# NTA ANALYSIS

### **Reliability Exposure**

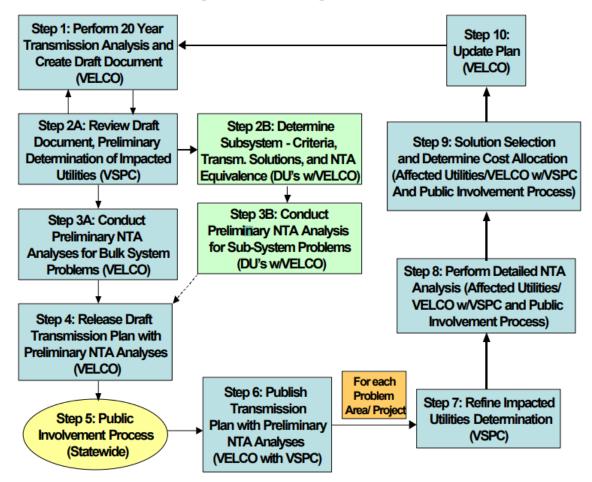
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# Background

Transmission Planning Process Including Non-Transmission Alternatives



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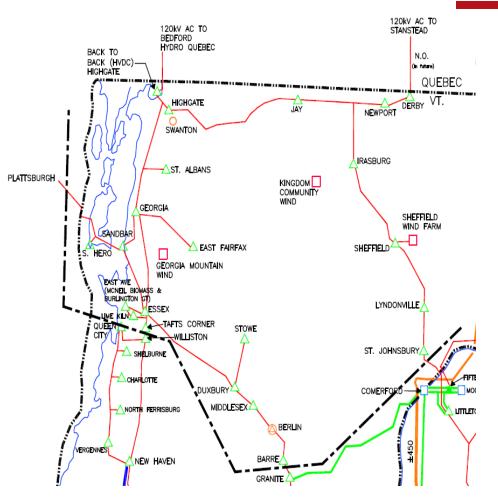
## 2024 LRP Result Summary

| Su                     | IMMARY OF BULK SYSTEM  | ESTIMATED     | LEAD                    |                            |
|------------------------|--|---------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| REGIONAL GROUPING &    |  | TRANSMISSION  | & AFFECTED DISTRIBUTION | Screened in or out of      |
| TRANSMISSION SOLUTIONS |  | PROJECT COST  | UTILITIES               | FULL NTA ANALYSIS          |
| Northern area          |  |               | Lead: GMP               | In                         |
| •                      | N-1-1 contingencies causing overload & voltage collapse exposure |               | Affected: All VT        | 75 MW of load              |
| •                      | Install a new 115 kV line between Essex and Williston            | \$120M        |                         | reduction in northern      |
| •                      | Affected transformers: Queen City, Tafts Corner, Barre           | Three X \$11M |                         | area by 2033               |
| •                      | Need date is 2032 based on winter expected forecast              |               |                         | Grows over time            |
| N                      | orthwest area – includes northern area                           |               | Lead: GMP               | In                         |
| •                      | N-1-1 contingencies causing thermal overload                     |               | Affected: All VT        | 80 MW of load              |
| •                      | Rebuild West Rutland to Middlebury 115 kV line                   | \$215M        |                         | reduction in northwest     |
| •                      | Affected transformer: Middlebury                                 | \$13M         |                         | area by 2033               |
| •                      | Need date is 2029 based on summer expected forecast              |               |                         | Grows over time            |
| Ce                     | entral area – includes northwest area                            |               | Lead: GMP               | In                         |
| •                      | N-1-1 contingencies causing thermal overload                     |               | Affected: All VT        | Keep load below 2033       |
| •                      | Rebuild Coolidge - Cold River - North Rutland 115 kV line        | \$185M        |                         | load level in central area |
| •                      | Affected transformers: North Rutland, Cold River, Windsor        | Three X \$13M |                         | Grows over time            |
| •                      | Need date is 2034 based on summer expected forecast              |               |                         |                            |
| Sc                     | outhern area – includes central area                             | No VELCO      | Lead: GMP               | In                         |
| •                      | Rebuild NGRID Bellows Falls-Ascutney Tap 115 kV line and GMP     | estimate      | Affected: All VT,       | Keep load below 2033       |
|                        | Vernon Road to Newfane 46 kV                                     |               | NGRID                   | load level in southern     |
| •                      | N-1-1 contingency causing thermal overload                       |               |                         | area                       |
| •                      | Affected transformer: GMP Vernon Road 115/46 kV                  |               |                         | Grows over time            |
| •                      | Need date is 2034 based on summer expected forecast              |               |                         |                            |
| St                     | ate of Vermont   |               | Lead: GMP               | In                         |
| •                      | N-1-1 contingency causing thermal overload                       |               | Affected: All VT,       | Keep load below 2033       |
| •                      | Install new 345 kV line between Vernon & Eversource Northfield,  | \$5M for      | Eversource              | load level in Vermont      |
|                        | MA   | VELCO portion |                         | Grows over time            |
| •                      | Affected transformers: Bennington                                | \$13M         |                         |                            |
| •                      | Need date is 2034 based on summer expected forecast              |               |                         |                            |



# **POLICY SCENARIO 2033**

#### Northern Vermont area of concern





- \* N-1-1 contingencies causing thermal overload and voltage collapse exposure
- \* Affected transformers: Queen City, Tafts Corner, Barre
- \* New 115 kV line between Essex and Williston
- \* Timing: 2032 based on winter forecast
- \* NTA: 75 MW of load reduction in northern area by 2033. Grows over time.



### Step 8: NTA Analysis

- Reliability Exposure:
  - How often will the NTA be needed and for how long
  - Area focused: Northern area, Northwest area
  - Identify the frequency and duration of the issues identified in the LRP
  - Identify the critical load for summer and winter
  - Use sectionalizing of the subtransmission system



### **Step 8: NTA Analysis**

### • Frequency

• How many days of the year will show an overload at the peak hour

| Velco Load | Date            |
|------------|-----------------|
| 1388.95    | 1/18/33 6:00 PM |
| 1365.73    | 1/19/33 6:00 PM |
| 1344.83    | 1/12/33 6:00 PM |
| 1337.73    | 1/20/33 6:00 PM |
| 1327.33    | 1/13/33 6:00 PM |
| 1316.82    | 1/14/33 6:00 PM |
| 1304.44    | 1/21/33 6:00 PM |
| 1302.55    | 1/24/33 6:00 PM |
| 1294.45    | 1/28/33 6:00 PM |
| 1293.33    | 1/17/33 6:00 PM |
| 1291.74    | 1/25/33 6:00 PM |
|            |                 |

- Scale down the load for the target area until finding the critical load
- The worst contingency is simulated and the sub-transmission system sectionalized
- Compare critical load to forecasted load in summer/winter 2033



### **Step 8: NTA Analysis**

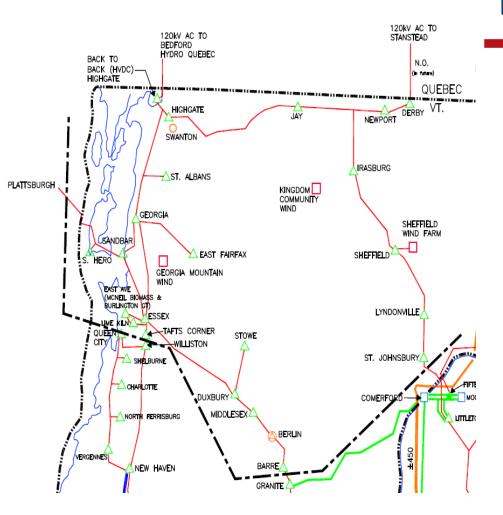
### Duration

| Date            | Gross_Load |
|-----------------|------------|
| 1/18/2033 0:00  | 462.81     |
| 1/18/2033 1:00  | 444.6      |
| 1/18/2033 2:00  | 430.76     |
| 1/18/2033 3:00  | 424.19     |
| 1/18/2033 4:00  | 429.6      |
| 1/18/2033 5:00  | 444.58     |
| 1/18/2033 6:00  | 470.88     |
| 1/18/2033 7:00  | 500.83     |
| 1/18/2033 8:00  | 520.56     |
| 1/18/2033 9:00  | 534.09     |
| 1/18/2033 10:00 | 530.94     |
| 1/18/2033 11:00 | 522.2      |
| 1/18/2033 12:00 | 510.6      |
| 1/18/2033 13:00 | 497.89     |
| 1/18/2033 14:00 | 483        |
| 1/18/2033 15:00 | 481.57     |
| 1/18/2033 16:00 | 493.34     |
| 1/18/2033 17:00 | 539.5      |
| 1/18/2033 18:00 | 579.68     |
| 1/18/2033 19:00 | 566.56     |
| 1/18/2033 20:00 | 543.73     |
| 1/18/2033 21:00 | 524.1      |
| 1/18/2033 22:00 | 503.22     |
| 1/18/2033 23:00 | 484.31     |

- How many additional hours of the day continue to show the overload
- Scale down the peak load for the target area until finding the critical load
- The worst contingency is simulated and the subtransmission system sectionalized
- Compare critical load to forecasted load in summer/winter 2033
- Summer load is decreased to account for the DER contribution during daytime



### **Northern Vermont Area 2033**



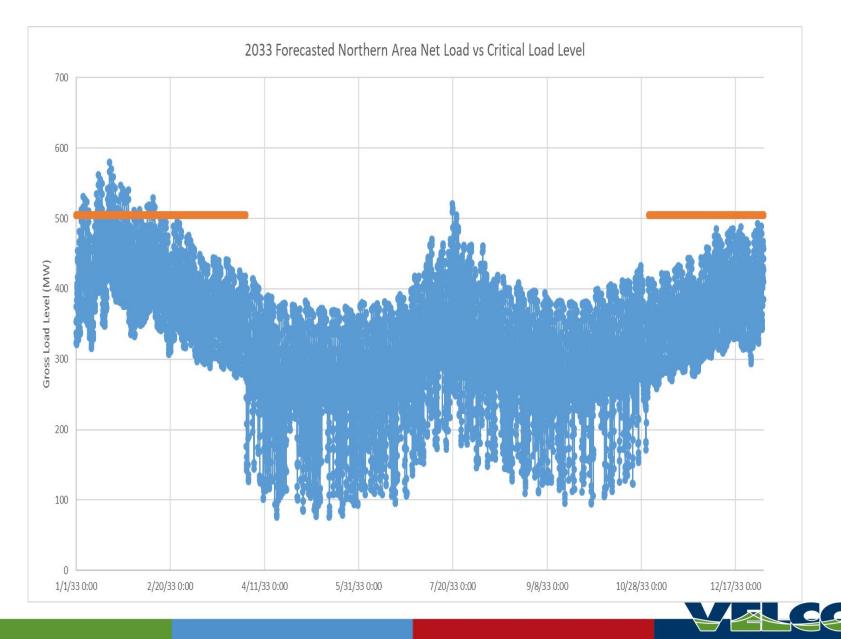
#### Northern Vermont area of concern

### Winter case

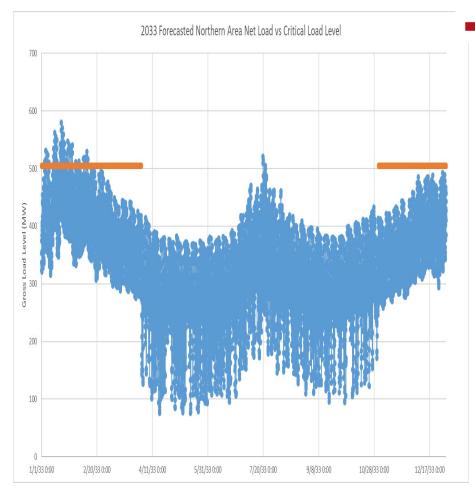
- K54/K27 N-1-1 scenario
- Overload: Queen City T2 115/34.5kV transformer
- Sub-transmission lines opened



### **Northern Vermont Area 2033**



# Northern Vermont Reliability Exposure

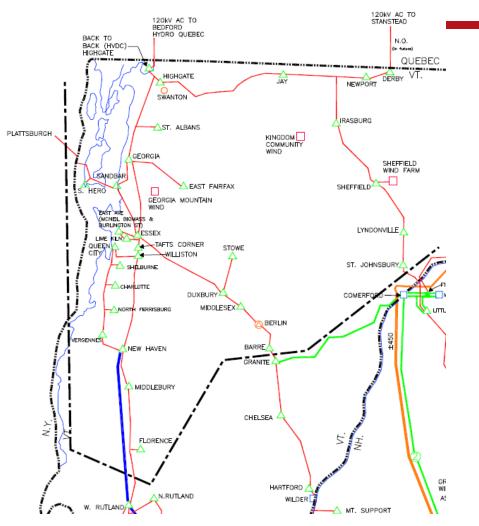


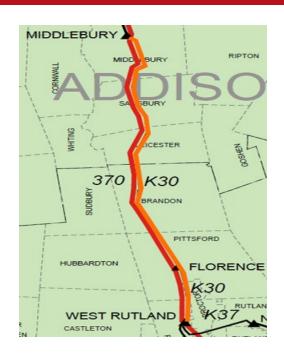
#### Northern Vermont area of concern

- Frequency:
  - Load reduction needed 29 days of the year
- Daily Duration:
  - Longest duration: 5h
  - Worst day: load reduction needed twice (2\*5h)
- Total duration: 87h



#### POLICY SCENARIO 2033 Northwest Vermont area of concern





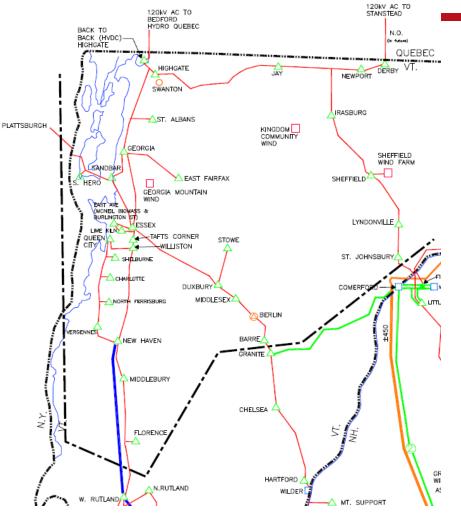
\* N-1-1 contingencies causing thermal overload

- \* Affected transformer: Middlebury
- \* Rebuild West Rutland to Middlebury 115 kV line
- \* Timing is 2029 based on summer forecast
- \* NTSA: 80 MW of load reduction in northwest area by 2033. Grows over time



## **POLICY SCENARIO 2033**

# Northwest Vermont area of concern



### •Summer/Winter case

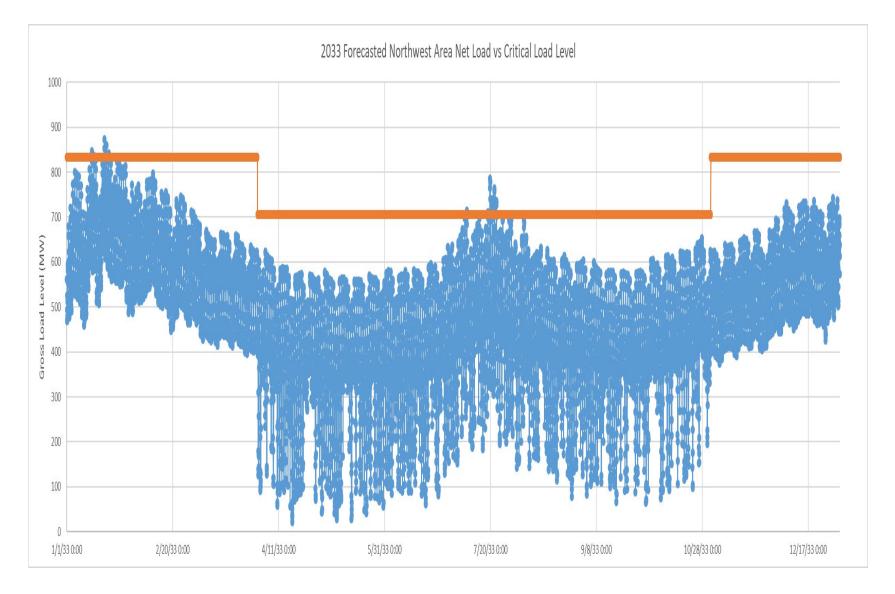
-K370/K42 N-1-1 scenario

-Overload: K30 West Rutland to Florence to Middlebury 115 kV line

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- Subtransmission lines opened
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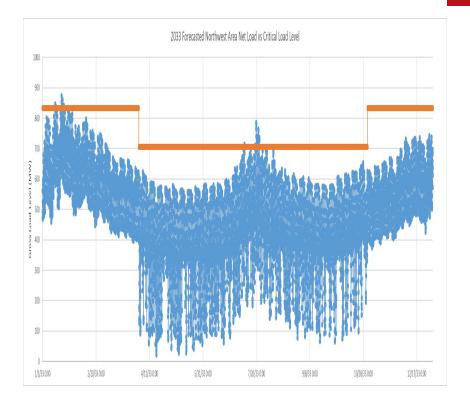
## **Northwest Vermont Area 2033**





## **POLICY SCENARIO 2033**

# Northwest Vermont area of concern



#### -Frequency:

- -Load reduction needed 11 days of the year
- -Daily Duration:
  - -Longest duration: 5h
  - -Worst day: load reduction needed once (1\*5h)
- -Total duration: 30h

