

# ***RTDS and HIL Testing***

**The INL Energy Systems Complex and the DOE “SuperLab” Concept for Solving Grid Integration of Renewable Energy**

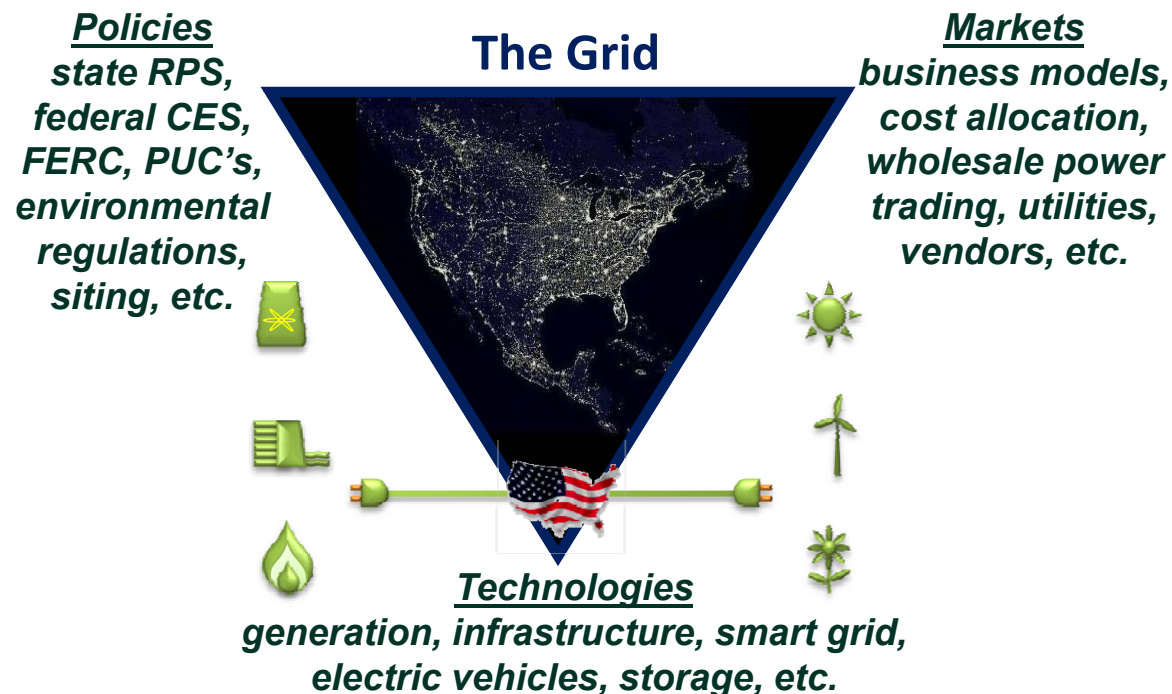
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### **DOE's Research Goals**

- Enhance the penetration of renewable energy while maintaining grid reliability, security and resiliency
  - Dr. Danielson's goal is 80% renewable penetration by 2050
- Integrate energy storage systems, balancing power and energy
- Optimize integration of diverse energy resources
  - Dr. Danielson's goal is to increase clean energy sources
- Improve utilization of delivery existing infrastructure
- Advance electric vehicle penetration

### **DOE EERE/OE Approach: The Grid Tech Team**

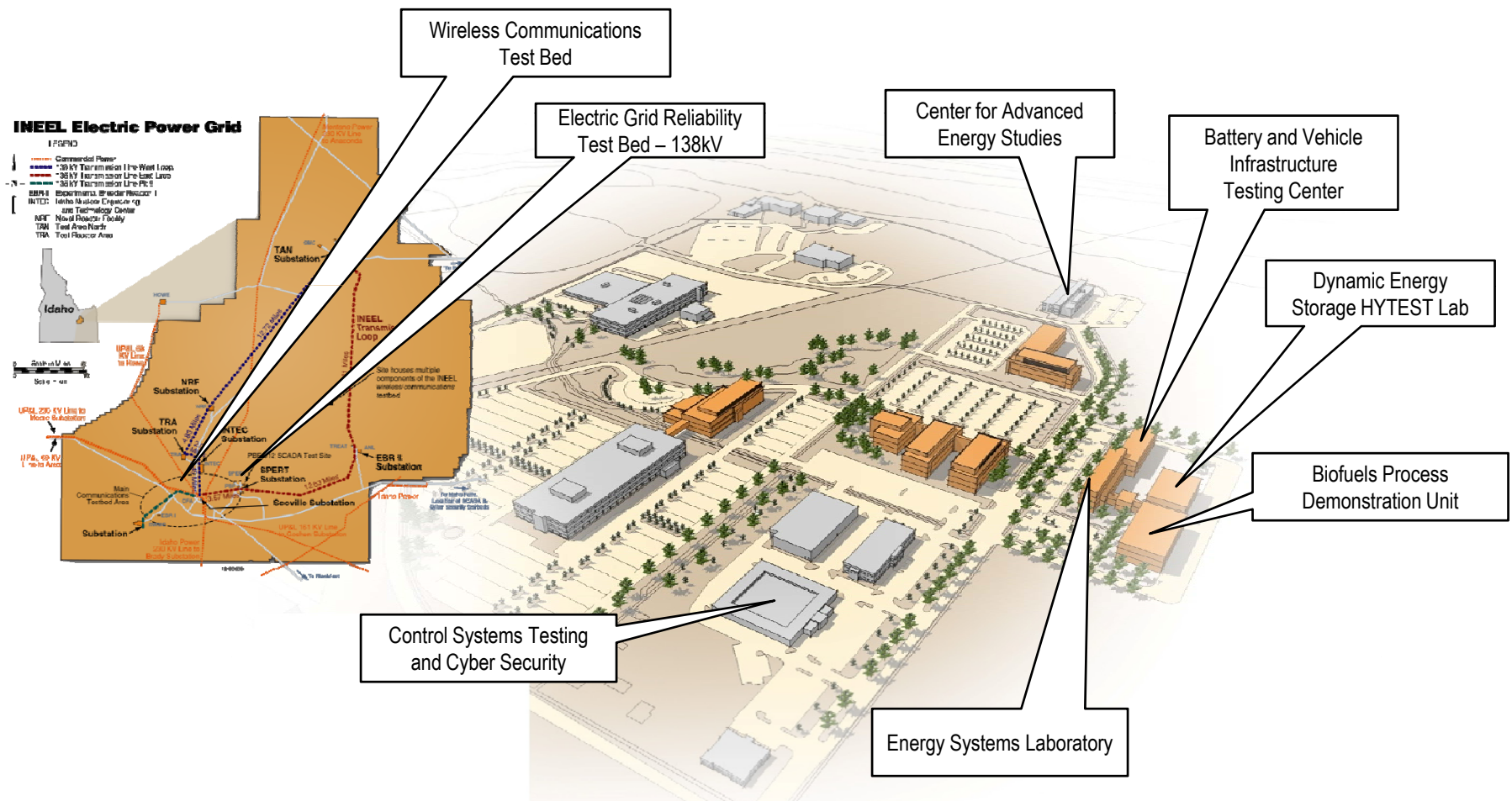


**Vision 2020: INL will have established nationally recognized Energy Systems Testing Complex and Provided Leadership in Developing new Business Model for DOE with the Energy and Power Systems Super Lab**

## Phase I: Develop integrated & differentiating INL Campus/Site Energy Systems Complex

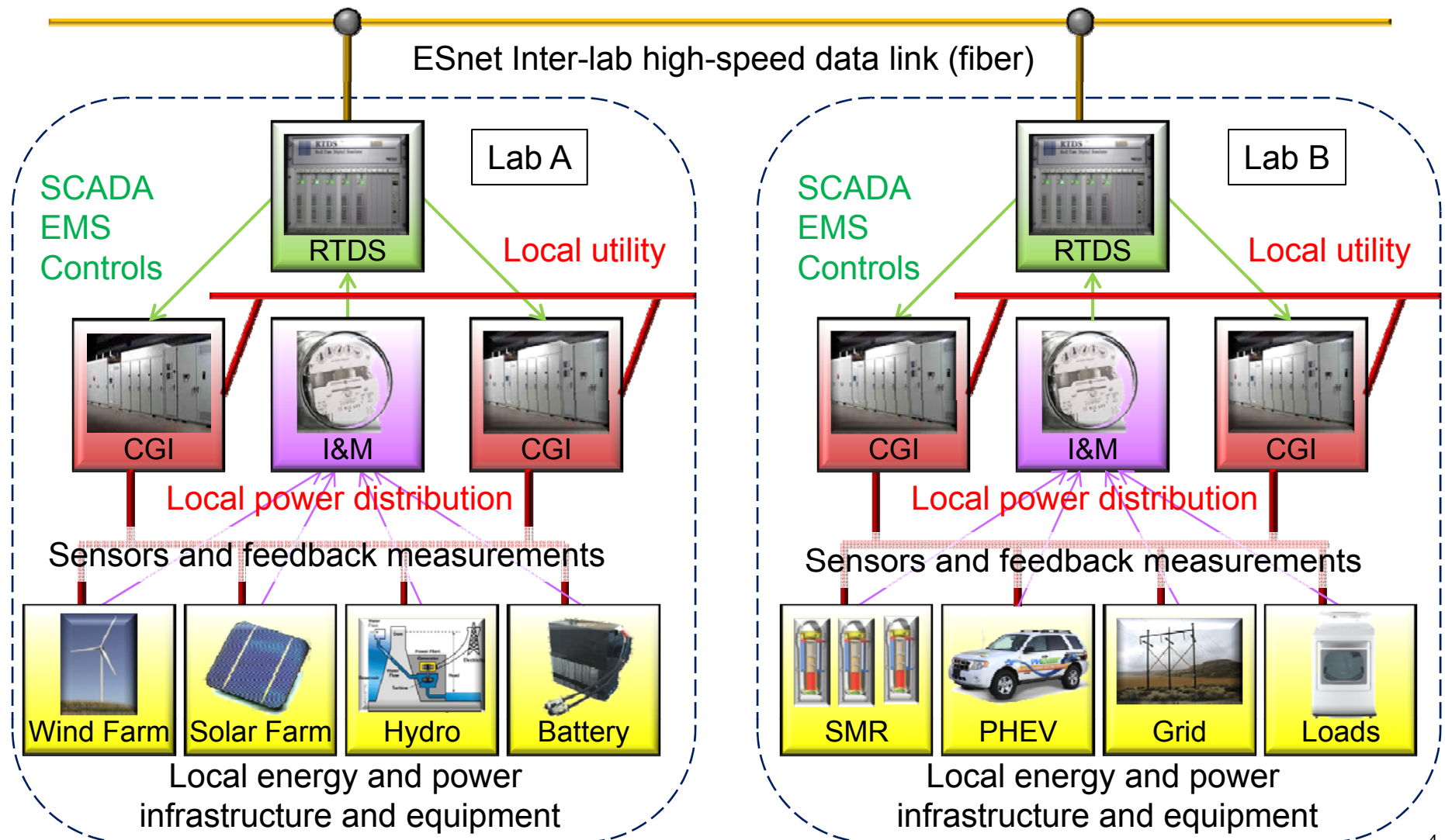
**Phase II:** Establish resilient energy and power “systems super lab” with other DOE Labs

### Phase III: Integrate nuclear and fossil energy research needs



# The Super Lab Structure

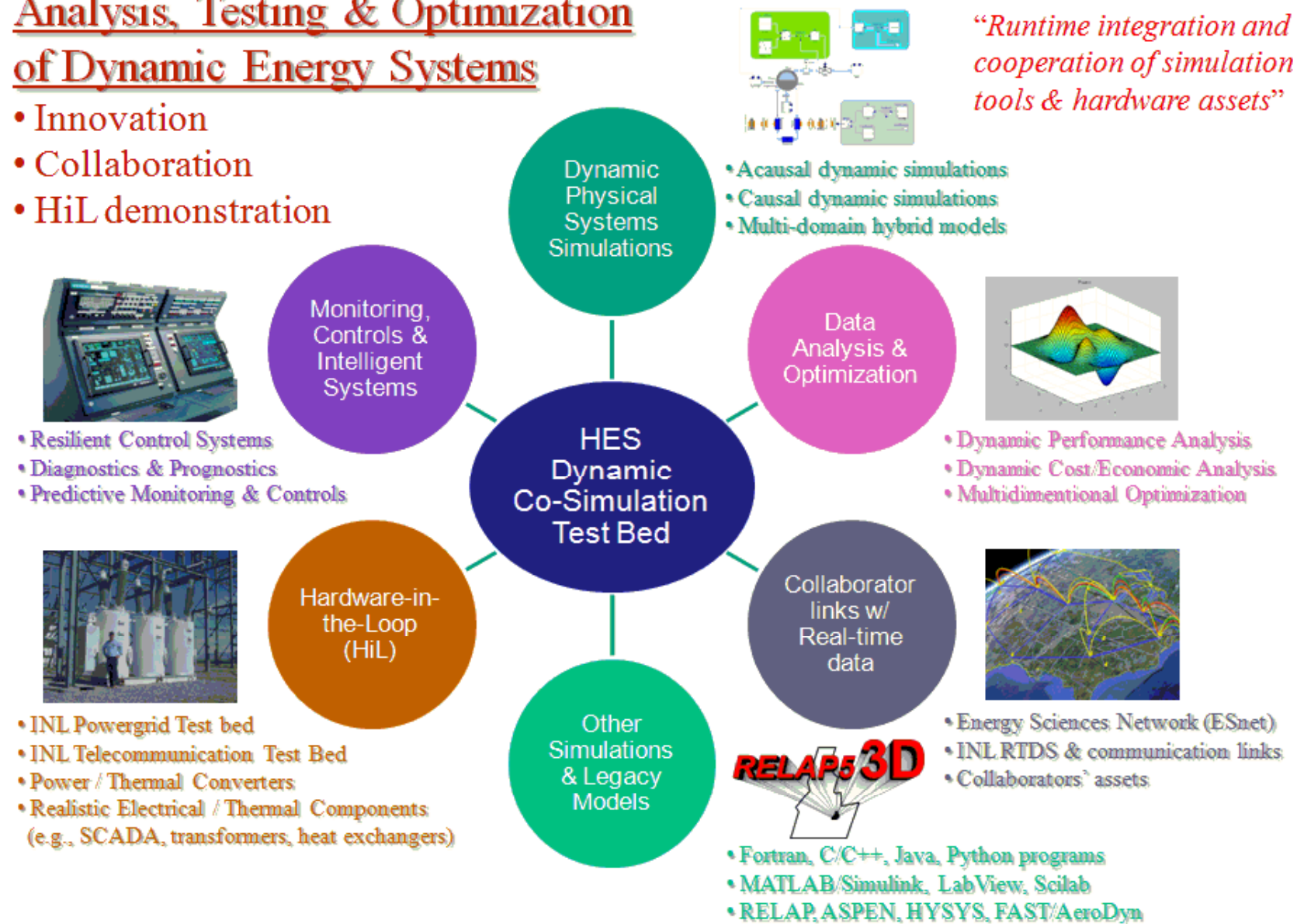
To other labs, universities, etc.





## Analysis, Testing & Optimization of Dynamic Energy Systems

- Innovation
- Collaboration
- HiL demonstration



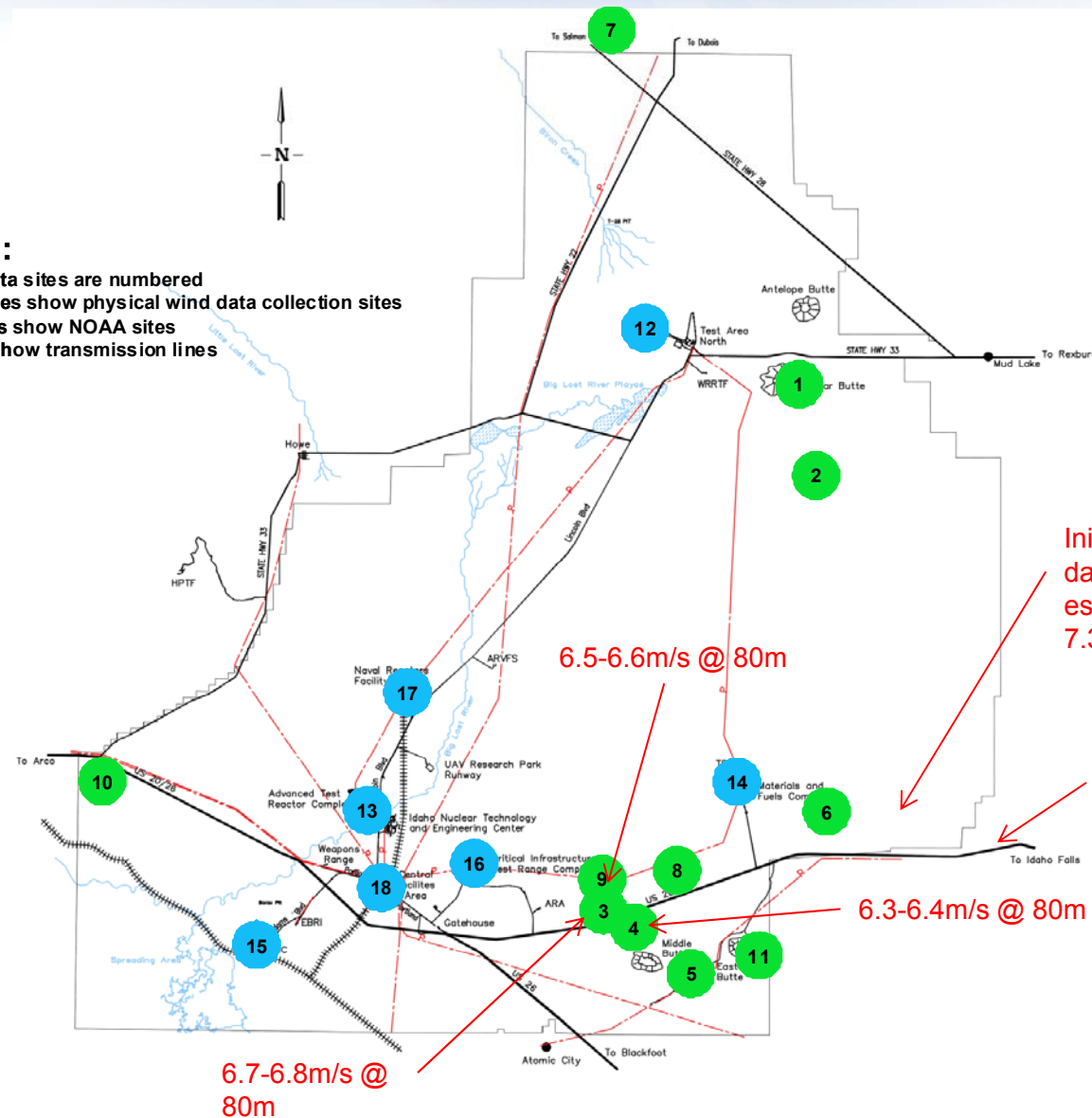
## ***The Super Lab Core Partnership: Leveraging INL and NREL Assets to Form Initial Core of SuperLab Team***



## INL Wind Site Areas

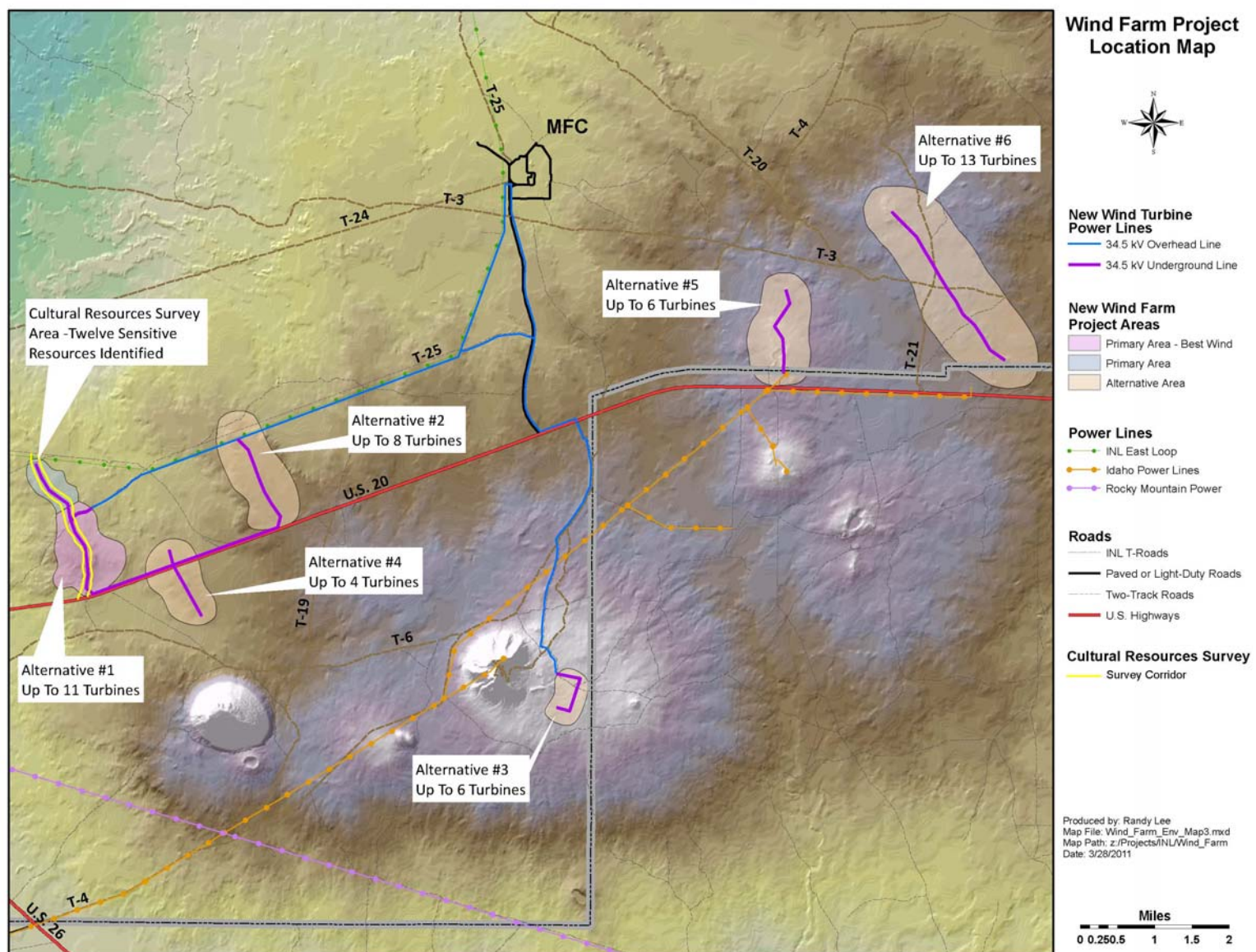
### Legend:

- All wind data sites are numbered
- Green circles show physical wind data collection sites
- Blue circles show NOAA sites
- Red lines show transmission lines



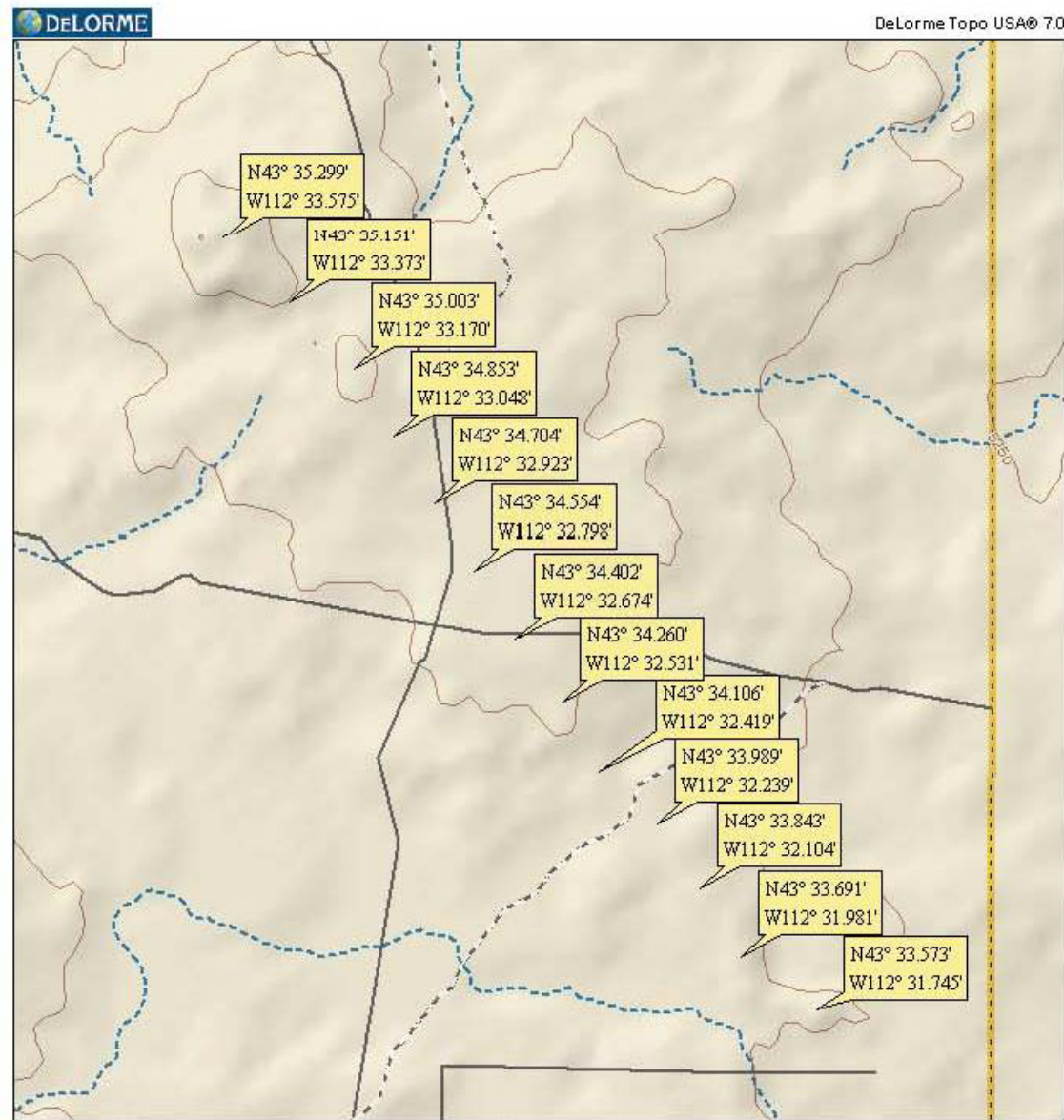


## INL Project Location Map





## Area #6 Potential Turb Layout



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 Data Zoom 12-5

## Overview/Status

- Class 3 wind site identified: commercially viable
- At area #6, with low wind turbine model, gross capacity factor estimated between 38-40%.
- Many locations around INL have been assessed to characterize the wind resources, and best wind sites identified.
- Possible alternatives identified for electrical interconnection
- No anticipated fatal flaws
  - Biological survey—mitigation looks promising
  - Cultural survey—mitigation looks promising
- Power line connection design will not impact safety system

## ***Project Description***

- Total wind farm nameplate capacity is planned at 20MW
  - Potential for larger project size
  - This will be driven by project economics and turbine availability at time of contract award
- Total number of turbines combined from all areas will range between 8-13 turbines
  - Depending on the nameplate size of the wind turbine chosen for the project
  - Wind turbine nameplate size will range between 1.5-3.0MW.
  - Wind turbine hub height will be between 80-100 meters depending on turbine chosen
  - Wind turbine rotor diameters will likely be between 82-117 meters depending on turbine chosen



## Super Lab Capabilities

- Super Lab concept will pave the way for research testing of models such as the Renewable Energy and SuperGrid Integration project

### Issue

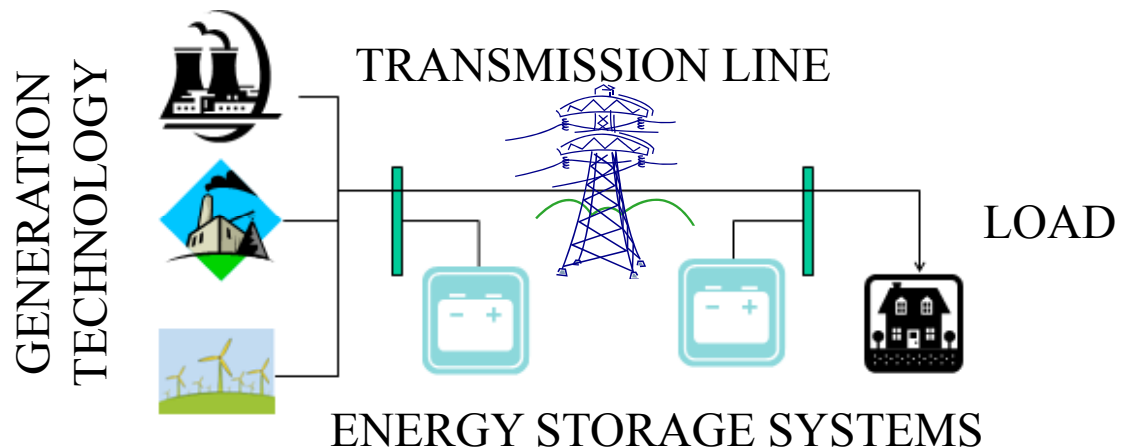
Unable to meet demand  
if largely dependent  
upon variable generation

$$\frac{P_{demand} = P_{base} + P_{dispatchable} + P_{variable}}$$

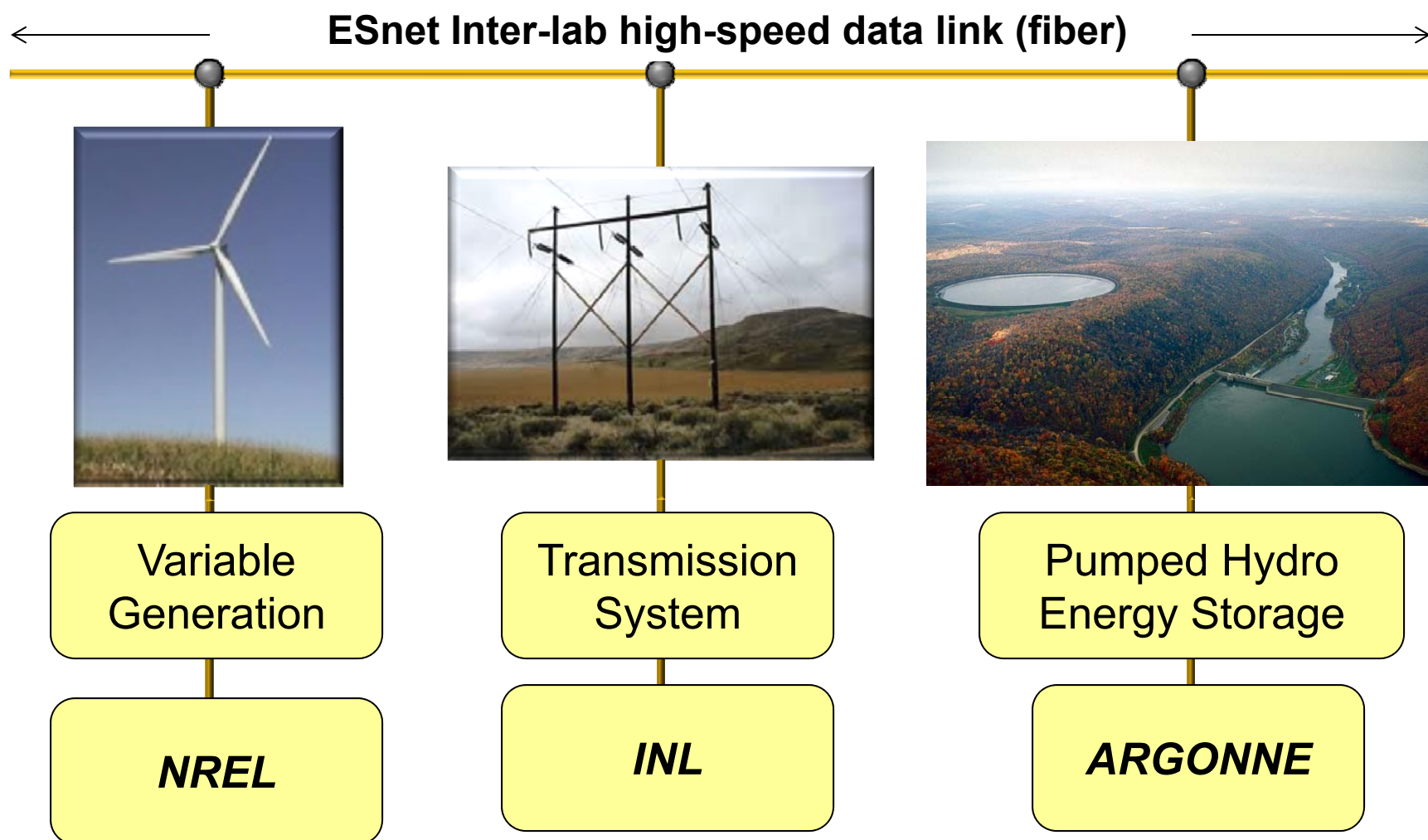
Transmission system  
capacity built to handle  
peak demand, but is rarely  
met

### Goal

Use ESS to control variable generation  
Maximize transmission system  
capacities at all times



## ***Super Lab Provides Full Scale Testing***

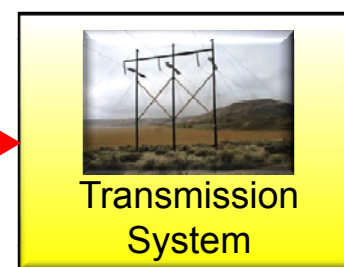


# Using Energy Storage to Control Variable Generation

1. Control variable generation through use of energy storage



2. Constant energy flow at nominal rating for optimized transmission capacity

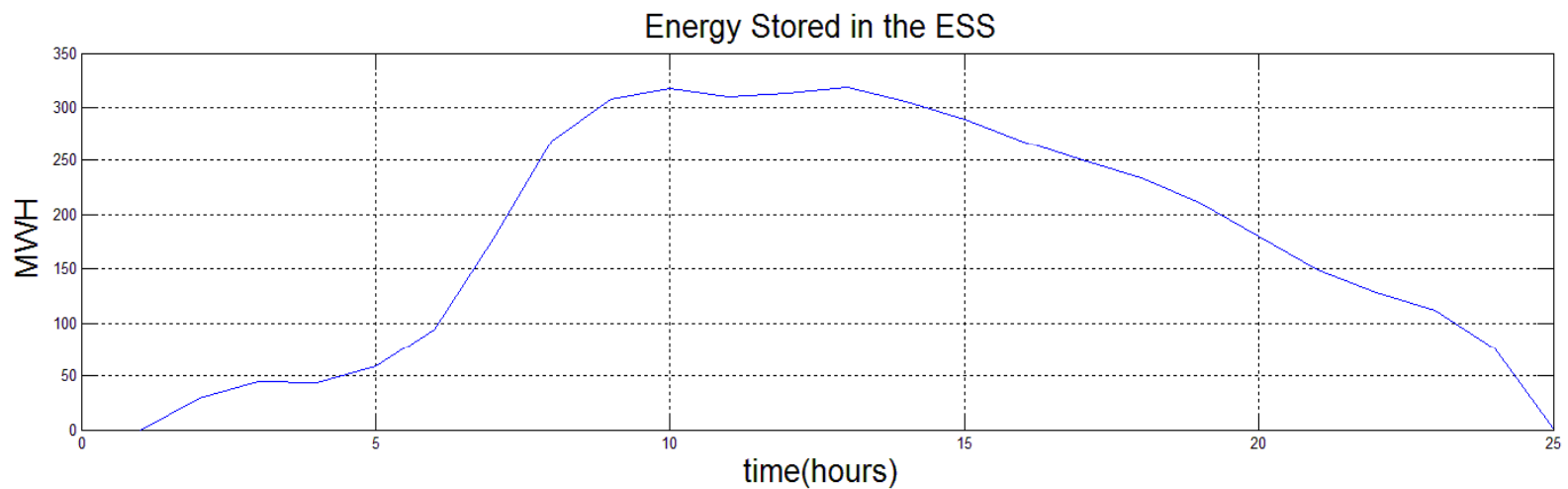
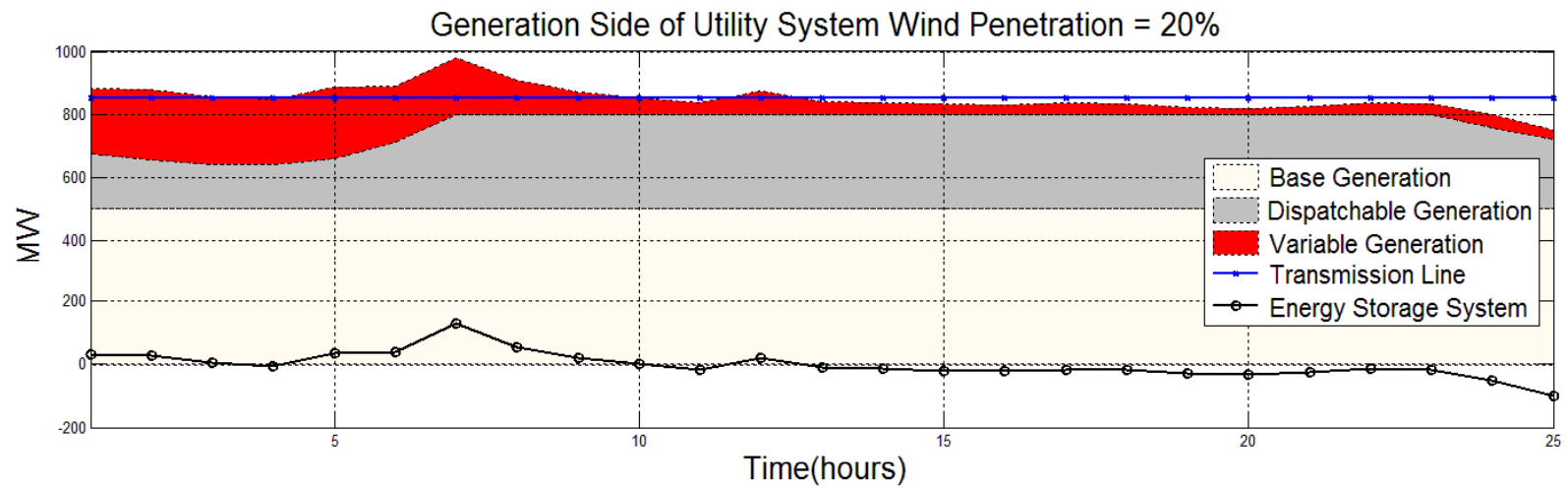


3. Use energy storage to provide load following capability

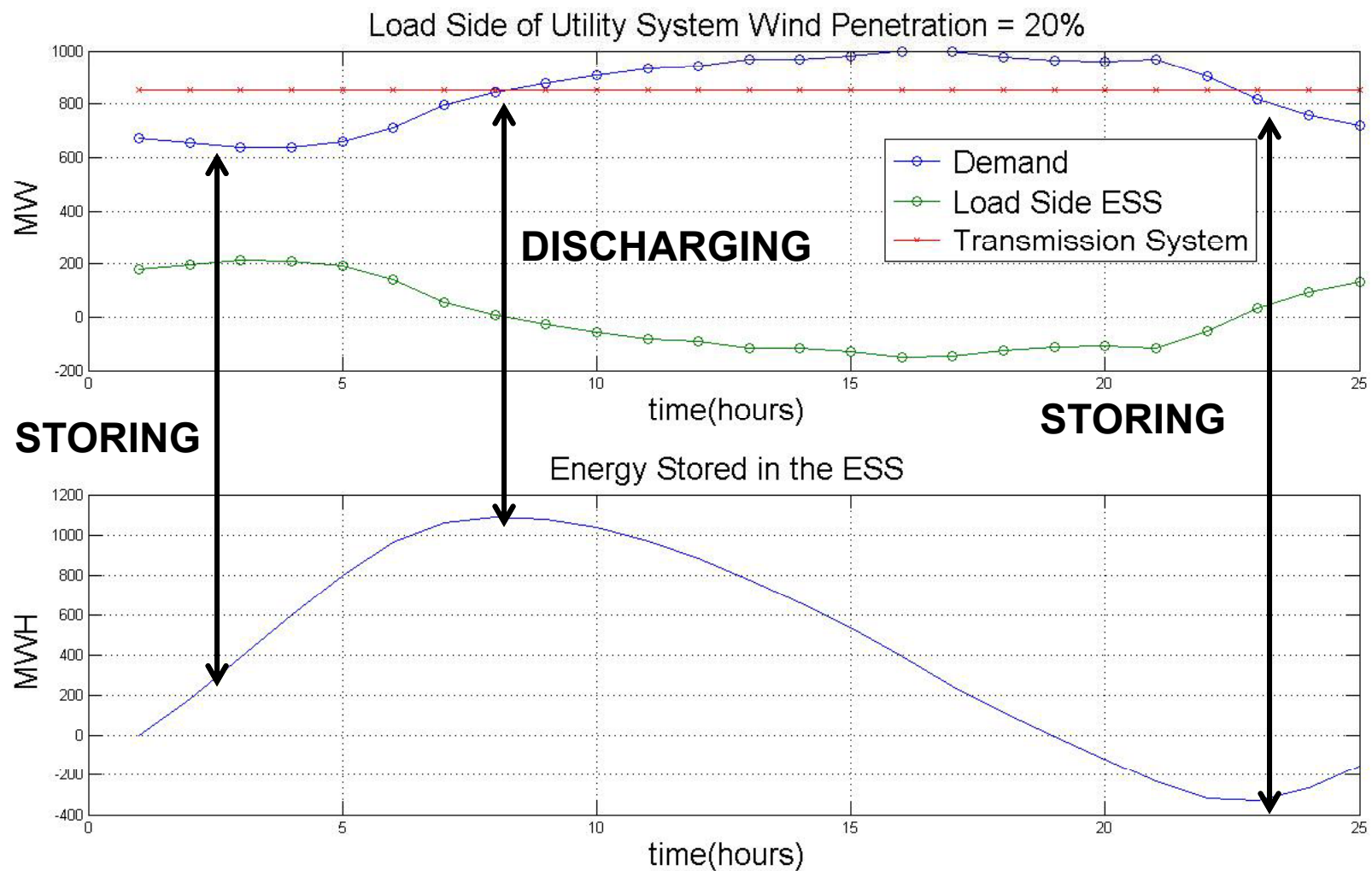




# Generation Side Energy Storage



# Load Side Energy Storage



## Capability Summary

- Energy storage is required on both generation and load side of a system
  - Controls variable generation
  - Optimizes transmission system capacities
  - Satisfies demands during both peak and off-peak time periods
- Energy storage size/stability depends upon location:

	Generation Side	Load Side
Size	% variable generation dependence	Demand profile
Stability	Transmission line capacity	Transmission line capacity

- Super grid enables full scale testing of energy storage and grid integration



# General Benefits

## For DOE

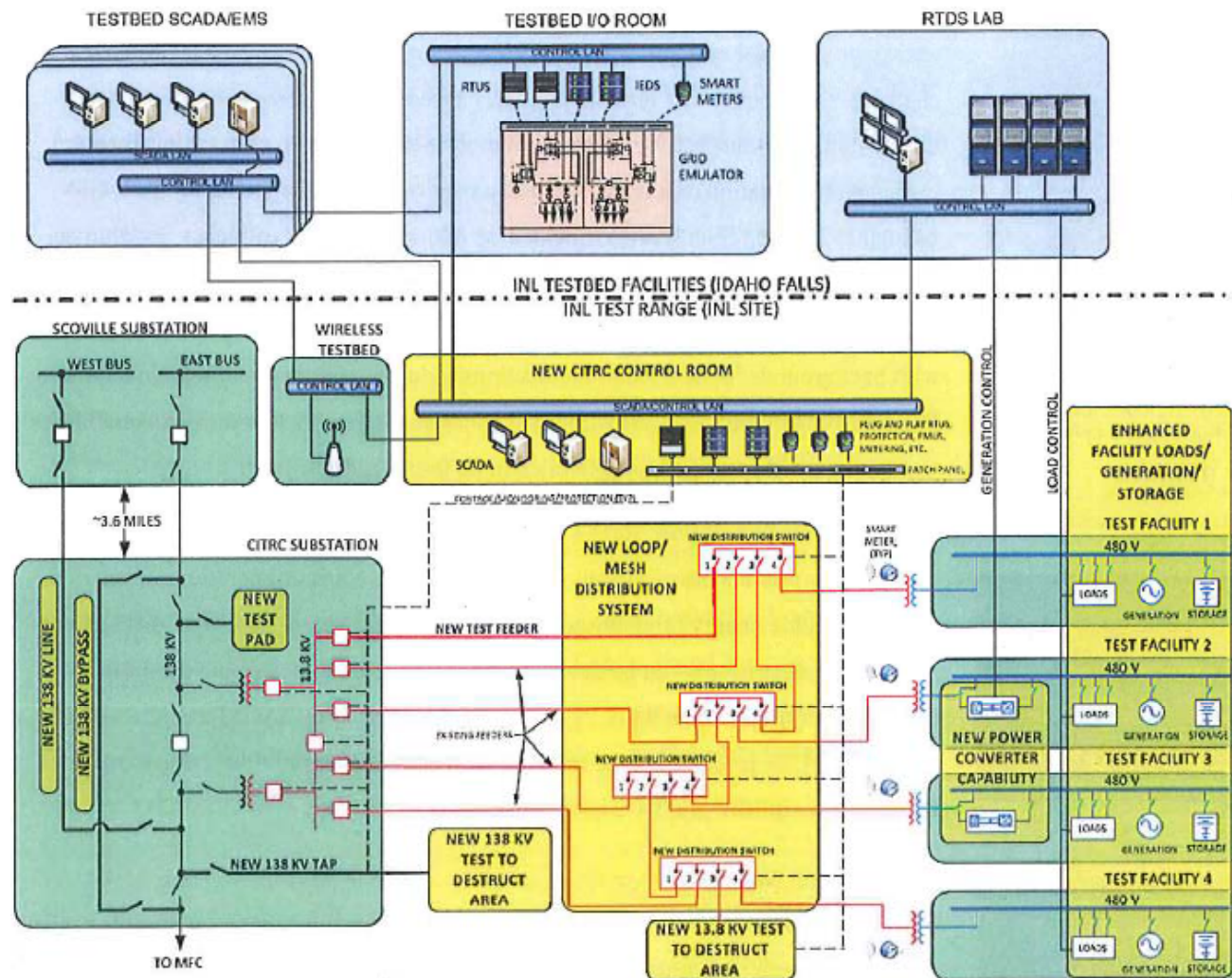
- Provides a new and needed business model to help achieve greater national impact.
- Leverage investments across the DOE
- DOE-EERE: Addresses enhancing penetration of renewable energy and EVs
- For DOE-OE: Helps address grid integration and cyber security challenges
- Provides new business model between two of the three DOE “energy labs”

## For INL

- Strengthens INL differentiator/offering
- Opens up new DOE and DoD market opportunities
- Becomes focal point for next level of integration and research
- Creates INL national branding opportunity
- Leverages INL / DOE complex assets - strengthening position with DOE
- Strengthens INL’s regional impact and HES position

# ***Backup Slides***

## NHS Proposed Electric Grid Reliability Test bed (EGRTB) Hardware

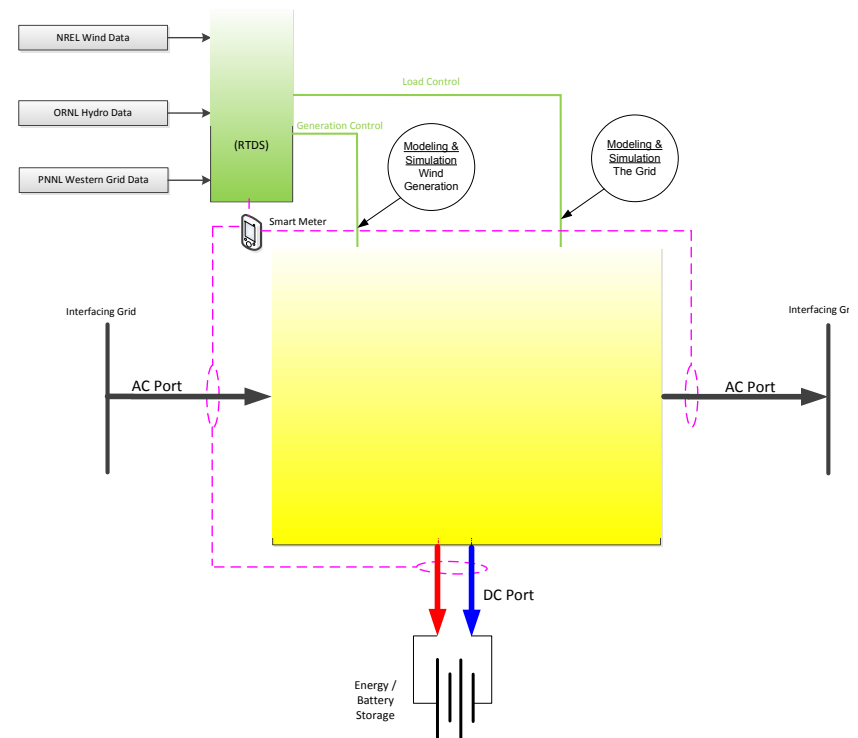
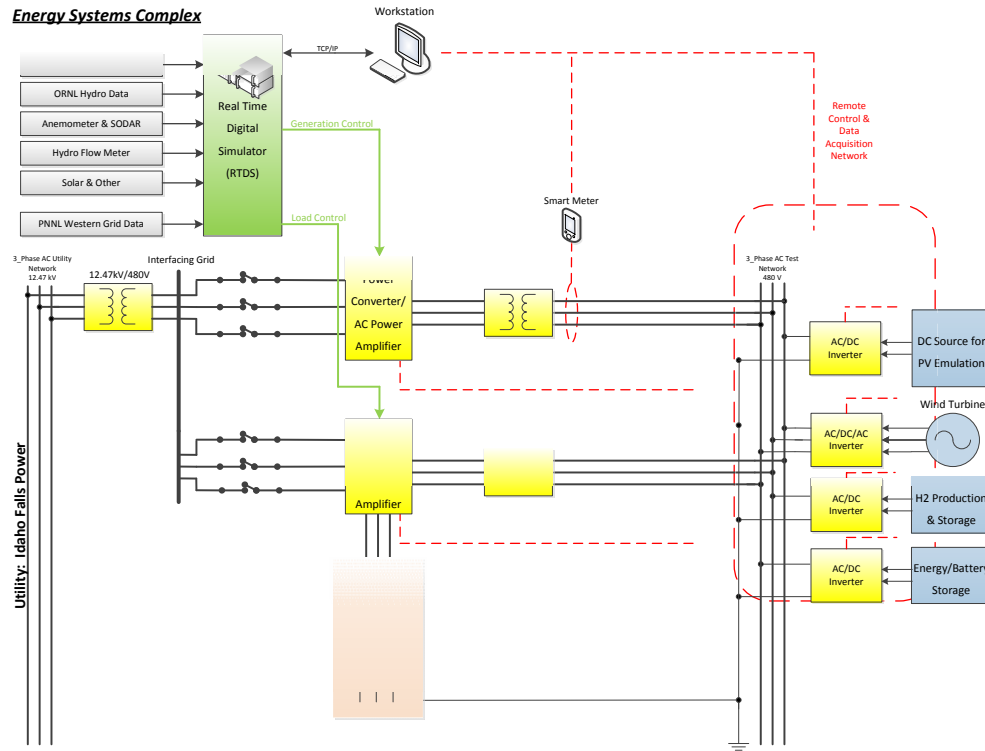




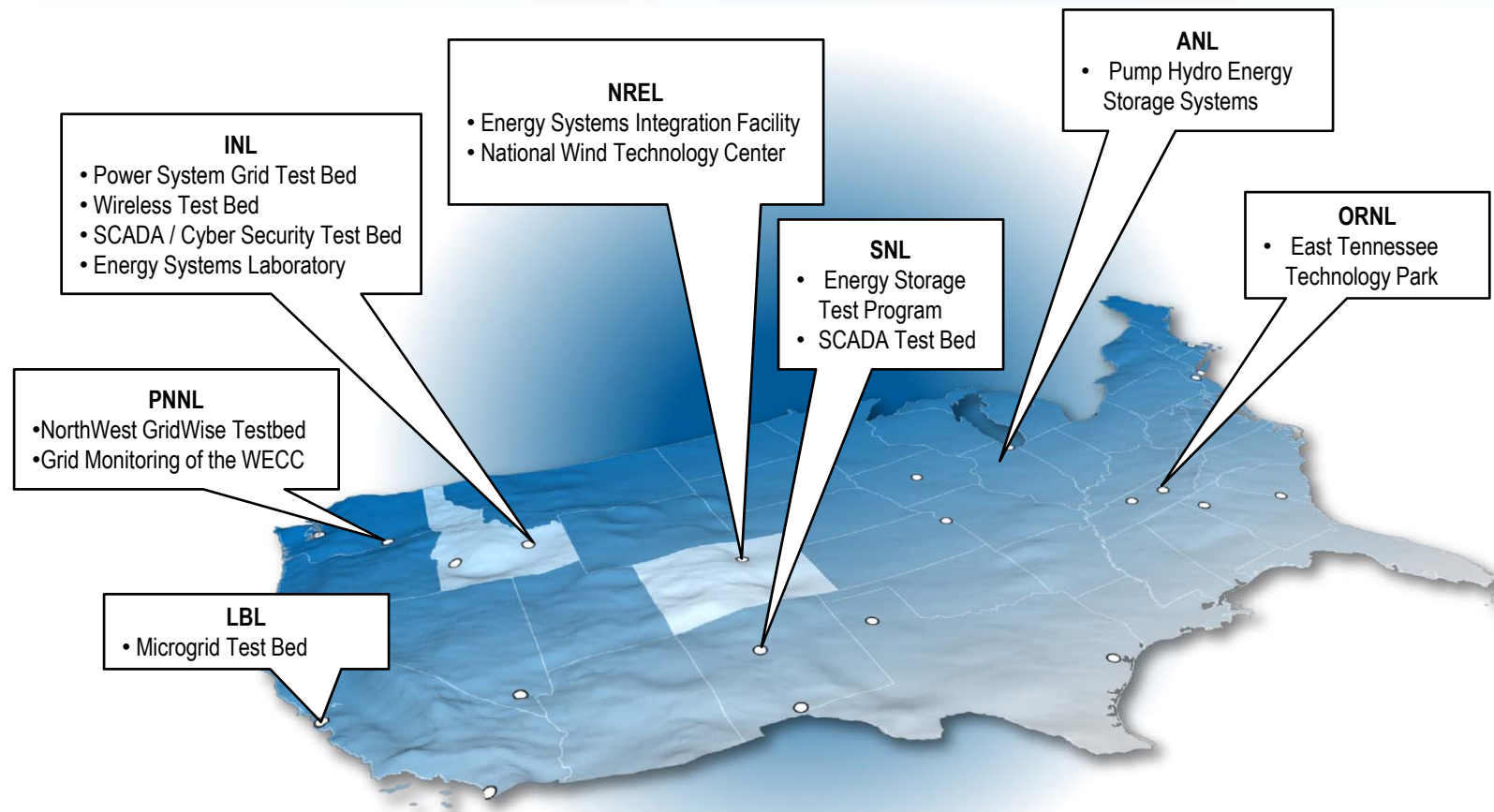


## EEST Proposed Energy Systems Complex Hardware

**Energy Systems Complex**



## INL's Key Differentiator



### Additional Partners

- **Clemson University Wind turbine drive train testing facility**
- **GE Global Research Centers**
- **Industry**
- **Utilities**
- **DOD**
- **Universities**

# ***Super Lab Capabilities***

***(Differentiating capabilities from just the testing on its own)***

- **Grid-in-the-loop**
  - Integrate and test new technologies
  - Use the NHS test grid and the RTDS lab
  - Simulation electric utility operations
  - Provide a “real world” modeling, testing, and validation environment
- **Large-scale renewable generation integration**
  - Test concepts, controls, and integration-supporting technologies
  - Integrate power farms and energy storage systems onto the test grid

