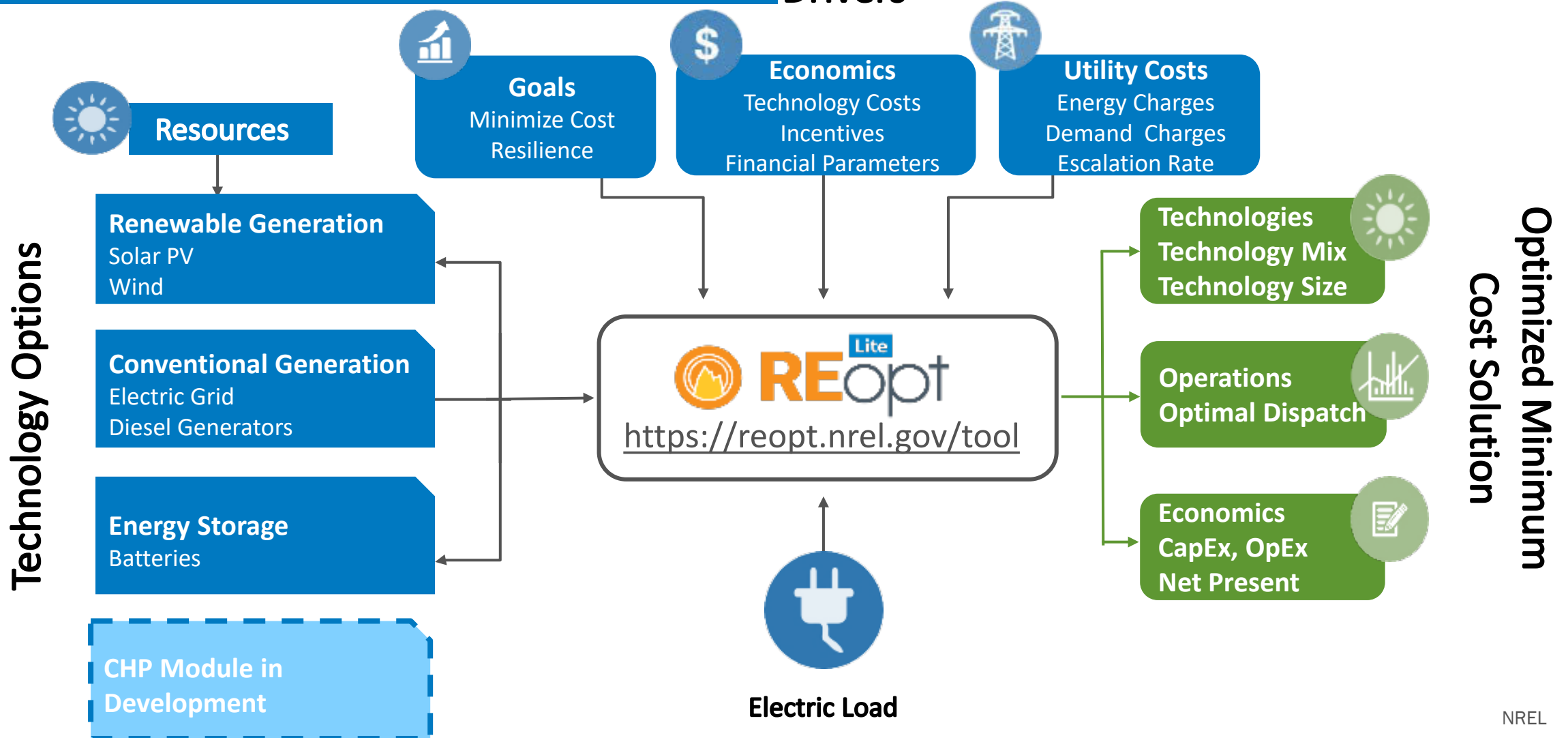


... REopt Lite is here to help



REopt Lite: Free Web Tool to Optimize Economic & Resilience Benefits of DERs

Drivers



REopt Lite Web Tool

- **REopt Lite** is a web tool that offers a no-cost subset of NREL's more comprehensive REopt model
- **Financial mode** optimizes PV, wind and battery system sizes and battery dispatch strategy to minimize life cycle cost of energy
- **Resilience mode** optimizes PV, wind, and storage systems along with existing back-up generators to sustain critical load during grid outages
- To access REopt Lite: <https://reopt.nrel.gov/tool>

Step 1: Choose Your Focus

Do you want to optimize for financial savings or energy resilience?

\$ Financial

🛡️ Resilience



Step 2: Enter Your Data

Enter information about your site and adjust the default values as needed to see your results.

📍 Site and Utility (required)

* Site location ⓘ

Washington, DC, USA

* Required field

🔗 Use sample site

* Electricity rate ⓘ

☐ Custom electricity rate ⓘ

Net metering system size limit (kW) ⓘ

0

Enter 0 if net metering is not available

Wholesale rate (\$/kWh) ⓘ

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📶 Load Profile (required)

\$ Financial

Step 3: Select Your Technologies

Which technologies do you wish to evaluate?

☒ PV ⚙️

☒ Battery 🔋

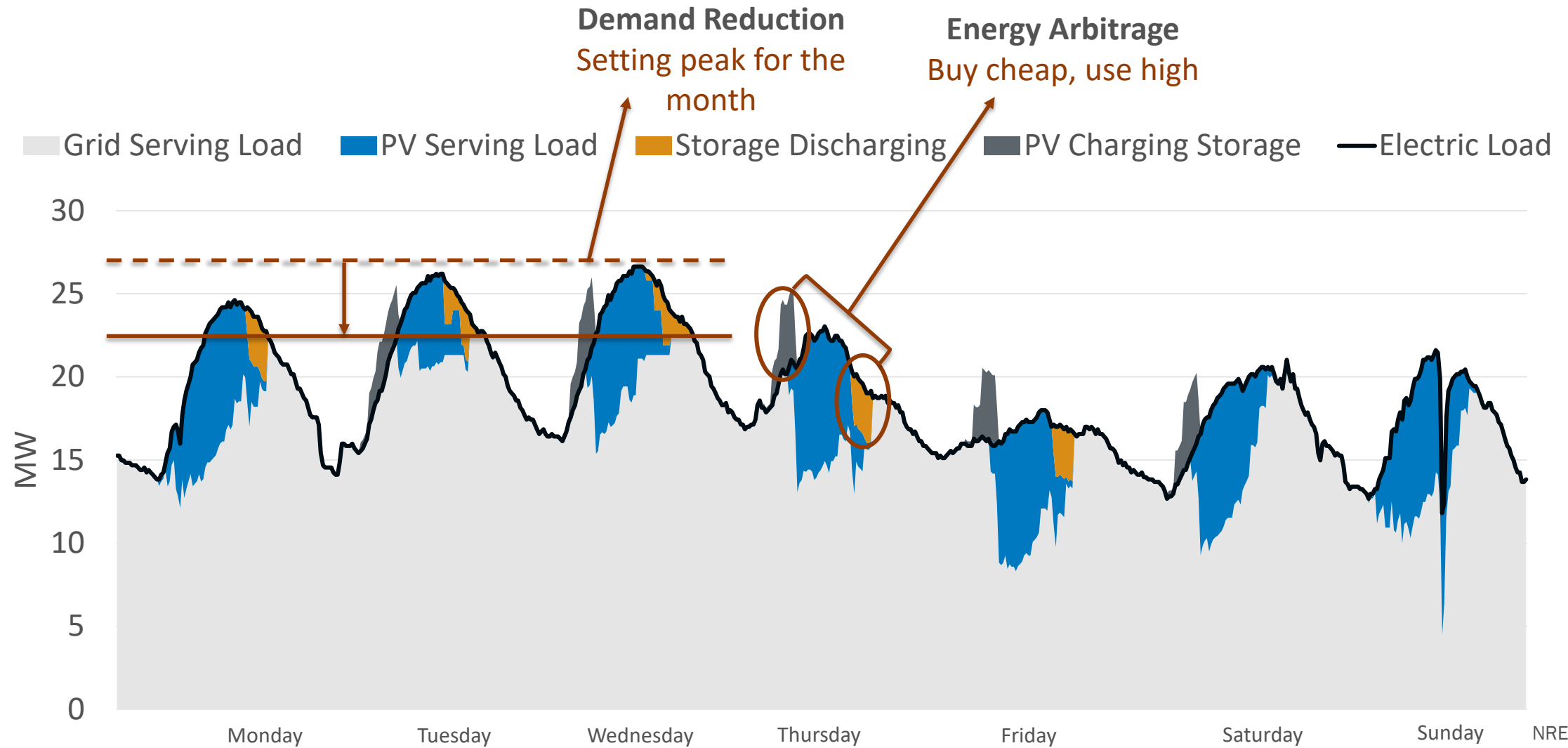
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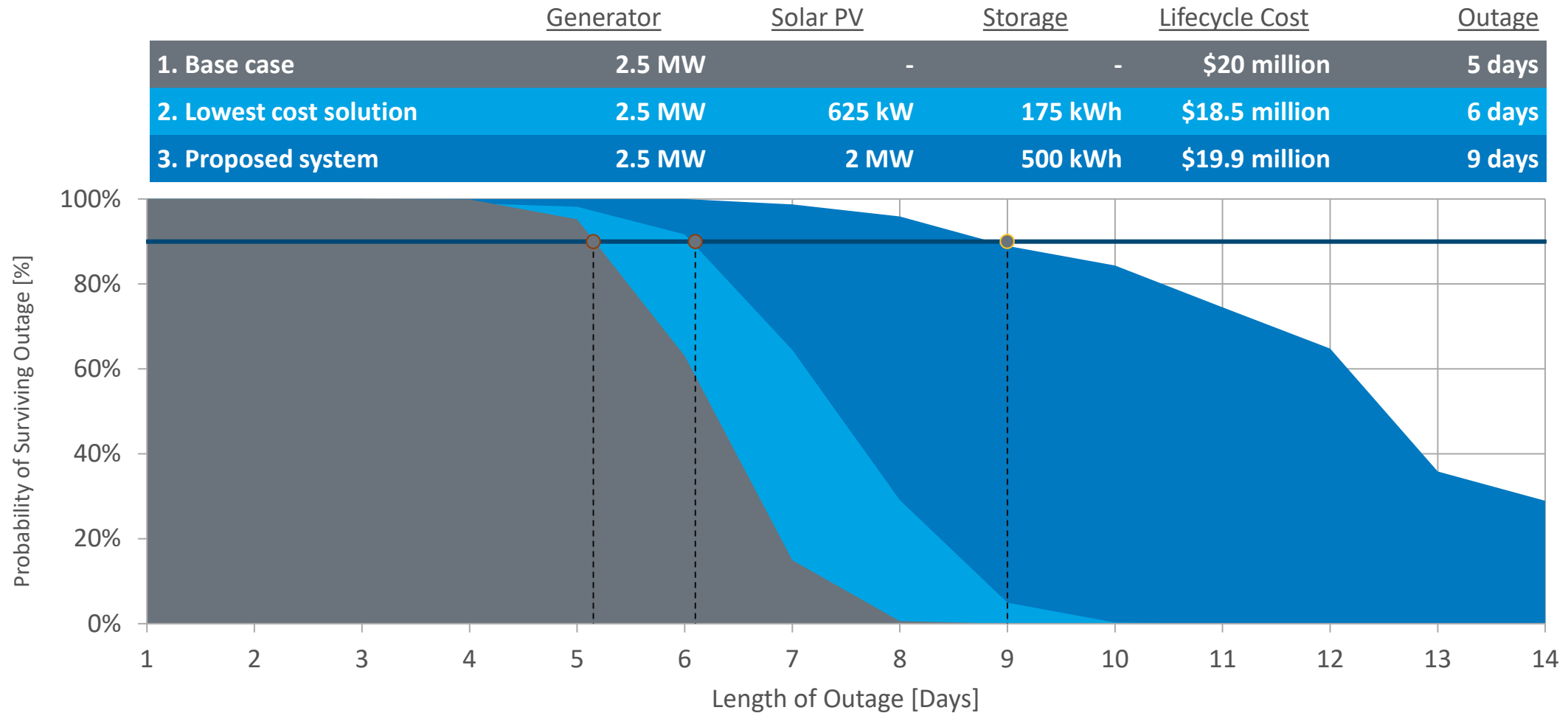
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🌪️ Wind (Beta Version)

Example of Demand Reduction and Energy Arbitrage



Example of Extending Outage Survivability vs. Cost Savings



In a case study at a military base, NREL evaluated thousands of random grid outages and durations throughout the year and compared number of hours the site could survive with a diesel generator and fixed fuel supply vs. generator augmented with PV and battery.

REopt Lite API

- What is an API?
 - Application Programming Interface.
 - Programmatic way of accessing REopt Lite (sending and receiving data from a server)
 - File format used for sending and receiving the data: JSON
- Advantages:
 - Multiple simulations for different sites can be run programmatically
 - Scenario analysis can be automated
 - Integration with other programs

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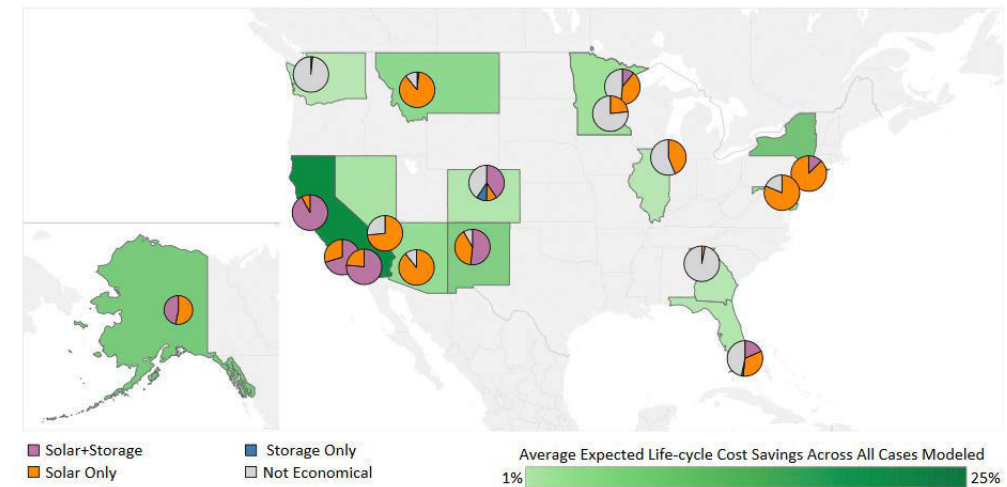
The API uses utility rates from the [Utility Rate Database](#) and solar profiles from the [Solar Resource Database](#), but is also equipped with simulated profiles for sites without real data.

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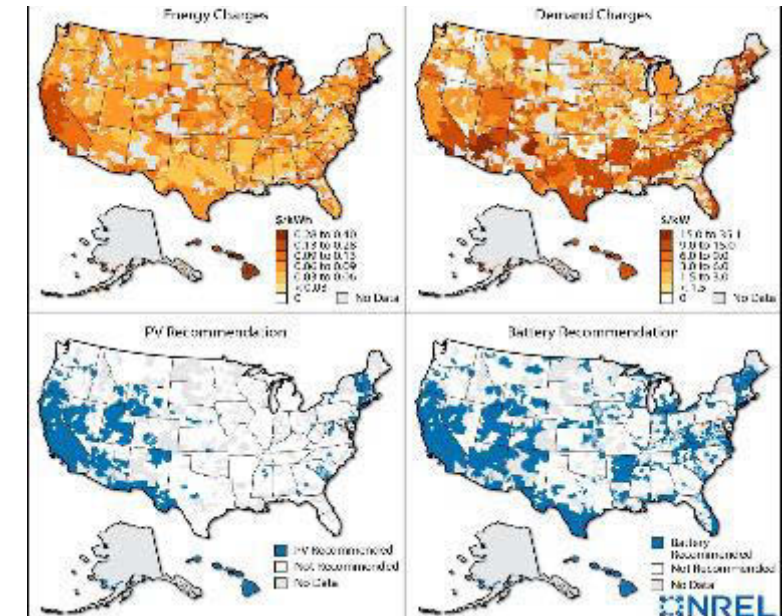
Analysis Enabled by API

- The REopt Lite API enables national scale analysis of storage economics and impacts on adoption/deployment
- Analysis questions include:
 - Where in the country is storage (and PV) currently cost effective?
 - At what capital costs is storage adopted across the US?
 - How does varying utility rate, escalation rates, and incentive structures impact storage profitability?
 - How (and where) can stationary storage support DC-fast-charging electric vehicle economics and deployment?



Identifying Critical Factors in the Cost-effectiveness of Solar and Battery Storage in Commercial Buildings

<https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy18osti/70813.pdf>



Technology Solutions To Mitigate Electricity Cost for Electric Vehicle DC Fast Charging

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REopt Lite Exercise



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 - Choose your focus: select “financial”
 - Enter your site data (see information sheet on your table)
 - Write down your results
- Each table has a different set of inputs and should expect different outputs
- You can work together with someone at you table, or alone
- If you get stuck, raise your hand. Emma and Kathleen will be walking around the room to answer questions
- We will go through the results at the end. If you finish early, complete resilience section

Financial Results

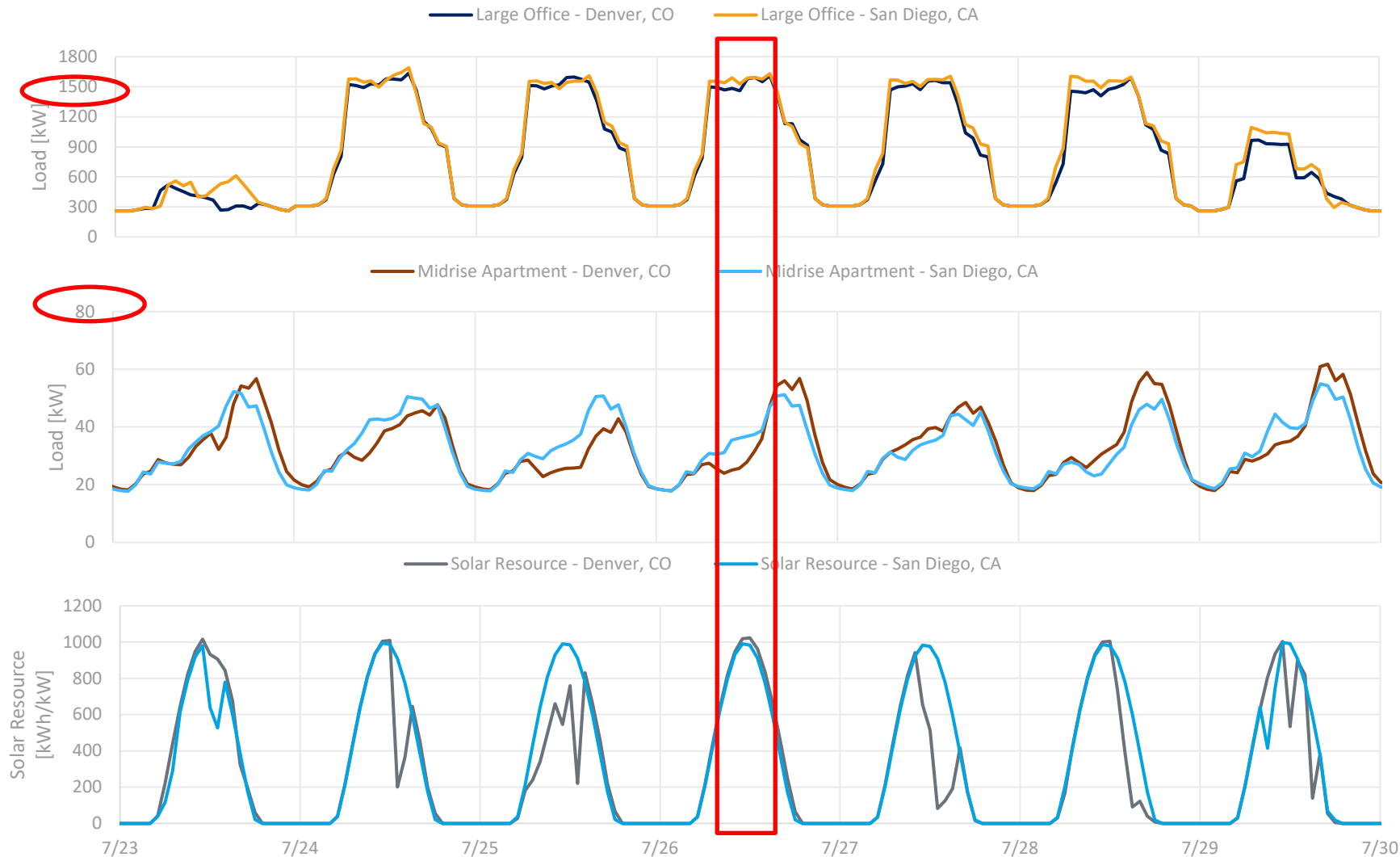


	Location	Electric rate structure	Net metering limit	Building/ load type	PV size	Battery size	NPV [\$]
1	Denver	Flat	2,000 kW	Large office	0 kW	0 kW / 0 kWh	\$0
2	Denver	Demand	2,000 kW	Large office	2,000 kW	28 kW / 37 kWh	\$ 185k
3	Denver	Flat	2,000 kW	Midrise apartment	0 kW	0 kW / 0 kWh	\$0
4	Denver	Demand	2,000 kW	Midrise apartment	40 kW	1 kW / 1 kWh	\$ 1k
5	San Diego	Flat	10,000 kW	Large office	4,651 kW	0 kW / 0 kWh	\$ 2,792k
6	San Diego	Demand	10,000 kW	Large office	4,651 kW	136 kW / 180 kWh	\$ 3,291k
7	San Diego	Flat	10,000 kW	Midrise apartment	174 kW	0 kW / 0 kWh	\$ 104k
8	San Diego	Demand	10,000 kW	Midrise apartment	174 kW	1 kW / 1 kWh	\$ 110k

DISCUSSION TOPICS:

- Anything interesting that you notice in the results? What factors do you think are driving these results?
- What other factors would you want to consider to inform an investment decision?

Driving factors: Load Profile, Solar Resource, & Utility Rate Comparison



Utility Rate

Location	Rate structure	Energy charges [\$/kWh]	Demand charges [\$/kW]
Denver	Flat rate	\$0.10	\$0
Denver	Demand rate	\$0.10	\$16
San Diego	Flat rate	\$0.15	\$0
San Diego	Demand rate	\$0.15	\$18

Net Metering Limit

Location	Net metering limit
Denver	2,000 kW
San Diego	10,000 kW

Resilience Results



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					Resiliency	2,000 kW	337 kW / 3,194 kWh	- \$ 1,903k	99%	88%
2	Denver	Demand	2,000 kW	Large office	Financial	2,000 kW	28 kW / 37 kWh	\$ 185k	30%	0%
					Resiliency	2,000 kW	495 kW / 3,194 kWh	- \$ 1,053k	100%	98%
3	Denver	Flat	2,000 kW	Midrise apartment	Financial	0 kW	0 kW / 0 kWh	\$0	0%	0%
					Resiliency	179 kW	20 kW / 190 kWh	- \$ 114k	~100%	~100%
4	Denver	Demand	2,000 kW	Midrise apartment	Financial	40 kW	1 kW / 1 kWh	\$ 1k	23%	0%
					Resiliency	179 kW	23 kW / 190 kWh	- \$ 80k	100%	99%
5	San Diego	Flat	10,000 kW	Large office	Financial	4,651 kW	0 kW / 0 kWh	\$ 2,792k	39%	~0%
					Resiliency	4,627 kW	380 kW / 2,643 kWh	\$ 1,132k	99%	93%
6	San Diego	Demand	10,000 kW	Large office	Financial	4,651 kW	136 kW / 180 kWh	\$ 3,291k	47%	1%
					Resiliency	4,629 kW	602 kW / 2,643 kWh	\$ 2,394k	100%	96%
7	San Diego	Flat	10,000 kW	Midrise apartment	Financial	174 kW	0 kW / 0 kWh	\$ 104k	39%	~0%
					Resiliency	173 kW	15 kW / 139 kWh	\$22k	~100%	98%
8	San Diego	Demand	10,000 kW	Midrise apartment	Financial	174 kW	1 kW / 1 kWh	\$ 110k	40%	~0%
					Resiliency	173 kW	22 kW / 139 kWh	\$ 58k	100%	~90%

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 - Information to access API
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- REopt Website: <https://reopt.nrel.gov/>
 - Case studies
 - Analysis services
- Send tool feedback & ask a question: reopt@nrel.gov

Q&A

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	LOAD PROFILE			
	Simulate or Upload	Simulate		
	Type of building	Large office		
	Annual energy consumption (kWh)	Use default- this is based on your location and building type		
SAME FOR ALL SITES	FINANCIAL	Leave all inputs as defaults except the following:		
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Annual energy consumption (kWh)	Use default- this is based on your location and building type			
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Battery kWh		
NPV (\$)		
1-hr outage survivability (hrs.)		
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	Net metering system size limit (kW)	CA: 10,000 kW		
	LOAD PROFILE			
	Simulate or Upload	Simulate		
	Type of building	Large office		
Annual energy consumption (kWh)	Use default- this is based on your location and building type			
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	TECHNOLOGIES	Select Solar PV & Battery Storage only Leave all inputs as defaults except the following:		
	SOLAR PV:			
	System capital cost	\$1,900/kW		
	MACRS bonus depreciation	0%		
	BATTERY STORAGE:			
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	Power capacity cost	\$1,000/kW		
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	Type of building	Midrise apartment		
Annual energy consumption (kWh)	Use default- this is based on your location and building type			
SAME FOR ALL SITES	FINANCIAL	Leave all inputs as defaults except the following:		
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	TECHNOLOGIES	Select Solar PV & Battery Storage only Leave all inputs as defaults except the following:		
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