

Wind Energy



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Wind Power Potential

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Types of Wind Turbines

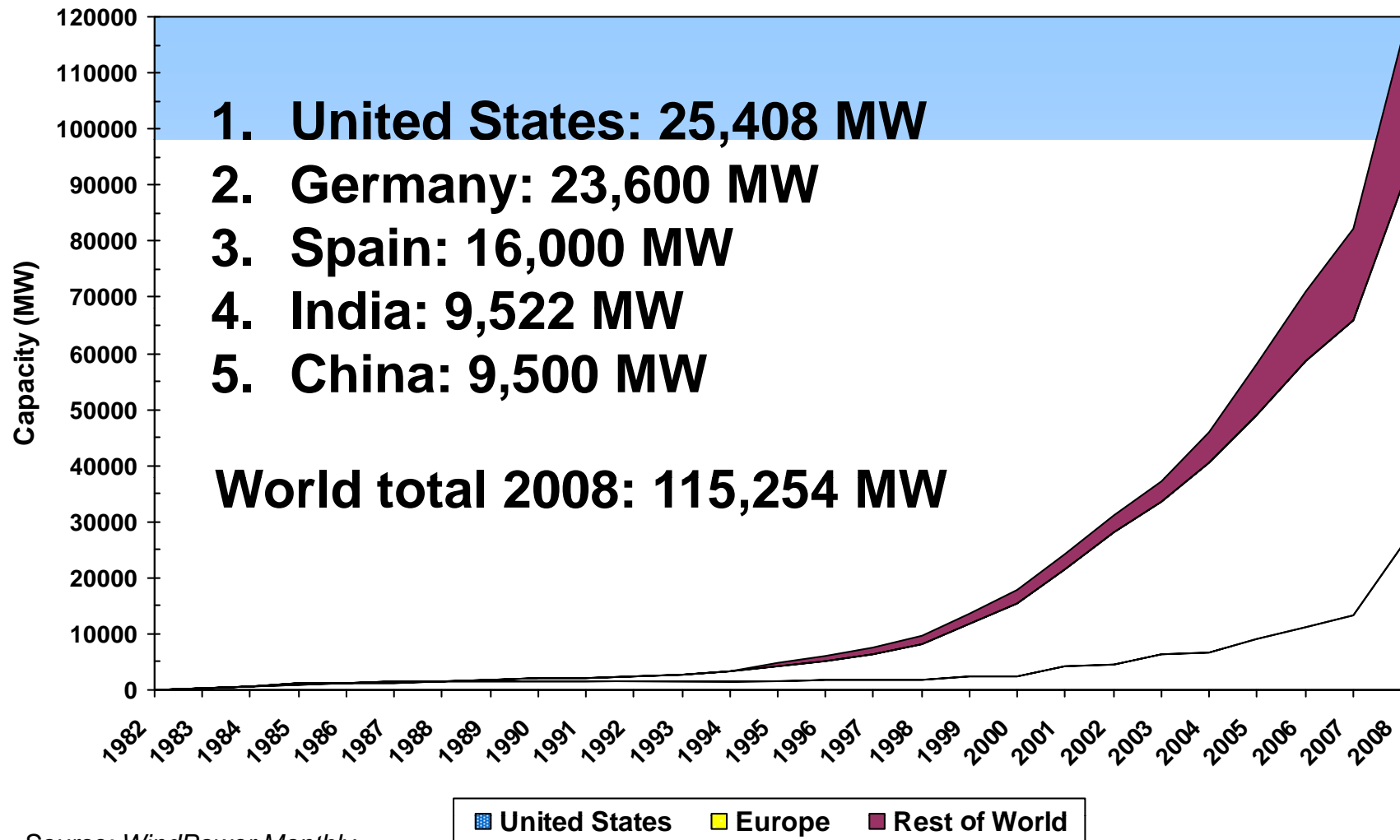
Facts About Wind Siting

Wind Performance



Current Status of the Wind Industry

Total Global Installed Wind Capacity

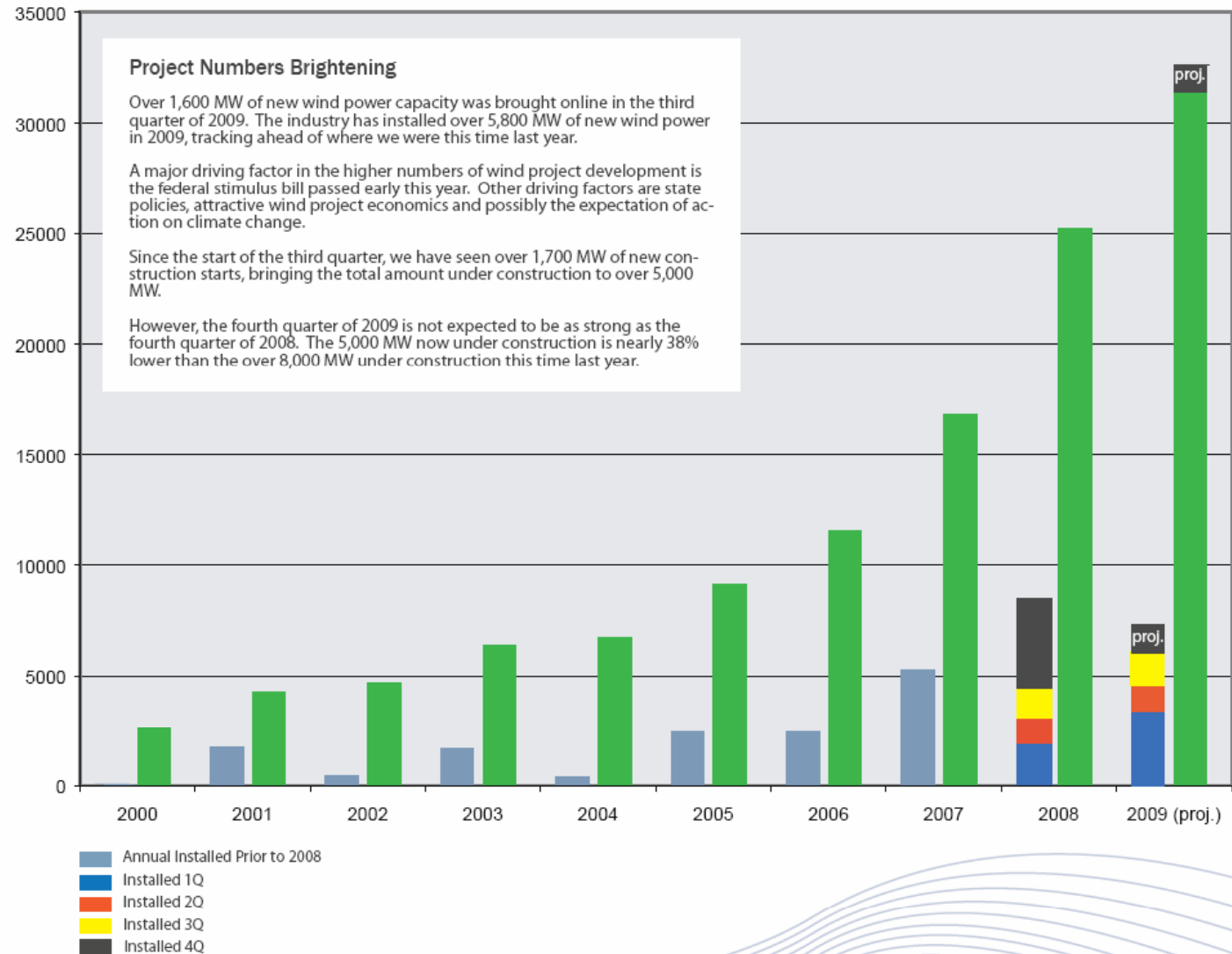


Source: WindPower Monthly

Five Years of Strong Growth

2008: 8,558
MW Added;
\$16 billion
Investment

2009: Over
5,800 MW
thru 3
quarters;
5,000 MW
under
construction



U.S. Wind Status

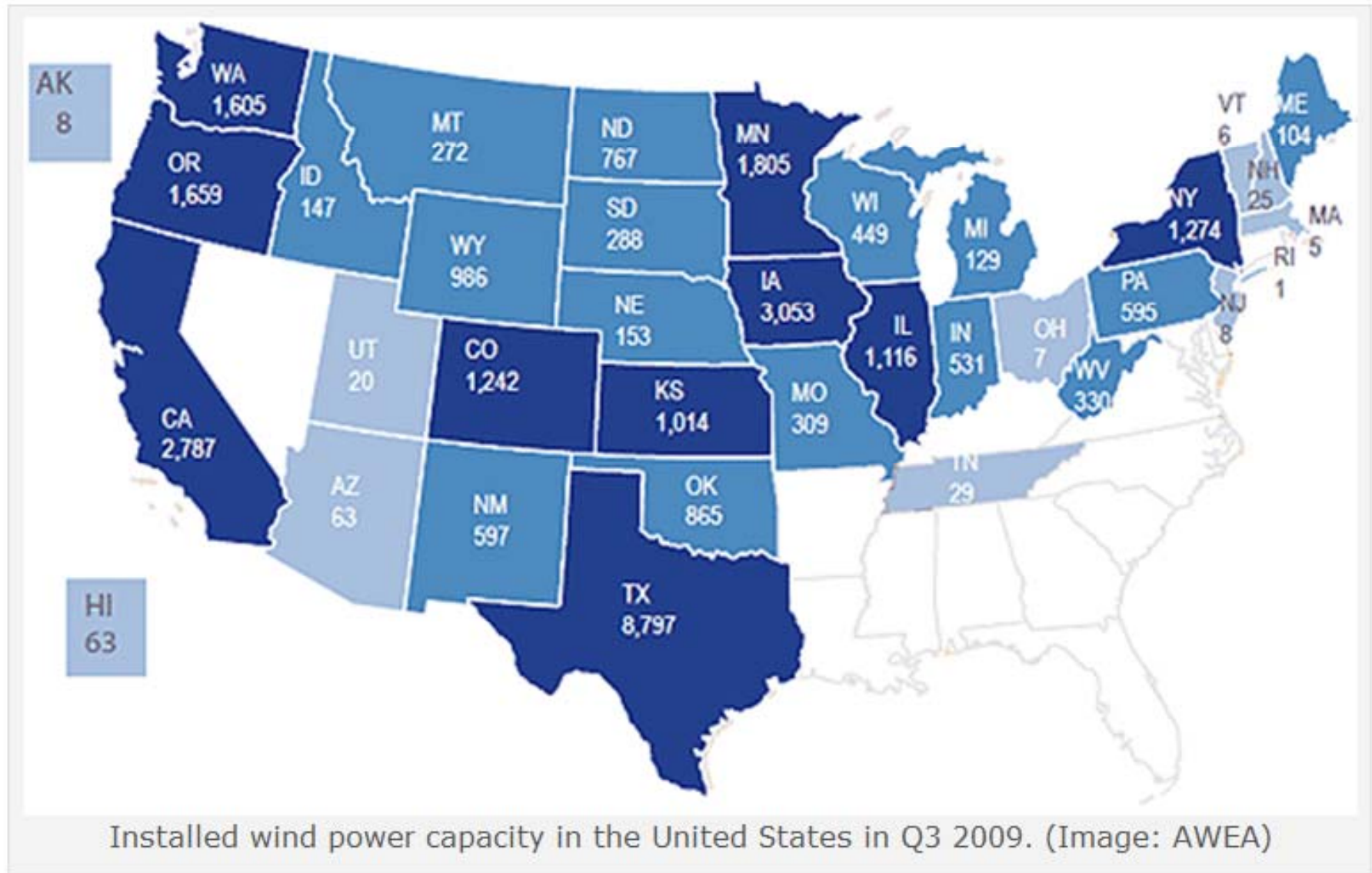
The total U.S. wind power capacity > 31,000 MW

- Electricity_{tO} power the equivalent of ~ 9 million homes
- Avoiding the emissions of 57 million tons of carbon/yr
- Reducing electricity sector carbon emissions by 2.5%

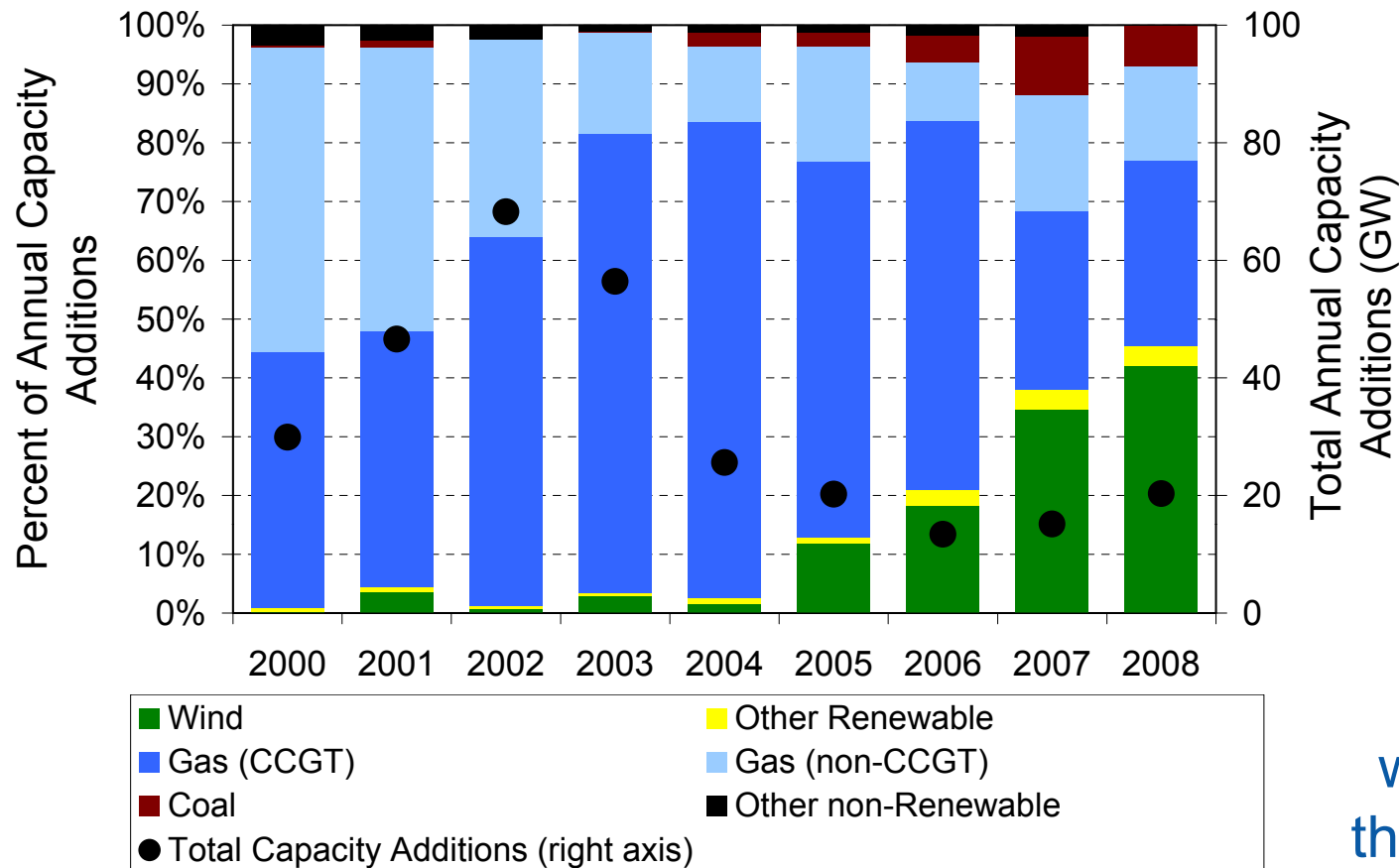
The top five states for new capacity added in 3rd quarter are:

- * Texas - 436 MW
- * Oregon - 251 MW
- * Illinois - 201 MW
- * Colorado - 174 MW
- * Wyoming - 170 MW

Installed Capacity by State (in MW)



Major Source of New Generation Capacity Additions



2008: 42%
 2007: 35%
 2006: 18%
 2005: 12%
 2000-04: <5%

In 2008 more wind capacity was installed in the U.S. than any other generation technology

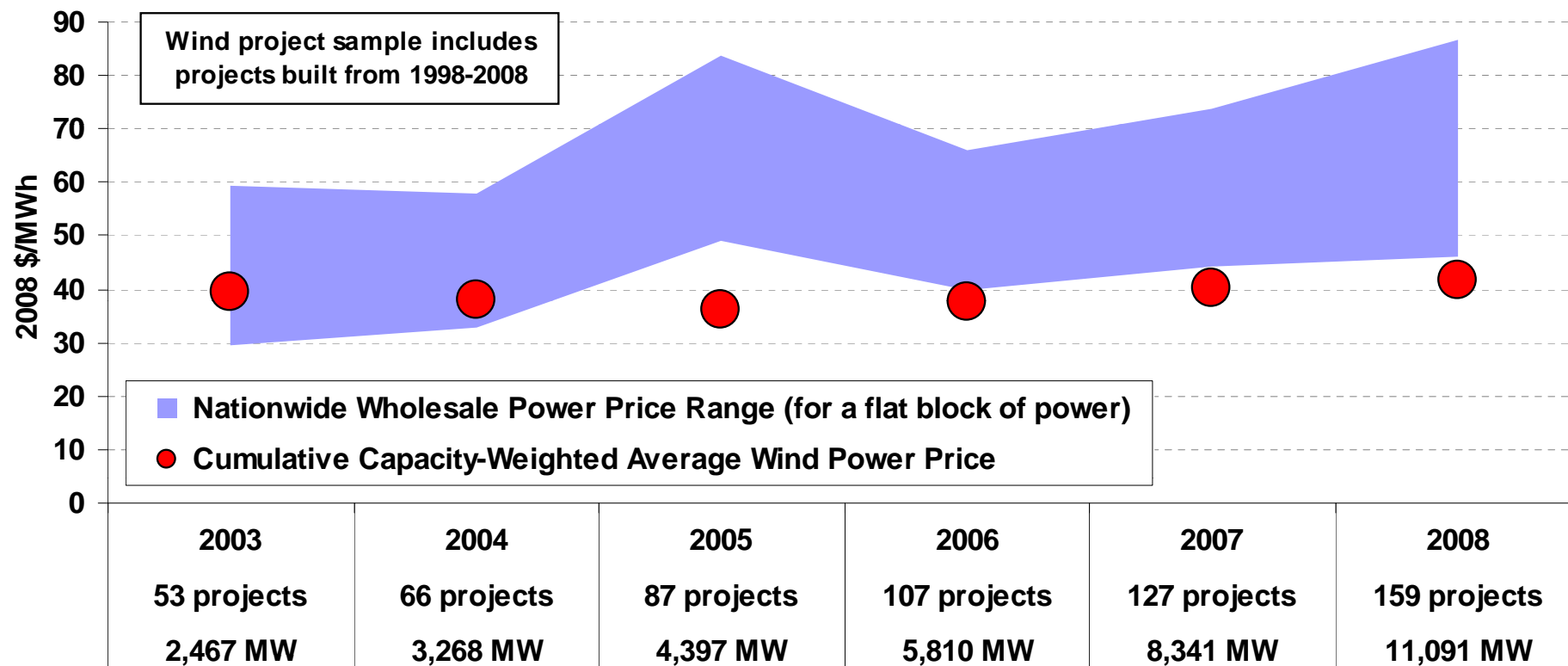
Source: EIA, Vent yx, AWEA, IREC, Berkeley YLab

Drivers for Wind Power

Declining Wind Costs
Fuel Price Uncertainty
Federal and State Policies
Economic Development
Public Support
Green Power
Energy Security
Carbon Risk



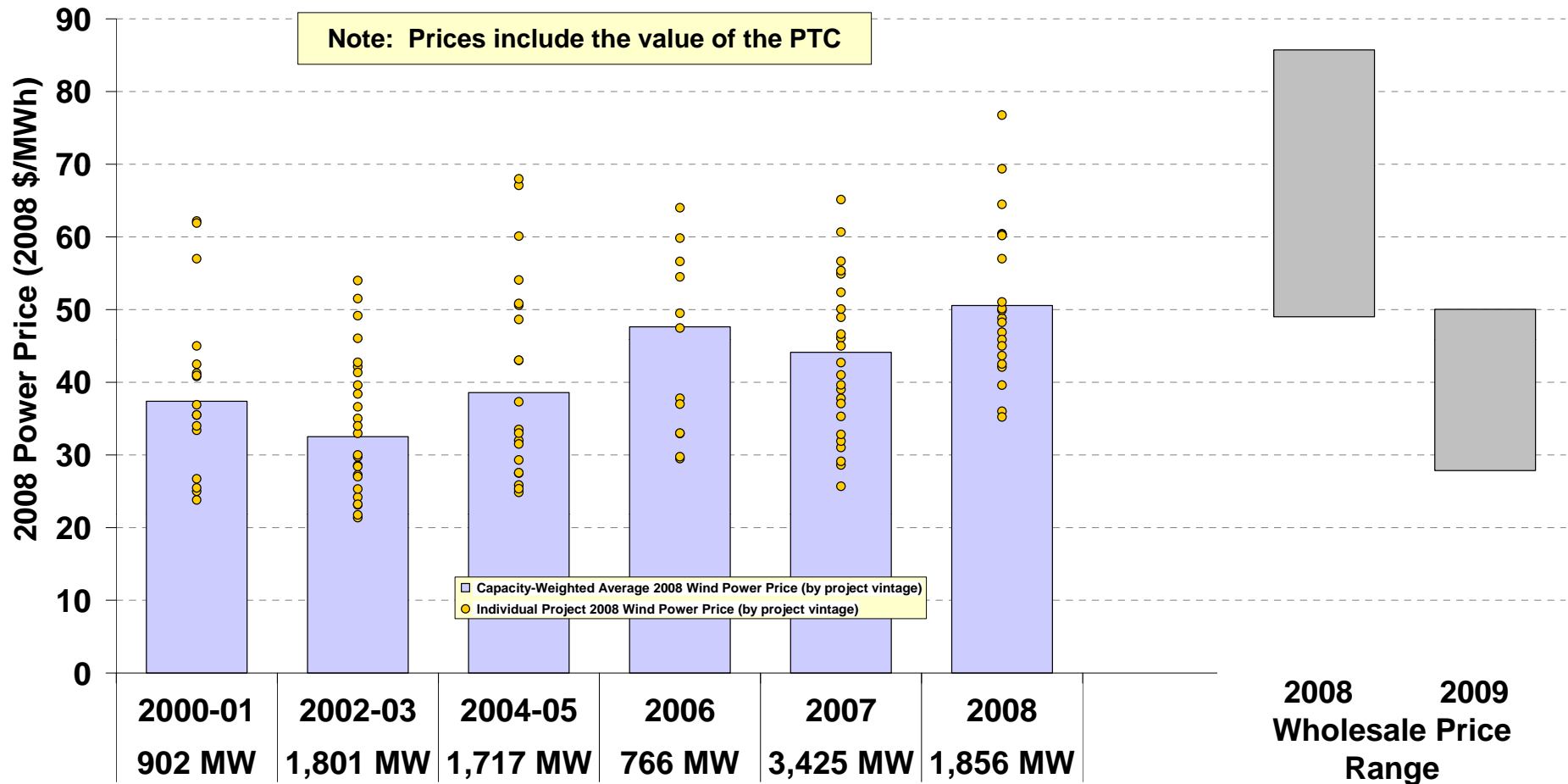
Wind Has Been Competitive with Wholesale Power Prices in Recent Years



Source: FERC 2006 and 2004 "State of the Market" reports, Berkeley Lab database, Ventyx, ICE

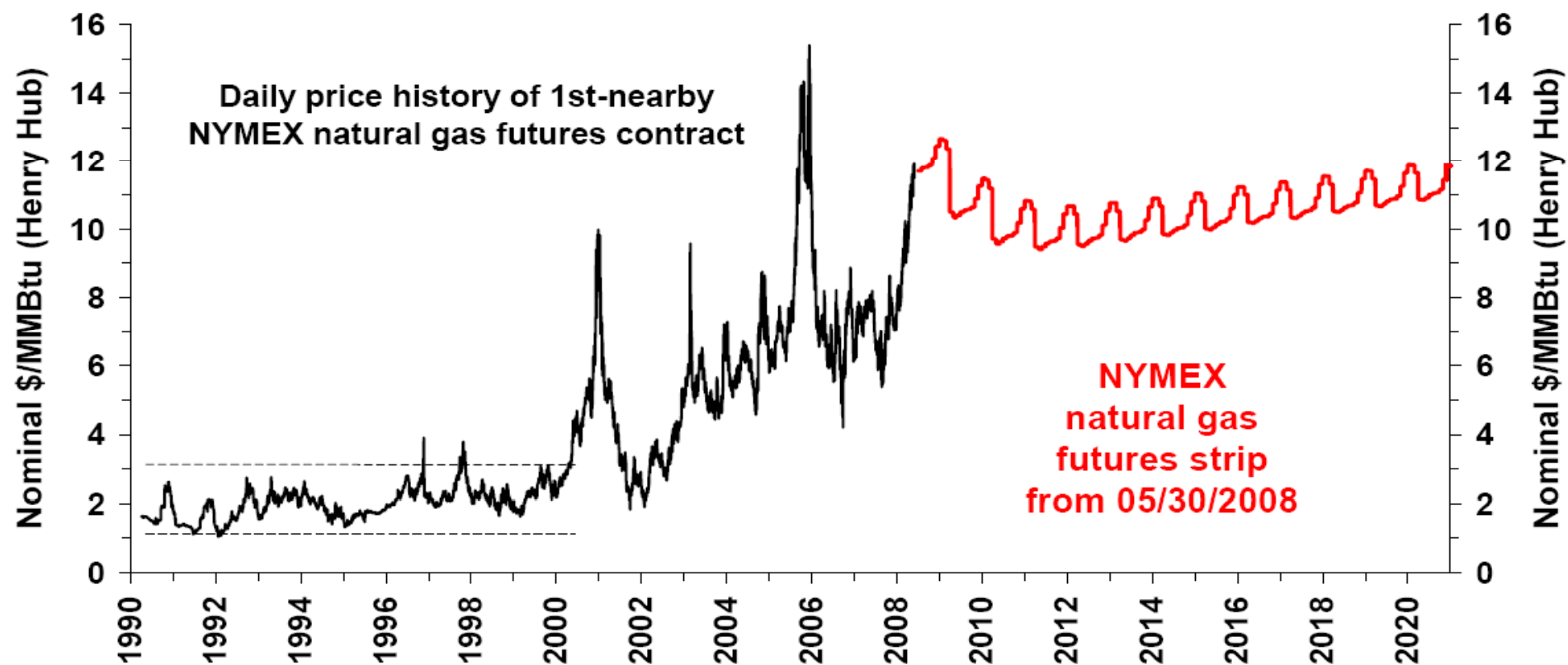
Note: Wholesale price range reflects flat block of power across 23 pricing locations; wind costs represent capacity-weighted average price for wind power for entire sample of projects built from 1998-2008

The Near-Term Wind has Become Somewhat Less Attractive



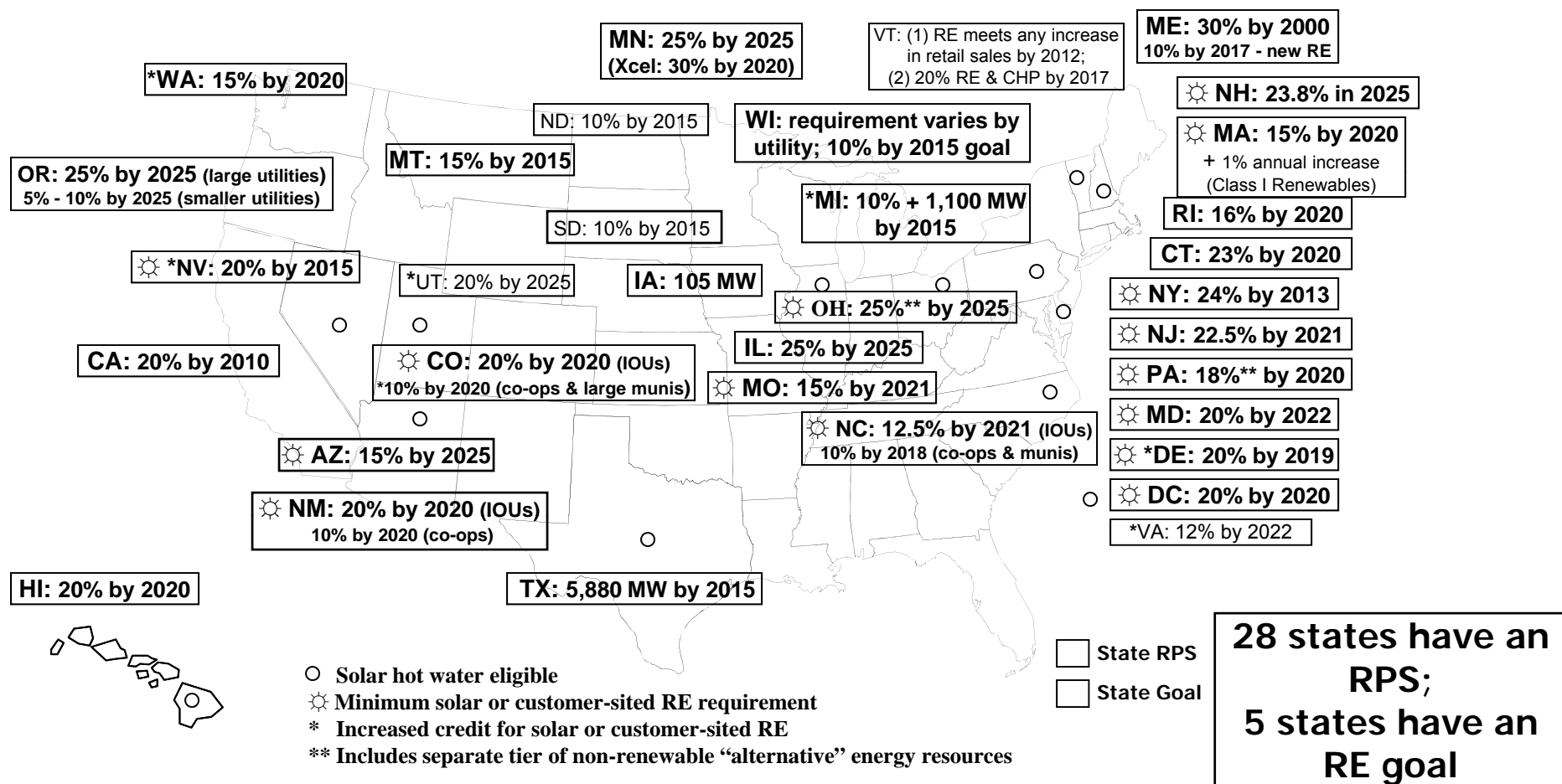
- Wind prices are likely to increase further in 2009 as installed costs will remain high as developers work through turbines ordered at peak prices, and given higher equity yields.
- Wholesale price's are also likely to increase as the economic depression reverses course

Natural Gas Price Variability



Source: LBNL

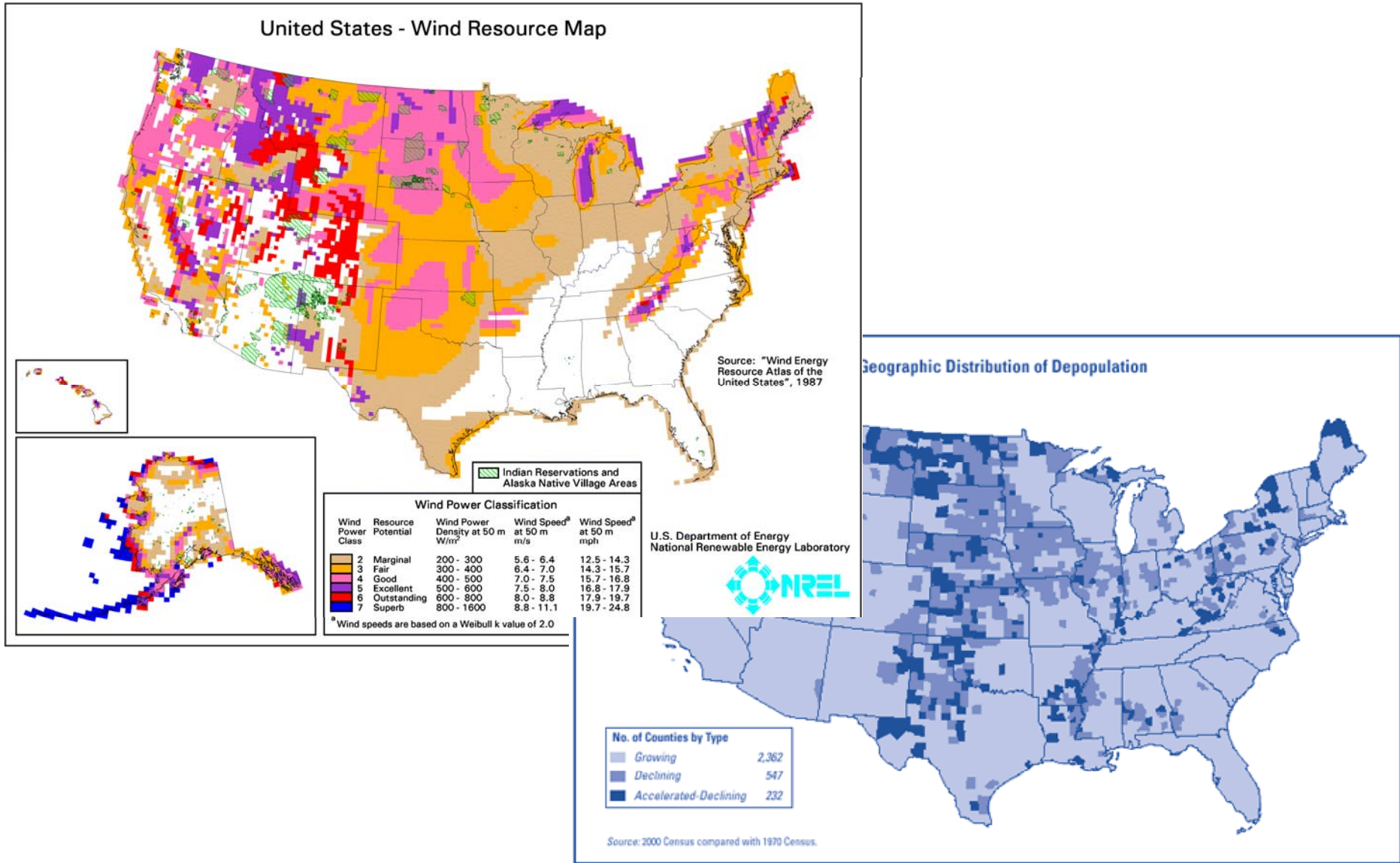
Renewables Portfolio Standards



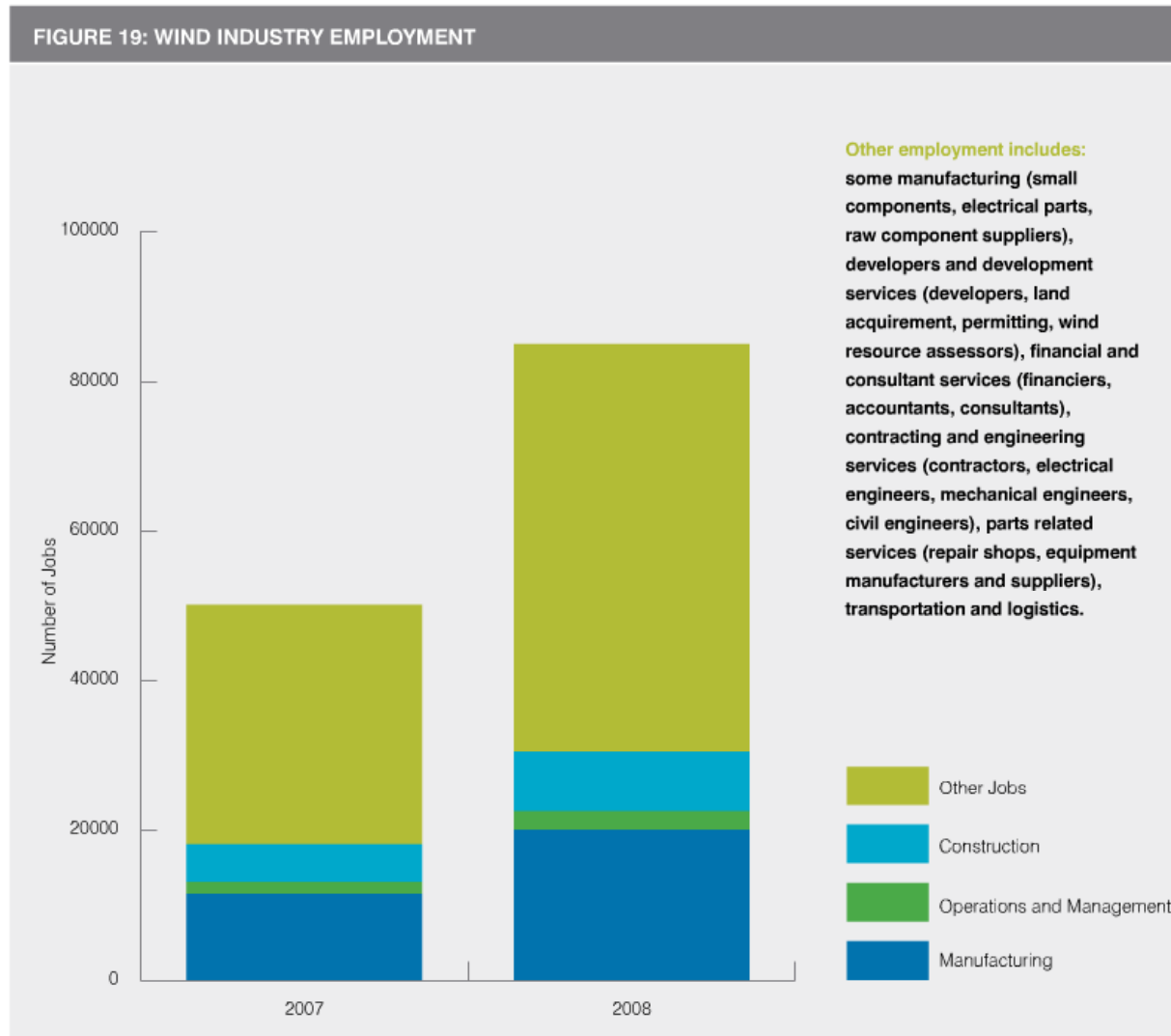
Federal Goals:

- EPA Act 2005: 3% by FY09; 5% by FY12 and 7.5% by FY13
- Executive Order 13423: At least 50% new RE, on-site if possible

Windy Rural Areas Need Economic Development



Wind Industry Added 35,000 Jobs in 2008



Colorado – Economic Impacts

from 1000 MW of new wind development

Wind energy's economic "ripple effect"

Direct Impacts

Payments to Landowners:

- \$2.5 Million/yr

Local Property Tax Revenue:

- \$4.6 Million/yr

Construction Phase:

- 912 new jobs
- \$133.6 M to local economies

Operational Phase:

- 181 new long-term jobs
- \$19.3 M/yr to local economies



Indirect & Induced Impacts

Construction Phase:

- 807 new jobs
- \$92.7 M to local economies

Operational Phase:

- 129 local jobs
- \$15.6 M/yr to local economies

Totals

(construction + 20yrs)

Total economic benefit =

\$924.3 million

New local jobs during

construction = 1,719

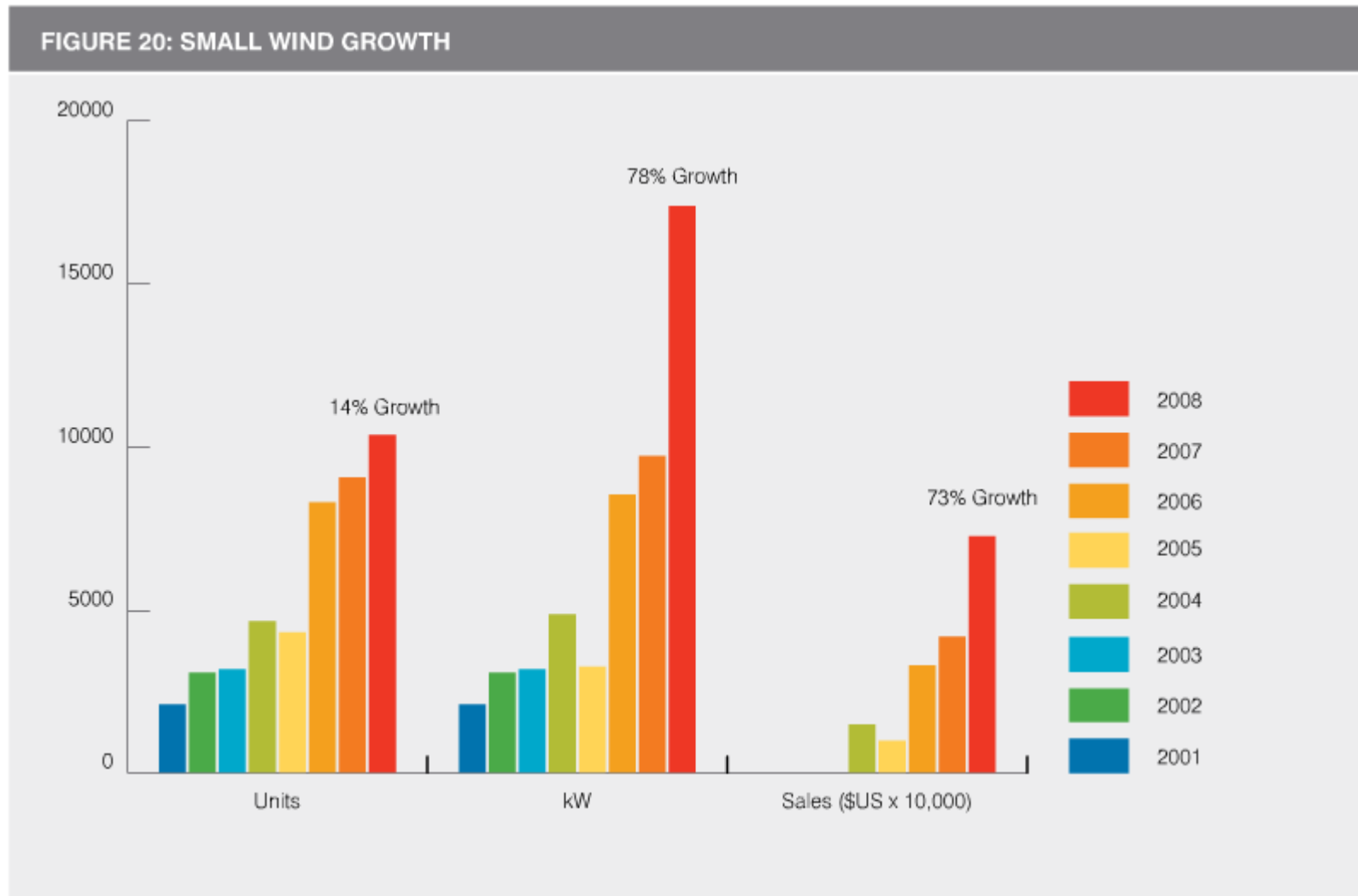
New local long-term jobs

= 310

All jobs rounded to the nearest 50 jobs; All values greater than \$10 million are rounded to the nearest million

Construction Phase = 1-2 years
Operational Phase = 20+ years

Small Wind Benefits from Favorable Wind Policy



ANNUAL STATISTICS ON U.S. WIND ENERGY

Environmental Benefits

No SO_x or NO_x

No particulates

No mercury

No CO₂

No water

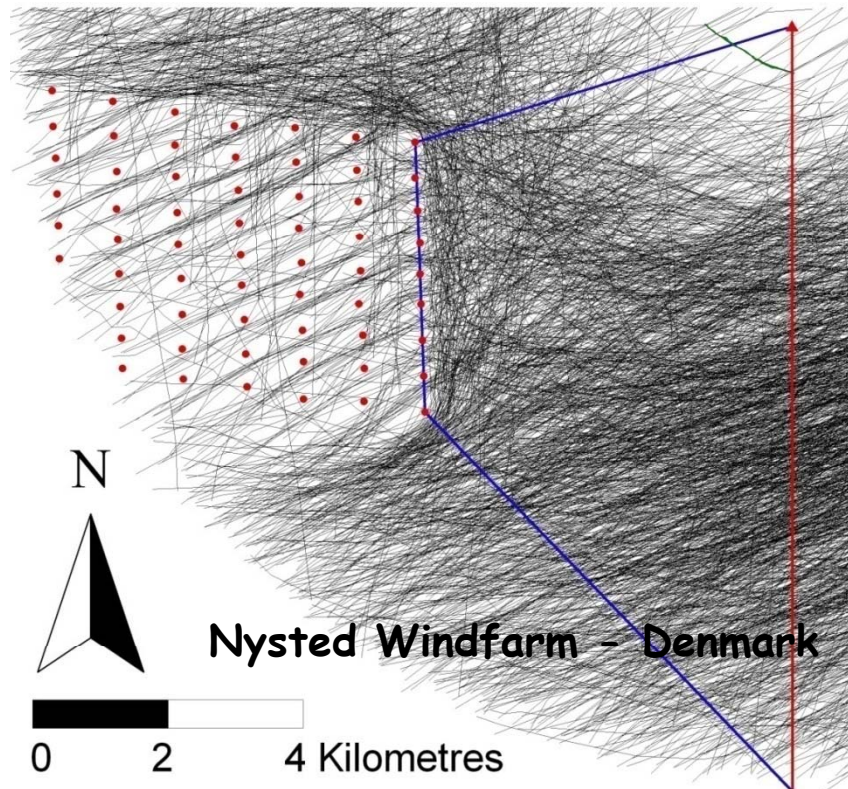
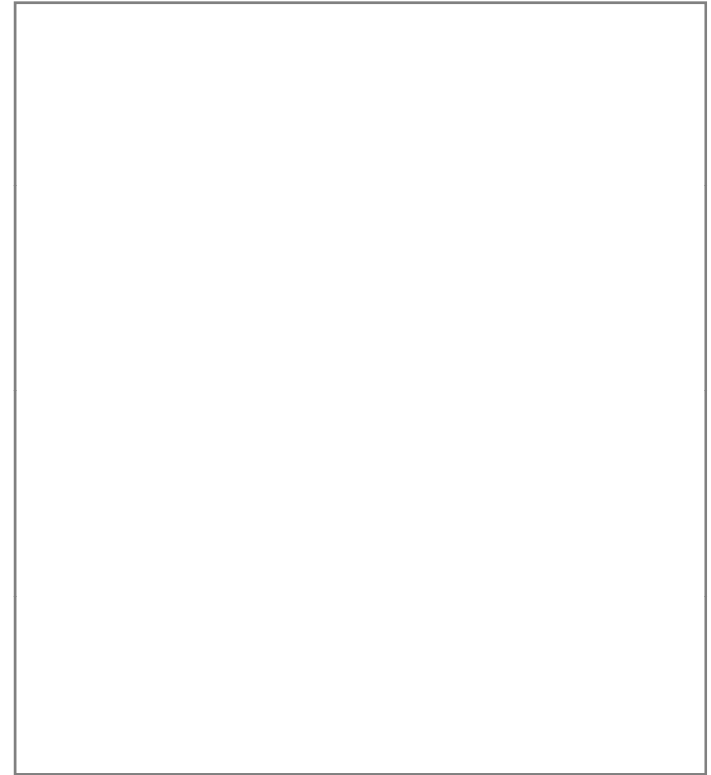


Siting Issues



Visual Impact &
Land Ownership

Noise



Avian and other wildlife:

- Over 200 projects, Three problem sites.
- Biggest avian problem was in the Altamont Pass.
- Managed by careful site selection.

Wind and Radar Issues - FAA

EERE – Wind and Hydropower Program has Wind Siting Tool web page:

http://www1.eere.energy.gov/windandhydro/federalwindsiting/wind_siting_tools.html

Federal Aviation Administration « OE/AAA

Evaluation **DoD Preliminary Screening Tool** Faa.gov Tools: [Print this page](#)

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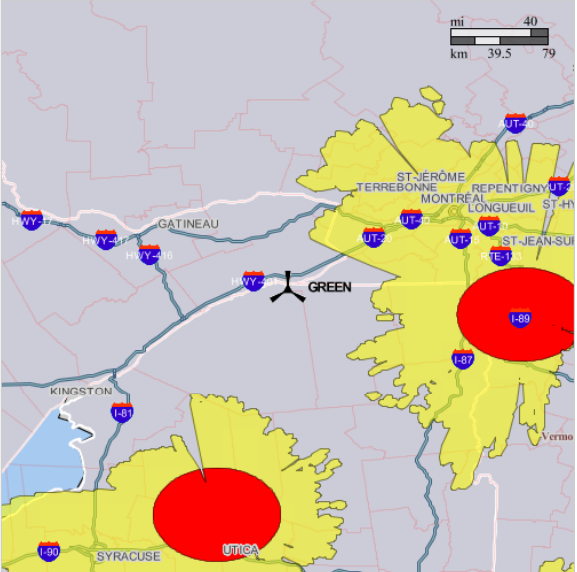
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Map Legend:

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<https://oeaaa.faa.gov/oeaaa/external/gisTools/gisAction.jsp?action=showLongRangeRadarToolForm>

Wind and Radar Issues - NEXRAD

Federal Aviation Administration

< OE/AAA

Evaluation

DoD Preliminary Screening Tool

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- Offices
- Completed Cases
- Open Cases
- Administrative (7460-2)
- Open Cases
- Resources
- Archives
- Forms for Cases
- Forms for Airports
- Review FAQs
- Search Tool

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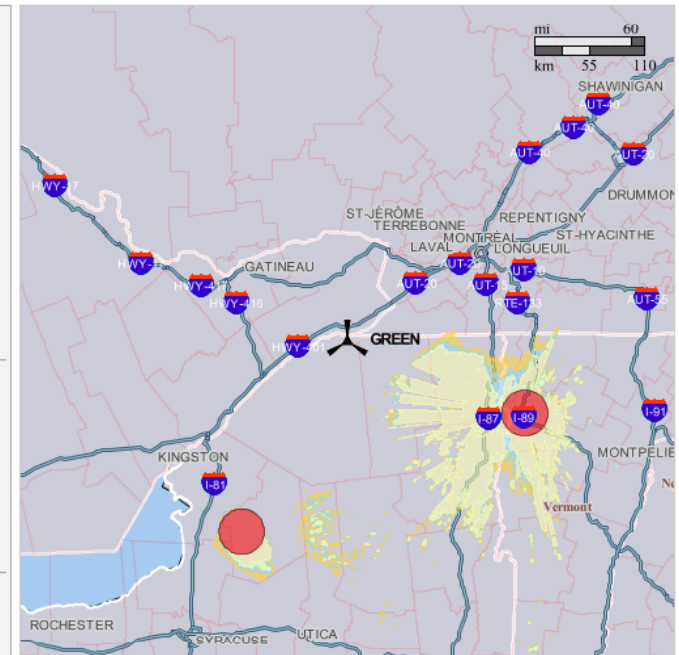
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- Blue:** RLOS Coverage At or Below 160m AGL. Impact likely to WSR-88D weather radar operations. Turbines likely in radar line of sight. Impact study required. NTIA notification advised.
- Gold:** RLOS Coverage At or Below 200m AGL. Impact likely to WSR-88D weather radar operations. Turbines likely in radar line of sight. Impact study required. NTIA notification advised.
- Red:** Impact highly likely to WSR-88D weather radar operations and wind turbine electronics. Turbines likely in radar line of sight. Aeronautical study required. NTIA notification strongly advised.

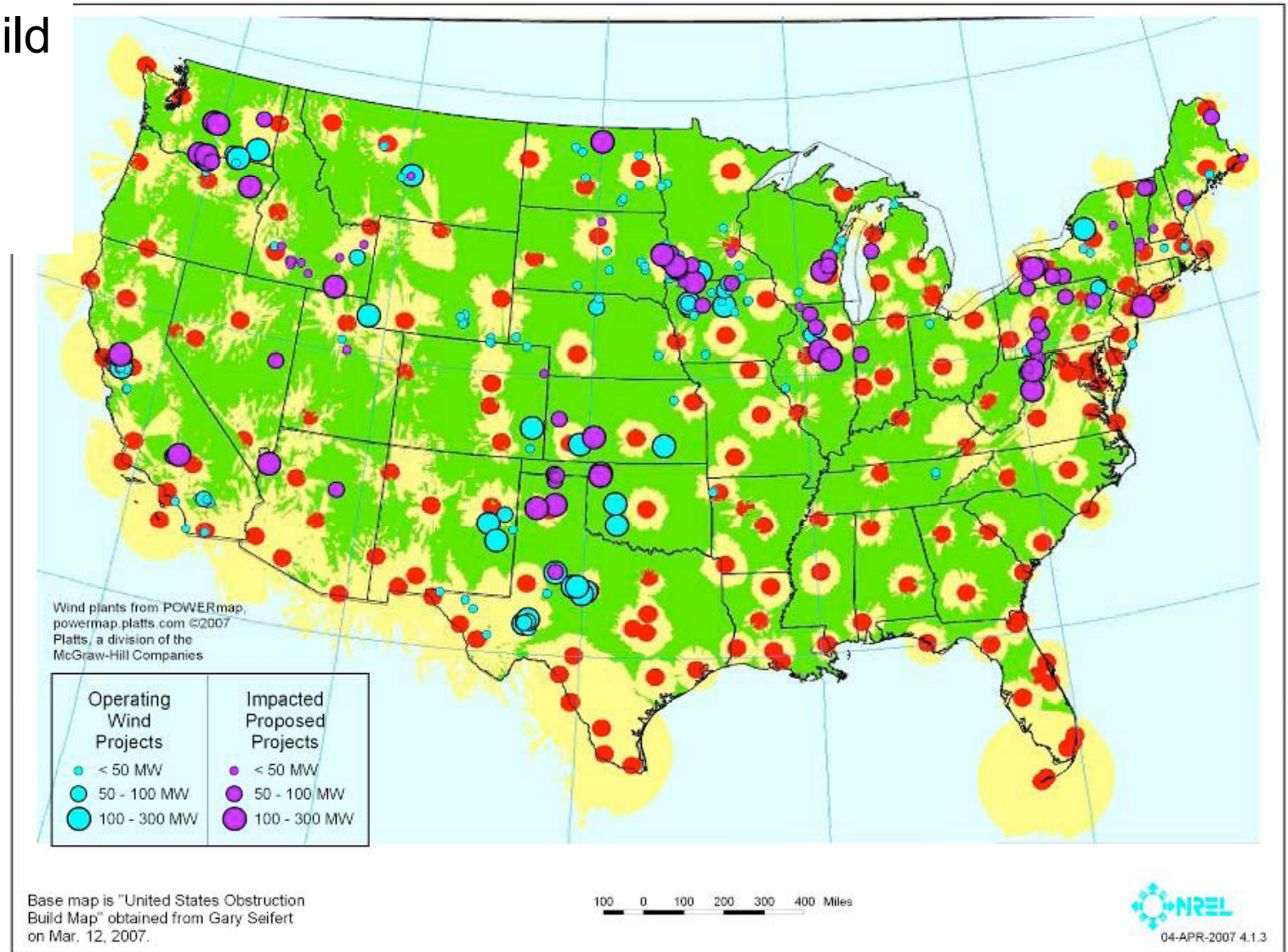


For more information, or to discuss the screening results, please contact NOAA at wind.energy.matters@noaa.gov

FAA Radar and Proposed Wind Development

➤ Red – no build

➤ Yellow – modified build



Radar Interference

- Wind Towers, Nacelles, and Blades all Reflect Radar Energy
- The Rotation of Wind Turbine Blades causes Doppler Reflections
- Wind Towers have a RCA greater than a 747, but so does a large high voltage tower

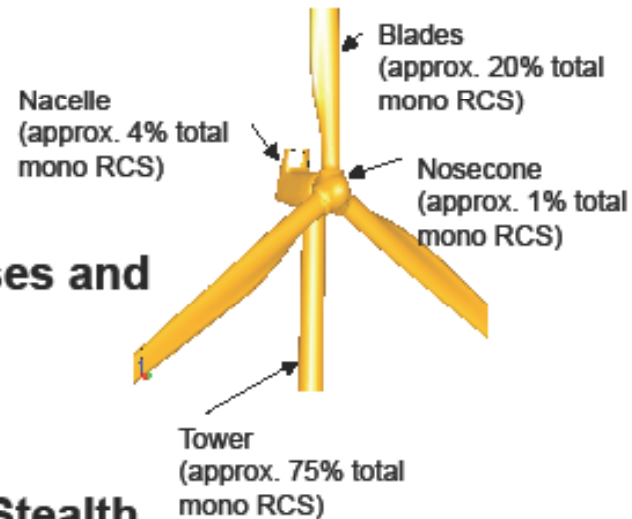
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BY THE RADAR IS
REFLECTED OFF OF THE
BLADES
GENERATOR
AND TOWER
AND RETURNED TO THE
RADAR AS INTERFERENCE



Radar Mitigation

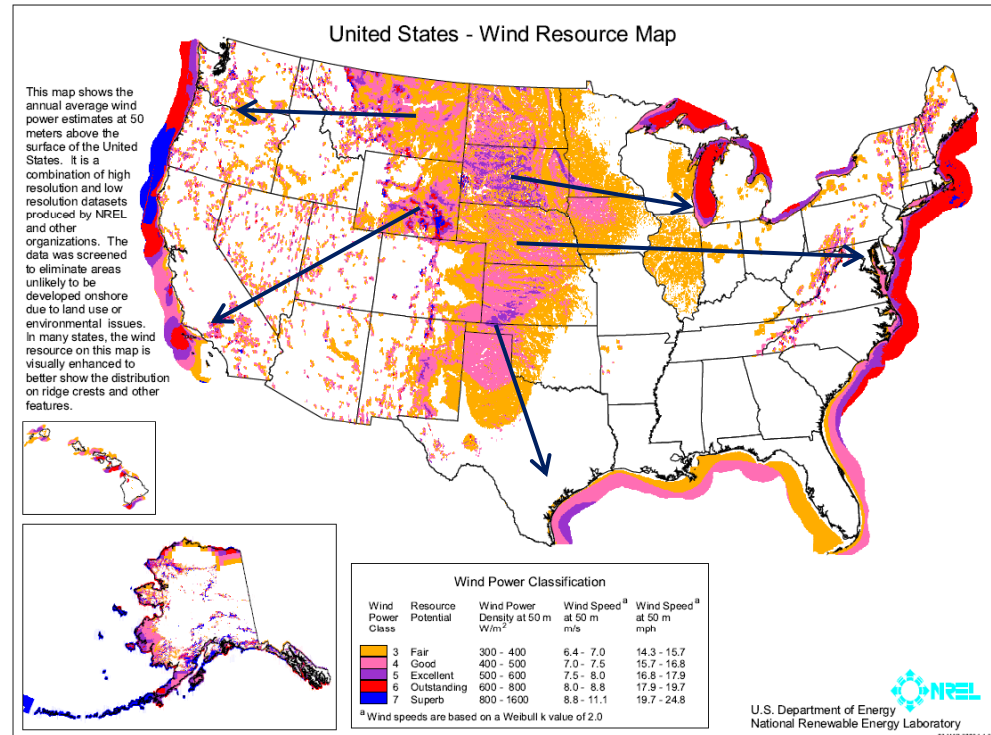
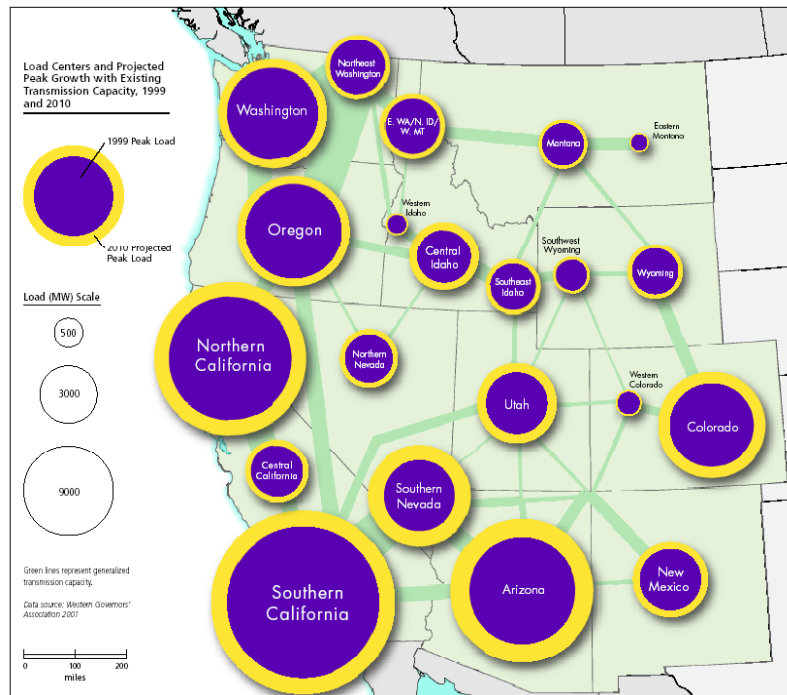
Key issues currently being addressed

- **Develop Wind-Radar Checklist**
- **Expand Mitigation Toolbox**
- **Provide Outreach**
 - Integrate screening tools
 - Educate developers on processes and risks
- **Plan FY-08 Case Studies and R&D Elements**
- **Coordinate with Manufacturers of Stealth Turbines**
- **Support Field Tests (Mitigation and Stealth Technologies)**



Transmission

- Limitations
- Grid Access
- System studies
- Allocation of available capacity
- Scheduling and costs for usage



DOE work is underway to develop large scale transmission to take energy from the high resource areas to the high load areas. BPA, WAPA and OE working to facilitate planning and development activities.

Additional Considerations

Policy

- Encourage economic development and use of local resources
- Facilitate “green” markets
- Federal, state and local incentives such as the:
- **Production Tax Credit (PTC) - extended to 2012**
- **30% Investment Tax Credit (ITC) or cash grant in lieu of the PTC,**
- **Renewable Portfolio Standards (RPS)**

Remote Systems

- Amount of energy from wind
- Control of system voltage and frequency
- Use of excess wind energy

External Conditions

- Lightning
- Extreme Winds
- Corrosion
- Extreme temperatures

Intermittency

- Operational Impacts - ancillary services including voltage/VAR control, load following, etc.
- 10-20% of system capacity is reasonable; some countries have gotten to 30%

Wind Resource Assessment

Location

Wind characteristics

Collect & analyze wind data






Energy estimates & uncertainty

3 Most Important Factors when Siting Wind Turbines



Wind Power Density Classes

Wind Power Classification

Wind Power Class	Resource Potential	Wind Power Density at 50 m W/m^2	Wind Speed ^a at 50 m m/s	Wind Speed ^a at 50 m mph
	3 Fair	300 - 400	6.4 - 7.0	14.3 - 15.7
	4 Good	400 - 500	7.0 - 7.5	15.7 - 16.8
	5 Excellent	500 - 600	7.5 - 8.0	16.8 - 17.9
	6 Outstanding	600 - 800	8.0 - 8.8	17.9 - 19.7
	7 Superb	800 - 1600	8.8 - 11.1	19.7 - 24.8

^a Wind speeds are based on a Weibull k value of 2.0

Site Assessment

Basic steps to select a site:

**Prospecting – evidence of significant wind
(wind maps or physical)**

Transmission/distribution lines?

Road access?

Environmental concerns?

Military, NEXRAD & FAA radar?

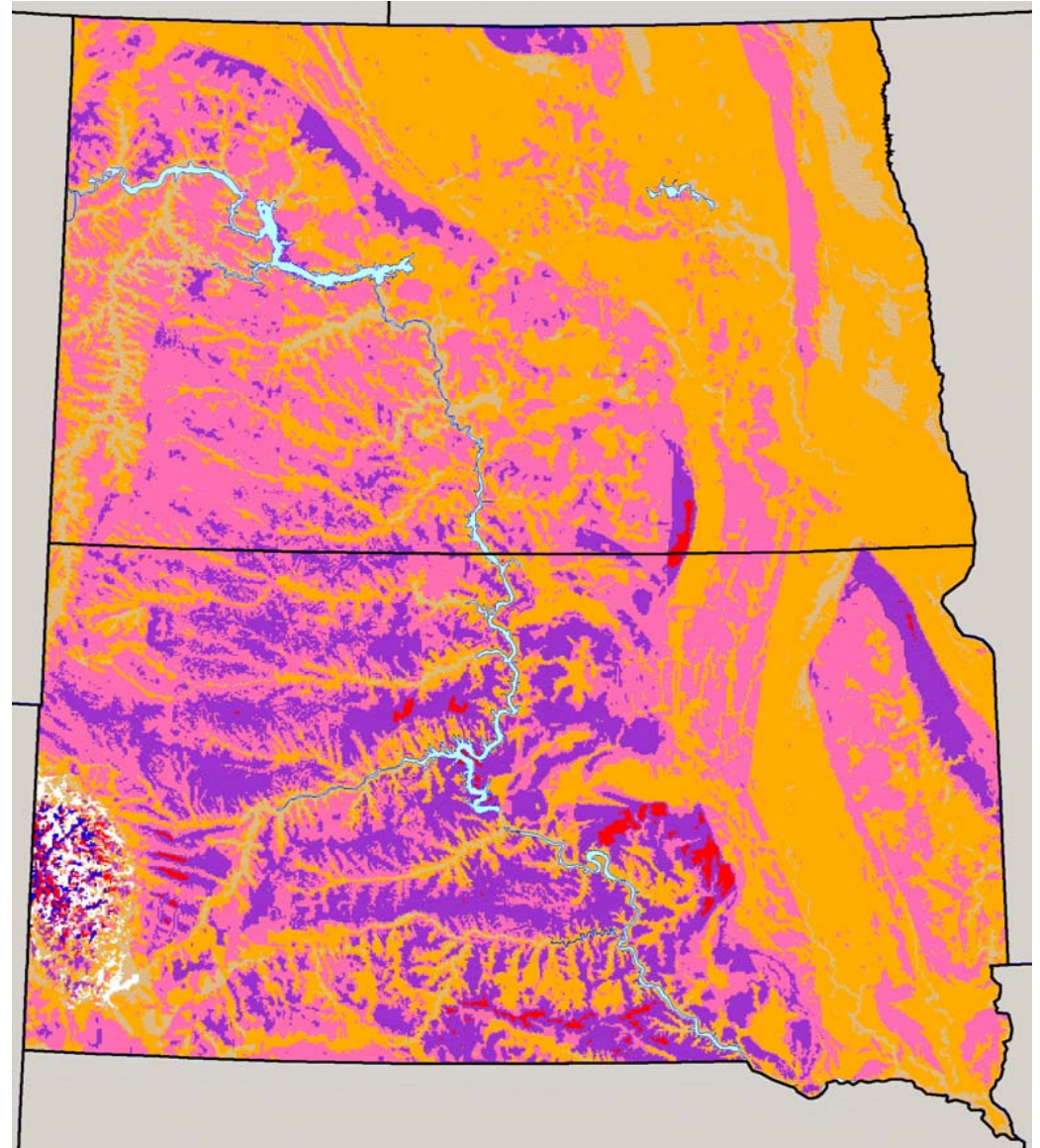
Military & Civilian airports?

Electricity market (sufficient on-site load)?

Receptive community?

Wind Data Sources

- Wind maps
- Regional wind atlases
- Biological indicators (vegetation)
- Environmental monitoring data
- Airport data
- Local knowledge



Washington - Wind Power Resource Estimates

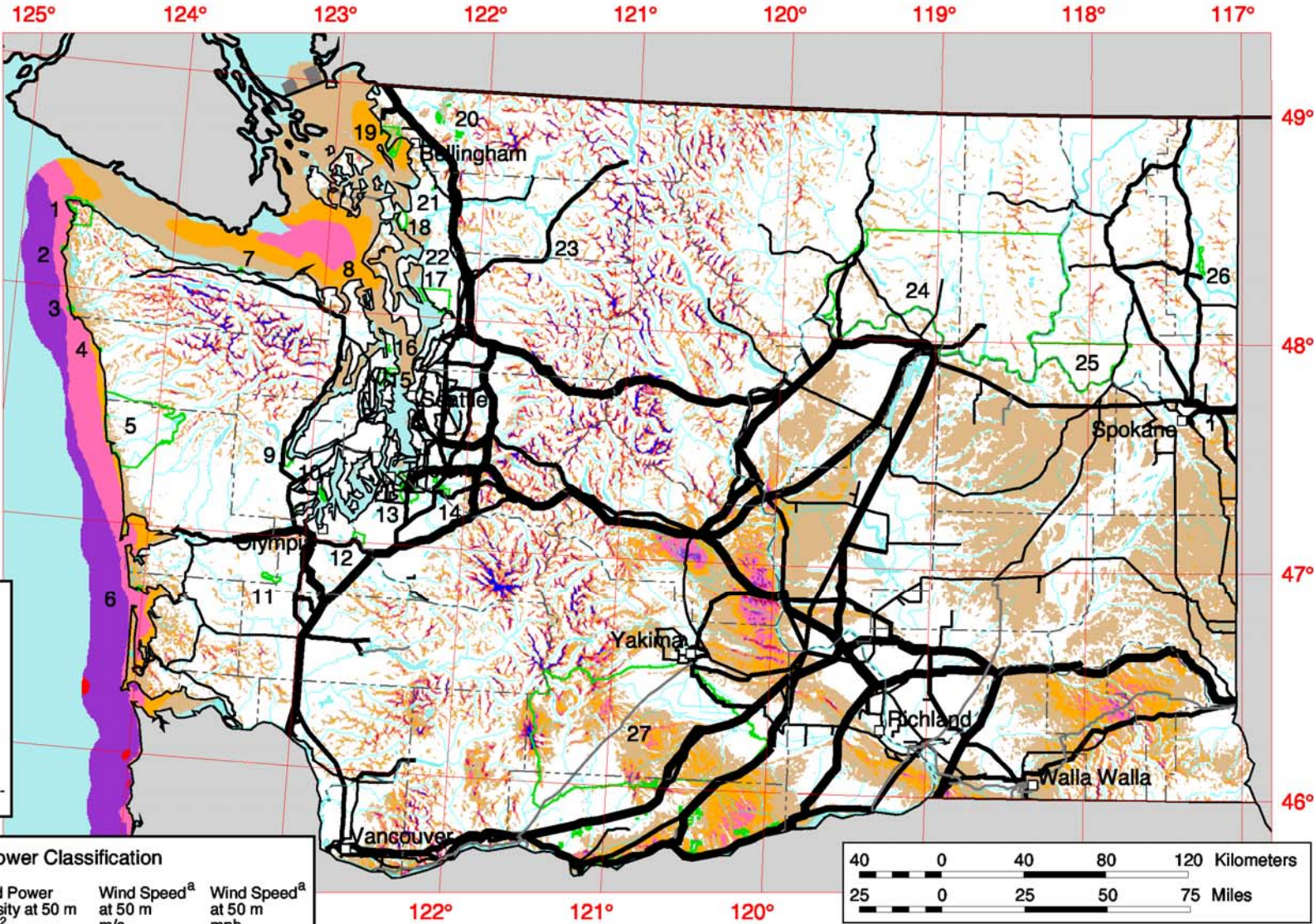
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 - 10 Squaxin Island
 - 11 Chehalis
 - 12 Nisqually
 - 13 Puyallup
 - 14 Muckleshoot
 - 15 Port Madison
 - 16 Port Gamble
 - 17 Tulalip
 - 18 Swinomish
 - 19 Lummi
 - 20 Nooksack
 - 21 Upper Skagit
 - 22 Stillaquamish
 - 23 Sauk-Suiattle
 - 24 Colville
 - 25 Spokane
 - 26 Kalispel
 - 27 Yakama

- Transmission Line*
Voltage (kV)
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 - 115
 - 230 - 287
 - 345
 - 500
 - 1000 (DC)
- * Source: POWERmap, © 2002
Platts, a Division of the McGraw-Hill Companies

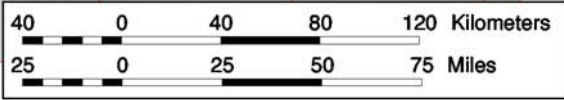
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The wind power resource data for this map was produced by TrueWind Solutions using the Mesomap system and historical weather data. It has been validated with available surface data by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory and wind energy meteorological consultants.



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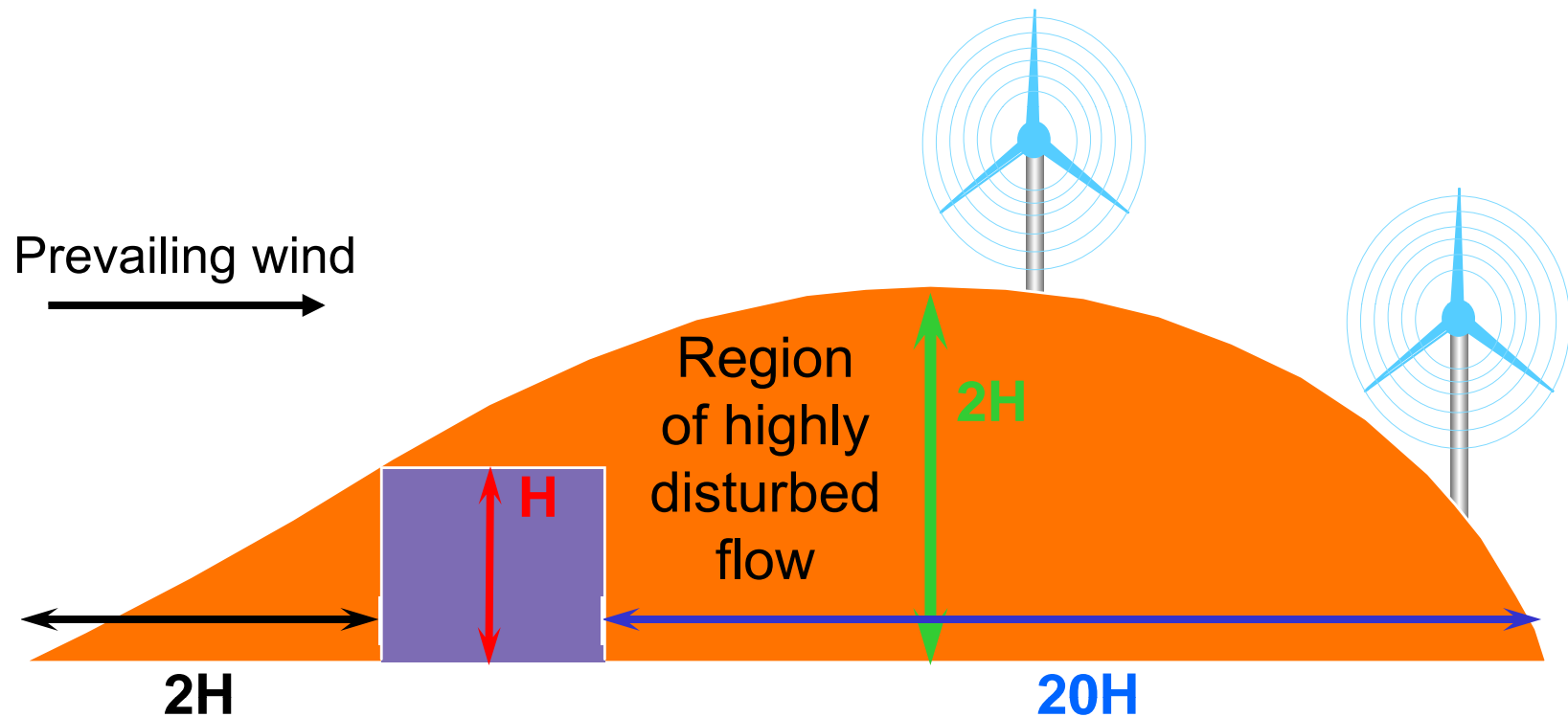


Data Sources

- **Experiential Assessment of the Data – MET tower**
 - Widely practiced in the U.S.
 - Experience required
 - Subjectivity depends on amount of data
 - Data intensive
 - Characterize the prospective turbine locations
 - **Computer Modeling – FirstLook; windNAVIGATOR**
 - Several widely used software packages
 - Similar results from all
 - Experience required
 - Best suited to benign terrain
 - May require less wind data
 - **Combination**
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Micro-Siting

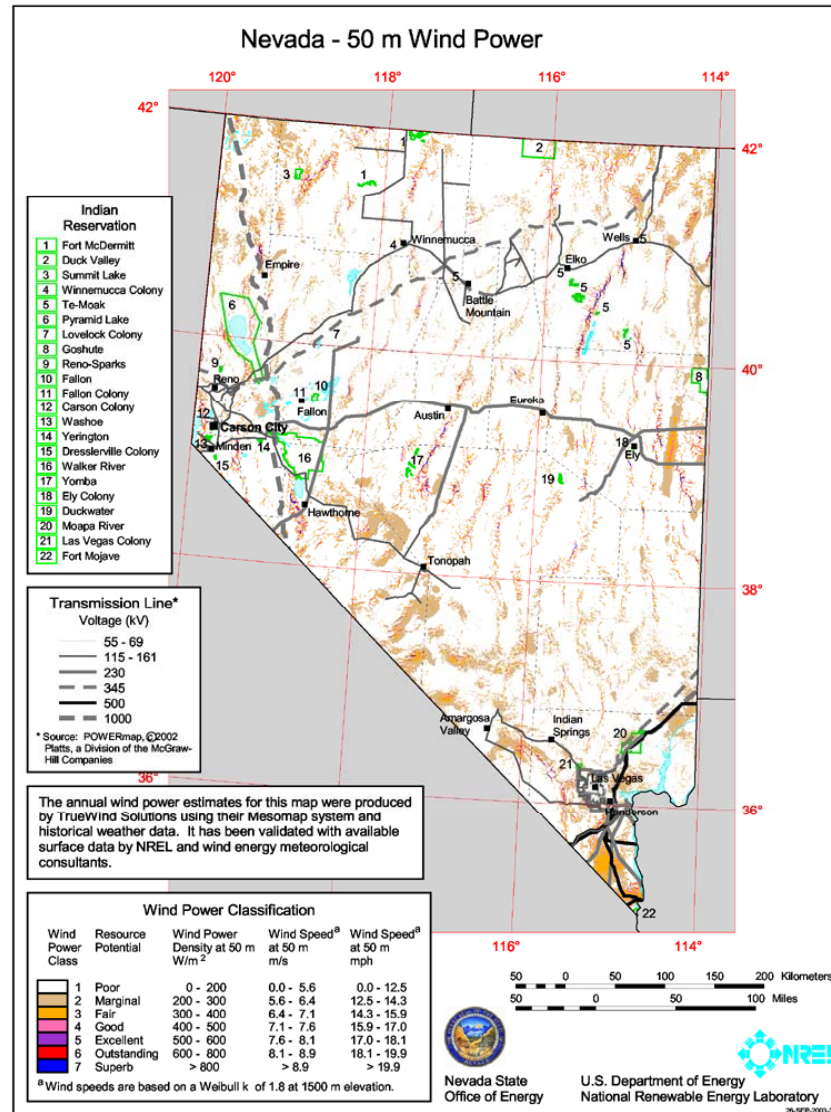
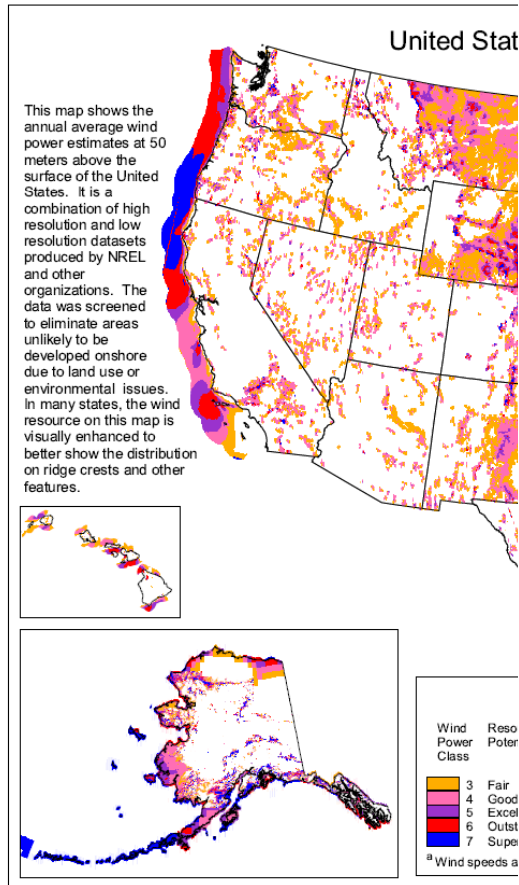
Obstruction of the Wind by a Building – Turbulence Impact



Wind Turbine Siting Matters

- Wind varies year-to-year, site-to-site.
- Developers want sites that maximize the wind resource, minimize risk
- Thorough assessment helps to minimize, not eliminate, the risk
- Uneven heating of the earth surface causes wind
 - seasonal change in vegetation can affect the wind seasonally – snow cover vs. dark green foliage vs. brown foliage vs. no foliage
 - terrain features like large valley can have upslope winds in morning and downslope winds in afternoon
 - drought or forest fire can impact winds generated from surface conditions
 - other earth system features impact wind irregularly – El Nino
- Terrain impacts wind
 - canyons, terrain undulations, trees/forests, buildings can contribute to turbulence which dissipates the wind

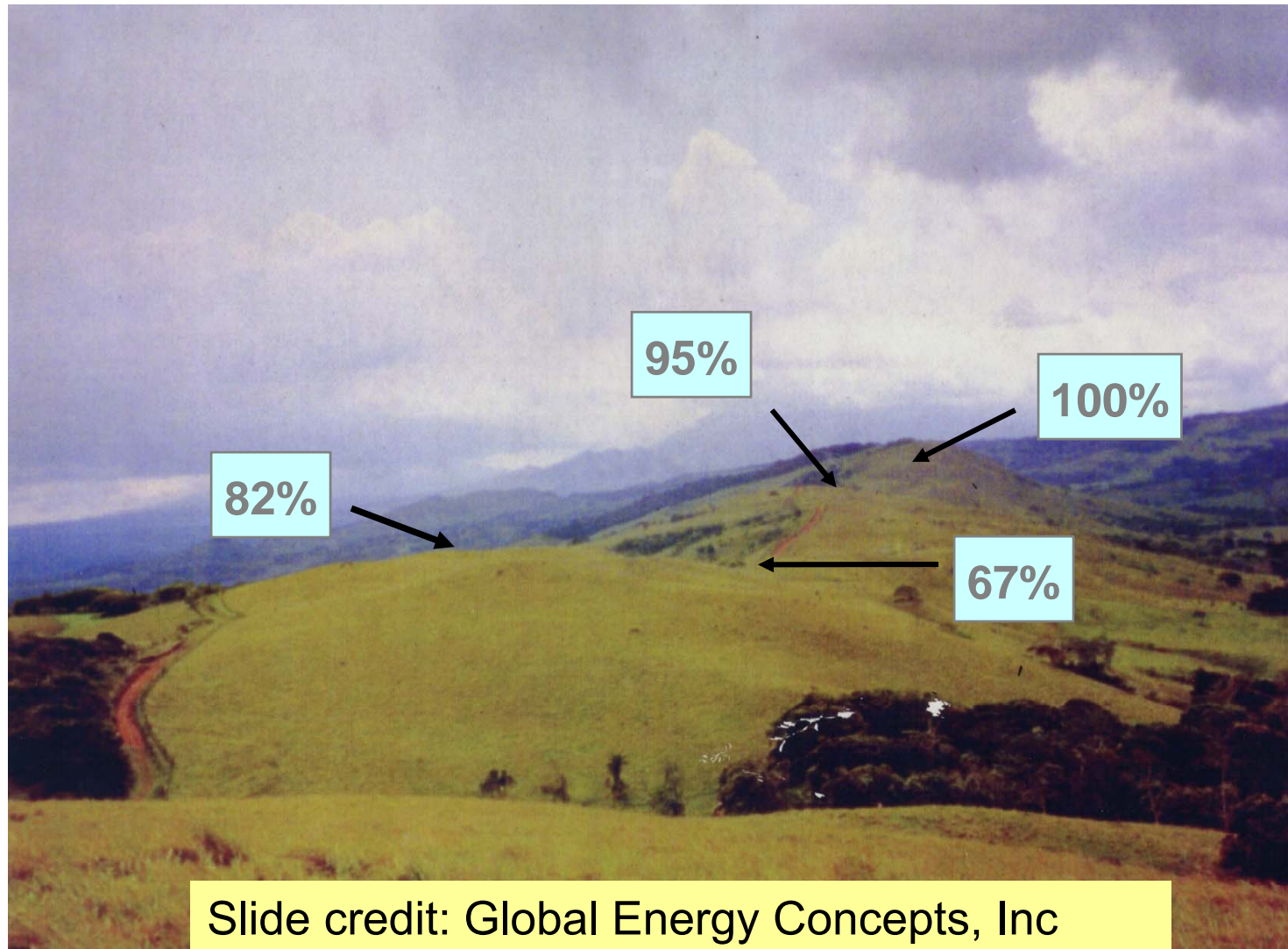
Wind is Very Area Specific



Wind in the west is driven primarily by topography

Access to ridges and mesa tops are critical to economic wind production

Siting makes a difference – for one or multiple turbines in both complex or simple terrain



Class 3 vs Class 6 Wind Site

**Class 3 – at 50m – wind speeds 6.4 – 7.0 m/s
Mean wind speed of 6.7 m/s used for calcs**

BASE CASE - CLASS 3 WIND		
Annual Energy	2,085,849	kWh/yr
Annual Revenue/turbine	\$125,151	\$/yr/turb
Wind Farm Size	300	MW
Annual Revenue/Farm	\$25,030,184	\$/yr/farm

What is means :

Class 3 site = 150 turbines

Class 6 sites = 58 turbines

Need 159% more wind turbines at Class 3 site

**Class 6 – at 50m – wind speeds 8.0 – 8.8 m/s
Mean wind speed of 8.4 used for calcs**

CLASS 6 WIND		
Annual Energy	5,025,063	kWh/yr
Annual Revenue/turbine	\$301,504	\$/yr/turb
Wind Farm Size	300	MW
Annual Revenue/Farm	\$60,300,755	\$/yr/turb
Increase in Rev/Yr	\$37,763,470	\$/yr/farm
Energy & Rev Increase	167.6%	

The revenue “increase” at this Class 6 site is greater than “annual revenue” at Class 3 site !

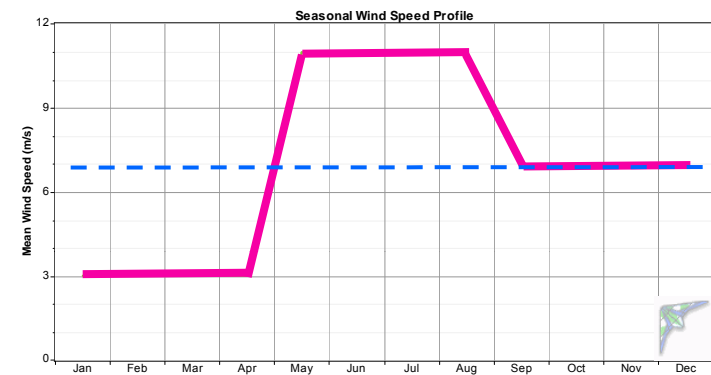
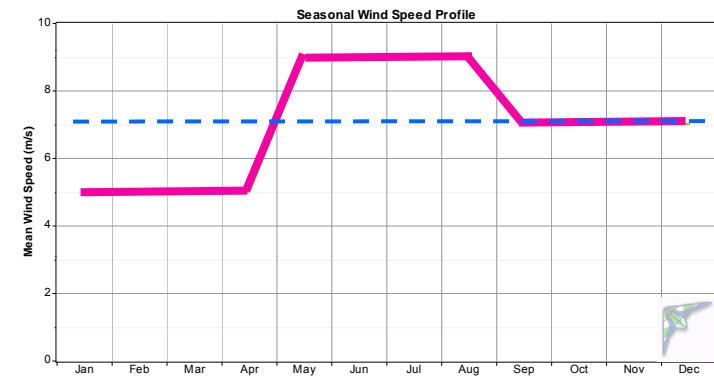
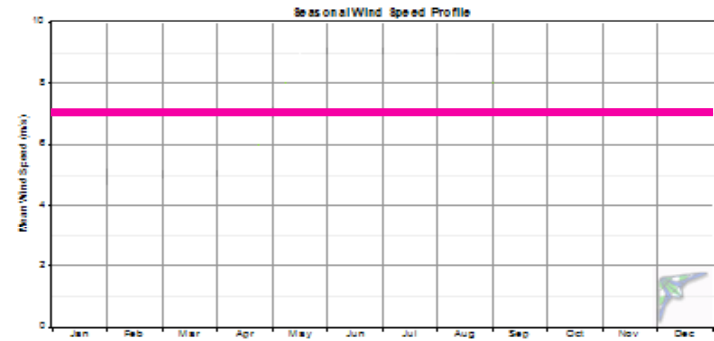
Importance of Wind Resource Assessment

Mean Annual Wind Speed = 7 m/s

Steady 7 m/s

1/3 of year at 5 m/s
1/3 of year at 7 m/s
1/3 of year at 9 m/s

1/3 of year at 3 m/s
1/3 of year at 7 m/s
1/3 of year at 11 m/s

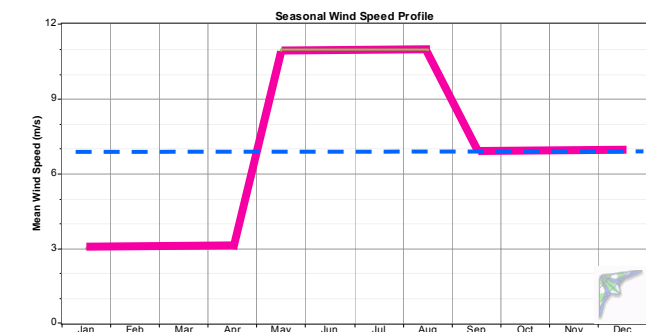
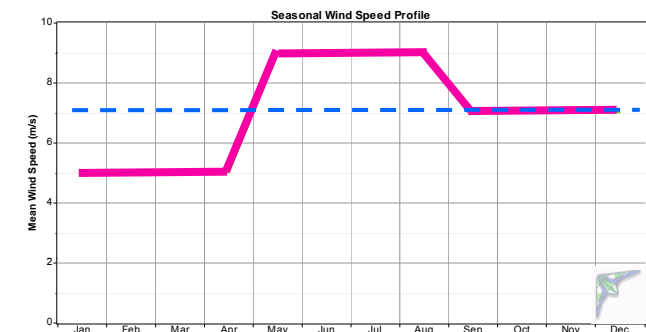
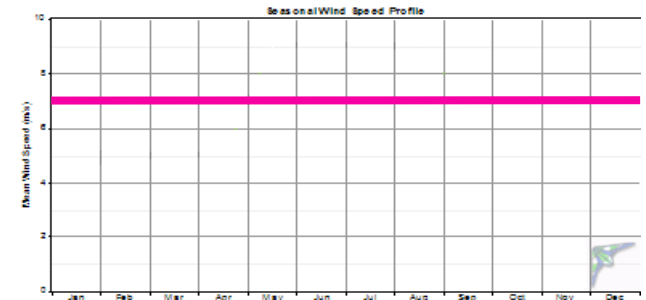


Not All 7 m/s Sites are the Equal !

BASE CASE - STEADY WIND AT 7 M/S		
Annual Energy	1,878,107	kWh/yr
Annual Revenue/turbine	\$112,686	\$/yr/turb
Wind Farm Size	300	MW
Annual Revenue/Farm	\$22,537,284	\$/yr/turb

WIND SPEED AT 5 - 7 - 9 M/S		
Annual Energy	2,466,956	kWh/yr
Annual Revenue/turbine	\$148,017	\$/yr/turb
Wind Farm Size	300	MW
Annual Revenue/Farm	\$29,603,471	\$/yr/turb
Increase in Rev/Yr	\$7,066,187	\$/yr/farm
Energy & Rev Increase	31.4%	

WIND SPEED AT 3 - 7 - 11 M/S		
Annual Energy	3,912,763	kWh/yr
Annual Revenue/turbine	\$234,766	\$/yr/turb
Wind Farm Size	300	MW
Annual Revenue/Farm	\$46,953,158	\$/yr/turb
Increase in Rev/Yr	\$24,415,874	\$/yr/farm
Energy & Rev Increase	108.3%	



Wind energy is kinetic energy

Mass and momentum

Derived from K.E. = $\frac{1}{2} mv^2$

$$P = A \times \rho V^3 / 2$$

P – Power of the wind [Watts]

- A = Windswept area of rotor (blades) = $\pi D/4 = \pi r^2$ [m²]
- ρ = Density of the air [kg/m³] (at sea level at 15°C)
- V = Velocity of the wind [m/s]



Wind energy is proportional to **velocity cubed (V³)**:

- If velocity is doubled, power increases by a factor of eight ($2^3 = 8$).
- Small differences in average speed cause big differences in energy production.

Actual Wind Turbine Performance

Power from a wind turbine = $C_p \frac{1}{2} \rho A V^3$

- Effect of wind speed, V (cubed)
- Effect of rotor diameter on swept area
 $A = \pi D^2 / 4$
- Effect of elevation and temperature on air density, ρ
- Limits on power coefficient (efficiency):
 $C_p @ 0.2 - 0.4$

• Annual Energy from wind turbine
= Turbine power \times # of hours at that wind speed
(method of bins)

Capacity Factor (CF)

CF = Actual Energy Production / Maximum Possible Energy

- $CF = (\text{Annual kWh}) / (\text{Rated Power} \times 8760)$
 - CF depends on wind speed distribution and wind turbine
 - More wind = higher capacity factors
 - Typical CF = 0.15 - 0.45 [better wind sites have higher CF's]
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Capacity Factor (cont)

Example: What Capacity Factor does to
1000 kW (1MW) rated turbine

1000kW (nominal rated) turbine x 0.25
capacity factor x 8760 hours/year =
2,190,000 kWh annual production

NOT 1000kW x 8760 = 8,760,000 kWh

Some call it “ 0.25 average MW
or 0.25MW_a turbine”

Wind Applications



Distributed
Homes
Farms
Small business
Remote Applications
Schools



Wind Farms
Large Central Station Power



Community Projects
Large businesses
Municipal loads
Schools
Federal Loads

Basic Wind Turbines

Understanding the wind resource at your location is critical to understanding the potential for using wind energy

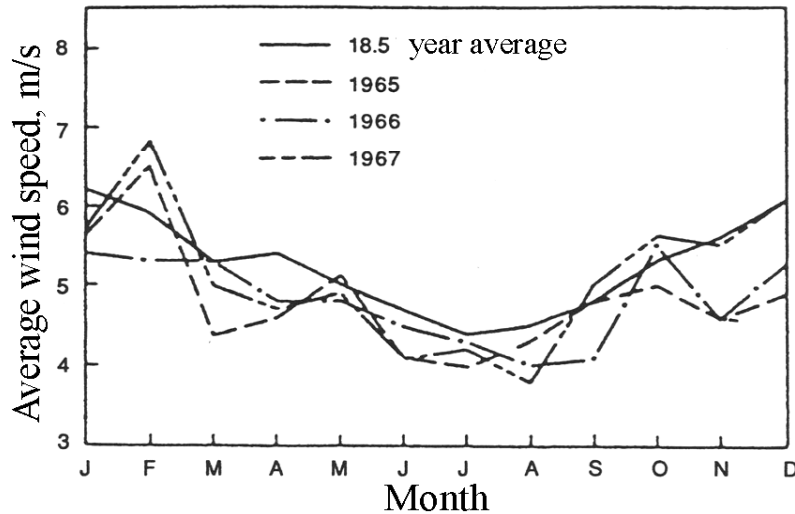
- Wind speed
- Wind direction
- Wind speed change with height

Lift and Drag – The different types of wind turbines

Power Curves – The performance of wind turbines

Power Availability - Power you can get from the wind

Wind Speed

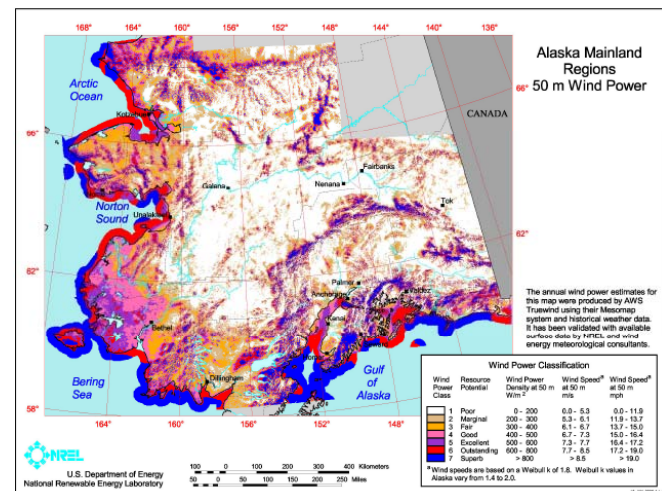
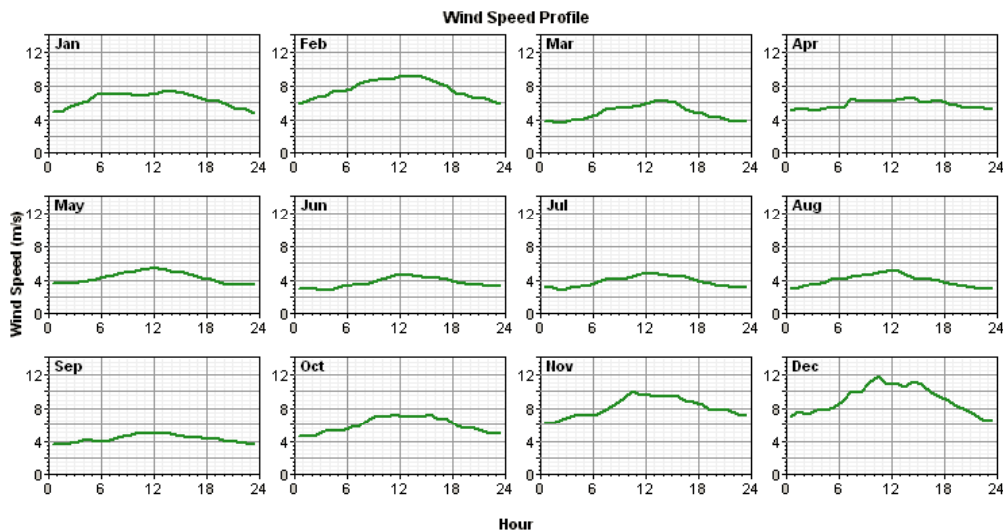


Measured in m/s or mph

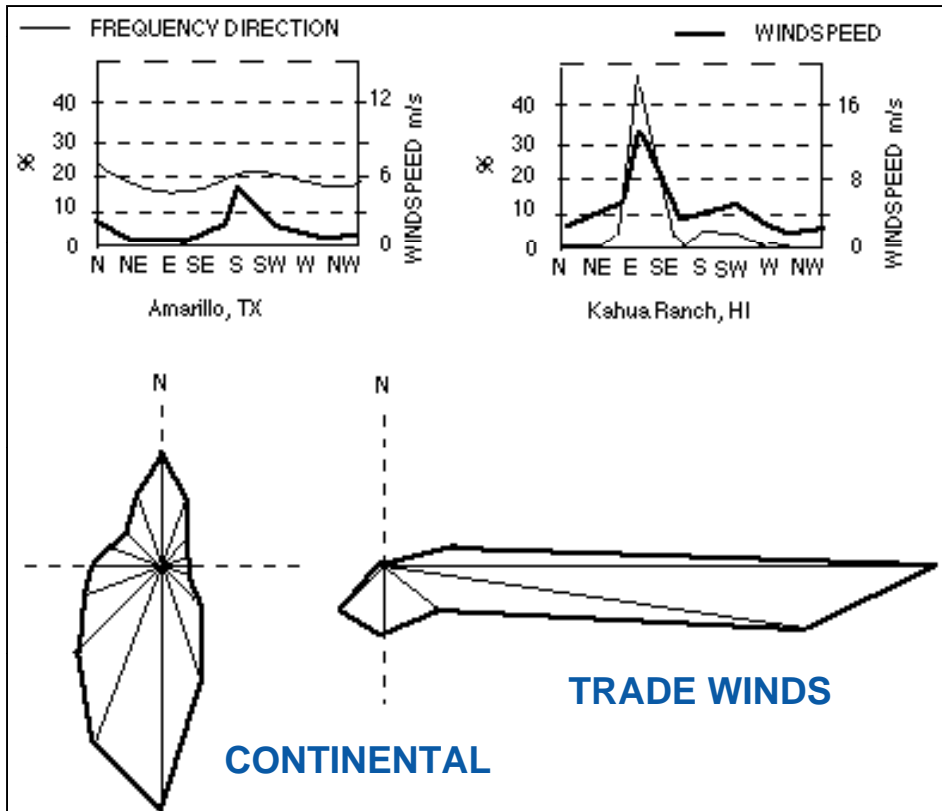
Varies by the second, hourly, daily, seasonally and year to year

Usually has patterns

- Diurnal - it always blows in the morning
- Seasonal – The winter winds are stronger
- Characteristics – Winds from the sea are always stronger and are storm driven.

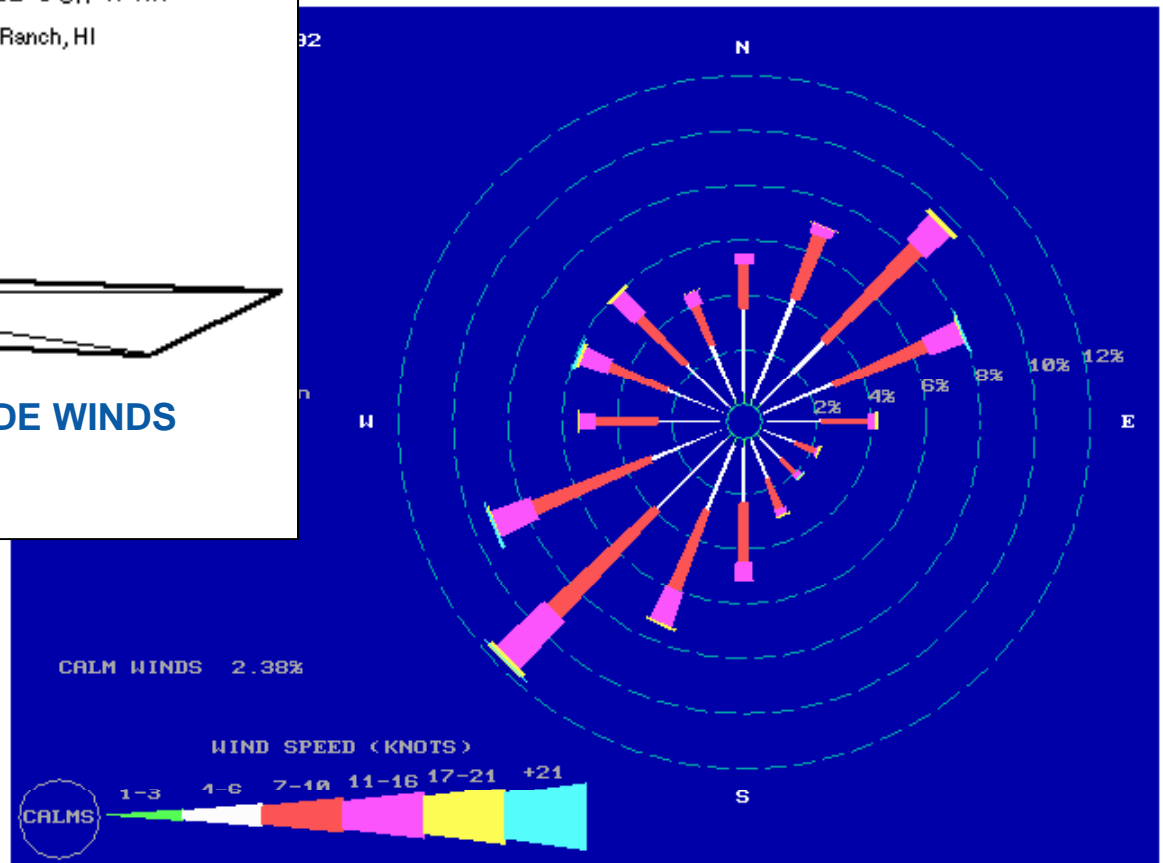


Wind Direction



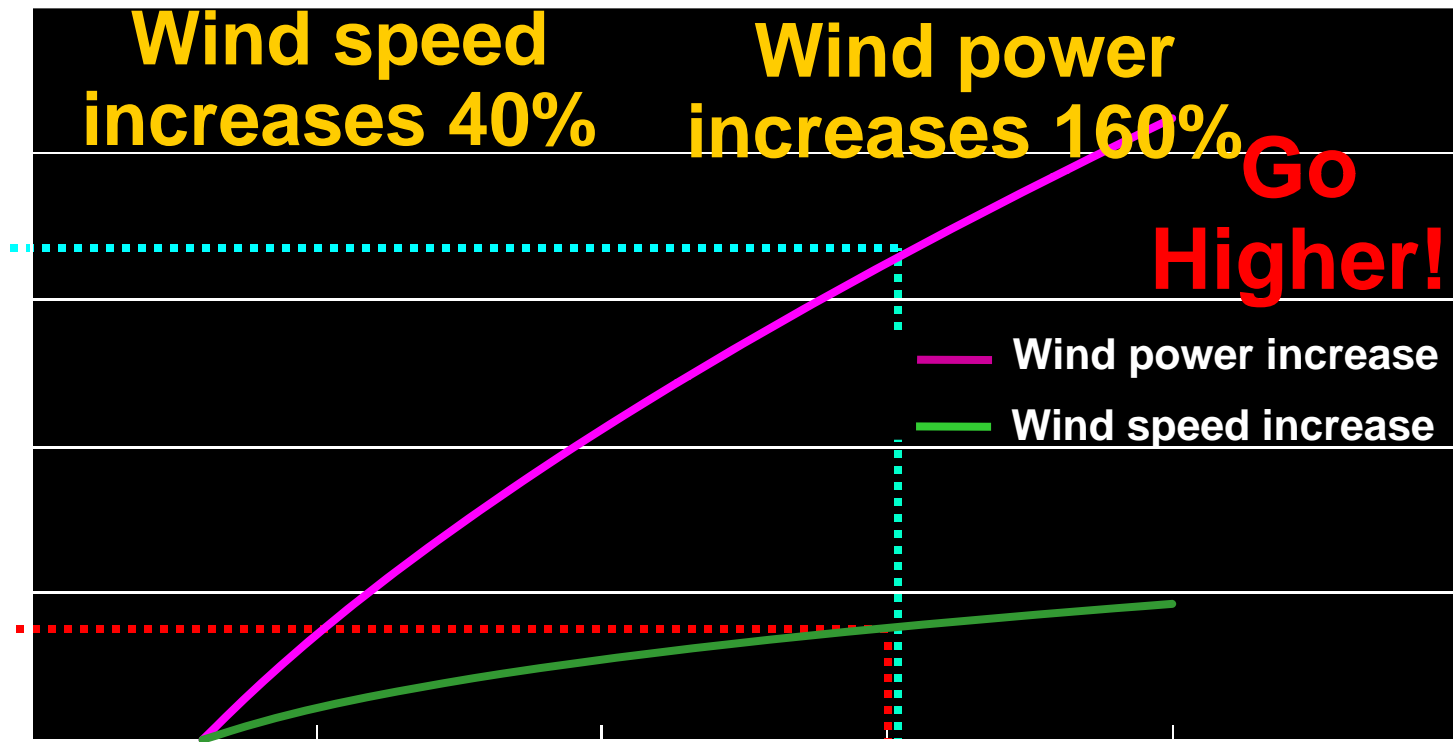
Wind Rose

Wind Speed Rose



Can also have a wind direction change intensity – similar to turbulence

Wind Speed and Power Increase with Height Above the Ground



Lift Wind Turbines



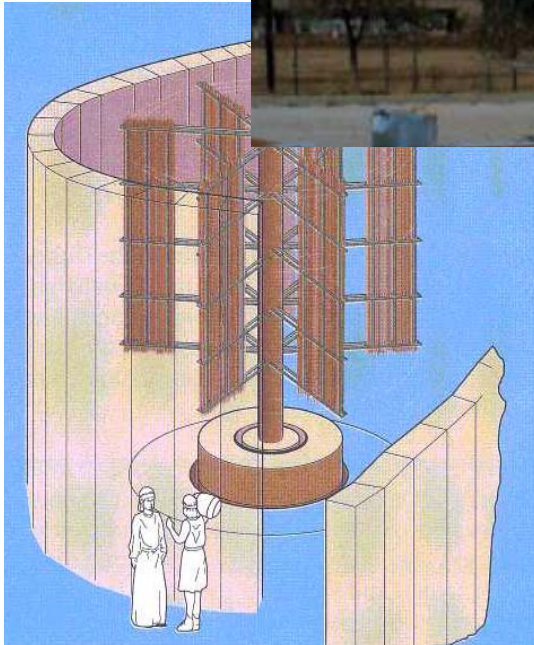
Types of Lift Turbines

HAWT

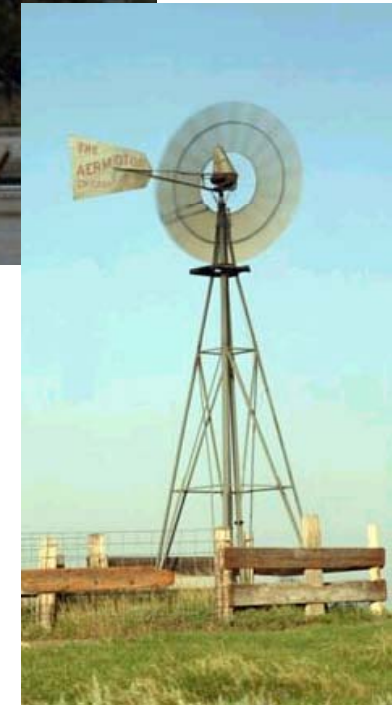
VAWT



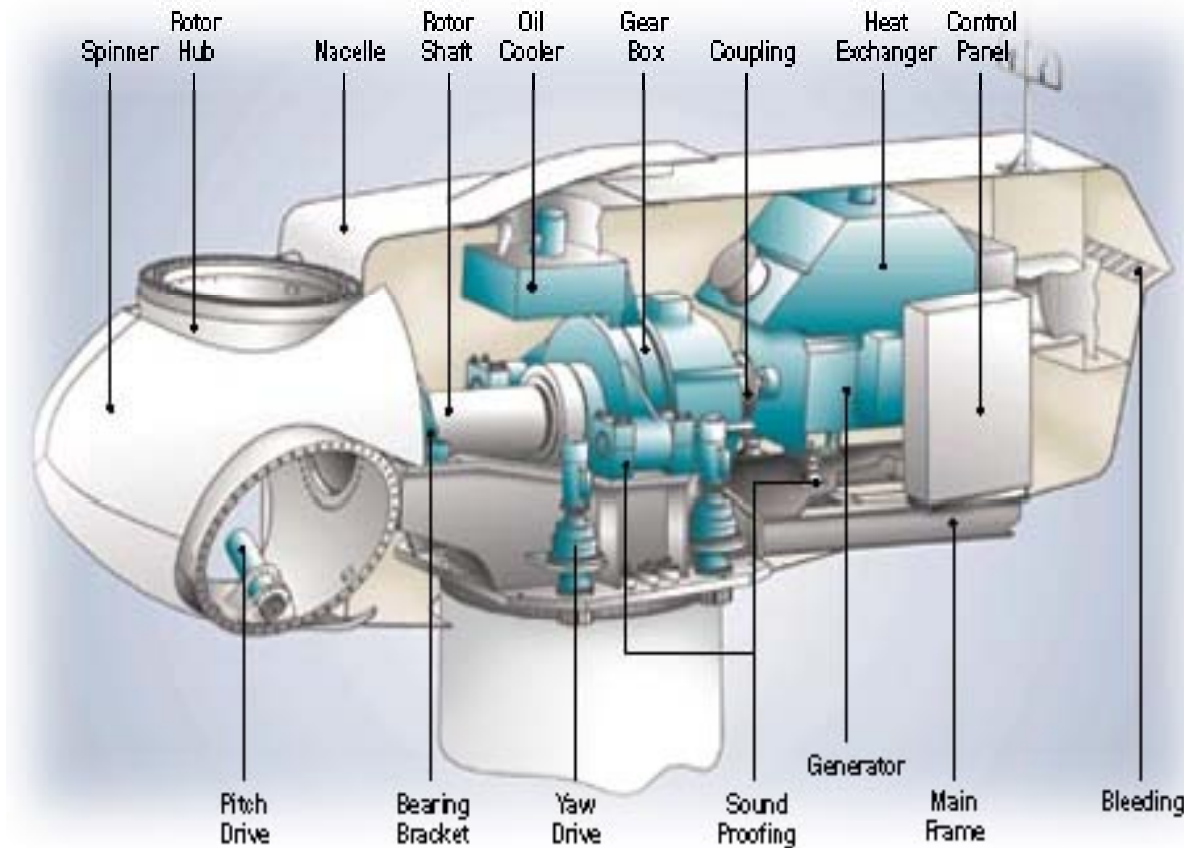
Classic Drag Devices



Use aerodynamic drag to produce power. Typically have high torque and work well in low wind speeds, but not at high wind speeds. Typically higher costs per kWh.



Large Wind Turbines



Generator/gearbox:

- Induction
- variable speed
- Direct Drive

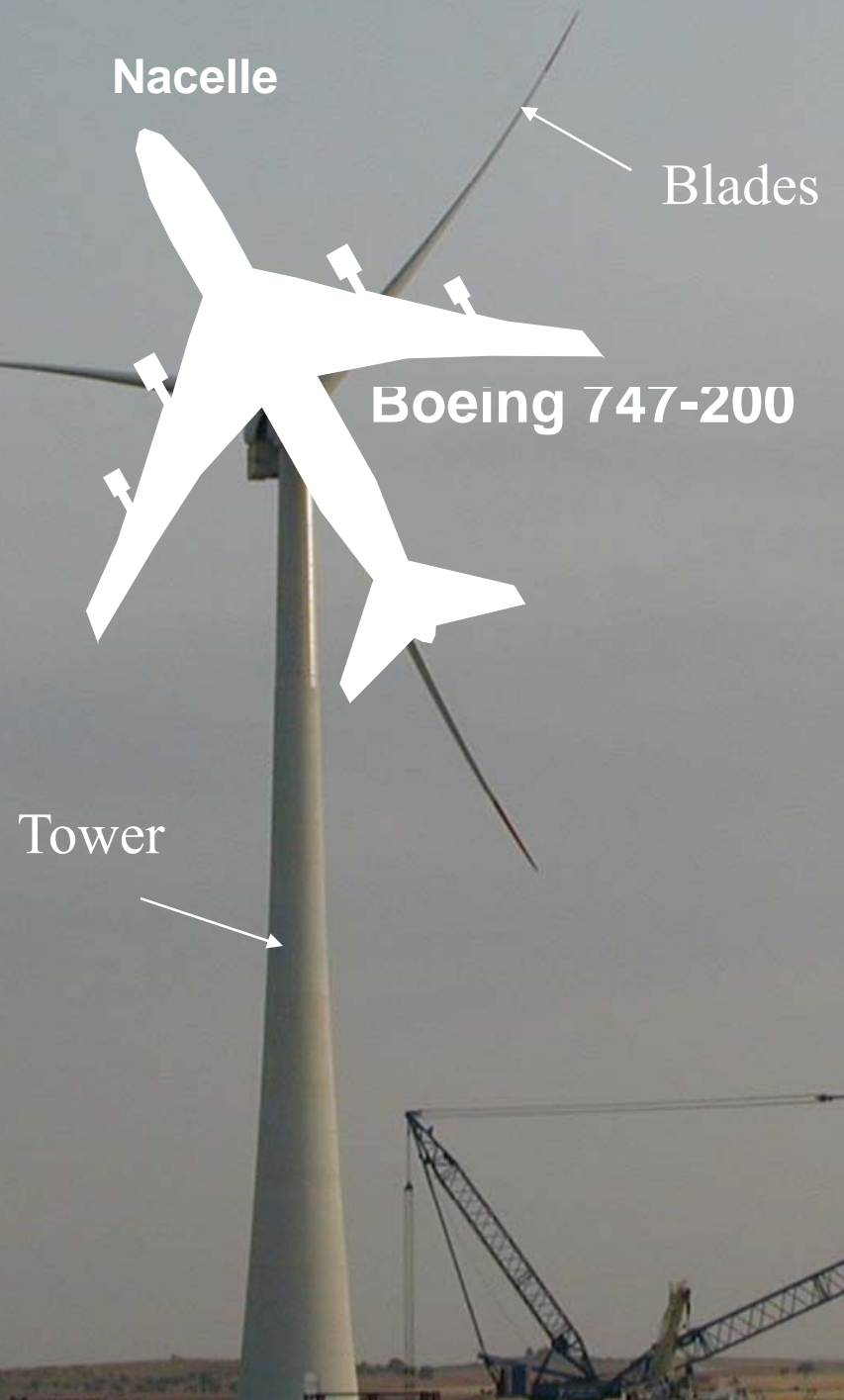
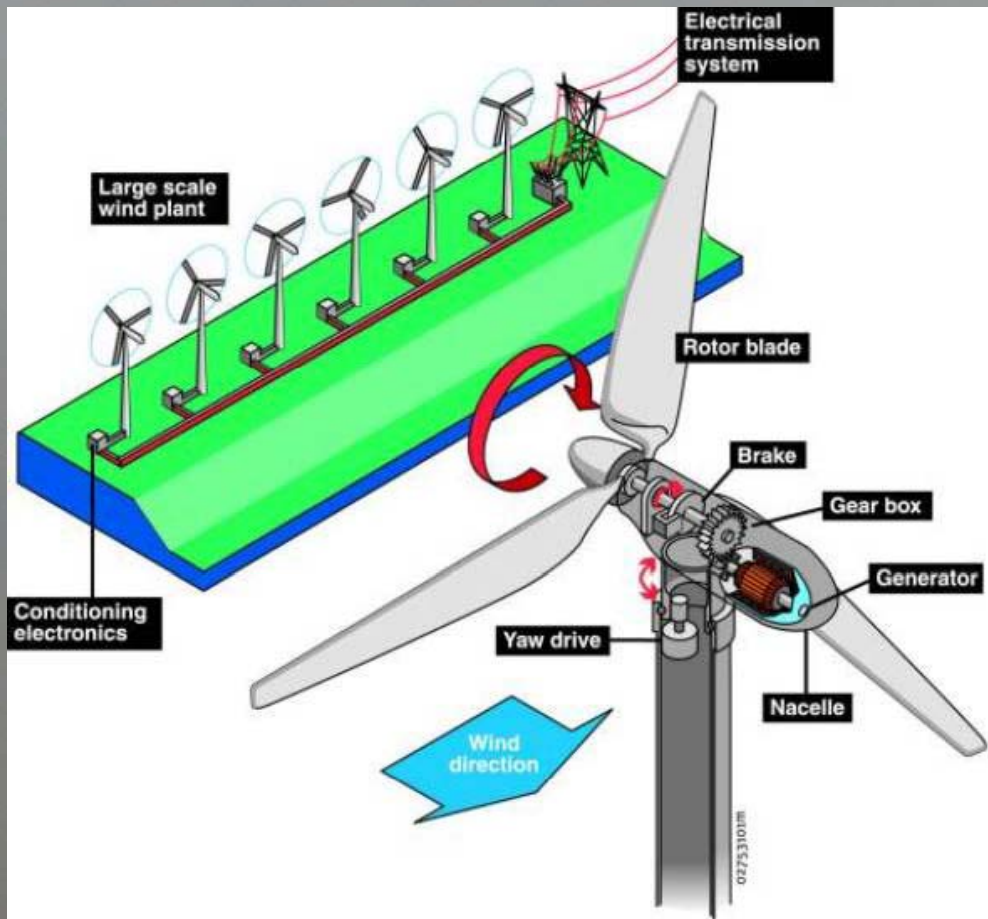
Control:

- Stall (passive)
- Active pitch
- Power control

Active Yaw control

Connected at the transmission or distribution level

Parts of a Wind Turbine Power Plant



Characteristics of Large WTG

Power Types

- Induction (Constant speed)
- Permanent Magnet (Variable speed) using power electronics

Control:

- Stall (passive)
- Active pitch
- Power control

Active Yaw control

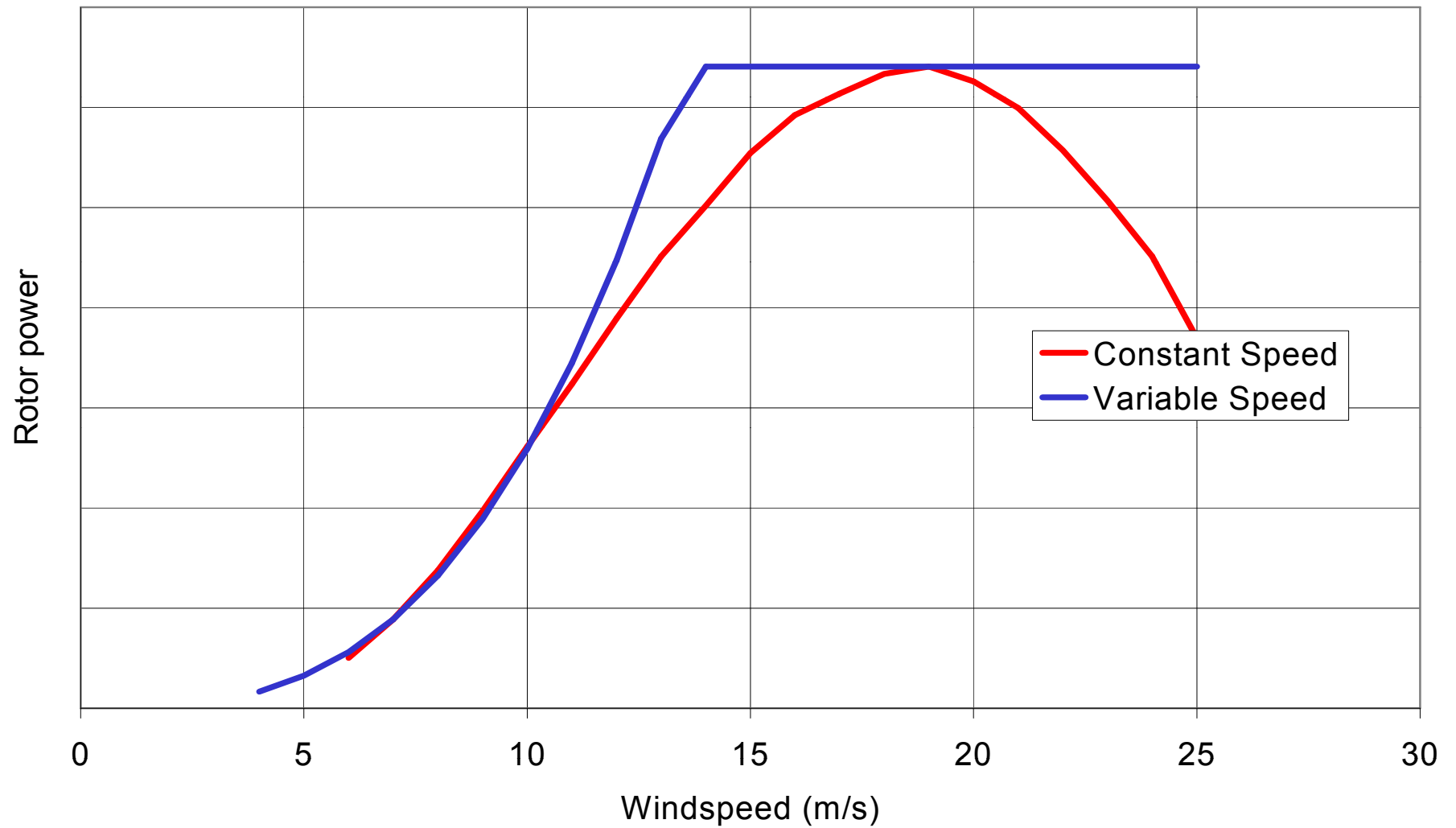
Connected at the transmission or distribution level

Remote monitoring standard

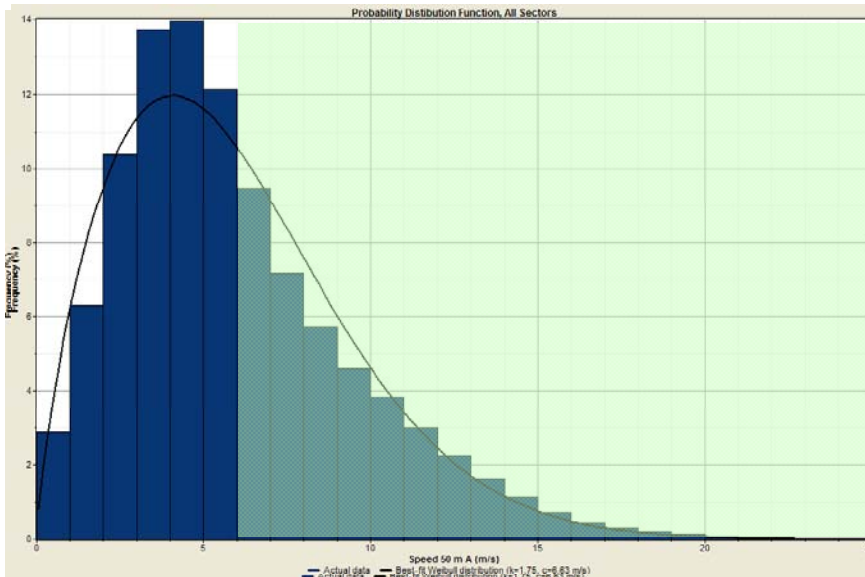
Dedicated maintenance staff for large projects



Power curves



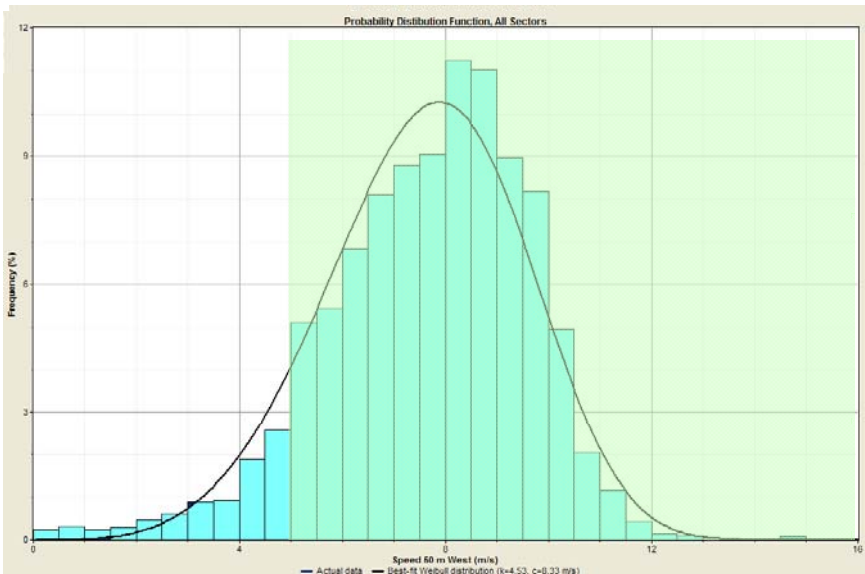
Frequency Distribution



Wind frequency distribution:

Inform us on how many **hours per year** the wind blows at each wind speed

Top graph – Very few hours that the turbine will be operating



Bottom graph – Many more hours a year that the turbine will be operating

Constant versus Variable speed

Constant speed is cheaper

Constant speed is easier to implement

Variable speed can collect more energy

Variable speed can control loads better

Direct Drive Design



Wind Turbine O&M and Failure Issues

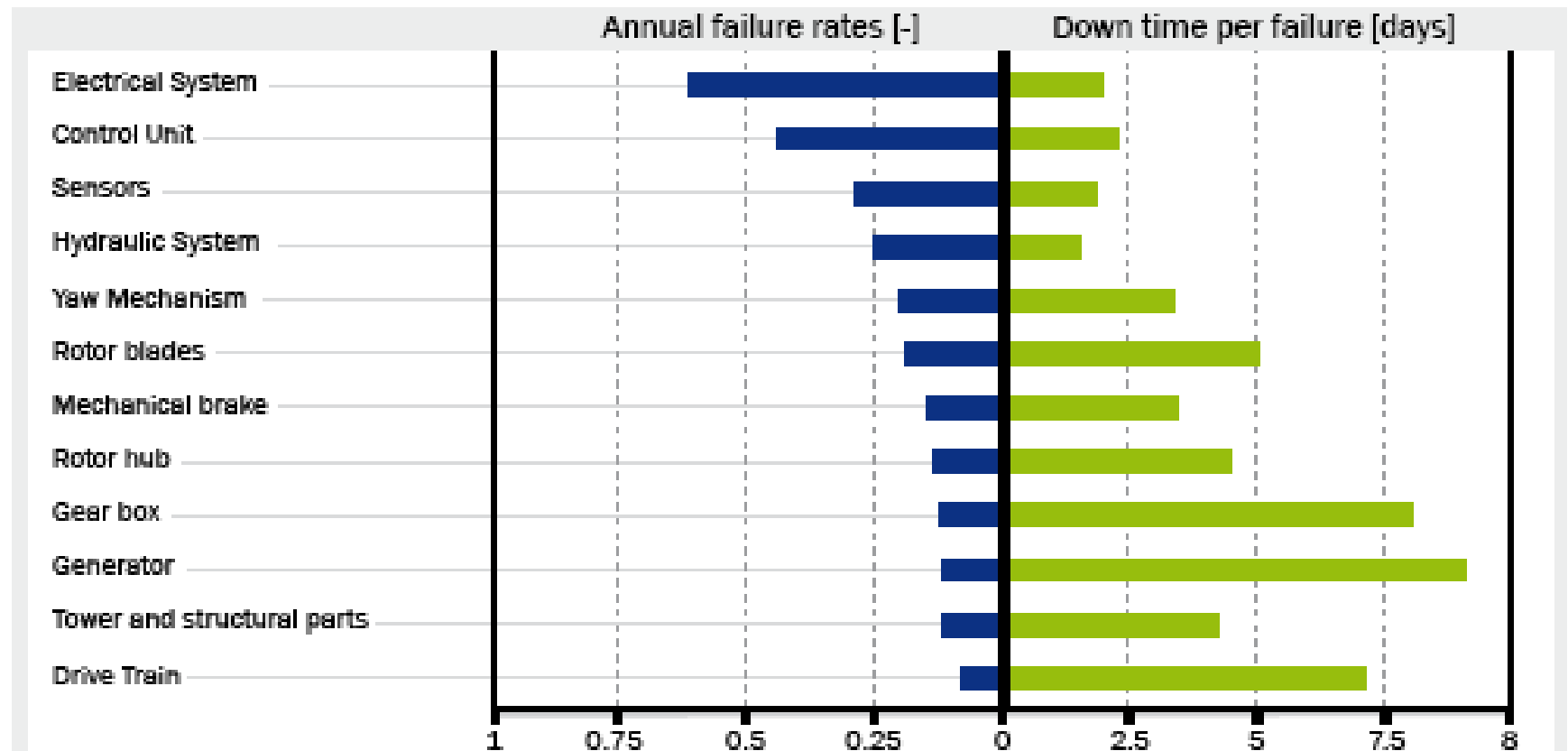
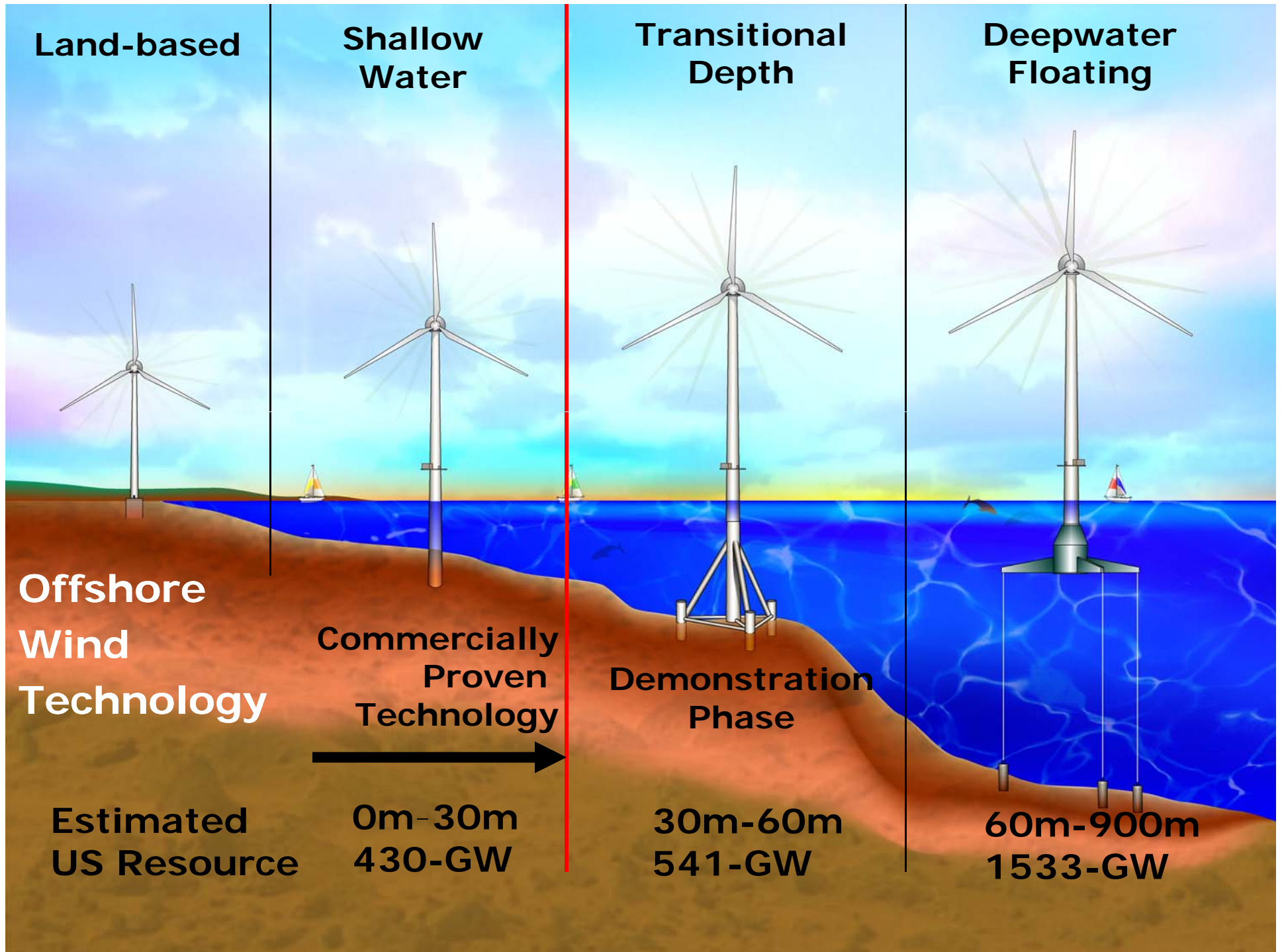


Figure 4: Comparison of wind turbine components according to their annual failure rates and resulting downtimes.

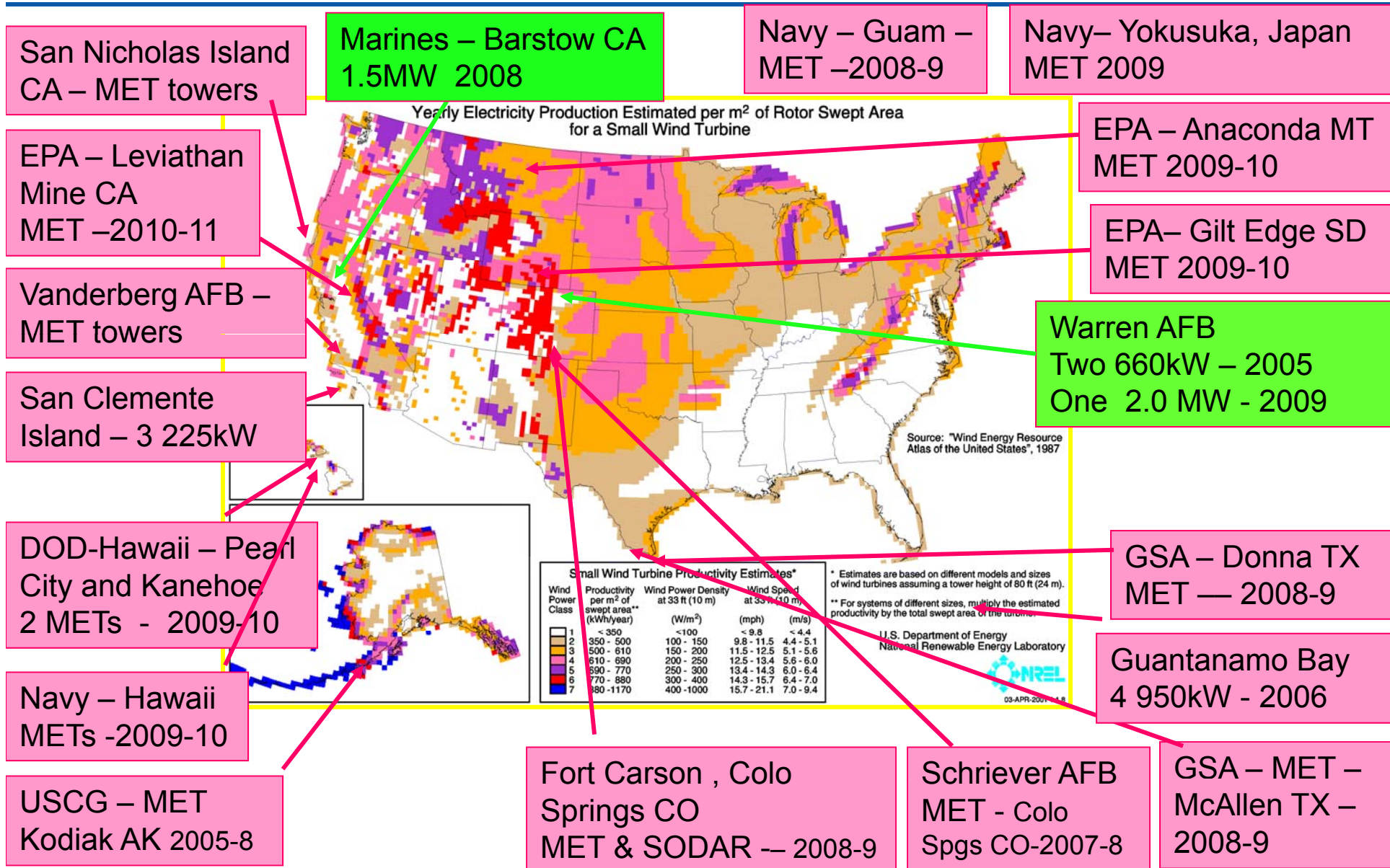
Source: Sandia National Laboratories - <http://www.sandia.gov/wind/other/080983.pdf>



Federal Wind Capacity

Federal Wind Sites	# of Turbines	Turbine Size	Wind Plant Capacity	Install Year
	[#]	[kW]	[kW]	[Year]
San Clemente Island, CA	3	225	675	1998
Guantanamo Bay, Cuba	4	950	3,800	2005
Warren Air Force Base, Cheyenne, WY	1	2,000	3,200	2009
	2	600		2005
Air Force Ascension Island, St Helena, UK Territory	4	225	2,700	1996
	2	900		2004
Victorville Prison, Victorville, CA	1	750	750	2005
Camp Williams, Riverton, UT	1	225	225	1999
	1	660	660	2005
Marine Corps, Barstow, CA	1	1,500	1,500	2008
Total	20		12,010	

Federal Wind Activities - West



San Nicholas Island CA – MET towers

Marines – Barstow CA
1.5MW 2008

Navy – Guam – MET –2008-9

Navy– Yokusuka, Japan MET 2009

EPA – Leviathan Mine CA MET –2010-11

EPA – Anaconda MT MET 2009-10

Vanderberg AFB – MET towers

EPA– Gilt Edge SD MET 2009-10

San Clemente Island – 3 225kW

Warren AFB
Two 660kW – 2005
One 2.0 MW - 2009

DOD-Hawaii – Pearl City and Kanehoe 2 METs - 2009-10

GSA – Donna TX MET — 2008-9

Navy – Hawaii METs -2009-10

Guantanamo Bay 4 950kW - 2006

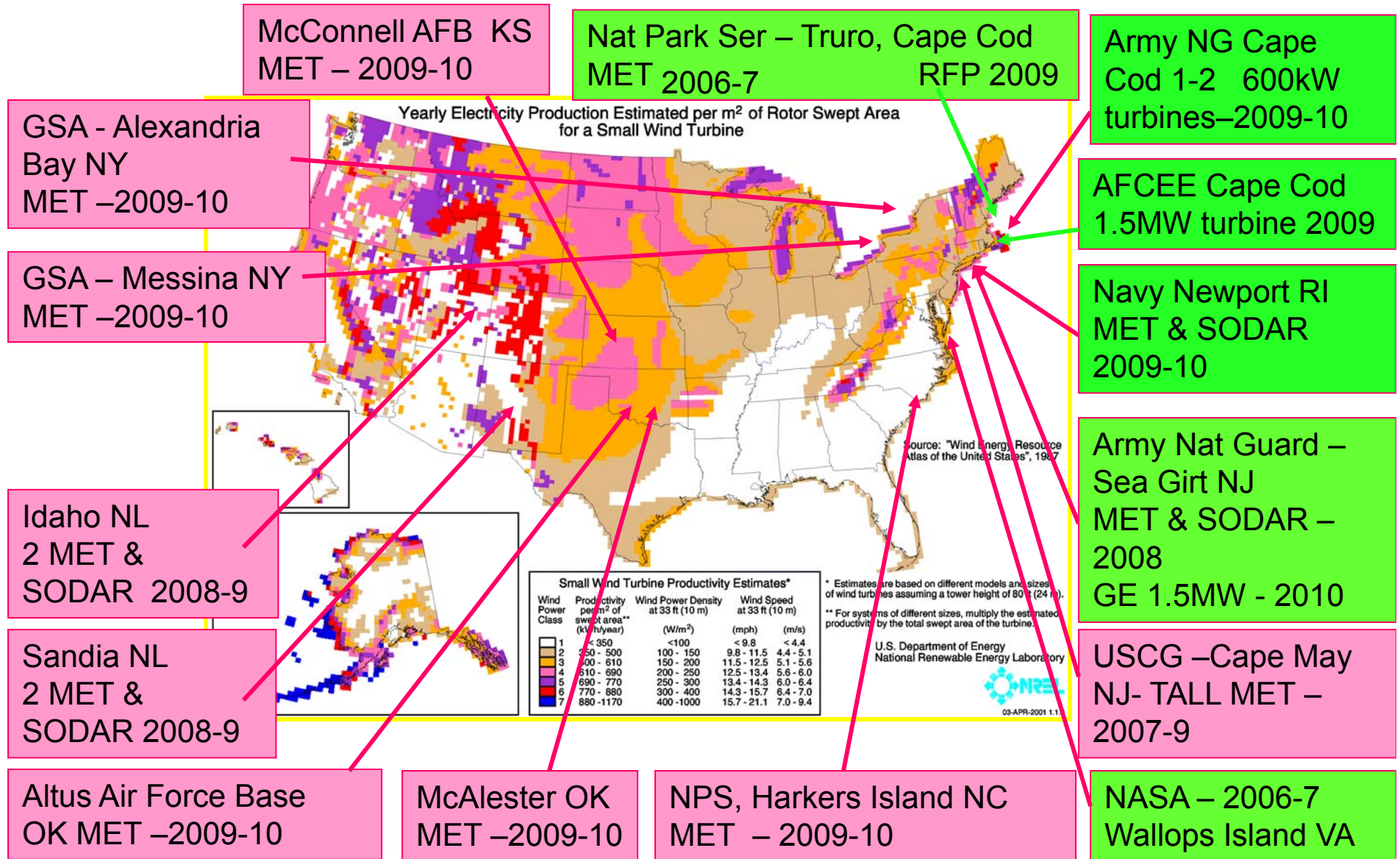
USCG – MET Kodiak AK 2005-8

Fort Carson , Colo Springs CO MET & SODAR — 2008-9

Schriever AFB MET - Colo Spgs CO-2007-8

GSA – MET – McAllen TX – 2008-9

Federal Wind Activities - East



McConnell AFB KS
MET - 2009-10

Nat Park Ser - Truro, Cape Cod
MET 2006-7
RFP 2009

Army NG Cape Cod
1-2 600kW turbines-2009-10

GSA - Alexandria Bay NY
MET -2009-10

AFCEE Cape Cod
1.5MW turbine 2009

GSA - Messina NY
MET -2009-10

Navy Newport RI
MET & SODAR
2009-10

Idaho NL
2 MET &
SODAR 2008-9

Army Nat Guard -
Sea Girt NJ
MET & SODAR -
2008
GE 1.5MW - 2010

Sandia NL
2 MET &
SODAR 2008-9

USCG -Cape May
NJ- TALL MET -
2007-9

Altus Air Force Base
OK MET -2009-10

McAlester OK
MET -2009-10

NPS, Harkers Island NC
MET - 2009-10

NASA - 2006-7
Wallops Island VA

Utah Army National Guard Camp Williams, Utah



Figure Vestas V-47 installation at Camp Williams in May 2005

Load: 5.5-6.3 GWh/yr
Wind Energy: 1.1-1.2 GWh/yr
COE: \$0.035/kWh (2004)
Annual Savings: \$40-45k/yr
Payback: 25-30 yrs

NREL contracted with Vestas
for installation of 660kW
Vestas V-47 wind turbine

Combined with existing 225kW
NEG Micon
Total capacity = 885kW



Figure 2 Newly installed Vestas V-47 660kW wind turbine at left and NEG Micon 225 kW wind turbine at right.

Army - Fort Carson CO

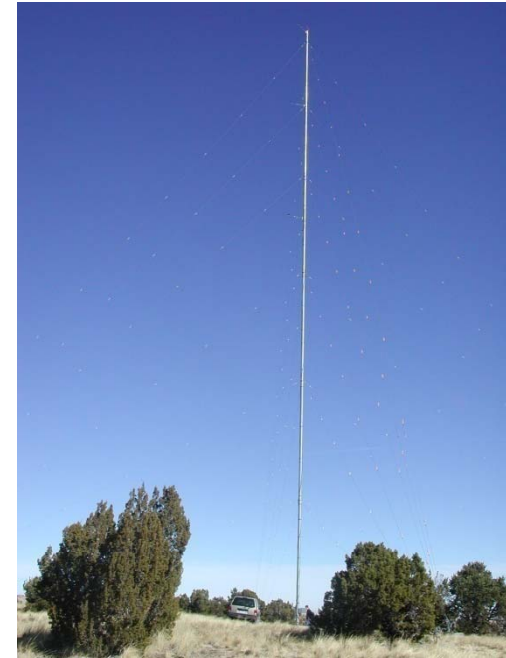
Ft. Carson Summary

Sodar

	40m	50m	60m	70m	80m	90m	100m
Data Points Recov	21193	21175	21078	20834	20398	19768	18909
Ave Spd All Data	5.32	5.65	5.94	6.18	6.40	6.58	6.74
Shear	n/a	0.27	0.27	0.26	0.25	0.25	0.22
Ave Spd January	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Ave Spd February	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Ave Spd March	5.96	6.37	6.70	7.03	7.33	7.63	7.88
Ave Spd April	6.02	6.42	6.72	7.00	7.26	7.49	7.68
Ave Spd May	6.29	6.69	7.00	7.28	7.50	7.70	7.83
Ave Spd June	4.98	5.29	5.54	5.80	6.00	6.19	6.39
Ave Spd July	4.57	4.84	5.09	5.27	5.41	5.53	5.61
Ave Spd August	4.68	4.98	5.27	5.51	5.71	5.90	6.04
Ave Spd Septemb	4.80	5.08	5.36	5.56	5.75	5.93	6.10

Tower

	30m	40m	50m	50m
Data Points Recov	21193	21193	21193	21193
Ave Spd All Data	5.42	5.72	5.86	5.73
Shear	n/a	0.24	0.13	0.01
Ave Spd January	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Ave Spd February	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Ave Spd March	6.08	6.42	6.60	6.56
Ave Spd April	6.16	6.51	6.66	6.63
Ave Spd May	6.46	6.84	6.97	6.88
Ave Spd June	5.15	5.39	5.52	5.42
Ave Spd July	4.72	4.95	5.13	4.96
Ave Spd August	4.71	4.98	5.13	4.93
Ave Spd Septemb	4.79	5.08	5.20	4.99



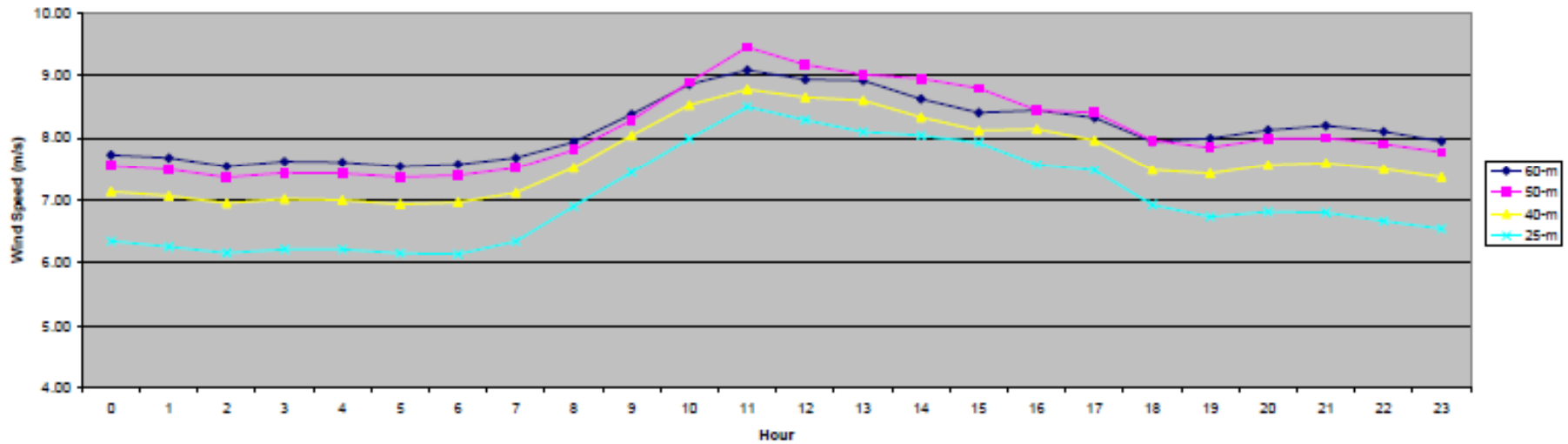
Guam - Navy

Guam
Met tower site

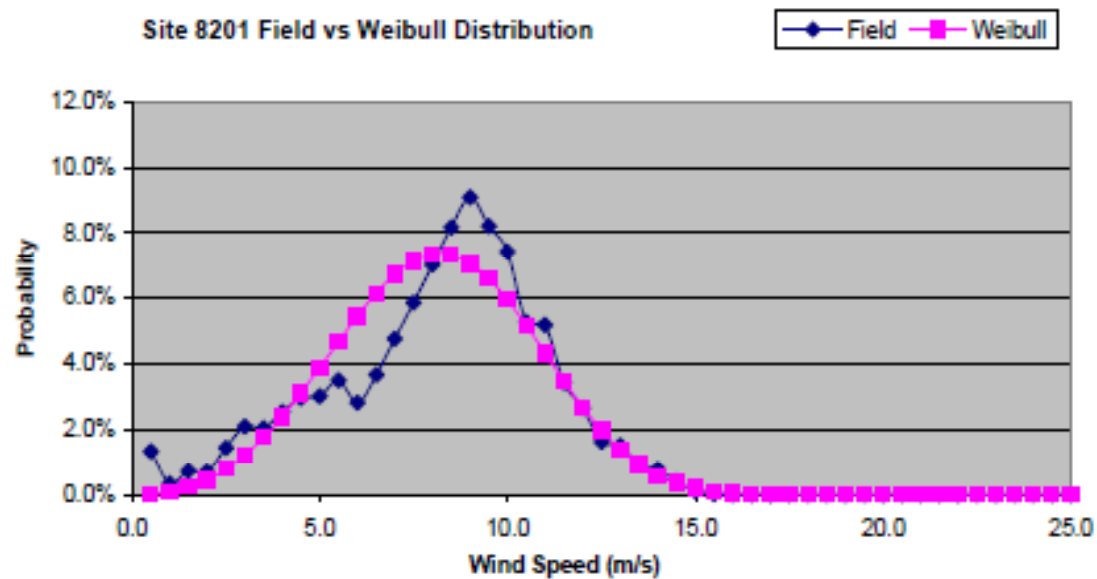


GUAM – Diurnal Wind Profile & Distribution

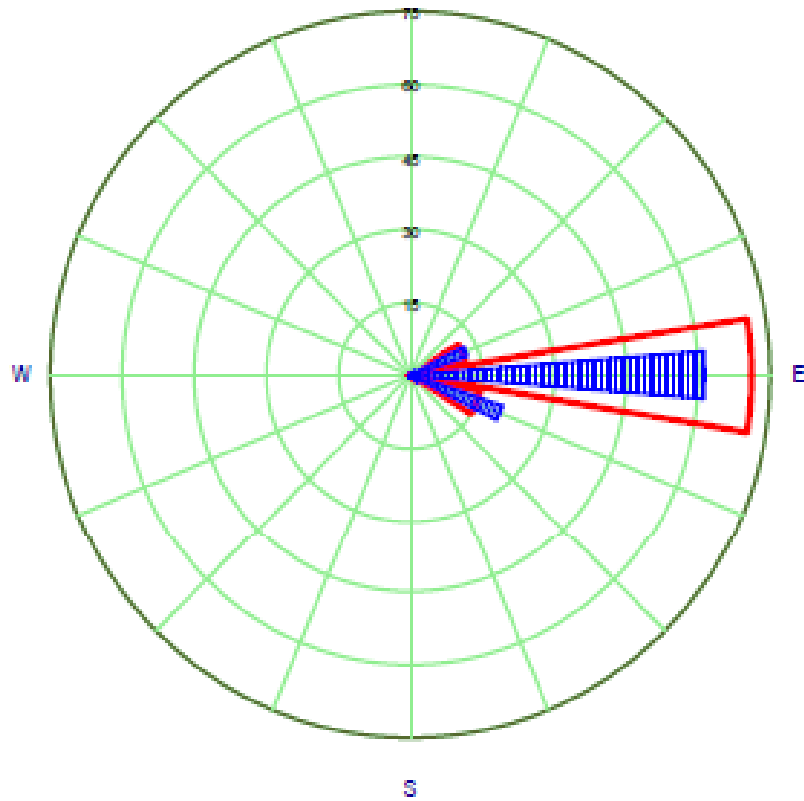
Site 8201 Monthly Diurnal Wind Speed Distribution



Site 8201 Field vs Weibull Distribution



Guam Wind Report - Wind Rose



VERY steady
wind out of the
east
– the trade winds

Cumulative Wind Rose - Site 8201 (60 m)

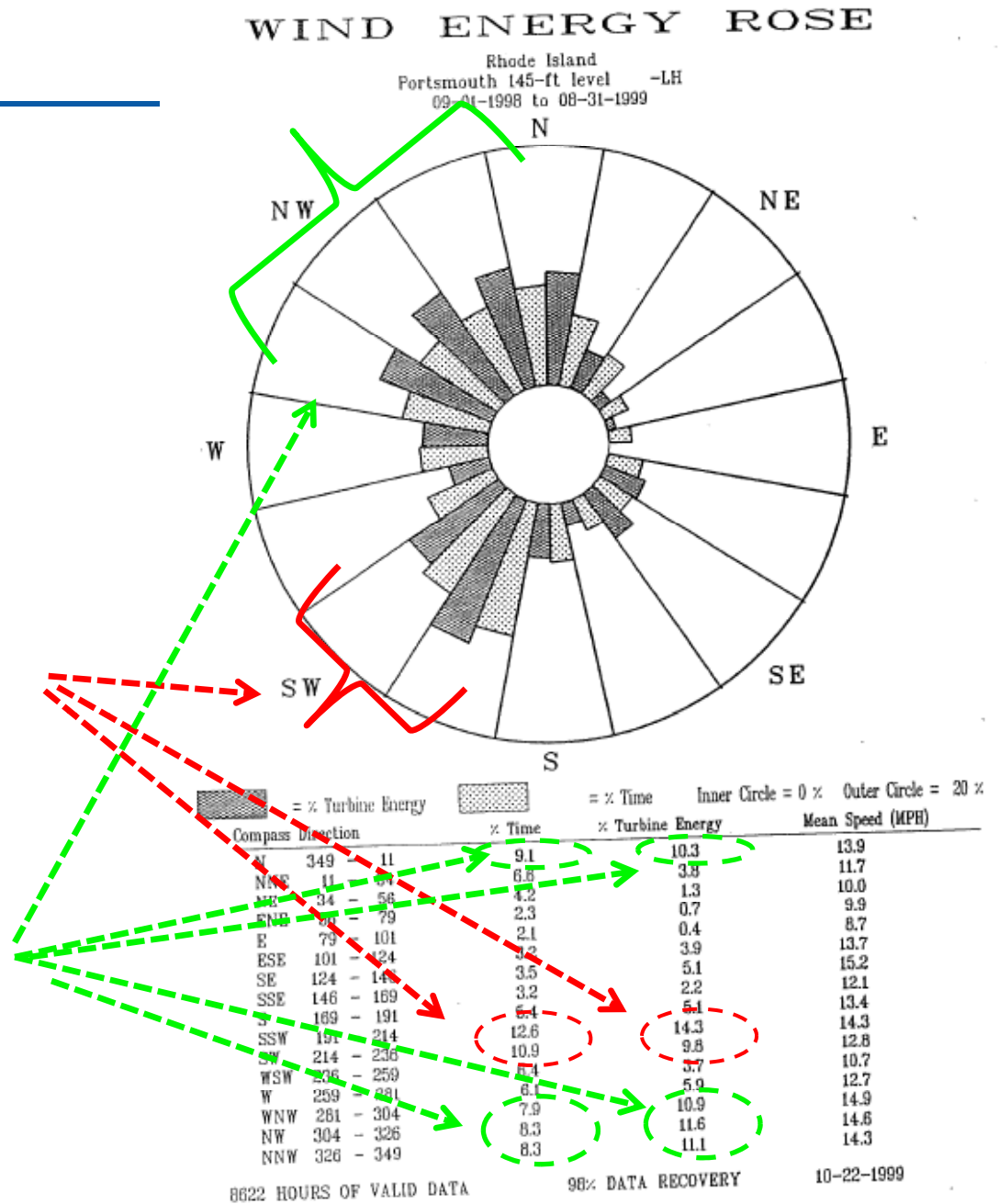


Using Wind Data

Portsmouth wind data Sept/98 Aug/99

Summer winds - ~SW
23.5% of the time
23.8% of the wind energy

Winter winds - ~NW -> N
33.6% of the time
43.9% of the wind energy





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Important Terms

Cut in wind speed: The wind speed that the turbine starts producing power (may be different than the speed at which the turbine starts spinning)

Rated Wind Speed: The wind speed at which the turbine is producing “rated power” – though “rated power” is defined by the manufacture

Cut out wind speed: The wind speed at which the turbine stops producing power

Shut down wind speed: The wind speed at which the turbine stops to prevent damage

Survival wind speed: Wind speed that the turbine is designed to withstand without falling over

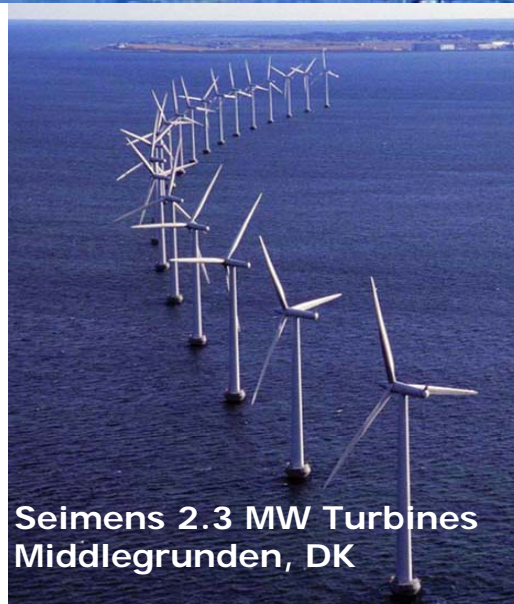
Availability: The amount of time that the wind turbine is available to produce power (Maintenance parameter)

Capacity Factor: The annual energy production of a wind turbine divided by the theoretical production if it ran at full rated power all of the time (Resource parameter)

- The stronger the resource the higher the Capacity Factor
- Usually reported monthly or yearly
- 25-40% is typical, up to 60% has been reported
- Reason for the “only works 1/3 of the time” quote.



Offshore Wind Technology Today



- Initial development and demonstration stage; 22 projects, 1135 MW installed
- Fixed bottom shallow water 0-30m depth
- 2 – 5 MW upwind rotor configurations
- 70+ meter tower height on monopoles and gravity bases
- Mature submarine power cable technology
- Existing oil and gas experience is essential
- Reliability problems and turbine shortages have discouraged early boom in development.
- Cost are not well established in the US.

Offshore Wind Turbines Accessibility is a Challenge

